#### DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY

Delta Chi Chapter at Cornell University Office of the Alumni Historian

## ΔX of ΔKE Special Study #23: Delta Chi Association Organization and Leadership

The Delta Chi Association was incorporated in the state of New York on 9 March 1888 pursuant to Chapter 267 of the 1875 Laws of the State of New York "to promote social intercourse among ourselves and other members of the Delta Chi Chapter of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, to provide facilities for such intercourse, and in general to promote the welfare of said Delta Chi Chapter and of the Cornell University." This study traces the organization and leadership of the Association.

Cf.  $\Delta X$  of  $\Delta KE$  Special Study #15: Delta Chi Association Articles of Governance for the Association's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws: <a href="http://hdl.handle.net/1813/3419">http://hdl.handle.net/1813/3419</a>.

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# **Original Board of Trustees, 1888**

The 1888 Articles of Incorporation established the original fifteen-member Board of Trustees for the Association.

Original Board of Trustees, Delta Chi Association, 1888				
DX #	Name	CY	Life	
1	James Julius Chambers	1870	1850-1920	
2	Sidney Howard Soule	1871	-1914	
4	John DeWitt Warner	1872	1851-1925	
12	Henry Alonzo Monfort	1873	1852-1930	
20	Frederick Morris Stevens	1874	-1923	
21	Edwin Gillette	1873	1851-1926	
22	Emilus Oviatt Randall	1874	1850-1919	
30	Daniel James Tompkins	1875	-1937	
39	Daniel Otis Barto	1877	-1921	
55	Wilbray James Thompson	1874	1852-1927	
57	Sigmund Mayer Lehman	1879	1859-1930	
60	James Ward Warner	1879	1858-1948	
68	John Foster Hamilton	1879	-1926	
92	Rollin Cortland Horr	1882	-1921	
101	Herbert Dana Schenck	1882	1858-1933	

The above table was constructed from the  $\Delta X$  Historical Register database.

# **Presidents of the Delta Chi Association**

The following table is constructed from the *Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly*, the *Delta Chi Deke* and Association correspondence.

Presidents of the Delta Chi Association						
DX #	Name	CY	Life	Term		
210	Ernest Vail Stebbins	1893	1874-1950	ca. 1913-1918		
287	Joseph DeWitt Warner	1902	1881-1962	1919		
101	Herbert Dana Schenck	1882	1858-1933	ca. 1919-1927		
287	Joseph DeWitt Warner	1902	1881-1962	1928-1947		
730	L. LaVerne Horton	1941	1918-1958	1952		
674	James Spencer Brown	1937	1914-1975	1954-1955		
824	Harold Marinus Warendorf	1949	1928-1997	1955-1957		
808	John Arthur "Jack" Krieger	1949	1924-2011	1958-1960		
664	Harold Diodate "Bub" North, Jr.	1936	1914-1990	1960-1962		
837	George Nixon, Jr	1949	1926-2004	1962-1963		
581	Thomas Washburn Hopper	1928	1907-1983	Sep1963-1971		
636	Edward Waller Cunningham	1933	1911-2002	1972-1974		
1016	Kendall Stuart Norwood, Jr.	1962	1937-1995	1976-1980		
1032	John Rast Hubbard	1965	1943-	1980-1983		
1093	Norman Lindsley Davidson, Jr.	1971	1950-	1983-1985		
1232	Steven Mark Pozzi	1981	1959-	1986-Feb1988		
1093	Norman Lindsley Davidson, Jr.	1971	1950-	1989		
1191	Michael Patrick James Curran	1979	1957-	ca. 1994		
808	John Arthur "Jack" Krieger	1949	1924-2011	1995-1997		
1058	Donald Alford Weadon, Jr.	1967	1945-2008	1997-Mar2008		
1093	Norman Lindsley Davidson, Jr.	1971	1950-	Mar2008-		

No Association records predating World War I have survived. As a result, the terms of the Presidents during these early years should be regarded as estimates only.

#### Officers of the Delta Chi Association, 1931-1970

Data on "Chapter Alumni Associations, Delta Chi (Cornell)," from the *Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly (DKEQ)* AKA the *Deke Quarterly* follows. Cf. <a href="http://www.hathitrust.org/">http://www.hathitrust.org/</a>

DKEQ, XLIX, #3 (Sep 1931), p. 191 (Chapter Alumni Associations)

President — Jos. D. Warner, 99 Second Ave., Newark, N.J.

Secretary —Lawrence S. Helffrich, 7 Weybridge Rd., Great Neck, N.Y.

Treasurer —L. G. Smith, 18 Beach PL, Maplewood, N.J.

DKEO, LI, #1 (Feb 1933), p. 34

President —J. D. Warner, 99 2nd Ave., Newark, N.J.

Secretary —Lawrence S. Helffrich, 7 Weybridge Rd., Great Neck, N.Y.

Treasurer — John F. Nixon, 68 William St., N.Y.C.

DKEQ, LII, #1 (Feb 1934), p. 31

President —J. D. Warner, 99 2nd Ave., Newark, N.J.

Secretary —Lawrence S. Helffrich, 7 Weybridge Rd., Great Neck, N.Y.

Treasurer — John F. Nixon, 68 William St., N.Y.C.

