



## FSU Pikes Delta Lambda Newsletter - August, 2017



### The Old Guard of Delta Lambda

If you are already a member of the old Guard of Delta Lambda, thank you Brother. If you have not already joined, or if you have not yet renewed your 2016 contribution for 2017, please take a moment to do so right now. The annual contribution is \$100.

[Click here to join the Old Guard now!](#)

Old Guard funds support Delta Lambda rush, leadership, and other projects deemed necessary to maintain Pike's position at Florida State. In 2015, Old Guard members purchased two new complete sets of Initiation Regalia for the Chapter.

Membership is only \$100 per year. Several alumni have generously paid ten years in advance with a one-time gift of \$1,000. We are extremely grateful for all of your loyalty and support. The list of current donors appears at the end of this newsletter.



**ALUMNI:** Enjoy fellowship, fun and food at the Pike House tailgate.

**Noon on game day, September 16th.**

## 2017 Smythe Award for Delta Lambda at Pike University in Memphis, July, 2017



From left: Pike International President Shad D. Williams (Oklahoma State '90); Delta Lambda Treasurer Griffin Wilcox '15 (father, Wade Wilcox '86); Omar Pimentel '16; SMC Kevin Stokes '13; Ryan Turnage '14; Lucas Ryan '12 (Delta Lambda), Pike International Director of Finance; Justin Buck (S.E. Missouri State '95) Pike International CEO.

## An Entertaining Rush Story from Barry Berkowitz '87

(July 31, 2017)

"Fun story--My son Dylan, who is heading to DePaul University, tells his graduating football buddies at ODA (Out Door Academy) in Sarasota that his Dad is a FSU Pike. They all go nuts and ask my son if he could help them get into the Pike House in FSU cause of all the stories they heard. Dylan says "I can't help you, but the

stories are true--I met all the guys--and the stories are true--the guys are awesome". He then says "My dad's best friends are his buddies from the Pike house when he was a pledge--in fact my best friend is the son of his Pike pledge roommate!"

"The fun part of the story is being an FSU Pike alum, and 50 years old, and knowing that our house is still the standard of excellence that is legendary! Period!! High School kids across the country want to be PIKES at FSU! Oh, and a quick note: all the ODA rush prospects are Pike-worthy."

Phi Phi  
Barry

## 14 Pike Brothers/Players Will Line Up for the Seminoles in 2017



Above: Lined up to greet rushees in the Pike foyer during formal rush are FSU starting tight end Ryan Izzo '15, starting long snapper Stephen Gabbard '14 and starting punter Logan Tyler '16.

**Ricky Aguayo '16, sophomore; starting kicker**

- Lou Groza Award watch list; ESPN Freshman All-American 2016

**Waly Aime '17, junior defensive tackle**

- Four star recruit; junior college transfer

**Andrew Boselli '16, redshirt freshman offensive lineman**

- Son of NFL great Tony Boselli

**Lawrence Dawsey, Jr. '16, freshman cornerback**

- Son of FSU Coach Lawrence Dawsey

**Landon Dickerson '17, sophomore offensive lineman**

- Five star recruit; Freshman All-American; #1 rated offensive guard recruit by Rivals

**Alec Eberle '15, junior; starting center;**

- Pre-Season 1st team All-ACC; Watch List for the Rimington, Outland and Wuerffel Trophies; President, Athletes Uplift (philanthropy).

**Stephen Gabbard '14, senior; starting long-snapper**

- Four year starter; father Steve Gabbard '87 was an All-American defensive lineman at FSU and played in the NFL for the Eagles, Packers and Redskins.

**Bailey Hockman '17, freshman quarterback**

- Four star recruit; consensus Top 15 pro-style quarterback

**Ryan Izzo '15, junior; starting tight end**

- Freshman All-American in 2015; Watch list for the Mackey Award

**Malique Jackson '17, senior wide receiver**

- Former DB, Malique will play receiver for the first time this year

**Gabe Nabers '16, sophomore fullback**

- Was rated nation's #17 tight end out of high school

**Colton Plante, junior fullback**

- Transfer from Naval Academy; Majoring in Entrepreneurship

**Logan Tyler '16, sophomore; starting punter**

- Average of 64.1 yards per kick ranked #1 in the ACC in 2016

**J.J. Cosentino '17, redshirt junior quarterback (#16)**

- 4-star recruit in 2014



Giant Track All-American Austin Droogsma '14 visits with elementary school kids in Tallahassee. In 2017 Austin is ranked #3 nationally in the shot-put. Austin's father Mike Droogsma '84 won the Conference Championship in the discus 30 years ago. Known as "Big Droogs" to his Pike Brothers, Austin graces the cover of this year's 2017 edition of Pikes Illustrated, reproducing the iconic Jimmy Keen-with-girls-on-his-shoulders photo of the early 1970s.

