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## Delta Tau's Annual Sig Bust



Brothers,

The time of year has come for Delta Tau's annual Sig Bust. However, this will be our first Sig Bust since 2019 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The undergraduate chapter is excited to recognize individual brothers and Delta Tau as a whole for the exceptional year.

During this evening the chapter will recognize this year's Outstanding New Member, Outstanding Sig, Outstanding Senior, and numerous other awards. The sweetheart for the upcoming school year will also be announced for the first time.

To help celebrate these accomplishments the active brothers would greatly appreciate the presence of a strong group of alumni. The awards ceremony will take place on April 9th beginning at 6 P.M. with dinner to follow. An open house will take place at the fraternity house from 3 P.M. to 5 P.M. before the ceremony and an informal reception will be held at the house after the conclusion of the program. All of this information and more can be found on the flier attached below. The link to RSVP via a Google Form is located below the flier. As always, please reach out if you have any questions.

In Phi,  
Kade

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A dark blue poster with a gold star on a pedestal at the top center. The background is filled with small gold dots. The text is in gold and white. The main title is 'DELTA TAU'S SIG BUST'. Below it, there are three columns of information separated by vertical gold lines. The left column says 'SATURDAY APRIL 9, 2022' and 'CURRIS CENTER BALLROOM'. The middle column says 'Attire: Semi Formal' and 'Tickets will be sold for \$35 at the door'. The right column says 'PROGRAM BEGINS @ 6 PM WITH DINNER TO FOLLOW' and 'OPEN HOUSE @ 911 N 16TH ST. 3-5 PM'.

Click [HERE](#) to Register for Sig Bust by April 6th!

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## In Memoriam - Keaton F. Pierce

Brothers,

It is with a heavy heart that we must inform you of a brother who recently passed. Keaton F. Pierce was initiated in 2008 with a roster number of #464. He is now the 6th member of Delta Tau to pass into the Omega Chapter. Please see link for Keaton's obituary below.

<https://www.collierfuneralhome.com/obituaries/Keaton-Ford-Pierce?obId=24402016>

In Phi,  
Cole Reichert

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## Alumni Spotlight - Robert Hayes



*(Bob with his wife Beth)*

Robert “Bob” Hayes is a member of the Founding Fathers Pledge Class of Delta Tau (#12) and active alumnus that is currently volunteering his time and resources as a member of the newly formed Delta Tau Alumni Housing Committee. Bob will also be featured as the keynote alumni speaker at this year’s upcoming Sig Bust.

**For the undergraduate and alumni members who may not be familiar with you, tell us a little about yourself.**

I am a Christian, fun-loving family man, mentor, professional salesman and am always looking for opportunities to further enjoy life and to help others. I strive to balance my personal and professional life as I support my beautiful wife of almost 27 years, Beth, and my three wonderful children. In my 27th year as a career industrial sales professional, I have been with my current company, Norton/Saint-Gobain Abrasives for the past 22 years providing abrasive solutions to the markets of western Kentucky and parts of southwest Indiana. I am proud to lead and/or participate in various committees, booster clubs and mission teams, sing in church and community choir, and play bass guitar in my church praise band.

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**What aspect of your undergraduate experience influenced you the most through the years?**

My wife would assert that meeting her early in our college days is the experience that has been my greatest influence through the years.... While she is not mistaken, I would add that taking advantage of many various opportunities and leadership roles while attending Murray State University helped me to become the man I am today and I am still drawing from those experiences. While at MSU, I was in Racer Band and Jazz Band, attended Baptist Student Union activities, was very active in Phi Mu Alpha professional music fraternity, served as SGA School of Business Senator, and topped off my college experience as an Alpha Sigma Phi Founding Father my senior year. Each of these gave me opportunities to expand my interpersonal skills and develop lifelong relationships which helped prepare me for my career in industrial sales and make me an overall better man.

**As someone who is successful in your career, what is your biggest piece of advice for undergraduate brothers who are about to begin their careers?**

Holding true to our Alpha Sigma Phi motto, "To Better the Man," I would offer three words of advice: First, pursue all aspects of life keeping the three Cs in mind: Courage, Confidence and Conviction. Second, remember that life is not about being right. It's about doing the right thing. And third, being kind and helpful to all others will help generate rewarding lifelong relationships.

