



# The Delta Psi Sig

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## Province Workshop 2011

The Delta Psi Chapter was fortunate enough to host the 2011 Hudson Valley Province workshop on February 5<sup>th</sup>. We were honored to have our Grand Consul, L. Wayne Tucker, and our Grand Praetor, Ted Pitt, who was recently awarded with the Order of Constantine, guide our discussions. Sixty province members discussed and collaborated about Recruitment, Ritual, Risk Management, Derby Days, Philanthropy, and Scholarship.

The workshop, while hindered in numbers by the bad weather, provided ample opportunities to share chapter successes, including Iota Psi's (Rutgers) outstanding philanthropy and experience with Derby Days—they have raised over \$170,000 in the last four years. Similarly, our chapter was able to share our experience on Risk Management, having been awarded two consecutive first-prize Robert E. Joseph Risk Management Awards.

Grand Consul Tucker provided some insight into his, by all meaning of the word, *vast* ritual collection. He shared his experiences with the ritual over the years and discussed other forms of ritual that exist all over the world. This workshop provided a wonderful opportunity to gain from the insights and experiences of past and present Chapter Advisors, Grand Praetors, Sigma Chi Headquarters Staff, and our Grand Consul. Thanks to all alumni guests including: J.B. Allen, Bruce Casner, Bob Eckart, John Murray, Tedd Pitt, Ben Tashjian, and L. Wayne Tucker!

In Hoc,

Adam Weltz



## A New Chef at Delta Psi

With the arrival of our new chef, Chris Brunette, the position of steward can make forward moving changes. Chris has been an excellent addition to the Delta Psi chapter. He is an inventive cook and dedicated worker who requires little direction and is always willing to offer his help to the chapter. Together with the chef,

we are trying to evolve the position of steward. Currently, the steward's main job is to buy food for the house from Sam's Club. However, working with Chris, we have found distributors to deliver food to our house, hopefully saving money, providing a better quality of food, and leaving more time for the steward. As the

semester continues, the steward position will be streamlined, leaving more time for kitchen upkeep and planning better meals.

In Hoc Signo Vincas,

Kyle Finver  
Steward

## Spring Rush Results

Brothers,

Another spring rush has ended and the chapter has four new pledges: juniors Andrew Stevens and Devon Mancini, and freshmen Jabari White and Joseph Karpie. Both Stevens and Mancini are resident assistants in freshmen dorms this year and hope to do the same next year. Having two RAs within our brotherhood will certainly yield untold benefits in the next fall rush. In addition to the twelve new members recently initiated, the chapter will have successfully recruited sixteen new members this school year should all the current pledges make it through pledging. Spring rush events

included: poker night, movie night, hot cider and bonfire, Sigma Chi's annual Super Bowl party, and a southern-style dinner. In addition to the four men who signed, three additional bids were extended. Two of the three men receiving these bids are strongly considering joining next semester as this was not a good time for them to pledge. Having completed two formal recruitment periods, my time as recruitment chair is now coming to an end, but I am excited to announce Brian Allen '12 as my successor. Brian and I were roommates freshmen year, so it is quite a story and a tribute to past rush chairs that we have both gone on to become recruitment chairs for Sigma

Chi! That said, Brian will certainly bring a refreshing take on the position as I have heard many of his new ideas.

Any questions or suggestions for future rush practices can be directed to Brian. It has been an honor to serve as recruitment chair over the past year and I thank all the active brothers here for giving me this great opportunity as well as alumni brothers for guidance along the way.

In Hoc,  
Isaac Nault



# The Order of Constantine

The Delta Psi Chapter is honored to have Brother Bob "Ruff" Hutnick, 1971, be selected to the Order of Constantine. The Order is the highest Fraternity honor and is for those who have devoted their lives to Sigma Chi. Ruff has been a champion of Brotherhood since joining our Fraternity and he has continued to do this since leaving college. He has been a great force in connecting the alumni and is establishing a formal network of class leaders to greater organize our Brothers

after they leave the chapter-house. He joins our four other Constantine Sigs from the Chapter: Archibald L. Love, III; Lawrence W. Mentz; Robert H.W. Jones, III; and Robert J. Shortle, Jr. Congratulations to Ruff!

In Hoc,  
Christopher Roche



## Spring Pre-Semester

Last month, the Delta Psi chapter ran another highly successful pre-semester cleanup. The major activities that took place were: Cleaning of the garage and tool closet space, cleaning out the attic/third deck and giving to charity dated TV's, microwaves, and mini-fridges from the attic, finishing off the study room by building in a new 4<sup>th</sup> wall, a new door, and stocking the recently made bookshelves with textbooks and a full clean out of the kitchen. I would like to thank all of the room captains.

- Isaac Nault 2012 – Living Room, Hallways, and Bathroom
- Chris Roche 2013 – Garage and Outside
- Nick Fortune 2013 – Chapter Room and Fire Tower
- Kyle Finver 2013- Kitchen
- Phil McGrath 2012 – Basement
- Adam Wultz 2011 – Attic
- Ken Sobel – Construction

These individuals helped to distribute the work load and make sure all the brothers (and one Lavalier) were working efficiently and with Sigma Chi spirit.

In Hoc,  
Michael Hanson





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## Upcoming Events

March 3rd—Delta Psi undergrads start tutoring at the Hope 7 Community Center in Troy, NY to help elementary school age children in their studies.

March 30th—The Spring Scholarship dinner occurs, various professors and our academic advisor will be at the house to share dinner with the brotherhood a

April TBD - Ranagan Golf Open, Hopewell Junction, NY. Contact Ed Youngkin [edyoungkin@verizon.net](mailto:edyoungkin@verizon.net) or Ruff [vahuts@aol.com](mailto:vahuts@aol.com) for details.

April 9th and 10th - Spring Alumni weekend. Be sure to come to the chapter and enjoy our annual clambake at 58 Pinewoods.

