



Kimball's Corner

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Mississippi State Delta Chi Selected to Host 2017 Regional Leadership Conference

For the first time since 2000, Delta Chi Mississippi State was selected to host the Regional Leadership Conference (RLC) in Starkville. Over 200 people, including members from twenty three chapters and colonies in Region 8, are expected to travel to Mississippi State University during the weekend of March 3-5 to attend.

In collaboration with Delta Chi Headquarters, the weekend's programming will take place at the Colvard Student Union and will include lectures from selected Delta Chi leaders and specialists. Lunch will be provided for all attendees. In addition to seminars from specialists, the chapter invited local alumni to participate in various topics of discussion, such as Men's Health, Crisis Management, Suicide Prevention, Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Fundraising and Alumni Involvement.

Following the completion of the conference, attendees, guests and alumni are invited to enjoy dinner at Davis Wade Stadium in the Gridiron Club. Dinner will be followed by a philanthropic social event at the Delta Chi house.

If you would like to attend, or need more information, please contact **Zac Howell '16** at (601) 297-8670 or zdh27@msstate.edu.

Brett Dulaney Hosts Alumni at St. Petersburg Bowl

Brett Dulaney '95, Executive Director of the St. Petersburg Bowl, kindly invited Delta Chi brothers to an unforgettable experience on the day after Christmas. This year's game featured our Egg Bowl Champion Mississippi State Bulldogs vs. the Red Hawks of Miami (Ohio) University.

While coordinating with several brothers who were planning to attend the game, Dulaney surprised the group by arranging tickets to the best suite at Tropicana Field. The Hooters Suite offered mid-field views of the game, spacious seating and catered food/drink. This was also the only Hooters location in the United States that Brother **Trent Pinero '97** had not visited yet.

"Food and drinks were great, the company was OK (joking, company was great), and the game turned out great in the very end - much to the dismay of my wife, who graduated from Miami, Ohio," said **Skip Manuel '98**.

Seven Delta Chi alumni and their spouses/kids - a total of about 28 people - were able to attend. Dulaney also assisted with booking adjoining hotel rooms and suites at a nearby beachside hotel so the Delta Chi families who traveled together could all have a blast at the beach, pool and playground.

Dulaney, his wife, two sons and parents visited the suite a couple of times during the game. As a token of the brothers' appreciation for Dulaney's hospitality, Delta Chi presented him with a commemorative St. Petersburg Bowl cowbell from *BattleBells.com*. The bell was a limited production - one out of 16 made - and has the Bowl logo, the logos of both teams, as well as the date and Dulaney's name engraved on it.

Dulaney is doing well and is looking forward to brief time off during the post-game season before getting back to work prepping for next year's bowl game. He's also looking forward to keeping in touch with his new best friend, Coach Mullen.

You Can Recruit!

Delta Chi wants a strong chapter on campus full of great young men to represent the fraternity well. If you have a son or a family friend who may attend Mississippi State, please send his name and contact information to msudxalumni@yahoo.com. You can help the chapter with future legacy recruitment by sending us the name and birthday of your son(s). The chapter will contact him at the appropriate time in the future.



Brett Dulaney '95 proudly holds up his Bowl cowbell from Delta Chi. He plans to display it in his office.



Delta Chi brothers had a great time visiting brother Dulaney at the St. Petersburg Bowl.

2017 CHAPTER OFFICERS

"A"
Austin Watts '19

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Troy Hatch '19

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Max Glass '19

"D"
Michael Burgess '19

"E"
Ethan Compton '19

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Delta Chi Maintains Strong Campus Presence

Active brothers of Delta Chi Mississippi State continue to maintain a strong presence on campus and within the community through participation in several philanthropy events. This fall, Delta Chi hosted its annual Earth Ball Competition. It was very successful with several different fraternities and sororities participating. Overall, \$3,000 was raised for the Jimmy V Foundation.

Not only did brothers host their annual fall philanthropy, but they also participated in many other organizations' events such as Chi Omega's Limelight dance competition and Pi Beta Phi's Pie Night.

The brotherhood is coming off a very impressive fall rush where Delta Chi recruited 33 associate members. The chapter is looking forward to keeping the momentum going into this year's spring rush.

Brothers are looking forward to a successful spring semester and appreciate continued support from alumni. Questions regarding the chapter

should be directed to Alumni Relations Secretary "E," **Ethan Compton '19**, at ec1300@msstate.edu.