Another budding star, sophomore Brandon Tirado '15 currently holds the 9th best hammer throw in FSU program history.

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## Monthly Luncheon - University Center Club



**Next Alumni Luncheon: Wednesday, September 6th, 2017 @ 12:00 noon.**

*Click to view website*

Pike alumni gather for lunch and fellowship on the first Wednesday of every month at the University Center Club at noon. Special guests include the Undergraduate Delta Lambda Chapter officers, who will report the latest on Chapter operations and achievements. All alumni are welcome and encouraged to attend. **Luncheon begins at noon and will conclude by 1 pm.**

## Chapter & Alumni Calendar

August 23rd Residence Halls open 9 am

August 27th Rush Captains dinner with rush advisors

August 28th Classes start

September 2nd FSU vs. Alabama in Atlanta

September 4th Labor Day

September 6th and 7th House Previews

September 6th **Monthly Alumni Luncheon**

September 9th Home opener vs. Louisiana-Monroe

Formal Rush September 11th – 15th

September 16th FSU vs. Miami in Tallahassee - **Alumni Reception at the Pike house prior to the game**

September 23rd FSU vs. N.C. State in Tallahassee

October 4th **Monthly Alumni Luncheon**

November 1st **Monthly Alumni Luncheon**

## Delta Lambda Alumni News



Phil Doumar '09 writes, "I was in Tallahassee this past weekend for Roberto Aguayo's wedding at Goodwood Plantation, and wanted to share these pictures from the rehearsal dinner Friday night at Table 23 for the Newsletter. Left to right are: Roberto Aguayo '12, Ryan Izzo '15 (current TE), Gabe Nabers '16 (current Fullback), me (Phil Doumar), Cason Beatty '13, former SMC Austin Albury '09, Ricky Aguayo '16 (current kicker), and Alec Eberle '15 (current center). Phi Phi K A."

**Delta Lambda 50 Years Ago - From the Shield & Diamond, March, 1967**



## **Florida State Moves into New House**

Overlooking fraternity valley at Florida State is a colonial style, brick structure easily recognized by its massive white pillars and the Greek letters Pi K A carved deep into the stone above the entrance. Delta Lambda is deeply grateful to everyone who made this house a reality, especially Edward Cubbon, Faculty Advisor.

Delta Lambda chapter moved into its new \$351,000 southern mansion in January. Built to accommodate 56 men, the new house far outshines any other Greek house on campus. Many years of hard work by the alumni and the financial backing of National finally enabled us to get the much needed house. Terry Miller, Harry Orwig and Rich Wall were elected SMC, IMC, and ThC respectively. Other officers are Mickey Harrison ( SC) , Craig Kavka (MS), Russ Burnett (Pledgemaster), Grant Franzel (MC), Bud Titlow (Historian), Jay Strozier (Scholarship Chairman), and Dave Smith (Rush Chairman). Brother Hubert Green won the 1966 Southern Amateur golf tournament this past summer. Playing against such notable competition as Downing Gray, Billy Jo Patton and three other Walker Cup participants, Hubert fired a 72-hole total of 283 to win by one stroke over Gray. This victory along with consistent placing in other tournaments has earned Green the ranking of eleventh among U.S. Amateur golfers. Pledge Bob Ward, captain of the freshman cross-country team, made a fine showing in the state cross-country meet by placing second. SMC Miller and ThC Wall were both named to the intramural All-Star Team in football, and 5'8" Chuck Funk set an all-time record in Florida State intramurals by scoring 74 points in one basketball game. In campus politics Dave



Giordano, Commissioner of Student Elections, and Larry Pearson, Student Government Commissioner, have helped the Pikes reach an all-time high on campus politically. Mickey Harrison, Bob Humphries and John French currently serve as Student Senators. Besides the legislative and executive branches, PiKA is also represented in the judicial branch by justices Danny Toulbee and Doug Oppenheimer. Tom Wurzbach, a recent graduate, was honored by Delta Sigma Pi business fraternity by being chosen as Most Outstanding Pledge. John French was chosen Dream Man of Phi Mu Sorority. Our Little Sisters organization which originated last fall has grown to 23 members and has developed very nicely under the leadership of Bob Reeve. He has worked with Martha Strawn (Chi Omega), Little Sister President, and we are now represented in 11 out of 19 sororities. With the added momentum of our new house Delta Lambda will soon be number one.

