



KIMBALL'S CORNER

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MSU DELTA CHI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PICKING UP MOMENTUM

By Robert Hubbard '88
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The MSU Delta Chi Alumni Association had a very successful organizational meeting at Homecoming 2005 with 23 brothers joining to show that Delta Chi is indeed the "Brotherhood of a Lifetime!" Since then, we have grown to a total of 35 members. Please consider adding to that number today!

The purpose of this organization is three-fold:

1. Facilitate a lifelong relationship between Delta Chi alumni and the MSU chapter.
2. Enhance the relationships among alumni of the MSU Chapter.
3. Provide financial support to chapter housing.

Our success will strengthen our chapter as more alumni will be available to "take a turn" in an advisory position with the Alumni Board of Trustees or the MSU Delta Chi Building Corporation. As you well know, the effectiveness of these two entities is crucial to the stability and success of the chapter.

The first step in achieving our mission was funding the publication of the Fall edition of "Kimball's Corner." By taking ownership of this publication, the newsletter will be much more alumni focused and the chapter will not be burdened by this expense. Of course, the chapter "E" is still very involved with the actual publication duties.

Our second step in achieving our mission will be the sponsorship of a team in the annual Super Bulldog Weekend BBQ Contest on the MSU campus. DXAA members, Mark Gonzales '94 and Chris Smith '96 are leading our culinary efforts. Stop by Friday afternoon before and after the baseball game for some good food and beverage.

Judging for the event will take place on Saturday morning, so there just may be an all night cookout! For more information, email us at msudxalumni@yahoo.com or contact Mark at mgonzal@entergy.com or 601-368-5634. You will be receiving more detailed information via email.

Please help us extend the momentum by sending in the enclosed membership card with your annual dues of \$50! Remember, your membership entitles you to a discounted registration fee at the Alumni Reunion held every 5 years and also establishes your eligibility to serve on the ABT or Building Corporation.

SUPER BULLDOG WEEKEND, APRIL 7-9, 2006

FRIDAY, April 7

1:00pm until	DXAA BBQ Team Party at campus site TBA
6:30pm	Baseball Game MSU vs. Georgia
Postgame	DXAA BBQ Team Party at campus site TBA

SATURDAY, April 8

10:00am	BBQ Judging
11:00am-1:00pm	Lunch at the Delta Chi House (Families Welcome)
11:00am	DXAA Business Meeting at Delta Chi House
Noon	Spring Football Game
2:00pm	Baseball Game MSU vs. Georgia
10:00pm	Band Party at Delta Chi House

SUNDAY, April 9

1:30pm	Baseball Game MSU vs. Georgia
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STATE OF THE CHAPTER

The active chapter has been working hard to improve many aspects with which we have struggled in the past. Our main priority for the Fall and Spring semesters was recruitment, and we put forth a great effort which produced our best results in four years. The fall class found us with 10 new brothers, and we finalized our spring pledge class at 7. The chapter realized that while we need to increase our size, quality was more important than quantity; and, while we could have initiated 15 men by lowering our GPA standards, the men we got were the ones we wanted. The success carried over to this spring and out of 20 potential members wanting bids, we decided on 7. The men we got are quality men with the qualities that Delta Chi embraces, and we feel confident that they will uphold our values and bring further success to the chapter we all love.

Another goal the active chapter set for itself was alumni recruitment. We now have an alumni association to provide the chapter with the resources needed to establish an inflow of Alumni Board of Trustees and House Corporation members, to publish an appealing newsletter, and to plan effective alumni events. Our intentions now are to achieve better communication between the active chapter and the alumni so as to keep you better informed of how the active chapter is doing. Realizing that the internet is our most effective and efficient form of communication, we have updated our website in hopes of utilizing this media for better alumni relations. I encourage everyone to visit the website, offer input, and use this valuable commodity to bridge the gap between the alumni and the active chapter.

Last on our agenda was improving the image of the chapter. We started with more involvement in sorority events and succeeded in winning Delta Gamma's Anchor Week in the fall and in finishing third in Kappa Delta's Shamrock Week Kickball Tournament. The active chapter also contributed to Habitat for Humanity and Zeta Tau Alpha's Big Man on Campus. A new social tradition that we are trying to keep up is a multicultural cookout each semester with the ladies of Zeta Phi Beta and Delta Delta Delta and the men of Phi Beta Sigma. This event has provided a lasting relationship with all parties involved. The chapter will continue to work hard in this area in order to enhance our representation at MSU.

