

# ABOUT PARENTS ASSOCIATION

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WELCOME! PARENTS ASSOCIATION MEMBERS RECEIVE AN EXCLUSIVE LOOK INTO DELTA STATE CAMPUS LIFE VIA MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS, CONNECT WITH NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION, AND PARTNER WITH DSU ATHLETICS AND RECRUITING. WE ARE EXCITED ABOUT YOUR INVOLVEMENT AND APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT AS WE WORK TOGETHER TO ENHANCE ALL ASPECTS OF YOUR STUDENT'S LIFE.

THANK YOU TO THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE PAID YOUR DUES. WE HAVE AN ESTABLISHED ACCOUNT WITH THE DSU FOUNDATION THAT WILL ALLOW YOUR DUES TO BE TAX DEDUCTIBLE. PLEASE SEND YOURS IN IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY. WE WELCOME YOUR FEEDBACK AND INVITE ALL QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED VIA THE CONTACT INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THE LOWER RIGHT CORNER. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU FOR A CAMPUS VISIT SOON. CHEERS!

## Student Organization of the Month—International Student Association

As requested, our E-newsletters will include a special feature, Student Organization of the Month (SOM)! The International Student Association (ISA), November's SOM, is dedicated to strengthening international relations through cultural, social, educational, and professional activities. The organization works to create the best possible environment for every international student, provide assistance, and integrate international students with DSU students, faculty, staff, and community. The organization features all current international students that attend monthly meetings that allow the students to fellowship and receive important information such as upcoming local and campus events, off/on-campus employment regulations, maintaining immigration status, banking and much more.

The ISA, Student Success Center, and Delta State's Quality Enhancement Plan partnered with John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin (KUL) in Lublin, Poland for a two-week exchange. The exchange featured Katherine Jackson, Paxton Stratton, Scottie Willis, and Maria Belisário (pictured L to R below), all of which are current DSU students. KUL is one of several universities abroad which Delta State has signed a memorandum of understanding to further develop international exchanges. Delta State first hosted a group of KUL faculty and students in October 2015. The ISA currently hosts from 129 students that come from 50 different countries.



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# DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY



# Visitor info

## AREA HOTELS

Comfort Inn 807 N. Davis Ave. Cleveland, MS 38732 (662) 846-1525

Hampton Inn 912 N. Davis Ave. Cleveland, MS 38732 (662) 846-2915

Holiday Inn Express 808 N. Davis Ave. Cleveland, MS 38732 (662) 843-9300

#### LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

Downtown Shopping · The Train Museum · Levitt Amp Concerts · Blues Trail The Grammy Museum Mississippi · Dave "Boo" Ferriss Museum & Statue

#### STUDENT FAVS

Hey Joe's · No Way Jose Mosquito Burrito · Crave The Warehouse · Lenny's Delta Dairy · A la Carte

www.VisitClevelandMS.com

## REMINDER

#### FINALS WEEK 2016

Fall 2016 Finals Week is next week (December 5—9th).

#### WINTER BREAK

Classes resume January 9, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. Residence Hall check-in opens Sunday, the 8th, at 1:00 p.m.

# STUDENT LIFE

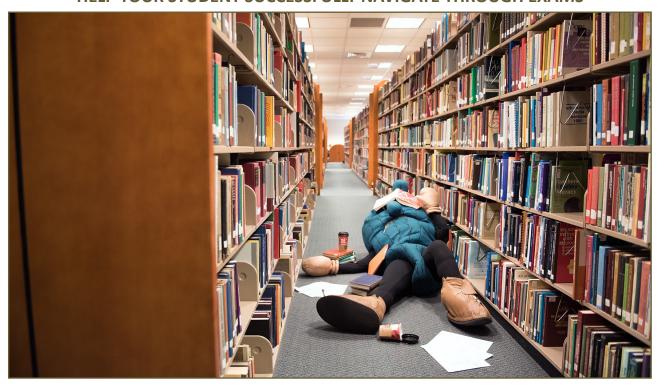
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## **Student Success**

# HELP YOUR STUDENT SUCCESSFULLY NAVIGATE THROUGH EXAMS



#### **CARDS AND NOTES**

While cards and notes may seem a bit "old school", they are still one of the most effective ways to personally encourage your college student. Cards and notes provide something tangible that can be looked at again and again for that much needed support during those stressful final weeks of the semester.