CRAIG S. KAVKA

Florida State

***Alumni whose names appear in the above article:***

Russ Burnett '65 is a lawyer practicing in Atlanta (The Burnett Firm);

Grant Franzel '66 lives in Crestview, Florida;

John French '64 is highly regarded as the senior independent lobbyist in Tallahassee;

Charlie Funk '66 became a successful high school coach. His intramural basketball scoring record of 74 points in one game has never been broken.

Dave Giordano '65 retired after a career as Director of Employee Relations, Leon County Schools.

Hubert Green '65 was PGA Rookie of the Year in 1971, twice winner of the U.S. Open and now in the World Golf Hall of Fame;

Mike Harrison '66 retired from the Army as an Infantry Colonel; he died in 2014;

Ray Hayes '64 taught school in Miami. Ray went to extraordinary lengths as an alum to enable the pledging of Aaron Beam '68, the rush chairman who got Andy Miller's pledge class;

Bob Humphries '66 was beloved by many; he succumbed Lou Gehrig's disease;

Craig Kavka '66 perished in a house fire;

Terry Miller '65 became SMC and returned to Umatilla after college where he taught high school;

Doug Oppenheimer '66 practices law with Carlton Fields in Miami;

Harry Orwig '66 is believed to be deceased;

Larry Pearson '66 is an environmental engineer living in Tallahassee;

Bob Reeve '66 created the Little Sisters program along with John Alrich '63. Bob lives in Alexandria, Va;

Danny Taulbee '66 is a lawyer in Statesboro, Georgia;

Bud Titlow '66 is an international award-winning nature photographer, college professor, and is Vice President of the Apalachee Audubon Society;

Jay Strozier '66 owns 'Dream Gardens' a high end specialty landscape business in Knoxville;

Rich Wall '66 is retired and golfs frequently with world traveler Jimmie Poe '66;

Bob Ward '67 Majored in Art. Later, as Vice President of MCA Entertainment, Bob designed the Universal Studios theme park in Orlando. Bob now designs theme parks in China.

Tom Wurzbach lives in Georgia and works for the Department of Homeland Security.



Left: Steve Roden '71 and grandson Nash. Nash smiles like a rush chairman.

Right: Chris Griffin '73 and grandson Jack. Pledge 'em up.



Steve Walker '81 and Chris Smith '81 dining with their families in Paris, 2017.



The Delta Lambda Chapter Advisory Board meets with chapter officers for lunch every first Wednesday at the University Center Club atop Doak Campbell Stadium. Any and all alumni who wish to join us and enjoy the Pike fellowship are welcome. Special guests this August 2nd included John Layton (UF '51), Gene Sherron (UF '50 ) and Ray Booth (Emory '72). Also, FSU President John Thrasher (Sig Ep) stopped by the table and spoke highly of the Pikes.

From left: Chris Dietz '87, Rush Chairman Austin McLeod '15, Pledgemaster Tre Ville '14, SMC Kevin Stokes '13 , Bob Tunkel '66, Bob McKnight (Florida Southern '62); Jeff Moore '81; Ray Booth '72, John Layton '51, Charlie Barnes '65; Jimmy Keen '73; Gene Sherron '50; Ed Barnes '71; Bob Hall '49; Larry Pearson '66; Treasurer Griffin Wilcox '15; Chris Mergenthaler '13.

## Ad Astra

We received word that Michael Ray “Mickey” Harrison '66 passed into Chapter Eternal on April 6, 2014. Mickey “died at home in the arms of his family.” A former SMC of Delta Lambda (1968), Mickey retired as a US Army Infantry Colonel with an impressive skein of awards and decorations. His later career focused on state and national government, including work as a CIA analyst in Washington.



Delta Lambda officers in 1967. Treasurer Bob Humphries '66, President Lance Jon Cecka '67, and Vice President Mickey Harrison '66. Humphries and Harrison are both Chapter Eternal. Lance is a retired physician living in South Carolina.



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If you would like to send a letter or comment to your Delta Lambda Brothers for inclusion in the Newsletter, please use this link:

**[Send info for Newsletter](#)**

## Join the Old Guard of Delta Lambda!



The annual contribution to be a member of the Old Guard is only \$100. Funds are allocated at the direction of a Board chaired by Jack McMullen '64 and Doug Russell '79. The Old Guard account is located at BB&T in Tallahassee.

