



DELTA SHELTER NEWS

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SHAPING EPSILON NU'S FUTURE ALUMNI LEADERS PLAN RENOVATION EFFORTS

The 118th annual Best Ever St. Pat's Celebration took place in March, connecting undergraduates and alumni for a celebration unlike any other. The weather was perfect and spirits were high for the entire weekend. It was great to see so many brothers back at the Shelter enjoying time together, reconnecting, and continuing a tradition that has defined St. Pat's for more than a century.

OUTLINING OUR PRIORITIES

The weekend provided an opportunity to discuss the future of Epsilon Nu Chapter and the facilities that support it. During Kappa Phi's general meeting, I provided an update regarding our efforts to renovate the Shelter.

In November 2025, representatives from Chiodini Architects and Case Engineering

conducted a walkthrough of the Shelter to observe the current state of the property and understand our priorities for this project. This included evaluating structural issues such as the foundation in the carport area, potential asbestos mitigation, and other concerns to develop accurate plans and estimates. Chiodini subsequently provided us with preliminary schematics and renderings outlining a potential renovation plan.

PLANNING AND BUDGETING

At a high level, the proposal includes a comprehensive renovation of the Shelter's public spaces, including bathrooms, the kitchen, great room, and rec room as well as new flooring and fresh paint throughout the facility. We are also reviewing alternative design options that would convert the sleeping dorms into a dedicated study area. This space would support the chapter's academic success throughout the year, providing a resource that benefits members.

We have also begun working with Fraternal Law Partners to understand how much of the structure can be considered "educational space." This is a necessary step that allows us to utilize donations to our chapter's fund with the Delta Tau Delta Educational Foundation.

Current estimates place the construction costs between \$1.2 and \$1.3 million, with an additional \$100,000 to \$200,000 anticipated for furnishings and related needs. This brings the total projected investment to approximately \$1.5 million. To date, alumni have pledged roughly \$526,000 toward the effort.

This project represents an important investment in Epsilon Nu Chapter's future. If you have any questions about the renovation or how to support these efforts, please don't hesitate to reach out to me at president@kappa-phi.org.

As always, thank you for your continued support of the chapter, the Shelter, and future generations of Delts who will call it home.

Fraternally,
Peter Moore '14
President
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A rendering of the potential multi-purpose room design.

INTERIOR RENDERING
B109 LIVING ROOM



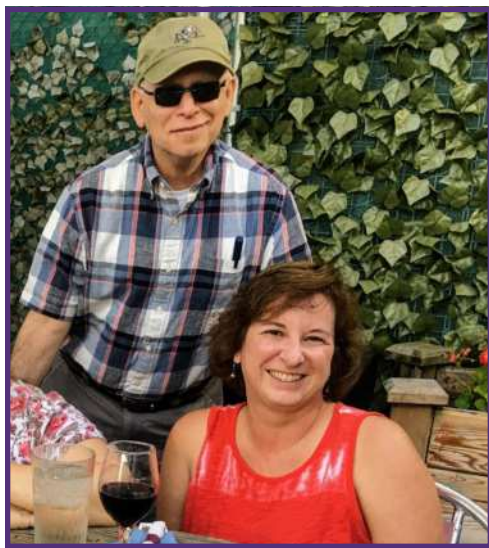
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A rendering of the living room design concept.

INTERIOR RENDERING
B201 MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM
OPTION 2

PART of the FAMILY

Rick Klein '78 Reflects on Growing Through Delta Tau Delta



When **Rick Klein '78** thinks back to his college years, he remembers the Delt connections he made and their impact on his personal development. Rick appreciates the support system he found in Epsilon Nu and encourages today's members to fully embrace the fraternal network.

Building New Bonds

Rick met **Bill Van Veghten '74** the summer before freshman year while working at a local restaurant. Bill invited him to the Shelter to play cards and meet some members, and Rick quickly decided it was a great fit.

