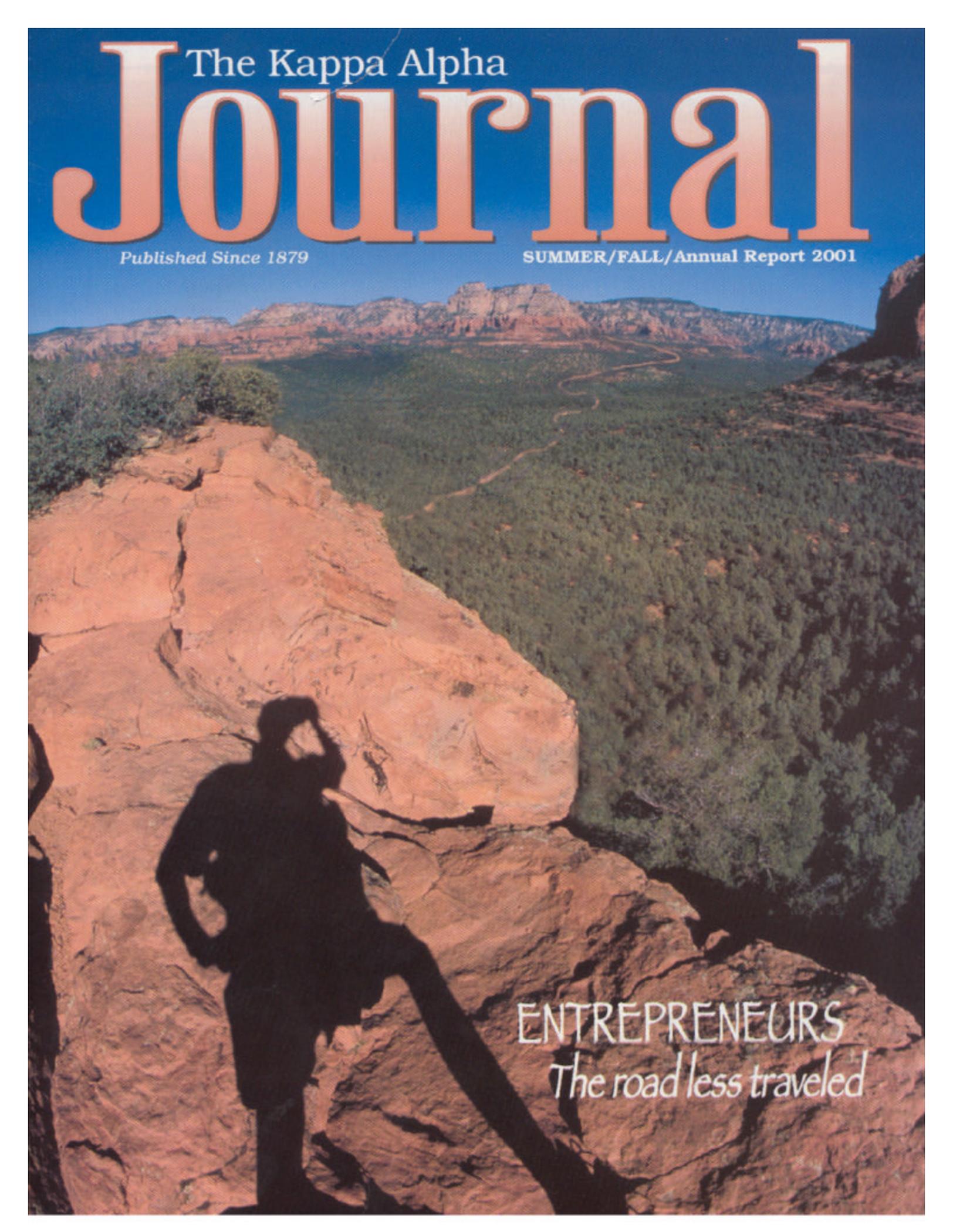


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# IN MEMORIAM

## Terror of September 11 rips the Order

### National tragedy steals three brothers

*"Considering what comes next for our beloved country, I cannot help but think of George C. Marshall's quotation so aptly chosen for this year's Convention: [One man] ...of himself, by himself...can apparently do very little, though collectively he can win... Together we will conquer the evil that has taken our brother(s) and thousands of other loved ones. I believe the first step towards this victory is an appropriate remembrance of those who died, that we may commend them to God and draw upon strength of their memory." - James J. Creel, Jr. Number 1, Zeta Beta, Princeton University.*

Chris Mello (Zeta Beta '95 - Princeton) died on September 11, 2001 when his plane, American Airlines flight 11, smashed into the World Trade Center. He was 25.

