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A NEW RESOURCE FOR MIZZOU DU

Mizzou Greek Alliance Enhances and Supports the Fraternity Experience

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Welcome, Spring Associates

Alumni Updates

Providing oversight and support to Fraternity chapters can be a daunting task. We are indeed fortunate to have several key support groups, including our local advisory and alumni boards, the university's Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life, and our international Fraternity staff. Last year, a group of Fraternity alumni leaders at Mizzou established a new organization called Mizzou Greek Alliance Inc. (MGA). Its fundamental goal is to enhance and support the Fraternity experience at Mizzou. Membership is open to any University of Missouri Fraternity. Currently, MGA has 16 member organizations, including Delta Upsilon. This represents about 60% of the Fraternity membership base and includes most of the large organizations.

MGA's stated mission is to strengthen the level of support of Fraternities and enhance the Fraternity experience at the University of Missouri. Its key initiatives include:

Advocacy: Build strong working relationships with top university administrators and promote effective due process and accountability standards for Fraternities.

Improve the Experience: Share "best practices" within the Fraternity community, including educational providers, advisor organizations, students, alumni, and parents.

Inter-Fraternity Council Outreach: Provide perspectives, ideas, and assistance to help and support IFC officers and directors.

Education and Training: In conjunction with the OFSL, develop and present educational programs for undergraduate Fraternity members, chapter officers, and alumni advisors, with emphasis on hazing prevention, alcohol/substance abuse, and sexual assault.

Promotion of Diversity: Partner with Mizzou's vice chancellor for diversity and inclusion to create opportunities for inclusion and membership in the Mizzou Greek system for underrepresented segments of the student body.

Before joining this organization, I participated in several board calls and events. I was impressed with the leadership of the group and have already seen several tangible results.

With university and national fraternal organizations struggling with staff retention and the increased demands placed on our local alumni volunteers, I am hopeful that MGA can help fill the gap. You can learn more about MGA by visiting mizzouga.org.

Fraternally,

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Forty of our new members from fall 2022 at their initiation at Memorial Union. Welcome to the brotherhood!

Check Out What Your **DU** Brothers Are Up To Inside!

EMBRACING THE BROTHERHOOD

Missouri Chapter Focuses on Recruitment, Leadership, and Fun

We are proud to share some highlights since our last update in fall 2022.

Initiation and Recruitment

Building on the strong fall recruitment class, we initiated 40 new brothers into our chapter. The ceremony was held on October 30 at Memorial Union, and past House Director **Will Fenimore '19** delivered the charge. This spring, we added 13 new associate members and officially welcomed them to the brotherhood at our pinning ceremony on February 12.

Grades

The chapter completed the first semester with a 3.2 chapter GPA, which was above the all-fraternity and all-male averages. I am proud of my brothers for their focus on academics and look forward to continuing to improve.

Officer Elections and Leadership Programs

New officer elections were held in late November. Advisory Board Chairman **Jeff Kreutz '99** organized a new officer retreat in Columbia following the close of the fall semester. Last fall, I had the opportunity to travel to Indianapolis to attend the Delta Upsilon International Fraternity (DUIF) Presidents Academy and the University of Missouri's new president's program. In February, the entire executive board and other interested members (13 in total) traveled to Kansas City to participate in DUIF's Regional Leadership Academy, which is designed to help new officers understand their roles and expectations.

Super Bowl Brotherhood

Missouri Chapter ordered over 300 wings for a Super Bowl watch party at the chapter house.

We had a blast cheering on the Chiefs and Mizzou graduate Nick Bolton to victory!

Upcoming Events

We will be partnering with Alpha Chi Omega during Greek Week in April. Congratulations to **Will Mason '24** for being selected as blood director, one of six key leadership positions. We also look forward to welcoming family back to the house for Mom's Weekend on April 28-30.

Please drop by the chapter house if you're ever in Columbia—we'd love to see you!

Fraternally,

Peter Quinn '25

Chapter President

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Brothers gain valuable knowledge at the Regional Leadership Academy.



Brothers hang out in the lounge for their Super Bowl party.

Chapter Officers



Our new chapter officers. We look forward to all you'll accomplish this year!

President
Peter Quinn '25

Vice President of Member Education
Matt Kortkamp '25

Vice President of Recruitment
Mark Scott '25

Vice President of External Relations
Patrick Sullivan '25

Vice President of Administration
Sam Myers '25

Vice President of Loss Prevention
Owen Blevins '25

Vice President of Academics
Jack Bircher '25

Vice President of Finance
Noah Bernstein '25

Welcome to our Spring 2023 Associate Members!


Nate Benson '26

St. Louis, Mo. | Lindbergh H.S.

Paul Berra '26

St. Louis, Mo. | Vianney H.S.

