

KEY DATES

July 27-29

Delt Golf Outing

Ostego Club, Gaylord, MI
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ctzetzto@mayfairsales.com for
more information.

August 27

Alumni referrals due. Submit
to **Garrett Hall '85** at
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October 13

Homecoming Reunion

The undergraduate colony and
the Michigan Delta Foundation
will be hosting a Homecoming
gathering immediately
following the game. All
Delts and their families are
welcome. This year, '80s era
pledge classes are especially
encouraged to attend. Food
and beverages will be provided.

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Delta Chapter of Delta Tau Delta at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

We're Back!

Delta Tau Delta Returns to Michigan Campus with 53 Colony Members

By Matthew Clark and Will Doyle

On October 12, 2006, 53 men made a pledge. This pledgeship was a commitment to living lives of excellence and to uphold the four fundamental principles of Deltism – truth, courage, faith and power. More than seven months later, the men of the Delta Crescent Colony of Delta Tau Delta continue to live by these values and prosper in the Greek Community at The University of Michigan.

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Since our pledge ceremony, we have evolved into a self-sufficient and tightly-knit group. As a whole, we have overcome many of the challenges that face a young fraternity. We quickly and successfully established foundational components that are essential to the everyday operations of an organization. We peacefully and efficiently created bylaws, a budget, and a yearly calendar within the first two months of our existence, thus providing a clear path to success.



This past semester, the colony can boast several noteworthy accomplishments. At the beginning of the semester, we managed to successfully recruit three new men as part of our winter pledge class. We were actively involved philanthropically, with men participating in Relay for Life and The University of Michigan Dance Marathon. By participating in these organizations, we helped to raise over \$600,000 for various charities. Our most impressive accomplishment came from our participation in Greek Week. With the help of our partners, Kappa Alpha Theta and Chi Phi, we won the sing competition. In front of a crowd of 4,000-plus people, we edged a number of formidable sing teams to take the trophy. Now that we have achieved all of this, we have begun to look for ways to improve. At this juncture, the most notable task we can accomplish would be to gain chapter status. We are ready to embrace this next step in our Delt journey.



Headquarters Shows Strong Support for Delta Colony

Director of Expansion Impressed with Active Members' Activities on Campus and Alumni Support

Q&A with Nick Goldsberry; Director of Expansion, Delta Tau Delta

After working with the Delta colony, DTD's Director of Expansion Nick Goldsberry tells about the re-colonization process and why the National Fraternity supports its efforts to make its comeback at Michigan.

What is the basic timeline for re-colonization of the chapter at Michigan?

The recruitment of the founding fathers concluded October 25, 2006 at the formal pledging ceremony on campus. Fifty-three men went through the ceremony. The colony will become a chapter when its submitted petition for chapter status is approved by the Arch Chapter of Delta Tau Delta. The men are currently working on the petition and reports show they are successfully on their way to submitting it this year.

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How successful have the group's re-colonization efforts been to date?

The colony has been successful on many levels. Thanks in part to Chapter Consultant Arthur von Werssowetz, Chris Haughee and the rest of the Greek staff at U of M, and the Delta Alumni Advisory Team, the colony has received strong support. Operationally, the men are performing well as a fraternity. Externally, the men are involved in a myriad of clubs and organizations. The men continue to recruit new members and take advantage of the values-based market on campus.

How involved have alumni members been during this process?

Alumni have been a critical in the re-colonization of the Delta chapter at U of M. Both the Alumni Advisor Team and House Corporation have supported the men in their

efforts. Whether it was attendance at re-colonization events like the Alumni Reception or daily emails to chapter officers, the alumni have proven themselves a great asset to the colony. Re-colonization success can be predicted based upon alumni support; Delta alumni support has been ideal. The ultimate alumni support needs will be defined in the future as the colony moves into chapter status and it sets itself as a true leader on campus. With continued alumni excellence, the chapter will continue its success on Michigan's campus.

How/why would you encourage other alumni members to get involved?

Alumni, while fairly stable, also have changes in their lives, thus alumni teams will wax and wane just as a chapter does. The key is to develop the alumni base to fill the roles which become vacant. Whether that is on the Alumni Advisory Team or House Corporation, there are always opportunities for alumni to get involved. If an alumnus has only one hour a week, or many more, to offer, the Fraternity is always asking to remember those that follow. he undergraduates will always gain from the experience of alumni members, and appreciate their continued vested interest.

Why does headquarters support Delt's return to the Michigan campus?

Originally founded in 1872, the chapter has

a storied history at U of M. The partnership between Michigan and Delta Tau Delta has spanned 135 years and we've seen over 1,850 Delts enter through Michigan's doors. Soon approaching 2,000+ initiates, Delta could be the tenth chapter in Delta Tau Delta history to break that mark. Michigan is an excellent institution and the Fraternity is excited to once again be working with the University to give undergraduate men opportunities to live lives of excellence.

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What words of advice or well wishes do you have for the colony members and chapter alumni?

This is a strong group of men. They have had incredible guidance from fantastic alumni and campus administrators. The Fraternity looks forward to the chartering of the Delta chapter of Delta Tau Delta.



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Below: Frederick Moore '65 sent in this photo of two doctors, four lawyers, one singer, and ski bums. He notes, "Four old Delts now live here in Paradise! We ski every day in winter, golf every day in summer, fly fish and hike in between."



Above: Delt brothers in 1982.

Greek Life Welcomes Delta Tau Delta Back to Campus

By Chris Haughee; Assistant Director of Greek Life, University of Michigan

The return of Delta Tau Delta to the University of Michigan has been a welcomed addition to Greek Life. Despite some valleys along the way, the Deltas have a long and distinguished history at Michigan. Delt members have served capably on IFC, and the award for the outstanding IFC chapter president is named after a Delt – Allan Lutes, a former IFC President and Greek Man of the Year. We are looking forward to reconnecting to that leadership pipeline. (It should be noted that one of the three Greek Resident Advisors in the residence halls next year, **Matt Clark**, is a Delt.)

The fraternity turned heads in the Greek community when it was able to recruit more than 50 men this past fall. Much of that success can be attributed to the excellent preparation by alumni, the national headquarters' staff and colonization consultants who were laying the administrative groundwork months

before recruitment began at the end of September. Nick Goldsberry, Director of Expansion, and his team were on top of the process from the beginning and deserve a lot of credit for this remarkable effort. There was good cooperation and coordination between the national fraternity and local alumni, and the support of the local alumni was invaluable. Kudos to all of you for your outstanding work.

The expansion process in IFC consists of two stages. After approval by the 27 chapter presidents comprising the Interfraternity Council (IFC), the group is called an expansion chapter and begins to recruit, to organize, and to operate. All of the pieces of the foundation – constitution/bylaws, dues, budgeting and finance, organizational structure and committees, service and philanthropic activities – should be addressed during this time. The expansion group attends IFC weekly meetings but has no vote. After a

semester, the expansion chapter makes a presentation on the progress it has made and the group advances to stage two with the approval (again) of IFC. The expansion chapter is expected to continue to develop and solidify its operation during second semester. In stage two, the expansion chapter pays IFC dues and has a vote in IFC meetings. The Delta Tau Delta colony demonstrated excellence in many areas, and participated enthusiastically in community activities and programs. Based on this strong presentation, the colony moved to the second stage of expansion at the end of the winter semester. Congratulations!

If all goes well, the colony will become an active chapter of IFC at the end of the fall 2007 semester. Based on the results and progress so far, Greek Life is excited about the prospect of having Delta Tau Delta back participating as an active chapter. We remain committed to the success of this effort.



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