A Rye, New York native, Mello led his high school football team to its first Class C State championship game as the '93-94 co-captain. He also served as a youth advisor and summer camp counselor for the local Rye YMCA.

A psychology major and president of the Cottage Club at Princeton, Mello was an impressive rugby player, playing throughout his college days and wooing spectators with his fearless and skillful play. His fellow brothers say he was "an admired and respected leader, scholar, athlete, friend, brother and gentleman."

A '98 graduate of Princeton, Mello had been working with Alta Communications in Boston as a financial analyst. "He was as great a guy as you'll ever meet. I was proud to be his friend," says Chris Halpin, one of Mello's best friends and former Princeton roommates.

Over 50 Zeta Beta brothers attended his wake and funeral in Rye. "The turnout was absolutely overwhelming...the visitation hours had to be extended there were so many people there. Over 1,200 people crowded into Resurrection Church in Rye for his funeral," says friend Patrick Shea. "(It) was a powerful tribute to Chris and his amazing ability to effortlessly make close, sincere, and enduring friendships with the many people who were in his life."

Mello is survived by his parents, Doug and Ellen Mello; his brother, John Douglas; and his paternal grandmother, Alice Mello.



pledge class in chapter history, a class that produced many leaders in the chapter and the University.

Suarez was an Industrial Engineering major with an outstanding academic record. He joined Deloitte Consulting in August 1999 as a bright, young, highly talented, campus recruit. His clients and colleagues considered him a top performer, resulting in his promotion to Consultant in the month prior to his death.

A volunteer with "New York Cares", a charity that delivers food to the homeless, Suarez had an effect on everyone he met in life. With an infectious laugh and charismatic personality, everyone who knew Dave enjoyed being with him.

Suarez is survived by his parents, Theodore and Carol; his brother Bryan; his sister Kristen; his grandparents, Henry and Mary Lou Imp and Manuel Suarez and a large extended family.

*In honor of David, his family and friends have set up a scholarship fund through the Kappa Alpha Order Educational Foundation. If you would like to contribute to the fund please call Lana Nicely at (540) 463-1865.*

Delta Iota charter member Robert J. Maxwell ('68 - Texas Arlington) was killed while working in the Pentagon on September 11, 2001. Maxwell was a budget analyst for the U.S. Army and had earned the civilian equivalent of lieutenant colonel. He was 56.

Born in Newport News, Va. Maxwell attended Arlington High School in Texas where he was involved in Junior Achievement, Junior Engineering Technical Society and was class treasurer his junior year.

Serving as Delta Iota chapter president in 1971, Maxwell was a quiet leader who worked hard to better the Interfraternity Council and Delta Iota, both of which he helped establish. Friends and brothers remember him as 'bright, and mature, with a dry, sarcastic wit.' "He was a smart guy, one of a kind. He could have done anything he wanted to do," says friend and brother Stephen Buford (Gamma Xi '68 - Lamar).

Graduating in 1971 with a bachelor's in English, Maxwell left Arlington to accept a civilian internship at the Pentagon. At the time of his death, he was working in the Information Management Support Center for the Office of the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Greenfield; 19-year-old son, Tanner; and his father, Ernest Maxwell. ☞

David Suarez (Zeta Eta '96 - Penn State) lost his life while working in Tower 1 of the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. Employed by Deloitte Consulting, Suarez was meeting with a customer at the time of the terrorist attacks. He was 24.

Born in Dover, New Hampshire, he attended West Windsor-Plainsboro High School, class of '95, where he was co-captain of the wrestling team and involved in numerous activities.

Suarez pledged Zeta Eta in the Spring of '96 and served as rush chairman for two semesters. He is responsible for bringing in the largest

