

Alpha Zeta Chapter Alumni Newsletter

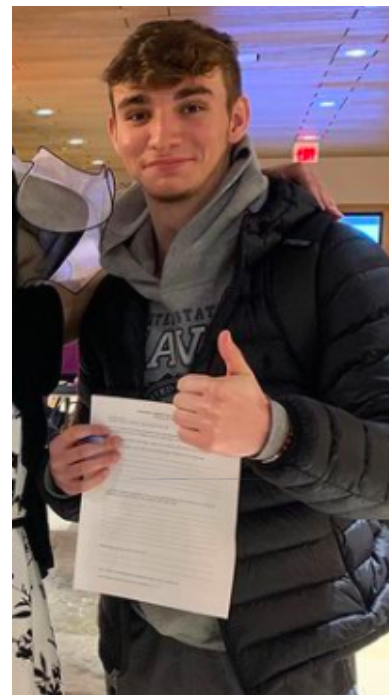
November 2021 Edition

By Kyle Hall, Vice President of Alumni Relations

Greetings/Introduction

I hope all is well as life continues to return to normalcy after a crazy year last year. To those who are not familiar with me, I am a Junior majoring in Supply Chain Management with a collateral in Business Analytics. I have included a picture of myself (on the right) just to hopefully put a name to a face. It is my second year in DSP, and I have been fortunate enough to receive guidance from the previous couple of VPARs including Raj Rohira and Anthony Clayton.

As I'm sure many of you have become accustomed to new work environments, we have fostered many new adjustments here at Alpha Zeta as well. Jack Parr, who many of you are acquainted with, is our new chapter president. Additionally, our team of officers has many fresh faces that have happily taken on their respective challenges already during this fall semester. We, as a fraternity, have continued to recruit heavily and can proudly say that we have a group of 25 eager pledges currently en route to becoming Delta Sigma Pi brothers! Our officer team has individually reached out to previous members who have become inactive and removed them from our organization. We view this as positive news, due to the fact that we know every member of the fraternity is enthusiastic to make beneficial changes for Alpha Zeta!



Alumni/Social/Professional Event Info

Although potentially open for the possibility of another event, an alumni event has already taken place this semester. The event that already took place was an Alumni Tailgate, which took place on October 9th before the South Carolina vs Tennessee football game. The tailgate took place in the Lake Avenue Park where we all gathered and ate, drank, and socialized. The event was a great success partly due to the fact that we had the Beta Gamma (South Carolina) chapter of DSP come into town for the game/tailgate. It was great to converse with the alumni that came out, as well as the Beta Gamma chapter of DSP. I included a picture (on the right) just to give a sense of the vibe at the event for those who could not attend. Depending on the budget, interest, and



availability, I am exploring the potential for another tailgate event before the Tennessee vs. Georgia football game. I will be reaching out by email and through groupme to determine if this is a popular idea. Feel free to reach out to me and just let me know your thoughts on the idea!

I additionally wanted to give a quick update on the social and professional events that DSP has hosted so far this Fall semester. Shoutout to Alec (Professional Events), Claire (Community Service), Jordyn (Faculty Relations), Lauren, and Lauren (Social Chairs) have already done a great job filling up the calendar with some fun/productive events. So far on the social side of things we have had a Fort Dickerson quarry day and Casino Night! I attached a picture (on the right) from Fort Dickerson. In addition to Casino Night and Fort Dickerson, Lauren and Lauren have the Tennessee River Boat booked for Formal. Formal will be on November 19th and alumni are not only allowed, but encouraged to attend. The older brothers want to see you guys come out! So far on the professional side of things Alec put together a solid event that already happened earlier in the semester. Dean Mangum came by and spoke specifically to DSP which was very cool to attend/see. Additionally, Alec has an upcoming event scheduled in which the Office of Diversity and Engagement will come and do a seminar for Alpha Zeta. Claire and Jordyn have fruitful upcoming events planned including a “Boo at the Zoo” volunteer opportunity, Calhoun’s on the River faculty dinner, and a professional writing seminar. I believe that I can speak on behalf of the entire fraternity when I say the events this semester have been extremely well done!



A Brief Request

For the past several semesters, myself and the previous VPARs have maintained a GroupMe for the alumni to stay in touch. I ask that you join it if you are interested in communicating with your fellow brothers. I have attached the link below. In addition to the groupme, there is a LinkedIn group that has a number of Alpha Zeta alumni inside that I believe could turn into a great resource for current and ex-fraternity members. I have included a link for the previously mentioned LinkedIn group as well! We should all be resources for one another!

https://groupme.com/join_group/46457563/mGGD4yij
<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8774767>



Closing Remarks

Once again, I hope this newsletter finds you all in good health and good spirits! If I do not see all of you in person at an upcoming event then I wish you happy holidays and a happy new year!

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. I hope that you have found it to be informative, and that you shall consider attending the events stated above. Please reach out to me if you have ANY questions or wish to provide any feedback for me to consider. I am always open to criticism or praise :)

Fraternally yours,

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