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A Brief History of Hofstra University

About to approach its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this Fall, Hofstra has a rich and proud heritage. The University was named in honor of William Hofstra, who was a prominent Long Island lumberman. His former estate now contains the south portion of the campus.

The first classes to be held at Nassau College -- Hofstra Memorial, were on September 23, 1935. From that point on, rapid progress and change hallmarked the institution. Academic affiliation was with New York University. In 1937, the college was renamed Hofstra College of New York University and in 1939 Hofstra ended its ties with N.Y.U. and became an independent college. The rapid growth of the physical plant and academic programs continued over the years. The reputation of the institution became well known and respected. In 1963, Hofstra achieved university status. A dynamic law school held its first classes in 1970.

Hence, Hofstra is a young institution with a solid past. Few institutions can boast the strides that Hofstra has made in such a short period of time.

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History of the Hofstra University Provisional Chapter

The Hofstra University Provisional Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho began during the Spring Semester of 1984, in ~~the~~ Liberty Hall dormitory. There, a group of about ten students, after investigating the different fraternities on campus and not finding any that appealed to them, decided to form their own fraternity. They talked with representatives from three national fraternities, and eventually chose to aim at becoming a chapter of Kappa Delta Rho. Vince Thompson visited with the group of students and explained what was necessary to become a chapter of Kappa Delta Rho.

Throughout the semester several other students became interested in the fraternity. Below are listed the original sixteen (16) founding fathers.

Randy Allen	Douglas DeMarco	James Pino
Eric Arolick	William Gensburg	Michael Schnitzer
Seth Belson	Mark Myers	Gary Schultz
Andrew Cohen	Matthew Mansi	Eric Their
Erik Covitz	David Paccone	Guy Villani
Chris Dawley		

Andrew Cohen was elected President; Doug DeMarco, Vice President; Randy Allen, Secretary; Jim Pino, Second Vice President and Pledge Master; and Gary Schultz as Treasurer.

Membership grew to thirty (30) students, and it was at this point that representatives of the Fraternity, including Donald Stohl, went before Hofstra's Inter-Fraternity Council. After much discussion within the I.F.C., the Hofstra colony of Kappa Delta Rho was approved. In early May, 1984, KDR brothers from Rutgers University initiated 29 new members into the new provisional chapter.

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The Fall semester of 1984 saw a solidifying of the new Provisional Chapter. Meetings were held every Wednesday evening, the Fraternity participated in intramurals, entered a float in the Homecoming parade, held rushes, and performed a social service project with a group of boys from broken homes.

The Spring of 1985 began with a newly appointed Executive Board. Andrew Cohen and Gary Schultz continued as President and Treasurer, respectively. Aaron Gobler became Secretary; Michael Schnitzer, 1st Vice President; and Larry Estreich, 2nd Vice President and Pledge Master.

The Provisional Chapter is now taking part in the IFC-ISC-IGC charity drive for Leukemia, and is undertaking another social service project. A party, co-sponsored by Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity, at Hofstra USA (the University's recreational center) is being planned. A KDR raffle is also being organized.



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Provisional Chapter Officers

Consul .....	Andrew J. Cohen
Senior Tribune .....	Michael S. Schnitzer
Junior Tribune .....	Larry A. Estreich
Praetor .....	Aaron L. Gobler
Quaestor .....	Gary Schultz
Pontifex .....	Seth R. Belson
Propraetor .....	Thomas A. Fiore
Centurion .....	Guy C. Villani
Social Chairman .....	Seth R. Belson
Rush Chairman .....	Michael S. Schnitzer
Intramural Chairman ...	Matthew Mansi
Faculty Advisor .....	Dr. Peter J. Favaro