2016 New Initiates:

Hunter Acy Winona, MS	Alex Martin Zushi, Japan
Jackson Bellin Hurley, MS	Tyler Mitchell Olive Branch, MS
Nick Brun Hurley, MS	August Ogle Jackson, MS
Patrick Bryne Spring, TX	Anthony Primm Huston, TX
Ethan Compton Chicago, IL	Jonny Spaich Truckee, CA
Noah Dodson Lafayette, LA	Spencer Westmoreland Seattle, WA
Justin Hoang Gulfport, MS	Dakota Wood Glen Burnie, MD
Mark Hodge Lafayette, LA	Josh Zdon Buffalo, NY
Jackson Laurence Spanish Fort, AL	

2016 Alumni Association Membership Campaign Raises over \$10,000

The 2016 Alumni Association Membership Campaign successfully raised \$10,300 from 37 donors. Thanks to the support of this year's donors, the Delta Chi Alumni Association (DXAA) was able to provide vital support to the chapter.

Contributions from this year's campaign allowed the DXAA to achieve the following:

Social Expenses - \$2,800

- Covered Leftfield Lounge season pass and off-season storage of the trailer
- Super Bulldog Weekend lunch and BBQ team Sponsorship
- Alumni Appreciation Luncheon prior to the South Carolina Game

Leadership Training - \$1,800

- Provided scholarships for five out of the seven members who attended the Region 8 Leadership Conference (RLC)
- Hotel accommodations for full chapter delegation to RLC
- Provided scholarships to two of the four members attending the International Convention

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Direct Chapter Assistance - \$2,250

- \$1,250 added to the chapter's Rush budget - an investment that paid off with a record number of associate members
- Website domain purchased

Alumni Relations - \$3,100

- Alumni website management
- Alumni database management
- Newsletter preparation and distribution
- Fundraising mailers and collections

Thank you again to the generous brothers who gave to this year's campaign. Alumni support and involvement are critical to the success of Delta Chi Mississippi State. Your financial support allows the chapter to redirect funds to other budgetary items.

Be on the lookout for the launch of the 2017 Alumni Association Membership Campaign in the coming weeks.

2016 Alumni Association Membership Campaign Donor List \$10,300 pledged as of February 10, 2017

ORDER OF THE KNIGHT

\$1,000 - \$10,000

James F. Dorris, Jr. '87
John M. Hairston '87
Stephen L. Lawrence '68

BATTLE AXE SOCIETY

\$500 - \$999

John Allen Landrum '66
James Owens '63

Trent W. Pinero '97
Timothy S. Robinson '86

LEGES SOCIETY

\$250 - \$499

Bo Asmar '73
David S. Carpenter '92
Joseph Raymond Carroll, Jr. '87
Gary W. Fordham '76
Charles J. Foretich, II '86
Jamie Lloyd Mahne '96

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William Chris Strohm '85
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John W. Hatmaker, Jr. '79

Robert K. Hubbard, III '88

B.J. Johnson '64
Donald Wayne Lawhorn
David M. LeBlanc '92
Skip Manuel '98
J. Tommy Overcash '78
Daniel Grady Rainey '68
Andrew R. Salin '01
Christopher R. Smith, Jr. '98

Update: Campaign for Delta Chi

Delta Chi has come a long way in the last five years since the Alumni Board of Trustees (ABT) and the Delta Chi Building Corporation (DXBC) voted to sell the 215 North Jackson property and pursue the purchase of the on-campus house in January of 2011. The old house sold in May of 2011 and Delta Chi closed on the new home (priced at \$725,000) in August of 2011. After buying the house, Delta Chi launched the Campaign for Delta Chi. The campaign was a rousing success, beating the \$500,000 goal by over 20 percent.

The loan to purchase the house in 2011 required that alumni personally guarantee \$250K of the \$650K loan due to the transitional status of the chapter at that time. Without that personal investment in Delta Chi, the deal could not have taken place. Five years later, the loan is refinanced and the bank is no longer requiring personal guarantors because the chapter is strong again. The DXBC is proud to announce that the following dedicated alumni are hereby released from their status as guarantors:

Bo Asmar '73
Phil Carroll '00
Dr. Roger Clapp '89
Charlie Forectich '86
Stacey Goff '87
Robert Hubbard '88
William Hubbard '89
Steve Lawrence '68
Ray Snapp '98
Tom Stovall '67
Chris Strohm '85

The DXBC would also like to recognize another guarantor, **Dr. Kirk Arnett '68**, who passed away in 2013. We know he would be delighted in the progress made by the Chapter.

