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UPCOMING EVENTS

House Demolition May 6 What should we do to celebrate?

Current construction schedule shows house demolition starting May 6, 2015.

Send your ideas for a celebration to

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Fundraising Team Leader's Report

Ann Arbor City "Green Lights" New Chapter House

The Ann Arbor City Council unanimously approved the site development plan for the new chapter house at their August 7th meeting. The design team did a yeoman's job negotiating with the city planning staff who required a very detailed 15 sheet plan showing the house location, storm water handling, utility locations, parking, recycle/trash bins, floor plans and full elevation views.

The estimated cost of the new chapter house remains at \$2.5 million including furnishings based on the project scope as defined in the site development plan. Additionally, the schedule looks okay with demolition of the current house planned for May 2015. The design team has been authorized to complete the construction drawings and is currently working to define the detailed scope of the structural, electrical and plumbing systems.

John Levinson '73, design team leader, has had preliminary conversations with four

lending institutions that all seem interested. The lenders want to see the next more detailed project cost forecast as well as the details of expected alumni contributions. A formal project submittal to the potential lenders will occur mid December with expected construction loan approval in February 2015.

Key Dates Update

Update construction cost estimates & funding plan	Dec 2014
Select contractor & bank financing	Jan 2015
Close on financing	Feb 2015
Award construction contracts	March 2015
Demolish old house	May 2015
Open house for new school year	August 2016

We Are 80% To Required \$1 Million

To date 100 brothers have committed \$800,750 towards the required \$1 million necessary to secure a favorable bank loan. WOW... and thanks to all who have pledged! That's the good news but what about participation levels? Here is the data:

Grad Yr Group	Living Bros	Pledged
1940-50s	83	21(25%)
1960s	76	31(41%)
1970s	77	20(26%)
1980s	84	10(12%)
1990s	106	5(5%)
2000s	63	3(5%)
2010-14s	<u>82</u>	10(12%)
	571	

You can see the participation heavy lifting is being done by the 60s era brothers who also have contributed more than half the money. Note that ten 2010s era brothers have participated with an average commitment of \$1200 per brother. That's true support of Delta Chi! Can you help your era increase participation?

We still have 471 brothers that have not yet decided to participate. Frankly, that's a bit disappointing because you have all seen the case for the new chapter house

and remember the benefits you received from your years in the brotherhood at 1705. And, you have never before been asked to help build a new house. Let's all choose to participate in this first ever capital campaign and raise the final \$199,250 the project requires. This initiative will join generations of brothers to support our chapter, maintain our proud legacy and forge our future today. Thanks for your support!

Outstanding!

20 New Men in 2014 Fall Associate Member Class

This semester, the Michigan Chapter of the Delta Chi Fraternity had one of its most outstanding recruitments to date. Twenty young men of character have taken on the challenge to join the Fall 2014 Associate Member class and began their journey into the brotherhood of a lifetime. The new associate members are: John Wolfe—Engineering major from Holland, MI, Evan Foresman—Pre-Physical Therapy from Grand Rapids, MI, Rami Farawi—Physics major from Holland, MI, Jacob Yashar—Pre-med from San Diego, CA, Nick Smith—Finance major from



Hudsonville, MI, **Seth Boyer**—Pre-med from Shelby Township, MI, **Nick Swift**—Economics major from Harrison Township, MI, **Joe Maher**—Pre-med from Bloomfield, MI, **Andrew (AJ) Warzecha**—Biology major from Chicago, IL, **Aiden Kearns**—Business major

from Brooklyn, NY, **Wilson Kung**—Film major from Saratoga, CA, **Jason Zhang**—Pre-med from Canton, MI, **Matt Schmidt**—Business major from Lake
Orion, MI, **Michael M. Attheakis**—
Computer Science major from Cupertino,
CA, **Suril Butala**—Pre-med from Roslyn
Heights, NY, **Wyatt Bigley**—Business
major from Montclaire, NJ, **Steven**

Brito—Computer Science major from San Francisco, CA, **Tyler Robinson**—Psychology major from Falmouth, ME, **Zach Duff**—Prelaw from Ortonville, MI, and **Jacob Snead**—Business major from Hudsonville, MI.

Three New Memorial Funds Established

These memorials recognize brothers and others who have contributed to the Michigan chapter and who have passed away, often prematurely. Alums who were especially close to the memorialized brother can direct their pledges to the brother's fund, as well as see their name on any naming-right plaques. Two memorials have dollar for donated dollar matching funds available.

John "JR" Russell Memorial Fund: JR was the chapter's chef from 1968-1982. He did more than cook good food by providing adult consul, inspiration, guidance, and supervision. Jim Fuger, '82, is leading the JR Memorial campaign. His goal is to raise \$75K to name the Kitchen and Dining Room in JR's honor. Jim can be reached at (609) 213-9746, jimfuger@me.com.

