



It's a great Day to be a Theta Delt!
July 2020

173rd Annual (Tele)Convention

As part of this year's Minerva Programming, Dr. Adam McCreedy, Chi Deuteron '02, past PGL and researcher at the University of Connecticut, will present on, **The Pressures of Manhood**. In order to make this presentation as relevant as possible, we are sending all undergraduate members an invitation to complete an anonymous survey. You can [Click Here](#) to Start the Survey. This data will be used to compare TDX with survey data of other Greek men from around the country. These results will be reported out during his presentation. Please make sure you take time to fill this out as soon as you receive it.

We look forward to meeting everyone online for our 173rd Annual Convention. While this Convention will be different, it will provide an opportunity for many more Brothers, undergraduates and alumni, to attend. Registration has begun and we have a full slate of events for everyone. All times below are Eastern Daylight.

Thursday, July 30, 2020

- 6:00pm – 7:00pm ET Minerva Session 1: TJ Sullivan (**Confronting the idiot in your Charge**)
- 7:00pm – 8:30pm ET Business Session 1
- 8:30pm ET Social Event - Game Night

Friday, July 31, 2020

- 6:00pm – 7:00pm ET Minerva Session 2: James Robilota (**Men: Work in Progress**)
- 7:00pm – 8:00pm ET Minerva Session 3: Adam McCreedy, Chi Deuteron '02 (**The Pressures of Manhood**)
- 8:00pm – 9:00pm ET Minerva Session 4: Bobbi Larsen (**Managing Crisis in your Charge**)
- 9:00pm ET Social Event

Saturday, August 1, 2020

- 12:00pm – 1:00pm ET Minerva Session 5: Woody Woodcock (**Brothers Are Different Than Buddies**)
- 1:00pm – 3:00pm ET General Business Session 2
- 3:00pm – 5:00pm ET Awards, Scholarship and Social Event
- 3:00pm – 3:30pm ET PGL reception
- 3:30pm – 4:30pm ET Awards, Scholarship and Closing Remarks
- 4:30pm – 5:30pm ET Socializing online

The full description of the Minerva Sessions, the speaker bios and registration can be found at tdxconvention.org.

Any Brother who would like to attend is welcome. The official delegate registration link has been sent to your Charge President. If you plan on attending as a non-delegate participant, please go to tdxconvention.org to register. We look forward to meeting everyone for this very special event.

Convention History



The Coronavirus has created a need for the Fraternity to rethink how to conduct our annual Convention. This is not the first time in our 173-year history that our annual Convention has taken a different form. The 69th Convention in 1917 was cancelled due to the US entry into WWI. Conventions did not reconvene again until 1919 for the 72nd Convention in Philadelphia and was called the Victory Convention. While WWI ended in 1918, the Influenza pandemic may have been another reason for waiting until 1919. In 1941 the 94th Convention was suspended by action of the Grand Lodge because of WWII. Seven Administrative Councils were convened between 1941 and 1947. In 1947 the Centennial Convention was held in New York and we have had an unbroken string of "conventional" Conventions until this year.

Staying Healthy as you prepare to return



CFO staff has put together a Charge, [COVID-19](#) Guide to help you return safely to school. This guide covers preparing to return and how to stay safe once you have returned. **If you are the house manager, this is a must read!** Most of this document is devoted to checklists to help every brother with the transition back to our NEW normal.

A copy of this guide has been sent to every Charge President, House Corporation President, Alumni Association President and Greek Office. It can also be located in GreekTrack in the public files portion of the site and is also available on the front page of our website tdx.org.

If you would like to submit ideas for articles, comment on current articles or submit an article for publication in this newsletter, please contact Dr. Richard "Rick" Wood, Educational Consultant for Theta Delta Chi at rwood@tdx.org.