

# THE DELTA SKULL



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## AN OPEN LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Salem McCants

Dear Deltas,

I'm excited to take over the presidency in Spring 2024 after an excellent semester under Wonsuk Han's leadership. During the 2022-2023 school year, the house gained five new members. As a fraternity, we completed several house projects over the course of the year as Cole Alva, our new House Manager will detail in his recapitulation.

This year, we have plans to continue our renovation efforts and in reorganization of the house, with a focus on preparing empty rooms towards housing new members and making our house more enticing to guests and potential new members alike.

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We are also re-committing to our philanthropy activities and the return of study & volunteer hours. Lastly, we want to re-establish our relationship with the school and our fellow Greek Life community members on campus through further event participation, outreach, and a shared desire in building stronger communities.

Fraternally,  
Salem McCants



**... We are learning here, in a miniature, that lesson which the world so needs to learn; how to live together in community and better develop our individual possibilities by that experience.**



# RECAPITULATION! AND OTHER REPORTS

You know what time it is! Everyone's favorite part of the meeting: officer reports. But for an entire semester. We'll try not to be so long-winded.



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## REPORT ON THE RECENT PLEDGE SEMESTERS

Hello venerable ancients of Delta Psi Delta! I am Chance "Ninkasi" Jones and for the past two semesters I had the unique privilege of serving as Sergeant-at-Arms (also known as Pledgemaster or Hackmaster).

While I have since moved on to the Philanthropy Chair, I wanted to share my experiences before handing off the position to Wonsuk Han, also known as Brother Azrael. Serving as the Sergeant-at-Arms was an interesting task with various ups and downs. I was nominated and elected in a special election shortly after bid night, which left me in a unique position to learn and grow as I served.

Many alumni who previously held the position helped me learn and develop what it meant to be the Sergeant-at-Arms. Melvin "Rasta King" Van Hurck, Peter "Doji" Schaefer, and Jackson "Crash" Horton, were all extremely helpful in teaching me how to be an excellent Sergeant-at-Arms. The hardest challenge I found was the last night of I-Week. Maintaining a plan and executing events were particularly challenging, but another alumni, Ben "Triveckols" Niesen, helped guide me a bit and made it easier to facilitate the night. Through it all, I gained more of an appreciation for the pledge process overall.

Fraternally,  
Chance Jones

## CURRENT HOUSEMANAGER REPORT

As the newly elected house manager for Delta Psi Delta, I am taking over from the capable leadership of Salem McCants. The house continuously needs repair and maintenance, the brothers have been extremely productive in doing so.

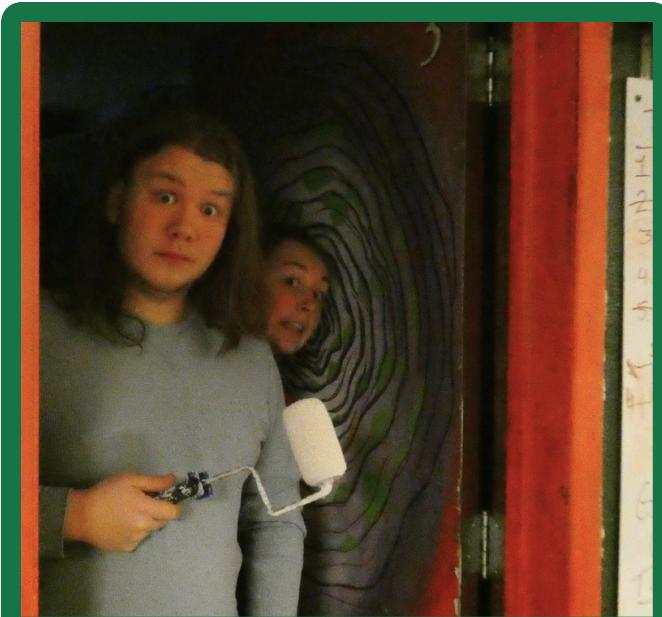
As you all know the basement flooded in December of 2022, alumni provided some much-needed help. They helped us raise \$12,000 for the Save the Delta House Fund and renovate the basement.