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MEMBERS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Major</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Randy H. Allen	1987	Bus. Admin.	Lowell, MA
Eric Jon Arolick	1987	Elect. Eng.	N. Bellmore, NY
Seth Russell Belson	1987	Pol. Sci.	Turnersville, NJ
Phillip Francis Chorun	1987	Comp. Sci.	Stanhope, NJ
Andrew Jack Cohen	1987	Accounting	Elkins Park, PA
David Edward Coleman	1987	Finance	Newington, CT
John Joseph Cooper	1987	Comp. Sci.	New York, NY
Erik Aaron Covitz	1987	Bnkg. & Fin.	Norwood, MA
Douglas Mark DeMarco	1987	Biochemistry	Somerset, MA
Al Michael DiBernardo	1987	Bnkg. & Fin.	Babylon, NY
Larry Andrew Estreich	1985	Comm.	New City, NY
Thomas Angelo Fiore	1987	Pre-Law	Wayside, NJ
Adam Avery Frasse	1987	Pol. Sci.	Seaford, NY
William Isidore Gensburg	1987	Pol. Sci.	E. Burke, VT
Aaron Lee Gobler	1987	Comp. Sci.	Phila., PA
Griffin Patrick Jones	1987	Comp. Sci.	Rochester, NY
John Thomas McCamphill, Jr.	1987	Accounting	N. Babylon, NY
Matthew Michael Mansi	1987	Liberal Arts	Dix Hills, NY
Mark Scott Myers	1988	Marketing	Randolph, MA
David Edward Pacone	1985	History	Apalachin, NY
James Earl Pino	1987	English	Dix Hills, NY
Michael Steven Schnitzer	1987	Intl. Bus.	Northport, NY
Gary Schultz	1987	Accounting	Selden, NY
Michael Jay Shapiro	1987	Management	Elkins Park, PA
Eric Lance Their	1987	Management	Pamona, NY
Sergio Alfonso Torrico	1987	Comp. Sci.	Westbury, NY
Guy Christopher Villani	1987	Marketing	Hunt. Sta., NY
David Bernard Walsh	1987	Comm.	Woburn, MA

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Goals To Be Achieved By the Chapter

Short-Term Goals

- \* to be accepted into Hofstra's Greek society
- \* to strengthen the brotherhood of the members
- \* to be actively involved in the Greek intramurals program
- \* to sponsor a social service activity at least once a semester
- \* to involve the Fraternity in public affairs
- \* to establish a membership of fifty (50) or more

Long-Term Goals

- \* to establish the Fraternity as an organized and respected Greek brotherhood
- \* to help reinforce the Inter-Fraternity and Inter-Greek Councils
- \* to be involved in a Greek housing program on campus
- \* to enhance Hofstra's social life by sponsoring and promoting various events and activities

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Honors, Offices Held, and College Activities of Members

Randy Allen	Freshman/Big Brother program, Communica- tions Chairman (Netherlands Dormitory), Former KDR Secretary
Eric Arolick	Student Security Aide, Freshman/Big Brother program, Peer Counselor, KDR Historian
Seth Belson	Freshman/Big Brother program, Student Security Aide, Pre-Law Society
Phil Chorun	Computer Science Club, Tower (Dormitory) Council
Andrew Cohen	Alumni College Student Aide, Freshman/Big Brother program, Ambassador Program President, - KDR
David Coleman	Resident Assistant, President- <del>Y</del> Young Democrats,
John Cooper	Vice President - Tower (Dormitory) Council, Rugby Club, Computer Lab Assistant
Erik Covitz	Freshman/Big Brother program, I.G.C. Rep- resentative, Intermural Hockey Team
Douglas DeMarco	American Chemical Society, Alumni Phon-a- thon volunteer, Former KDR Vice President
Al DiBernardo	Finance Club, Alumni Phon-a-thon Volunteer, Chairman - KDR Social Service Committee
Larry Estreich	WRHU (Campus radio station), HTV (Campus television station), V.P./Pledgemaster - KDR
Thomas Fiore	Freshman/Big Brother program, Assistant Program Chairman - Netherlands (Dorm.)
Adam Frasse	Rugby Club, Hockey Club
William Gensburg	Young Democrats, Alumni Phon-a-thon Volun- teer
Aaron Gobler	Computer Science Club, Computer Lab Assis- tant, Freshman/Big Brother program, Secretary - KDR
Griffin Jones	Screaming Dutchmen (Booster Club), Young Republicans, Student Government Assoc.
John McCamphill	Young Democrats, Organization of Commuter Students,



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Matthew Mansi	Freshman/Big Brother program, Ambassador Program, Asst. Pledgemaster - KDR, Former KDR Intramurals Chairman
Mark Myers	Freshman/Big Brother program, Program Chairman - Netherlands (Dormitory)
David Paccone	Resident Assistant, Cross Country
James Pino	Freshman/Big Brother program, Ambassador Program
Michael Schnitzer	Ambassador Program, Freshman/Big Brother program, <u>1st</u> Vice President - KDR
Gary Schultz	Organization of Commuter Students, Program Board
Michael Shapiro	Freshman/Big Brother program, Student Security Aide
Eric Their	Freshman/Big Brother program, Ambassador Program
Sergio Torrico	Organization of Commuter Students, Ambassador Program, Rugby Club
Guy Villani	Marketing Club, Sargent-at-Arms - KDR
David Walsh	Resident Assistant, Alumni College Student Aide, HTV

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Campus Fraternities and Sororities