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## President's Desk

From the Delta Tau President's Desk



Brothers,

We are in the climax of the spring 2022 semester, and the brothers of Delta Tau are prepared to successfully host our chapters' most important events. On April 2<sup>nd</sup>, the men of Delta Tau orchestrated our annual Sig Olympics. Sig Olympics consisted of all the sororities competing in challenging games designed by our brothers in hopes of bringing home the gold medal for their chapter. Keep in mind, for Sig Olympics to prosper and to stay

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true to Olympics traditions, we had an opening ceremony. The Opening Ceremony was captivating due to the lighting of the torch and a brother singing the National Anthem. Lastly, all proceeds of Sig Olympics will go to our philanthropic partner Shatterproof. On April 3<sup>rd</sup>, Delta Tau will have Prudential elections to see who will be leading the chapter for the upcoming year. As current President, I am very pleased with the brothers on the upcoming election ballot, and I have full confidence in their ability to lead this chapter in the future. April 8<sup>th</sup>, Delta Tau will be hosting Alpha Sigma Phi's and Bow Ties spring formal at Oaks Country Club. April 9<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating Sig Bust at the Curris Center Ballroom. Brothers have been waiting for Sig Bust all year, we hope to see several alumni and parents at this memorable event. April 13<sup>th</sup>, our brothers will perform in All Campus Sing on the steps of Lovett. Please come out and support or watch online. We have fifty brothers performing and our theme is "Alpha Sig Cinema". April 15<sup>th</sup>, we will submit the annual report for national recognition. We have been perfecting our report and have high hopes for the national conference this summer. July 21<sup>st</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>, we will be sending twelve brothers to Grand Chapter in New Orleans to represent Delta Tau on a national level. We are able to send the maximum amount of brothers to New Orleans due to the generous donation from our chapter's Alumni Association.

As you can see, this semester is very busy, and the men of Delta Tau are continuing to make a difference on a campus and national level. My presidency is coming to a close, and I will always be thankful these were the men I got to spend my college years with. I want to thank the active brothers, the alumni, the Alumni Association, and The Godfather Mike Young for making Delta Tau the greatest chapter at Murray State University and the greatest chapter in Alpha Sigma Phi history.

In Phi,

Hayden Jaco

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## Spring Undergraduate New Members



This Spring semester, Delta Tau initiated 4 new brothers on March 1st. The addition of these new men to our brotherhood brings the total number of Delta Tau brothers to 860. Learn more about these four brothers below.



Dax Medvescek  
Sophomore  
Fish & Wildlife Biology Conservation  
Hardinsburg, KY  
Fun Fact: Dax is on the  
Bass Fishing team at Murray State.



Reagan Newell  
Junior  
Agronomy  
Mt. Vernon, IL  
Fun Fact: Reagan is a beekeeper.

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Dalton Haney  
Freshman  
Accounting  
Princeton, KY

Fun Fact: Dalton is an only child.



Austin Randolph  
Freshman  
Ag Business  
Bremen, KY

Fun Fact: Austin is the current  
KY FFA State Treasurer.

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## Alumni Presidential Update

By Cole Reichert:

Greetings Delta Tau Alumni,

The Alumni Association has been working hard to bring you this addition of the quarterly newsletter. I hope you enjoy and use it to help stay engaged with the chapter. In recent months, there have been many changes worth highlighting.

First off, I would like to welcome Kade Gambill to our team. Kade is a past chapter president, recent graduate, and 2021 Inductee into the Undergraduate HOF. He is now

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serving the Alumni Association as secretary, replacing Nathan Reasor. This chapter has benefited greatly from Nathan's 2.5 year tenure as secretary. On behalf of the Alumni Association, I would like to thank him for his unselfish service and dedication to the brotherhood.

In addition, we have recently formed a housing committee. They are charged with exploring short and long term opportunities in regards to the chapter's current housing situation. We hope to provide more updates in the future. These brothers held their first meeting on March 14 and have hit the ground running. Thank you to the following brothers who made this committee possible: Bob Hayes, Monti Collins, Michael Thorne, Yung Duong, Tim Hood, Bo Barron, Josh Russell, Michael Filosa.

Finally, the 25/25 campaign has continued to gain excellent traction. Please see Michael Filosa's article below for a detailed update on the endowment. The growth in donations of the last year has been unprecedented and all our donors make this possible. This growth has been turning heads at the nationals level. This makes me very proud to be a part of such a generous and high performing group.

The DT Alumni Association strives to keep our growing brotherhood engaged for years to come. We are open to all ideas and suggestions on how we can better serve you. Please do not be a stranger.