As a brotherhood, we completed many projects like rearranging the supply closet and moving it to the basement. We hosted a community work party to paint the basement. The brothers prepared and cleaned empty rooms, this involved taking multiple dump runs. Our previous president and current Hack master Won rebuilt the house sign.

We have big plans for this semester. The brothers are planning to move the shed and renovate the president's room. We will also update the house to fire code, and I have a personal project to revitalize the Delta Beirut table.

I am extremely confident in the house's ability to rebuild and regenerate.

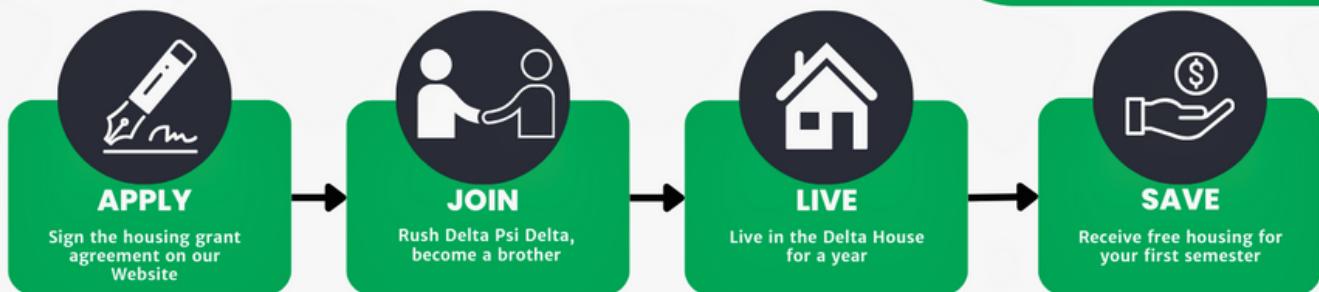
Fraternally,  
Cole Alva



# ΔΨΔ HOUSING GRANT



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## WHY CHOOSE US

Delta Psi Delta is committed to forging common bonds between diverse quality individuals, building a brotherhood that will stand the test of time at Linfield and beyond. We want to be the best group of friends that ever existed.



### Scholastic Attainment



The brothers of Delta routinely surpass academic standards and are expected to maintain excellence in education during their time at Linfield.



### Fraternal Fellowship

We emphasize the simple fact that the men of Delta will come to see their fellows as equals, as companions, and as brothers. At the end of the day, that's what it's all about.



### Social Development

As a social organization, the brothers will find themselves hosting functions with their peers from the university, allowing them to build a web of support and connection.



### Ethical Membership

The brothers of Delta Psi Delta are committed to respecting their fellows and non-members of all walks of life, allowing them to grow and be heard.

# WHO'S IN THE HOUSE?

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## SALEM MCCANTS PRESIDENT

*Stanford Pines, Junior, Pledge Class of Spring 2023*

Hello, there! My name is Salem McCants and I am the President at  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$ . I am studying Psychology because I love brains and I'm interested in the medical side of psychology and how environmental factors change our brain chemistry.

In my free time, I like to play video games, read books and learn how to make chainmail bracelets. I want to help  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$  preserve its history and to establish policies that can be passed down the generations.

## WONSUK HAN SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

*Azrael, Senior, Pledge Class of Spring 2023*

Hey, y'all! My name is Wonsuk Han, and I am the current Sergeant-at-Arms of  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$ . I chose to study Economics because it's a STEM major (no, seriously, that's the whole reason).

I enjoy hanging out with anyone, anytime, anywhere. I'm a huge Red Sox fan and dream to visit Fenway Park. I became a brother in the Spring of 2023, but first pledged in 2020.

My first experience with Delta happened during a date, when Luke Fia (Pledge Class Spring 2017) came up to me in the middle of the street and said "I think you'd be a great brother." And that was that.



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## COLE ALVA HOUSE MANAGER

*Timelord, Sophomore, Pledge Class of Fall 2023*

How goes it? You can call me Cole Alva and I serve as the current House Manager at  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$ . I'm a Business Management major who is looking forward to joining a tight-knit group of guys.