Fraternities

Alpha Gamma Omega	founded 1979	13 members
Alpha Phi Alpha (Nat.)	- information not available -	
Delta Tau	founded 1953	30 members
Epsilon Sigma	founded 1937	35 members
Zeta Beta Tau (Nat.)	founded 1968	30 members
Kappa Alpha Psi (Nat.)	founded 1978	1 member
Tau Epsilon Phi (Nat.)	founded 1969	34 members
Tau Kappa Epsilon (Nat.)	founded 1969	36 members
Malik Sigma Psi (Nat.)	founded 1981	13 members
Manchester House	founded 1969	27 members
Pershing Rifle	founded 1952	13 members

Sororities

Alpha Theta Beta	founded 1936	30 members
Alpha Kappa Alpha (Nat.)	- information not available -	
Delta Sigma Theta (Nat.)	- information not available -	
Delta Chi Delta	founded 1938	36 members
Tau Chi Rho	founded 1982	50 members
Phi Epsilon	founded 1937	68 members
Wreath & Foil	founded 1952	21 members

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Pledge Training Program

The Pledge Program incorporates the use of Fraternity education manuals, i.e. the Pathfinder. Pledges are taught the history and heraldry of the Fraternity through this manual and all information is reinforced with pledge activities.

Kappa Delta Rho does not haze. Pledge projects and activities are structural, not destructive. The pledge process runs approximately two weeks. After pledging, the pledges take the National's pledge exam which encompasses all the material in the Pathfinder. After passing the exam the pledges become initiated.

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Social Program

Our Provisional Chapter's social program is currently limited by IFC and IGC regulations concerning provisional chapters. We are not allowed to have mixers and we may not sponsor parties on campus.

The Provisional Chapter had a semi-formal in early December, 1984 and is planning a formal for early May, 1985.

The Provisional Chapter has socialized with members of the Beta Alpha chapter at C.W. Post numerous times.

Future plans include co-sponsoring a party with Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity of Hofstra University at Hofstra USA, Hofstra's recreational center, and many other events once the IFC and IGC restrictions are lifted.



# BYLAWS OF A PROVISIONAL CHAPTER OF KAPPA DELTA RHO

## -Article 1 Name-

The name of this Fraternity shall be Hofstra University provisional Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho.

## -Article II Purposes-

The primary purpose of the Fraternity shall be the promotion of good fellowship among its members and the advancement of truth justice, and virtue.

The Fraternity shall provide a source of identity and, if responsible led, a source of dignity for every member. The Fraternity will be a significant force in preparing it's members for the challenges of the complex life they must face. The Fraternity clearly recognizes the need for scholastic achievement intellectual honesty, community service, personal and group fiscal responsibility.

Hofstra Univ. Prov. Chapter accepts the oppotunity of contributing to the general education of it's members.

## -Article III Membership-

SECTION 1; The membership of this Fraternity shall consist of honorary members, alumni, actives and pledges.

SECTION 2; Honorary members shall consist of outstanding faculty members or other men of good repute elected by the active chapter, and approved by the National.

SECTION 3; Alumni shall consist of those actives of the Fraternity who shall have completed their work at Hofstra University or those actives who, due to personal reasons, terminated their career prior to graduation.

SECTION 4; Actives shall consist of undergraduates, fully initiated upon completion of all requirements set by the Fraternity and College.

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SECTION 5; Pledges shall consist of those prospective members which are awaiting completion of the requirements for initiation.

-Article IV Officers-

SECTION 1; PRESIDENT: The presiding officer of the Chapter. He presides at all meetings, enforces the laws, and serves in the capacity of the general administrator. He makes all appointments to all committees with the approval of the Executive Committee.

SECTION 2; FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: Is the Rush Chairman and presides the duties of the President in his absence or incapacity. He will fill the position of President should the present president not be able to complete his elected term. He will also conduct all correspondence between alumni, faculty advisors and the chapter.

SECTION 3; SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: He is the Pledgemaster. He has full responsibility for all pledges and directs the pledge training program. He supervises the testing of pledges on the material required. He serves in the capacity of First Vice President in his absence.

SECTION 4; SECRETARY: The recording secretary of the Fraternity. He conducts all correspondence with the National, and between members. He keeps the minutes of all meetings in permanent form. He maintains all initiation forms and the bylaws, retyping them with corrections each year.

SECTION 5; TREASURER: The treasurer of the Fraternity. He collects all fees and pays all bills, keeping accurate records of all money received and disbursed. He shall be responsible for preparing a budget for the forthcoming year subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. He also files monthly financial statements with the National Treasurer, Alumni Corps and the Chapter Executive Committee

SECTION 6; SERGEANT AT ARMS: The doorkeeper of the Fraternity meetings. He receives the handclasp of all initiates before their admission to Fraternity meetings. He maintains all

ritual equipment and maintenance of the meeting room.

