



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

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On Tuesday, September 10th, the club started off our new

year with our traditional Florida college football program. This year 27 brothers and guests

heard from five state schools. First up was a first time guest for us – the University of South Florida. Jim Louk, Director of Sales and the radio voice of the USF Bulls, gave us a brief history of football at USF. USF was a 1-AA program in 1997. They moved to 1-A in 2001, and will join the

rest of their sports in Conference USA in 2003.

Next up was Florida. Our speaker wasn't able to make the luncheon, so Gator alumnus Bobby Duncan spoke on Florida's behalf. This was just 3 days after the Florida - Miami game, so the

Gators were still reeling. Bobby predicted the Gators to finish at 9-3 or 8-4, but after the big win over Tennessee, he may be feeling more confident.

Mona Atkinson represented defending



Kevin Carmody (FSU), Mona Atkinson (Miami), Jim Louk (USF), Alan Gooch (UCF)

national champion Miami once again. Mona was beaming with confidence and statistics, and predicted another national championship for the Canes.

Assistant coach Alan Gooch represented UCF. Alan played for UCF for 2 years and has been a coach for 20. Even though UCF started off 0-2, they are hopeful that they can make an impact in their first year in the MAC conference.

Kevin Carmody finished up the presentations with FSU. Kevin has been to several of our football kickoff luncheons and knows the good-natured ribbings that take place. Kevin dished out a couple himself this year and made some very "lively" predictions.

Mona presented the club with the following letter from Miami head coach Larry Coker.



University Of Miami
Hurricane Club of Central Florida

TO: Members of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity
FROM: Coach Larry Coker, Head Football Coach – University of Miami
SUBJECT: Welcome!
DATE: September 10, 2002

On behalf of the University of Miami Hurricanes, I want to welcome you to the 2002 football season. We at the University of Miami are happy that the season has started and have had two exciting victories thus far. Your support for all of the Florida schools is what makes this such a great football state and for that I thank you.

Best wishes to all of you.

Renewals

I sent renewal forms in last month's newsletter. The following 36 brothers have renewed as of press time. If you haven't renewed yet, take a minute and do it now!

Acree, Terry	Duncan, Bobby	Pace, Richard A "Dick"	Sneed, Jack N
Banta, George	Freeman, Oscar W	Pattillo, John T.	Stockton, Howard
Branham, Jr. Jack	Henderson, Edmond	Rhodes, Gregory T	Summers, Bruce
Bryan, Grover	Hughes, Wally	Robinson, James C.	Toth, Lou
Burns, Lt. Col. Bob*	Jones, T. Allan	Rohe, Chuck	Tucker, Dr. David A
Byers, William	Laird, Tom*	Sanders, Sandy*	Walsh, Michael R
Castrianni, Phil	Livingston, George	Serros, Andy	Ward, Dr. Frank
Davis, Dabney C T	Mehler, Bob	Serros, Dr. Robert N.	Williamson, John T.
Duncan, Buell	Ness, Charles	Simonds, Joe	Wuichet, Tom

*indicates brothers who have donated more than the \$30 renewal fee.

Tuesday, October 8th is the next luncheon.

We usually meet at Lee's Lakeside restaurant (downtown Orlando, off Central Ave. on Lake Eola) on the first Tuesday of each month at noon. **The cost for the lunch is \$12 - Lee raised the price this year.** (\$5 for actives at UCF & Rollins.)



On Tuesday, **October 8th**, John Dyer, the Account Executive and Broadcasting Manager for the Orlando Seals hockey team will be our guest speaker. (Note that this is the 2nd Tuesday in October, not the 1st.)

Hockey fans throughout Central Florida will hear a familiar voice when they tune in their radios this season for exciting Orlando Seals hockey. That is because John Dyer, the voice of the now-defunct International Hockey League's (IHL) Orlando Solar Bears, will be calling all of the action for the Atlantic Coast Hockey League's (ACHL) Seals.

Dyer called all of the games for the Solar Bears for six seasons, culminating in the team's IHL Turner Cup Championship in 2000-01. Before coming to Orlando in 1995, the native of Hartford, Connecticut, served two seasons as both the Director of Broadcasting and the radio play-by-play announcer for the IHL's Cleveland Lumberjacks.

From 1990 to 1992, Dyer served as Sports Director for WPDM-AM in Potsdam, New York and was the play-by-play announcer for National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I hockey powerhouse Clarkson University. In his broadcasting career, the 38-year-old also served as News Director for WJNZ-FM in Greencastle, Indiana, and on the sports staff at WPOP-AM in Hartford.

Dyer, a 1987 graduate of DePauw University, is single and resides in Lake Mary, Florida.

Future Luncheons



On Tuesday, November 5th, our luncheon topic will be on Homeland Security.

Tuesday, December 3rd topic is TBA.

Tuesday, January 7th, brother Dabney Davis will be our guest speaker.

If you recall, last year we voted to send UCF alumnus Matt McCloud as the club representative to the Phi Delta Theta Convention. The convention was held in Toronto this past summer. Here is Matt's report:

Dear Brothers of the Central Florida Alumni Club,

First of all I would like to apologize for not being at this meeting in person. Unfortunately I am in Pennsylvania where I have accepted a fellowship at Penn State. Phi Delta Theta's 74th Biennial Convention in Toronto was a great success. Some of the highlights included the proposed changes to the bylaws and general statutes, the election of the general council, and the accolade program. The measures that were passed at the convention included wording changes and the addition of the recruitment chairman to the list of officers. A measure to allow headquarters to seize items with Phi Delta Theta insignia from chapter houses were charters have been revoked was voted down. Another motion to ensure that only a President of the general council can wear the president's badge was tabled.

The general council returns most of its members with Brother Mark Ochsenbein, Eastern Kentucky '77, the only new member taking over one of the member at large positions. Brothers Rudy Porchivina, San Jose State '89, Michael Scarlatelli, Kettering '76, and George Lankow, Florida '60, remain on the general council. The new President of the General Council is Brother Charlie Pride, Western Kentucky '87, who was previously on the general council and who also played a major role in the development of the accolade program.

The accolade program is a new program both for chapters and individual brothers. The program not only sets out goals and provides helpful hints for chapters, it also helps individual members to set their own goals and strive to improve themselves. The program includes everything from rush tips, to scholarship goals, to lessons in investment and finding a job after graduation. The plan has not been fully posted yet but the glimpse shown at convention shows an exciting and successful future for Phi Delta Theta.

Thank you so much for allowing me to represent you at convention it was an honor and a privilege. Best wishes to you all.

Yours in the Bond,
Matthew McCloud

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