DKEQ, LIII, #1 (Feb 1935), p. 35

President —J. D. Warner, 99 2nd Ave., Newark, N.J.

Secretary —Lawrence S. Helffrich, 7 Weybridge Rd., Great Neck, N.Y.

Treasurer — John F. Nixon, 68 William St., N.Y.C.

DKEQ, LIV, #1 (Feb 1936), p. 37

President —J. D. Warner, 99 2nd Ave., Newark, N.J.

Secretary — Lawrence S. Helffrich, 7 Weybridge Rd., Great Neck, N.Y.

Treasurer — John F. Nixon, 68 William St., N.Y.C.

DKEQ, LV, #1 (Feb 1937), p. 48

President —J. D. Warner, 99 2nd Ave., Newark, N.J.

Secretary —Lawrence S. Helffrich, 7 Weybridge Rd., Great Neck, N.Y.

Treasurer — John F. Nixon, 68 William St., N.Y.C.

DKEQ, LXI, #1 (Feb 1943)

Pres. —J. D. Warner, 99 Second Ave., Newark, N.J.

Vice-Pres. —E. Vail Stebbins, 42 Broadway, N.Y.C.

Sec'y —Ross S. Anderson, 1 E. 42nd St., N.Y.C.

Treas. —John F. Nixon, 55 Liberty St., N.Y.C.

#### DKEQ, LXX, #1 (Feb 1952)

Pres. —Verne Horton, Goldman, Sachs & Co., 30 Pine St., N. Y. C. 5

Vice-Pres. —Donald Danenhower, Apt. 9A, Oakwood Manor, Woodbury, -N. J.

Sec'y. —John L. Beersman, Grove Point, Westport, Conn.

Treas. —James S. Brown, III, 22 Van Rensselaer Ave., Stamford, Conn.

#### DKEQ, LXII, #2 (May 1954)

Pres. —James S. Brown, 22 W. Putnam Ave., Greenwich, Conn.

Vice-Pres. —John A. Krieger, 107 E. 48th St., N.Y.C.

Sec'y. —Harold M. Warendorf, 7 Edgewood Rd., Scarsdale, N.Y.

Treas. —J. Burr Jenkins, 463 Pelham Rd., New Rochelle, N.Y.

#### DKEQ, LXXV, #1 (Feb 1957)

Pres.—Harold M. Warendorf, 10 Brookby Rd., Scarsdale, N.Y.

Vice-Pres.—Paul J. Kiely, 19 Renwick PL, Ithaca, N.Y.

Sec'y.-Treas.—Walton S. Elliott, Manor Rd., Southburg, Conn.

#### DKEQ, LXXVI, #3 (Oct 1958)

Pres. —John A. Krieger, 21 Cleverdon Rd., Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J.

Vice-Pres. —Harold R. LaBonte, 532 Cayuga Heights Rd., Ithaca. N.Y.

Vice-Pres. —Paul J. Kiely, 19 Renwick Pl., Ithaca, N.Y.

Sec'y. —Walton S. Elliott, 79 Colonial Rd., Stamford, Conn.

Treas. —James M. Clark, 42 E. 63rd St., New York City 21

## DKEQ, LXXVII, #3 (Oct 1959), p. 123

Pres. —John A. Krieger, 21 Cleverdon Rd., Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J.

Vice-Pres. —Harold R. LaBonte, 532 Cayuga Hts. Rd., Ithaca, N.Y.

Sec'y. —Latham C. Burns, 37 Wall St., New York, N.Y.

Treas. —James M. Clark, 20 Apple Tree Lane, Darien, Conn.

#### DKEQ, LXXVIII, #3 (Oct 1960)

Pres. —Harold D. North, Jr., 2765 Claythorne Rd., Shaker Heights 22, Ohio.

Vice-Pres. —Harold R. LaBonte, 532 Cayuga Heights Rd., Ithaca. N.Y.

Sec'y.-Treas. —David B. Sayle, 2724 Claythorne Rd., Shaker Heights 22, Ohio.

## DKEQ, LXXXII, #3 (Oct 1964), p. 115

Pres. —Thos. W. Hopper, 1700 Sansom St., Phila., Pa.

Vice-Pres. —Geo. Stothoff, F. W. Dodge, 119 W. 40th St., N.Y.

Sec'y. —Thos. Borthwick, C. C. Collings, Fidelity Phil. Trust Bldg. Phila., Pa.

Treas. —H. R. LaBonte, 532 Cayuga Hts., Rd., Ithaca, N.Y.

#### DKEQ, LXXXII, #4 (Dec 1964), p. 147

Pres. —Thos. W. Hopper, 1700 Sansom St., Phila., Pa.

Vice-Pres. —Geo. Stothoff, F. W. Dodge, 119 W. 40th St., N.Y.

Sec'y. —Thos. Borthwick, C. C. Collings, Fidelity Phil. Trust Bldg. Phila., Pa.

Treas. —H. R. LaBonte, 532 Cayuga Hts. Rd., Ithaca, N.Y.

## DKEQ, LXXXIII, #2 (May 1965), p. 103

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#### DKEQ, LXXXIV, #1 (Feb 1966), p. 46

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Vice-Pres.—Geo. Stothoff, F. W. Dodge, 119 W. 40th St., N.Y.