Please use this link to contribute:

**[Click here to join the Old Guard now!](#)**

Or, if you feel more comfortable sending a check, please make it to The Old Guard of Delta Lambda, and send to Charlie Barnes / 1490 Saint Charles Place / Tallahassee, FL

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UPDATE: David Kresge '73 asked if there was a vehicle to make capital contributions directly to the Legends of Delta Lambda (the house corporation). If so, you may contact Brent Sembler, Chairman of The Legends of Delta Lambda: [brent.sembler@sembler.com](mailto:brent.sembler@sembler.com) cell 727-424-7445.

## Old Guard of Delta Lambda Contributors

Names of alumni with sons or grandsons in the chapter are in **bold**.  
Members of the **Sembler Society** (donors of \$1,000) are so noted.

Dan Akre '83 2016

Charlie Barnes '65 2016, 2017

Ed Barnes '71 2017

**Bobby Bowden '49** (Alpha Pi, Samford University) 2016

Eric Carr '01 2017

Jay Campbell '87 2017

Charles "Chuck" Cottrell III '80 2017

Jim Crews '78 2017

Dustin Daniels '10 2016

**Tobyn De Young '86 (Sembler Society)**

**Chris Dietz '87** 2016 / 2017

Phil Doumar '09 2017

Jeff Epley '96 (Iota Gamma, Nebraska-Kearney) 2016 / 2017

**Miguel Fernandez '77** 2017

**Chris Gutierrez '87** (Alpha Eta, University of Florida) (**Sembler Society**)

**David Gutting '83 (Sembler Society)**

Mike Halfacre '85 2016

Bob Hall '49 2016

Lawrence 'Chip' Hartung '81 2017

Scotty Howell '06 2016

Jay Johnson '83 2016

**Jimmy Keen '73** 2016

David Kresge '73 2016

Mike Lilly '84 2017

Carlos Lindo '05 2016

Trent Mallory '81 2017

**Craig Mateer '86 (Sembler Society)\***

**Mike Markowski '75** 2016

Noah C. McKinnon '65 2016

Jack McMullen '64 2016

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**David Rancourt '84 (Semblar Society)**

**Matt Raulerson '83 (Semblar Society)**

**Doug Russell '79** 2016, 2017

**Brent Semblar '78 (Semblar Society)**

Griffin Siegel '78 2016

Kevin Wheeler '09 2017

**Tom Wheeler '78** 2017

**Wade Wilcox '86** 2017

## 2017 Chapter Executive Council

- SMC (President): Kevin Stokes '13
- Internal Vice President: Ben White '14
- External Vice President: Connor Riley '14
- Excellence Officer: Omar Pimentel '16
- Secretary: Brendan Langley '15
- Pledge Educator: Trey Ville '14
- Rush Chairman: Austin McLeod '15
- Treasurer: Griffin Wilcox '15
- House Manager: Rob Hicks '14
- Risk Management: Connor Mackenzie '14
- Title IX Chairman: to be determined
- Member At Large: Joey Myers '15
- Sergeant At Arms (Judicial Officer): Eric Abbott '14
- IFC Representative: Dylan Jones '15
- Intramural Sports Chairman: Austin Labban '14
- Social Chairman: to be determined
- Alumni Liaison: Peter Singhal '15
- Pikes Illustrated Editor 2017: Dylan Hackl '14

## 2017 Alumni Advisory Board

- Chapter Advisor: Joe Feheley '81
- Legends of Delta Lambda: Brent Semblar '78, Chairman
- Legends Oversight and House Management Chairman: Jimmy Keen '73
- Rush Advisors: Doug Russell '79 and Charlie Barnes '65
- Faculty Advisors: Andy Miller '70, Doug Tatum '77
- Finance Advisor: Doug Russell '79

- Risk Management: Jimmy Keen '73, Chairman; Don Pumphrey, Jr. '06, Clint Wallace '01, Matt Liebenhaut '01, Carlos Lindo '05.
- Pledge Education Advisor: Dustin Daniels '10, Jean Tabares
- Technology Advisor & Webmaster: Chris Dietz '87
- Engineering consultant: Gene Strickland '81
- Alumni Association Co-Chairmen: Gary Prescott '72 and Mark Smith '78.
- Alumni Association Committee: Eric Carr '01, President; Gary Prescott '72, Mark Smith '78, Bob Hall '49 (Charter Member), Phil Doumar '09, Jarrod Germano '07
- Newsletter Editor: Charlie Barnes '65
- Newsletter Publisher: Chris Dietz '87
- Education/Scholarship Advisor: Scottie Howell '06
- Ambassador: Bob Hall '49
- Chaplaincy Advisor: Rev. Rick Blythe '72
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- Mentoring Advisors: Jimmy Keen '73; Doug Tatum '77; Eric Carr '01

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