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In Memoriam

Delta Chi extends its thoughts to the friends and families of the following Michigan Delta Chi Brothers:

Robert G. Stakenas, '57
January 4, 2018

Frederick A. Jackson, '59
May 26, 2018

Barry C. Wood, '61
September 12, 2017

Agris Aunins, '62
January 16, 2018

Stephan E. Baird, '64
March 10, 2018

Mark R. Voight, '66
February 11, 2019

Thomas J. Michalski '56
July 23, 2018

Upcoming Events

See You There!



What: U of M Homecoming and Delta Chi Alumni Reunion

When: October 4-6, 2019

Stay-tuned for more details as they become available.



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Alumni Fun with a Purpose

Support Future Alumni Activities and Help Our Undergraduate Brothers

The Michigan Chapter's alumni association has introduced an annual Alumni Loyalty

Program to fund its day-to-day operations and finance alumni activities. Donations to this program will enable the association to communicate with the chapter's alumni, host alumni activities, enhance the new fraternity house, and support the active chapter. Although not especially expensive, these efforts do require regular funding. The goal of the Alumni Loyalty Program is to provide such funding on a year-to-year basis. Loyalty Program donations differ from the one-time pledges used to build the new fraternity house.

The program's first year goal is \$25,000. This year's money will be used to restore composites and memorabilia, provide storage lockers in the new chapter house, support the alumni website, prepare and distribute *Delts* and *eDelts* (alumni communications), host annual reunions and finance selected events for the active chapter.

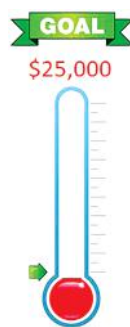
We need your participation in this year's Alumni Loyalty Program—and your pledge to make similar donations in the years to come. The program's Honor Roll will celebrate six levels of giving: \$25, \$50, \$100, \$250, \$500 and \$1,000. Donors at each level will be recognized both annually and cumulatively in

forthcoming *Delts* and *eDelts*.

Along with alumni association projects and

communications, the Alumni Loyalty Program will provide greater opportunity for events and more FUN; keeping us well connected and perpetuating our group for the next 100 years!

Your contributions and commitment will help us drive our thriving chapter of more than 100 men and create a more meaningful alumni experience. Become a charter member of the Alumni Loyalty Program today. Join the Honor Roll with a donation this year and make a pledge as



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annual donor!

We are also looking for a few younger alumni to offer some hours of help (not a lot), to get this project underway. If you or a brother you know are interested, please connect with us and volunteer some time to your Chapter. This is a great time to get involved!

Send a check payable to Delta Chi Alumni Corporation to:

Delta Chi Alumni Corporation
c/o John Levinson
8770 Oak Beach Drive
Commerce Township, MI 48382

Please contact Frank Morrey at fcmorrey@q.com for more information.

Chapter Update

Winter is Almost Over

Although Winter has graced Ann Arbor with frigid temperatures, the brothers of Delta Chi have found warmth in each other's company, especially in the crowded house library. The demanding coursework that accompanies undergraduate academics at UofM remains. We have received help in our academic endeavors in the form of a new printer for the house library, generously provided by Alan Knaus and ABT. This addition saves brothers a fifteen minute walk to the closest printer in the Shapiro Undergraduate Library on central campus. Although many of us have found ourselves hunkered in the library, battling schoolwork, we are all thrilled for Spring Break which begins March 2nd. This has been the light at the end of the tunnel as we have been battling mother nature and our courses for the last few weeks.

Since winter break, we have gone through another round of recruitment, adding eight new Associate Members. This is especially exciting as these additions put our member roster at about 138 members, making us the largest fraternity chapter at the University of Michigan. I am extremely proud of each and every one of our brothers. Their hard work and compassion for one another has been particularly high of late. Their hard work is particularly apparent in our recently calculated chapter GPA of 3.39. This is particularly impressive when the majors of our brothers include engineering, business, pre-med, public policy and many other demanding fields. I am extremely impressed with the bright futures that lie ahead of our brothers. I look forward to the groundbreaking work they will all do. The world will certainly benefit from these extremely special and close knit group.