Armando Ledesma Memorial Fund: Armando, '06, was instrumental in the re-colonization of Michigan chapter in 2003. He was killed in 2005 when a deer jumped in front of his car

near Lansing. Brother **Andrew Rolph, '08** is spearheading the campaign. His goal is to raise \$25K to name a suite. Brother **John Holmes '65** has donated \$10K in matching funds. Andrew Rolph can be reached at 248-622-1530, aprolph@umich.edu.

Jim House Memorial Fund: Jim, '64, was well liked at the chapter house and passed away in 1993 of a heart attack. His wife, Nancy, would like to see a \$10K memorial fund with bedroom naming rights established in his honor. Howard Gandelot is leading this effort and has obtained \$5K in memorial matching funds. He can be reached at (912) 655-4651, hgandelot@aol.com

We encourage other proposals for memorial funds. These memorials provide ongoing recognition of departed brothers, renew bonds among alums that lived with that brother, and generate additional pledges to the new chapter-house campaign. Please contact **Howard Gandelot**, '64, at (912) 655-4651, hgandelot@aol.com with your memorial-fund proposals.

Tax Deductibility

Two Ways to Donate and Save Taxes



The agreement with the Delta Chi Education Foundation (DXEF) has been finalized! So all donations of \$10,000 or more are tax deductible. Additionally, we have the

capability of handling stock donations. Brothers that have already made qualifying gifts or pledges will be given the opportunity to reclassify their donation as tax deductible. Here is an example of possible savings:

EQ & Ether Kimball, live in

California. They will be reporting an Adjusted Gross Income of \$130,000 and a Taxable Income of \$73,000 for 2014. It is estimated, E&E will owe \$13,500 in federal taxes and \$3,100 in state taxes. If, E&E decide to donate \$10,000 from their savings account to the new chapter-house fund via the DXEF, their tax bills will drop by \$3500. In other words, their donation of \$10,000 will cost them only \$6,500 in out-of-pocket

money. If E&E decide instead to donate \$10,000 in appreciated stock (basis \$2000) to the DXEF, they will avoid the capital gains taxes and enjoy the full \$3,500 saving that would be associated with a savings account donation.

Every tax situation is likely different so consult your tax professional. Donation instructions can be found at **DeltaChiMichigan.com**.

Greek Life

Greek Membership Linked to Increased Well-Being of Grads

A May 2014 Gallup survey of more than 30,000 college graduates across the U.S. finds that those who were members of fraternities or sororities are more likely to be "thriving" in their wellbeing and engaged at work than college graduates who did not go Greek. More at greeklife.umich.edu

Why We Need Your Pledge NOW

- By mid December, John Levinson needs to show the potential lenders the source of the donated funds. Having \$1 million in cash and pledges will help secure the most favorable loan rates.
- We need your pledge now but you can spread the payments over three years.
- Leave your legacy by having a part of the house carry your name in perpetuity!
- Remember, gifts of \$10,000 or more are tax deductible
- Support the chapter house as others did for us!
- This campaign must be successful... the momentum is now! The longer it goes on, the greater the fund raising expense.
- The Michigan chapter has never been stronger with 56 actives!

2014 Capital Campaign Honor Roll

Martlet Society (\$250,000+)

White Carnation Society (\$100,000 - \$249,999)

David G. Falconer, 1962

1892 Society (\$50,000 - \$99,999)

DX Build Corp

Kimball Club (25,000 - \$49,999)

John Warren Broad, 1960 Gregory J. Kaiser, 1961 Robert E Cole, 1962 H. Keith Hellems, 1962 James Michael Kennedy, 1963 Herbert E Koenig, 1963 Howard K. Gandelot, 1964 Charles B McGuire, 1965 Ronald W Scafe, 1977

Knight Errant Club (\$10,000 - \$24,999)

Julie Mitchell, Robert G. Stakenas, 1955 John A. Jenkins, 1957 Warren W. Ament, 1960 Howard J. Wiarda, 1961 Barry Charles Wood, 1961 Stephen Earl Baird, 1964 Timothy J Curtin, 1964 Frank John Morrey, 1964 James W Richhart, 1964 John W Holmes, 1965 Duncan J Kretovich, 1966 John Hale Eggertsen, 1968 Joseph John Matt III, 1972 Michael G Koziel, 1973 Daniel R Hughes, 1974 Paul R. Majchrzak, 1975

John L Stinson, 1975 Daniel C. Maher, 1976 Scott H Leak, 1977 Jeffrey A. Schoenherr, 1991 Timothy Curran, 2013

Scimitar Club (\$5,000 - \$9,999)