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Treas. —H. R. LaBonte, 532 Cayuga Hts. Rd., Ithaca, N.Y.

## DKEQ, LXXXVI, #1 (Feb 1968), p. 51

Pres.—Thos. W. Hopper, 1700 Sansom St., Phila., Pa.

Vice-Pres.—Geo. Stothoff, F. W. Dodge, 119 W. 40th St., N.Y.

Sec'y.—Thos. Borthwick, C. C. Collings, Fidelity Phil. Trust Bldg. Phila., Pa.

Treas.—H. R. LaBonte, 532 Cayuga Hts. Rd., Ithaca, N.Y.

#### DKEQ, LXXXVI, #2 (May 1968), p. 87

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Vice-Pres.—Geo. Stothoff, F. W. Dodge, 119 W. 40th St., N.Y.

Sec'y.—Thos. Borthwick, C. C. Collings, Fidelity Phil. Trust Bldg. Phila., Pa.

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### DKEQ, LXXXVI, #3 (Oct 1968), p. 127

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Sec'y.—Thos. Borthwick, C. C. Collings. Fidelity Phil. Trust Bldg. Phila., Pa.

Treas.—H. R. LaBonte, 532 Cayuga Hts. Rd., Ithaca, N.Y.

#### DKEQ, LXXXVII, #1 (Feb 1969)

Pres.—Thos. W. Hopper, 1700 Sansom St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19103

Vice-Pres.—Geo. Stothoff, F. W. Dodge, 119 W. 40th St., New York, N.Y. 10018

Sec'y—Thos. Borthwick, C. C. Collings, Fidelity Phil. Trust Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa. 19109

Treas.—H. R. LaBonte, 532 Cayuga Hts. Rd., Ithaca, N.Y. 14850

## DKEQ, LXXXVI, #4 (Dec 1969), p. 203

Pres.—Thos. W. Hopper, 1700 Sansom St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19103 Vice-Pres.—Geo. Stothoff, F. W. Dodge, 119 W. 40th St., New York, N.Y. 10018 Sec'y—Thos. Borthwick, C. C. Collings, Fidelity Phil. Trust Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa. 19109 Treas.—H. R. LaBonte, 532 Cayuga Hts. Rd., Ithaca, N.Y. 14850

# DKEQ, LXXXVIII, #2 (May 1970), p. 73

Alumni President — Thomas W. Hopper, 10 Dogwood Lane, Swarthmore, Pa. 19081

## **ΔX Representative to the Council of Delta Kappa Epsilon (Changes Only)**

John F. Nixon, President (1943 only), otherwise member from 1943 to 1959.

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DKEQ, LXXVIII, #2 (May 1960)

John F. Nixon 55 Liberty St., New York 5, N.Y. John A. Krieger Old Redding Rd., Weston, Conn.

DKEQ, LXXXI, #3 (Oct 1963)

John F. Nixon

John A. Krieger

George Nixon

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Old Redding Rd., Weston. Conn.

616 Lacey Dr., Endwell. N.Y.

DKEQ, LXXXIII, #2 (May 1965)

John F. Nixon 55 Liberty St., New York 5, N.Y.

George Nixon 215 Tanglewood Ct., Franklin Lakes N.J. Thomas W. Hopper 10 Dogwood Lane. Swarthmore, Pa.

DKEO, LXXXIV, #2 (May 1966)

John F. Nixon 55 Liberty St., New York 5, N.Y.

George Nixon 1406 Rainbow Dr., San Mateo, Calif. 94402

Thomas W. Hopper 10 Dogwood Lane. Swarthmore, Pa.

DKEQ, LXXXV, #2 (May 1967)

John F. Nixon 55 Liberty St., New York 5, N.Y.

Clark Hays [sic, Hays Clark] 26 Deer Park Rd., Greenwich, Conn. 06830

Thomas W. Hopper 10 Dogwood Lane, Swarthmore. Pa.

DKEQ, LXXXV, #4 (Dec 1967), p. 186

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Hays Clark 26 Deer Park Rd., Greenwich, Conn. 06830

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John F. Nixon 55 Liberty Street, New York, N.Y. 10005

#### **Delta Chi Association Officers: Death Notices and Obituaries**

The following death notices and obituaries are in order by Cornell class year.

#### **Ernest Vail Stebbins 1893**

b. 9 Mar 1874, i. 10-Oct-1891 ΔX #210, d. 27-Nov-1950

## Cornell Alumni News, VIII, #06 (November 8, 1905), p. 69

'93, B. S.; '94, E.E.; '95, M.M.E.—Ernest Vail Stebbins, who has been general manager of the Chloride Electrical Storage company, Ltd., of Manchester, England, for the past two years, has just returned to the United States to take up special engineering work for the Electric Storage company of Philadelphia. His address is 33 West Ninth street, New York city.

