

MIAMI DELTA CHI

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Fraternity Statistics 2016

Our chapter has made great strides in terms of bettering ourselves in all aspects, and continue to hold strongly to this path towards improvement!

Number of Active Members -
101 Brothers (Spring 2016)
74 Brothers (Fall 2016)

Number of In-House Actives--
40 Brothers

Total Initiates to date- 1,643

Chapter GPA - 3.26
*Second among Fraternities

Philanthropy Dollars Raised- \$6,600

Service Hours - 2,005 hours completed
*First among Fraternities



Community Service with Miami University President, Gregory Crawford and his wife Renate.

Letter from the "BB"

Dear Alumni,

During this past year, the chapter has received awards in excellence from both Miami University and Delta Chi Headquarters. In April, the chapter won the Andrew Herman Memorial Chapter Excellence Award, which is Miami University's Fraternity of the Year. Then in July, the chapter won the President's Cup Award at the Delta Chi Convention in Louisville. The President's Cup is the most esteemed and prestigious award given to just a few chapters for overall superior performance and programming.

The chapter began this semester with our 2nd annual Community Dinner, where we hosted new Miami University President Gregory Crawford and his wife, and many other university and community members for dinner and discussion with our active brothers. During this event, we



also highlighted our community service involvement, as our members have completed more than 2,000 hours of community service during the past year by working closely with many local organizations, including the Oxford food pantry, Garden Club, and Community Arts Center. Our total number of service hours placed us first on campus among all fraternities. We also host an event each year to raise money for the V Foundation for Cancer Research, which is Delta Chi's national philanthropy organization. This past spring, we hosted our inaugural Delta Chi Corn Hole Tournament where we raised \$4,000 for the V Foundation. We also had brother Cameron Snyder '18 elected as IFC President.

Following a great year, the chapter will strive to continue this success in 2017. In just a few weeks, we hope to bring about 30 new members into our brotherhood with a successful Rush week. We are also excited to host both of our alumni events this summer and we hope to tell our alumni of all the great things to come.

ITB,
Suraj Maraboyina '01

OXFORD

Our Chapter is very excited to host **Alumni Reunion Weekend 2017**, taking place **June 9th and 10th** alongside the Miami University Alumni Weekend.

- On Friday (June 9th) we will be hosting our third annual Alumni Dinner at the chapter house at 6:00 pm
- Followed by an Open House on Saturday (June 10th) from 12:00 - 4:00 pm.

Both events are great opportunities to see the chapter house and reconnect with your fellow Delta Chi brothers!

CHICAGO

Alongside our Oxford Alumni Weekend in June, we are very excited to announce the **Chicago Alumni Weekend** on Saturday, July 22nd. Our second annual Chicago Alumni Event will feature the Cubs v. Cardinals, from Wrigley Rooftops. More information on the weekend will be coming shortly, feel free to contact the Alumni Secretary if you have any further questions.

To RSVP Contact "E"

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Thank you to all the alumni and guests who attended Alumni Reunion Weekend in June. In total, we had more than 60 alumni and spouses attend our second annual Alumni Reunion Dinner on Friday night and the Open House on Saturday afternoon. We thank all of those who attended and we look forward to hosting Alumni Weekend again this summer. Additionally, in July we hosted our inaugural Chicago Alumni Weekend at Wrigley Rooftops, where the Cubs played the Texas Rangers. We had 30 alumni attend this event and look forward to making the event even bigger this summer.



Alumni Profile



Gary Alexander - Miami Delta Chi Class of 1966

Gary Alexander was born and raised in Dayton, he went to Fairview High School and graduated in 1962. Gary went on to join the Air Force ROTC. He currently lives in Sun Lakes, Arizona with his wife Trudy.

Why did you decide to join the Delta Chi fraternity?

I joined Delta Chi because I loved the guys the best, it was something I had not yet experienced before. I truly felt a sense of belonging, especially considering that I was an only child growing up. Being surrounded by men I considered brothers, along with House Mother Wright, was integral to my college experience.

What memories from your time in the chapter stick out the most?

A few different things certainly come to mind, whether it be my love / hate relationship with what we called "Hell Week", or packing the chapter house full of sand (House Mother Wright did not approve!) for our Ft. Lauderdale party. Most of all, spending 3 years in the annex across from the chapter house really established a sort of family away from home.

What do you find yourself missing most about Miami?

Like many other Miami alumni, I often find myself missing the beauty of the entire campus. There were countless opportunities for social interaction with people you've never met, that could very well become some of your closest friends.

Looking back today, what do you value most from your time as an active brother?

Definitely the strong network of brotherhood, as well as getting to know myself as a man much better. Learning how to handle adversity made for a nearly seamless transition from graduation. Strong friendship and close brothers like Mike Carney and Jon Batch have inspired me to stay actively involved in the fraternity. Considering that I live across the country in Arizona, I originally was worried about losing touch with brothers I consider family, but the reunions have been so reassuring.

Lastly, do you have any thoughts / opinions on the current chapter? And is there any advice you would like to give to current active members in the fraternity?

I hope the brothers are getting the same sort of experience I garnered. If I had to give one piece of advice, it would be to establish a strong network amongst your peers. Be proactive!

Delta Chi Endowments

The Miami Delta Chi Chapter would once again like to thank all alumni who made contributions to the Delta Chi Scholarship and Leadership Endowment. The current endowment rests at \$18,000 and growing. Managed by the University, the endowment directly benefits the active members of the chapter. As the chapter continues to improve and grow, so does our appreciation for our alumni!

Endowment Donors

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We hope that you support the endowment as well. All donations are tax deductible and you will receive credit from both Miami University and the Delta Chi fraternity. Here are the options for giving:

4755-001 Delta Chi Leadership and Scholarship Endowment: Gifts here would increase the size of the general endowment which will in turn increase the funds available annually to support the chapter.

4755-002 Delta Chi Expendable Leadership Development Fund: Gifts here would be immediately available for our members to attend or participate in leadership training opportunities and conferences.

4755-003 Delta Chi Fraternity Scholarship: Gifts here would be immediately available for scholarships to benefit the undergraduate members.

Contributions can either be made online or a check can be mailed in. Checks should be payable to Miami University with the account number and name from above in the memo line. If the contribution is made online (www.forloveandhonor.org/GiveToMU) please select other fund and specify to which of the three accounts you would like to contribute to. If you do not have a preference as to where you would like to contribute, then please choose 4755-001 which will have the greatest impact on the chapter. Please send the check to: Miami University Foundation, Murstein Alumni Center, 725 E Chestnut St, Oxford, OH 45056.

If you have any questions regarding the purpose or impact of the endowment please email or call Delta Chi Chapter Advisor Suraj Maraboyina at suraj@maraboyina.com or (513) 461-7393. If you have any questions regarding making a gift please contact Michael Kumler at kumlerme@miamioh.edu or (513) 529-1975.