"Right out of high school, I felt pretty cool belonging to a fraternity," he shared. **Joe Melton '76** and Rick enjoyed hanging out on the tennis courts, **Bill Tierney '77** let him drive his Corvette convertible, and **Kelly McGrath**

'77 ended up being one of Rick's groomsmen in his wedding. "The guys in the Shelter were great—it was like a big family all living under one roof."

Professional Growth

Rick moved to St. Louis after graduation for a career in credit and finance, and he appreciated Joe Melton showing him around the city. Once his two-year credit manager training program concluded, Rick spent three years in Hammond, Louisiana, before returning to St. Louis to be near his family.

"In my 40s, I went to St. Louis University and obtained my master's degree in social work/family counseling," he added. Rick's Delt brothers were a major inspiration for his academic development and career up to retirement. "At one point, I held the position of director of operations for a digital graphics firm."

Epsilon Nu Connections

The value of the Delta Tau Delta network cannot be understated, and Rick encourages today's members to make the most of this unique time in their life. "The important thing for developing your career is having contacts who know you and can share job opportunities that you might not hear about otherwise. Get along with everyone! We're brothers!"

Rick enjoys life with his wife and their two rescue dogs in Morton, Illinois. He was also excited to adopt a senior Corvette this past fall. He hopes to reconnect with Epsilon Nu alumni from his era, and you can connect with Rick at mswba94@yahoo.com.



WHO WILL CARRY THE TORCH?

SEND US YOUR MEMBER RECOMMENDATIONS

From one generation to the next, our brotherhood endures through those willing to continue our Epsilon Nu traditions. Who do you know with the resilience, leadership, and honor to carry our brotherhood's torch into the next generation?

Help us find the young men who will honor our past and shape what comes next. Send their info, including how we should contact them, their hometown and high school, and why you think they'll fit right in with Delta Tau Delta, to our recruitment chairmen **Ryan Brannigan '29** at ryab1108@gmail.com or (573) 979-9606.

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St. Pat and the court arrive on campus.



Ryan Brannigan '29 serves up an ace during a friendly volleyball match.



Delts enjoy bocce ball during St. Pat's. From left: Peter Moore '14, Aiden Dougherty '25, Wade Waldmann '14, Travis Zerna '19, and Weston Schlemeyer '25.



The 2026 St. Pat's sweatshirt design.

STAYING ON TRACK FOR SUCCESS

How Epsilon Nu Is Turning Accountability into Opportunity

Epsilon Nu Chapter has enjoyed recent philanthropy success, with our chapter's Haunted Maze event securing nearly \$5,000 for Breakthrough T1D this year. This reflects our ability to rally around a cause and deliver meaningful results.

While our recent GPA has been below our standards, we implemented a new system of academic blocks to remedy it, which consists of two mandatory 90-minute sessions each week where all members must be on chapter

property and actively studying or doing their homework. Each session is observed by a hall monitor, who must be a member of the academics committee.

Coinciding with these academic blocks, the point system, study sessions, and one-on-ones are required for all new members and for those who were below a 3.0 last semester.

Two of our brothers, **Marcus Stevens '27** and **Samuel Steele '27**, were accepted to

participate in a co-op, and several other members have accepted internships from the Career Fair and our alumni network this summer.

Epsilon Nu Chapter looks forward to academic progress and plenty of campus activity throughout the rest of the spring semester.

Fraternally,
Vi Griffith '28
Chapter President



**SAVE THE
DATE**

60th Homecoming Celebration

Join us for Missouri S&T's 60th Homecoming celebration on **October 17, 2026!** Stay tuned for additional event details in the coming months. We hope to see you back at the Shelter to rekindle Delt bonds this fall!



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**Every Alumnus
Journey Is a
Masterpiece!**

**Who Should We
Feature Next?**

Help us hang the next extraordinary piece in our gallery of fraternal pride by recommending an alumnus you know. Please send your suggestion of who deserves to be framed and celebrated to our communications coordinator at hharwood@penningtonco.com with "DTD MS&T Feature Suggestion" in the subject line.

**Epsilon Nu history isn't just what happens
when we're on campus!**

Thank you for helping us curate Delta Tau Delta at Missouri S&T history and celebrate our alumni.

