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Gamma Sigma Delta

NEWSLETTER

Nebraska Chapter

Issue #22, February 2001

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are happy to announce some exciting news! Each year, Gamma Sigma Delta celebrates excellence in scholarship of our undergraduates in the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, the College of Human Resources and Family Sciences, and the Department of Biological Systems Engineering. The top 10% on GPA of the Sophomores and Juniors, and the Outstanding Sophomore and Outstanding Senior, are recognized. In past years, this celebration of scholarship has occurred at a dinner in the spring.

This year, the format for the recognition event will change. **Our Gamma Sigma Delta Scholarship Recognition will be Monday afternoon, April 9, from 4:30 to 6:00 pm, in the East Union.** Refreshments will be served. The program for recognition of our undergraduate scholars will begin at 5:00. A special bonus in the program will be remarks from a senior, Kristyn Harms, and our new Vice Chancellor for Agriculture and Natural Resources, Dr. John Owens. **Everyone is strongly encouraged to take part in this celebration event and help make this new format a success! Instructors and advisors, come support your students!**

The executive team really appreciates the ideas and initiative taken by the Scholarship Recognition Event Committee (Rick Grant, Susan Fritz, Gail Brand, and Kristyn Harms) to develop and plan this new format. We felt the previous format of a Sunday evening dinner was not attracting sufficient numbers of students. The new Monday afternoon format should greatly enhance student attendance, and we also expect much greater faculty participation. Again, thank you to this committee for planning this exciting new event!

The annual activities of Gamma Sigma Delta occur due to dedicated committee members. Over the past couple of months, I called on 12 people to fill new roles on our standing committees. Everyone responded to my request for help with yes! On the back page of this newsletter, we list these committees and our executive team. To all of these, thank you from the membership of Gamma Sigma Delta!

Other big events to place on our calendars for this year are the Seminar and Annual Meeting on September 20th, and the Initiation and Awards Banquet on November 18th. Last year, we had a superb seminar presented by Tim Galvin of USDA. Our Seminar Committee will be forming ideas in the coming weeks and would welcome your ideas for a featured

speaker. Later in the summer and early fall, the award committees will be seeking nominations from you, and the Banquet Committee will be doing their planning.

I would also like to express my personal appreciation to Beth Birnstihl, President for 2000, for her clear, dedicated leadership. I have followed Beth's lead "up the ladder" from Treasurer to now President, and I have learned greatly from my predecessor. In addition, I am excited to have Kevin Meyer as our new Treasurer and look forward to the special talents he brings to share.

Recently you received the 2001 dues notice from Dr. Charles Adams, our Membership Coordinator. As you know, Dr. Adams or Charlie, is the "best friend" that the Nebraska Chapter of Gamma Sigma Delta has ever had, serving as Historian and Membership Coordinator for decades. Let me share some wonderful news. Charlie Adams and Beryle Janousek of Wilson, KS were married on December 23, 2000 at the Presbyterian Church in Wilson. Charlie and Beryle have settled into a new residence in Lincoln as they start their life together as a couple. Our congratulations to a special couple, Beryle and Charlie Adams!

Maximizing our membership potential continues to be a goal of the executive team. The effectiveness of Gamma Sigma Delta, as the honor society promoting high scholarship, depends on a strong, large membership. Dues income also depends on the size of our membership. There are still many faculty/staff who can be nominated, and the number of graduate student nominations in recent years has been low. These nominations take special effort on our part. In addition, in recent years, only 20-25% of undergraduates have accepted membership when invited. We continue to seek help from advisors in encouraging their students to accept membership. If you are an advisor of students, will you make an effort to encourage membership in Gamma Sigma Delta to your qualified advisees?

The executive team asks our members to remember our pledge to uphold and promote excellence in our work and learning endeavors. If you have ideas for improving the role that Gamma Sigma Delta serves and the activities it hosts, please contact any member of the executive team.

I look forward to the planned activities for 2001 and seeing you at the Scholarship Recognition on April 9th.

*Merlyn Nielsen, President
Nebraska Chapter*

NOTES FROM THE HISTORIAN

The Nebraska Chapter of Gamma Sigma Delta recognizes the lifetime achievements of the following members who have died since the last newsletter.

D. Murray Danielson died August 16, 2000. Murray was initiated into the Nebraska Chapter on May 21, 1963 as an Animal Science faculty member. Murray received his B.S. from the University of Nebraska and his Ph.D. from Utah State University. He was a University of Nebraska faculty member at the West Central Research and Extension Center at North Platte where he worked on swine nutrition until his retirement in 1991.

