



# THETA DELTA DRAGON

Beta Theta Pi at The Ohio State University • Fall 2018

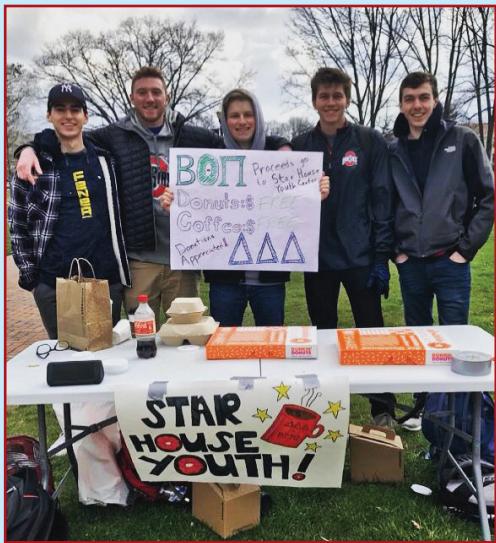


*The Theta Delta Chapter of Beta Theta Pi after this spring's initiation ceremony.*



*The spring 2018 new member class after initiation.*

## Theta Delta Raises \$13,000 for Local Youth Center



*Members of the spring 2018 class sold donuts and coffee on campus to raise money for the Star House Youth Shelter.*

The spring 2018 semester was a great learning experience and success for the Theta Delta Chapter.

We initiated a class of 28 dedicated and excited new members. We also held our most successful philanthropy event to date, a concert featuring two of our Chapter's DJs and headlined by up-and-coming artist Bryce Vine, who was recently featured on *Late Night with Seth Meyers*. This was the first Chapter event hosted at the new house, and it was wildly successful. The concert raised \$13,000 for Columbus' homeless youth center, Star House. Star House gives homeless youth, ages 14 to 24, a place to go during the day for meals, clothes, and tips on how to get a job.

This summer has been a big one for individuals in the Chapter. We have brothers with internships all over, including Ohio, South Carolina, and

even London. Another brother was in OCS training with the United States military.

At Beta Theta Pi's Convention this summer, Theta Delta Chapter was given the Excellence in Risk Management award. We're very proud of this achievement, and hope to maintain that level of excellence.

This fall, we look to continue our work with the University and other Greek organizations to better our Chapter and our community. If alumni are ever in the area, please swing by the house and introduce yourself to our members. It's always great having you back at Theta Delta.



In \_kai\_,  
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## Alumni Support Keeps Theta Delta's Traditions Alive *Make an Impact with Your Gift Today*

**O**n behalf of the campaign leadership, I would like to thank everyone who has participated in our effort to construct a top-notch facility for Theta Delta. We would not have had a successful first year in our new house without the hard work and dedication of so many alumni, undergraduates, and friends, and it is gratifying to see many of you step forward with such generous financial and volunteer support.

### FOUNDING FATHERS GRADUATE THIS SPRING

We are proud to say that our first graduating class of founding fathers graduated this spring. They are a very strong, smart, and talented group

of individuals. Four are pursuing a career in medicine, one in law, one in architecture, several with fortune 500 companies, and many more exciting opportunities. They are grateful for their experience in Beta and for the alumni they've interacted with. To see a list of graduates, see page 3.

### CHAPTER MOVED IN ON AUGUST 20; STRONG NEW MEMBER CLASS

Our undergraduate brothers were very excited and eager to move back into their home this fall. Move-in day was August 20 and it was a sight

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# YOUR HELP CAN MAKE THE DIFFERENCE TODAY

## *Help Us Pay Off Our Construction Loan with Your Gift*

We sincerely thank all of our generous donors. Your commitment to *A Return to Principles: The Campaign for Theta Delta* is making a difference. Your generosity demonstrates a sense of gratitude for your personal experience. We still need commitments from the rest of our alumni to reach our \$5 million goal.

All supporters of the project pledging \$2,500 and above will be recognized on a prominently displayed plaque in our new Chapter House. We sincerely apologize if there's an error in recording your gift or your name. We're working hard to record this vital information, so please advise our campaign coordinator at (785) 843-1661 to make any corrections. Join your brothers on this list by using the enclosed pledge form and envelope to make your pledge today. Thank you for your support!

