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Gamma Sigma Delta

NEWSLETTER

Nebraska Chapter

Issue #31, March, 2006

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Passion Lives Here! This was the theme for the recent Winter Olympics. I have had the privilege to work at the University of Nebraska- Lincoln Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources since the fall of 1975. During this course of time, I have observed students, support staff and faculty who daily express "passion" for the work they do. To witness their efforts is inspiring and contagious.

Gamma Sigma Delta is an honorary society embarking on its 88th year at the University of Nebraska- Lincoln. Its focus is to encourage high standards of scholarship and worthy achievements in all branches of agriculture and its related sciences that include natural resources, human sciences and statistics. Our world has changed greatly over the last 88 years. One change that I believe is evident throughout all facets of our society as well as our academic community is we invest less time in citizenship activities. At least I do! To nurture the passion budding from students, faculty and support staff for their respective disciplines, it is important we take a few minutes out of our busy schedules to attend Gamma Sigma Delta programs. It means a great deal to new initiates and award recipients. Two programs that recognize these individuals for their significant accomplishments are the Scholarship Recognition Reception scheduled for Monday, April 10. Held at the East Campus Union, this event will recognize sophomores and juniors for their academic achievements. Another important recognition event is the Initiations and Awards Banquet to be held Sunday evening, October 29.

The Gamma Sigma Delta Annual Meeting and Seminar will be held at the East Campus Union on Wednesday, September 20 . The Executive Committee is currently working on identifying the program content. We welcome teaching faculty to invite their students to participate in this scholarly event. Please take a minute now to mark these dates on your calendar. More information on these programs are highlighted throughout this newsletter.

The Executive Committee meets on a regular basis throughout the year. You are encouraged to bring suggestions and items of business to the attention of the Executive Committee at any time. It has often been stated that Gamma Sigma Delta is an organization by committee. Please note the list of committees and their members. Their contribution is an example of academic citizenship and for that we are appreciative and thankful.

Recently I reviewed the Gamma Sigma Delta membership list. It is an inspiring list. My thanks to all who have made Gamma Sigma Delta the Honorary Society of choice. Your accomplishments and engagement in the scholarly works is an example that "passion lives on this campus."

*Keith Glewen, President
Gamma Sigma Delta*

2006 GAMMA SIGMA DELTA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 27
Executive Board Meeting

March 1
Newsletter to CIT

March 22
Executive Board Meeting

April 10
Scholarship Recognition

June 1
Notify Nominating Committee for
Treasurer Selection

June 21
Executive Board Meeting

August 1
Newsletter to CIT

August 23
Executive Board Meeting

September 20
Annual Meeting and Seminar

October 29
Membership Initiation Banquet

November 29
Executive Board meeting

GAMMA SIGMA DELTA Award Recipients

Gamma Sigma Delta, Nebraska Honor Society of Agriculture recognized on October 30, 2005 several IANR faculty for distinguished service to research, teaching and extension programs.

The **Award of Merit for Distinguished Achievement in Agriculture** went to David Keith, Emeritus Professor in Entomology.

Tim Carr, Associate Professor in Nutrition and Health Sciences, received the **Excellence in Teaching Award**.

Judy Driskell, Professor in Nutrition and Health Sciences, received the **Excellence in Research Award**.

The **Excellence in Extension Award** went to Ivan Rush, Professor in Animal Sciences and specialist at the Panhandle Research and Extension Center.



Dr David Keith receives the Award of Merit for Distinguished Achievement in Agriculture From Z B Mayo



Dr Tim Carr receiving the Excellence in Teaching Award from Dean Marjorie Kostelnik.



Dean Kostelnik presenting the Excellence in Research Award to Judy Driskell.



Ivan Rush receives the Excellence in **Gamma Sigma Delta Inductees**

GAMMA SIGMA DELTA Inductees

New inductees into Gamma Sigma Delta included seven faculty and staff, five graduate students and 22 undergraduate students. Inductees, their department or major and hometowns, are (towns are in Nebraska unless noted otherwise);

Faculty/staff: Erin Blankenship, Lincoln, statistics; Terence Hejny, Eagle, extension; Martha Mamo, Lincoln, agronomy and horticulture; Allen Prosch, Fremont, agricultural economics; Matt Spilker, Lincoln, agricultural economics; Rosalee Swartz, Lincoln, agricultural economics; Kim Todd, Lincoln, agronomy and horticulture.