Our social events remain strong and have helped students in greek life get through the challenges that accompany education



Entire DX Membership



Marco Madness Fundraising Team



Winter Associate Members

in Ann Arbor. We have continued building upon our relations from the fall and have fostered strong ties with many of the sororities on campus. We continue to have events with these sororities despite our transition away from the University's IFC, to the newly founded Ann Arbor Interfraternity Council. Weekly AAIFC meetings have impressed upon me that this was the best move for Delta Chi. I believe this decision will prove to be instrumental in the future of Delta Chi at Michigan and greek life

in general here in Ann Arbor. A recent conference call with Jered Breit of Delta Chi Nationals has allowed us to discuss the transition and probable future of Delta Chi and the AAIFC. We seem to agree that Delta Chi is stronger following the transition and the future remains blindingly bright for Delta Chi in the coming years, despite University policy and position on greek life in general.

Coming up in April, we will be running our premiere annual philanthropy event. This event is titled Marco Madness, and is a basketball tournament at the Crisler Center on April 14th. Marco Madness honors one of our brothers, Marco Gutierrez, who defeated cancer once in high school, and again during his freshman year here at UofM.

The proceeds of the event go to the Children's National Medical Center where Marco was treated. This is a great cause in honor of a fantastic brother. Marco embodies everything it means to be a brother of Delta Chi. He is kind, giving and always there for his brothers when they need him. We are extremely thankful that Marco has been cancer free for over 2 years now and feel privileged to be able to run this event in his honor.

The brothers are looking forward to seeing more green on campus and look forward to returning home following another

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*Member Bio; sort of . . .***Ripley's Believe it or Not, Guinness World Records —
or something close to home for U of M Delta Chi's.*****The streak of a Lifetime (or almost) – that is the plan!***

What: **John Levinson** has a current attendance streak for every University of Michigan football game since January 1, 1976 (that is the last game that he has missed – the first Michigan Orange Bowl). He has personally attended every U of M football game home and away since then – 530 games and counting. He has not missed a Michigan

home football game since the Michigan State game in 1964 (he has not bothered to count that number yet, maybe when he retires).

Who: John (BBA 1973 & MBA 1975) & Kathy Levinson (BS 1975 and MBA 1977) – Delta Chi 1969 & Chi Omega 1971. Kathy has only missed one of those 530 games when one of her former roommates got married – she thought she was doing well to pick an away game! Kathy was a bridesmaid and John & his father flew to Iowa for the football game in 1978.

How: Delta Chi stole a Chi Omega composite in the fall of 1972 and told Chi Omega to come to a TGIF on December 1, 1972 to retrieve it. A part-time girl friend of John's brought her roommate (Kathy) and during the summer of 1973, they went to an Eagles concert at what was then Pine Knob outdoor music theatre and the rest is history!

Why: Because we love U of M football (well most of the time, we could have done without the Rich Rod years), because John is a workaholic and needs something to drag him away from work for vacations, because we have lots of friends, Delta Chis and family that share the love of Michigan football AND because we can!

Where: 37 of 50 states as we have taken wonderful side trips to various states in which U of M games were not played in. Still to

go – Alaska, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Delaware, Alabama, Arkansas (were supposed to go there last year), Mississippi, South Dakota, Wyoming, New Mexico, Kansas, Kentucky and Tennessee.

Short Stories (someone said I could write a book but we just need a short article) & Anecdotes: We drove home from Seattle after 9/11 because most of you will not remember but we played the University of Washington the Saturday before 9/11. We got lost in the Tippecanoe battlefield on a Motor Home trip to Purdue (before the streak) because Doug Shelton knew the shortcut to the campus (of course the 3 Manhattans he had playing Bridge) might have “dulled” his memory and directional skills. The trip to play Colorado in late September – we played golf in Estes Park and almost had 4 seasons of weather in one round (snow, rain, sun and temperatures ranging from 39 to 70F). Snorkeling off Maui, Golfing in Myrtle Beach, visiting Sea World, Disneyland, Wine Country on the West Coast, whale watching on the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, eating at the Mayor's restaurant in South Carolina (gotcha Mervak!), 40th birthday dinner on a boat in Boston Harbor with 20+ friends and family after beating Boston College 35-0 (or something like that) and those are just some of the highlights.