### New Founder Circle (\$1,000,000 and above)

David L. Brennan '53

### Three Stars Circle (\$500,000 to \$999,999)

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### 165 Circle (\$250,000 to \$499,999)

Ralph W. Talmage '71

### Wooglin Circle (\$100,000 to \$249,999)

David W. Wright '67  
In honor of the  
Class of '67  
Larry Abbott '70  
Dominic Bagnoli '85  
Steve Jeney '85

### kai Society (\$50,000 to \$99,999)

Nelson French '47

### Dragon Society (\$25,000 to \$49,999)

Anonymous  
Theta Delta  
Undergraduate Chapter  
James B. Findley '54  
David R. Rudy '56  
Terry Taylor '62  
Joesph A. Chinnici Jr. '64

Robert M. Taylor '64  
Roger L. Albrecht '68

In memory of  
James W. "Wally"  
Phillips '44  
John D. Beam '68  
In memory of  
James A. Beam '30

Larry R. Plum '68  
Daniel R. Pickett '80  
Dan Irwin III '85  
Arthur Z. Kovesdy '85  
Nonelle Family Gift

Richard Nonelle Jr. '85  
Michael Nonelle '89  
Gregory J. Andrews '86  
The Niermeyer Family  
Ronald Warwar '87  
In memory of  
Daniel Brower

### Inglenook Society (\$15,000 to \$24,999)

John O. Hopkins Sr. '57  
John Dilley '67  
Anthony M. Iacovetta '78

### Wreath of Gold Society (\$10,000 to \$14,999)

James C. Gorman '49  
William H. Zimmer Jr. '52  
Dr. John D. Jacob '60  
In memory of  
Don Hollenback '51 and  
John Ramseyer '59  
George R. Barry '61  
Rick Schwieterman '72  
Alan Veatch '79  
Barry Duerk '80  
Robert S. Leiter '84  
Darrin L. Bushong '93  
Monte E. Berg '99

### Beta Spirit Club (\$5,000 to \$9,999)

John D. Poffenberger '57  
Carl F. Weiffenbach '57  
Larry Biederman '59  
In memory of  
Bob Hartman '57  
Rick von Haam '61

In memory of  
Mike Fitzgerald '61  
Richard Foster '65  
William P. "Phil" White '65  
William Buckingham '67

Jon Bennett '69  
Robert F. Dilley '71  
Ralph Antolino Jr. '77  
James S. Flower '79  
Roderick I. Gregory '79  
Daniel S. Wigton '79  
John L. Rindler '85  
Bruce E. Borden '86  
Jared Friesner '02  
Matt Brown '05

### Diamond Club (\$2,500 to \$4,999)

Anonymous  
In memory of  
John Kerzman '88  
John H. Scofield '54  
John Y. Taggart '54  
Richard L. Morgan '55  
Richard E. Meredith '56  
Charles F. Wright '62

In memory of  
George T. Wright '32  
W. Richard Walton '63  
Fritz Milligan '64  
David A. Hammond '65  
Curtis L. High '66  
Donn G. Ellerbrock '70  
David K. Grumbach '70  
John C. Nisbet '71

William Goepfert '72  
Kim A. Cappel '73

Geoffrey Presson '73  
Robert Wilkins '74  
Michael P. Gaffney '75  
Eric Zeiher '75  
T. Andrew Janes '78  
Bruce P. Kupper '78  
Scott W. Saffell '78  
Tom Jordan '81

In memory of  
Daniel P. Jones '78  
In honor of  
Mike Riley '77  
Steven W. Kastenhuber '81  
Jay Attwood '84

In memory of  
The Pits Breakfast  
Joe "Beta" Bush '84  
Robert F. Maggiore '84  
Gary Vawter '85  
Robert Mahoney '88  
Mark Jerman '90  
Jeff Byle '95  
Mark J. Skogstad '96  
Chris Ingram '02  
Christian Hertl '03  
W. Hamilton Merritt '03  
Todd Stefanini '05

### Theta Delta Brotherhood Club (\$1,000 to \$2,499)

Joann Grimes  
In memory of  
Robert L. Grimes '53  
David Packo  
In honor of  
Grant Packo '20  
Richard C. Pickett '48  
In memory of  
John Hughes '47  
James C. Brown '52

### CAMPAIGN STATUS

AT-A-GLANCE  
As of August 24, 2018

Goal  
\$5 million

Total Commitments  
\$3,651,728  
Total Donors  
148

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# In the Spotlight: Theta Delta's Founders Class

This month instead of spotlighting one alumnus and updating everyone about what they've been up to since graduation, we thought we'd highlight the special group of men who graduated this spring.

The founders class was so instrumental in getting us started on the right foot and has been a tremendous asset to our Theta Delta Chapter. They took a chance to join a group of young men who wanted to make a difference on the campus at Ohio State.

Led by **Brock Griffin**, *Utah '13*, who helped us assemble the class, and initial President **Dan**

**Granger '16**, these young men did a great job in making sure the Beta Theta Pi Theta Delta Chapter will have a very successful future.