In Phi,

Cole Reichert #622

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## 25x25 Financial Update

By Michael Filosa:

Gentlemen,

I am so happy to announce that our finances are as strong now as they have ever been! As of December 31st, 2021 our Corpus Account (soon to be the Michael E. Young Endowment, more on this later) is at \$23,790.15 and our Spendable Account is sitting at \$7,279.05.

The first thing that I would like to draw your attention to is how much the Corpus Account has grown in the past six months. On June 30th, 2021 this account was at \$13,009.90. In the last six months we have been able to increase this account by over \$10,000.00. THIS IS INCREDIBLE!!! However, this didn't happen by luck and coincidence, there has been a significant amount of hard work that has been completed to make it happen. With the creation and implementation of the 25x25 Campaign, as well as the Michael E. Young Endowment we have been able to supercharge the involvement of Alumni to the undergraduate chapter through your monthly donations.

Over these six months we have been able to sign up 36 monthly donors to the 25x25 Campaign, and with these 36 donors, we are seeing a monthly infusion of \$831.67. This has been an unbelievable start to this campaign, I personally want to thank everyone that has donated and assisted in getting it off the ground. Thank you.

With these new donations, we alumni have been able to immediately pay it forward to the undergraduate chapter. Our first contribution is \$3,500.00. With this money, we are going to send 12 undergraduates to Grand Chapter this coming July in New Orleans, LA. This experience will most certainly be an outstanding time for them to grow their knowledge, bond with brothers and learn more about the Fraternity.

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This update has been all positive, however, I don't want anyone to think this is a time to rest on our laurels. In fact, with this early success and momentum, we need to throttle down and keep pushing. First, and most importantly, we have a benchmark to hit before we are able to rename the Corpus Account the "Michael E. Young Endowment". Once we achieve a balance of \$30,000 in this account, then we are able to transfer the name to the Michael E. Young Endowment. Second, we are still working to complete this 25x25 Campaign, which is to have 25% of our Alumni donating \$10 a month by the end of the 2025. We still have a long way to go before completing this goal. If you have been on the fence, need more information or just need to learn about how to sign up, please reach out to either Cole Reichert, Kade Gambill or myself.

In conclusion, I want to reiterate a big thank you to all that have been able to do so much to make this happen. We have come a long way, but there is still a long way left to travel. Keep up the great work, and be safe.

In Phi,

Mike Filosa



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## Lifting Up in LinkedIn

By Joshua Haines:

Alpha Sigma Phi's purpose to Better the Man, through the creation and perpetuation of brotherhood founded upon the values of character: Silence, Charity, Purity, Honor, Patriotism. It's the vision to Better the World through Better men and mission to provide values-driven brotherhood experiences through life that we are always Brothers.

It's these reasons that I want to encourage our ability to continue to build bonds both personally and professionally. As we grow in our lives and careers, we have learned experiences we now can share with our active brothers that just a few years ago we may not have had when we were active. This wealth of experience and knowledge can also help to provide a springboard to Better the World but providing opportunities for each other as we all grow in our professional lives.



We are building a professional network to accomplish this goal of Better the Man and Better the World. A LinkedIn Group introduces the opportunity to strengthen connections with like-minded individuals in an exclusive forum. The group function provides a private space to interact with members that share common skills, experiences, and goals.

### Benefits of LinkedIn Group

- Strengthen connections with brothers in an exclusive forum
- Send brothers direct messages
  - *by default, you cannot send messages to people you don't know*
- Widen your network
- Start relevant discussions
- Comment on discussions

Let us strive to continue to remember we are always Alpha Sig and Delta Tau and that we have an obligation to help lift each other up. Delta Tau LinkedIn Group will be a two way street allowing for sharing of experiences and knowledge as well as learning from each member. Prepare for an enriching experience as we help each other grow and challenge to be recognized as an organization helping Better the World through Better Men.

