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Tau Chi Chapter of Phi Gamma Delta at TCU

September 2000

*The Fraternity of  
Phi Gamma Delta  
Tau Chi Chapter*

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Upcoming  
Events

**Family Weekend**  
October 6 & 7

**LAGNAF**  
mid- October

**Tau Chi  
20th Anniversary-  
Homecoming**  
October 27 & 28

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*Homecoming 2000  
TCU vs. RICE*

Homecoming 2000, TCU vs. Rice, is almost here. This year is special though, as we will be comemorating the 20th anniversary of Tau Chi chapter of Phi Gamma Delta. We will be celebrating the occasion with a weekend of activities. We expect a great turnout this year, with a heisman canidate in the backfield, a great football team, and you. We look forward to seeing you there.

Schedule of Events

Friday Oct. 27

- \* 6:00pm Homecoming Parade  
- We will meet at the Pub on University Drive to watch the parade.

Saturday Oct. 28

- \* 11:00am BBQ at Fiji House  
- Burgers and dogs will be on the grill before the game
- \* 12:30pm Tailgating in Lot 3 (100 yards north of the scoreboard, Spot 518)  
- We will be meeting in Lot 3 just north of the stadium. A shuttle will be available from the house to those who don't want to walk.
- \* 2:05pm Kickoff  
- TCU vs. Rice- watch LT run for 500 yards against the Hooters
- \* 8:00pm Party at 8.0's in Downtown Fort Worth  
- We have a reserved spot on the Patio to enjoy live music and good drinks. There will be a \$3 cover charge after 9pm.

Please email Travis English '98 at [dunhold@flash.net](mailto:dunhold@flash.net) or call at 817-801-7676 (day) or 817-926-6801 (night) to RSVP or if you have any questions. Thanks and hope to see you there!

Summer/ Fall Rush

The summer rush chairman organized several tubing trips throughout the state. Unfortunately, planned parties fell through at the last minute leaving us hard-pressed to get a decent pledge class. There wasn't much of a budget to speak of, especially in comparison to , for example, the rumored \$40K that Lambda Chi put up for summer rush. Subsequently, we ended up with 16 guys, the smallest class on campus, two of whom have already depledged. Half are actually good guys; the other guys need work.

## GRADUATE NEWS!

### Lost Brethren

Mark Ingle '79  
 Ruben Fechner '81 - San Antonio ?  
 Robert Beatty '84 - Ohio ?  
 Billy Lowe '85  
 Scott Jenkins '86 - left after freshman year ?  
 Jon Brookbank '86 - Richmond, IN (no address)  
 Mark Gustafson '87  
 Kevin Henry '87 - Fort Worth ?  
 Walter Miller '87  
 Scott Falk '88  
 Patrick Laraby '88 - San Diego?  
 Eric Holmes '89  
 Richard Camp '89  
 Chris Sorenson '89  
 Spencer Murchison '90  
 John Schoffman '90  
 Peter McKechnie '91 - Houston?  
 Bryan King '91  
 Ernest Williams '91  
 Brian George '92 - Fort Worth in '95  
 Jeff Cunningham '93 - Dallas in '95  
 Scott Newman '94  
 John Nix '94  
 Jason Weaver '95 - Houston?

**IF YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THESE GUYS, PLEASE HELP US OUT!!**

## How Can I Help?

With the recent increased attempts at contacting people, it's been discovered that at least a handful of graduates are wondering how they can help. Obviously, there is a lot more that DFW-area (or even just north Texas) guys can do. If you live in the area, any help would be appreciated. It could be finding a place for theme parties, helping make intramural shirts, making a simple donation, contacting other guys for updates and info, etc. There are potentially dozens of ways to get involved.

If you are out of the area, that is fine too. Again, there are fewer and fewer options the further you are from TCU, but you could still help perhaps with rush. Maybe a co-worker's or colleague's son is going to TCU; you could let us know about him. Another option is, again, a simple donation to help with rush, general materials, and House improvements, for example.

The above suggestions are just some of the ways to help Tau Chi. Whether you would like to get involved in the BCA or periodically lending a hand, anything would be great. If you are interested or have other suggestions, contact the chapter's new Graduate Relations chairman Clint Bolding or PL Jeff Owings '94

### New Graduate/Chapter Contacts

The chapter has a new Graduate Relations chairman in Clint Bolding. He is also responsible for the updated chapter website. His contact info is 817.257.2056 or [cjbolding@student.tcu.edu](mailto:cjbolding@student.tcu.edu) and FYI, he is a Business Finance/Computer Science double major. Also, Travis English '98 is a good contact.