# Cornell Alumni News, LIII, #09 (January, 1951), p. 268: "Necrology"

'93 AB, '94 ME, '95 MME—Ernest Vail Stebbins, retired stock broker, November 27, 1950, at his home, 110 East Fifty-fourth Street, New York City. He had been a partner in the firms of DeCoppet & Doremus and Logan & Bryan. A member of the New York Yacht Club and formerly on its race committee, he was a donor to the Corinthian Yacht Club. In 1946, he gave the University Library a copy of the piano and voice score of "Tannhauser" inscribed by Richard Wagner. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

#### **Herbert Dana Schenck 1882**

b. 26 Jun 1858, i. 1 Oct 1880 ΔX #101, d. 19 May 1933

## Cornell Alumni News, XXXV, #31 (June 8, 1933), p. 401

#### HERBERT DANA SCHENCK, B.S., M.D.

Herbert Dana Schenck was born in the Town of Springport, Cayuga County, New York, June 26th, 1858, and died at his home 75 Halsey Street, Brooklyn, New York, on May 19th, 1933. He was graduated from Cornell University in 1881, with the degree of B.S., and from the New York Homeopathic Medical College with the degree of M.D., in 1884.

He was the President of his Class in his Senior year and for fifty years thereafter continued in that position. In 19217 he was elected Secretary of his Class. When the group of the Early Eighties was formed in the same year, he was elected President of that organization.

Walter Craig Kerr '79, Henry Pelouze de Forest '84 and Herbert Dana Schenck '82., held an informal meeting at the Engineers Club in New York about twenty-five years ago, to discuss some plan which would relieve the Class Secretaries of problems of finance and permit them to devote their energies to keeping track of their classmates and to arrange for class reunions. It was there decided to ask each class to appoint a member to represent it in all matters relative to the raising of funds for the University, or for any special purpose which seemed important. The Cornellian Council was the direct result. To Walter Craig Kerr belongs the honor of suggesting the practical plan from which the magnificent work of the Cornellian Council has developed.

As a physician, who specialized as an ophthalmologist, Dr. Schenck was unusually successful. He was a member of many scientific organizations in his chosen profession. His avocation, however, was as a friend of Cornell University, and of every plan which tendered to increase the growth and influence of his Alma Mater, he was an ardent supporter.

The Class of '82 has lost a devoted Secretary, the Association of the Early Eighties an efficient President and Cornell University a loyal alumnus.

Gravesite, Herbert Dana Schenck: Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springport, Cayuga, New York. Son of Horace Schenck and Sarah W. (Truesdall) Schenck.

## **Joseph DeWitt Warner 1902**

b. 17 Aug 1881, i. 15 Oct 1898 ΔX #287, d. 11 Nov 1962

## Cornell Alumni News, XIV, #11 (December 13, 1911), p. 128

'03, A. B.—Joseph DeWitt Warner, United States Forest Service, has been put in charge of the Absaroka National Forest, with headquarters at Livingston, Montana

## Cornell Alumni News, LXV, #6 (January 1963) p. 63

'02 AB—Joseph D. Warner of Rock Stream, Nov. 11, 1962. He was a salesman with the Heidritter Lumber Co. for many years. Father, the late John D. Warner '72; son, John D. Warner '32. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Gravesite, Joseph DeWitt Warner: Rock Stream Cemetery, Starkey, Yates County, New York <a href="http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=pv&GRid=77288073&PIpi=49288652">http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=pv&GRid=77288073&PIpi=49288652</a>

#### Caesar Augustin Grasselli II 1922

b. 17 Feb 1901, i. 3 Nov 1918 ΔX #513, d. 17 Apr 1978

# Delta Chi Deke, May 1978, p. 1

## Caesar A. Grasselli '22 Was an Inspiration to Delta Chi Dekes

In April, Deke suffered a great loss with the passing of Caesar A. Grasselli '22. Caesar was an exceptionally supportive alumnus of the Deke house ever since his graduation from Cornell. After the Navy's occupation of the house during World War II, he worked with several other alumni to revive the fraternity. In the mid-sixties, he, Chic LaBonte '26, Tom Hopper '28, and Bud North '36 coordinated a fund drive that raised \$150,000 for the chapter.

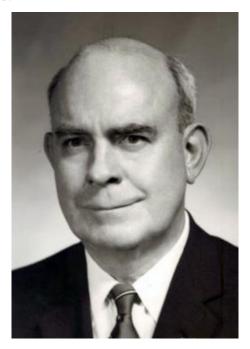
Despite his tremendous financial support, Caesar's primary importance to the chapter was as a source of inspiration. It is indeed impressive to meet a brother who is 77 years old and so devoted to Deke. To everyone who knew him, Caesar exemplified brotherhood.

There is no end to the list of accomplishments of and donations by Caesar A. Grasselli. He was a very successful and well-known businessman with DuPont. He made significant contributions to Widener College and sponsored a scholarship in Cornell's Chemical Engineering Department. In

1970-71, he served as Honorary President of Deke International Fraternity. Also in 1971, he began to present the Nicky Bawlf award to the most valuable player on the Cornell varsity hockey team.

In our efforts to pay homage to Caesar Grasselli, we have held a memorial service on campus, are preparing a resolution for our records praising Caesar, and are commissioning a portrait of him which will be hung in the card room, henceforth designated the Caesar A. Grasselli room.