Winter is Almost Over (cont'd)

successful year in Ann Arbor. Although it is a few months away, we are also dreading the day when we have to return to our homes across the country. This will be particularly difficult for the sophomores, who have become particularly close while living in the house together these last six months. The chapter has yet again made countless memories which we will keep for a very long time to come. As president, I am extremely proud of the work of all of our brothers and alumni, and cannot wait to see the brothers of Delta Chi continue to make great impacts here in Ann Arbor and across the world.
ITB,

Eric Durudogan
(Delta Chi Michigan “A”)

**Chapter Eternal****Thomas J. Michalski: January 28, 1933 - July 23, 2018***By Bill Thewalt*

Tom Michalski came to the University of Michigan from Waukesha, Wisconsin to study architecture and city planning. He received his Bachelor of Architecture degree in 1956 and earned a Masters in City Planning in 1959.

Tom became a Delta Chi in 1952. Tom was proud of his Delta Chi affiliation and worked tirelessly to build its image as he felt it should be. While active he served as the steward overseeing the kitchen, chef, menus and dining room. Tom could always be counted on to

encourage Delta Chi to strive to be a noted presence on campus.

Tom began his career as an Urban Renewal Planner for the City of Milwaukee (1956-57). He worked as a Land Planner and Urban Designer for Baltimore County Maryland, 1959-1960. He later began a planning consultancy in Princeton, New Jersey which later moved to New York and places in the Middle East. Throughout his career he remained a city planner and continued also a

student, political activist, professor, author and civic volunteer.

Academically Tom was a professor at Rollins College, faculty member at City University of New York, New York University and did advance studies at Magdalene College, Cambridge University. He authored two books on planning sustainable communities.

Upon retirement from active planning consultancies, Tom moved to Melbourne, Florida in 2005.

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Save the Dates!

2019 Alumni Reunion and Homecoming Events

The Michigan Chapter of Delta Chi will be hosting this year's annual reunion on the Michigan Homecoming weekend, October 4-6, 2019. Michigan will be playing the Iowa Hawkeyes at the Big House.

Friday Night: Alumni and actives are invited to join us for a pizza party at the new chapter house from 6 PM to 10 PM or later. This will be an informal gathering, a chance to meet the current actives and reconnect with your classmates. These get-togethers have been quite popular and well attended in years past.

Saturday Morning/Afternoon: Coffee and donuts will be provided at the chapter house in the morning at 10 AM. The kickoff time for the football game is yet to be announced. So, lunch or dinner arrangements will be provided at a later date. Ticket holders can hike or drive to the Big House and watch the Wolverines overwhelm the Hawkeyes. Others can enjoy the game on large-screen TVs in the chapter house.

Sunday Morning: We'll play golf at UofM's Blue Course, weather permitting. Morning tee times are planned, so our out-of-town

brothers can catch an airplane back home.

Recommended Lodging: Ann Arbor hotels are largely booked on football weekends. And, they are unusually expensive, if available. However, we have reserved 15 rooms at the Comfort Inn in nearby Chelsea at the special rate of \$159/night. Please make your reservations soon by calling 734-433-8000 and referencing "Delta Chi Fraternity Alumni".

Football Tickets: Football tickets may be limited due to the Homecoming weekend and the Iowa matchup. We recommend that you, your guests, and your fellow alums obtain tickets at an early date. In years past, StubHub provided tickets at a fair price for interested alums.

We look forward to revisiting the new chapter house with you. It's a modern, spacious, and clean facility that you and your guest will enjoy. Please contact Frank Morrey at fcmorrey@q.com for more details.

In the Bond,

The Delta Chi Alumni Association

Alumni Outing

2019 Annual Spring Golf Outing



The Alumni Association of Michigan Chapter of Delta Chi will be hosting this year's Spring Golf Outing on Saturday, June 1, 2019. Tee times will start between 10 and 11 AM at one of Ann Arbor's fine golf courses. This year we are welcoming wives and significant others to join us for golf and dinner. That afternoon we'll dine at the rejuvenated Pretzel Bell on Main Street. Non-golfing brothers and wives are invited to join

us for drinks and dinner. Golfers of all abilities are welcome. Last year we played a "scramble" format, which gave all participants a chance to contribute to the success of their team.

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