I can't wait to get more students involved with  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$  and make it more known in the school as a nice place with solid events. I am a member of the Linfield University football team, but when I'm not between the hashmarks, I'm usually snowboarding or skimboarding according to the weather.



## EVERY SHANKLAND SECRETARY

*Bilbo, Senior, Pledge Class of Fall 2022*

Greetings! My name is Avery Shankland, and I'm the current Secretary at  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$ . I'm a music major, so I spend a lot of my time around the Delta house playing, writing, and listening to music. I joined  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$  because of its welcoming atmosphere and the connections I formed with my current brothers.



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## JACKSON BRANDENBURG TREASURER

*MTG, Junior, Pledge Class of Spring 2023*

What's up! My name is Jackson Brandenburg, and I am the current Treasurer of  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$ . I am a junior studying Creative Writing. As a writer, I like to explore and interrogate myself and our world through short stories, essays and other mediums of writing.

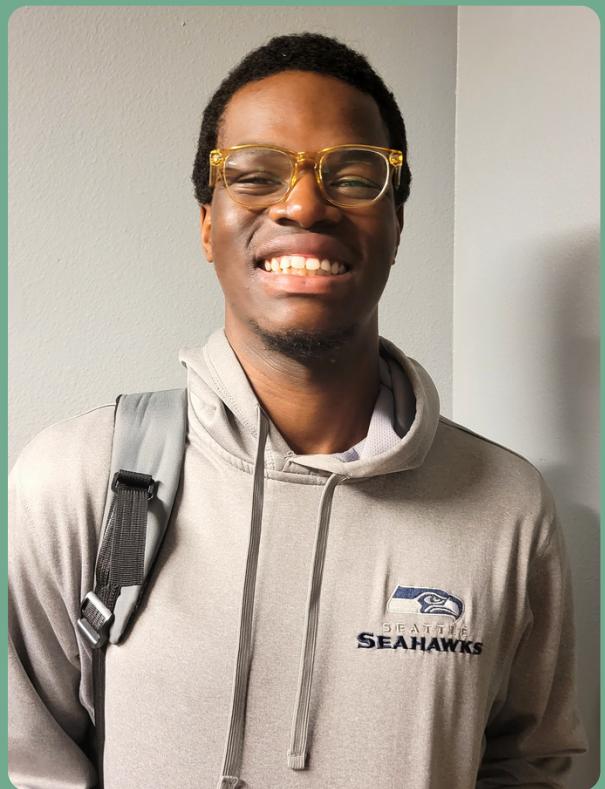
I spend most of my free time playing video games, reading science-fiction and cooking. I became a brother in the Spring of 2023. My first experience at  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$  is visiting the house during rush week of my freshmen year. As soon as the brothers mentioned Warhammer 40k, I was intrigued to join.

## AMADOU GAYE SOCIAL TREASURER

*Atlas, Sophomore, Pledge Class of Spring 2023*

What's good? I am Amadou and I serve as the current Social Treasurer (aka the "Social") at  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$ . I'm looking forward to spending more time with the brotherhood and getting to know my fellow brothers better.

I'm double majoring in Law Rights and Justice and English. I want to be a lawyer someday and I felt having an English major under my belt would be useful in that field. I'm a really big sports fan; you can always catch me watching sports no matter what's on.



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## CHANCE JONES PHILANTHROPY CHAIR

*Ninkasi, Junior, Pledge Class of Spring 2022*

Hello, fellow Deltas! I am Chance Jones, and I am serving as the Philanthropy Chair for Spring 2024. My major is Wine Studies, and it interested me because I love the process of making alcohol and find it really cool to do.

I felt connected with the rest of the brotherhood by what I can only describe as rag-tag unity. So many different characters, yet all similar in some way, and it felt good to be a part of it.



## RYAN ERICKSON-KING FOREIGN EXCHANGE AMBASSADOR

*Achilles, Junior, Pledge Class of Fall 2022*

Yo! My name is Ryan Erickson-King, and I am currently serving as the Delta Foreign Exchange Ambassador in Oslo, Norway. My chosen field of study is Economics, and in my free time, I enjoy hiking, soccer and playing disc golf.