It is with great sorrow that we commemorate his passing. We feel a great loss inside us, and there will be a void in those future Dekes who never have a chance to meet what we think was the personification of brotherhood.



http://www.widener.edu/campus\_life/living/\_images/grasselli.jpeg

## Cornell Alumni News, LXXXI, #02 (September 1978), p. 54

'22 AB—Caesar A. Grasselli II of Wilmington, Del, Apr 17, 1978; retd exec, E I duPont De Nemours & Co; active in alumni affairs.

Cf. ΔX of ΔKE Special Study #12: Registry of Distinguished Members. 13-Apr-2013 http://hdl.handle.net/1813/3257

#### John Frederic Nixon 1924

b. 10 Jan 1902, i. 18 Nov 1922 ΔX #567, d. 12 Sep 1982

JFN served as the representative of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon to the Council of Delta Kappa Epsilon from approximately 1932 to 1970. He was the President of the Council in 1943.

#### New York City Bar e-mail to HWF, Thu 2/28/2013 8:55 AM

Mr. Fogle: According to the attached reprint from a 1963 Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory [95<sup>th</sup> Annual Edition, v. II, Lawyers: Kansas –North Carolina], Mr. Nixon was born in 1902, admitted to practice in 1932, graduated from Cornell University and received his law degree from Fordham University Law School in N.Y.C.

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## Cornell Alumni News, LXXXV, #5 (December 1982), p. 60

'24—John F. Nixon of NYC and Skytop, Pa, Sept 12, 1982; attorney; active in alumni affairs. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

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Mr. John Frederic Nixon began his law studies on Sept 19, 1927 and his LL.B. Degree was conferred on October 15, 1930.

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#### Harold Roland "Chick" LaBonte 1926

b. 5 Dec 1898, i. 8 Dec 1923 ΔX #569, d. Feb 1981

## Delta Chi Deke, XLV, #4 (May 1981), p. 3

#### "CHICK" LABONTE — FAREWELL TO A DEKE

Harold Roland (Chick) LaBonte ('26) was born in Lawrence, Mass, and left for Harvard at the age of 17, After his freshman year he enlisted in the Marine Corps (1917) and served as an instructor. In 1923 he came to Cornell to study forestry and civil engineering.

He has been described by those that knew him best as a quiet but friendly man who enjoyed outdoor activities such as fishing and hunting. He acquired the nickname Chick because his manner of dressing was very "chic." While at Cornell he played varsity baseball and was a member of both the Glee Club and the Forestry Club. In his senior year he was elected President of Delta Kappa Epsilon.

He served as an adviser to Deke ever since his graduation. J. Burr Jenkins ('34) (Alumni Association Vice-President of Finances) said Chick, "Never stopped his interest in and contributions to Delta Kappa Epsilon." In 1948, Chick became Alumni Treasurer when "Red" Gillette (the acting Alumni Treasurer) asked him to take over in that capacity. In 1958 —when Deke was having financial problems, Chick and Caesar Grasselli ('26) persuaded the Alumni Association to keep the chapter active. Between 1961 and 1965, they raised approximately \$150,000 for Deke through a capital fund drive. The money was used to renovate the chapter's

house. The two of them also played major roles in selling the chapter's house to Cornell. Though his health was failing —he had three operations within the last two years— he attended every Alumni Association meeting from 1960 to 1981. Chick passed away earlier this semester.

Helen Speno LaBonte, Chick's wife, still resides in Ithaca. One of his nephews is a Cornell Deke. Two of his grandsons (Mark White and Gregory White) are Dekes from Hamilton.



## **Thomas Washburn Hopper 1928**

b. 25 Dec 1907, i. 28 Feb 1925 ΔX #581, d. 29 May 1983

## Cornell Alumni News, LXXXVI, #2 (Sep 1983), p. 66

'28, ME '29—Thomas W. Hopper of Green Valley, Ariz, formerly of Swarthmore, Pa, May 29, 1983; retired president, Day & Zimmerman Inc., architectural and engineering consulting, in Phila, Pa; active in alumni affairs. Delta Kappa Epsilon. Wife, Helene (Miner) '29.

## **Edward Waller Cunningham 1933**

b. 14 Dec 1911, i. 1 Mar 1930 ΔX #636, d. 31 Jan 2002

#### Cornell Alumni News, XLII, #3 (October 12, 1939), p. 40

'33, '39 EE—Edward W. Cunningham married Ruth M. Teeter of Ithaca, July 1. Mrs. Cunningham has been employed in the Registrar's office at the University. They will live in Roxboro, N. C.

#### Harold Diodate North, Jr. 1936

b. 26 May 1914, i. 25 Feb 1933 ΔX #664, d. 16 Dec 1990

## Cornell Alumni News, XCVIII, #8 (May 1991) p. 84

'36 BS AEM—Harold D. North Jr. of Shaker Heights, Ohio, Dec. 16, 1990; former executive with the Engine Parts Manufacturing Company in Cleveland; active in community and alumni affairs. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

#### L. LaVerne Horton 1941

b. 18 Dec 1918, i. 26 Feb 1938 ΔX #730, d. 28 Apr 1958

## Cornell Alumni News, LX, #17 (June 1, 1958), pp. 605-606

[Class of 1941] With extreme sadness we report the death of L. La Verne Horton, 713 Wellington Road, Ridgewood, N.J., of a heart attack, April 28. He was a partner in the New York City investment firm of Goldman, Sachs & Co., having joined the organization in 1947.

