

The Quack

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Alumni News

The Alumni have sent out a membership survey to get feedback regarding our events. Please take [this survey](#) if you haven't already as it will better help the board plan out future events for the year.

If you are interested in reading the meeting notes regarding the ADUF board meetings you can review them [here](#). You will get neat insights like how we have recently moved our savings to a high yield account to earn more interest which will help achieve our goals faster!

Alumni Achievements

Ignacio Nunez `75 - Iggy was elected to be the City Council member of district 5 in May of 2019. He represents the portion of the city bounded by Great Southwest Parkway and the city limits on the east, Pioneer Parkway on the south, Bowen Road on the west, and Division Street on the north. District 5 includes downtown Arlington, City Hall, the University of Texas at Arlington, Central Library and General Motors. "Our University and Arlington's citizens have given me so many blessings that I just want to give back by serving." -Dr. Nunez. If you are interested and I highly recommend reading more about Dr. Nunez by [visiting his bio on Arlington's website](#). Congratulations Dr. Nunez on the latest of your many endeavors!

Carl Esposito `06 - Carl has accepted the role as the Director of Admissions & Marketing at The British International School of Kuala Lumpur. Carl started his job at the end of January 2020 just before the pandemic started to get out of hand in China. Carl stated "Malaysia's been interesting to get to know, we like it, but like most of the world has spent weeks in lockdown. We are looking forward to experiencing more of the people, sights, and food now that the country is opening back up. We love eating Malaysian favorites, Chicken Rendang and Nasi Lemak, but the food here is really diverse. We do miss tacos, but we found a place that does good brisket!" Congratulations on the new role, what an exciting experience for you and your family! Carl also wanted everyone to know they have an extra room available for anyone that comes to visit. I just hope that anyone who brings him up on that offer brings tacos.

Michael Blackman `06 - Michael and his wife Courtney will be expecting their second child, a girl, this December. Congrats Michael on the news of your new baby it's time to buy a bigger smoker.

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

Greeting Brothers,

The Arlington Delta Upsilon Alumni Board Foundation is in position to make a real impact in creating a more interactive alumni experience for you and the undergraduate brothers this upcoming UTA academic year. The ways this will be accomplished will be through new innovative uses of technology, and possible other ways, depending on when and how we can meet in person. In addition, to maximize our impact as your alumni board, we are proud to announce changes which were introduced by Gregory Will '14, the board's last president, concerning board meetings. Starting in January 2020, all board meetings will be bi-monthly to maintain a current and up to date response to alumni needs and undergraduate chapter needs as well. The board is very proud of this change and has seen how it has already impacted our goal to improve as a foundation and fraternal organization. The next board meeting will be July 11, 2020 at 7 pm, inquire about attending via www.arlingtondu.com/contact if interested. Brothers, we should all be so proud of the undergraduates in how they handled their academics and fraternal obligations as DU members during this spring semester with COVID 19. Their work to become better is something they try to accomplish daily as a member of our fraternity. This can be achieved by having other alumni meet them, provide stories, and gain some much-needed mentoring from other Delta Upsilon members who have graduated. So please click on or visit www.arlingtondu.com/contact if you are interested in this opportunity. Do not forget to visit the various social media platforms on Facebook titled UTA Delta Upsilon or Delta Upsilon – Arlington Alumni. Finally, below is the list of brothers who were elected or maintained their positions on the Board Foundation this past January 2020.

I hope all of you are well and hope to see you soon either virtually or in person.

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

Spring Rush

Spring Rush 2020 was an informal rush the chapter held 4 events: a meetup at Grease Monkey, steaks and stogies night, driving range, and preference night. Unfortunately due to Covid 19 no new members were initiated. However, the chapter is remaining in contact with those who were interested in joining the brotherhood and plan to have them join Fall of 2020.



