



THE GAMMA-RHO GAZETTE

SPRING 2007

GAMMA-RHO DODGES BALLS, NOT ISSUES

Kappa Sigma Fraternity raised more than \$2,800 for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in their second annual dodgeball tournament yesterday, choosing the organization because one of their members has the disease, according to event officials.

More than 200 students and nearly 100 spectators met yesterday morning at the north gym of the Student Recreation Center for the friendly competition and pizza.

“(The teams) were intense, yelling and screaming; whistles were blowing and everyone was having fun,” said Matt Mayberry, economics junior, vice president of Kappa Sigma, and coach of Delta Delta Delta’s first-place team.

“Not only are we able to give them \$2,800 from another non-profit organization, but it helps give publicity about the disease,” Mayberry said.

Matt Bott, assistant executive director for the national Kappa Sigma organization, said he urges chapters to choose creative service projects that members are passionate about.



Andrew Rozen, an animal sciences sophomore and event organizer, said his fraternity holds annual fundraisers because they want to give back to the community.

Rozen, philanthropy chair for Kappa Sigma, said the event was partially influenced by Rawson Marshall Thurber’s movie “Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story,” but that this year’s event was also motivated by last year’s success.

Rozen also said a member of Kappa Sigma has cystic fibrosis, although the member could not be reached for comment.

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Fraternity members have volunteered 116 hours at local non-profits and plan to increase the number of volunteer hours throughout the semester, Rozen said.

Volunteer activities include playing with children in the University Medical Center pediatrics department; building arts and crafts; and raising money for Hurricane Katrina victims. The fraternity will hold a blood drive after spring break.

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REPORT FROM THE GRAND MASTER

Brothers,

The 2006 – 2007 academic year has been both successful and unique for the men of the Gamma-Rho chapter. Kappa Sigma maintained its dominance in rush this year and capitalized on recruiting the most quality men - socially, academically, and fraternally. Of the five hundred men to walk through our doors during fall rush, 52 were pledged and 42 were initiated. This spring we also had a successful rush and took ten outstanding gentlemen. With help from our alumni, the pledge education process has gone very well and we are proud of our most recent initiates. Two of these men, Brian Naggy '06 and Kyle Simmons '06, currently serve on the executive committee and are excited to help lead our house.

One of our most accomplished projects of this year has been the renovation of the chapter room and the focus on respect for the ritual. The chapter room now features our charter, composites, memorabilia, awards, and pictures that line the walls of the room. This project, spearheaded by our GMC, Matt Mayberry '05, has increased chapter attendance and chapter organization. We invite all our alumni to attend formal chapter and enjoy these changes for themselves.

Another accomplishment was our second annual dodge ball philanthropy. Gamma-Rho raised almost three thousand dollars for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. As some of you may already know, a member in the fraternity has cystic fibrosis and has been appreciative the last two years of our cause and help. It was heavily publicized in the *Arizona Daily Wildcat* and received a fair amount of accolades from Headquarters. We are excited to continue the growing tradition.

To conclude, a few unique things have happened to our chapter and Greek Life on campus that are worth mentioning. Gamma-Rho has been on alcohol probation for the majority of the year due to an underage drinking incident that occurred in the fall semester. We have been very compliant, learned a myriad of lessons, and are excited that we were able to manage change without long-term effects on our chapter – membership, rush, excessive regulations, etc. It is also very encouraging to know that Gamma-Rho does not use social events and alcohol as the glue by which our brotherhood and friendships have been held. Although the “parties” have been non-existent, our members’ resolve and unification has still been noteworthy. This alone has made me very proud to preside over such a great group of gentlemen.

Possibly the greatest change to affect our chapter has been the by-product of changes in Greek Life. For the first time since their creation

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Dodge Ball Continued...

Nationally, Kappa Sigma's more than 200 chapters donated about 170,000 hours of service and \$724,000 to various charities, said Patrick Corr, deputy commissioner of national service effort for Kappa Sigma's "A Greater Cause Commission."

Bott said the fraternity encourages chapters to do service projects in their local community as it "is such an important part of what we do."

Rozen said the chapter plans to continue the dodgeball tournament in the future as part of the fraternity's service projects.

"This year, we will have all the kinks out," he said. "Hopefully, we will make this an annual tournament."

A E-MAIL FROM APPRECIATIVE PARENTS

Hi there frat boys,

I just wanted to say a big THANK YOU for your donation to Cystic Fibrosis. But even more than the donation, how admirable you all are setting up this fun way to bring in some money for a cause that can help your friend. I bet he is glad he has your support too. My husband is a Phi Sigma Kappa and I am a Delta Zeta from Illinois and we have a 12 year old son named Brandon, who has cystic fibrosis. I try to keep aware of happenings in the cystic fibrosis world and read about your chapter on Yahoo, and just had to write to say a personal thank you! I hope you continue to

stick by your brother, as sometimes life can be hard for them. My son Brandon is going to have sinus surgery for polyps soon...it's the second time, and I just hate it. It is a scary surgery, and he is being so brave about it. I wish we lived in Arizona...we would come for a visit and bring you some cookies! Well, study hard, and THANKS AGAIN!!!