Delta Chi Building

Corporation Treasurer **Robert Hubbard '88** commented, "Without the support of alumni, this project would not be possible. We are forever grateful to them." These brothers have truly made a lasting impact on Delta Chi at Mississippi State University.

On Saturday, September 10, Hubbard announced the naming of the House Director Suite in honor of the Hansen Family. This effort began at the 50th Anniversary Reunion in 2013 when 1964 Charter members began their goal to raise \$20,000. Mrs. Elaine Hansen attended along with her daughter,

daughter-in-law and four 1964 Charter Members, **David Hunt '64, B.J. Johnson '64, Milton Sandy '66** and **Johnny Mack Morrow '65**, each of whom acknowledged the instrumental role Mr. and Mrs. Hansen played in starting Delta Chi at Mississippi State University.

Thank you to all donors who fulfilled their pledge - 92% of billed fulfillment has been collected. Of course, there's still time to make a new or additional pledge/donation. Just go to msudxalumni.com and follow the links on the Capital Campaign page.



The Campaign for Delta Chi exceeded \$620,000 due to a recent surge related to the naming of the Hansen Family Suite. The Hansen Family is pictured above with 1964 Charter Members - (L to R): Cathy Hansen (daughter), Johnny Mack Morrow '65, B.J. Johnson '64, Elaine Hansen, David Hunt '64, Milton Sandy '66 and Cathy Hansen (daughter-in-law).

Campaign for Delta Chi

Goal	\$500,000
Pledged	\$620,640
Billed	\$582,638
Collected	\$537,227

Housing Updates

The Delta Chi Building Corporation (DXBC) is proactively working towards making the house an attractive place for Delta Chi Mississippi State to call home.

Remembering the Delta Chi Preamble - "assist in the acquisition of a sound education" - the DXBC recently completed the build-out of a new study hall. The room, which was originally sleeping quarters for four men, is now furnished with six desk/chair combinations and plenty of room to add a conference table and chairs.

Naming rights for the study hall are still available for a \$15,000 tax deductible donation to the DXBC.

This year, the DXBC plans to build-out a



Thanks to the efforts of the Delta Chi Building Corporation, active brothers now have a quiet place to focus on their studies.

kitchen. Currently, meals are prepared off-site and delivered to the house. Based on feedback from brothers, the DXBC determined on-site food prep would result in a more efficient operation. House Director, **Zac Howell '16**, will serve as the project manager for this remodel.

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Alec Chism Receives Award from the Mickey Putman Scholarship Fund

Thanks to contributions to the Delta Chi Mississippi State's Chapter Scholarship Fund through the Delta Chi Educational Foundation, the Mississippi State Delta Chi Alumni Association was able to award \$500 from the Mickey Putman Scholarship Fund to **Alec Chism '19**.

Chism's qualifications for this award include serving as T-Shirt Chair, Recruitment Chair, Interim "A", Social Committee and Materials Committee for Delta Chi Mississippi State. Chism is also involved on campus with the Latter-Day Saint Student Association, Student Government (Research and Development Committee) and works for the Colvard Student Union as a University Information Ambassador. Chism not only works hard to devote time to all of the organizations mentioned above, but he is currently

majoring in Mechanical Engineering and maintains a high GPA.

You can support the Mickey Putman Scholarship Fund with a tax deductible donation to Delta Chi Mississippi State's Chapter Scholarship Fund. To make a contribution today, visit dcef.com. **Be sure to choose "Mississippi State CSA" when making your gift.**



Alec Chism '19 (left) receives congratulations from Alumni Board of Trustees President Don Buffum '79.

IN MEMORIUM

Michael Bryant '10
January 8, 1988 -
February 13, 2016

Edwin Dulaney '68
November 20, 1944 -
June 12, 2016

Save the Date!

March 3-5 - Regional
Leadership
Conference

April 7-9 - Super
Bulldog Weekend

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- Learn more about recent news and register for upcoming events as well as view event photos
- Search for alumni
- Review the status of ongoing fundraising efforts
- Make your contribution in support of the *Alumni Association Membership Campaign* or the *Campaign for Delta Chi*
- Update your address, phone number and email address
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