## Homecoming Brings Back Some of The Fondest Memories



## ***GRADUATE NEWS!***

### **Updates**

- David Brewer '89, wife Leslie and 10 month old son Bryce moved to Allen, TX (suburb of Dallas) after accepting an Administrator position with Dallas Pulmonary Associates.
- Allen Frederic '00 is now attending Tulane Law School, but is in danger of failing out because of his girlfriend who is still here in Fort Worth.
- Scott Ayers '00 things didn't work out as planned in California and is now back in the Dallas area. Coincidentally he is now happily engaged to his girlfriend from last year.
- Robert Foushee '89 is the Director of Development for fibermarket.com. He and wife Kim have 2 daughters and third child on the way. They now live in Alpharetta, Georgia
- Paul Haines '87 and wife Dina just bought a house in NW Houston. He is an Analyst at Joint Drug Intelligence Group. They have two children.
- Carl Christensen '00 is attending Michigan Law School and is mowing the lawn at the Fiji house up there to make ends meet.
- Robert Pena '94 and Amanada Mitchell were married in July. In addition they welcomed their first son, Ethan, in October. They live in Arlington, Texas.
- Noel Keith '94 and Kimberly Wheat were married April 8th in the TCU chapel. He is a Managing Partner with Tia's Restaurant's. They live in Dallas.
- David Nielsen '85 and wife Colleen live in Arlington, Virginia where he is a sports reporter/ editor for the Scripps Howard News Service.
- Mike Indergard '98 has gone back to school for computer networking in Waco of all places.
- Mike Alcantar '00 is working for Bank of America as a credit analyst in Dallas in the commercial lending group.
- Jeff Owings '94 married Leah Pendleton September 9, 2000 in Dallas.

- Andrew Wise '95 and new wife Andrea live near the TCU campus. Their wedding in August was at Travis Avenue Baptist Church. Fijis in the wedding party were Jack Doerr '96, David Symonds '97 and Dan Eggers '97.
- Doug Fluchel '00 took a job in St. Louis for a textile manufacturing company in their finance department.

### **Wanna Find Someone?**

If you are looking for a Brother but don't know exactly where to start, here are a few suggestions. The first step might be to check the website's email list or among the guestbook entries. The brand new Graduate Relations chairman Clint Bolding (contact info on page 2), who has an updated directory, is also a good source. He also has an assistant, Ben Browning (817.257.2322, 817.821.6532, or b.h.browning@student.tcu.edu). Beyond that, contact Nationals (606.255.2848 or [www.phigam.org](http://www.phigam.org)) or the TCU Alumni Center (817.257.7803). However, the Alumni Center may want you to buy a TCU Directory 2000 instead of providing a straight answer! In cyberspace, try [www.switchboard.com](http://www.switchboard.com), [www.555-1212.com](http://www.555-1212.com), or any search engine's People Finder. Of course, there is always General Information at 411 or 555-1212.

### ***Reminder***

Remember to refer to the website ([www.tcufigi.org](http://www.tcufigi.org)) for updates regarding upcoming events and Graduate Brothers. Also, if you plan on moving, please send new information to the chapter or post it on the website's guestbook. We plan to further utilize the site to keep everyone better informed.

***L. T. for 2000 Heisman!***

***[www.ltfor2000.com](http://www.ltfor2000.com)***

## Chapter News!

### Fall 2000 Pledges

- Adam Bartell - from Chicago
- Dave Batar - from northern California, JUCO baseball transfer
- Camreon Bosson - double-legacy from Denver
- Ty Christensen - from Omaha, NE
- Michael Glass - legacy (Univ. of Arkansas) from Ft. Worth
- Mark Griffith - from Bedford
- Ryan Holier - from OKC, plays tuba in the TCU band (he lives in the SAE house - they were punished for trashing it)
- Grant Hewitt - from Montana (from an unknown compound)
- Davis Jackson - from Dallas, his dad is the president of TCU Alumni Assoc.
- Matt Johnson - at press time, no one knew where he is from; he's in ROTC and BUX
- Justin March - from San Diego and wears orange shoes
- Chris McGee - from Bedford, humorous
- Colin Phillips - from Tucson, AZ
- Grahm Staniforth - from Austin, TX, one of our first locks

*-thankfully, many pledges' families are well off!*

### The Purple Link

**Editors:** Clint Bolding '02, Mike Alcantar '00,  
Mike Indergard '98  
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**Treasurer:** Ryan Bourgeois '02 (probably next Pres.)  
**Rec. Sec.:** Zack Klemo '02  
**Corr. Sec.:** Ryan Andersen '01  
**Historian:** Charlie Gregoire '01 (newly elected)

## COMMITTEES

The Social scene for the semester started with a Victory with Sigma Kappa at The Ballprak in Arlington. It was a good party too, especially since TABC never showed up. Since the no-alcohol-in-the-House rule has gone into effect, the prepartying was forced off-campus. There was a Super Mixer with the DGs and Pi Phis (the pledges showed signs of positive social interaction) the day before Victory. Nate Osborn '03 is the new chairman and is doing a good job. LAGNAF will be sometime in mid-October. A semester-end party is tentatively planned with the Zetas at a Brother's ranch.

