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IGNITE THE CHARGE CAMPAIGN RAISES OVER \$10 MILLION

\$250,000 Pledged to Missouri Chapter Legacy Plan

Two years ago, Delta Upsilon Educational Foundation announced the \$6 million *Ignite the Charge* campaign to expand and increase educational programming for DU undergraduates across North America. The campaign came to a close on August 2 when final results were announced at the annual Leadership Institute in Atlanta.

The results were unprecedented, totaling over \$10.3 million in pledges!

As a part of this campaign, the Missouri Chapter Legacy Plan (CLP) was created so that Missouri alumni can make tax-deductible donations for the direct benefit of Missouri Chapter undergraduates. Providing annual coaching and training is critical for strengthening the culture and sustainability of the chapter. Currently, the chapter has to fund educational programming out of yearly cash flow. The

Missouri CLP is an endowment fund that will lessen the burden on the undergraduates.

We are thrilled to report that nearly \$250,000 has now been pledged to the CLP! As a result, nearly \$10,000 in Missouri member scholarships will be available for our undergraduates to attend DUEF programming each year.

While the campaign is now officially closed, you can still donate to the CLP by going to deltatau.org/ITCMissouri for additional information.

Fraternally,

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"I Love It
Here at
Delta Upsilon!"

Thank You Chapter Legacy Plan Donors!

\$37,500 and above

Bob Doyle '71
Bruce McKinney '74

\$25,000 to \$37,499

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In memory of
Gus Harwell Jr. '51

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Stephen Davison '92
Steve Mermelstein '92

Sam Yoffie '00

Nick Scott '01
Scott Sportsman '09
Ryan Juengel '26

(Chapter President)

*Does not include another \$10,000
donated to the Housing Fund!

Calling All Alumni!

Send Us Your Recruitment Recommendations



? Do you know of an incoming freshman who is a quality man?

Send his information and why you think he'll be a great addition to Delta Upsilon to Vice President of Recruitment **Zack Hardage '26** at missouridu.recruitment@gmail.com.

Join us in finding the right men to bring Missouri Chapter to new heights!



Snapping a quick pic at the FSL celebration in Columbia on April 19. From left: House Director Mary Stice, VP of Academics Logan Heurtin '26, President Ryan Juengel '26, and Chapter Advisor Chuck Hatley '80.

Chapter Eternal

- John W. Watson '49
February 7, 2023
- Harry E. Bodine Jr. '54
April 21, 2024
- Brock M. Lutz '58
June 2, 2023
- Robert D. Hortin '61
May 18, 2024
- Carl A. Marbery '63
July 4, 2023
- Richard D. Wagner '64
September 6, 2024



The Missouri Chapter contingent at the Leadership Institute in Atlanta on August 2.

DU STAYS ON TOP

Academic Achievements and Chapter Recognitions

MEMBERSHIP

The chapter entered the 2024-25 academic year with roughly 175 members, the third largest of all fraternities on campus and the most of any DU chapter in North America. Strong spring semester performance in grades and philanthropy and extensive member participation in leadership programming over the summer have positioned the chapter for future success.

GRADES

The chapter finished the spring semester with a 3.27 GPA, which was above the all-men's and all-fraternity averages. The chapter had 61 members make the dean's list, the fifth most of all fraternities on campus.

CHAPTER RECOGNITION

Missouri Fraternity and Sorority Life hosted its year-end celebration at Memorial Stadium on April 19. DU received three awards: Honors Chapter (top 15 chapters on campus), Academic Achievement (GPA above the all-men's and all-fraternity averages), and Engagement (excellence in campus and community affairs).

Twelve undergraduate members attended the Delta Upsilon Leadership Institute from August 2-4 in Atlanta. The chapter was recognized as a Sweepstakes Finalist for overall chapter excellence. This designation is reserved for the top 15 chapters across North America.

RECRUITMENT

Our summer and formal recruitment program resulted in the signing of 56 new associate members. The 3.67 GPA was significantly above the entering student average. A summary profile is provided on page 3 along with their names, hometowns, and high schools.

Contact missouridu.recruitment@gmail.com with any questions. A special thanks to VP of Recruitment **Zack Hardage '26** and his team for a job well done!

ASSOCIATE MEMBER PROGRAMMING

The pinning ceremony was held on Monday, September 2. The associate member education program began that day and will last for eight weeks, culminating in the initiation ceremony on Sunday, October 27.

