INSPIRATION
In celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary, Dr. Paul Martin honored his wife Dorothy “Dotty” Garrett Martin, Eta-Akron, by establishing the Delta Gamma Lectureships in Values and Ethics. Paul and Dotty’s alma mater and the home of Delta Gamma’s oldest active collegiate chapter, the University of Akron, was the site of the inaugural Lectureship. Today, there are 20 campuses with a Lectureship, one in progress and a Convention Lectureship.

ESTABLISHMENT
The Dorothy Garrett Martin Challenge was started in 1992 with three $50,000 grants. Dr. Karla Treckel Mugler, Gamma Epsilon-Kent State, executive director Maggie Hess Watkins, Alpha Xi-West Virginia, Maureen Sweeney Syring, Nu-Idaho and the Martins worked together to develop their vision “to establish a venue on college campuses where values and ethics could be discussed in an open format.” The outcome of this was the establishment of the Dorothy Garrett Martin Lectureship in Values and Ethics.

LEADERSHIP
Patricia Proctor Bradley, Beta Theta-Duke, chaired an endowment campaign establishing the second Lectureship at Duke University. This set a precedent for establishing all succeeding endowments.

With Maureen Syring and Maggie Watkins promoting this new Foundation program, three more Lectureships were established in 1994 — Gamma Upsilon-Wichita State, Alpha Upsilon-Southern Methodist and Alpha Nu-USC. Two years later in 1996, Mu-Missouri established their Lectureship in partnership with the University of Missouri. Upon Maggie’s retirement in 1999, Foundation Executive Director Betsy Inch Fouss, Alpha Xi-West Virginia, became the program director until February 2001 when the Council/Board of Trustees appointed Patricia Bradley to the newly developed position Foundation Director: Lectureships in Values and Ethics, a position that has been held by Barbara Gerow Broyles, Alpha Sigma-UCLA, Marcia Hunsinger Werremeyer, Mu-Missouri, Marlene Kay Mourtzikos, Zeta Delta-Rochester, and which Jessica Pope Hubbard, Delta Lambda-Mississippi State, holds today.

GROWTH
After hearing the late Tim Russert speak to 1,200 Delta Gammas at the 2004 Convention in Washington, D.C., the Foundation Board of Trustees resolved that a Convention Lectureship in Values and Ethics be established with a goal of being fully funded by Convention 2006. An anonymous Delta Gamma member and 13 collegiate chapters (Zeta Gamma-Richmond, Gamma-UC Berkeley, Theta-Indiana, Alpha Lambda-Drake, Alpha Psi-Mississippi, Beta Eta-Texas, Beta Theta-Duke, Gamma Beta-Tulsa, Gamma Xi-Texas Tech, Zeta Alpha-Villanova, Delta Lambda-Mississippi State,
Eta Kappa—North Carolina State and Theta Beta—Case) contributed to this effort. At Convention 2006, Joan Brock was invited as the inaugural speaker. She was followed by Steve Ford in 2008, John Sileo in 2010, Michael Hingson in 2012, Laurie Rubin in 2014, Leslie Stiner in 2016, and Molly Burke in 2018.

The Richard D. Shirk family established a Lectureship at the University of Houston, 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.”

Individuals, as well as groups of alumnae and collegians, have continued to make $50,000 challenge grants. Jacque Geving Everson, Alpha Theta—North Dakota, provided a challenge grant which was fully endowed at that campus in the spring of 2011. Seattle alumnae provided a challenge grant which was fully endowed at Beta-Washington in the spring of 2011. A grant from Amy Carlson Wilson, Theta—Indiana, was fully endowed in the fall 2011. Debbie Downard, Gamma Pi—Roanoke, provided a challenge grant, and this 20th collegiate lecture at Roanoke was endowed in April, 2016. Currently, a Lectureship at Beta Epsilon—American is in progress.

**LEGACY**

Although Dorothy Martin passed away in 1994, Dr. Martin continued to support this program, establishing 14 Lectureships and challenging like-minded individuals and groups to do the same. He passed away in 2010 but the Martin legacy remains.

This unique program is a source of great pride to the Delta Gamma Foundation in reinforcing its mission: The Delta Gamma Foundation fosters lifetime enrichment for members, promotes Service for Sight, and partners with the Fraternity to ensure the future of our sisterhood.