From an appreciative family,
Cheri and Rich Bout
Parents to Brandon and Christian

GM Report Continued...

in the 1980's, Greek Life has implemented a completely new program policy called the Standards of Excellence by which to organize and rank Greek houses. It is a great program that holds Greeks to standards that should be expected of all Greek men. It will however, take some time to adopt these changes into our own culture. Additionally, two very integral and active members of Greek Life are resigning after years of service to the Greek community – Gary Ballinger and Jen Leung. Gary Ballinger is currently the program director for fraternities and sororities and will be stepping down in June. In the future years to come, expect some degree of change for this reason also. With this change will be frustration between the undergraduates, alumni, and University, but after this year I am confident that Gamma-Rho will lead Greek houses in adapting to these changes; we have already been doing so all year.

Thank you for ongoing support and have a great summer.

A.E.K.Δ.B.

Fraternally,

Joel Balzano '05
Grand Master

BUILT ON LEADERSHIP

The Chapter went to the Summer Leadership Conference this past summer and is excited to have received the following awards in recognition of last year's successes:

- * Largest Chapter on Campus (at Arizona)
- * Top 10 Kappa Sigma Chapter (7th Largest Recruiting Chapter)
- * Outstanding Communications
- * Outstanding Intramurals
- * Outstanding Grand Treasurer (John Wolfert)

Our goal for this summer is to receive the Founders' Award for Chapter Excellence at Conclave in Miami.



Other Gamma-Rho Achievements in 2006



Dr. Randy Christensen '89 won a **Healthcare Hero Award for 2006**. It is awarded every year by the *Phoenix Business Journal* (August 25th issue). He won in the community involvement category.

Congratulations to the following three Gamma-Rho brothers who received Scholarship - Leadership Awards. Keep up the great work!

Timothy Vega '03
\$1,000

Joel Balzano '05
\$500

Scott Schindler '04
Certificate of Merit

CONGRATULATIONS 2006 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

The following brothers were inducted into the Gamma-Rho Hall of Fame on Friday, November 10, 2006.

Gene R. Morris '48

Robert H. Levin '71 (Harv)

Dr. Randal C. Christensen '89 (Randy)

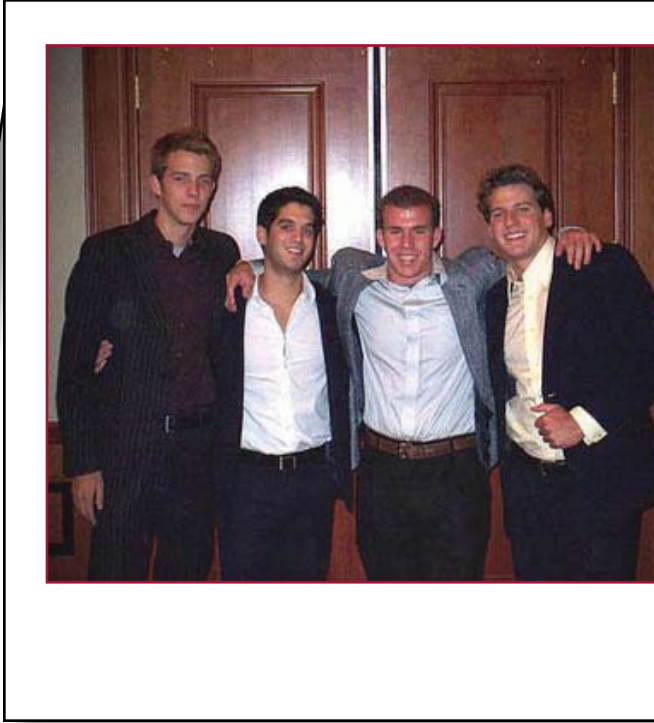
*To download the event program and to read full biographies of the inductees, please visit:
www.Gamma-Rho.org/HonoredAlumni.html*

2007 Hall of Fame Nominations

If you would like to nominate a Gamma-Rho alumnus for induction into the 21st Annual A.L. Slonaker Hall of Fame Awards at Homecoming this fall, please take a moment to visit the Gamma-Rho website and fill out a nomination form. www.Gamma-Rho.org/NominationForm.html



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FROM 2006



WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

JIM GARDNER '59

Jim was initiated into Kappa Sigma in 1959, and graduated from U of A in 1962. In his years since graduation, he worked for CIGNA as vice president, of which he is now retired. Jim now resides in Oak Park, California with his wife Diane. James also has three children, Natalie (42), James (22), and David (19).