A letter from the Chapter President

Greetings brothers,

My name is Dylan Hernandez and I am the newly appointed Chapter President. To begin this chapter update, I hope you are all doing well and staying safe during this world wide pandemic. To help prevent outbreaks of Coronavirus, the University of Texas at Arlington announced the movement to online coursework, beginning March 23rd, 2020. With the transition to online coursework, all extracurricular events and activities were canceled. As a chapter, we decided we will not induct new members this semester, and our primary focus would be the health of the chapter. We still continued to meet and have brotherhoods virtually through zoom and teams to keep each other accountable with classwork. Now that the semester has wrapped up, the executive board is helping plan the fall semester. We will be

finalizing a calendar and invite you all to attend our events. UTA has still not announced a finalized plan for the fall semester: the current one mentions some in person classes, limited attendance activities, and the transition to online coursework after Thanksgiving. The executive board will plan a mixture of virtual and in person events to be prepared. Finally, as a chapter, we are 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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Ducks Flying Away

Ethan Enneking- Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering. Ethan was accepted into University of Texas School of Dentistry in Houston to pursue his dream of becoming a dentist.



Jake Heinen- Bachelor's degree in Radio and Television Broadcasting
Technology/Technician



Meet the Undergraduate Executive Board

President- Dylan Hernandez

Major: Accounting & Finance



I am so proud to be announcing my Presidency on the 51st Anniversary of Delta Upsilon at UTA. I chose Delta Upsilon as my new home because of their focus on brotherhood. As an incoming first generation college student, I didn't know what to expect of college. I found myself having trouble establishing new friendships here at UTA, managing my time, and simply finding the strength to attend classes. Delta Upsilon was here for me! I found a group of guys that focused on my needs without knowing they were associated in a fraternity! I can gladly say that joining Delta Upsilon was the best decision I have made for my collegiate career! Please reach out to any of

our members if you are interested in rushing Delta Upsilon or if you need any help with your transition to college!

As President, I plan to make sure Delta Upsilon is known across campus. We make sure we offer our services and guidance to anyone willing to ask for it! We may be looking for potential new members, but we also focus on helping others no matter what they need! This group of men is hardworking and deserving of the top chapter, so as president I'm going to focus on the logistics and make sure our chapter is running smoothly! Here's to 51 more years! @ The University of Texas at Arlington

Vice President of Membership- Orlando Briones

Major: Biology

I chose Delta Upsilon because of the members in it, I connected with them immediately and I couldn't be any more happy with my decision. Choosing to rush DU was one of the best decisions I've made because it strengthened my leadership skills and my social skills. It also made my transition from high school to college so much easier.

As VP Membership I plan on having more brotherhoods where we can get to know each other more and maintain the strong bond we already have as a chapter. I also plan on working alongside the new member educator to create a good experience for Potential New Members.



Vice President of Finance- RJ Manzano

Major: Marketing & Management



I joined DU Fall 17, my freshman year of college. I knew I wanted to join some organization when I was coming to UTA to be more involved and meet more people on campus. I met Delta Upsilon at Orientation and during Rush Week, that's when I knew this would be the group of friends to be with. My pledge bros became my best friends throughout my college and will keep being after. This is my 2nd year as VP finance (Treasurer) of Delta Upsilon and my plan is to budget for great DU events like Rush Week, Regatta, Retreat, Brotherhoods, Formal and more!

Vice President of Loss Prevention- Adam Polzin

Major: English/Tech Writing

I joined Delta Upsilon to be more active on campus but quickly found the outstanding character of its members infectious. I have made life long friends and memories I will never forget.

As Vice President of Loss Prevention my goal is to ensure the safety of all Delta Upsilon members and associates. I will help provide resources to brothers through guest speakers as well as promoting good habits and holding brothers accountable.



Vice President of Administration- Aaron Freedенfeld



Major: Management

When I met DU I was unable to rush, but that didn't stop them from treating me like a brother. When I rushed a year later, my pledge brothers thought I was already an active because I knew and was talking to EVERY active member. DU is a chapter where they believe in their principles (shout out the promotion of friendship) before simply gaining another member, and I have yet to meet a group of more genuine people.

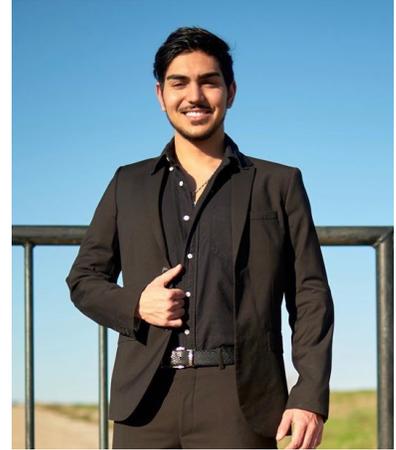
I took this position in order to play my part in the success of the chapter. I was also power hungry at the time but no regrets.

