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President’s Message

Our Nebraska Chapter of Gamma Sigma Delta has a long history of fulfilling its mission by encouraging high standards of scholarship and proficiency in all branches of agricultural sciences, natural resources, and family and consumer sciences. Success is clearly evident at both the chapter and international level.

Our Chapter has a rich history of high achievement; sustainability of that record is dependent upon initiation of a number of new members each year as well as upon continued active involvement of members in Chapter activities. Therefore, Executive Committee members propose to serve our chapter by:

- Increased undergraduate student recruitment activities - facilitated by revising the Chapter Calendar of Activities and scheduling the Initiation and Awards Banquet to occur during Spring Semester. This later date will allow more time during the academic year for student recruitment activities.

- Implementation of additional awards, such as a new Graduate Student Scholarship Award. Implementation of the award currently hinges on identification of sustained sources of funding.

We look forward to another great year as we work together to maintain traditional Chapter activities and explore new routes to enhance our program. Thank you for your continued efforts and for sharing your insights regarding the best course of action to pursue to serve our Chapter.

Clayton Kelling
President
**Executive Committee**
President – Clayton Kelling  472-3040
President-Elect – Alan Baquet  472-3401
Secretary – Julie Albrecht  472-8884
Treasurer – Kim Todd  472-8618
Membership – Bob Wright  472-2128
Historian – DeLynn Hay  472-2966
Past President – Dennis Brink  472-6446

**Auditing Committee**
Georgia Jones (2009) *  472-3224
Gail Brand  472-3225

**Award of Merit Committee**
Z B Mayo (2009)  472-3224
Don Adams (2010)  308-696-6700
Alan Baquet (2011)  472-3401

**Extension Award Committee**
Sharon Skipton (2009) *  472-3662
Jim Goeke (2010)  308-693-6704
Rick Rasby (2011)  472-6477

**Initiation and Awards Banquet**
Dennis Brink (2009)*  472-6446
Garald Horst (2002)  472-1143
Nancy Miller (2010)  472-9103
Julie Albrecht (Secretary)  472-8884

**International Award for Distinguished Service**
Martin Massengale  472-4101
Wanda Koszewski  472-7966
Merlyn Nielson  472-6406

**Membership Committee**
Dann Husmann, Ex Officio*  472-0386
Judith Hofeldt, Ex Officio  472-0711
Julie Albrecht-Secretary  472-8884

**Officer Nominating Committee**
Fayrene Hamouz (2009)*  472-1582
Keith Glewen (2010)  624-8030
Wanda Koszewski (2011)  472-7966

**Research Award Committee**
Blair Siegfried (2009)*  472-8714
Janos Zempleni (2010)  472-3270
Andrew Benson (2011)  472-5637

**Scholarship Recognition**
Rosalee Swartz (2009)*  472-5234
Darrell Mark (2010)  472-1796
Keith Glewen (2011)  624-8030
DeLynn Hay, Ex Officio  472-2966

**Seminar Committee**
Dennis Brink*  472-6446
Kenneth Cassman  472-5554
Shirley Niemeyer  472-6319

**Teaching Award Committee**
Linda Young (2009)*  472-2925
Darrell Mark (2010)  472-1796
Bryan Reiling (2011)  472-8960

*Chairperson
Gamma Sigma Delta recognizes the following students for their outstanding scholarly achievements in 2008-2009

Zachary Adam  
Sophomore, Animal Science

Brenton Albracht  
Sophomore, Athletic Training

Kathryn Alms  
Junior, Textile and Apparel Design

Caroline Anderson  
Sophomore, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Whitney Anderson  
Junior, Pre Family & Consumer Science Education

Bailey Andreesen  
Junior, Hospitality, Restaurant and Tourism Management

Jacob Arneson  
Sophomore, Environmental Studies

Zachary Badura  
Sophomore, Animal Science

Ross Barr  
Sophomore, Agronomy

Carlisa Bayne  
Junior, Agricultural Economics

Luke Beckman  
Junior, Agricultural Economics/Agronomy

Ben Beckman  
Junior, Grassland Ecology and Management

Kimberly Behrends  
Junior, Animal Science

Stephanie Berger  
Junior, Biological Systems Engineering and Biochemistry

Abigail Berkebile  
Sophomore, Biochemistry

Nicole Berns  
Sophomore, Food Science and Technology

Ashley Bernstein  
Sophomore, Food Science and Technology

Jessica Berry  
Sophomore, Nutrition Science

Joshua Bintz  
Junior, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Elias Bloom  
Junior, Horticulture

Katherine Boone  
Sophomore, Environmental Restoration Science/Environmental Studies

