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## ALUMNI REUNION

### Reunion Weekend Set For May 26-28

Reunion Weekend will be here before you know it. The year, the event takes place May 26-28. Go to Kenyon.edu for more information.

## ACADEMICS

### Chi Chapter honored at conference.

Delta Tau Delta awarded Chi Chapter the **Most Improved Chapter** at the 2017 Northern Division Conference in Indianapolis, Feb.12. For Kenyon's fall semester, Chi Chapter had a chapter average 3.24 GPA, which compares to the all-fraternity GPA of 3.24 and the all-campus men's GPA of 3.29.

## ON THE GRIDIRON

### Delts Star For Kenyon Football Team

A couple of Delts had big seasons last fall. Kicker Szabi Simo finished his career with 72 field goals to set a new program record. On the defensive side of the ball, linebacker Saxon Justice recorded a team-high 98 tackles.

# THE CHI DELT

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## ALUMNI PROFILE

### Kalm Learned Teamwork From Fraternity

**Nick Kalm '83** is a dedicated brother and proud Kenyon alum. Currently living in Illinois, Kalm is the founder and president of Reputation Partners, a public-relations firm. We recently spoke with him about his Chi experience.

#### What is your best memory from your fraternity days?

**NK:** The fellowship and friendships I created with so many guys, both in my pledge class, as well as with the older Delts and the new pledges as I progressed through my college years.

#### What are the top three things you gained from your fraternity membership?

**NK:** A sense of belonging, the importance of teamwork (outside of sports), and a great social life/fun.

#### What is the best part of the fraternity alumni experience?

**NK:** Staying in touch with and following the lives of my fraternity brothers. It's also great fun to run into fellow Delts from other chapters.

#### What are your concerns for the future of the fraternity, or for fraternities in general?

**NK:** I'm concerned that fraternities in general and DTD Kenyon are only one foolish mistake away from being put out of business. I think people have a lot of misperceptions about what goes on in Greek life, and, unfortunately, from time to time, unfortunate things happen. The problem is that, when they do, people tend to indict an international fraternity or Greek life



*Nick Kalm founded his own public-relations firm in Chicago.*

in general based on the actions that may take place at one chapter. That's just wrong.

#### What do you think DTD Kenyon will look like in 100 years?

**NK:** I hope it's really diverse, that the chapter has come up with lots of new ways to have fun, get the best men to pledge, give back to the community and stay connected to alumni in ways we can barely dream of today.

#### What song (or songs) defines your college experience?

**NK:** Well, I was one of the men who actually started Kenyon's first Rugby Club back in the day, and the songs I remember most are the songs the ruggers would sing during the "third half" when a keg was tapped.

#### How has your brotherhood in DTD helped you in your professional career?

**NK:** As I mentioned, it taught me the importance of teamwork away from sports, which has been incredibly important throughout my career.

#### What advice would you give to young brothers who are looking to network as they enter the workforce?

**NK:** Don't hide your Delt affiliation. You'd be surprised how many people connect over that – almost as many as connect over the college/university you attended. Post it on your LinkedIn profile, like your chapter on other social media, and offer to help your fellow Delts with their careers.

## UNDERGRADUATE OFFICER

### Meet Our New Chi Chapter President, Colin Cowperthwaite '18

After studying abroad, **Colin Cowperthwaite '18** has returned to Chi Chapter and has a plan to encourage brotherly bonding.

#### Why did you join Chi Chapter?

I joined Chi for the reason I think most people join fraternities. I liked meeting and hanging out with the younger guys. And in the older guys I saw what I hoped to become: well-spoken, decent guys who gave good advice and had their heads screwed on straight.

#### What has been your favorite memory from the chapter so far?

I always enjoy our winter formals, and I'm sad I'll be missing it this year. It's, without exception, our best event of the year in my opinion. The night gives us the opportunity

for a more private celebration with our good friends and significant others. It's a nice night to look forward to, especially given all the work that we'll be doing in the weeks afterward.

#### Where did you study abroad?

Prague

#### What do you hope to accomplish as Chapter President?

My goals as President are to foster more brotherhood by creating more meaningful brotherhood events, to invigorate the recruitment process, and to make sure that

Chi remains a fraternity that is open to every Kenyon student, regardless of finances.

#### Any specific plans for after graduation?

After graduation, I hope to do some political work before getting a graduate degree. But besides this answer, you know I'm sure, the one every student must give to his or her relatives, I suppose I have two goals.

First, I really hope I don't stop reading. It'd be easy to let go of the constant torrent of articles and books which are at the heart of my daily life at Kenyon. I know that I don't have half the self-discipline of other brothers and so it seems all the more

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### DTD's Own King of The Publishing World: Remembering Brother Bill Fine



*Bill Fine had a storied career as a publisher, author and diplomat.*

*Before embarking on a career as a publisher and author, Brother **Bill Fine '50** was a member of Chi Chapter. This article is reprinted from a 2005 newsletter. Brother Fine passed into Chapter Eternal in 2013.*

#### Why did you join the Fraternity?

BF: My freshman year roommate, Sam Monigie, and I were at first anti-fraternity, but we met some of the brothers from Delta Tau Delta like Arthur (Sparky) Vale and Andrew Morgan, and they were just excellent people and just kind of drew us in.