Verne received a degree at Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration in 1943. He was a member of the '41 Class Council and attended our 5th, 10th, and 15th Reunions. During undergraduate days, Verne's activities included Delta Kappa Epsilon president, Sphinx Head president, Aleph Samach, Freshman baseball squad, and manager of Varsity baseball. In 1943, he married Rosemary Noble '42. Verne was the brother of Robert V. Horton '26 and the uncle of Barbara Horton '60. His wife and three sons survive him.

## John Arthur "Jack" Krieger 1949

b. 17 Feb 1924, i. 9 Feb 1946 ΔX #808, d. 14 Jan 2011

# Cornell Chronicle, Jan. 19, 2011

## Former publisher of Cornell Alumni News John Krieger dies

John A. Krieger (Jack), 86, of Ithaca died after a short illness Jan. 14. He served as publisher of the Cornell Alumni News in the 1990s.

Born in Chesterton, Ind., Krieger attended the Virginia Military Institute after high school and then entered the Army Air Corps in 1942, where he piloted a B-26, Martin Marauder in 40 missions.

Krieger graduated from Cornell's School of Hotel Administration in 1949. Upon graduation, he worked as a Cornell alumni field secretary, and in 1953 worked for golf course architect Robert Trent Jones. He later became publisher of RN Magazine, co-founded Patient Care, a magazine for primary care physicians, and was a partner in HT Hampe, a commercial real estate business in Westport, Conn.

Krieger returned to Cornell in 1990 as publisher of the Cornell Alumni News and director of the 100th Anniversary of the Cornell/Penn football game in Philadelphia. He also was active in reinvigorating the Sphinx Head Society, an honor society at Cornell. In October 2009, he received the Frank H.T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award.

Krieger is survived by his wife, Susan; three adult children and their families. A private family memorial will be held in Schuylerville, N.Y. Donations can be made in Krieger's memory to The Sphinx Head Society, P.O. Box 876, Ithaca, NY 14850-0876. Bangs Funeral Home will be assisting the family.

#### **Kendall Stuart Norwood 1962**

b. 7 May 1937, i. 29 Oct 1960 ΔX #1,016, d. 20 Sep 1995

<u>U/I Newspaper Obituary, ca. Sep 1995 (trans. photocopy)</u>

#### **Kendall Norwood**

Kendall Stuart Norwood, 58, a resident of Laws Brook Road [Concord MA], died Sept. 20 at Emerson Hospital, Concord. Born in Evanston, Ill., May 7, 1937, he was the son of the late John K. and Katherine (Allport) Norwood.

Mr. Norwood was graduated from the Fenn School, Tabor Academy, and Cornell University. While in school, he was a recognized tennis player, spending part of his summers on the tournament circuit. In later years, he was involved with alumni and development activities for his class of graduates.

Following his service in the U.S. Marine Corps, Mr. Norwood became a field director for the American Red Cross and served in combat areas of Vietnam. He completed his service in various New England states. In later years, he was a sale's representative for several companies.

He leaves his brothers John K. Norwood Jr. of Concord and Henry H. Norwood of Wayland. He is also survived by his niece, Dr. Katherine N. O'Brien of Rochester, N.Y., and his nephews John M. Norwood of Palo Alto, Calif., and Henry C. Norwood of Chicago, Ill.

Friends are invited to attend memorial services in the First Parish in Concord, Friday, Sept. 29; at 2 p.m. The Rev. Adele Smith-Penniman, assistant minister, will officiate and a memorial reception will follow. Private interment will be in the-family lot in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, gifts in his memory [may] be sent to the First Parish in Concord, 20 Lexington

Road, Concord Family Services, 111 ORNAC, or Emerson Hospital, Concord, MA 01742. Arrangements are under the direction of the MacRae-Tunnicliffe Funeral Home, Concord.

## Cornell Magazine, XCIX, #1 (July/August 1996), p. 72

'61, BA '63—K. Stuart Norwood of Concord, MA, Sept. 20, 1995; account executive, Puritan Specialty Company Inc., Carlisle. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

## Donald Alford Weadon, Jr. 1967

b. 15 Sep 1945, i. 2 May 1964 ΔX #1,058, d. 23 Mar 2008



### Washington Post, 1 April 2008: Obituaries

Donald Alford Weadon Jr., 62, a Washington lawyer who specialized in the international marketing of high-technology products and services, died of a stroke March 23 at his weekend home in Chincoteague, Va. He was a resident of the District.

Mr. Weadon was born in Brisbane, Australia, and grew up in Westport, Conn. He graduated with a government degree in 1968 from Cornell University, where he sang in the Cornell Glee Club, managed the club's year-long world tour and was the president of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. He also served on the Cornell University Trustee Council.

After his graduation, he served for four years in the Navy, on destroyer duty with the Seventh Fleet off the coast of Vietnam and in operations involving the Navy SEALs within the country. He completed his tour as flag lieutenant to the admiral commanding the Military Sealift Command, Far East.

Mr. Weadon received a degree from the University of California Hastings College of the Law in San Francisco in 1975 and a master's degree from the Harvard Business School Adjunct Program at the Iran Centre for Management Studies in Tehran in 1976.

