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Alumni News

Undergraduate Mentor Program

The Arlington Alumni Foundation is looking for brothers interested in mentoring undergraduates. Mentors will provide guidance, share ideas, and provide support for ideas/concerns about school or the chapter. Please fill out this form to sign up to become a mentor in the program.

Membership Survey

The Alumni Board has sent out a membership survey to get feedback regarding our events. Please take <u>this survey</u> if you haven't already as it will better help the board plan out future events for the year.

ADUF Board Meetings

Reminder ADUF board meetings are open to anyone who wishes to join. These meetings are held quarterly and a schedule as well as the meeting notes from previous meetings are available on the ADUF website here.

Recruitment Incentive

We have launched a new initiative to help raise some funds for the chapter during these uncertain times. We would like to invite you to participate in this year's new Arlington Chapter Recruitment Initiative. This initiative is to ask you to agree to the following:

I, <u>(Your Name)</u>, agree to donate X amount to the Delta Upsilon Arlington Chapter for each New Associate Member, which will not exceed over \$200 per alumnus.

The donation will only be collected for the number of new members who begin and attend their first new associate member meeting which will be recorded by the New Member Educator and Chapter President for accuracy. The goal of this initiative is to show your support towards the chapter recruitment efforts. Furthermore, these funds will be earmarked for the associate member class education or future events based on the needs of the chapter. Thus, I hope you will

become part of this inaugural recruitment initiative to help the Delta Upsilon Arlington Chapter grow and continue to maintain its existence on the campus of UT Arlington.

To become a part of this initiative please email the Chair of the Membership Committee with your donation amount and where you like the money to be used: <u>vp-admin@arlingtondu.com</u>.

Thank you to those who have already committed to donating to this initiative.

Jason Fischer, Joshua Koen, Stuart Arias, Greg Will, George Wada, and Trevor Stephens.

Alumni Achievements

Payton Gilcrease `16 -

On July 29, Payton and LaCrista announced that they will be having their second child. The Gilcrease family is so excited to welcome a baby boy into the world February 2021. Congratulations to the both of you and we expect him to be catching bass twice his size in no time.

Austin Coleman `17 -

Austin and Patricia Wegener met in college and attended many DU events together over the years. Whether it was a formal, ugly sweater gift exchange, or just kickbacks at the house you could see how much they loved each other. Upon graduation, they both moved to Seattle and in August of 2019, Austin proposed to Patricia. On August 1st, 2020 Austin and Patricia got married on the Emerald coast in Florida. Congratulations to the beautiful couple! We can't wait to see what the future holds.

If you would like to share your achievements or would like to recognize a brother's achievement in the next newsletter please send an email with your nomination along with any details to: vp-relations@arlingtondu.com or aduf@arlingtondu.com Thank You!

A letter from ADUF president

Could volunteering with your brothers really lead to a longer life?

According to a recent article by the Wall Street Journal, volunteering could be good for your health – particularly once you are retired. A study "involving more than 64,000 subjects age 60 and older from 1998 to 2010 has found results suggesting that volunteering slows the cognitive decline of aging."

Still not convinced by the science behind volunteering preventing aging?

How about this: a study proving that friendship also prolongs life. A Harvard study that tracked 268 men for nearly 80 years found that "close relationships, more than money or fame, are what keep people happy throughout their lives." Is that surprising to you?

Apparently, it surprised the researchers too. "When the study began, nobody cared about empathy or attachment. But the key to healthy aging is relationships, relationships, relationships." Keep your bond of brotherhood strong. Volunteer with your Delta Upsilon brothers today. Let us all take a minute to thank the guys for donating not only their precious time, but their talent and treasure as well. Why do they do it? Well, it is all tied to science! The last newsletter listed some of these men who serve on the board gaining the benefits of close relationships and reduced aging.

So!! Want to get involved by mentoring and advising undergraduates, be involved in Alumni events, or run for a board position? Well, here is the resource you can use https://forms.gle/RbhsaMQtjac7LM318 However, if you don't have the hours to give and you'd rather give your dollars, consider donating to the annual fund today https://www.arlingtondu.com/shop

Help Us Find Missing Brothers:

As the Arlington Chapter continues to plan for this new academic year and the undergraduate chapter begins recruiting for the fall semester in the face of COVID-19. The Alumni Foundation/Chapter is making important decisions about the future of the Arlington Chapter, and we want to keep our Alumni informed and involved. For this reason, communication with our brothers is critically important, even more than ever.