#### What is your favorite memory of the fraternity?

BF: The annual dance, and sneaking up to the house in the woods.

#### What kind of influence has the fraternity had on your life since graduation?

BF: Well, I asked my friend to become a member at Northwestern and I have loved being his fraternity brother.

#### With whom have you stayed in contact? Who would you most like to find?

BF: I would most like to find Andrew Morgan. You see, we were both married while we were actives. And then I went to war in 1944 and returned to Kenyon in 1946.

#### Tell us about your family. Do you have children?

BF: I had five sons, but on July 5, 2004, we lost our 22-year-old son, Alex Fine, to Diabetes. It has been a rough patch in my life.

#### What other organizations and activities were you involved in during your college days?

BF: I played varsity basketball for a year but stopped after I got married. I was very involved in writing, and had John Crowe Ransom for a professor.

#### What is your nickname and how did you get it?

BF: Willy, Bill

#### Did you live in the house? If so, with who? Tell us about a memorable time with them.

BF: I lived in Division – Middle Leonard – with Sam Montigie

#### What do you do for a living?

BF: I was the publisher for 12 magazines, including Harpers Bazaar, Town and Country, and Cosmo. I was President of Bonwit Teller, President of Dan River Mills in Danville, Va. I worked with the state department as US observer and UN ambassador to the Anglo-Irish Accord, which I received in part due to my friendship with the Reagans. Currently, I am doing corporate counseling and writing.

#### What affiliations do you currently have and/or public service you participate in?

BF: I am on the Board of Stem Cell Research, and the Board at the Frank and Barbara Sinatra Hospital for Abused Children. I am also an Honorary Board member of Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International, and am very dedicated to finding a cure.

#### What are the titles of the books you have written?

BF: "That Day With God," which was endorsed by the Kennedy Family. Also, "Sixteen Celebrities that Charmed My Life."

#### What advice can you offer the current actives?

BF: Be Judicious and Tolerant. Have Pride but not Hubris, and continue to be an exercise fraternity.

## ALUMNI MEMORIES

### Brother Walch Followed In His Brothers' Footsteps

**Brother Ted Walch '63** wanted to be a Delt because his older brothers had joined. He pledged and was an active brother during his undergraduate days. Recently, Walch sent us an article in which he spoke about his memories of Chi Chapter.

"A big role model for me in the fraternity was Dick Schori. He was my "big brother" in the chapter. He was calm, straight-forward, and comforting. I was pledged after the fact. At first, I was blackballed, and then I was re-considered, so I was a bit of an outsider. I didn't swim. I didn't play sports. I was a theater kid. But I wanted to be a Delt because my two older brothers — Stan and Chuck — were Delts.

My brother Chuck died in a small-plane crash just outside Gambier. He was teaching one of his brother Delts, Perry Kilpatrick, who wanted to learn how to fly. Chuck had an instructor's license. They were in a Kenyon plane. No one knows why the plane's engine died and then the plane dropped out of the sky, but it did. Chuck was a junior when it happened (in 1956). My oldest brother Stan was a senior at the time. It all happened

during Dance Weekend (May 3, 1956). Chuck's bride-to-be was on her way to Gambier from her college in Texas. Her plane was diverted to our hometown of Sedalia, Missouri, when it was radioed with the news of Chuck's death. I suspect I wanted to be a Delt primarily to honor Stan and Chuck's experience. Dick Schori understood that. How interesting that Dick married Katharine Jefferts, who, as Katharine Jefferts Schori, became Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church. She had good taste. So did he. She just left the post last year.

My big advice to a Delt these days is to enjoy the brotherhood, to have some fun, but to be sure that he defines himself by his own values.



*Ted Walch*

I'm still working full-time. I was 75 on January 31. I hold an Endowed Chair for Performing Arts & Cinema Studies at Harvard-Westlake School in Los Angeles.

I was Rush Chairman, Vice-President, and general fund-raiser for parties. One of my most vivid memories is that I was sent as Chi Chapter's representative to the National Convention in New Orleans. I think it was 1962. When the National Chapter voted not to accept black members, I boycotted

the meeting on behalf of Chi Chapter. It was a shameful moment in DTD history, and it still sticks with me. I almost left the Chapter, but I stayed because I truly believed that the national position at the time did not reflect Chi's position."

## RUSH PERIOD



### Brothers and Pledges Take In a Buckeyes Game From the Sweet Seats

A group of Chi Chapter brothers and prospective brothers recently watched an Ohio State basketball game from Suite 33 at the Schottenstein Center. It was a big night, and the brothers and pledges all seemed to have a great time! Check out the photos here.

