Initiation Of 15-Member Pledge Class Caps Off Successful Year

This year has been a very successful one for the Technology Chapter. The highlight of the term was the initiation of 15 new pledges. The class of 2003 was formally initiated on March 12, 2000. The initiation ushered in the biggest class in recent memory and was marked by the attendance of two deans and several campus administrators, as well as many parents and alumni. Brother Dave Latham ’61 presided over the ceremony, and brother Raj Jindal ’95 gave a moving charge to the pledges. A great dinner, prepared by our chef, Dave Zeno, followed the ceremony. The biggest thank you, however, goes to Pledge Trainer Juan Araiza ’00, who successfully guided the pledges through their program and organized all the initiation festivities.

More positive news came from Chancellor Bacow, who delayed the date after which freshmen can no longer live at fraternity houses. Because of problems building the proposed dormitory, freshmen will now be able to live at the fraternities until 2002, instead of 2001. This gives us more time to formulate a plan to survive without freshmen in 2002.

In facility management news, we have greatly improved the cleanliness of our back lot by purchasing a dumpster. This should solve the problems we had with Boston Inspectional Services at the end of 1999 regarding garbage.

We also started an aluminum-can recycling program at the house and will donate all proceeds from the cans to cancer research. Now we can feel good about ourselves with each soda we drink. Brother Jeff Colton ’02 deserves most of the credit for making this idea a reality at Delta Upsilon.

We are looking forward to the end of a great term, although we will miss the eight seniors who are graduating from MIT this spring.

Please don’t hesitate to contact or visit the house if you are in the Boston area. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at jha3@mit.edu.

Fraternally,
Jim Anderson ’01
Chapter President

(continued on page two)
Alumni President
Involved With MIT’s Study Of Housing Plan

(continued from page one)
of the board of allocation for the independent residence development fund.

Steve engaged the services of a very capable group of architectural consultants, and a small group of us worked together with them to come up with a straw-man configuration including several interesting options.

The bottom line is that it would cost about $24 million to provide new housing on campus for six groups of 44 residents each. The financing would be feasible, but not easy, for those houses with substantial equity in their current property. Groups without equity would need significant financial help.

There are still many hurdles to overcome before this project can become a reality, but it is interesting enough that I will stay involved. This may or may not be the right move for DU, but it is clear to me that it is a good direction for the MIT housing system as a whole.

Dave Latham ’61
Alumni President

Moving? Let us know, too.
Send us your new address so that you don’t miss a single issue of The DU Beacon.

The DU Beacon
Published regularly by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Chapter of Delta Upsilon Fraternity, P.O. Box 390575, Cambridge, MA 02139-0007.

Farewell, Class of 2000!

JUAN ARAIZA has earned a degree in mechanical engineering and is from Corpus Christi, Texas. As of publication, Juan was undecided about his plans for next year. At MIT, Juan captained the varsity soccer team this fall and served as DU pledge trainer.

BEN CHUN has earned a degree in electrical engineering and computer science and is from Vacaville, California. Ben has taken a job in software development at Macromedia in San Francisco. At MIT, Ben has been a member of the varsity water polo and swimming teams and an active leader on campus through the Inter Fraternity Council.

BLAIR DUNN has earned a degree in electrical engineering and computer science and is from McLean, Virginia. Next year, Blair will be joining several other DU alums at Bain and Company in Boston. Blair served as DU president during the spring of his junior year and has been a member of MIT’s soccer and lacrosse teams.

ANDRES HERNANDEZ has earned a degree in mechanical engineering and is from San Antonio, Texas. Andres’ plans are undecided. He has held the office of president at DU.

WILLIAM NOON has earned a degree in materials science and is from Lewistown, New York. Next year, William will pursue a PhD in bio-engineering at Rice University. Will has been house manager and summer president.

MICHAEL RAINEY has earned a degree in chemical engineering and is from Grosse Point City, Michigan. Next year, Mike will work at Goldman Sachs in New York City in investment banking. Mike has been very active as an undergraduate in a variety of activities. This spring, he was the varsity lacrosse captain, headed the Course X tutoring program, and spent time as risk manager at Delta Upsilon.

JEFFERY STAMLER has earned a degree in chemical engineering and is from Cincinnati, Ohio. Next year, J.D. will attend medical school (either Case Western Reserve, Columbia, or Vanderbilt). J.D. played varsity lacrosse and rugby at MIT. He was rush chair this fall and house steward at one time.

ZACHERY WARREN has earned a degree in electrical engineering and computer science and is from Boxborough, Massachusetts. Next year, Zach will pursue a master’s degree at MIT. Zach played varsity soccer at MIT.
Chapter Welcomes Largest Pledge Class In Memory

On Sunday, March 12, 2000, more than 80 people witnessed the initiation of 15 worthy men into the Technology Chapter of Delta Upsilon. This initiation was the largest ever, and the number of guests outnumbered the brothers. Family, friends, and several of MIT’s distinguished administrators, including Dean of Students Margaret Bates and Assistant Dean of Residence and Campus Activities Neal Dorow, attended the initiation.