Graduate students: Tierney Brosius, Pierce, entomology; Chris Hay, Lincoln, ag and biological systems engineering; Paul D. Nabity, Omaha, entomology; Corey Searle, Burley, Idaho, mechanized systems management; Balaji Sethuramasamyraja, Chennai, India, ag engineering; Bryan Smith, Angleton, Texas, mechanized systems engineering.

Undergraduate students: Angie Blomgren, Lincoln, nutrition and health sciences; Lesha Eggers, Ruskin, animal science; Sarah Forney, Richland, nutrition and health sciences; Scott Groepper, Pewaukee, Wis., fisheries and wildlife; Andrew Guenther, Bancroft, nutrition and health sciences; Tracy Hadenfeldt, Cairo, animal science; Amy Hecker, Seward, athletic training; Karen Hollis, Geneva, nutrition and health sciences; Kelli Kennel, Shickley, nutrition and health sciences; Tony R. Larsen, Ericson, agricultural economics; Amy Martin, Lexington, animal science; Sarah Morrissey, Lincoln, food science and technology; Lorie Painter, veterinary science, Columbus; Lanae Pierson, Bellevue, insect science; Karen Richards, Omaha, horticulture; Mitchell Stamm, York, plant protection sciences; Lacy Teten, Talmage, agribusiness; Brian Tubbs, Bigelow, Mo., agribusiness; Aubrey Vifquain, Lincoln, food science and technology; Lyndsey Volkmer, Syracuse, agricultural education; Kristin Warner, family and consumer science, Arapahoe; Kanae Watanabe, Tokorozawa-Shi, Japan, nutrition and health sciences.



Front Row, Left to right: Scott Groepper, Terrence Hejny, Angie Blomgren, Christopher Hay, Kristin Warner, Kanae Watanabe, Rosalee Swartz, Back Row, Left to Right: Corey Seale, Balaji Sethuramasamyraja, Amy Hecker, Amy Martin, Sarah Forney, Tierney Brosius, Mitchell Stamm, Lanae Pierson.

GAMMA SIGMA DELTA

Scholarship Recognition Reception

Monday, April 10, 2006

3:30-4:30 p.m.

East Campus Union

If you plan to attend please RSVP by April 5, 2006

Dennis Brink

472-6446 or dbrink1@unl.edu

In Memoriam

The Nebraska Chapter of Gamma Sigma Delta recognizes the lifetime achievements of the who have been members of the Nebraska Chapter.

William M. “Bill” Cords died July 15, 2005. Bill was initiated as a faculty member on November 21, 1976. He served as the University of Nebraska–Lincoln Extension Human Resource Officer from 1970 until his retirement in 1993.

Oscar E. Thomas died September 19, 2005. Oscar was initiated as a student in agronomy on January 16, 1950. He was a University of Nebraska–Lincoln Extension Educator in Knox County from 1952 until his retirement in 1983.

Soltero S. Salac died February 7, 2006. He was initiated as a faculty member in Horticulture and Forestry on December 3, 1972. Soltero received a B.S. degree in his native Philippines and M.S and Ph.D. degrees from Texas A&M University. He was a Professor of Horticulture at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln from 1967 to 1994. He was one of the first to investigate the usefulness of prairie wildflowers under low maintenance conditions for landscape, particularly for beautifying the grassy border of the interstate highways.

**GAMMA SIGMA DELTA
Business Meeting and Annual Seminar**

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

**East Campus Union
Details in Next Newsletter**



GAMMA SIGMA DELTA
2006 ANNUAL DUES NOTICE FOR NEBRASKA CHAPTER
MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR, PI 210B
INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA 68583-0816

6 March 2006

TO: Gamma Sigma Delta Members
FROM: David L. Keith, (402) 472-2123
SUBJECT: Renewal of Active Membership / Dues for 2006

It is time again for many of us to renew our memberships in Gamma Sigma Delta. We are running about on time this year in getting this membership mailing to you. In keeping with tradition, I am mailing just this single notification for paying your 2006 dues. We are counting on your continuing support of our honorary society. Please be sure to print off and complete the appropriate form and respond today.

Last year, we had our first dues increase in many years. Dues are now \$20 per year, Please make your check (\$20 for 2006, or \$20 per year for multiple years) payable to *Gamma Sigma Delta* (please don't mail cash) and send it, along with your completed membership form to me at one of the addresses indicated. Please recall that GSD membership is based on the calendar year and runs from January 1 – December 31.

If you wish to be placed on the GSD Inactive list, do not send dues but check the appropriate box on the form and return it to me. If I do not hear from you by April 1, 2006, I will remove your name from our mailing list. You can always return to active membership just by sending me your annual dues. Also, if you know of GSD members who have moved to Nebraska, please send me their name(s) and address(es) or have them contact me so they can become active here. We wish to welcome all of you who have recently transferred into our Nebraska Chapter.

