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—Student Government Association

As requested, our E-newsletters will include a special feature, Student Organization of the Month (SOM)! The **Student Government Association** (SGA), October's SOM, serves to promote unity and welfare of the entire student body, provide a high standard of responsibility in the interests of our student life and to ensure goodwill among students, faculty, staff and administration. All students enrolled at Delta State University automatically become members of SGA. The Association features three branches: executive, judicial, and legislative. The branches serve to effectively deal with all matters of student affairs, to organize the student body so that it may work collective-



ly toward the betterment of the university, and to uphold the best traditions at Delta State. The Vice President for Student Affairs and Director of Student Development serve as advisors for the three branches of the Student Government Association.

This past month, the SGA worked to bring back the homecoming parade (pictured below). Parade entries consisted of local high school bands, student organizations, homecoming-themed floats, and others highlighting DSU spirit. The month of October also featured the appointment of SGA President, Allie Rose Parker (pictured left), to the Board of Directors of the Cleveland-Bolivar County Chamber of Commerce. Miss Parker is the first-ever student member of the Board and will begin her duties in November. For information on SGA events, visit their <u>website here</u>!



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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 \cdot Crave The Warehouse \cdot Lenny's Delta Dairy \cdot A la Carte

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Reminder

Thanksgiving 2016

Thanksgiving Break for students will be November 21-25th. We encourage you to remind your student to rest and relax before Fall 2016 Finals Week (December 5-9th) just a month away!

STUDENT LIFE

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NEWSLETTER CONTINUED

Student Success

PRE-REGISTRATION IS NOVEMBER 7-11 Contact your academic advisor TODAY!

E-mail or bring your completed schedule to the Student Success Center before 5 PM Friday, November 11, to enter to win one of TEN prizes.

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STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER

Navigating Success UNION 308 | 662-846-4574 | STUDENTSUCCESS@DELTASTATE.EDU

In the weeks ahead, your student will be inundated with **ORANGE** messages like the one above...flyers, signs, banners, Facebook, email, and the like. What IS pre-registration, you may ask, and what is with the bright shade of **ORANGE**? Pre-registration is an opportunity for your student to proactively register for the courses for the upcoming semester. Academic Advisors set aside time during PRE-REGISTRATION week specifically to assist your student with registration of courses for the upcoming semester(s). This opportunity occurs twice a year: once in November for the spring semester and once in April for the summer and fall semesters. It is a critical component of preparation for your student that will help him or her avoid unnecessary problems and stress for the upcoming term. The color **ORANGE**? Well, that is to get your student's attention. Good choice, don't you think? If your student has not yet noticed, they will in the weeks ahead as the amount of signage increases.

Encourage Your Student to PRE-REGISTER!

To make the best use of time with their advisor, your student should take the initiative to:

- Find out WHO their advisor is—by contacting the department secretary for their major, or by calling Academic Advising Services at (662) 846-4577.
- View the Academic Map for his program of study.
- Look over courses to see what fits into their academic plan and schedule.
- Make a list of potential classes to take to the meeting with their advisor.
- Check for holds on their student account and take care of them before his advising session.

Top 5 Reasons Your Student Should Participate in PRE-REGISTRATION:

- 1. To have the best choices for the courses they want, and especially those they NEED, before they close!
- 2. To ensure that their plan of study stays on track so that they can graduate on time!
- 3. To make use of time that their advisor sets aside specifically for them!
- 4. To plan ahead for the next semester, especially as it may relate to their work schedule and personal plans!
- 5. To know what books and supplies they will need in order to be prepared when classes begin!

For more information on the services provided by the Student Success Center, please see pages 38-39 in the Summer 2016 Orientation Booklet. H.L. Nowell Union 308 | DSU P.O. Box 3232 Cleveland, MS 38733 P: 662.846.4574 | F: 662.846.4580

NEWSLETTER CONTINUED

Athletics

The **Statesmen Football** team took on Gulf South Conference opponent University of West Alabama to begin the month of October. The Tigers scored 38 first half points to hold off the visiting Statesmen by a score of 54-42. Over the course of Homecoming weekend, the Statesmen fought Argonauts of West Florida in a tight GSC where the Statesmen were able to secure a 55-51 come from behind win and bolster a 4-3 record and a 3-2 record in the GSC. On the 22nd, the team travelled to Georgia to take on Valdosta State University. After a big second half, the Blazers pulled away to defeat the Statesmen by a score of 56-27. The Statesmen celebrated Senior Day on Halloween weekend where they suffered a 49-19 loss to the University of North Alabama Lions. The Statesmen honored 24 seniors prior to the game kicking off.

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Men's Golf competed in the HSU Invitational on October 4th where they finished in 5th place with a team aggregate score of 296. The Statesmen were led by redshirt freshman John Crawford-Counts with an 8th place finish and score of one-over 217. On October 17th, the Statesmen travelled to Killen, Alabama to compete in the TVA Credit Union Invitational. The Statesmen were led by George Kawell with a 32st place finish and a cumulative score of 225 for the three day competition.