Henry F. Winchester, 1951 Gordon L. Cox, 1959 Frederick A. Jackson, 1959 Robert A Sielski, 1964 Gary M. Mervak, 1974 James P Fuger, 1982 Scott D. Walls, 1983 Mark S. Dunning, 1984

Leges Club (\$2,500 - \$4,999)

Arthur W. Angood, 1956 James G. McComb, 1961 Newton Lee Wesley, 1963 David O Huggett, 1964 John M Brown, 1967 James S Kirkwood, 1970 Stanley Lee Szumiak Roland, 1972

Richard T Crane, 1973 Robert J Areklett, 1991 Joseph C. Burak, 1998 Christopher A. Bence, 2010

Red & Buff Club (\$1,000 - \$2,499)

Harold M. Gibbons, 1950 Charles Murdock, 1958 Barry A. Fasbender, 1959 George A. Robertson, 1959 Gary Brasseur, 1962 John D. Ambrose, 1965 Sheldon Wolberg '67 William S Mashinter, 1968

Gregory Broad, 1970 Alexander R Kalymon, 1970 Joseph F. Gradisher, 1979 Steven W Hook, 1982 James G Slawson, 1982 Stuart F Popp, 1983 Greg W Roda, 1983 Kenneth J Radlick, 1987 Craig A. Nastanski, 1997 Adam D. Koch, 2002 Brandon S. Breslow, 2012 Adam M. Davis, 2012 Patrick M. Horner, 2012 Nathan J. Opaleski, 2012 Nelson Worner, 2012 Daniel Friedman, 2013 Zach Hawkins, 2013 Gabriel Hendin, 2013 Ari Kaye, 2013

Other (Up to \$999)

Nancy House, Hugh L. Benedict, 1950 J Alan Carter, 1951

Leonard Hall White, 1953 William Cortright, 1954 Roland Boyd Bosma, 1956 Donald J. Skinner, 1956 Thomas M. French, 1957 Henry F. Donald, 1958 Milan R Majarov, 1959 Richard R. Almy, 1960 James Alan Boyse, 1960 William F. Gorton, 1960 Lee Brian Brandt, 1964 Edwin M. Worth, 1965 Alan Lee Knaus, 1966 Warren H Taniguchi, 1966 Carl Rohrbach, 1967 Hassen E. Baghai, 1973 Donald L Vaccari, 1974 Phillip A May, 1980 Gilbert H Blitz, 1982 Mark A Messura, 1984 David M. Gormley, 1987 Ari L. Faneuil, 2001 Roy E. Webber IV, 2008

Naming Opportunities

Flex Space	\$100K	Computer Lab	\$25K
Library	\$50K	Three Bedroom Suite	\$30K
Living Room	\$50K	Two Bedroom Suites	\$25K
JR Memorial		Double Rooms	\$20K
Kitchen/Dining	\$75K	Exterior Yard	\$20K
Front Porch	\$30K	One Bedroom Suite	\$15K
Team/Project Room	\$25K	Individual Bedroom	\$10K

Contact Howard Gandelot '64, Campaign Team Leader, at **hgandelot@aol.com**, 912-655-4651 to discuss your specific situation.





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It Really <u>WAS</u> a Weekend to Remember!

September 2014 Alumni Reunion

More than 70 brothers participated in this year's alumni reunion on the weekend of September 27-28th. And, by all measures, this reunion was the chapter's best to date.

We kicked off the weekend with a no-host reception at the Clarion Hotel on Friday afternoon. Some 30 alumni from every decade, especially the '60's, attended. After mingling for a couple of hours, dinner groups formed by era and departed together for the Gandy Dancer, Metzger's, and Quarter Bistro.

On Saturday, the actives served coffee and pastries in the chapter house for more than 70 alumni and guests. At 11 AM--not the usual 11 PM—we retired to the Drinking Room for a classic song session, which **Elliott Lum**, '66, videoed, edited, and uploaded to



YouTube. As in olden days, **Dale Bjorklund**, '67, accompanied us on piano to the songs so familiar: "We Are the Delta Chi's", "Yellow & Blue", ... Brothers and guests with Big House tickets departed for the Michigan-Minnesota game after the song session. We witnessed, but not did not exactly enjoy, the football game, as the Gophers won handily, and so returned to Minnesota with the Little Brown Jug.

After the game, we proceeded directly to the Michigan Union for the evening's festivities. The Union staff served an excellent three-course meal for some 68 attending alumni and guests. After dinner Howard Gandelot, '64, presented overhead charts describing the activities of the alumni association, the status of the active chapter, and our campaign for a new chapter house. As follow-ups, Howard

Wiarda, '61, explained how Delta Chi brought him into adulthood while in Ann Arbor and David Falconer, '62, described how Delta Chi provided a robust social life on an otherwise impersonal campus. The attending brothers were in a generous and giving mood—and pledged some \$50,000 toward the new chapter-house campaign.



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