SECTION 7; CHAPLAIN: Chaplain of the Fraternity. He has charge of all devotional exercises in which the Fraternity participates. Responsible for the Invocation before all Fraternity meetings.

SECTION 8; I.F.C. REPRESENTATIVE: Is the official representative of the Fraternity at all Interfraternity Council meetings. *IF Membership exceeds sixteen there will be two IFC Reps.*

SECTION 9; EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Shall consist of President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The committee prepares the agenda for all meetings and deals with all special problems as they arise. The Executive Council will also assist the President in his appointments of the Social Chairman, Social Service Chairman, Intramural Chairman, Scholarship Chairman, and their committee members. They shall appoint other committees as the need arises.

#### -ARTICLE V ELECTIONS-

Elections will be held three to four weeks prior to the end of the fall semester. Nominations will be made during the Fraternity meeting prior to the election. All nominations for all elected positions will remain open until the elections. All members nominated must be in good financial standing with the Fraternity. Upon completion of the elections, the President and Executive Committee shall meet to make appointments.

#### -Article VI Membership Requirements-

SECTION 1; PLEDGES: To become a pledge, each upperclassman to be considered must have a "C" average. Freshmen requirements will follow those set by the I.F.C. All rushees must be approved by a vote of the actives of the Fraternity to become pledges by receiving the required number of votes set forth in Article X section 1.

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SECTION 2; ACTIVES: To become initiated as a full member of the Fraternity, each pledge must complete all requirements set by the National Fraternity, the Chapter, and the local I.F.C.; have completed all financial requirements; and receive the required voting as set forth in section 1, Article X from the votes of active membership prior to the initiation.

-ARTICLE VII Finances-

SECTION 1; All financial requirements set by the Fraternity upon it's membership shall be proposed by the Executive Committee and approved by a vote of the active membership.

The treasurer will prepare a budget of income and expenses which must be approved by a vote of the Executive Committee.

-Article VIII Meetings-

SECTION 1; Regular meetings of the active Fraternity shall be held every Wednesday night beginning at 9:00 pm. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

SECTION 2. At all regular meetings 75% plus all of the Executive Committee will be required to conduct any business.

SECTION 3; Permission may be given by the President or First Vice President to any active member to be absent from a meeting providing there is valid justification of the necessity of his absence.

SECTION 4; Any member being absent from a meeting without permission shall be fined \$5.00.

SECTION 5; The secretary will call roll upon the President opening the meeting.

-Article IX Rushing-

Because of the importance of all rushing functions, all members will be required to attend. All members means actives and pledges. Those not present will be fined \$5.00 unless there has been notification given to the President or Vice President.

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-Article X Voting-

SECTION 1; MEMBERS: The voting requirement for a new member to be accepted into the Fraternity shall be above 75%. If a pledge receives 75% then he must be brought up for a revote which is delayed till the following meeting. At this next meeting the Pledge must receive over 75% of the vote or he is rejected, as is anyone who receives under 75% of the vote during the initial voting period.

SECTION 2; ISSUES: When voting on an issue, if the issue gets below 2/3 of the vote, then it fails. It shall pass if it receives above this amount. If it receives exactly 2/3, then it shall be brought up for a revote at the next meeting. It must receive above the 2/3 in order to pass, or it shall be considered a dead issue.

-Article XI Amendments-

These bylaws may be amended by receiving the number of votes established in Section 2 Article X, of all members at a regular meeting. The purpose of the proposed amendment having been presented one meeting prior to it's call for approval.

-AMENDMENTS-

Amendment 1; All contracts must be reviewed by the Dean of Student Activities.

Amendment 2; Section 1; The cause of impeachment shall be failure to perform duties properly.

Section 2; Procedure for officers and members

- A) petition, which must be signed by at least 2/3 of active membership, must be presented to the faculty advisor.
- B) The advisor shall call a special meeting in which he shall preside. The impeachment will be discussed at this meeting, and during this time, the member in question will be required to stay out of the meeting.
- C) A 90% vote by closed ballot will determine the outcome, after the member has been read the charges, and has had time to argue for his side of these. Should he not receive the 90% vote, he will be found guilty and be required to submit his resignation.
- C) Impeachment may be brought only once during a term.

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We, the Brothers of the Hofstra University Provisional Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho, formally request the acceptance of Chapter Status upon the completion of the national requirements.

It would be a great honor for us to become part of the esteemed brotherhood that is Kappa Delta Rho. We earnestly pledge to place honor above all things.