Vice President of External Relations- Koosha Jamali

Major: Construction Management

I knew I was a duck when I realized our chapter creates interpersonal bonds with mutual respect and commitment, and not by hazing. I feel at home with my brothers and I'm proud to be a duck.

As VP of External Relations, I believe our most important assets are the alumni of yesterday, and the alumni yet to become. And to further the connection of the two. Also, I seek to engage the brothers of Delta Upsilon and the community of UTA. As the 20th president of the United States, James A. Garfield, says: "I believed firmly then, as now, that no sufficient reason has ever been given for breaking up the unity and friendship of college life, by maintaining secret societies."



Vice President of Philanthropy- Jake Kottwitz

Major: Business



The reason I joined DU was because of the people. I felt more of a connection with them than some of my family members and these are the guys I want at all my important events. I also know that every single guy would have my back.

As Philanthropy exec, I plan to raise as much money as possible for GSI so our fraternity can do everything in its power to help people less fortunate than us. I believe we have the ability to do great things and I want to see us succeed and fly high.

Vice President of Recruitment- Andy Le

Major: Marketing & Management

Coming from the greatest school ever at TXST it was really hard adjusting. From hanging out at club Alkek all day, to hitting the river or someone's pool on the weekend, to a university known as a "Commuter School."

For the first couple days of school I was genuinely depressed knowing my life would be hella boring. But then I met Noodle-Head himself @RJ, who would change my UTA experience forever by introducing me to the Delta Upsilon fraternity. After talking to others fraternities during rush week, I can honestly say that I connected with these bums way more.

Now my closest friends are my pledge bro @orlandodbriones, @heyitsdiana__ and @aaoas from @utaaxo. Also Pre-Rona there's isn't a day where I'm not on campus hanging out with the boys or playing intramurals for DU.

If you know me, you know that I can make friends with anyone, which made me the number one prospect for getting drafted as VP of Recruitment.

My plan is to bring back all the spring rushees and combine them with the Fall 20 guys to create the second best pledge class (right behind Fall 19) next year with over 15 guys.

My second plan is to have banging rush week that will be memorable for both the boys and rushees.



Vice President of Education - Michael Hoofard

Major: Aerospace Engineering



I chose DU for not only familial legacies, but also because I felt like I belonged. My dad and uncle were brothers of this chapter in the 80s and I'm quite proud to continue their legacy. But DU had something else that the other boys clubs didn't have; a sense of closeness. That sense of closeness is why I'm a DU brother. Even though I have ADD and Asperger's, I still feel like these guys were my family from the start.

What I plan to do as VP of Education is to continue enforcing the study hours on all the brothers. I will set up study sessions with similar majors and will provide a room on campus for studying. If someone is not doing so well on their grades, I'll talk to them to come up with a fair solution so they don't get too behind.

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 [Arlington Delta Upsilon Website](#).

Arias, Stuart ^{17-20*}

Fritz, Andy ^{17-20*}

Grimaldo, Enrique ^{18-20*}

Will, Greg ^{18-20*}

Holloway, Darrell ^{19-20*}

Layman, Scott ^{17-20*}

Platt, Justin ^{17-20*}

Mike Garabedian ^{17-20*}

Sawyer, Josh ^{17-20*}

Shumate, Michael ^{17-20*}

Stephens, Trevor ^{19-20*}

*Indicates multiple years of donations

If your contact information has recently changed please go [fill out this form](#) 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.

Hire a DU

We will be rolling out a new feature which will be available on the Arlington DU website. This feature will allow you to list job postings for your company. [These listings](#) are available for DU's to view and apply to. If you or your company is hiring for any positions please let us know by filling out [this forum](#). This feature is in its very early stages as it was thought of and put together only a few days ago! We will be looking to make improvements to this process to better suit the needs of the alumni chapter as members begin using it.

Make sure to [Visit our Website](#) to stay up to date on the current events, board members, newsletters, and undergraduate chapter.

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