



# Delta Phi Epsilon

Foundation for Foreign Service Education  
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Dear Delta Phi Epsilon Brother,

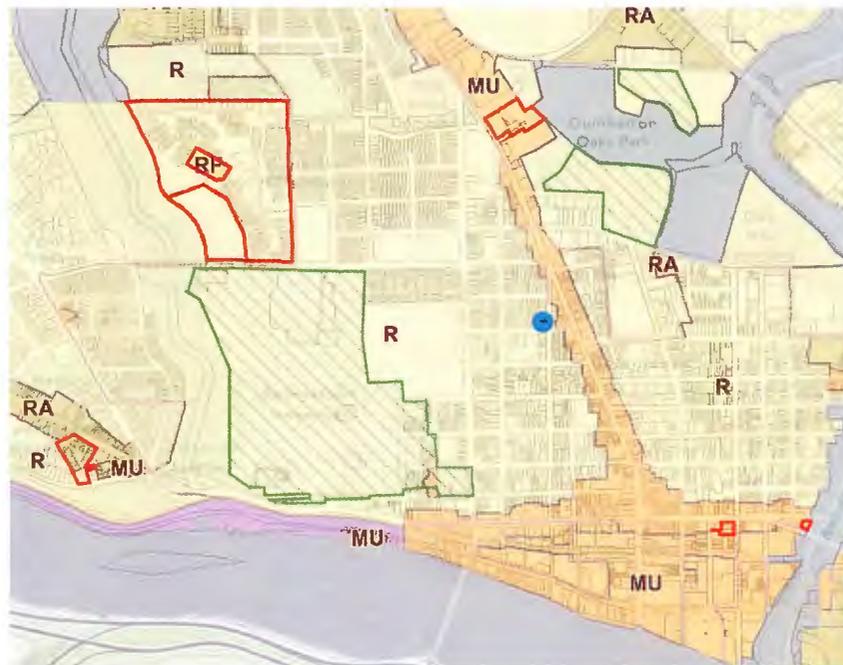
The purpose of this letter is to update you on the recent operations and activities of the **Delta Phi Epsilon Foundation for Foreign Service Education** (“the Foundation”). Attachment A summarizes the distinction between the Foundation and other Delta Phi Epsilon entities, and Attachment B provides contact information and biographies of the current Trustees of the Foundation.

Additional information—updated periodically—can be found on the Foundation’s website at <https://dpefoundation.org>. We encourage you to visit regularly for news and developments.

## House Management Committee Update

The Foundation remains committed to acquiring a suitable property within reasonable walking distance of the Georgetown University campus to serve as a headquarters, meeting space, library, and archive facility, consistent with the House Plan posted on our website. The current target area is west of Wisconsin Avenue, north of M Street, and south of Q Street.

The DC zoning map below shows residential (R) and mixed-use (MU) zones in our area of interest:



The permanent House Management Committee—Brothers Joe Picozzi (Interim Chair), Michael Eriksen, Vincent Chiarello, Nash Peart, and Harsh Thacker—continues to lead this effort.

In January 2025, shortly after the DC Attorney General’s Office released the net proceeds from the sale of the former Alpha Chapter House at 3401 Prospect Street (\$2,570,000), we inspected and submitted an offer on a mixed-use zoned former law office on O Street NW. Unfortunately, the seller accepted a previously pending offer.

Since then, the Foundation has evaluated several additional properties—mostly residential zoned—that were ultimately deemed unsuitable for various reasons. Our search continues, and we have engaged a Georgetown-based real estate broker to proactively contact owners of appropriately-zoned properties that may not currently be on the market.

Pending permanent acquisition, we have secured a short-term lease for office space on Prospect Street NW, one block west of Wisconsin Avenue. This provides a modestly priced (\$1,700/month), one-year physical business location for the Foundation and also allows us to consolidate and reduce archive storage costs. *This temporary arrangement will not delay or diminish our commitment to acquiring a permanent house.*

### **Finance Committee Update**

The Foundation’s permanent Finance Committee consists of Brothers Eddie Deschappelles (Chair; SFS Professor of International Finance), Al Grasso (retired tax attorney), Tom Stewart, and Tim Rosenberger. Their detailed resumes appear in Attachment B.