Gordon E. Dickerson died August 27, 2000. Gordon was initiated into the Missouri Chapter on May 26, 1950 while on the Animal Science faculty at the University of Missouri. He received the Nebraska Chapter Award of Merit in 1973 and the International Award for Distinguished Service to Agriculture in 1990. Gordon was a research geneticist at the USDA Meat Animal Research Center and on the University of Nebraska Animal Science faculty until his retirement in 1987.

Doyle H. Free died November 9, 2000. Doyle was initiated into the Nebraska Chapter on May 29, 1964 as a poultry science alumnus. He received the Nebraska Chapter Award of Merit in 1976. Doyle served as General Manager of Nebraska Poultry Industries from 1950 to 1990 and as Executive Secretary of the Nebraska Poultry Improvement Association, Nebraska Egg Council, Nebraska Turkey Federation, and Nebraska Allied Poultry Industries.

DeLynn Hay

MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR REPORT

I wish to thank all of you who have responded to my February 1, 2001 dues notice. Those who have not responded please send your \$10 checks to me by March 31. Several did not respond even to my reminder telephone calls so I removed their names from our mailing list.

We wish to welcome the following persons who were initiated at our Initiation and Awards Banquet last November 19, 2000 and who will be receiving this *NEWSLETTER*:

Megan Jane Ahl
Joseph L. Baumert
Victoria Ann Bowen
Hikmet Budak
Dan C. Cotton
Heather Michelle Curry
Mustafa Erayman
Jorge Gonzales Caceres
Sarah Joy Harre
Kate Elizabeth Hutchens

Katherine Jean Kastanek
Richard Kent Koelsch
Susan M. Kohles
Tae-Jin Lee
Kathleen Ann Lodl
Tracy Lynn Luebbe
Yehia Mater
Renee Marie McFee
Brian Robert Miles
Vicki A. Miller

Judy A. Nelson	Lisa A. Sutton
Yee Voon Ng	Douglas A. Swanson
Derek Brandon Petry	Kay Boon Tan
Heather Elizabeth Rasmussen	Linda M. Tempel
Lauren M. Rock	Aaron Mont Temple
Nathan Lee Salmon	Melissa Ann Van Winkle
Walter H. Schacht	Angela Kaye Wild
Todd Myron Schmieding	Chad Zadina
Brianne Dawn Schramm	Kristi Marie Cammack
Cindy Lynn Stuefer-Powell	(transfer from South Dakota State)

If you know of other Gamma Sigma Delta persons who have moved to Nebraska please let us invite them to transfer to our Nebraska Chapter for active membership with us. They do not have to be initiated again as your initiation is for life in our organization. Just have them send me a check for \$10, their address and where and when they were initiated into Gamma Sigma Delta and we will put them on our active mailing list.

My on-campus mailing address is: Charles H. Adams, A213 Animal Sciences, East Campus 0908 or off-campus U.S. mail address is: A213 Animal Sciences, University of Nebraska, P.O. Box 830908, Lincoln, NE 68583-0908. You may also reach me at my home phone number (402) 466-4053. Thanks again for your fine cooperation.

- Charles Adams

2001 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Scholarship Recognition

Monday, April 9, 4:30-6:00 pm
East Union

Executive Committee Meetings

11:30 am - 1:00 pm, East Union
February 7
May 9
August 8
October 10
December 12

Seminar and Annual Meeting

Thursday, September 20, 2:00 pm
East Union

Initiation and Awards Banquet

Sunday, November 18, 6:00 pm
East Union



2001 Scholarship Recognition Reception

Each spring, a Scholarship Recognition is hosted by the Nebraska Chapter of Gamma Sigma Delta. Sophomores and Juniors in the Colleges of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources and Human Resources and Family Sciences, and the Department of Biological Systems Engineering with outstanding scholastic records will be recognized. Outstanding Senior and Sophomore recognitions will also be made.

This year the format for the recognition will change. *The 2001 Scholarship Recognition Reception* will be held **Monday afternoon, April 9, 2001 from 4:30 - 6:00 PM, Great Plains Room East Campus Union**. Refreshments will be served.

The program for recognition of our undergraduate scholars will begin at 5:00. The program will also include remarks from a senior, Kristyn Harms, and our new Vice Chancellor for Agriculture and Natural Resources, Dr. John Owens.

In order to plan for sufficient refreshments, please indicate your attendance at this event by returning the reservation form below.


Reservations must be received by 5:00 PM on Wednesday, April 4.

Please send your reservations today!