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## Calendar Updates

April 2022							Mount Gretna, Pennsylvania	Today 52°F / 42°F	Tomorrow 53°F / 35°F	Monday 53°F / 43°F	Month
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday					
Mar 27 11:00pm ACS Practice 6-8ish 12:00pm Prudential Applications Due	28 6:00pm Prudential Meeting 7:00pm Chapter Meeting	29 11:00pm ACS Practice 6-8ish	30 11:00pm ACS Practice 6-8ish 11:00pm Rebate Night Don Sol	31 7:30pm Prudential Interviews 11:00pm	Apr 1	2 11:00pm ACS After Meeting 7-8ish					
3 ACS After Meeting 7-8ish 11:00pm Prudential Meeting 5:30pm Prudential Elections & Chapter Meeting	4 ACS Practice 6-8ish 11:00pm	5 11:00pm ACS Practice 6-8ish 4:30pm Highway Clean Up (Mandatory Event)	6	7	8	9 11:00pm ACS After Meeting 7-8ish 12:00pm Sig Bust - Silent Auction - Alumni Social Event					
10 ACS After Meeting 7-8ish 11:00pm ACS Practice 6-8ish	11 11:00pm ACS Practice 6-8ish	12 1:00pm ACP & ΣΣΣ Paint Mixer at House	13	14	15 1:00pm Annual Report Submission 1:00pm Committee Head Officer Applications Due	16					
17	18 5:30pm Prudential Meeting 6:30pm Chapter Meeting & Officer Election/Installment	19	20	21	22 1:00pm Senior Trip	23 1:00pm Senior Trip					
24 11:00pm Pinnacle Week - Senior Moment Handoff (Mandatory) 1:00pm Senior Trip	25 11:00pm Prudential Meeting 7:00pm Chapter Meeting	26 11:00pm Pinnacle Week - Graduate Dinner (Mandatory)	27 11:00pm Pinnacle Week - Rebate Night @ Don Sol	28 11:00pm Pinnacle Week - Dinner with Alumni (Mandatory) 11:00pm	29 11:00pm Pinnacle Week - Brotherhood and Graduation Party (Mandatory) 1:00pm Service Event: Elementary Field Day (Mandatory Event)	30 11:00pm Pinnacle Week - Senior Sendoff, Sc...					

April 5 – Highway Cleanup

April 9 - Sig Bust

April 12 ΑΣΦ & ΣΣΣ - Paint Mixer at House

April 15 - Committee Head Officer Applications Due

April 18 - Officer Elections/Installment

April 24 – May 1 – Pinnacle Week

April 29 – Service Event: Elementary Field Day

April 29 - Alumni Dinner with Graduating Seniors

April 30 – Brotherhood Event Cookout at House

May 1 – Senior Send Off- Closing Chapter- Ritual Scene 5

October 28 - 30 - Homecoming (Murray State's 100th Anniversary)

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## Milestones in the Lives of Brothers



Congratulations to Brother Cole Reichert '13 and his wife Kaitlynn on the addition of their new baby girl! Brynn Collins Reichert was born on March 21st in Paducah weighing 7lbs 9oz.

Brother Cole Barnett '16 became happily engaged to his now fiancée, Annie Roberts on February 26th. The chapter wishes the best to you and your future wife!



Brother Nathan Reasor '13 and wife Tara Reasor will be welcoming their first baby boy, Barrett Shane Reasor, this upcoming July. The chapter looks forward to welcoming Barrett as a legacy Alpha Sig!

*If you or a fellow brother has experienced a significant milestone in life (birth of a child, major promotion or award, marriage, etc.) please contact Kade Gambill, Alumni Secretary, so the chapter can celebrate and recognize that brother.*

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## Prayer Requests

- A couple of months ago Dylan Sheridan '12 and his wife received the news that their son, due in July, has a rare Congenital Heart Disease— Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome. He will be born this summer at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital and they will be living in Nashville for several weeks before and after his arrival. He will be having an extensive, critical surgery following his birth, and a series of surgeries within the first years of his life...a long road ahead.

His family has had several people reach out to see if there are any ways they could help, so his family has put together a Venmo (@BabySheridan2022) as a way to show support for them.\* Much more importantly though, please pray for them in this difficult time.

\*All donations will go directly to their stay during this time, gas, living expenses, medical expenses, etc.

- On February 24th the current Chapter President, Hayden Jaco '18, was diagnosed with testicular cancer. By the following Monday he underwent a procedure to remove the cancer mass. On March 16th Hayden got the great news that all the cancer was removed during the operation, and no additional cancerous cells were found in his body due to the quick identification of the mass. The undergraduate chapter and Hayden would greatly appreciate thoughts and prayers for him to stay in remission and continue a healthy cancer free life.

*If you or a fellow brother has experienced a hardship in life (loss of household, death of a family member, health issues, etc.) please contact Kade Gambill, Alumni Secretary, so the chapter can send prayers and help that brother.*

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## Until next time...

By Nathan Reasor:

I have appreciated making these newsletters for you all these last two years. I hope that the information provided allowed you to stay connected while we were unable to all be with each other. I am excited for Kade to take over this position and responsibility. I have no doubt that he will make exceptional newsletters and make strides in connecting all of the alumni.

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