#### 2017 Pledge Class:

**Maopeli Ali '20**  
**Andris Balodis '20**,  
Westlake, Ohio

**Jake Barnett '20**, Mclean,  
Virginia

**Samuel Becker '20**,  
Fairfax, Virginia

**Trevor Brown '20**,  
Middle River, Maryland  
**Sam Dickey '20**,  
Hamilton, Massachusetts  
**Jackson Furbee '20**,  
Columbus Ohio

**Jonathan Hammond '20**,  
Farmington, Connecticut  
**Jonathan Lambrinos '20**  
**Benjamin Reingold '20**,  
Highland Park, Illinois  
**Adam Schwager '20**,  
Kensington, Maryland

## STUDYING ABROAD

### Brother Orlos Spent Fall Semester In France

While most of the active Chi Deltas spent the fall semester on campus, one brother studied abroad.

**Peter Orlos '18**, an economics major, continued his education in Paris.

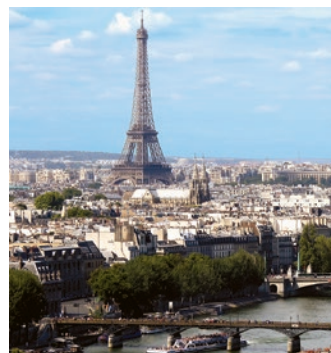
"I feel like I'm moving forward," Orlos told the Kenyon College web site during his trip. "If I would have stayed home, it would have been the same people, the same atmosphere."

A native of Mexico, Orlos lived with a French family and enjoyed the sights and sounds of Europe.

"It has been a growing experience and an opportunity to move forward," he said at the time. "I always wanted to live in Paris, so now I'm finally getting a taste of what it's like. However, it has also made me very grateful for everything I overlook when I am at home and at college."

Residing just 10 minutes from The Louvre, Orlos stayed with a host French family. The Mathieu family has four children, three of whom are adults. The parents are both professionals.

"We (would) all have dinner together at 8



*Brother Orlos lived in Paris last fall, just a short walk from The Louvre.*

p.m.," Orlos said. "They are very nice people who truly embrace the French culture."

Orlos made the most of his time in the City of Light, as he took courses in French art history, the history of France under Louis XIV, and French phonetics.

But he found time to do a little traveling as well. Orlos took a trip to Amsterdam with

his Chi Delt brothers. He and **Evan Cree Gee**, **Colin Cowperthwaite**, **Will Freda** and alum **Tim Barry** met up in the Netherlands' capital city.

"(We had) an amazing weekend where I think we all bonded even more than we have in the past," Orlos said.

Back home in Cancun, Orlos runs a business in which he rents properties. He began that endeavor in high school.

On campus, Orlos is passionate about being a Chi Delt. He decided to pledge Delta Tau Delta in part because **Brother Furqan Dar '16** was his UCC when Orlos was a freshman. Last year, he served on the Kenyon College

Greek Council as the alumni relations coordinator. Being

apart from his brothers last semester was a challenge.

"It has been hard not having extremely close friends like my brothers around while I'm here," Orlos said. "But it has also been something that has made me work on the skills that I will need when I go out into the real world in about a year and a half."

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possible. But still I hope it doesn't come to that. After college, books would be a wonderful tether to the world of ideas and history, if I only would allow them to be. But how many books have you read this year? I hope a few, and I hope they were good ones too.

Secondly, I hope I don't stop being a friend and making friends. I often wonder if everyone really is afraid of being alone — why is it that so many of the adults in my life are? Now, sure, they have families, to which most are wholeheartedly devoted I might add, but how many of them have friends? Real ones? Good ones? These aren't the catch-up-every-few-years-when-you-are-on-a-business-trip-and-talk-about-how-well-your-professional-lives-are-going friends, the oh-why-don't-we-do-this-more-often-but-then-never-do friends. The friends I'm talking about are real, the substantive parts of your community friends. I know that wishing for such a thing is hopeful, I know that this is naïveté, but screw it. I don't want coworkers to grab a beer with; I want people who I can



*After spending the previous semester in Prague, Cowperthwaite has returned to lead the fraternity.*

confide in and speak openly and honestly with.

Why other adults don't seem to do something about this is a mystery to me. Perhaps it will become apparent in the next 10 years, why community doesn't matter as much as it used to, but for now it is utterly confounding. Being a part of a community seems so integral to maintaining one's own humanity, to give up on the task is like some sort of suicide of the spirit. So, in spite of the dreary picture I've described, I really hope I can be a friend and make friends after college.

Delta Tau Delta has made me hopeful, and more confident that these goals are achievable. I see plenty of alumni who are still reading and making friends. Those I know well have even managed quite successfully to bridge the gap

between collegiate life and the professional world without sacrificing their curiosity and love for learning or their friendships. Their examples give me hope and they strengthen my confidence that being a Delt will serve me well long after I leave Kenyon.