



# Newsletter

September 2015

## Upcoming Events

October 17th, 2015 - Homecoming

November 21st, 2015 - Thanksgiving Dinner

## Delta Tau Housing

After mounting repairs, utilities, debt, and lack of viable tenants, the Alumni Association took a vote at the annual meeting in April to sell the current property at 1130 S. 6th Street. It was a hard decision for all but the goal was to not end up with a money pit that 920 turned out to be. We also would not have had the cash flow to support another winter season like last years.

The alumni board hired a local realtor and within eight days we had a buyer. A few weeks later we closed the deal. It was a little rushed as I don't think anyone expected it to sell so fast. The buyer was a local investor. From our talks it sounds like the house will be updated and possibly available for rent at a later date.

Brother Miguel Drew and a few other alumni members took a weekend off to secure all property owned by the chapter, (composites, awards, ritual box, bottles and any other smaller items). These were all placed in indoor storage until we find another house to place them in.

Our long term goal would be to purchase another property at a point when the chapter is able to support it. The other option could be to assist in the rental of a property as it seems to be a pretty viable option in Terre Haute right now. Currently, we are looking into a few different investment and tax liabilities. We have consulted with alumni (from our

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chapter and national leaders) in these fields for advice. We will most likely be investing in short term, mid-term and long term options with five years looking like the longest we would go and all being secured CD's. The board will be looking to do something before the end of the year to avoid any tax liabilities. If you would like to discuss or are an expert in this field please reach out to Brother Garner our VP of Finance.

The short term goal is to assist the HQ and chapter in building a sustainable chapter that can support a house at a future date. There is currently a plan the HQ and campus have structured together for the chapter. The HQ has really taken the lead on this as it is a pretty serious situation the chapter is in. Hopefully after the completion of this plan, the chapter will be in a better place to be able to support another house. We will review the chapters' situation with the HQ, Campus and the E-board each semester to see the best time to start the housing committee.

## Family Day

Our 4th annual Delta Tau Alumni Association Family Day took place on July 19th, 2015, at West Park in Carmel, IN. Brother Ben Miller was in charge of “Grill Master” for the event. Due to the number of Sig Tau Groupies giving births this summer, the turnout for the event was lower than normal. Several regular yearly attenders sent messages of encouragement for the event, and that they would definitely be bringing their swim diapers with them next year.

The event was attended by brothers, spouses, children, and even a possible new spouse (who am I kidding, nobody is going to marry Larry). Brother Veenstra officially kicked off the event by blessing the food, and then it was a free for all with lunch, splash park activities, and frolicking on the playground. The kids were effective in wearing out the adults, and a spectacular time was had by all.

We are anticipating a large turnout for next year’s cookout. We will be nailing down a date within the next couple of months, so that brothers can plan their summers around this event. We will be making this a “Rush” event for the Alumni Association, so any alumni brother will be allowed to attend, whether they are an active member or not. Hopefully this will allow us to gain additional members to the association in the future. I feel that this event is a necessity to the association, and I look forward to planning it for years to come.

Brother Drake



## Homecoming

Brothers,

This year the Alumni Association will be sponsoring a Sig Tau tailgate at Tent City! As President of the Alumni Association I will be hosting all of our Alumni and Active Brothers with their guests. The tailgate will be complete with food, drinks and a welcome lounge area for any of you who will need to take a load off after completing The Walk. Feel free to bring your family and pets! I am looking forward to seeing you all on October 17th. If you would like to contribute financially to the tailgate or volunteer with the hosting please email me [mike@vansindustrial.com](mailto:mike@vansindustrial.com).

**\*Location of tailgate TBD\***

Fraternally,  
Brother Van Camp  
President

# Alumni Birthdays

## June

Mike Potempa - 8  
Drew Lees - 8  
Matt Moore - 10  
Mark Stalcup - 12  
PJ Mazely - 18  
Don Cranfill - 21  
Matt Fulkerson - 22  
DJ McClain - 26

## July

Josh Nygren - 8

## August

Greg Joliff - 11  
Lamar Peterson - 12  
Paul Falkner - 13  
Curt Binder - 15  
Zac Garner - 21

## September

Ben Hanson - 1  
Mike Van Camp - 7  
Andy Clark - 12  
Trae White - 16  
Justin Brunofsky - 19  
Tony Jones - 21  
Bill Hardebeck - 23  
Nick Stone - 23  
Paul Butterfield - 24

## Happy Birthday Brothers!

\*\* If you have a birthday in one of these months but are not listed, and would like to be, please contact me.

# Thanksgiving

Please save the date of November 21st for our Sig Tau Thanksgiving hosted at Brother Ben Hanson's home. More details to come.

## Softball Game Update

Some of you may have noticed we did not have our Annual Actives V Alumni Softball Game. The reason was that we wanted to host this year's game in the Spring whereas temperatures and game attendance will be at their most ideal. Stay tuned for more details.

## Chapter Update

The Active Chapter is currently working to improve itself on all fronts. The National Headquarters staff under the leadership of new CEO Steve LaTour and Leadership Officer Erik Kahl have made Delta Tau a priority in helping get the chapter back on track. Brother Kahl will be making his chapter visit the week of September the 12th. Erik will be meeting face to face with the chapter to assure they are on path that will lead them back to success.

# Vice President's Corner

This year has gotten off to a very busy start. There has been a few things going on that has kept everybody busy. This summer has been light on events for the alumni but that does not mean we have not forgotten about anybody.

This fall will also be busy. We have a few events scheduled but the details are still being worked out. Make sure you keep up on Facebook, Twitter and the website for more upcoming details.

There have been several new "additions" to families. Congratulations to Chad & Sara Smith, LaMar & Trisha, Ben & Alyson, Zac & Chasidy on their new healthy baby boys. My wife and I are expecting our little one in the next several weeks.

I'm always looking for new material to be included in the newsletters, so please send me articles, paragraphs, or a few quick lines about your job, a Sig Tau memory, whatever and I will include it in the next newsletter. I want this newsletter to be about US, about the Delta Tau Alumni. Send me a message on Facebook or send me an email. My email address is: [curt.binder@gmail.com](mailto:curt.binder@gmail.com)

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