GAMMA SIGMA DELTA COMMITTEES, 2001

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE		MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE	
President: Merlyn Nielsen	2-6406	Jack Schinstock, Ex Officio*	2-1629
President-elect: Marilyn Schnepf	2-3735	Marybeth Helmink, Ex Officio	2-2916
Secretary: Terry Riordan	2-1142	Lance Meinke (2001)	2-8707
Treasurer: Kevin Meyer	2-2151	OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE	
Membership Coord.: Charles Adams	466-4053	Ken Von Bargaen (2001)*	489-3552
Historian: DeLynn Hay	2-1625	Keith Niemann (2002)2-2965	
Past president: Beth Birnstihl	2-2966	Roy Fredrick (2003)	2-6225
AUDITING COMMITTEE		RESEARCH AWARD COMMITTEE	
Dan Lutz (2001)*	464-3571	David Baltensberger (2001)*	(308) 632-1261
Lenis Nelson (2002)	2-1489	Terry Riordan (2002)	2-1142
AWARD OF MERIT COMMITTEE		Chris Calkins (2003)	2-6314
Robert Koch (2001)*	2-8337	SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE	
Julie Johnson (2002)	2-2923	Charles Adams, Ex Officio	466-4053
Dermot Coyne (2003)	2-1126	Fayrene Hamouz, Ex Officio	2-1582
EXTENSION AWARD COMMITTEE		Jack Schinstock, Ex Officio	2-1629
David Keith (2001)*	2-8918	Alan Corr (2002)	(308) 832-0645
Dale Grotelueschen (2002)	(308) 632-0442	SCHOLARSHIP RECOGNITION EVENT	
Jeff Keown (2003)	2-6453	Rick Grant (2001)*	2-6442
INITIATION AND AWARD BANQUET		Susan Fritz (2002)	2-9559
Paul Read (2001)*	2-2854	Gail Brand (2003)	(402) 643-2981
Mary Jane McReynolds (2002)	441-7180	Kristyn Harms (2001)	436-0874
James Partridge (2003)	2-3160	TEACHING AWARD COMMITTEE	
INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE		Steve Jones (2001)	2-5566
Ellen Paparozzi (2001)*	2-1129	Leon Higley (2002)	2-8689
Dick Fleming (2002)	2-8742	Don Lee (2003)	2-1528
Roger Mandigo (2003)	2-6456	*Chairperson	
SEMINAR COMMITTEE			
Beth Birnstihl*	2-2966		
Roy Frederick	2-6225		
Rita Kean	2-1911		
Irv Omtvedt	2-0272		

2001 ANNUAL DUES NOTICE FOR
NEBRASKA CHAPTER-GAMMA SIGMA DELTA
Membership Coordinator, A213 Animal Sciences
Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources
University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE 68583-0908

TO: Gamma Sigma Delta Members FROM: Charles H. Adams Feb. 1, 2001 (402) 466-4053
SUBJECT: Renewal of Active Membership Dues for 2001 

This will be your only written notice for paying your 2001 dues. Please make your check for \$10.00 payable to Gamma Sigma Delta (cash mailed at your own risk) and mail to me here at one of the addresses on the reverse side of the form below.

If you wish to be placed on the inactive list, do not send dues but check the appropriate box below. Your name will then be removed from our mailing list. If I do not hear from you by March 31, 2001, I will automatically remove your name from the mailing list. You can always return to active membership by sending me the annual dues. If you know of G.S.D. members who have moved to Nebraska please send me their name and address or have them contact me so they can become active here. We wish to welcome all of you who have transferred into our Nebraska Chapter.

Those of you who have RETIRED (see list on back) or received the Distinguished Service to Agriculture AWARD OF MERIT (see list below) are not required to pay dues and have previously received your PERMANENT membership card. RETIRED PERSONS WHO DO NOT CHECK THE THIRD BOX BELOW AND COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM BY MARCH 31, 2001, 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 listed on the back of this notice. 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 save us postage costs.

The following members have received our Chapter Distinguished Service to Agriculture AWARD OF MERIT and are not required to pay dues. Your current card should indicate PERMANENT and have the space checked for Award of Merit and year of the award.

