

Delta Mu 'N You

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Delta Mu Homecoming & Open House 2012



Mark Cumbest '73 holds the 1949 Delta Mu Charter

At the PIKE Open House, dedicated to Actives and Parents of members, your Delta Mu Alumni Association presented the Chapter an official copy of the original charter obtained from the National Office in Memphis by DMAA Treasurer, Josh Schutts. And, he had the honor of making the presentation.

Following Josh's presentation, DMAA Secretary Jimmy Baker presented a framed double photograph showing the entire founding class and their officers noting the group pictured was the first Delta Mu fraternal group and the group to whom the Charter they now hold was presented by National and sponsoring Alpha Iota chapter at Millsaps College back on December 10, 1949.

DMAA President Al Holder then presented the plaque commemorating the dedication of the present-day PIKE House to "Mom" Gibson and gave a dissertation about Mom explaining why such an honor would have befallen her and noted that on that dedication day, October 5, 1967, the Governor of the State of Mississippi, the PiKA National President and Executive Director, plus Dr. William d. McCain, President of USM attended and spoke of Mom Gibson.

A quote from the PiKA Executive Director, "She loved this fraternity and her boys", is engraved on the plaque to be hung in the foyer of the PIKE House.

Al then gave the Actives and Pledges some advise. By pledging PIKE you have assumed a responsibility. A responsibility to continue to bring honor on the fraternity and this chapter. A responsibility to meet life's challenges with dignity and honor. That includes meeting and exceeding the GPA requirements of both the University and of the fraternity. Have fun while doing it and realize the friendships you are developing here at the Pike House are not like those you've made before. This is a Brotherhood that will last the rest of your life.

Al then revealed the "Distinguished President Emeritus" plaque to be awarded to Lamar A. "Skippy" Reynolds, Jr., as voted unanimously by those attending the Annual Founding meeting back on July 20, 2012 at the Hampton Inn, Hattiesburg. Skippy was recovering from a heart attack and could not attend.

Treasurer Josh Schutts presented the plaque to he and wife Janet on the evening of October 24.

At that time, it was revealed his health problems had caused him to break his consecutive string of attending 240+ home and away football games..

Following Al's presentations out there on the sun-drenched courtyard by the swimming pool (PiKA crest on the bottom), the Chapter was presented a booklet of historical PiKA facts and a 40 page, 11 X 14 bound photo album containing such items as the chapter composites from 1949 to 1965, pictures of the old Pike House (actually Pike House #2) and the fire trucks.

The hit of the album was the picture of an alligator and "remembrances" of "gator-gittin" with Goose from start over at William-Cary College to finish in the goldfish pond outside Wimpy's.

During the presentation it was also learned that Goose's episode was replicated a couple of years later when Brothers Ed Allbritton (my Big Brother) and our illustrious DMAA President Al Holder went "gator-gittin" for real and tethered the "borrowed" reptile to the flag pole out in front of the old KA House and watched the next morning as the KA's tried to exit the House for class. Seems the grass was cool, the sidewalk warm and the cold-blooded gator preferred the middle of the sidewalk in front of House entrance..

As little wheels were grinding, DMAA ThC and USM Assistant Dean of Students-Greek Life, Josh Schutts was quick to warn the Chapter members to not get any "inspiration" from the two stories and attempt to repeat the two feats.



CAUTION, EMERIL! CHEF BAO IS AT WORK

Chapter Happenings

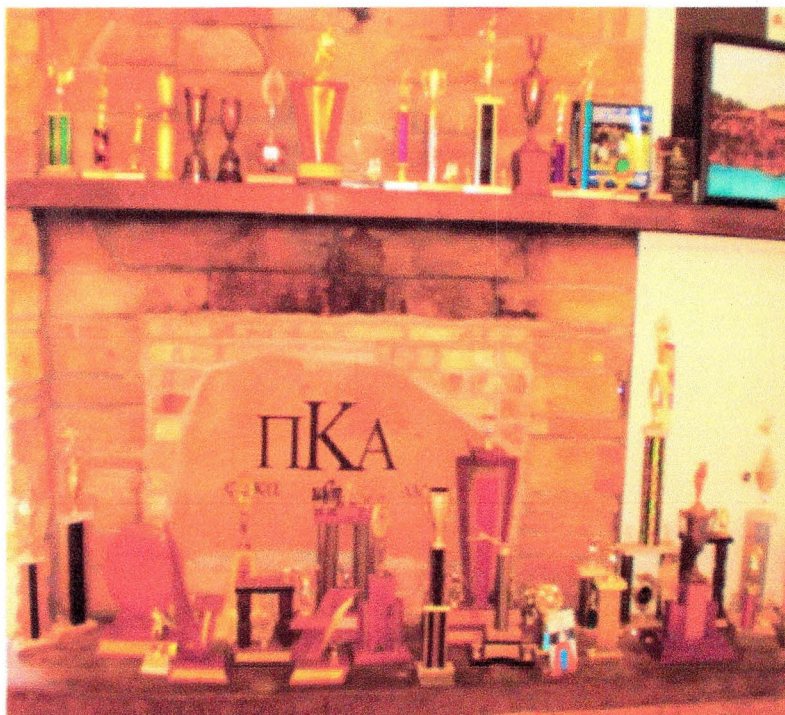
RUSH is officially over. Of the 32 commitments, the following 28 decided to uphold the honor and tradition of PiKA. Say hello to the Pledge Class of 2012:

Daniel Chaisson - Biloxi, MS - Management Major
Nick Rosetti - Biloxi, MS - Paralegal Studies
Tony Lamb - Chesapeake, VA - Business Administration
David Sliman - Ocean Springs, MS - Polymer Science & Natural Science
Patrick Gray - Ocean Springs, MS - Business Entrepreneurship
Travis Martino - St. Marin, MS - No Declared Major
Bryce Peterson - Cedar Rapids, IA - Construction Engineering
Satchel Barlow - Biloxi, MS - Forensic Science
Cole Herring - Memphis, TN - Exercise Science
Travis Broadus - Hurley, MS - Forensic Science & Criminal Justice
Alex Lesley - Hattiesburg, MS - English
Jacob Creel - Hattiesburg, MS - International Business
Kroy Kleinman - Biloxi, MS - No Declared Major
Ryan Beckner - Dacula, GA - No Declared Major
Deven Rushing - Long Beach, MS - No Declared Major
Zach Knight - Pascagoula, MS - Psychology
Austin Ladner - Long Beach, MS - Nursing
Tyler Kopszywa - Ocean Springs, MS - No Declared Major
Tyler White - Gulfport, MS - Chemistry & Forensics
Paul Hull - Horseshoe Bay, TX - Business Administration
Branden Temple - Foxworth, MS - Architectural Engineering
Josh McIlrath - Pascagoula, MS - Psychology & Coaching
Mark Milner - Mobile, AL - Finance
Bryan Levine - Annapolis, MD - Marketing
Josh Campbell - Slidell, LA - Media Production
Mohammed (Mo) Ismail - Cairo Egypt/Pittsburg, PA - Psychology
Miles Alexander - Long Beach, MS - Biological Science

While Brother Skippy Reynolds was in Forrest General Hospital, thought to be fighting for his very life, a delegation of Delta Mu members visited him and wife, Janet.

Preparing for the Open House a Pledge project was to attempt to clean the trophies, new and old, on the fireplace hearth in the foyer. In doing so, it was discovered that one old, grungy trophy had here-to-fore undiscovered and cleaned up to a shiny, well, almost shiny, luster.

Turns out it was one of the "missing" Skit Night trophies from the mid-fifties.



More Chapter Happenings

Homecoming Win: The Pikes and ladies of Delta Gamma Sorority won Southern Miss Homecoming Week festivities.

Delta Mu won the Dodgeball intramural competition as well!!

It was sad to learn that one of the twin babies of Brother Matt Wilkinson for which the chapter had held a fundraising car wash, died while in ICU.

Now, the surviving infant is back in the hospital in a surgical attempt to save it's life. Another carwash/fundraiser event is planned to assist. Donations are also being accepted.

On Saturday, October 27th, Delta Mu members performed community service by assisting in a downtown Hattiesburg Bar-B-Que competition.

Two Groups Draw Nearer

From the Delta Mu Alumni Chairman, Dailey Johnson, " I would like to say thank you from all us Pikes for the generosity of arranging and passing along of the original Delta Mu charter to be displayed in our Alumni Room in the House. It was a really meaningful and enjoyable presentation you, Josh Schutts and Al Holder put on for us at the Open House. We cannot thank you guys enough for everything.

As Alumni Chair that was the most satisfying occurrence I have been a part of with Alumni, by far."

STOP WONDERING....it's on the mantel, 4th from the left

**SEE WHY A TROPHY CASE IS NEEDED????!!
These are not all the trophies, just the ones good enough to be displayed in their present condition.**

AND, NO, the trophy to the right of the black and gold cup on the hearth isn't a diving trophy. The figure on top appears to be diving because one leg is totally detached and the other is about to detach. And it ain't by itself

BE FOREWARNED:

There are already two (2) proposals before the Executive Committee to raise the Lifetime Dues to \$250 and one (1) to raise the Annual Dues to \$50. Support your DMAA chapter's endeavors and become a voting member by joining today at the current \$125 Lifetime Member. Don't wait until the July Annual business meeting when the dues will most likely be increased.

Make payment payable to: Delta Mu Alumni Association, and send to Box 25, Hattiesburg, MS 39403-0025

AND,

If you paid Annual Dues of \$25, take advantage of becoming a Lifetime Dues Paid member by sending a \$100 check to the address above.

THANK YOU.

IN THE BONDS OF BROTHERHOOD.