## **UTILIZE CAMPUS RESOURCES**

Remind your student to utilize the resources available on campus, including Study Rooms at the Library, and of course, the **Student Success Center!** 



# STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER

Navigating Success

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## **CARE PACKAGE IDEAS**

Student needs/likes vary, however, here are some items that nearly any student would find useful:

PRINTER INK **TISSUE** HIGHLIGHTERS HEADACHE MEDICATION **FRESH FRUIT** PENS/PENCILS CRUNCHY SNACKS STRESS BALL **COLORED PENS** TRAIL MIX **HOT CHOCOLATE/TEA POST-IT NOTES** APPLE CIDER **SNACK BARS** POST-IT FLAGS **GUM/HARD CANDIES** WATER **INDEX CARDS BITESIZE CHOCOLATES SPORTS DRINKS** PRINTER PAPER

Get items to your student early so he has can utilize them as they prepares for exams.



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## **Athletics**

The **Statesmen Football** suffered a tough end of season loss to Florida Tech in Melbourne, Florida. Florida Tech used a 28 point run between the first and second quarters to pull away with a 42-16 win against the visiting Statesmen. The statesmen complete the season with a record of 4-6 with a 3-5 within the GSC. Following the season, the Gulf South Conference announced that junior running back Chris Robinson, junior left tackle George Roberts, and junior linebacker Landry Tullo had earned GSC honors. Chris Robinson garnered First Team accolades while both George Roberts and Landry Tullo garnered Second Team selections.

Lady Statesmen Basketball opened their regular season while competing in the Gulf South/Sunshine State Crossover Classic in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. In the first of two games, the Lady Statesmen suffered a 64-44 to Nova Southeastern. During the contest, the Lady Statesmen were able to out rebound the Sharks; however, the Sharks took advantage of points in the paint, points off turnovers, and fast break points over the Lady Statesmen to grab the victory. In the second contest of the classic, the Lady Statesmen took on Barry University, but unfortunately the Lady Statesmen fell to the Bucs by a score of 52-47. The Lady Statesmen were led by junior Center, Aspirona Gilbert (pictured right), with 13 points and 10 rebounds followed by Alondria Rush with 13 points, 4 rebounds, 4 assists, and 5 steals. To finish off the month of November, the Lady Statesmen recorded two big home court wins over Southern Arkansas and Miles College. Against Southern Arkansas, the Lady Statesmen recorded a 60-54 win. The Lady Statesmen held Southern Arkansas to just six points in the fourth quarter. Topping Miles College, Lady Statesmen won by a dominant score of 76-5, and shot a blistering 61% over the course of the third quarter and allowed just 2 points over the final 3:12 of the contest.

**Statesmen Basketball** began the season by competing in the Gulf South Conference/Sunshine State Conference Classic in St. Petersburg, Florida. During the first contest, the Statesmen defeated Florida Southern by a score of 73-70. The Statesmen we led by



Devin Schmidt with 33 points, 3 assists, and 9 rebounds while James Kilpatrick also recorded 9 assists. In the final contest of the classic, the Statesmen defeated Eckerd College by a score of 75-72. Again led by Schmidt with 27 points, the Statesmen committed just 7 turnovers while forcing the Tritons to commit 17. Following the completion of the Gulf South Conference/Sunshine State Conference Classic, senior Devin Schmidt was voted NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Hero of the Week by HERO Sports in addition to already being named Gulf South Conference Player of the Week. During their first home of the season, the Statesmen recorded a dominant 89-61 victory over LeMoyne-Owen College. The Statesmen used career high nights from John Cornish, 12 points and 3 rebounds, and James Kilpatrick, 20 points, to bring home the victory. To finish out the month of November, the Statesmen debuted at No. 23 in the NABC Poll for Division II; however, the Statesmen suffered a tough 77-67 loss to the University of Arkansas at Monticello in Monticello, Arkansas. UAM got off to a quick start and Delta State scored a season low 26 first half points followed by a season low 67 points.