C. H. Adams, W. R. Collins, D. P. Coyne, K. E. Craig, R. D. Earl, A. J. Ebers, A. W. Epp, R. D. Fritschen, G. W. Froning, J. D. Furrer, W. W. Furrer, H. J. Gorz, R. J. Graham, K. E. Gregory, D. G. Hanway, F. A. Haskins, G. A. Helmers, P. A. Henderson, E. W. Janike, R. M. Koch, J. M. Laughlin, M. A. Massengale, D. P. McGill, M. R. Morris, L. E. Moser, I. T. Omtvedt, E. R. Peo, Jr., R. L. Raun, S. E. Salzman, R. D. Schnieder, R. C. Shearman, W. E. Splinter, L. E. Stetson, H. M. Stevens, C. L. Stonecipher, T. W. Sullivan, M. J. Twiehaus, L. D. Van Vleck, A. K. Vidaver, G. J. Vollmar, W. H. Waldo, J. L. Weihing, J. H. Williams, Jr., and J. F. Witkowski.

The following Gamma Sigma Delta members have PREPAID their dues through the calendar year listed after their name. Your current card should indicate - THROUGH this DATE. P. S. Baenziger-2002, F. P. Baxendale-2002, D. H. Beermann-2002, S. Bhuyan-2002, E. A. Birnstihl-2001, G. L. Bredensteiner-2001, R. A. Bringelson-2001, J. C. Brockmann-2002, M. C. Brumm-2001, C. A. Burkhart-Kriesel-2003, D. E. Burson-2002, C. R. Calkins-2002, B. T. Campbell-2001, J. W. Claybaugh-2006, A. J. Corr-2001, M. B. Crawford-2001, R. F. Diffendal, Jr-2004, B. Eghball-2001, M. L. L. Finke-2010, C. A. Francis-2001, A. L. Frederick-2001, R. D. Fries-2001, K.L. Glewen-2002, R. J. Grant-2001, D. M. Grotelueschen-2003, W. L. Haag-2002, R. J. Hanson-2002, D. R. Hay-2001, D. A. Hill-2007, J. R. Howe-Elmore-2001, H. D. Jose-2001, J. M. Johnson-2001, T. R. Kantor-2001, J. W. King-2001, R. V. Klucas-2001, M. S. Kuzila-2001, D. T. Lindgren-2002, D. L. Martin-2001, S. C. Mason-2001, D. L. McCallister-2001, R. J. Meduna-2002, L. J. Meinke-2001, S. J. Meyer-2002, D. W. Nelson-2001, E. A. Nowick-2001, R. Nunez-Dominquez-2002, E. T. Paparozzi-2001, J. E. Parker-2001, T. S. Payne-2007, R. K. Perrin-2002, W. L. Powers-2003, W. R. Raun-2012, P. E. Read-2002, M. E. Rider-2001, A. Ruiz-Flores-2002, R. Salazar-2008, M. L. Schliefert-2002, M. I. Schnepf-2003, L. D. Schulze-2001, D. P. Shelton-2001, J. A. Smith-2001, R. L. Smith-2002, D. W. Stanley-2001, D. E. Stenberg-2002, C. E. Thayer-2001, L. G. Uden-2002, N. E. H. Urbanec-2001, D. H. Vanderholm-2001, E. F. Vitzthum-2001, R. R. Wehrbein-2001, J. S. Wilson-2001 and R. J. Wright-2003.

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, A. L. Arthaud, E. M. Ball, M. G. Boosalis, L. E. Davis, D. D. Dearborn, T. H. Doane, D. D. Duey, F. E. Eldridge, R. L. Fleming, C. O. Gardner, O. S. Gilbertson, T. E. Hartung, V. A. Johnson, D. W. Kellogg, R. W. Kleis, D. T. Lewis, L. E. Lucas, J. T. P. Lunde, D. B. Lutz, G. R. Manglitz, W. L. Miller, G. A. Newkirk, R. B. O'Keefe, E. A. Olson, H. W. Ottoson, E. B. Russell, D. H. Sander, L. R. Schreiner, T. L. Schrick, K. M. Shahani, W. L. Shires, T. A. Silletto, L. J. Sumption, N. P. Swanson, D. Swartzendruber, R. M. Tondl, M. S. Turner, R. I. Turner, K. Von Bargaen, T. D. Ward. B. A. Weichenthal, U. E. Wendorff, R. G. White, H. L. Wieggers, D. C. Williams, Jr., D. R. Wolverton and L. L. Young.

IF YOU WHO HAVE RETIRED AND WISH TO STAY ON OUR MAILING LIST MUST COMPLETE THE FORM ON THE REVERSE SIDE and mail it to the appropriate address below by March 31, 2001. If you wish you may call the information to me at 402/466-4053. Thank you very much for your cooperation. Charles H. Adams, Nebraska Chapter Membership Coordinator (and dues collector for the past 34 years!!!!).

Charles H Adams