In 1984, he opened a firm, Weadon and Associates, in Washington, although he occasionally joined larger firms interested in expanding their international trade portfolio. He was a consultant to international technology companies and the Commerce and Defense departments.

He opened law offices in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia; Beijing and Hanoi and was the first attorney granted clearance by the U.S. Treasury Department to practice law in Vietnam. He also set up a foundation to support Vietnamese orphans.

He was an adjunct professor of foreign trade law at George Mason University and Golden Gate University Law School and lectured at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology on international high-tech ventures. He also contributed articles to scholarly journals, newspapers and blogs, often on issues involving Iran and the Middle East.

In a 2004 opinion article in the Providence Journal, co-authored by William O. Beeman, Mr. Weadon wrote that "Iran has outmaneuvered the United States diplomatically regarding its nuclear program, and there is little that neoconservatives within and surrounding the Bush administration can do about the situation except gnash their collective teeth." Mr. Weadon called on the United States to begin dealing rationally with Iran on nuclear-containment issues.

Survivors include his wife of 13 years, Suzanne Hayden Cameron Weadon of the District; a stepson, Albert "Allen" F. Cameron IV of the District; and a sister.

## New York Times, April 6, 2008

## Paid Notice: Deaths, WEADON, DONALD ALFORD, JR

WEADON--Donald Alford, Jr. Donald Alford Weadon, Jr., 62, a Washington lawyer whose career made him a critical figure in international trade regulation, died on March 23, 2008 at his weekend home on Chincoteague Island, VA. He was a specialist in the international marketing of high technology products and services, as well as global business logistics and operations. Mr. Weadon is survived by his wife of 13 years, Suzanne Hayden Cameron Weadon, a stepson, Albert (Allen) F. Cameron, IV, his wife, Suzon, and two grandchildren, all of Washington, DC; and by a sister, Priscilla Weadon, of Westport, CT. A memorial service was held on Saturday April 5 at St. John's Episcopal Church Georgetown Parish, Washington, DC.

Cf. **Report of the Alumni Historian, 2009** for DAW obituary. 06-Jun-2009 <a href="http://hdl.handle.net/1813/12880">http://hdl.handle.net/1813/12880</a>

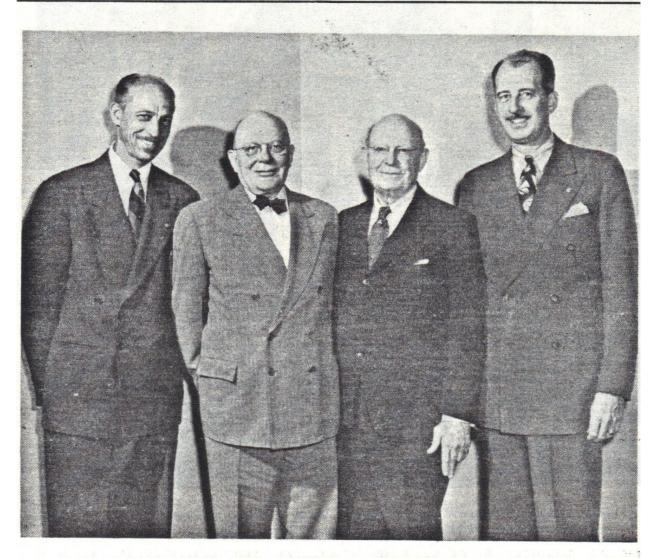
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# Appendix A – The *Delta Chi Deke*, X, #3 (October 1947)

Several articles in the October 1947 issue of the *Delta Chi Deke* provide historical background on the Association.

# Present Delta Chi Association Officers



Left to right-Helffrich, Warner, Stebbins, Nixon

# **Short Biographies of Alumni Officers**

As an alumnus of the Delta Chi Association of the DKE Fraternity you have some time during the past twenty years seen the names of these four Delta Chi Dekes on the letterheads of the Association. Here for the first time you see them photographed in a group. Take a good look at them as all four, after being officers together for most of the years since 1927, are resigning as officers at the next annual meeting in October.

E. Vail Stebbins '93 was one of the founders of the Association along with the late John DeWitt Warner, father of Joseph DeWitt Warner '02. E. Vail Stebbins has been an officer of your Association since the beginning; first as the first president of the association, which office he held for five years, and ever since he has been 1st Vice-President Joseph DeWitt Warner '02, our present association head, has been President since 1927-28, holding office for the longest period of time of any of our association presidents. It is due in great part to Brother Joe Warner's unflagging interest that the Association has been enabled to help the Chapter through many difficulties during the past 20 years.

Laurence Helffrich '23 has been secretary of the Association since 1927, except for a couple of years when he was away from New York City either in the Army or doing war work. Brother Helffrich has probably written you more letters than any of the other officers but, as a result, the Association has fairly accurate addresses for most of our Alumni.

John F. Nixon '24 has been treasurer of the Association since 1927-28. Brother Nixon took the lead in reducing the mortgage indebtedness and retiring the bonds on the house so that now there is no indebtedness. Brother Nixon has been a past President of the DKE Council.

The time has come for these Dekes to relinquish their duties as officers so that younger men may perform these tasks. We hope all Alumni will give their continued support and help to the new group of officers as they have done to those mentioned above during the past 20 years.

