

THIS MONTH IN DELTA CHI

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After a (not so) long winter break, a new semester at Truman State University has begun. As with any new semester, new classes and adjustments lead to busy schedules and industrious hard work. Nonetheless, the Truman State chapter of Delta Chi has been no less busy.

We started the semester off strong with a chapter retreat, where we discussed what we have accomplished as a chapter, where

we are headed, and where we need to go. The chapter retreat was enlightening and helped our chapter set realistic goals that we can obtain in the next year. Through the chapter retreat, we learned what we should be doing as a chapter, and how we can continue to improve to make our chapter the best it can be.

In addition to the chapter retreat, we have held fundraising events, gone bowling with Sigma Kappa (a sorority at Truman), and have

worked with the Kirksville elementary school and local YMCA in efforts to increase local philanthropy.

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Delta Chi Facts

- The first Delta Chi chapter was founded on October 13, 1890 at Cornell University
- Delta Chi's National Philanthropy is The V Foundation. Founded by Jimmy Valvano in 1993, the V Foundation supports cancer research.
- The fraternity flower is the white carnation
- Delta Chi was originally founded as a law fraternity
- The Truman State Delta Chi Chapter was founded in 1976
- The fraternity colors are red and buff



BOWLING BALLS AND BAKED GOODS

To cope with the stress of being back in school, our chapter took a trip to leisure world for a day of bowling with Sigma Kappa, a social sorority on campus. Leisure world, a local establishment in Kirksville, offers bowling, food, and fun for families and students. Our chapter met up with Sigma Kappa at leisure world where we bowled several frames and socialized for an afternoon of relaxing fun.

Our chapter also held a bake sale this month. Led by Matt Ruhge, the fundraising chair, many brothers volunteered to bake, manage the table, and sell baked goods to raise funds for our chapter and for The V Foundation, our

national philanthropy. Through the efforts of our brothers, we were able to raise \$63 dollars for the chapter and \$10 for The V Foundation.

The bake sale was the first fundraising effort of this semester, and our fundraising chair, Matt Ruhge, will continue to work diligently to earn money for our chapter and for The V Foundation.

QUOTES FROM THE BROTHERS

Why did you join Delta Chi?

"I joined Delta Chi because there was some element of college that was missing for me. One of the elements easily overlooked when worrying about gpa's and job interviews and that is creating meaningful relationships that will last a lifetime."

-Scott McKillip (Sophomore, Fall 2013)

"The amount I get out of Delta Chi is immeasurable. Before I joined, I was very involved on campus and knew a lot of people, and as a result I was always occupied. However, when I joined, I gained a sense of belonging. I gained a place on/near campus where I can go at anytime and know my friends are there. The brotherhood is also an important factor for me; now that I am a part of it, I cannot imagine my life without it. I am still very involved on campus by holding leadership positions in other organizations and have continued friendships outside the fraternity, but being part of Delta Chi completes my college experience."

-David Lanza (Sophomore, Spring 2013)

"I joined Delta Chi because I wanted to do something with myself in college. Both of my brothers were currently members of the chapter and it seemed like a great way to get closer to them and make new friends at the same time."

-Chris Gross (Junior, Fall 2011)

"When I was deciding between another fraternity and Delta Chi, I really looked at each possible destination and asked if I wanted to be apart of that organization. Throughout rush week, almost every single one of the active brothers came up and talked to me and the conversation wasn't awkward or just a time filler. They made me comfortable and really wanted to get to know me before they extended their bid. Throughout the entire process there wasn't a "face" they put on and the people I talked to during rush week were the same people that I have lived my fraternity experience with. We truly are true, genuine, human beings who care for each other and don't have any real issues with each other. I can sit in a room and have a conversation with each and every one of my brothers and that says something about our fraternity. So when it comes down to it, I joined because I knew what type of guys I was going to be with for the next four years; honest, true, gentlemen who look to better Delta Chi each and every day."

-Austin Brauer (Senior, Fall 2010)

Did You Know?

Delta Chi has 11 founding members. They are:

Albert Sullard Barnes
 Myron Mckee Crandall
 John Milton Gorham
 Peter Schermerhorn Johnson
 Edward Richard O'Malley
 Owen Lincoln Potter
 Alphonse Derwin Stillman
 Thomas AJ Sullivan
 Monroe Marsh Sweetland
 Thomas David Watkins
 Frederick Moore Whitney

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