



PETITION FOR CHARTER
PSI ALPHA PROVISIONAL CHAPTER

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The National Fraternity of
Kappa Delta Rho

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HISTORY OF PENN STATE BEHREND COLLEGE

The Behrend College of Penn State is located on a 600 acre estate seven miles east of Erie, Pennsylvania. A committee of Erie residents, after World War II, decided that a campus of Penn State would best meet Erie's needs for a public college. The Glenn-hill Farm Estate was generously offered by Mrs. Mary Brownell Behrend, wife of the late Ernst R. Behrend, as a gift in memory of her husband. Ernst Behrend and his brother Otto were the founders of the Hammermill Paper Company.

In 1948, the initial class of 152 students were enrolled at the Behrend Center. At first, the students were only able to complete their freshmen year at the center. However, the curriculum was expanded after five years to include the sophomore year and two associate degree programs.

Today Behrend College is growing at a rapid pace. Additional buildings are being planned and they include a \$6.8 million Sports Complex and a \$10.2 million Library. With each additional semester, more and more four-year program are becoming available. An MBA program has also been added. Over 2,400 students are currently enrolled at Behrend College and continual increases are projected.

HISTORY OF PSI ALPHA PROVISIONAL CHAPTER

On April 23, 1985, thirty-nine men of the Behrend Campus of the Pennsylvania State University were inducted as a Provisional Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho. Being that the semester was coming to an end, the Provisional Chapter had only one meeting. Since the acting president, Timothy F. Carley, was going to attend school at the main campus of the Pennsylvania State University, the chapter elected officers for the following school year.

With the the beginning of the next semester, the chapter organized a 10K race to benefit the March of Dimes. The race was held on the last weekend of September. Trophies were awarded to the top three finishers in their prospective age category. All who attended were given complimentary T-Shirts. The first pledge class of our chapter was inducted the last week of September. On October 22, 1985, our chapter, together with the Student Government Association, held the first annual "Beer Belly Blues Root Beer Party" during Alcohol Awareness Week. In early November a football game was played against Sigma Kappa Nu, a local Fraternity at Behrend College; however, we were unsuccessful in our endeavor. Also held in November was a Brother/Pledge retreat. A good time was had by all members who attended.

The induction of our second pledge class started the beginning of the Spring semester for the Provisional Chapter at Behrend College. In the beginning of February the Second Annual Wrist-Wrestling Contest was held. A Spring Break trip was planned for the first week of March. Over a third of the Chapter attended and some Brothers won pool-side contests. Our third Pledge Class was inducted the last week in March. The third week of April was very warm so a car wash was held at a local merchant's parking lot to benefit the March of Dimes.

With the beginning of the 1986 Fall Semester, the fraternity has inducted another pledge class, which has a total of 10 members. The fraternity is also looking forward to its induction as a full-fledged chapter of Kappa Delta Rho on November 14, 1986 and to many more successful years at Behrend College.

PSI ALPHA CHAPTER OFFICERS

Fall 1986

Consul:

David L. Wilcox

Senior Tribune:

James M. Stenger

Junior Tribune:

Robert J. Frank

Praetor:

Eric P. Walsnovich

Quaestor:

Matthew L. Hatch

Centurian:

Randy M. Eadie

Scholarship Chairman:

Michael N. Vogt

Social Chairman:

Paul M. Rossman

Chaplain:

Jacob J. Beaver

Custodian:

Paul M. Rossman

Faculty Advisor:

Michael Chiteman

Alumni Advisor:

Douglas L. Gerow

PSI ALPHA MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

Fall 1986

Name, Class of:	Hometown:	Major:
Michael A. Addoms, 1989	Coraopolis, PA	Finance
Scott E. Baker, 1988	Meadville, PA	Engineering
Jacob J. Beaver, 1989	Linesville, PA	M.I.S.
Todd A. Brian, 1987	Clarendon, PA	M.I.S.
David E. Conover, 1987	Erie, PA	M.I.S.
Bradley R. Dunkle, 1988	Mercer, PA	M.I.S.
Randy M. Eadie, 1989	Warren, PA	Engineering
Jeffrey Eagley, NA	Lake City, PA	Engineering
Jeffrey J. Eckberg, NA	N. Huntington, PA	M.I.S.
Shawn S. Fallon, 1989	Erie, PA	Business
Robert J. Frank, 1986	DuBois, PA	M.I.S.
Anthony L. Fusciello, NA	Jersey City, NJ	Accounting
Douglas L. Gerow, 1986 Grad	Erie, PA	Economics
David A. Graves, 1988	Corry, PA	Engineering
Richard W. Gursky, Jr., 1988	Oakville, CT	Engineering
Matthew L. Hatch, 1987	West Middlesex, PA	Management
Mark T. Hopson, 1988	Union City, PA	Engineering
Jay Jacobson, 1988	Silver Springs, MD	Engineering
Rod Luery, NA	North Brunswick, NJ	Finance
Gary Mahosky, 1986 Grad	Hazleton, PA	Accounting
Richard Moreno, 1987	Pittsburgh, PA	Speech Com.
Crist A. Peachey, 1988	Yeagertown, PA	Accounting
James A. Perricone, 1989	Meadville, PA	Engineering
Michael Ross, 1988	Pittsburgh, PA	Mech. Engr.
Paul M. Rossman, 1986	Erie, PA	Phys. Sci.
Mark S. Schnurr, 1988	Pittsburgh, PA	Finance
Bryan Schuster, 1988	Hermitage, PA	Engineering
Erik J. Simon, 1989	Three Bridges, NJ	Engineering
Mark T. Stanley, 1988	Erie, PA	Civil Engr.
James M. Stenger, 1988	Meadville, PA	Mech. Engr.
Joseph L. Tarzowicz, 1988	Wellsboro, PA	Engineering
Edward R. Thompson, 1988	Erie, PA	Engineering
Michael N. Vogt, 1988	Erie, PA	Management
Thong Q. Vuong, 1988	Erie, PA	Engineering
Wesley D. Wagner, NA	Erie, PA	Business
Eric P. Walsnovich, 1989	Coraopolis, PA	Undecided
Jeffrey J. Westfall, 1988	Erie, PA	Nucl. Engr.
David L. Wilcox, 1988	Erie, PA	M.I.S.
Derek J. Zabierowsky, 1988	Wexford, PA	Engineering
Edward J. Zukowski, 1989	Erie, PA	Management

PSI ALPHA PLEDGE ROSTER
Alpha Pledge Class
Fall 1986

Name, Class of:	Hometown:	Major:
Terrence L. Anthony, 1988	Russel, PA	M.I.S.
Michael J. Forbes, 1990	Meadville, PA	Undecided
Todd B. Graves, 1990	Corry, PA	Engineering
Michael A. Merbach, 1989	Saxonburg, PA	Undecided
Jeffrey T. Molnar, 1989	Glenshaw, PA	Pol. Sci.
Brian E. Sarno, 1990	Bowie, MD	Pre-Law
Michael J. Shanshala, 1989	Warren, PA	Civil Engr.
Kabot J. Simon, 1990	Three Bridges, NJ	Chem. Engr.
Timothy J. Spang, 1990	Ford City, PA	Engineering
Justin L. Wood, 1990	Springboro, PA	Accounting

**PSI ALPHA PROVISIONAL CHAPTER
LIST OF MEMBER'S ACTIVITIES, AWARDS, & HONORS**

Michael A. Addoms	Student Affairs, Accounting Club
Scott E. Baker	Senior Tribune, Commuter Council, Karate Club
Jacob J. Beaver	Pontifex, Chorus, Varsity Basketball
Todd A. Brian	M.I.S. Club, DPMA
David E. Conover	Commuter Council, M.I.S. Club, Tennis Team
Bradley R. Dunkle	M.I.S. Club, Commuter Council
Randy M. Eadie	Centurion, Karate Club, Barbell Club, Ski Club
Jeffrey Eagley	Commuter Club, Engineering Club
Jeffrey J. Eckberg	Outing Club, M.I.S. Club
Shawn S. Fallon	Outing Club, Ski Club
Robert J. Frank	Junior Tribune, Student Government Association - Student Senator, Commuter Council, M.I.S. Club
Anthony L. Fusciello	Centurion, Commuter Council - Vice President, Accounting Club
Douglas L. Gerow	Praetor, Alumni Advisor, Student Government President 1984-86, Vice President 1984, Commonwealth Campus Student Government President, Commuter Senator, Commuter Council, Political Awareness Council, Faculty Senate, Faculty Council, College Hearing Board, Walker Award, Economics Award
David A. Graves, Jr.	Junior Tribune, 10K Race Director, Karate Club
Richard W. Gursky, Jr.	Engineering Club, Barbell Club, Joint Residence Council
Matthew L. Hatch	Quaestor, Pontifex, Commuter Council, Outing Club, Accounting Club, Management Club, Joint Resident Council