Those of you who have *Retired* (refer to list – p. 2) or received the Distinguished Service of Agriculture *Award of Merit* (refer to list below) are not required to pay dues and should have previously received a *Permanent* membership card. Retired persons who do not check the fourth box and return the completed form to me by April 1, 2006 will be removed from the mailing list due to the cost of mailing our newsletters.

Those of you who have paid dues in advance are so noted on the *Prepaid* list. Please check to see if my extension date is correct for your prepaid dues. For those of you who have a campus mailing address, please use that address to help reduce our postage expenses.

The following members have received our Chapter Distinguished Service to Agriculture *Award of Merit* and are not required to pay dues. Your membership card should indicate *Permanent* and have the space checked for Award of Merit and year of the award. K.E. Craig, R.D. Earl, A.W. Epp, R.D. Fritschen, G.W. Froning, J.D. Furrer, W.W. Furrer, H.J. Gorz, K.E. Gregory, D.G. Hanway, F.A. Haskins, G.A. Helmers, P.A. Henderson, C.A. Hibberd, R.K. Johnson, D.L. Keith, R.C. Kean, R.M. Koch, J.M. Laughlin, R.W. Mandigo, M.A. Massengale, D.P. McGill, M.R. Morris, L.E. Moser, M. Nielsen, I.T. Omtvedt, E.R. Peo, Jr., R.L. Raun, S.E. Salzman, R.D. Schnieder, R.C. Sherman, W.E. Splinter, L.E. Stetson, T.W. Sullivan, M.J. Twiehaus, L.D. Van Vleck, A.K. Vidaver, G.J. Vollmar, W.H. Waldo, R. Wehrbein, J. H. Williams, Jr., J.F. Witkowski.

The following Gamma Sigma Delta members have *Prepaid* their dues through the calendar year listed after their

names. If you were an active member in 2005 and your name is not on this list, your membership has expired. The following memberships are prepaid through December 31 of the year indicated: •J.D. Aiken–2006 •M.E. Baker–2006 •D.D. Baltensperger–2007 •M. Bargman Crawford–2006 •L.M. Bartos–2006 •D.H. Beermann–2006 •M. Bembers–2007 •A.G. Blezek–2006 •D.W. Boden–2013 •L. Boeckner–2010 •W.L. Booker–2007 •D.M. Brand–2008 •G.L. Brand–2008 •D.R. Brink–2006 •J.C. Brockmann–2012 •C.A. Burkhart-Kriesel–2015 •D.E. Burson–2009 •C.R. Calkins–2007 •E.C. Dickey–2006 •T.W. Dorn–2006 •D.J. Duncan–2008 •D.E. Edson–2006 •M.L. Finke–2010 •R.C. French–2009 •S.M. Fritz–2006 •K.L. Glewen–2007 •W.L. Haag–2007 •F.L. Hamouz–2012 •R.J. Hanson–2007 •D.R. Hay–2006 •P.C. Hay–2006 •G.W. Hergert–2006 •D.A. Hill–2007 •K.G. Hubbard–2006 •L.A. Jasa–2006 •J.M. Johnson–2006 •G. Jones–2007 •C.L. Kelling–2006 •J.W. King–2007 •M. Kostelnik–2006 •W. Koszewski–2013 •K.L. Kottas–2006 •S.J. Kurz–2006 •D.G. Levis–2009 •N.M. Lewis–2006 •D.T. Lindgren–2007 •K.A. Lodl–2009 •T.L. Mader–2006 •S. Maliphan–2006 •D.L. Martin–2008 •S.C. Mason–2006 •D.L. McCallister–2006 •J. McDonald–2006 •R.J. Meduna–2007 •S. Meng–2006 •K.C. Meyer–2008 •V.A. Miller–2006 •C.H. Naber–2006 •D.W. Nelson–2006 •J.S. Nixon–2006 •E.A. Nowick–2006 •J.E. Parker–2006 •T.S. Payne–2007 •W.R. Raun–2012 •P.E. Read–2006 •T.P. Riordan–2009 •J.H. Rupnow–2007 •R. Salazar–2008 •J.L. Schinstock–2009 •M.I. Schnepf–2008 •L.D. Schulze–2008 •C.A. Shapiro–2008 •R.L. Smith–2009 •J.E. Specht–2009 •D.E. Stenberg–2007 •R.L. Stotler–2006 •C.L. Stuefer-Powell–2006 •M.L. Tank–2006 •A.M. Temple–2010 •N.E. Urbanec–2007 •G.E. Varvel–2006 •R.P. Waldren–2007 •S.S. Waller–2007 •J. Weber–2006 •C.L. Weller–2009 •C.D. Yonts–2006 •S.G. Zimmers–2007

NOTE: New members inducted in October 2005 are also *Prepaid* through December 31, 2006!!

