

Lectureships in Values and Ethics

In 1992, Lectureships in Values and Ethics, a Delta Gamma program sponsored by the Delta Gamma Foundation, was established by Dr. Paul Martin honoring his wife Dorothy Garrett Martin (Dotty), Eta-Akron in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary. The initial home of the lectureship was Paul and Dotty's alma mater and the site of Delta Gamma's oldest active collegiate chapter, the University of Akron. Though Dorothy is deceased, the lectureships immortalized her selfless spirit and love for Delta Gamma. Today 14 campuses have established Lectureships in Values and Ethics, with 4 more in progress, and 2 others in the planning stages.

Three \$50,000 grants (the Dorothy Garrett Martin Challenge) to the Foundation initiated the program. Dr. Karla Treckel Mugler, Gamma Epsilon-Kent State, introduced the Martins to then Executive Director Margaret Hess Watkins, Alpha Xi-West Virginia, and Maureen Sweeney Syring, Nu-Idaho, serving in a volunteer development position. These three women worked with the Martins to develop their vision—to establish a venue on college campuses where values and ethics could be discussed in an open format—into a workable program. The outcome was the Delta Gamma Lectureship in Values and Ethics.

In 1994 Patricia Proctor Bradley, Beta Theta chapter, headed an endowment campaign establishing the second Lectureship at Duke University. It was this effort that established the system used for all succeeding endowments.

With Maureen Syring and Margaret Watkins promoting the new Foundation program, three more lectureships were established in 1994—Gamma Upsilon-Wichita State, Alpha Upsilon-Southern Methodist, and Alpha Nu-USC. Upon Margaret's retirement in 1999, Foundation Executive Director Betsy Inch Fouss, Alpha Xi-West Virginia became the program director. In February 2001, the Council/Board of Trustees appointed Patricia Proctor Bradley, Beta Theta-Duke, to the newly developed position, Director: Lectureships in Values and Ethics. Currently, Barbara Gerow Broyles, Alpha Sigma-UCLA is serving in this position.

Although Dorothy passed away in 1994, Dr. Martin has continued to support this program by funding the first 12 challenge grants. He then challenged like minded people to do the same.

The 13th Lectureship was then sponsored by the Richard D. Shirk family expanding previous goals with a mission "to illuminate and define what is good and bad in the lives, characters, and practices of all professionals and to educate students to the value of ethical conduct."

Since that time, the \$50,000 challenge grants have been made by individuals as well as groups of alumnae and collegians. Jacque Geving Everson, Alpha Theta chapter, provided the grant for an Alpha Theta-University of North Dakota Lectureship and Amy Carlson Wilson, Theta chapter, provided the challenge grant for Theta-Indiana University.

At the 2004 Delta Gamma Convention, after hearing the late Tim Russert speak to twelve hundred Delta Gamma members, The Board of Trustees resolved that a Convention Lectureship in Values and Ethics to be a highly valued goal, with the hope that it be fully funded by Convention 2006. A Delta Gamma wishing to remain anonymous funded the endowed lectureship. In 2006, Joan Brock was the inaugural speaker of the Convention Lectureship in Values and Ethics. In 2008 Steve Ford provided the lecture, and in 2010 author John Sileo will speak.

At this time there are 4 Lectureships in progress with 2 more in the planning stages. This will meet the Board of Trustees goal of a total of twenty Delta Gamma Lectureships in Values and Ethics.

These lectureships are always free of charge to collegians. University volunteers and employees, as well as, invited individuals in surrounding areas. The Delta Gamma Foundation has great pride in

this unique program, which is a prime example of its mission "The Delta Gamma Foundation provides resources for educational growth and philanthropic service for all members."

Dorothy Garrett Martin, Eta-Akron, and her husband Dr. Paul Martin

Past Speakers & Campuses

University of Akron

Barbara Bush Charlton Heston Linda Chavez Steve Forbes Madeleine Albright Gerald Ford F.W. DeClerk Cokie Roberts Queen Noor Colin Powell

Convention Lecture

Joan Brock Steve Ford

Duke University

Maya Angelou (freshman orientation speaker 1994-2007) Sapphire Sponsor: Convention Endowment

Mississippi State University

Jeff Corwin Christopher Gardner Steve Ford Blake Mycoskie

University of Missouri

Marilyn Fordham & Maureen Syring Homer Hickum Mitch Ablom Herman Boone Patricia Russell McCloud Jerry Greenfield Antwone Fisher Sylvia Naser Sally Ride Ronan Tynan Christopher Gardner Jeff Corwin Joan Brock

University of Oklahoma

Jeff Probst Linda Kohn

Purdue University

Robin Roberts Amy Tan Joan Brock Steve Ford Herman Boone

Southern Methodist University

Barbara Bush Mary Matlin Ann Compton Julie Andrews Madeleine Albright Rosabeth Moss Kanter Jack Valenti Michelle Malkin William Bennett Mike Domitrz Kelly Addington & Rebecca Tieder

Texas Christian University

Ethics in Business Forum Ethics in Sports Forum Dr. David Boren Fraternity & Sorority Life Uncensored Panel Discussion Jim Jacobus Liz Murray

University of Texas

Carl Bernstein Lois Jensen Paul Rusesabagina

University of Southern California

Andrew Shue Aaron Karo Larry King Joan Brock Steve Ford Lee Trevino Joan Brock

Wichita State University

John Spence Juliet Funt Charlie Plumb T.J. Leyden Kelly Addington & Rebecca Tieder Scott Mikulecky Chad Crittenden Jeff Yalden Katie Stam

Louisiana State University Steve Ford

Houston Brien Holden