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ROGER BROWN '65

Roger is living in Hilton Head Island, South Carolina with his wife Kimberly, and has four children. He is a self-employed financial investor, and enjoys playing golf.

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JOEY SCAZZOLA '83

After graduating from U of A, Joey went to Sacramento State University where he received a degree in Studio Art and a Managing Certificate in Web Mastering. He now works for the Department of Corporations of California where he helps educate people in California on scam and fraud prevention. He just finished producing (*as he called it*) a book he has been working on for 6

years called *Dump Miner* (www.dumpminor.com). Joey also tells us he did stand up comedy for 15 years traveling, painted for 5 years, and now has his paintings in galleries in 6 different states.

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WADE KELLER '90

Wade and his wife now reside in Athens, Ohio. Wade used to work as a family medicine resident for O'Bleness Memorial Hospital, but has recently changed to dermatology. He will be starting his three year residency program in July.

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MIKE SHELSTAD '94

Mike now lives in Littleton, Colorado with his wife Denise and his two children Derek (10) and McKenzie (6).

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WE WANT YOUR UPDATE

Whether it be to update your information in the online directory or to update your brothers on your life happenings in the next newsletter, we would love your update or photos! Updates can be made on the Gamma-Rho website (www.Gamma-Rho.org), e-mailed to KappaSigma@Gamma-Rho.org, or you may mail to: Gamma-Rho Update, c/o Fraternity Management Group, 2660 North 1st Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85719. Thank you in advance for your update!

Where Are They Now Continued...

JIM LAVELLE '95

Jim now lives in Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin. He is employed with Smith Barney, and is a financial advisor for the company. Jim is not married, but has one son named Jack (2).

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CHAD FOUST '98

Chad and his wife Meggie are doing well. He left Black Angus and is now working for a restaurant called The Original Roadhouse Grill. They opened their first store in Washington in January. He is currently at the store in Federal Way until his store in Everett opens in late June. Meggie is still with Getty Images and it seems like she is getting new responsibilities every other week so she keeps herself busy and is still loving her job.

Chad and Meggie have enjoyed spending time with Joe '97 and Courtney Everson since they moved to Seattle a couple years ago. Whether it is spending time out on the water or at each other's house playing dominoes, they are glad to have them in town.

Chad and Meggie have season tickets to the Seahawks and every home game they meet up with friends at their favorite bar called Hooverville. If any brothers are planning on catching a game this year they would love to see you there. They arrive around 10:30 a.m. and it is located on 1st, kitty corner from Krispy Kream.

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STEPHEN TANENBAUM '02

Stephen Tanenbaum was affiliated with Gamma-Rho in 2002, from the Alpha-Eta (George Washington University) chapter. After graduating, he and two other University of Arizona alumni created **WWW.UGALLERY.COM**, an online gallery where art students are able to exhibit and sell their work. The goal is to help collegiate artists begin their careers while offering everyone access to affordable original artwork. New schools, artists, and artwork are being added every day. Check it often and let him know if you encounter any problems browsing the site as it is still in the early stages. Also, please spread the word about UGALLERY.COM to any friends or family that may be interested!

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INSPIRING MINDS

(From Entrepreneur Magazine, October 2006)

The diverse backgrounds of the students are what make today's entrepreneurship education a truly interdisciplinary adventure. Sure, traditional business students leap into entrepreneurship and take business classes—but so do students in liberal arts, technology, and the sciences.

Alex Farkas, who double-majored in art history and entrepreneurship, was still an undergraduate at the University of Arizona when he launched his Phoenix business with fellow students Stephen Tanenbaum '02 and Greg Rosborough. The 23-year-old co-founders of Ugallery.com believed young artists were clamoring for a place to show and sell their original artwork, and that consumers would gladly trade in their mass-produced art posters for one-of-a-kind creations. The idea originated as a class project but materialized into a successful online emporium that sells the work of student artists.

The collaboration, in-class discussions, and mentorship they experienced within the entrepreneurship program helped Farkas and his partners clearly articulate their business plan—which won them more than \$22,000 in start-up capital at a couple of business plan competitions. Still in the start-up stage (the website officially launched in September), Ugallery.com aims to reach \$250,000 in sales in its first fiscal year.

Conducting focus groups and giving questionnaires to people in their target market were just some of the assignments Farkas, Tanenbaum, and Rosborough had to complete for their classes. “The practical aspect of the entrepreneurship department is that [it] gives you the basic framework [for a business plan],” says Farkas. “But the beautiful part is they really make you go out and figure it out.”

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