The following members have *Retired* and are on our active mailing list and are *Not* required to pay dues. Your current card should indicate *Permanent*. C.L. Ahlman, D.G. Anderson, D.J. Andrews, L.L. Bitney, M.G. Boosalis, G.L. Bredensteiner, R.A. Bringelson, R.M. Case, L.E. Davis, D.D. Dearborn, T.H. Doane, D.D. Duey, D.M. Edwards, F.E. Eldridge, E.F. Ellington, R.L. Fleming, C.O. Gardner, O.S. Gilbertson, D. Grotelueschen, T.E. Hartung, G.L. Heusel, G.J. Hoffman, D.W. Kellogg, J.G. Kendrick, R.W. Kleis, S.K. Lederer, M.A. Leininger, A.J. Lewis, L.E. Lucas, D.B. Lutz, G.R. Manglitz, W.L. Miller, G.A. Newkirk, R.B. O'Keefe, H.W. Ottoson, E.B. Russell, D.H. Sander, T.M. Satkus III, M.L. Schliefert, L.R. Schreiner, T.L. Schrick, R.M. Scriven, T.A. Silletto, D.H. Steinegger, L.J. Sumption, N.P. Swanson, D. Swartzendruber, R.I. Turner, E.F. Vitzthum, K. Von Bargen, T.D. Ward, B.A. Weichenthal, R.G. White, H.L. Wieggers, M.S. Wilhite, J.H. Williams, D.R. Wolverton, L.L. Young.

If you have retired and wish to stay on our mailing list, you must complete the attached form and mail it to the appropriate address below by April 1, 2006. If you wish, you may call the information in to me at (402) 472-2123.

Best regards,

David L. Keith
Membership Coordinator



GAMMA SIGMA DELTA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

_____ I am enclosing \$20 as I wish to remain an active member for 2006.

_____ Payment in ADVANCE. I am enclosing \$ _____ to extend my active membership _____ years at \$20 per year.

_____ I am NOT enclosing a dues payment as I wish to become inactive.

_____ I have RETIRED and wish to remain ON the mailing list

_____ I have RETIRED and wish to be taken OFF the active mailing list.

To save mailing costs, please use your UNL campus address, if you have one.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

ZIP CODE _____

PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

Please return the completed form to:

For On-Campus Mail

David L. Keith
GSD Membership Coordinator
Entomology Dept
PI 210B – 0816

For U.S. Mail

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GSD Membership Coordinator
Entomology Dept
University of Nebraska
Lincoln NE 68583-0816

GAMMA SIGMA DELTA COMMITTEES 2006

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Julie Albrecht (2006) * 2-8884
 Garald Horst (2007) 2-1143

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Merlyn Nielsen (2006)* 2-6406
 Chuck Hibberd (2007) 308-632-1256
 David Keith (2008) 2-2123

EXTENSION AWARD COMMITTEE

Dennis Burson (2006)* 2-6457
 Linda Boeckner (2007) 308-632-1256
 Ivan Rush (2008) 308-632-1245

INITIATION AND AWARD BANQUET

Tim Carr (2006) * 2-7940
 Linda Young (2007) 2-2925
 Wanda Koszewski (2008) 2-7966
 GSD Exec Comm. Sec
 Denise Brink 2-6446

INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Roger Mandigo (2006) * 2-6456
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Marilynn Schnepf (2006) * 2-3735
 Terrance Riordan (2007) 2-1142
 Kevin Meyer (2008) 2-0428

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Glenn Helmers (2006) * 2-1788
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 DeLynn Hay, Ex Officio 2-2966
 Fayrene Hamouz, Ex Officio 2-1582
 Merlyn Nielsen (2006) 2-6406
 Marilyn Schnepf (2007) 2-3735

SCHOLARSHIP RECOGNITION EVENT

Judy Nelson (2006) * 2-3031
 Cindy Stuefer-Powell (2007) 2-7980
 Rosalee Swartz (2008) 2-5234

TEACHING AWARD COMMITTEE

Stephen Mason (2006) * 2-1523
 Ellen Paparozzi (2007) 2-1129
 Tim Carr (2008) 2-7940

* Chairperson