Please drop by if you are ever in Columbia. We would love to see you!

Fraternally,
Ryan Juengel '26, Chapter President
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UPCOMING EVENTS

This fall is packed with activities, several of which include:

OCTOBER 19: Homecoming (with an alumni tailgate at the chapter house for the Auburn game)

OCTOBER 27: Initiation

NOVEMBER 9: Dad's Weekend (with an alumni tailgate at the chapter house for the Oklahoma game)

WELCOME, FALL 2024 ASSOCIATE MEMBERS!

We welcomed a total of 56 associate members this fall!

Josh Arcaya
St. Louis, Mo.
Parkway South

Drew Doherty
St. Charles, Mo.
Francis Howell

Drew Hauser*
Webster Groves, Mo.
Webster Groves
(Father **Eric, Bradley '95**)

Mark Merlo
St. Louis, Mo.
SLU

Grant Uelsmann
St. Louis, Mo.
Rockwood Summit

Charlie Wanashko*
Lee's Summit, Mo.
Lee's Summit North
(Father **Doug '95** and
Brother **Will '25**)

Sam Bellamy
Fenton, Mo.
Rockwood Summit

Alex Emmack
Lee's Summit, Mo.
Lee's Summit

Parker Hemmann
Chesterfield, Mo.
Marquette

Liam Meyer
St. Louis, Mo.
CBC

Samuel Vu
St. Louis, Mo.
Rockwood Summit

*Legacy
+Sophomore

Alex Bender
Chesterfield, Mo.
Marquette

Eli Fassler
St. Louis, Mo.
Parkway West

Max Hill
Lee's Summit
Lee's Summit North

Sam Mitchell
St. Louis, Mo.
CBC

Charlie Wagner
St. Louis, Mo.
Vianney

Luke Besmer
St. Louis, Mo.
SLUH

Josh Feucht
Geneva, Ill.
Geneva

Michael Hupp
Kirkwood, Mo.
Kirkwood

Kerby Nelson
Weatherby Lake, Mo.
North Kansas City

Payton Brown
Naperville, Ill.
Neuqua Valley

Trey Freedline
Wentzville, Mo.
Francis Howell

Jon Jenkins
Millstadt, Ill.
Belleville West

Josh Nierman
St. Louis, Mo.
SLUH

Joe Burford
St. Louis, Mo.
Vianney

Logan Gabel
St. Louis, Mo.
Vianney

Jackson Kagan
Kirkwood, Mo.
Kirkwood

Mbuso Nkomo
Lee's Summit, Mo.
Lee's Summit North

Wilson Clardy
Chesterfield, Mo.
Parkway West

Dennis Gamble*
Kansas City, Mo.
Park Hill South
(Uncle **Francis Duff '80**
and Father **Doug, Cornell**)

Tyler Laskowski
O'Fallon, Mo.
CBC

Kade O'Hara
Liberty, Mo.
Liberty North

Bobby Clemons
Kansas City, Mo.
Rockhurst

Max Gilliland
Caseyville, Ill.
Althoff Catholic

Cole Ludwig
St. Louis, Mo.
Vianney

Evan Paule
Ballwin, Mo.
Vianney

Ealem Combs
Lee's Summit, Mo.
Lee's Summit North

Jaxon Graham
Lee's Summit, Mo.
Lee's Summit West

Conor Lueck
Lee's Summit, Mo.
Lee's Summit West

Rhett Pierce
Glen Ellyn, Ill.
Glenbard West

Matthew Comesana
Fenton, Mo.
Rockwood Summit

Ben Guthrie
Lee's Summit, Mo.
Lee's Summit North

Gavin McGrath
St. Louis, Mo.
CBC

Drew Pusa
O'Fallon, Ill.
Althoff Catholic

Kaden Davis
O'Fallon, Mo.
Francis Howell

Trey Hannecke
St. Louis, Mo.
Eureka

Connor McGraw*
Kirkwood, Mo.
Kirkwood
(Brother **Charlie '26**)

CJ Regillio
Crystal Lake, Ill.
Crystal Lake South

Matthew Doering*
St. Louis, Mo.
SLUH

Jackson Hardage*
St. Louis, Mo.
Kirkwood
(Brother **Zack '26**)

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Naperville, Ill.
Neuqua Valley