It was a huge success, with Alumni Board President Dave Latham ’61 serving as the master of ceremonies and brother Raja Vinay Jindal ’95 giving the charge. Recently, Raja has been one of our most dedicated alumni, often taking time to visit the house and contributing his experience and knowledge to the matters at hand. Raja’s charge addressed the importance of writing down clear goals and explained how journal writing has helped him do this. He then shared a number of entries from his private journal, which he began keeping as an undergraduate at Delta Upsilon. His presentation not only inspired the class of 2003, but also moved many of the upperclassmen to take a closer look at their lives and the meaning of their college experience.

After the ceremony, everyone feasted on an excellent steamship roast, prepared by cook Dave Zeno and served by two undergraduate waiters. The dinner gave everyone a chance to reminisce about his time at college and at DU.

The initiated members in pledge order are: Jonathan Lee Jackson, Mark Joseph Kastantin, Justin Blaise Raveche, Aaron David Fernandes, Scott Brian Mahar, Thomas Anthony Becker, Scott Aron Hansen, Matthew Craig Waldon, Nicholas Kendall Abercrombie, Ryan Matthew Wagar, James Charles Brady, Marius John Hauser, Colin Trevor Galbraith, David James Hensle, and Collins Pettus Ward.

Juan Araiza ’00
Pledge Trainer

Delta Upsilon Brothers Shine In Varsity And Intramural Sports

Delta Upsilon was well represented on MIT’s varsity athletic fields this year. In the fall, our boys were members of the soccer, water polo, and rowing teams.

The soccer season looked promising as junior Jim Anderson opened the first game with a scissor-kick goal. However, things began to fall apart after senior captain Juan Araiza went down with an injury. Two of the team’s four goalkeepers were from DU—junior Mike Frakes returned after a two-year stint playing intramurals, and David Hensle showed promise as a freshman starter. Senior Zac Warren was solid, as usual, and freshmen Mark Kastantin and Scott Mahar were strong off the bench.

It was a rebuilding year for the water polo team. Four of the six starters were from DU, including sophomore Jeff Colton and freshman Jamie Brady. Senior Ben Chun dazzled the maximum-capacity crowds with his blazing speed, and junior captain Stefan Bewley returned from a shoulder injury to deliver several stellar performances. Sophomore pledge Scott Hansen also saw a lot of playing time and made the most of it.

DU alum Jeff Ma ’94 is still coaching the MIT varsity water polo team. Sophomore Brian Richter represents DU on varsity crew, and team members Tom Becker, Collins Ward, Nicholas Abercrombie, and Matt Waldon anchor a strong boat of freshmen. The freshmen have a serious chance of being one of the top boats in the nation this spring as they have already crushed Columbia and surprised Harvard with their speed.

It was also a great season for the swimmers. The men’s team placed first in its conference and went on to finish eighth in the New England finals. Furthermore, Ben Chun and Stefan Bewley, of water polo fame, both made the All New England Team. Jeff Colton also scored several points for the engineer swimmers.

Captain Mike Rainey will lead MIT’s lacrosse team this year. He will be starting for the fourth straight year. Alumnus Jeff Steinheider ’99 will also be fulfilling his fourth year of eligibility as a starting defender. Senior Blair Dunn and junior Chris Ebeling will be putting in plenty of time on defense, while freshman Mark Kastantin will be starting at the midfield. Kastantin, a top prospect, tallied three goals and two assists in the early season. Two other freshmen who will see some playing time this season are Jon Jackson and Scott Mahar.

Finally, the house will be represented in rugby by senior J.D. Stamler and sophomore Ben Powers.

DU has been active in intramural sports, as well. Though many doubted me, I managed to fill the void left by former goalkeeper Mike Frakes ’01 on the

(continued on page four)
ARCH H. COPELAND ’38 will be moving to Florida this year or after he sells his house. Until then, keep in touch with him at 739 Stony Ridge Rd., Heber Springs, AZ 72543.

ALBERT F. CLEAR ’42 is now chairman of Ansonia Copper and Brass in Ansonia, Connecticut. Write to him at 344 Westmont, West Hartford, CT 06117.

Write to JOHN M. THOMPSON ’45 at 2596 Magellan Lane, Vista, CA 92083 (lorjac@utm.net).

JOHN W. O’BRIEN JR. ’58 lost his wife, Jane, of 36 years in December. “OB” spends time with his five children, four grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. Write to him at 119 Jasmine Creek Dr., Corona del Mar, CA 92625-1418 (obrien@jwobrien.com).