Mark T. Hopson	Engineering Club, Chess Club
Jay Jacobson	Ski Club, Engineering Club
Rod Luery	<u>Behrend Collegian</u> - Business Manager & Editor, Management Club
Gary Mahosky	Accounting Club - Treasurer, Management Club
Richard Moreno	Outing Club, Barbell Club
Crist A. Peachey	Commuter Council, Accounting Club, Ranger Club
James A. Perricone	Chess Club, Outing Club
Michael Ross	<u>Behrend Collegian</u> - News Editor, Lambda Sigma, Barbell Club, S.P.E.E.D. (Students Promoting Excellence in Engineering Disciplines)
Paul M. Rossman	Social Chairman, Custodian, Outing Club - President & Vice President, Student Government Association - Vice President & Senator, Traffic Appeals Board
Mark S. Schnurr	Joint Residence Council, Accounting Club
Bryan Schuster	Commuter Council - President, Student Government Association - Senator, Chess Club, Radio Club
Erik J. Simon	Assistant Pledge Master, Outing Club, Barbell Club, Ski Club
Mark T. Stanley	Consul, Commuter Council, College Hearing Board
James M. Stenger	Senior Tribune, Quaestor, Student Government Association - Vice President, Commuter Council - President, Volleyball Team, Karate Club
Joseph L. Tarzowicz	Commuter Council, Engineering Club
Edward B. Thompson	Student Government Association - Senator, Commuter Council, Student Services Committee, Film Production Club
Michael N. Vogt	Scholarship Chairman, Outing Club
Thong Q. Vuong	Engineering Club, Karate Club

AWARDS AND HONORS

Our Chapter, at the Pennsylvania State University's Behrend College, has received a variety of awards and honors in our short history as a chapter of Kappa Delta Rho. These awards and honors were attributed from intramural and other campus activities, philanthropic events, and various other Fraternity functions.

Our members have participated in most all intramural activities on the Behrend campus. We have placed in almost all of the activities that we are involved in, such as flag football, softball, volleyball, and ultimate frisbee. The campus has acknowledged our KDR team through our continued involvement with intramurals and we are quickly becoming "the team to beat!".

The campus has also recognized us with outstanding service to the college community. We have provided numerous activities on and off campus solely for the enjoyment of the campus population at Behrend. These activities have included our Annual Arm-Wrestling Tournament, a 10K Race for the March of Dimes, and various other social functions.

Our most significant honors have come from Erie's local chapter of the March of Dimes. The March of Dimes has continually thanked us for our dedication to their cause. Because of this, members of our chapter were invited to appear on a locally televised March of Dimes Telethon. At this Telethon, we presented to the organization a fairly substantial check while proudly displaying our letters to the entire Erie viewing area.

One final award was won by our chapter during Spring Break '86 in Daytona Beach, Florida. Three of our members entered the Texan Motel's Belly-Flop Contest and took the first, second and third places out of an estimated 50 entries.

**FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES OF
BEHREND COLLEGE**

FRATERNITIES

KAPPA DELTA RHO

Founded in 1985, 51 Members

ALPHA PHI OMEGA

Founded in 1986, 15 Active Members

SIGMA KAPPA NU

Founded in 1982, 30 Active Members (Local)

SORORITIES

ALPHA SIGMA ALPHA

Founded in 1986, 31 Active Members

SIGMA THETA CHI

Founded in 1986, 26 Active Members (Local)

PLEDGE EDUCATION

Pledge Education at the Psi Alpha Provisional Chapter is aimed at giving each pledge direction and encouragement toward fulfilling his goal of initiation. Each pledge must appreciate the value of a Fraternity experience and strive to continually strengthen it throughout his life. A pledge must also realize that he must continue to work with the Fraternity long after the completion of his initiation into Kappa Delta Rho. The completion of his pledge duties is merely a step in his constant climb toward his goal of being a future leader of our Fraternity. We constantly stress that Kappa Delta Rho is for life.

Our pledge program is highly structured and is similar to that of the Suggested Pledge Program Schedule in the Pledge Education manual. We attempt to equally distribute all of the various aspects of pledge education in an eight to ten week time period. Learning the history of Kappa Delta Rho and our Chapter, understanding the relationships between pledges and brothers, financial responsibility, and the expectations of a Big Brother - Little Brother relationships are all important in this development as a pledge of our Chapter.