Imagine what it would be like to be recruited by fraternities on campus, but decide to make your own way to join a group of men committed to the Men of Principle concept and know that it is your responsibility to put everything together and set it off on the right path. Those young men graduated and to the right is a short list of where many of them have chosen to pursue the next chapter in their careers. We think you'll find it very impressive!

## Theta Delta Implements Alumni Speaker Series Ask How You Can Get Involved!

The Theta Delta Chapter is proud to announce we have started the Real Life Mondays alumni speaker series. One of our goals with this program is to make it easier for alumni to get involved with the Chapter, giving up only some of their time in order to further expand current members' knowledge and visibility into different industries and career paths. Alumni are being asked to give a short, 30-minute presentation on their career path, accomplishments and lessons learned throughout their career, useful skills to have in their industry, and any current opportunities available for the active brothers. Every presentation will end with a 15-minute Q&A session. The active brothers maintain one of the highest GPAs on campus and would love to learn from the experiences of influential and high-achieving alumni. This is a great opportunity for all alumni to give back to the Chapter.

We are looking for alumni to come and speak to the Chapter this fall. If you are interested in sharing your experiences with the brothers, please contact the Vice President of Communications **Maneesh Somisetty '20** at [somisetty.2@osu.edu](mailto:somisetty.2@osu.edu).

- You will be contacted before your speaking date for a quick summary of your career. With that information, questions will be developed.
- Brothers will be encouraged to ask questions during the Q&A portion, and any remaining time will be filled with the pre-written questions that will be provided to you.
- Please bring any PowerPoint (not necessary) on a flash drive or email the file to [somisetty.2@osu.edu](mailto:somisetty.2@osu.edu).

## Connect with Theta Delta Online



[www.osubeta.org](http://www.osubeta.org)



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## Beta Theta Pi Theta Delta Spring 2018 Graduates

- **Dominic Bagnoli**: Post-baccalaureate program, Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine
- **Andrew Getz**: IT recruiter *Columbus, Ohio*
- **Andrew Giltmier**: University of Cincinnati College of Medicine
- **Thomas Kancyan**: PricewaterhouseCoopers (PWC) *Cleveland, Ohio*
- **Ian Kennedy**: Nestle *Washington, D.C.*
- **Jordan Kopman**: Asst. pricing analyst at Abercrombie & Fitch *Columbus, Ohio*
- **Joshua Kuhlman**: Columbus Consulting *Columbus, Ohio*
- **Jacob Larger**: Testing analyst at Cognizant Technology Solutions *Tampa, Florida*
- **John McLaughlin**: JP Morgan *New York*
- **Michael Mosholder**: Ohio State Moritz College of Law
- **Peyton Osmundson**: Idaho Medical School
- **John Reed**: Ford *Nashville, Tennessee*
- **Gregory Riley**: Oracle *Austin, Texas*
- **Austin Schoeffler**: Ohio State College of Medicine
- **Brian Spitnale**: Virginia Tech College of Architecture *Blacksburg, Virginia*
- **Corbin Sturgill**: General Motors *Detroit, Michigan*



## Join Beta for Homecoming

**T**heta Delta is celebrating Homecoming on October 6 as Ohio State takes on Indiana.

Kickoff time is still to be determined, but we will be in touch with more details once it is announced. We hope you can stop by the house and meet our newest members, renew old friendships, and help us cheer on the Buckeyes.

## Chapter Officers

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to see so many brothers reunited and back under one roof. They are ready to begin this year and build upon last year's successes. They had a successful recruitment period this summer. The success of the type of individual they are recruiting is better than it's ever been. To continue succeeding, they will need your time and resources to maintain their top-notch status.

### MAKE YOUR GIFT TODAY

The need is great and the time is short. But right now, your financial resources are what will make the difference in the future of our beloved Theta Delta. You will find a pledge card and return envelope with this newsletter. Please don't put it aside or throw it away—fill it out now and send it in today. **You may also make a gift online at [osubeta.org](http://osubeta.org).** Your support will go a long way to helping us fund our construction loan.

For those of you who have yet to give, we hope that witnessing our growing momentum will

encourage you to join our loyal contributors and be a part of this historic time for our Chapter.

### JOIN US FOR HOMECOMING ON OCTOBER 6

The best part of being involved in this campaign has been the chance to talk with many of you again after all these years. It only takes a call or two to remind us what a difference Theta Delta made in our lives. Keeping this tradition alive is vital! We will get together again this year for Homecoming. As in previous years, the festivities will be dependent on game time. Please see above for more information.

Again, on behalf of all Theta Delta brothers, thank you for your interest in and support of our Fraternity. This is an important time for us, and we look forward to reconnecting with you this October in Columbus.

Yours in \_kai\_,  
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