Scholarship needs improvement. Tau Chi finished eighth of ten fraternities (2.83). New chairman Chris Bjorkman '02 wants to improve the test files and involve actives to study with pledges (you know, same ol' stuff).

Philanthropy has two big things: TCU Leaps, which is a community outreach project, and Habitat for Humanity.

Homecoming is with the Tri-Delts and is a Mardi Gras theme, so there won't be any pomping; it's supposed to be a festival of lights.

For Intramurals, the 3-man basketball team took third in the DG Anchorsplash tournament. For football, we should do well especially with several fast pledges. Other pledges will make good lineman... Last year we got disqualified for playing Brother Tyson Meek '03 since he was red-shirted on the TCU football team. Frats-at-Bat last spring took third. As for tennis, we have a former Division I player in Chris Bjorkman (at Ariz. St. and U. of NM), so that looks good (basically were going to win).

## Chapter News!

### New Initiated Brothers as of September 13, 2000

Benjamin Browning '03  
Ryan Hahn '03  
Chris Jones '03  
Brett Robertson '03  
Brennan Simi '03

We congratulate these guys on making it. This brings the chapter total to 54 men and 14 women (pledges). (The lowest total on the row.) However, almost half of the current chapter will be graduating in May and December 2000. In comparison, Tau Chi had 67 Brothers and 3 pledges a year ago. The chapter will obviously need very good rushes in the upcoming years. Incidentally, the low numbers meant we were fined \$9,000 for not filling the House.

### FIJI Nationals

- To update everyone on the situation regarding the death of the MIT Fiji pledge from drinking, his family settled with the school for \$5 million. The suit with the Fraternity is still pending. Phi Gamma Delta is the most-sued fraternity in the country.
- Another Executive Director of the Fraternity (the Head Cheese) has been named in Bob Baney (Penn State '84).
- Ekklesia 2000 in San Antonio, TX. was attended by Jeff Anderson '01, Charlie Gregoire '01, Ryan Bourgeois '02, Clint Bolding '02. Topics included alcohol free housing, pending lawsuits, and elections of new officers. Incidentally, Tau Chi's Pig Dinner 2000 speaker, Jim Caswell, was elected Archon President. Our guys were treated to dinner and drinks by some Ivy League graduate (Penn '??).

## UPDATE!!!!

Don't know if you noticed but some of the stuff listed in the previous link as to what when on involving some people and their New Years activities was slightly exaggerated (made up). Sorry !

Something cool that is not made up is that Brother Chip Ray '00 is dating a Dallas Cowboys Cheerleader. Way to go Chip, does she have any friends????



## GRADUATE SPOTLIGHT



A new addition to the *Purple Link* we feel would make for at least interesting reading is a graduate spotlight. This first graduate spotlight focuses on BCA chairman Andrew Wise '95.

Wise chose TCU because it was far enough away from home but not too far that he couldn't go home when necessary. He decided to rush a fraternity, especially since his dad was an SAE here, and went out at least once with most fraternities over the summer. But he felt the most comfortable with FIJI and many guys in his pledge-class-to-be decided together to choose FIJI (that doesn't happen much).

A funny story he recalls was from his pledge semester that fall of '91. The pledges wanted to win ADPi Playday to impress the actives and had won most events until the charity money jar. SAEs stuffed their jar and unfairly won Playday. That night, FIJI and ADPi were having separate theme parties and as everyone waited for the busses, Wise and others drove by and he chanted some choice expletives. The next day, Wise's pledge pin was pulled but his class stood behind him and handed theirs in too. Wise was obviously reinstated.

After living the pre-med lie for the first year, he switched to an advertising major. He graduated in December 1995 and after a job with Harcourt Brace Publishers, he moved on to an Internet start-up as an Art Director and learned HTML. . Eventually he got tired of that though and wanted to try something different - acting.

Around this time (1997) he had met his future wife Andrea who encouraged him to get an agent. They moved to New York where he stayed for almost a year (she had returned earlier). He got a few background parts in some small films but "nothing I'll ever see." When he returned to Ft. Worth, he got a job with Balcom Agency in web development. He soon moved on to Isani in Dallas (more web development) in March 2000.

He and Andrea had remained together throughout and were married at Travis Avenue Baptist Church (on Berry St. towards I-35) this past August 18<sup>th</sup>. . If you'd like to call him, his number is 817-9-ANDREW.

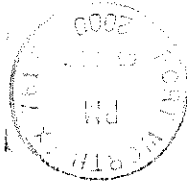
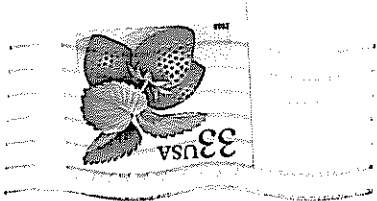
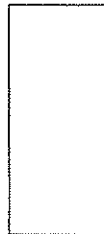
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# Fall Link!

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