A major factor in the development of our pledges depends upon the success of our Big Brother program. The Big Brother - Little Brother program is designed to create a bond among the members of the Fraternity that cannot be broken. A Little Brother should seek knowledge and advice from his Big Brother. Each Big Brother, in turn, should institute the goals and foundations of the Fraternity upon his Little Brother so that he may fully understand what it is to be a member of Kappa Delta Rho. The main goal that the Big Brother Program attempts to reach is that every Big Brother and Little Brother become lifelong friends through the Fraternity.

At the Psi Alpha Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho, we must continue to stress the importance of pledge education. Each of our members must equally contribute to the development of our most valuable asset, our pledges. These young men are the future of Kappa Delta Rho.

SOCIAL PROGRAM

The social program at Psi Alpha Provisional Chapter helps each member become more closely united with one another. In the past we have had many social events that have included a Pajama Party, a Beach Party, a Sunglasses party, and other related activities. Each has proved to be both successful as well as enjoyable. Each year, we also have a non-alcoholic party known as "The Beer Belly Blues Rootbeer Bash". This is held during National Alcohol Awareness Week in October. It is a lot of fun and has reinforced our positive public image. Weekend retreats are also held periodically to strengthen brother relationships. These weekends have consisted of playing football and volleyball, cooking out, and sharing past experiences.

As the problems of legal liability become more and more apparent, fraternities must protect themselves as much as possible. Our Chapter follows guidelines that attempt to reduce our risks as much as possible. We do not charge at our functions and a theme is picked to keep the emphasis off alcohol. Alternate beverages and snacks are also provided at each of these functions. If it is felt that someone has had too much to drink they are provided with a ride home.

Social functions are always a closed event. We either have a mixer with another Greek Organization or use a guest list. We feel the members of the Chapter should benefit from our social program not the entire campus of Behrend College.

SHORT RANGE CHAPTER GOALS

- I. Increase membership by educating both brothers and pledges on the fundamentals of Rushing.
- II. Organize a Greek Council to increase the unity of greek organizations at Behrend College.
- III. Establish an Alumni Corporation.
- IV. Improve communication between our Chapter and its Alumni.
- V. Continue the improvement of our Intramural Teams.

LONG RANGE CHAPTER GOALS

- I. Help to establish additional National Greek organizations on our campus.
- II. Continue to increase community involvement and relations through community service.
- III. Acquire permanent Chapter housing.
- IV. Help to eliminate hazing practiced by some Greek organizations at Behrend College.
- V. Help to establish additional chapters of KAPPA DELTA RHO.

BYLAWS OF KAPPA DELTA RHO
Psi Alpha Chapter

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this Fraternity shall be Psi Alpha 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 a source of dignity for every member. The Fraternity will be a significant force in preparing its 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.

Kappa Delta Rho accepts the opportunity of contributing to the general education of its members.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

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

Section 2. Actives shall consist of undergraduates, fully initiated upon completion of all requirements set by the Fraternity and College. They must also meet the financial obligation to the Fraternity.

Section 3. Pledges: Prospective members awaiting completion of the requirements for initiation.

Section 4. Alumni shall consist of those actives of the Fraternity who shall have completed their academic work at Behrend College or those actives who, due to personal reasons, terminated their college career prior to graduation.

Section 5. Honorary Members shall consist of outstanding faculty men and other men of good repute elected by the active chapter, and approved by the National.

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 general administrator. He makes all appointments to all committees with the approval of the Executive Council. The President may call special meetings of the Executive Council.

The President may vote only to break a tie of the active members.

Section 2. First Vice President: Assume the duties of President in his absence or incapacity and will serve as the Rush Chairman. He will fill the position of President should the President not be able to complete his elected term.

Section 3. Second Vice President: Has full responsibility for all pledges and directs the pledge education 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: Handles all correspondence and keeps the minutes of all meetings in a permanent file. He maintains all initiation forms and the Bylaws.

Section 5. Treasurer: Collects all fees and pays all bills and keeps 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 Council and be responsible for coordinating annual audit with the National Office.

Section 6. Sergeant at Arms: Receives the handclasp of all initiates before their admission to Fraternity meetings. He maintains all ritual equipment and supervises maintenance of the meeting room.

Section 7. Chaplain: Has charge of all devotional exercises in which the Fraternity participates and is responsible for the Invocation before all Fraternity meetings.

Section 8. Greek Council Representative: Serves as the official representative of the Fraternity at all Interfraternity Council meetings.