Tyler Borcyk  
Sophomore, Biological Systems Engineering

Aaron Brandt  
Junior, Nutrition Science

Meredith Bremer  
Sophomore, Veterinary Technology

Brett Burton  
Sophomore, Athletic Training

Brandon Buttry  
Junior, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Lucas Carubia  
Sophomore, Nutrition Science

Amanda Cayler  
Junior, Hospitality, Restaurant and Tourism Management

Chern Chng  
Junior, Nutritional Science and Dietetics -Dietetics

Cassandra Clayton  
Junior, Textiles, Clothing and Design-Merchandising

Katie Clear  
Sophomore, Environmental Studies

Elizabeth Cowles  
Sophomore, Biological Systems Engineering

Sylvia Cox  
Junior, Textile and Apparel Design

Courtney Cubrich  
Junior, Forensic Science
Craig Davidson  
Junior, Agribusiness

Emily Derks  
Sophomore, Biochemistry

Christina Doehling  
Junior, Insect Science

Jessica Dowdy  
Junior, Agribusiness

Dexter Driskell  
Junior, Agricultural Economics

Corey Drvol  
Sophomore, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Quentin Dudley  
Junior, Biological Systems Engineering

Elizabeth Earhart  
Sophomore, Nutritional Science and Dietetics - Dietetics

Robin Easterly  
Junior, Animal Science

Stephanie Ebke  
Junior, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Karmen Emanuel  
Sophomore, Family and Consumer Science Education

Rachael Fithian  
Sophomore, Plant Biology, Insect Science

Leigh Fleming  
Junior, Horticulture

Daniel Frank  
Junior, Diversified Agricultural Studies

Stephanie Frederick  
Sophomore, Pre Inclusive Early Childhood Education

Christine Freyer  
Junior, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Rachel Friedman  
Junior, Nutritional Science and Dietetics - Dietetics

Andrea Gebhart  
Junior, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Sara German  
Junior, Nutritional Science and Dietetics - Dietetics

Sierra Goeden  
Sophomore, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Aaron Gutz  
Junior, Agribusiness

Tu Ha  
Sophomore, Forensic Science

Katrina Hackel  
Sophomore, Agribusiness

Morgan Hall  
Sophomore, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Susan Hammons  
Junior, Food Science and Technology

Laura Hargarten  
Junior, Food Science and Technology

Erica Heusinkvelt  
Junior, Textile and Apparel Design

Suzanne Higgins  
Sophomore, Biological Systems Engineering

Andrew Hohwieler  
Sophomore, Agribusiness

Emily Hunter-Chester  
Junior, Nutritional Science and Dietetics - Dietetics

Shawn Hutsell  
Sophomore, Agribusiness

Samantha Janousek  
Junior, Fisheries and Wildlife

Jennifer Jaros  
Sophomore, Inclusive Early Childhood Education

Ethan Jensen  
Junior, Fisheries and Wildlife

Brent Johnson  
Sophomore, Fisheries and Wildlife

Jericho Johnson  
Junior, Forensic Science

Jennifer Jones  
Junior, Environmental Studies
Andrew Keralis  
Junior, Biochemistry

Samantha Kisicki  
Junior, Nutritional Science and Dietetics - Dietetics

Katherine Koch  
Junior, Animal Science

Mai Kuribayashi  
Junior, Animal Science

Justin Lane  
Junior, Biochemistry

Holly Lanoha  
Sophomore, Nutrition Science

Rikki Lay  
Sophomore, Food Science and Technology

Alyssa Lundahl  
Sophomore, Biochemistry

Karl Lyden  
Sophomore, Environmental Studies

Krista Major  
Junior, Nutrition Science

Elizabeth May  
Junior, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Anthony McClary  
Junior, Veterinary Science

Rachel McConnell  
Junior, Hospitality, Restaurant and Tourism Management

Trisha McDonald  
Sophomore, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Abbey McGee  
Junior, Nutrition Science

Emily McKeone  
Junior, Environmental Studies

Alison Metzger  
Junior, Nutritional Science and Dietetics - Dietetics

Katelyn Meyer  
Sophomore, Textiles, Clothing and Design-Merchandising

Ashley Miller  
Sophomore, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Brendon Mizner  
Sophomore, Athletic Training

Jeremy Morris  
Sophomore, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Patrick Moser  
Junior, Mechanized Systems Management

Carmen Mostek  
Sophomore, Forensic Science

Lukas Mueller  
Sophomore, Biochemistry

Tyson Narjes  
Junior, Diversified Agricultural Studies

Phuong Nguyen  
Junior, Biochemistry

Stephen Nogel  
Junior, Biological Systems Engineering

Jared Norris  
Junior, Environmental Studies

Lauren Novak  
Sophomore, Nutrition Science

Tom O'Brien  
Junior, Agronomy

Crystal Olson  
Sophomore, Inclusive Early Childhood Education

Kristin Ostdiek  
Junior, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

John Ottun  
Junior, Veterinary Science

Landon Peterson  
Sophomore, Animal Science

Elizabeth Pflug  
Junior, Biochemistry

Barton Phillips  
Junior, Applied Science

Emily Plautz  
Junior, Nutrition Science
Nicholas Rech  
Junior, Athletic Training