The active chapter has faced many obstacles this year and has adapted in order to overcome the problems presented to us. We are more efficient, more effective, and are making strides to bring Delta Chi out of the hole it was once in. In order for you to truly understand what we are achieving, we would like to keep in more frequent contact with you as alumni. Because the internet seems to be the most useful means for this contact, I strongly encourage you to visit our new website and take full advantage of its capabilities. Also, Wet N' Wild is a great time to visit Starkville, see alumni that you knew from your undergraduate days, and really understand what the active chapter is doing. If you haven't already made arrangements to attend, please do so and I assure you that it will be a great way to see the advancements we have made in recent years. I look forward to seeing you there and hope you remember that you as alumni are just as crucial to the success of Delta Chi as the active chapter.

In the Bond,

Brian Harris
President

ALUMNI NEWS

- Born to Vaughan "Melon" Jones '96 and wife Asheley, a son, Cooper James, on 7/15/05.
- Born to Heath Eckert '96 and wife Christy, a daughter, Emily Madeline, on 5/13/04.
- Born to Travis Swenson '94 and wife Betsy, a son, Scott Alexander, on 12/20/05. The Swensons should return to their Katrina-damaged home in Mandeville, LA very soon.
- Born to Tim Alford '88 and wife JoBeth, a daughter, Emily Whitt, on 11/27/05. Tim also recently accepted a position as First VP of Renasant Bank in Oxford, MS.
- Born to John "Goose" Aldridge '90 and wife Amy, a 3rd son, Jackson, on 10/04/05. John also recently accepted a position as Corporate Controller at Hancock Fabrics in Tupelo, MS.
- Born to Robert Hubbard '88 and wife Stephanie, a son, Robert Kellis IV, on 3/07/04.
- Tracy Barmore '98 will marry Carrie Kaiser on 4/14/07.
- Terry "Hoot" Gibson '86 is currently serving a tour of duty at Camp Victory in Iraq with the U.S. Army.
- Cpt. Patrick Westmoreland '00 married Ms. Shelley Cuce of Little Rock, AR, on 12/13/05. Patrick serves in the U.S. Air Force and is currently stationed in Ft. Rucker, AL.
- Cpt. Michael Brown '97 is a T-9 Texan Instructor Pilot for the U.S. Air Force at Laughlin AFB, TX.



ALUMNI NEWS (continued)

- Doug Wert '89 is Director of the Professional Golf Management (PGM) Program at The University of Colorado at Colorado Springs.
- John Hairston '86 was recently appointed by Gov. Haley Barbour to serve on the Mississippi Gaming Commission.
- Jason "Bob" Prather '00 is serving his second tour of duty in Afghanistan with the Mississippi National Guard.
- Chris Baxter '04 is currently with the 47th Flying Training Wing at Laughlin AFB, TX as an undergraduate pilot training student.

THOUGHTS FROM THE "E"

By Stephen J. Elmore
Chapter "E"

Hello from Mississippi State! I hope this letter finds you happy and in good health. The chapter thanks Robert Hubbard '88 and Doug Freeze '98 for their hard work in making the Alumni Association a reality. We also thank many alumni especially Brooks '02 and B.J. Johnson '64 for their recent donations to the chapter. The chapter is on the up and up, but we still need your help. Anything you can do would be greatly appreciated. We currently need an Alumni Board of Trustees which has been inactive since 2004. Please advise if you are interested in serving on the ABT which plays a vital role in the success of the chapter.

You can also help by keeping us informed of any address changes to ensure that our records are up-to-date by emailing changes to msudxalumni@yahoo.com. If you know of alumni not receiving this newsletter, please have them email us their new contact info. Thanks for all you have done in the past, and we look forward to further involvement in continuing the success of Delta Chi.

2006 SPRING ROSTER

OFFICERS SPRING '06

- "A" Brian Harris, Memphis, TN
- "B" Bill Gray, Picayune, MS
- "C" Hunter Smith, Greenville, MS
- "D" Alex Taylor, Memphis, TN
- "E" Stephen Elmore, Brawley, CA
- "F" Rob Reid, Greenville, MS
- "AMC" Wesley Wilburn, Moscow, TN
- "Recruitment" Zane Wofford, Gainesville, FL
- "BB" Doug Freeze '98

ACTIVE MEMBERS SPRING '06

- William Anderson, Meridian, MS
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- Sam Wright, Memphis, TN

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YES, count me in as a charter member of the MSU Delta Chi Alumni Association!

I am enclosing my dues of \$50 for the year 2006.

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