Lady Statesmen Soccer completed a 2-game home stand to start off the month of October. Unfortunately, the Lady Statesmen dropped both contests 1-0. On the 7th, the Lady Statesmen conceded a late second half goal to West Georgia and were unable to find the back of the net. Just two days later, the Lady Statesmen again gave up a late second half goal and were unable to score to bring the match to a tie. On their final away trip of the season the Lady Statesmen defeated Shorter University in an overtime thriller by a score of 2-1, but suffered a tough 2-0 loss that following Sunday to Lee University.

Statesmen Soccer also completed a 2-game home stand to kick off the month of October On Friday, October 7th, the Statesmen Soccer team completed a thrilling win over Ouachita Baptist at Delta Field. The Statesmen took the field on the following Sunday and faced the hornets of Concordia College. The Statesmen breezed to a 3-0 win. Due to his performances over the weekend, junior Jacob Hauenstein (pictured right) was named "GSC Defender of the Week" on Tuesday, October 11th. On their final away trip of the season, the Statesmen suffered a tough 1-0 loss to Shorter University, but were able to earn a 1-1 draw against Lee University the following Sunday.

The Lady Statesmen Cross Country team competed in the University of the Ozarks Invitational where they placed 4th out of 10 teams. The Lady Statesmen were lead by junior Tori McDonald with her 17th place finish in a time of 20 minutes and 48 seconds to cover the 5k course. The Lady Statesmen closed out their season at the GSC Championships where they placed 12th. They were again led by Tori McDonald as she placed 53rd with a time of 20:39.59.

The **Delta State Men's Swimming and Diving Team** competed in the Little Rock Invitational against fellow NSISC opponent Henderson State and NCAA Division I Incarnate Word. The Statesmen took home a first place win with an overall team score of 743 compared to Henderson State's 649 and Incarnate Word's 646. On the 22nd, the Statesmen were able to notch victories against Truman State and Missouri S&T, both ranked opponents; however, took a loss to Lindenwood University and Indianapolis University in St. Peter, Missouri.



Photo courtesy of DSU Athletics.

The **Delta State Women's Swimming and Diving Team** also competed in the Little Rock Invitational and took home a fourth place (538.5) finish behind North Texas (728.5), Incarnate Word (544.5), but in front of fellow NSISC member Henderson



State (267.5). On the 22nd, the 10th ranked Lady Statesmen Swimming and Diving Team earned wins against Missouri S&T, Truman State, Indianapolis, and Lindenwood in St. Peter, Missouri.

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

NEWSLETTER CONTINUED

Campus Police

The University Police Department, or UPD, strives to protect life and property, understand and serve the needs of the campus community, and improve the quality of life by building capacities and apprehending offenders in a manner consistent with law and reflective of share university values. The UPD maintains a safe and secure environment for the students, faculty, staff, and visitors 24-hours a day, 365 days a year. The Department is located in Office 202a of the H.L. Nowell Union. The UPD may be reached at 662.846.4155. Encourage your student to have their number saved in the cell phone in case of emergency.

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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:

- Brown Bear, Brown Bear & Other Treasured Stores by Eric Carle Sunday, November 6th @ 3:00 p.m.
- Parsons Dance Company Thursday, November 10th @ 7:30 p.m.
- Movie Nights: Barbershop, The Next Cut Friday, November 11th at 7:00 p.m. (FREE with Okra Card)

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 <u>www.bolognapac.com</u>.

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.

October is National Domestic Violence & Breast Cancer Awareness Month

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) joined forces with Our House, Inc. during Homecoming Week in order to raise awareness for **Domestic Violence**. Informational materials were given out in regards to safe dates, men against spousal abuse, sexual assault healing, and behavioral modification. AAUW President Dr. Glendscene Williams stated, "[that] our goal is to promote healthy and safe relationships on campus, in our homes, and at work. To do this, the AAUW has joined the 'It's On Us Campaign' to help break the silence." During the event, approximately 500 purple ribbons were given to law enforcement, students, staff, and faculty in the H. L. Nowell Union.

The Breast Education & Early-detection Project, or B.E.E.P., along with Delta State University Outdoor Recreation Program hosted their third annual Walk-a-Thon on October 5th at the DSU Fitness Trail. Over the course of the event, 261 participants completed a total of 827 laps around the fitness trail. The Walk-a-Thon raised over \$1,000 to be used by B.E.E.P. in order to raise awareness of breast cancer and breast health while also attempting to increase the number of women who adopt early cancer detection methods. B.E.E.P. along with the DSU Golf Course hosted the third annual DSU B.E.E.P. Breast Cancer Awareness Golf Tournament on October 22. The tournament was organized by David Williams and Cecil Barnett of the golf course, and Gail Bailey, B.E.E.P. project director. Eleven teams competed in the two-person 18-hole scramble tournament and raised over \$1,500. For more information on the B.E.E.P. project and on going events, please contact Gail Bailey at <u>gbailey@deltastate.edu</u>.

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 newsletter So, feel free to email your suggestions as soon as possible to the email address listed below. Please visit campus and enjoy a beautiful fall weekend with your Statesman or Lady Statesman.

We are Delta State. And we are Family.