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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

If 1996 begins for the Nebraska Chapter of Gamma Sigma Delta like it did for the Huskers’ volleyball and football teams, we should have a great year. The membership of the Nebraska Chapter has an ambitious and thoughtful Board of Directors, who started the year by naming new members to the 11 committees. I am pleased to report that everyone the Board selected to serve as new members of the committees accepted. I was impressed by the ready acceptance of these persons for their committee assignments for the next three years. Our Chapter would not function if we didn’t have this kind of cooperation.

The Executive Committee meets periodically during the year. The tentative dates for 1996 are:

- May 21
- August 20
- September 13 (Annual Meeting)
- October 15
- December 10

Members are invited to attend any of these meetings. All meetings are held at noon in the Nebraska East Union.

The first major event for the Chapter membership is the Scholarship Recognition Dinner on Sunday evening, March 10, at the Nebraska East Union. Students in the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR), who have attained high scholarship, will be recognized at this dinner. Please attend the dinner to show your support of these students, as well as the Chapter. If you know any of the students who are invited, please encourage them to attend. You will be receiving information from Secretary Niemann in the future on this activity.

Another way to show your pride and support of Gamma Sigma Delta is to wear an appropriate piece of Gamma Sigma Delta jewelry. The jewelry is very attractive and the cost is minimal. Refer to the ordering information and send in your request today.

I do want to thank the 1995 officers for their contributions to our Chapter last year. Special thanks goes to Rick Waldren for the leadership he gave to our club last year.

Loyd L. Young, President
Nebraska Chapter

BIENNIAL CONCLAVE HIGHLIGHTS

As you may recall from the previous newsletter, 1996 is the year of the Gamma Sigma Delta Conclave. This 45th conclave is scheduled for June 22-25, 1996, at the Best Western University Inn in Moscow, ID. The Inn is adjacent to the University of Idaho and eight miles from the Washington State University. The national officers and the Idaho chapter have developed a conclave plan which is a combination of business meetings, educational opportunities and entertaining experiences. Presentations and discussion topics include leadership, strategic management and future directions of agriculture and Gamma Sigma Delta. A special reception has been arranged in celebration of the Society’s 90th anniversary.

Please contact Earl Ellington [telephone (402) 489-4338; Fax (402) 472-6362] for additional information.

Earl F. Ellington
International Officer
Welcome to our 58 new members initiated on November 12, 1995. We are looking forward to meeting you at our Scholarship Recognition Dinner on March 10, 1996. There have now been 3,201 individuals elected to membership in our Nebraska Chapter in the last 77 years.

We wish to thank you for the fine response to our 1996 dues notice. If you haven’t sent in your $10 payment yet, try to get it to me at A213 Animal Sciences, P. O. Box 830908, Lincoln, NE 68503-0908 before March 31, 1996. Any time you change your address, please let me know, and we will correct it for our future mailings. The Post office doesn’t do a very good job of forwarding mail, and their forwarding time limit is very short.

We also wish to welcome the following individuals transferring their membership into our chapter since last August. Dr. Gary D. Lynne, Agricultural Economics, initiated in 1977 at Florida; Dr. Sharron S. Quisenberry, Entomology, initiated in 1978 at Missouri; and Dr. Jamilton P. Santos, Entomology, initiated in 1979 at Purdue. We also welcome Dr. David L. Keith in Entomology back to our active membership. Please send me the names and addresses of anyone you know who is a Gamma Sigma Delta member who wishes to become active in our Nebraska Chapter.

Since our August 1995 Newsletter, I know of only one member who has died. That was David Erwin Hutchinson, Jr., who died on August 10, 1995. He had been initiated into our chapter on May 16, 1967, as an alumnus in agronomy. In the past he had been active in many organizations and activities related to soil and water conservation and range management in Nebraska and nationally. Please let me know of any other Gamma Sigma Delta members who have died and not been listed in one of our Newsletters.

Charles H. Adams, Historian
Nebraska Chapter

Excellence in Teaching
Dr. Dennis M. Conley, Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Presented by Dean Donald M. Edwards, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Excellence in Extension
Dr. Frederick P. Baxendale, Department of Entomology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Presented by Dr. Elbert C. Dickey, Assistant Dean, Cooperative Extension Division, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Excellence in Research
Dr. James E. Kinder, Department of Animal Science, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Presented by Dr. Steven S. Waller, Assistant Dean and Director, Agricultural Research Division, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Award of Merit for Distinguished Service to Agriculture
Dr. Glenn A. Helmers, Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Dr. John F. Witkowski, Professor of Entomology and Extension Entomologist, University of Nebraska-Lincoln Northeast Research and Extension Center, Concord, Nebraska
Presented by Weston W. Furrer, Chairman, Award of Merit Committee

International Distinguished Service to Agriculture Award
Dr. Dermot P. Coyne, George Holmes Professor of Horticulture, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Presented by Dr. Joe W. Kotrlik, Gamma Sigma Delta International President-Elect, Louisiana State University
**GAMMA SIGMA DELTA ORDERING INFORMATION PRICE LIST**
1996

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Tracy Goesch, Student Mbr .................. 42/476-6827

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DeLynn Hay (1997) ............................... 2-1625
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Steve Mason (1997) .............................. 2-1523
Dennis Conley (1998) ......................... 2-2034

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Dale Van Vleck (1996)* ......................... 2-6010
Francis Haskins (1997) ....................... 42/488-0587
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*Chairperson
1/31/96