We are missing contact information for members of the Arlington Chapter and looking to add contact information for other Delta Upsilon alumni in North Texas. The way you can help

our Brotherhood stay strong and connected through these abnormal times is by providing your information and asking other brothers to add their contact information.

With your help, we can grow the Alumni Foundation/Chapter in ways never imagined and help gain mentors for our undergraduate brothers to assist them to reach new levels of success. This growth in alumni brothers will help create more long-lasting memories and increase the networking opportunities for all involved. I look forward to seeing the involvement increase for new and old alumni in the future. Together, as Brothers, we will be successful and maybe even live longer.

To add your or others information, please click on or visit the <u>du-brothers-where-are-you</u> webpage. Also, do not forget to visit the various social media platforms on Facebook titled **UTA Delta Upsilon or Delta Upsilon – Arlington Alumni**. I hope all of you are doing well.

Fraternally,

Darrell Holloway, Arlington '98 Alumni Board President and Chapter Advisor

Darrell Holloway '98, President
Joshua Sawyer '06, VP of Membership
Andrew Fritz '96, VP of Finance
Justin Platt '17, VP of Administration
Michael Shumate '17, VP of Compliance
Trevor Stephens '17, VP of External Relation
Michael Blackman '06, Board Member

Michael Garabedian '93, Board Member Enrique Grimaldo '17, Board Member Stuart Arias '16, Board Member Scott Layman '83, Board Member Greg Will '14, Board Member Dylan Hernandez '21, Chapter President

Fall Rush

Fall Rush 2020 is the week of September 13-19, the Chapter has had to get creative when it comes to hosting events and have the following events lined up for rush week. The chapter would like alumni to attend these events if possible.



A letter from the Chapter President

Greetings brothers,

With the start of the fall semester, the exec board has completed the calendar with a mixture of in person and online activities. Most of our online events will occur on teams, so we invite you all to join if you can! As you may know, RUSH week is this upcoming week, kicking the week off with a NBA/NFL watch party! The links have been sent and they can also be found through our instagram bio, utadeltaupsilon. Lastly, we are still currently focusing on bringing Justice in our communities. The oppression and injustice brought against the Black Community has gone on for too long. We, as a chapter, will use our platforms to help spread awareness to the world. We will be sharing petitions, organizations to donate to, and organized protests in the area. We ask you all as brothers of Delta Upsilon to help in any way you can! We will also be starting a justice series via Instagram where our brothers of the Black Community can use their voice to educate listeners. If you would like to be a part of these series, please email me or text me your video. Remember, Dikaia Upotheke – Justice Our Foundation!

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Fresh Sekung Bachelor of Business
Administration (B.B.A.) in Marketing.
Currently looking for jobs in Digital Marketing
or HR. Will be applying for Grad school at
A&M or UT Arlington and is considering
moving to Utah or Alaska.



Meet the Undergraduate Executive Boards

The Undergraduate Executive Board has remained the same since the previous newsletter. If you missed it you can read the Spring 2020 newsletter here. And stay up to date with the latest Undergraduate Executive board by visiting this link to the website.

2020 Alumni Dues/Donations

We would like to say thank you to all of the brothers who have paid annual dues and donated to the chapter. These donations help cover the costs of running the foundation as well as contributes to scholarships that can help send our undergraduate brothers to Internationals events. If you wish to donate or pay dues you can do so on the <u>Arlington Delta Upsilon Website</u>.

Arias, Stuart 17-20* Holloway, Darrell 19-20* Sawyer, Josh 17-20*

Fritz, Andy 17-20* Layman, Scott 17-20* Shumate, Michael 17-20*

Grimaldo, Enrique 18-20* Platt, Justin 17-20* Stephens, Trevor 19-20*

Will, Greg ^{18-20*} Mike Garabedian ^{17-20*}

*Indicates multiple years of donations

If your contact information has recently changed please go <u>fill out this form</u> on the website to keep us up to date on all our members information. If you happen to know any information about the whereabouts of any of the Brothers listed on the "DU Brothers, Where are you" page please let us know as the list contains Brothers who we currently do not have contact information for.

Make sure to <u>Visit our Website</u> to stay up to date on the current events, board members, newsletters, and undergraduate chapter.

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