Jake Rice+
Lee's Summit, Mo.
Lee's Summit/
North/Wichita
State University

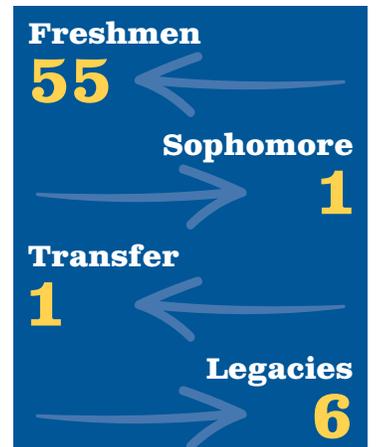
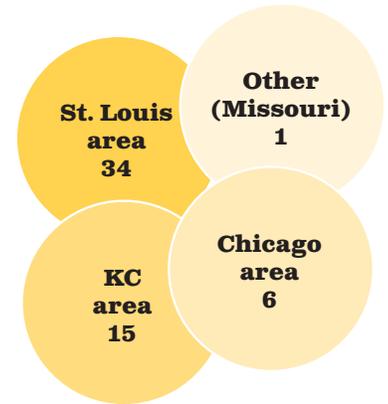
Carson Sapp
Kansas City, Mo.
Staley

Sawyer Scott
Kansas City, Mo.
Rockhurst

Aidan Sheehy
Naperville, Ill.
Naperville Central

Brody Stagner
Maryville, Mo.
Maryville

BY THE NUMBERS



The fall 2024 associate members after their pinning ceremony on September 2.

Could You Verify Something?

LET US KNOW IF WE HAVE YOUR INFORMATION CORRECT!



Please return the enclosed form:



Digitally via email to updatemyrecord@penningtonco.com



Physically via USPS

We're Cleaning Up Our Database!

Please let know if you have a current address for any of the brothers on our lost list and be sure to confirm that your own email is current. Check the form for detailed instructions.



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“I Love It Here at Delta Upsilon!”

Mary Stice Shares Her Experience as Housemother

Three years ago, Mary Stice retired from her 27-year career as a high school business teacher. Typical retirement life was not for her, however, so she subbed for a bit until she was ready for a new adventure.

Her son, Eric, suggested she consider a housemother position because he knew she would be a great asset to a fraternity. When the Mizzou Delta Chi house director suggested she apply for the position at Missouri Chapter, she did her research. Intrigued by Delta Upsilon's founding principles, service, and philanthropy, she agreed to a telephone interview. Her talk with **Terry Brady '62** led to a second interview, followed by a house visit and an impressive lunch meeting with the officers and alumni. She later had another luncheon with six alumni. Impressed with the warmth and politeness of the Fraternity brothers and the kind reception of the alumni, Mary accepted the position.

Every day has been different for Mary over the last year as housemother. In a “typical” day, she communicates with the alumni board and chapter officers, encourages brothers to participate in activities and complete their DU reports, checks the house for maintenance issues, retrieves mail, does email correspondences, orders supplies, supervises the cleaning and kitchen staff, and oversees security issues.

Mary has enjoyed seeing the brothers grow and develop. Her goal is to continue to set a great example of kindness and build meaningful relationships with them. “The boys bring me joy!”

Mary loves hearing about the brothers' days and seeing them take on leadership positions. “Both of my sons were in a fraternity, so I realize how fraternities can be life-changing, and it is my belief that DU is preparing our boys.”

Throughout Mary's time as housemother, she has experienced many wonderful moments, including attending the Fraternity and Sorority Life Honors Ceremony and seeing President **Ryan Juengel '26** accept awards on behalf of the chapter. “It was a very proud moment because I know how extremely hard this DU group works.”

The “Building Better Men” leadership training was also meaningful and interesting for Mary to witness.

To make the house even more fun and inviting, Mary has introduced a game night at the house, which the brothers have enjoyed. She decorates the house differently each month and enjoys seeing the members' reactions. “Just the little things you do, the boys notice.” During Christmas, she introduced a decorating night where the members decorated Christmas cookies, the tree, and the living room.

Mary feels fortunate to have the support of the advisory and house boards. “I could not do this job without their dedication and support.”

When she's not serving DU, Mary can be found meeting up with other house directors for dinner and game night, typically on Fridays. “I am so grateful for this friendship bond.”

She also enjoys attending Mizzou sporting and cultural events, exercising, reading, and playing cards. She has two sons and daughters-in-law and six grandsons. One of her sons lives in Lee's Summit, and Mary is happy to be closer to them and attend her grandson's activities.



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Mary at
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