**Lectureships in Values and Ethics Speakers**

**AKRON**
- Barbara Bush
- Linda Chavez (2000)
- Glenn & Jessie Close (2013)
- Geena Davis (2012)
- F.W. DeClerk (1999)
- Steve Forbes (2001)
- Michael J. Fox (2011)
- Charlton Heston
- Gabby Gifford & Mark Kelly (2015)
- Queen Noor (2005)
- Jane Pauley (2014)
- Colin Powell (2010)
- Cokie Roberts
- Spencer Stone (2017)
- John Walsh (2013)

**AMERICAN** (in progress)

**DEPAUW**
- Tarana Burke (2018)
- Dorothy Edwards (2014)
- Pashon Murray (2016)
- Tabitha St. Bernard (2017)
- Maysoon Zayid (2015)

**DUKE**
- Maya Angelou (1994–2013)
- Wendy Davis (2018)
- Grant Hill (2017)
- Reggie Love (2016)
- Chanel Miller (2020)
- Ibtihaj Muhammad (2019)
- Melissa Harris Perry
- Margot Lee Shetterly (2021)

**HOUSTON**
- Rebecca Alexander (2019)
- Richard Fish, MD (2013)
- Brien Holden (2009)
- Joe Lovett
- Reba Riley (2017)
- Tom Sullivan (2010)
- JP Williams (2020)

**INDIANA**
- Molly Barker (2013)
- Tan Kheng Hua (2019)
- Piper Kerman (2015)
- Ibtihaj Muhammad (2017)
- Jack Nicklaus (2012)
- Aly Raisman (2021)
- Catt Sadler (2018)
- Elizabeth Smart (2016)
- Collins Tuohy (2014)

**LOUISIANA STATE**
- Steve Ford (2008)
- Tyrann Mathieu (2022)
- Aron Ralston (2011)
- Giuliana Rancic (2013)
- Aly Raisman (2018)
- Gabrielle Union (2016)

**MICHIGAN**
- John U. Bacon (2020)
- Judy & Geoffrey Davis (2016)
- Michael Hingson (2013)
- Derreck Kayongo (2018)
- Kerry Kennedy (2011)

**MISSISSIPPI STATE**
- Jeff Conwin (2005)
- Steve Ford (2009)
- Christopher Gardner (2007)
- Bob Coff (2021)
- Bethany Hamilton (2014)
- Patricia Heaton (2012)
- Sean & Catherine Lowe (2015)
- Blake Mycoskie (2011)
Korie & Sadie Robertson (2018)

MISSOURI
Frank Abagnale (2012)
Mitch Albom (2000)
Herman Boone (2001)
Joan Brock (2009)
Jeff Corwin (2008)
Marilyn Fordham & Maureen Syring (1999)
Christopher Gardner (2007)
Dr. Jane Goodall (2014)
Jerry Greenfield (2002)
Homer Hickam (1999)
Daymond John (2017)
Lisa Ling (2009)
Patricia Russell McCloud (2000)
Aimee Mullins (2013)
Dr. Bennet Omalu (2016)
Gabby Douglas (2018)
Steve Ford (2008)
Joseph Kahn (2012)
Lauren Bush Lauren (2015)
Bill Rancic (2011)

ROANOKE COLLEGE

SOUTHERN METHODIST
Madeleine Albright (2002)
Julie Andrews (2001)
Larry Brown (2014)
Barbara Bush (1998)
Ann Compton (2000)
Mike Domitz (2005)
Jerry Greenfield (2015)
Christine Ha (2021)
Rosabeth Moss Kanter (2017)
Nastia Liukin (2017)
William Bennett, Michelle Malkin and Jack Valenti (2017)
Mary Matlin (2017)
Travis Tygart (2013)

TEXAS A&M
Chris Bashinelli (2012)
Taya Kyle (2016)
Colleen McGuire (2013)
Madison Prewett (2021)
Sadie Robertson (2019)
Lizzie Velasquez (2017)

TEXAS
Charlotte Benson (2010)
Carl Bernstein (2017)
Jerry Greenfield (2013)
Mia Hamm (2015)
Lois Jensen (2006)
Shawn Johnson (2017)
Sarafina Nance (2021)
Paul Rusesabagina (2011)
Collins Tuohy (2011)
Jeanette Walls (2021)

TEXAS CHRISTIAN
Dr. David Boren (2005)
Ethics in sports forum (2004)

Fraternity & Sorority Life uncensored (2005)
Jerry Greenfield (2014)
Jim Jacobus (2007)
Shawn Johnson (2017)
Liz Murray (2009)
Panel discussion (2019)
Sarah Thomas (2019)
Tracy Walder (2021)

Please note, we are working to add missing Lectureship dates.

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