Probably my favorite aspect of  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$  are the people in it. Delta's a great group where you can find amazing support and friendship. It also helps that the house has a sauna.

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## AIDAN PADDOCK QUARTERBACK

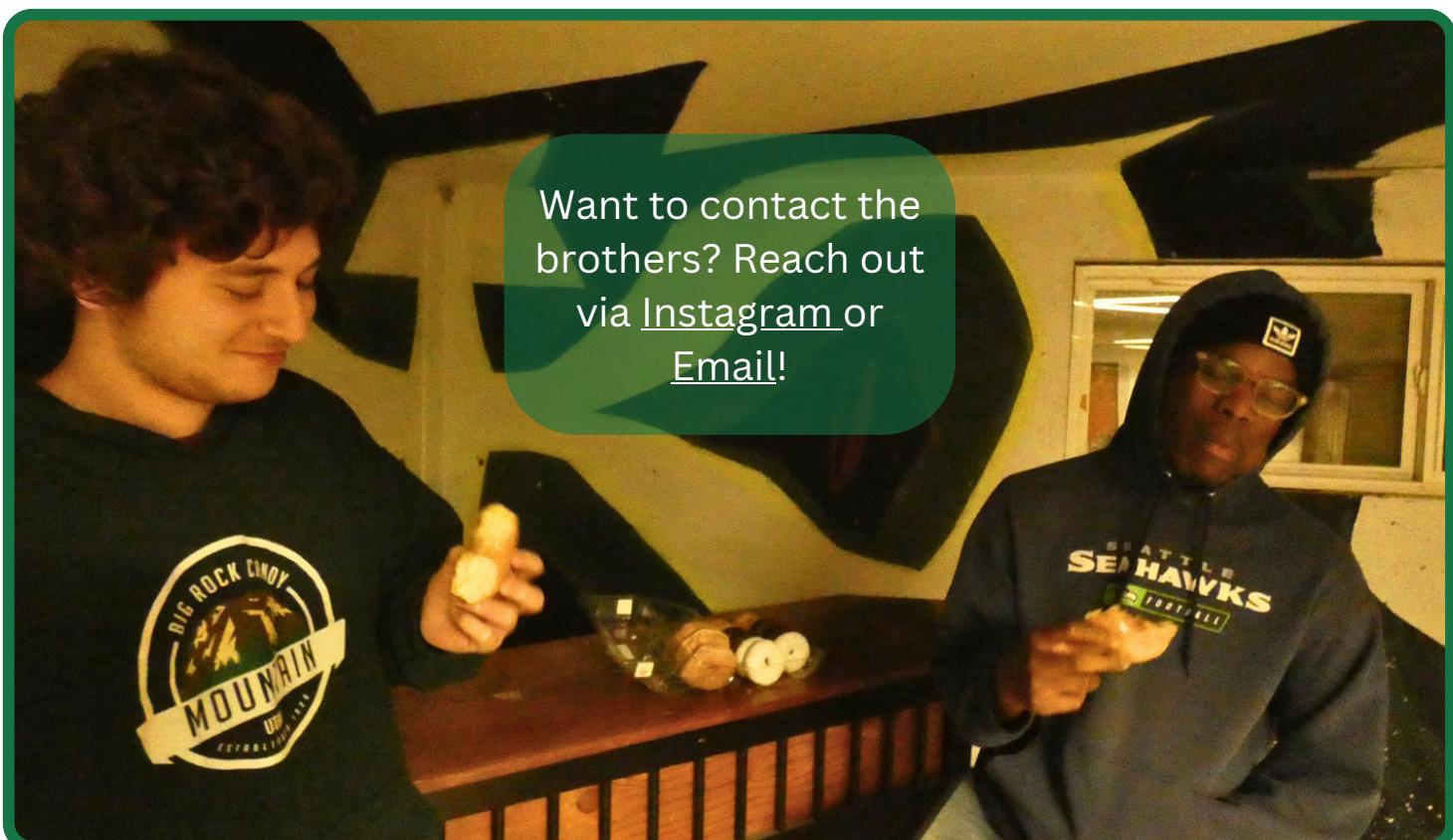
*Aeneas, Senior, Pledge Class of Fall 2023'*

Howdy, brothers! I am Aidan Paddock, starting Quarterback for  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$  and the Minnesota Vikings (you'll never see me and Kirk Cousins in the same room). In my free time, I play Warhammer 40K, historical video games, and watch the Los Angeles Rams.