ARTICLE V EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Section 1. Executive Council: Shall consist of President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Council prepares the agenda for all meetings and deals with all special problems as they arise. The Executive Council will also approve appointments of the Social Chairman, Social Service Chairman, Intramural Chairman, Scholarship Chairman, Disciplinary Committee Chairman and their committee members. They shall appoint other committees as the needs arise.

Section 2. The Executive Council shall approve an annual budget under the advice of the Treasurer.

Section 3. The Executive Council may call special meetings of the membership.

Section 4. The Executive Council shall meet at least every two weeks during the academic year.

ARTICLE VI ELECTIONS

Section 1. Elections shall be scheduled during the eighth week of the spring semester. Nominations will be accepted at the regularly scheduled meeting during the seventh week of the spring semester. All nominations for all elected positions will remain open until the elections for each individual office.

Section 2. Each nominee must be in good financial standing with the Fraternity and have a cumulative grade point average of 2.50 or better.

Section 3. All nominees must have completed at least one semester at the Pennsylvania State University and be an active member of the Fraternity.

Section 4. All active members of the Fraternity may vote by secret ballot.

Section 5. The order of election shall be President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant at Arms, and Greek Council Representative. Unsuccessful candidates may be nominated for another elected position at any one time.

Section 6. A simple majority of the active members present is needed for election. If no candidate receives a majority the two candidates with the most votes shall be on a second ballot.

ARTICLE VII MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Section 1. Pledges: to become a pledge, each upperclassman to be considered must have a 2.10 average. Freshman requirements will follow those set forth in The Guide to Greek Life Affairs. All rushees must be approved by a vote of the actives of the Fraternity to become pledges by receiving not more than one negative vote. Although a rushee did not receive a bid as a result of the first voting, the Rushing Chairman may present his name before the actives for another vote. Should the rushee again not receive a favorable vote, his name will be retired from the Fraternity's list of rushees.

Section 2. Actives: to become initiated as a full member of the Fraternity, each pledge must complete all requirements set by the National Fraternity and the Chapter; have completed all financial requirements; and received no more than one negative vote from the active membership prior to the initiation.

ARTICLE VIII FINANCES

Section 1. All financial requirements set by the Fraternity upon its membership shall be proposed by the Executive Council and approved by vote of the active membership.

ARTICLE IX MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular meetings of the Fraternity shall ordinarily be held weekly during the academic year. Special meetings may be called at any time by the Executive Council. All active members are required to attend regularly scheduled and special meetings unless the absence is approved by a member of the Executive Council.

Section 2. At all regular and special meetings the President will preside.

Section 3. Permission may be given by any member of the Executive Council to be absent from a meeting.

Section 4. Any member being absent from a meeting without permission will be fined.

ARTICLE X RUSHING

Because of the importance of all rushing functions, all actives and pledges will be required to attend. Those not present will be fined unless the absence is approved.

ARTICLE XI SERVICE PROJECT

At least one service project to benefit the College or community will be held each academic year.

ARTICLE XII ADVISOR

The Fraternity shall select an advisor from the College Faculty or Staff to serve as a liason between the Fraternity and the University Administration. The advisor shall not vote.

ARTICLE XIII PROBATION

Section 1. Probation shall be defined as not being permitted to attend Fraternity functions.

Section 2. Any active shall be placed on probation if he fails to meet the academic or financial obligations of the Fraternity.

Section 3. Any active may be placed on probation by a unanimous vote of the Executive Council or a two-thirds majority vote of the actives present at a regularly scheduled meeting. This action may only be taken based on an active's failure to uphold the ideals of the Fraternity and these Bylaws.

ARTICLE XIV QUORUM

Section 1. A quorum shall be defined as two-thirds of the active membership.

ARTICLE XV GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

The National Constitution of Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity shall take precedence over this document. The procedures of Kappa Delta Rho, Psi Alpha Chapter, shall remain consistent with the provisions of The Guide to Greek Life Affairs and Robert's Rules for Order, Newly Revised.

ARTICLE XVI AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of all active members at a regular meeting. The purpose of the proposed amendment having been presented one meeting prior to its call for approval.

OFFICIAL REQUEST FOR CHAPTER

Psi Alpha Provisional Chapter

We, the brothers of the Psi Alpha Provisional Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho at the Pennsylvania State University's Behrend College, do formally request to become an official Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho.

We are prepared to begin the challenge of becoming the most progressive and ambitious Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho. Our motto, "Honor Super Omnia", will always remain the major ideal of the Brothers at the Psi Alpha Provisional Chapter of Behrend College.