Jack Brennan '26

St. Louis, Mo. | Vianney H.S.

Jaden Decota '26

St. Louis, Mo. | Lindbergh H.S.

Reece Evans '26

Ballwin, Mo. | Kirkwood H.S.

Ayden McDaniel '26

St. Louis, Mo. | Vianney H.S.

Connor McMillin '26

St. Louis, Mo. | Westminster H.S.

Michael Neaf '26

St. Louis, Mo. | Lindbergh H.S.

Colby Ochoa '26

Lee's Summit, Mo. | Lee's Summit North H.S.

Conner Rabe '26

Ballwin, Mo. | Parkway South H.S.

Conner Schoenherr '26

O'Fallon, Mo. | Francis Howell H.S.

Timothy Thouvenot '26

St. Louis, Mo. | St. Louis University H.S.

Kaiden Zwerenz '26

Lee's Summit, Mo. | Blue Springs South H.S.

ALUMNI UPDATES

Chapter Eternal

Tom Laco '51 - January 7, 2023

Douglas C. Bibens '78 - February 7, 2022

Alumni News

Arnie M. Kaestner '57 and Sue recently celebrated 65 years of marriage. He visited the DU house in April 2022 and appreciated a warm welcome and tour of the facility that he contributed to rebuilding. He recalls being in the old house when it burned down in 1953. He lives in Houston, Texas. Email: 2arniesuek@gmail.com

Dick C. Bevard '59 shares that, after 10 years of trying on and off, he finally closed on a reverse mortgage on his home and highly recommends everyone eligible to check it out. "Great way to eliminate house payments!" He resides in Lake Arrowhead, Calif. Email: cashalong@hotmail.com

Dr. Roger L. Anderson '63 retired from the CDC in 1998 after spending 33 years of active duty as a commissioned officer with the U.S. Public Health Service in Atlanta, Georgia. His current activities include reviewing two infection control journals, doing outside and indoor home projects, keeping up with his four grandchildren, exercising as much as possible, and traveling when time permits. He would love to hear from DU brothers from the early 1960s. Email: baranderson1@outlook.com

Robert G. Yingling Jr. '63 retired and closed his CPA firm on August 1. He lives in Gresham, Ore. Email: bob@yinglingcpa.com

Mike T. Hannafan '64 was a Chicago trial lawyer from 1970-2014. He is a fellow at the American College of Trial Lawyers and a Washington University Distinguished Law Alumnus. He was a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army in Germany from 1964-66. He is retired and splits his time between Marco Island, Fla., and Northfield, Ill. Email: mth@hannafanlaw.com

John "Limey" Ehrlich '67 and **Bill "The G" Groth '67** can be found tailgating together in Lot D at every home football game. "Stop by for a beverage!" John lives in Middletown, N.Y. Email: mizzouj67@gmail.com

J.B. Kump '67 is an ordained pastor at a church near the Kennedy Space Center. He and his wife, Shirley, took a group to the Holy Land for a two-week mission tour in February. They resided in Titusville, Fla. Email: jb.kump@gmail.com

Andrew C. Collins '89 was promoted to assistant director of adoption and enablement at Northwestern Mutual's corporate headquarters in Milwaukee, where he lives with his wife, Mary, and their Boston Terrier, Baxter. "My view out over Lake Michigan from 27 floors up is pretty spectacular." He and Mary recently purchased a vacation property in the Wisconsin Northwoods and would welcome a visit from all brothers from the 1980s. Email: abeecollins@earthlink.net

Sean Odneal '19 recently joined Lakenan Insurance Agency in St. Louis, Mo., after 10 years of working directly for an insurance company. As a senior risk advisor, he works on behalf of his clients to provide them with the appropriate coverage based on their needs. Last summer, Sean traveled to Scotland for the 150th Open at St. Andrews. Email: seanodneal@gmail.com



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Sunset Country Club
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St. Louis, MO 63127
5-6:30 p.m.

Kansas City
July 28-30
Date and venue TBD



IGNITE THE CHARGE
THE CAMPAIGN FOR DU'S FUTURE

JOIN US TO LEARN MORE ABOUT *IGNITE THE CHARGE*

In our last newsletter, we highlighted Delta Upsilon's *Ignite the Charge* campaign to expand and increase educational programming for Delta Upsilon undergraduates. Tax-deductible donations to the campaign can be made for the direct benefit of Missouri Chapter.

Tentative plans have been set for our donor receptions in St. Louis and Kansas City. I am honored to serve as the campaign chairman and would love to engage with you at one of the upcoming receptions. In the meantime, visit deltau.org/ignitethecharge or scan the QR code for additional information.

Fraternally,
E. Bruce McKinney '74
Campaign Chairman, Delta Upsilon Educational Foundation

