



For Members of the Phi Delta Theta Alumni Club of Central Florida

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September 1st Meeting



The club started off our 2009-2010 year with a home run. Robert Stuart, Orlando District 3 Commissioner since 2006, was our guest speaker. Robert, an Orlando native, spoke on a wide range of topics, but focused on his experiences as a Little League baseball umpire. He has been a Little League umpire for over 41 years, starting at age 14 when his big brother "recruited" him to umpire a game he was playing in. He loved it so much that he has done it ever since. In 2005, he reached the pinnacle of Little League umpiring -- he was an umpire at the

Little League World Series in Williamsport, PA.

Robert spoke about the two main books that guide his life -- the Bible and the Little League rule book. At the end of his talk, he held a question and answer session. The topics covered everything from the current health care debate, the state of the city and its budget, to what to do about the recently damaged fountain in Lake Eola.

Robert was a Sigma Chi at the University of Florida, and spoke briefly about the historical link Sigma Chi and Phi Delta Theta share as part of the Miami Triad founded at Miami University in Ohio.

Membership Renewals

Membership renewals were included with the last newsletter. So far, the following 34 brothers have renewed their memberships for the 2009-10 year. Brothers who have donated more than the \$35 membership fee are noted with an *. If you haven't renewed yet, please do so today.

Walter (Terry) Acree (Florida '55)	Buell Duncan (Emory University '50)	Sandy Sanders (Florida '60)
Barry Baker (LSU '67)	Frank Engs (Georgia Beta '62)	* August Schwartz (LSU '82)
* Ray Bassett (Florida '51)	Dr. Clyde Gibson (Georgia Beta '51)	Jack Roy Seims (Florida '66)
Lee Bennett (Brown University '64)	Dr. Tom Hand (Florida '57)	Dr. Robert Serros (Florida '54)
Thomas Brownlee (Nebraska '50)	Edmond Henderson (Alabama '58)	Joseph Simonds (Miami FL '45)
Robert Butterfield (Florida Alpha '53)	Robert Hughes (Oklahoma '51)	Jack Sneed (Florida '53)
Charles Collins (Emory '52)	Harlow Middleton (Florida '63)	Chris Stubbs (Emory '71)
Bill Cullerton (Central Florida '93)	Charles Ness (Kent State '50)	Lou Toth (Butler '48)
Walt Currie (Kentucky '56)	Charles A Parker (Florida '86)	* L. Mills Tuttle (Florida '56)
Carl "Sandy" Dann (UNC '55)	John Pattillo (Florida '54)	Dr. John Webb, Jr. (Emory '45)
* Dabney Davis (Florida '52)	* Greg Rhodes (Central Florida '84)	
Frank Drane (Alabama '58)	James Robinson (Florida '43)	

Officer Elections at September Meeting

The following officers were elected at the September meeting to serve our club for the next year:

President	Walt Currie
Vice-President	Dabney Davis
Sec./Treasurer	Greg Rhodes
Directors	Charlie Collins, Bobby Duncan, Fritz Pfeiffer, Sandy Sanders, Robert Serros

Who Says There's No Such Thing as a Free Lunch?

Do you know a Phi in the Orlando area that isn't a member of our club? If so, how about inviting him to attend a future lunch meeting as your guest? The club will pick up the cost of lunch for the first lunch of any non-club member Phi you bring as your guest. This is a great way to introduce a brother Phi to our club.

Speaker Recommendations

We are always on the lookout for speakers for future meetings. We have the rest of 2009 booked (see page 4), but are looking for speakers to fill out 2010. Please send any recommendations of speakers and/or topics to brothers Sandy Sanders (407-851-7478 or sajsanders@aol.com) or Dabney Davis (321-636-4676).

Who Am phI?

Each month I would like to run a small biography of one of the members of our club. To start it off, we will meet our newly elected club president, Walt Currie:



Walt Currie, Kentucky '56 BSEE, AFROTC. After graduation Walt moved to Orlando to join Radiation, Inc. (later Harris Corp) as a Development Engineer. Soon, he was called to the US Air Force as a Communications Officer with duty at Fuchu, Japan. After two years in Atlanta, he returned to Orlando in 1962 and established Currie, Peak and Frazier, Inc., a Southeastern Manufacturer's Representative organization. His two sons were graduated from the University of Florida. His current interests are sailing, the stock market, and the economy. He resides on Lake Conway, Orlando with his wife Catherine.

Who Am phI Biography

I would like each member to complete a small biography similar to the one above. Each month I will print one or two of them to give the rest of the club a chance to learn more about our brothers. Below is a suggested format, but feel free to add or delete details as you see fit. If you have a recent picture, that would be appreciated.

You can bring a completed biography to a future luncheon, email it to me at gregrhodes@email.com, or send it to me in the mail to 849 Bloomingdale Dr, Orlando FL 32828.

Suggested Information: name, where were you born, college / year graduated, life after college (business, military service, family, etc), interests/interesting tidbits.

Tuesday, October 6th @ noon - University Club



Christopher Davis, Assistant Special Agent in Charge (ASAC) of FBI Tampa Field Office. Chris is a native of Rahway NJ and earned athletic scholarships to attend Purdue and San Diego State. Following college, he went on to enjoy a successful six year career in pro football as a member of Baltimore Stars of old USFL, the NY Giants and NE Patriots of NFL, and overseas in Europe where Chris was a player/coach. He coached football collegiately at Plymouth Sate University (NH) prior to entering the FBI.

Upon graduation from the FBI academy, he was assigned to the Los Angeles field office. In 1997 he was assigned to the FBI HQ counterterrorism division. His FBI career has many other highlights, including his promotion in 2006 to his current position as ASAC of the Tampa field office.

Tuesday, November 3rd @ noon - University Club



Dr. Russell Romanella, Director of the International Space Station and Spacecraft Processing Directorate, NASA will be our guest speaker.

Friday, December 4th @ 5:30PM - University Club



This is a holiday dinner event. Suzie DeBusk will be our guest speaker. Suzie has been on several African safaris and will be sharing her experiences and photos. You must RSVP to this event. See the enclosed flyer for full details.

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