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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**The FINAL Alumni Reunion at the 108-year old fraternity house is September 26 and 27**

**Your last chance to visit before we replace it with the new 21st century MICHIGAN ΔX HOUSE**

**Don't miss this one!!**

**See page 4 for details**



# The Michigan DELT



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## Fundraising Team Leader's Report

### Old Chapterhouse Demolition Begins May 2015

The Design Team of Alpha, Leo Babcock architect, John Adams civil, and John Levinson ΔX Building Corp., have been taking the conceptual design through the review rigors of the various Ann Arbor City planning and permitting groups. At a meeting on April 30, the team coalesced on our responses to all the city questions. More design work than expected was required to answer the city's questions, especially for storm water handling and elevation views. The team goal is to have approval of the City Planning Commission in June and City Council approval in July.

Fortunately, there have been no major changes to the conceptual design we published in the brochure mailed in February, except elimination of the kitchenettes on the third floor due to zoning issues. This is a major achievement for the team!

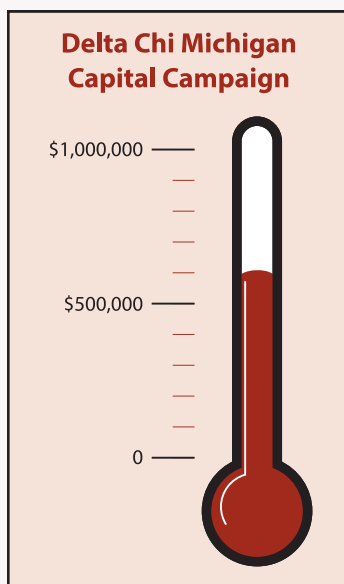
After city approval, the construction cost estimate will be updated in August with the latest design information. This cost

estimate, coupled with the donation and lender financial outlooks, will allow the specification of the architectural details and interior finishes. This will be the basis for the construction drawing development leading to construction bids.

Importantly, the project remains on schedule to tear down the existing house in May 2015 with construction completion in time for the start of classes in the fall of 2016.

#### KEY DATES

Anticipated planning approval	May '14
Anticipated Ann Arbor City Council approval	June '14
Update construction cost estimates & funding plan	August '14
Select contractor & bank financing	November '14
Close on financing & award construction contracts	March '15
Demolish old house	May '15
Open house for new school year	August '16



## New Chapter House Campaign is NOT Finished... we need your pledge now

- Current commitments are at 60% towards \$1 million goal... we're over half way there!
- 38 brothers have committed, and **more than 400 can still commit!**
- Commitment by September is essential to secure bank financing for construction!
- Leave your legacy by having a part of the house carry your name in perpetuity!
- It's only fair to create a new chapter house as others did for us!
- This campaign must be successful... the momentum is now!
- The Michigan chapter has never been stronger: 27 pledges '13 - '14! school year
- Gifts of \$10K or more are tax deductible!
- It's your obligation as a ΔX to sustain our chapter.

The fundraising team comprises members of the Alumni Board of Trustees (ABT), the ΔX Alumni Corporation, and passionate, involved alumni. The leadership team consists of: Howard Gandelot ('64 BSChE; '64 BSMetE), David Falconer ('62, BS; '65, MS; '69, PhD), John T. Levinson ('73, BBA, '75, MBA), Frank Morrey ('64 BA) and H. Keith Hellems, M.D. ('62 BS). Dan Maher ('76 BBA; '92 MBA).

## Make Your Commitment Today

# Positive Developments On Donation Tax-Deductibility



We are pleased to report that the tax situation is developing in a very positive direction. For this initial phase, we will be treating all donations of \$10,000 or greater as 100% tax deductible. We cannot guarantee this 100% deductibility can be maintained throughout the campaign. We expect the formal contract with the Delta Chi Educational Foundation to be signed in June.

Until then, we are asking brothers to commit to a pledge but not send any funds until all the details have been finalized.

Assuming a June approval of the site plan by the Ann Arbor City Council, final determination of construction costs and the financial plan will be made in August for the full start of the new chapter house project. However, based on our working assumptions at this point in time, and as incentive to get our donations in sooner rather than later,

we are comfortable with 100% deductibility for qualifying gifts for this phase of our campaign.

Brothers whose donations qualify will be informed as soon as we have the donation-handling details finalized.

Additionally, and importantly, brothers that have already made qualifying gifts or pledges will be given the opportunity to reclassify their donation as tax deductible.

## Philanthropy: March Madness

# Basketball Tournament Leads To Fun And Fundraising For Chapter!

This semester, Delta Chi presented the Third Annual March Madness Tournament as our philanthropy event with all of our proceeds going to the Jimmy V Foundation for cancer research. We set a \$2000 goal, as last year's event raised about \$1500.

We asked students, parents, alumni, etc. to participate in our event by either donating to the foundation, or by purchasing a bracket for the NCAA March Madness Basketball Tournament. The participant with the best bracket won a prize of a Michigan basketball jersey, with second place winning a Starbucks gift card.

We were very fortunate—and excited—to have earned just under \$3,000 this year! We ended up surpassing our original



philanthropy goal by 50%. To add to this total, we may be receiving up to another \$1500 in donations at a later date.

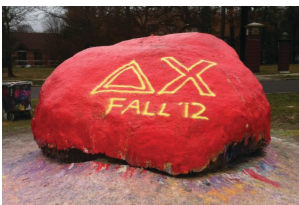
We are very proud of the success of the event, and even more honored to be able to assist the Jimmy V Foundation. We hope

that we can continue the growth of this event, spread it around campus even more, and surpass this amount next year.

I would like to thank all of those who contributed to our efforts!