In full compliance with the consent judgment concluding prior litigation, the Foundation is maintaining the Alpha Chapter House sale proceeds (\$2,570,000) in a highly liquid, risk-free, interest-bearing bank account, funded by very short-term U.S. Treasuries. This ensures immediate readiness to act when an appropriate property becomes available.

The Foundation’s additional assets include approximately \$650,000 invested in a conservative, diversified, growth-oriented portfolio (including a small cash component) at a reputable, national financial institution, as well as \$20,000 held in a checking account.

### **Scholarship Committee Update**

The permanent Scholarship Committee consists of Brothers Charlie Skuba (Chair; Professor Emeritus, GU School of Business), Eddie Deschappelles, Al Grasso, and Tim Rosenberger.

To date, the Foundation has established the following three scholarship programs for Georgetown undergraduates and graduates:

1. Kenneth W. Bleakley Senior Foreign Service Officer Scholarship (graduate students)
2. Stanley Weiss Global Business Leader Scholarship
3. Halleck A. Butts Career Diplomat Scholarship

Details—including biographies of the brothers for whom these scholarships are named, as well as IRS compliance policies—are available on our website.

As of this writing, the Foundation has awarded:

- 15 Bleakley Scholarships (\$250 each)
- 6 Weiss Scholarships (\$500 each)
- 7 Butts Scholarships (\$500 each)

These awards have been published in *The Hoya* with credit to the Delta Phi Epsilon Foundation for Foreign Service Education.

In late 2025, the Foundation contributed \$5,000 to Georgetown University's Landegger Program Entrepreneurial Competition and has committed to doing so again in 2026.

Beginning in 2026, the Foundation will also sponsor and fund:

- The Joseph F. LeMoine Internship Program, supporting undergraduates engaged in unpaid foreign-service-oriented internships (in partnership with SFS)
- A series of career workshops for Georgetown undergraduates
- An annual award for the highest-honors graduate of the SFS Science, Technology, and International Affairs (STIA) program

These initiatives are largely the result of the efforts of Professors Charlie Skuba and Eddie Deschappelles, and are funded through investment income generated by Foundation assets.

We hope you find this update informative as the Foundation moves forward into 2026. Please feel free to reach out at any time with questions or suggestions. *Your input is valued.*

Fraternally,



Joe Picozzi

President and Trustee,  
Delta Phi Epsilon Foundation  
for Foreign Service Education

## **APPENDIX A: Corporate Organization of the Foundation and Mission Summary**

Founded in 1960 and incorporated in 1962, the Delta Phi Epsilon Foundation for Foreign Service Education is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization. The Foundation's charter can be viewed on our website (<https://dpefoundation.org>).

In summary, the Foundation was created to promote the virtues of foreign service and to help educate the next generation of American global statesmen. In furtherance of this mission, we have organized and delivered scholarships to deserving Georgetown University undergraduates interested in pursuing foreign service vocations, prioritizing active and prospective undergraduate Delta Phi Epsilon brothers when possible.

### **Affiliated Organizations:**

- Delta Phi Epsilon Professional Foreign Service Fraternity, Inc., a Delaware corporation
- Washington Area Alumni Association (unincorporated subdivision of the Delaware corp.)
- Alpha Chapter, Delta Phi Epsilon (unincorporated subdivision of Delaware corporation)
- Delta Phi Epsilon, a DC corporation (a/k/a the Alpha Chapter "house corporation")

Each of the above entities is legally separate from, and is neither owned nor controlled by, the Foundation - and each has its own management team. The Foundation is not affiliated with Georgetown University, the government of the United States, or any of its subdivisions, agencies or departments.

**APPENDIX B: Governance of the Foundation:**

The Foundation is managed and operated solely by fully-insured volunteer Trustees, officers, and committee members who donate their time and receive no compensation or remuneration of any kind. The Foundation’s Board of Trustees meets via Zoom approximately monthly. Its formal decisions and initiatives are governed by majority vote. Minutes of Board meetings are prepared and maintained by the Foundation.

