

the HermaNews

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XA Happenings:

May is here and the spring semester has come to a close. This is always a special time of year as we take time to reflect on the past year and thank God for the many stories of changed lives, honor those who graduate from Chi Alpha, and anticipate all that awaits us as summer and fall semesters approach.



Baptism night. Congrats Jazmine, Katelyn, and Maddie!

We wrapped up our Tuesday gatherings celebrating changed lives within our Chi Alpha community. Congratulations to five from our ministry who were water baptized in April. The San Marcos River was the setting as these students went public with their faith. "If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" (2 Co 5:17) Thank you Jesus! Our final Chi Alpha service of the semester featured an evening of student testimonies. Six of our Chi Alphans took opportunity to share stories of salvation, freedom from addiction, healings both physically and in the area of mental health, divine direction, and restored relationships in families. Look what the Lord has done!

Thanks for your faithful prayers and support of this ministry at Texas State. God continues to transform the lives of university students.

Family News:

Way to go, Emily! In mid-April, Emily participated in the District Fine Arts festival. Emily qualified for the National Fine Arts competition in each of the 5 categories she entered (vocal solo junior, worship leading solo junior, large worship team, small vocal ensemble, hip hop dance group). We are proud of Emily as she continues to develop her giftings and grows in confidence as she ministers to others.

Student Spotlight:

**Dezarae Martinez –
Corpus Christi, TX
- Graduating Senior
- Double Major:
Biology / Spanish**



Having Jesus in my life has guided me through the ups and downs that come with college. I experienced loneliness, loss, struggled in classes, but also made friends and had experiences that I will never forget, and I know it was His hand over it all. Knowing that He is with me, no matter what, helped me persevere through the hard times and made the good times feel more special.

Being a part of Chi Alpha has been an answered prayer. My freshman year, I prayed to find a Christian community, and even though it didn't happen immediately, I eventually stumbled into Chi Alpha and have been a member since. Having a Christian community that is going through similar things, supports one another, and just provides a break from school is such a blessing. My college experience truly wouldn't be what it was without Chi Alpha.

Prayer Needs:

- We pray for our Chi Alphans to continue growing in their spiritual walk as they return home over summer break.
- Our summer Bible studies will take place on Tuesday evenings throughout June and July.
- Thousands of incoming freshmen will visit campus this summer for new student orientation. God give us divine appointments as we introduce new Bobcats to Chi Alpha.

Did You Know?

Before calling has anything to do with doing, it has everything to do with being that essence of yourself that God knew before the foundation of the earth, that God called into being and that God alone truly knows. It is the call to be who we are and at the same time to become more than we can yet envision.

Source: *Strengthening the Soul of Your Leadership*, Ruth Haley Barton



Emily leading worship at District Fine Arts