I returned to Linfield after taking a short hiatus to pursue a major in History with a minor in Political Science. The facilitation of life skills intrigued me to rush  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$ . I love how  $\Delta\Psi\Delta$  brings individuals of all walks of life together into one cohesive unit, and forge bonds that will last a lifetime.



Want to contact the brothers? Reach out via [Instagram](#) or [Email](#)!



# GRADUATING MEMBERS

Delta Psi Delta had four graduating members this past year. While we say congratulations!, we know this is not goodbye. We hope to see your like at dear-old Delta-Psi again soon!



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## TJ "LYNX" LAWRENCE

*Pledge Class of Fall 2020, Left*

Graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting and Chinese Minor.  
Seen here with his Pinned Delta Lady --  
Elizabeth "Kirjava" Fryer

## JORDAN "TOLKIEN" TATE

*Pledge Class of Fall 2020, Left of group*

Graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Math and a Bachelor of Arts in Secondary Education.  
Photo below, courtesy of his Pinned Delta Lady --  
Jenna "Gray" Brassfield

## WESTON "VONNEGUT" LAWRENCE

*Pledge Class of Fall 2019, Center of group*

Graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Theatre Minor

## TANNER "HISTRIONIC" COULTER

*Pledge Class of Spring 2020, Right of group*

Graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting



# UPCOMING EVENTS AT DELTA

The Brothers are excited for their upcoming semester. They have many events planned with an open invite to all interested alumni. Looking for more events? Stay tuned to our blog, the Delta Scroll!



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## Spring Rush



**SUN  
18**  
@7pm

### ORIENTATION & TOURS

↓ I.C.E Auditorium

**MON  
19**  
@7pm

### PHILANTHROPY & EXEC

↓ Delta House

**TUES  
20**  
@8:30pm

### DELTA SMASH (SUPER SMASH BROS)

↓ Delta House

**WED  
21**  
@5:30pm

### POOL NIGHT & MORE

↓ Game Room

**THUR  
22**  
@5:30pm

### INVITE ONLY NIGHT OF A THOUSAND NUGGETS

↓ Delta House

## SPRING '24 SCHEDULE

### Rush Week Start

Feb 18th, Sunday

### Bid Night

Feb 23rd, Friday

### Rides

March, date TBD

### Naming

March, date TBD

### I-Week Start

April 14th, Sunday

### I-Week End

April 20th Saturday

## FIFTH THURSDAY

Hankering for a drink? The next 5th Thursday gathering is just under two weeks away on Thursday, February 29th, so mark your calendar now.

We will be gathering this month at the Old Market Pub & Brewery, located at the intersection of SW Garden Home Rd and SW Multnomah Blvd.

Don't forget to mark these dates too!

May 30th, 2024

Aug 29th, 2024

October 31st, 2024



# A FRATERNITY ONLINE

## FIND US ON THE WEB



### AN ODE TO DIGITAL DELTAS

Come one, come all ye Roosters faithful!  
Come all ye who hymn the bond fraternal!  
And let \*Dlbwck!\* tell a tale of brotherhood,  
Spin a yarn like only a Delta Psi Delta could:

'Twas long ago when we lettered the news,  
Uncorking the semesters like cold brews,  
In pamphlets titled after the skull of yore,  
We strove to inform just that little bit more.

Yet in present days of this world wide age  
Paper turned aglow and became a webpage.  
"Harrumph!" old \*Dlbwck!\* just scoffed,  
Until the whole wide world went and coughed.

Brothers left and the Old Oak was desolated,  
The rooster's nest turned empty and isolated.  
And there old \*Dlbwck!\*, left with his tunes,  
Decided it was high time to switch from a swoon.

Changing majors from husbandry to sciences,  
He picked up the keys to modern appliances.  
Now \*Dlbwck!\* plies his twenty-first trade  
Showing even an old cockerel still has range.

-Dlbwck

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