L. S. Helffrich '23

#### New Officers to Be Elected at Alumni Association Meeting

Our Alumni Association was formed by a small group of energetic Alumni about 1910, and was incorporated as a membership corporation in the State of New York in that year. The Association got a good start, and was enthusiastically backed by all the Alumni until the War I years, at which time the organization was completely upset. In 1919, the late Dr. Schenck '82, E. Vail Stebbins '93, and several others reorganized the Association and began to take an active part in the affairs of the Chapter.

In 1923 the Chapter finances were pretty badly muddled by the undergraduates, and the Alumni Association, with its unity of purpose and organization stepped in to help the Chapter out of their difficulties. They became landlords and ran the House, with Doug Gillette '12, as resident manager. The Association has helped the Chapter through the past 20 years with the able assistance of the Officers and Governors and by engaging an accountant to help the undergraduates run the Steward's Department in the most economical manner.

The mortgage debts on our building were reduced from around \$40,000 and the plan for retiring bonds annually has been completed, solely through the efforts of the Alumni Association. In addition the Association has helped keep the House in good repair by allowing various amounts each year for maintenance and for extraordinary repairs which could not be budgeted.

The Alumni Association is the main source of information from which the Chapter gets its prospects for "rushing," and as you know, the new members are the backbone of the Chapter and our whole future. The President of the Alumni Association visits the Chapter about three times each year to discuss the problems with the undergraduates and offers his suggestions and help. He also keeps in constant touch with all Delta Chi affairs through reports from the College, the Ithaca advisor and the accountant for the Steward's department. The Association has members on the DKE Council, and the Association must contribute to financial support of the Council as required by its constitution which body holds together our fraternity throughout the world.

All members of the Chapter automatically become members of the Alumni Association on leaving College. A good many of our Alumni take an active interest in the Association, however, active participation including the payment of the yearly dues by an increasingly large number of members which naturally means an increase in the good work of DKE and the Association can do. The physical property is valued around \$140,000 and is worth caring for.

We therefore ask all those who have let their interest lag, to get in touch with the Association and do their part for DKE and also urge them to return to the House whenever possible and see for themselves the fine spirit there.

The annual meeting for the election of Governors and officers of the Association this year will take place in Ithaca on October 18th. Your Board of Governors thought that by having the annual meeting in Ithaca at the time of homecoming day a greater number of alumni would be present than is the case when the meeting is held in New York.

The present Board of Governors and officers are as follows: — (The Governors are equally divided into classes of five each — one of which classes shall be chosen each year for a term of three years.)

#### **GOVERNORS**

Serve Until 1947

J. R. Aikenhead '95

D. Gillette '12

C. Baskerville '19

R. Anderson '22

T. C. Henninfts '24

Serve Until 1948

H. LaBonte '26

H. Headden '26

E. Warren '28

W. A. Little '29

J. B. Jenkins '32

Serve Until 1949

J. A. Coleman '33

E. Dahmen, Jr. '38

J. R. Dingle '42

R. F. McCann, Jr. '42

J. L. Carr '44

#### **OFFICERS**

J. D. Warner '02—President

E. Vail Stebbins—1st V.P.

L. Horton '41—2d V.P.

L. S. Helffrich '23—Secretary

J. F. Nixon '24—Treasurer

## Report on Meetings of Alumni, 1946-1947

Since the end of World War II, the interest of the Alumni in the affairs of Delta Chi has greatly increased. This is especially true in New York City. During the war we were indeed fortunate to have as many as three or four to any meeting.

At the annual meeting of the Delta Chi Association on December 12th, 1946, in addition to the perennial officers, Warner '02, Stebbins '93, Helffrich '23, and Nixon '24, we saw new faces—Jim Carr '44, Benjamin Beyea '44, Cliff Earl '44, and James Clark '44. This interest of a younger generation augurs well for the future of the Association.

A real outpouring of Delta Chi Dekes occurred on April 23rd, 1947, at the DKE Club. The occasion was an informal Club monthly smoker open to all Dekes. A Delta Chi meeting was also held. Delta Chi for this get-together really showed up in good numbers. Among those present were John McCutcheon '34, Robert W. Maloney, Jr. '34, Ross Kitchen '35, LaVerne Horton '41, James Carr '44, Larry Helffrich '23, E. Vail Stebbins '93, Joseph Warner '02, Nixon '24, Cal Canfield '33, Robert McCormick '46, Briton Richardson '37, Larry Coleman '33, Bob Coleman '35 and George Turner '29.

Then again back on March 23rd, 1946, a special meeting of the Delta Chi Association was held at the Cornell Club. The main purpose of this meeting was to discuss with four undergraduates of Delta Chi various situations then existing at the Chapter. Those coming down from Ithaca were Beyea '44, Geib '44, Carr '44, and Beersman '46, who met with Brothers Stebbins '03, Warner '02, Austell '04, McCormick '10, Helffrich '23, and McCutcheon '34.

This increased interest in Delta Chi Association meetings, smokers, etc., is very encouraging and the officers and governors of the Alumni Association are making plans to keep up this interest and activity in the Alumni Association.

L. S. Helffrich '23

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## **Summary/Abstract**

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