

Pelta Theta Sigma

The University of Minnesota

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January 24, 2016

Dear Honorary Members, Fellow Alumni Members, and Little Sister Alumni:

I'm writing to invite you to attend the upcoming Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet at the <u>American Legion in Chanhassen</u>, <u>MN on March 19, 2016</u>. This is a great opportunity to reunite with friends and recognize the Outstanding Alumni Award recipient, Adam Hart and the Gary Sorg Memorial recipient, Dr. Michael Schutz.

The American Legion in Chanhassen is near several breweries, which will allow attendees time to explore the **Lucid Brewery** in Minnetonka. Please indicate your interest in this tour on the response form and **meet at the American Legion parking lot at 3:30pm** so that the group can travel together (transportation provided).

The banquet and meeting will begin with a social hour at 5:00pm, followed by dinner at 6:00pm. Dinner will be a roast beef & grilled chicken buffet. The Annual Business Meeting will be conducted after dinner at approximately 7:00pm.

Please register for the Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet by March 1, 2016 so we can obtain an accurate meal count for the event. Pre-registration is \$25.00/person or \$30.00/person at the door. There is a reduced rate block of rooms reserved for March 19th under "Delta Theta Sigma" at the AmericInn in Chanhassen. You can call (952) 034-3888 to reserve a room. AmericInn is located at 570 Pond Promenade, Chanhassen, MN 55317. **Deadline for the room block is February 19, 2016**

There are two ways to pre-register for the Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet by March 1, 2016:

- 1) Register & pay online at: www.deltathetasigma.org/event-registration/
- 2) Fill out the included registration/response forms and mail them back to us.

You will notice we have included a postage paid envelope with this mailing. This was an intentional investment! In an effort to save on future mailing costs, we are transitioning to electronic communication. Please sign up via the response form to receive your DTS – Delta Chapter Alumni communication electronically. We value your feedback/engagement and ask that you answer the other questions in the response form as well.

The active chapter is requesting leads for men considering attending the U of MN and pursuing their interest in agriculture. At this time, Delta is in an aggressive membership building position. All support/ideas in this area are appreciated.

Three board members have expiring terms; Dan Krekelberg, Jon Schmidt, and Mark Enninga. We are seeking nominations to fill these expiring terms. Alumni board members serve three-year terms. Each year we meet 3 times in person and 2 times via phone. If you would be interested in contributing your time and talents to better the fraternity, or would like to nominate an individual please send your nominations to alumni@deltathetasigma.org.

Included with this letter is an Endowment Fund update from our Vice President and Endowment Chair, Ryan Thelemann. Please take the time to review this information.

On behalf of the Alumni Board, I look forward to hearing from you soon and seeing you in March.

Sincerely,

Alumni Board President Phone: (763) 656-9459

Personal Email: mark.enninga@yahoo.com Alumni Board Email: alumni@deltathetasigma.org



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Dear DTS Alumni:

As the board prepares for the 2016 Awards Banquet, we would like to update you on the Delta Theta Sigma Endowment Fund. As many of you know, this fund was created to invest and grow alumni donations specifically given to fund the construction of a new chapter house.

The fund was started in 2002 and has made steady growth since its inception. Many alumni have become annual donors, and each year first time donors come from all generations of alumni. Thank you for your contributions; they are securing the viability of our organization into the future. The relationships, experiences, and knowledge gained from our time as Delta Theta Sigma members is invaluable and we believe that this is a great cause for all alumni to continue to support and invest in.

For the past two years we have been accepting donations via the Delta Theta Sigma Chapter website: http://deltathetasigma.org. It has proven to be an easy, secure way to donate to the Endowment Fund whenever the time is right for you throughout the year. Online transactions are handled by PayPal, the leading online payment service. We will continue to take donations by mail as we have always done.

The board's goal is to grow this fund responsibly to ensure the long-term viability of the Delta Chapter. In a challenging year for investments and losses in many markets, our 2015 ending balance was \$121,694, a slight positive growth from \$121,476 at the end of 2014. We continue to review the account with our financial advisor and believe we are on the right track given the longer-term investment goals of the Endowment Fund.

For those that are considering donating for the first time, I ask that you consider a donation as both progress towards building a new house as well as securing Delta Theta Sigma's place as an outstanding University of Minnesota organization. Let's continue striving to make DTS the best fraternity on campus and provide future generations with the same fraternal benefits that we all experienced!

Please make your donations payable to: Delta Theta Sigma Endowment Fund. Thanks again for your generous and continued support.

Feel free to contact one of us if you have any questions, concerns, and/or ideas.

Fraternally,

The Delta Theta Sigma Alumni Board

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Ryan Thelemann Shane McFadden

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If you don't want to register on www.deltathetasigma.org/event-registration/ please mail in this response page to the following address: **Shane McFadden** 1113 Whisper St. NW New Prague, MN 56071 **Contact Information Update** Name:______ Mailing Address:_____ Phone Number: _____ Email Address: ____ I would like to receive communications from Delta Theta Sigma Delta Chapter electronically. Delta Theta Sigma Delta Chapter **Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet American Legion Post 580** 290 Lake Drive East, Chanhassen, MN 55317 March 19, 2016 Yes, I (we) Number _____ will be attending the Delta Theta Sigma Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet. The preregistration is \$25.00/person, \$30.00/person at the door. (Please RSVP by March 1, 2016) □ Payment enclosed \$_ *Please make checks payable to Delta Theta Sigma Inc. Please indicate # for each meal: Roast Beef and Grilled Chicken Buffet □ I will pay \$30/individual at the door \$_____ Yes, I (we) Number _____ will be attending the **Lucid Brewery Tour** which leaves the American Legion Post 580 parking lot at 3:30pm. No, I (we) will not be attending the Delta Theta Sigma Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet this year. **Endowment Fund Contribution** New donor
 Previous donor Amount: \$_____ *Please make checks payable to Delta Theta Sigma Endowment Fund and enclose check with this form.

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I am interested in serving on the Alumni Board. Please contact me at	provide email or phone number)
Nominations for Board positions, Outstanding Alumni and Gary Sorg Memorial Award order to be considered):	ls (please include reason for nomination in
Suggestions for Improving the Fraternity:	
DTS Annual Scholarship Nominee Referrals:	
We would appreciate your opinion of previous Awards Banquets and possible reasons for	or not attending.
Number of times I have attended the Awards Banquet:	
Possible reason(s) I may not have attended Awards Banquets in the past (pick all that ap	pply):
 Time or date conflict 	
 Distance from Banquet location. 	
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Suggestions for future Awards Banquets:	