**Brendon Lin**

*Delta Chi Philanthropy Chair  
Class of 2016*



## Original Occupant "Rock-Solid"

# History Of The Chapter House... Before It Was The Chapter House



**Doug Shelton '70** shared: "I heard it mentioned that the house was the residence of a clergyman before Delta Chi bought it. Since I am a pretty accomplished genealogist, I decided to check it out. The house appears in the federal records shortly after 1910 and is owned and occupied by William Herbert Hobbs, professor of Geology, and his wife Sarah and daughter, Winifred. Over time, his daughter moves out and his wife dies. He is still in the house in 1940 with a live-in housekeeper. I would think it likely that the house never had any other occupant before us.

So much for the clergyman story!"

## Greek Life

**Vibrant part of Michigan campus:**

31 fraternities, 16 sororities;  
19% of undergrads

**Vision for Greek Life at Michigan:**

A Greek community that fosters a safe & healthy environment for students to develop interpersonal skills, strong fraternal values, and a community-mindset of respect and service while supporting the mission of the University of Michigan.

**Why Donate Now?**

**The Time Is Now... please commit today and join your brothers to make a positive impact on Delta for countless years to come**

The future of the Michigan Chapter of Delta Chi is now. At this moment, we are laying the foundation for the next 100 years of our fraternity. The opportunity for future generations of men to experience the unique impact of Delta Chi bonds and brotherhood is being forged, as we plan a groundbreaking for a new chapter house in 2015.

Our chapter house has supported 66 years of ΔX fraternity life without major expansions or renovations. Through war, social change and technological advancements, it has remained a constant source of shelter; a place of comfort and retreat, and a home-away-from-home.

However, the building is deteriorating and student lifestyles and lodging preferences have evolved dramatically. Housing options

are increasingly competitive. Our chapter house must attract the finest pledges, and keep the actives. The current house is no longer competitive and actives are choosing other places to live, even as sophomores. A new, 21st century house is essential to the continued vitality and viability of the Michigan Chapter of Delta Chi.

**We are raising funds for a new chapter house. The future of our chapter can only be secured if this initiative is successful. Your support is strongly encouraged and most welcomed.**

This initiative will join generations of brothers to support our chapter, maintain our proud legacy and forge our future today.

**HONOR ROLL OF DONORS**

**\$250,000 Martlet Society**

**\$100,000 White Carnation Society**

David Falconer '62

**\$50,000 1892 Society**

DX Build Corp

**\$25,000 Kimball Club**

Barry McGuire '65  
Howard Gandelot '64  
Herb Koenig '63  
Robert Cole '62  
Keith Hellems '62  
Gregory Kaiser '61  
John Broad '60

**\$10,000 Knight Errant Club**

Dan Maher '76  
John Stinson '75  
Mike Koziel '73  
Joe Matt '72  
Duncan Kretovich '66  
Jack Holmes '65  
Tim Curtin '64  
Frank Morrey '64  
Jim Richhart '64  
Mike Kennedy '63  
Robert Stakenas '55

**\$5,000 Scimitar Club**

Mark Dunning '84  
Scott Walls '83  
Dan Hughes '74  
Gary Mervak '74  
Gordon Cox '59  
Fred Jackson '59  
John Jenkins '57

**\$2,500 Leges Club**

Joseph Burak '98  
Jim Fuger '82  
Richard Crane '73  
Stanley Roland '72  
Lee Wesley '63

**\$1,000 Red & Buff Club**

Steve Hook '82  
Greg Broad '70  
Charles Murdock '58

**Naming Opportunities**

Flex Space	\$100K	Computer Lab	\$25K
Library	\$50K	Two Bedroom Apts/Suites	\$25K
Living Room	\$50K	Third Floor Apts	\$25K
Daily Dining	\$50K	Double Rooms	\$20K
Front Porch	\$30K	Exterior Yard	\$20K
Team/Project Room	\$25K	One Bedroom Suite	\$15K
Warming Kitchen	\$25K	Individual Bedroom	\$10K

Contact Howard Gandelot '64, Campaign Team Leader, at [hgandelot@aol.com](mailto:hgandelot@aol.com), 912-655-4651 to discuss your specific situation.



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## Save The Date: Reunion 2014 Will Be A Weekend To Remember Saying Goodbye, Saying Hello

For a chance to say hello to fellow Delta Chi brothers, and a chance to say goodbye to the house at 1705 Hill Street, our **Annual Fall Reunion will be held on September 26 and 27.**

On Friday evening, there will be an all-inclusive gathering of all generations of brothers at a location that is yet to be determined.

Saturday morning, there will be coffee

and donuts at the fraternity house before we depart for the Big House.

We have a block of 30 tickets for Delta Chi brothers to attend the Minnesota game. The cost is \$75 per ticket. On Saturday afternoon, the entire house will be open for those who want to visit their previous living quarters for the last time.

Saturday evening, there will be a sit down dinner (after singing the "Bond" of course) with awards to follow. Be on your toes, you might be the recipient of the Dork or Wedge award!

Hotel accommodations can be booked now at the Clarion Hotel for our special rate of \$149.99 by calling the front desk, 734-665-4444 and asking for the  $\Delta X$  Fraternity rate (we have 50 rooms reserved).

This will be your last chance to visit the venerable house... **MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW AND MAKE THIS A PRIORITY! YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS IT!**



### We want to hear from you! **ALUMNI UPDATES**

If you don't have your email address on file with us, you are missing out on vital monthly communications. Update your email address today!

Simply visit [deltachimichigan.com](http://deltachimichigan.com) or send an email to:

**[feedback@affinityconnection.com](mailto:feedback@affinityconnection.com)** (reference Delta Chi-Michigan).

Please also include any highlights in your life that you want your brothers to know about – we'll share them in print!