Jenna Rickstrew  
Sophomore, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Anne Rolfson  
Junior, Fisheries and Wildlife/Animal Science

Brett Rudolph  
Sophomore, Agribusiness

Andrew Schlichtemeier  
Sophomore, Agronomy

Ty Schmidt  
Junior, Nutrition Science

Jeremy Schreiber  
Sophomore, Mechanized Systems Management

Keri Simonds  
Sophomore, Nutrition Science

Bryce Smith  
Junior, Agribusiness

Justin Solomon  
Sophomore, Family and Consumer Science Education

Jessica Sonderup  
Sophomore, Nutrition, Exercise and Health Science

Collin Sorensen  
Junior, Agricultural Economics

Samantha Stark  
Sophomore, Inclusive Early Childhood Education

Laura Stevens  
Sophomore, Plant Biology

Shane Strope  
Junior, Diversified Agricultural Studies

Michelle Sullivan  
Junior, Inclusive Early Childhood Education

Jaci Swett  
Sophomore, Agricultural Education

Brittany Sznajder-Murray  
Sophomore, Family and Consumer Science Education

Danielle Theis  
Junior, Nutrition Science

Lauren Thompson  
Junior, Fisheries and Wildlife

Elizabeth Thrailkill  
Junior, Biological Systems Engineering

Claire Velander  
Junior, Nutrition Science

Sydney Veskrna  
Sophomore, Veterinary Science

Laura Vinopal  
Sophomore, Veterinary Science

Leslie Walters  
Junior, Family and Consumer Science Education

Lori Weier  
Sophomore, Pre Inclusive Early Childhood Education

Jordan Went  
Junior, Family and Consumer Science Education

Vanessa Wielenga  
Junior, Nutritional Science and Dietetics-Dietetics

Kasey Wilnes  
Junior, Textiles, Clothing and Design-Merchandising

Alexander Wolf  
Junior, Agribusiness

Taylor Yaw  
Junior, Animal Science

Keerthi Yerra  
Junior, Biochemistry

Colleen Zajac  
Junior, Fisheries and Wildlife

Kimberly Zarybnicky  
Junior, Textile and Apparel Design

Shane Zimmerman  
Sophomore, Nutritional Science and Dietetics-Culinology
Kelly Ingram
Outstanding Gamma Sigma Delta
Underclassman

Kelly is a Junior Biochemistry major from Columbus, NE. She is a 4.0 student and has been active on campus and volunteers her time as a volunteer at Bryan LGH Hospital and Lancaster Manor. She plans to graduate in May 2010 and attend a Physician Assistant Program.

Lindsay Calhoon
Outstanding Gamma Sigma Delta Senior

Lindsay graduated May 2009 with a degree in Nutrition, Exercise and Health Sciences. She maintained a 4.0. While at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln she worked on research through the Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Experiences Program. This fall she will enter the Physician Assistant program at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.
The 2008 Initiation and Awards Banquet was held Sunday, November 2, 2008, at the Nebraska East Campus Union. The banquet was an Initiation and Awards Banquet for the four Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources faculty, Dr. Martin Massengale, Dr. Rick Rasby, Dr. Bryan Reiling and Dr. Andrew Benson.

Dr. Martin Massengale received the 2008 Gamma Sigma Delta International Distinguished Achievement in Agriculture Award. Dr. Massengale is the Director of the Center for Grassland Studies, Foundation Professor, and President Emeritus. He has served agriculture and the nation in a distinguished career spanning six decades.

In her remarks, Gamma Sigma Delta International President Susan Campbell shared quotes from Dr. Massengale’s award nomination. “...His major accomplishments, especially in later years, have been brought about by keen insight, vision, and experience in agriculture....” “At a time when most people have retired, he continues to be 100% active and uses his knowledge to provide highly valuable leadership to a wide variety of groups at the university and national levels.” “His opinions continue to be sought by those in all aspects of the agricultural industry.” “Much like a certain brand of watch, he just keeps on ticking.” Another nominator emphasized his ability to build consensus and cut through barriers.
Excellence in Extension Award
Dr. Rick Rasby, Professor
Department of Animal Science

Excellence in Teaching Award
Dr. Bryan Reiling
Department of Animal Science

Excellence in Research Award
Dr. Andrew Benson
Department of Food Science and Technology
IN MEMORIAM
DELYNN HAY, NEBRASKA CHAPTER HISTORIAN

The Nebraska Chapter of Gamma Sigma Delta recognizes the lifetime achievement of the following individuals who have been members of the Nebraska Chapter.