The Delta State Men's Swimming and Diving Team began the month of November with a victory over Henderson State University. The Statesmen used 9 victories to edge Henderson State by a score of 151-149. The Statesmen were led by Mattia Schirru with 3 victories in sprint freestyle events and Matteo Fraschi with wins in both breaststroke events. The Statesmen Swimming and Diving team currently ranks 15th in the latest TYR College Swimming Coaches Association of American Top 25 poll.

The Delta State Women's Swimming and Diving Team began the month of November with a dominant victory over Henderson State University by a score of 212-86. The Lady Statesmen were led by Anastasia Klyarovskaya, Kirsten Stroven, and Gaby Santis as they each claimed multiple victories during the meet. The Lady Statesmen Swimming and Diving team currently ranks 8th in the latest TYR College Swimming Coaches Association of America Top 25 poll.



To stay up-to-date on all Statesmen and Lady Statesmen events, visit <a href="https://www.gostatesmen.com">www.gostatesmen.com</a>. For more information on ticket purchases and where to watch your Statesmen compete, follow us on social media!



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#### **Student Financial Assistance**

The Office of Student Financial Assistance works to meet the financial needs of the Statesmen community. The department assists students with Federal and State financial aid programs, student loans, state scholarships, and Federal Work Study. Financial Assistance monitors scholarship awards made by Delta State and provides off-campus scholarship information. The Office of Financial Assistance can be reached via email at **finaid@deltastate.edu** or via telephone at 660-846-4670.

## **Bologna Performing Arts Center**

The Bologna Performing Arts Center opened its doors September 1, 1995. The Center houses the 1,178-seat Delta & Pine Land Theater and the 135-seat Recital Hall. The Bologna Performing Arts Center at Delta State University has earned recognition as one of the premier locations for entertainment and arts in Mississippi and the Southeast. Here are some of this season's upcoming events:

- ELF The Musical Thursday, December 2nd @ 8:00 p.m.
- Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood LIVE! Tuesday, January 24th @ 6:30 p.m.
- Alonzo King LINES Ballet Tuesday, January 31st @ 7:30 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased by calling the box office at 662.846.4625 or by mailing an order form to the Bologna Performing Arts Center office. The 2016— 2017 Season brochure can be downloaded from the Bologna web site at <a href="https://www.bolognapac.com">www.bolognapac.com</a>.

#### Intramurals

Encourage your student to participate in Intramurals on campus! They are a fun way to get involved and stay healthy...both team and individual sports are available and it's FREE to participate. A student can join an existing team, create one of his or her own, or participate in any of the Singles sports, like tennis. For more information, contact Coordinator Kirk Mansell, 662.846.4569.

#### **Hannah Leflore crowned Miss DSU**

On October 27th, 2016, the annual Miss Delta State University competition took place. On this day, Hannah Leflore, a junior speech and hearing sciences major from Greenwood, was crowned Miss Delta State University 2017. Miss Leflore will represent

Delta State at the Miss Mississippi Pageant in 2017.



During the competition, Leflore sang "Mississippi" by Daniel Nail for her talent offering. In the following months, Hannah will visit various local and state schools promoting her platform, "Using Music to Teach." The pageant featured five categories of competition: private interview, evening gown, swimsuit, talent and on-stage question. Each year, the Miss Delta State University Pageant is produced by the University Pageant Board and sponsored by the Student Government Association. For more information on how you may support Miss DSU, contact Pageant Board advisor, Bevin Lamb, at 662.846.4150.

**PARENTS:** Hopefully, you have learned something from this newsletter that you did not know. Please let us hear from you. We would like to know what you would like to see in your news-

letter So, feel free to email your suggestions as soon as possible to the email address listed below. Please enjoy the holiday season with your Statesman or Lady Statesman. We are Delta State. And we are Family.