

Oh, what a day!

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Tulanians from near and far gathered at the [Bea Field Alumni House](#) to kick off the second Saturday (May 2) of the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival. Nearly 200 guests in attendance were treated to tasty brunch favorites such as alligator cheesecake, fried chicken and mimosas from Jacques Imo's Café. The third annual Jazz Fest Brunch was co-hosted by the Tulane Associates and the [Tulane Alumni Association](#) in recognition of alumni celebrating undergraduate reunions in 2015.



With a high in the low 80s and lots of sunshine, Saturday was a great day for a picnic on the alumni house lawn. Former Tulane classmates Kate Zibilich Holcomb and Nathan Spengler enjoy brunch with their families at the Bea Field Alumni House.



Tulane University students Cody Beam and Olivia Broslawsky of the Tulane Brass Band provide a lively warm-up for Jazz Fest's main acts later that day.



Inside the alumni house, folks reconnect with friends and make new ones. Alumni had an opportunity to learn more about [Reunion Weekend](#) festivities taking place Nov. 6â€“8, honoring the classes of 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010 and 2014.



Sara Laduzinski, daughter of 25th reunion committee member Steve Laduzinski, shows she is already a Tulane fan, in more ways than one.



Straw hats and sunglasses are de rigueur as revelers head to the shuttle bus that will take them to the Jazz Fest at the Fair Grounds Race Course to hear the likes of Elton John, Ed Sheeran and Aaron Neville.