The Foundation’s current Trustees are:

<p><b>Eduardo (Eddie) Deschapelles</b> (email: <a href="mailto:edeschapelles@gmail.com">edeschapelles@gmail.com</a>)</p> <p>Georgetown University: BSFS – <i>cum laude</i> (1982) Member, 119<sup>th</sup> Line of DPE (Alpha Chapter) Harvard University: MBA – 1988 Adjunct Professor: Georgetown University (2017- present) Banking: 1982 – 2004 (Merrill Lynch, Citibank, Chase, Bank of Boston) Hedge Funds: 2004-2017 (Aspect Capital, Permal Group) Private Equity: 2017-2022 (AES Infrastructure Advisors) Board Member: subsidiary companies of Citibank, Aspect, Bank of Boston Married to Cecilia for 30+ years; 3 adult children</p>	<p><b>Michael (Duke) Eriksen</b> (email: <a href="mailto:mde@travelaw.com">mde@travelaw.com</a>)</p> <p>Georgetown University: BSFS in International Economic Affairs (1972) Member, 99<sup>th</sup> Line of DPE (Alpha Chapter) President, Alpha Chapter (1971-72) U.S. Marine ground officer (1972-77) University of Florida College of Law: JD (1980); Law Review Editor Civil trial practice, West Palm Beach, FL (1981-present) Dual Board-certified by the Florida Bar in Civil Trial and Admiralty &amp; Maritime Law Admiralty Proctor, Maritime Law Association of the United States Married to Kerry for over 4 decades; 4 adult children Flyfisherman</p>
<p><b>Albert L. Grasso</b> (email: <a href="mailto:albertgrasso@icloud.com">albertgrasso@icloud.com</a>)</p> <p>Georgetown University: BSFS (1968); JD (1973); LLM (1974) Member, 92<sup>nd</sup> Line of DPE (Alpha Chapter) Sergeant - US Army (1 tour in Vietnam) Past President - Chuhak &amp; Tecson Law Firm, Chicago, IL. Associate Professor - Roosevelt University Author - 21 Books and Articles Lecturer - 50 states and 10 countries World Traveler - 90 countries Organizer - Search for Genghis Khan Married to Gwen for 50 years Amateur Genealogist</p>	<p><b>Joseph S. Picozzi</b> (email: <a href="mailto:joepicozzi@gmail.com">joepicozzi@gmail.com</a>)</p> <p>Georgetown University: AB in Government (2017) Member, 192<sup>nd</sup> Line DPE (Alpha Chapter) State Senator, Northeast Philadelphia (youngest in Pennsylvania; first Republican elected to represent Philadelphia in the State Senate since 1996) Appointed to Philadelphia Youth Commission by City Councilman Brian O'Neill Former Aide to Speaker of the House Kevin McCarthy Former Chief of Staff, Manhattan Institute</p>

<p><b>Carlos F. Roa</b> (<a href="mailto:carlos.roa.us@gmail.com">carlos.roa.us@gmail.com</a>)</p> <p>Georgetown University: BSFS (2015) Member, 189<sup>th</sup> Line of DPE (Alpha Chapter) Visiting Fellow &amp; Director of Keystone Initiative - Danube Institute Former Executive Editor - The National Interest Associate Fellow: Institute for Peace &amp; Diplomacy Analyst: Center for Int'l Relations &amp; Sustainable Development Research Assistant: Potomac Foundation Author 12 Articles Young Global Leader: Nizami Ganjavi Int'l Center Board of Directors - Various Startups</p>	<p><b>Timothy J. Rosenberger</b> (email: <a href="mailto:tjr58@georgetown.edu">tjr58@georgetown.edu</a>)</p> <p>Georgetown University: AB in English (2016) Member, 206<sup>th</sup> Line of DPE (Alpha Chapter) United Lutheran Seminary: MDiv (2018) Rawlings School of Divinity: DMin (2020) Universitas Wien: LLM (2022) Stanford University: JD/MBA (2023) Fellow: Manhattan Institute, Stanford University Fellow: Glen College of Public Affairs, Ohio State University Founding COO: Verbum Labs Chaplain: Cleveland Division of Police Parish Pastor Consultant: McKinsey Media Consultant Chapter President: Federalist Society</p>
<p><b>Thomas M. Stewart</b> (email: <a href="mailto:tstewart15@mail.strakejesuit.org">tstewart15@mail.strakejesuit.org</a>)</p> <p>Georgetown University: BSFS (2019) Member, 193<sup>rd</sup> Line of DPE (Alpha Chapter) George Mason University: MA in Economics (2025) Energy Data Analyst: IMG-Crown Asset Manager: Soltage Econometrics Intern: Brown Williams Moorhead &amp; Quinn Intern: US Department of Commerce Future Mining Executive Eagle Scout</p>	