BARRETT B. ROACH ’62 and his wife, Kate, have been proprietors since 1990 of Jewell Vineyards, a 16-acre vineyard on the northeast shoulder of Sonoma Mountain where they produce Pinot Noir grapes. He writes, “We held our first release tasting in April of our 1998 Pinot Noir (a Coturri wine), and more than 200 people came. Fellow wine collectors DAVID LATHAM ’61 and DAVID STARE ’62 were out of town. Dave L. was in Montreal playing in the CanAm hockey tournament with three of his sons (in July, he’ll be playing with a team from Los Angeles in the Schultz Tournament in the over-60 division). Dave S. was hawking his Dry Creek wines in Maine.” Write to Barry at 7420 Sonoma Mountain Rd., Glen Ellen, CA 95442 (roachb@flash.net dex.com).

DAVID S. STARE ’62, who is president of Dry Creek Vineyard, has visited with DICK SUTTON ’62. Say hello to Dave at 3685 W. Dry Creek Rd., Healdsburg, CA 95448 (dstare@drycreekvineyard.com).

Chairman of ACTV, Inc., WILLIAM C. SAMUELS ’65 (139 E. 19th St., New York, NY 10003, bills@actv.com) is having fun in the new media business and enjoying his three-year-old daughter. Bill has seen BILL BRODY ’65 in Washington.

Keep in touch with ERIK B. AN-

DECEASED

CHARLES E. BURNHAM ’43
March 16, 1999

JOHN M. PRIZER ’52

JAMES A. ZURBRIGEN ’53

DERSON ’69 at 5655 E. Mercer, Mercer Island, WA 98040.

Please note this new address for DOUGLAS S. LUTHER ’73 of 1535 Ipukula St., Honolulu, HI 96821.

COURTNEY J. McCracken ’76 has this new address of 77 Pitman St., #205, Providence, RI 02906.

STEVEN O. RICHARDSON ’79 writes, “After 17 years in Wyoming, opportunity lured me back to city life. My wife, Mari, and I have already enjoyed much of what Virginia and Maryland have to offer since moving to Fairfax. So far, we have gotten in touch with TONY OTTEN ’78, TOM STEFANICK ’78, and their families. Now that I’m more accessible, I look forward to hearing from brothers who live nearby or are planning a trip to the DC area.” Steve’s new address is 3044 Mission Square Dr., Fairfax, VA 22031 (stevensr@erols.com). He is now director of public sector programs for the Mercatus Center at George Mason University.

Schlumberger transferred JASON K. JONAS ’88 and Robyn back to the Houston area. They visited with Wendy and MIKE ROBERTS ’87, GEORGE CATHEY ’91, RICHARD WARNOCK ’88, and ERIK GILBERT ’84 in Durango, Colorado. Jason writes, “A good time was had by all.” Get in touch with him at 4807 Lake Creek Circle, Missouri City, TX 77459 (jjonas@slb.com).

A. SHENDURE ’95, who returned to Boston in August 1999 to attend Harvard Business School. Say hello to him at 7 Myrick St., #1, Allston, MA 02134 (shendure@alum.mit.edu).

JEFFREY LeBlanc’98 writes, “Last summer was one of the best of my life. I married Giselle Crosa and celebrated with a number of fellow brothers in Portland, Oregon. Following a glorious honeymoon in Maui, we settled down in San Francisco.” Write to Jeff at this new address: 650 Alvarado, Apt. 304, San Francisco, CA 94114 (jefflebl@alum.mit.edu).

Delta Upsilon Brothers

Shine In Varsity And Intramural Sports

(continued from page three) intramural soccer team. Dubbed “the wall,” I did not allow one goal all year. It is likely that this trend would have continued throughout the playoffs had the Ducks not been disqualified on a technicality.

The IM basketball team suffered some key losses faced with a competitive A-league schedule. Despite solid performances by guard Chris Kelly ’02 and center Matt Hausmann ’01, the Ducks failed to make the playoffs.

Pool was a new intramural sport this year. The Ducks, anchored by Juan Araiza and Andres Hernandez, did well, perhaps thanks to the infamous “DU roll.”

Will Noon ’00 led the IM hockey team, but the Ducks relied on the brute strength and scathing slap shot of junior Alex Johnson when Will was absent. Unfortunately, the hockey team also failed to make the playoffs.

This year’s IM volleyball team will be led by former varsity star Aaron Beals ’02 and his big brother, Bryan Ly ’01. The team hoped to take the B-league crown.

Last, but far from least, is the IM water polo squad. Stocked with former varsity swimmers Matt Hausmann, Ben Powers, and Josh Jackson, the polo team is unlikely to be challenged.

Aaron Fernandes ’03
Athletics Chair