James V. Drew died July 9, 2008 in Fairbanks, Alaska. Dr. Drew was born in Flushing, N.Y. and grew up on a dairy farm in Cresskill, N.J. He received his B.S. from Rutgers University in 1952 and after serving in the U.S. Air Force received a Ph.D. from Rutgers University in 1957 in agronomy. He joined the University of Nebraska Agronomy Department in 1956 and was promoted to Professor in 1964. He was initiated into Gamma Sigma Delta on May 3, 1960 as a faculty member at UNL. Dr. Drew served as assistant dean for Graduate Studies from 1970 to 1972 and as associate dean from 1972 to 1975. He moved to the University of Alaska-Fairbanks in 1975 and was director of the Agriculture Experiment Station and dean of the School of Agriculture and Land Resources Management. He retired in 1995. Dr. Drew was an active pilot and worked as a flight instructor after his retirement from the University of Alaska-Fairbanks.

Rose Marie Tondl died October 15, 2008. Rose Marie was born in Broken Bow, Nebraska and then attended school in Schuyler. She received her B.S. in Home Economics Vocational Education from the University of Nebraska, a Masters of Education from the University of Minnesota, and an Ed.D. from UNL. Rose Marie was initiated into Gamma Sigma Delta at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln as a faculty member on November 18, 1990. She joined the UNL Textiles, Clothing and Design Department in 1984 as an Extension Specialist and retired in 2000. In addition to her active program in textiles and clothing design across Nebraska Rose Marie was responsible for the 4-H clothing program and started an on-campus summer program called Campus Encounters of the Clothing Kind.

Wallace W. Wilhelm died October 27, 2008. Wally was born in Reedsburg, Wisconsin and received his B.S. from the University of Wisconsin-River Falls. He received a M.S. from the University of Arizona and a Ph.D. from the University of Missouri. He was initiated into Gamma Sigma Delta at the University of Arizona on May 16, 1972 as an agronomy graduate student. He joined the USDA Agricultural Research Service as a plant physiologist at the University of Nebraska in 1976. He was a UNL adjunct professor in the Department of Agronomy and Horticulture.
March 2009

TO: Gamma Sigma Delta Members

FROM: Robert J Wright, (402) 472-2123

SUBJECT: Renewal of Active Membership / Dues for 2009

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 sending just this single notification for paying your 2009 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.

Dues are $20 per year. Please make your check ($20 for 2009, 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 June 30, 2009, 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 next page) 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 return the completed form to me by June 30, 2009 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 Gamma Sigma Delta members have **Prepaid** their dues through the calendar year listed after their names. If you were an active member in 2008 and your name is not on this list, your membership has expired. The following memberships are prepaid through December 31 of the year indicated:  
- L.M. Bartos-2009  
- F.P. Baxendale-2010  
- D.W. Boden-2013  
- L. Boeckner-2010  
- W.L. Booker-2012  
- G.L. Brand-2009  
- J.C. Brockmann-2012  
- C.A. Burkhart-Kriesel-2015  
- D.E. Burson-2010  
- M.L. Finke-2010  
- R.C. French-2014  
- G. Ganjyal-2010  
- J.E. Gilley-2009  
- D. Grotelueschen-2009  
- F.L. Hamouz-2014  
- P.C. Hay-2010  
- G.J. Huntwork-2009  
- L.D. Isom-2009  
- G. Jones-2009  
- W.M. Koszewski-2013  
- D.G. Levis-2009  
- N.M. Lewis-2010  
- D.T. Lindgren-2010  
- K.A. Lodl-2010  
- D.L. McCallister-2010  
- K.F. Niemann-2010  
- J.E. Parker-2012  
- W.R. Raun-2012  
- P.E. Read-2010  
- B. Reiling-2010  
- T.P. Riordan-2009  
- J.L. Schinstock-2010  
- E. Schwarz-2009  
- R.L. Smith-2009  
- J.E. Specht-2009  
- M.L. Spink-2009  
- M. Tank-2009  
- A.M. Temple-2010  
- K. Todd-2009  
- C.L. Weller-2012  
- R.J. Wright-2010  
- J. Zempleni-2009  
- S.G. Zimmers-2010

**NOTE:** New members inducted in 2008 are also **Prepaid** through December 31, 2009!!


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 June 30, 2009. If you wish, you may call the information in to me at (402) 472-2123. Please ask for our secretary, Ms. Marilyn Weidner.

Best regards,

**Robert J Wright**

Robert J Wright  
Membership Coordinator
_____ I am enclosing $20 as I wish to remain an active member for 2009.

_____ 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, provide your email address, or your UNL campus address, if you have one.

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Please return the completed form to:

For On-Campus Mail

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