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## NATIONAL LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR UPPERCLASSMEN



In November newly initiated members of Sig Tau will travel to four camp sites around the country to partake in the second Noble Man Institute. An exciting retreat-based leadership program like this would not be possible without the help of our undergraduate upperclassmen. If you would like to help shape future generations of Sig Taus, becoming an undergraduate facilitator for Noble Man Institute might be the perfect fit for you.

As an upperclassman at the time, Recruitment & Growth Coordinator Joey Haire, Winona, served as an undergraduate facilitator for the first Noble Man Institute. Haire volunteered at the Burlington, Wisconsin site.

*"I enjoyed so many discussions, especially when members talked about their chapter differences, later realizing the Fraternity's similarities across the nation," Haire said. "It helps brothers realize that they are not just a part of their chapter, but a part of an organization that stretches from coast to coast."*

This two-night retreat serves as part of our national new member program. Our newest members benefit from time spent with Sig Taus from other chapters during a weekend of brotherhood and personal growth. Undergraduates participate in a values and leadership discussion and will leave having had created a vision for themselves and their chapter.

This November we are in need of juniors and seniors to volunteer for the Institute. These volunteers will help shape the newly initiated members' first national program, as well as help foster lasting connections and friendships between brothers.

Volunteers will be assigned to one of the four host locations in Colorado, Illinois, Georgia, or New Jersey. HQ will cover all travel expenses to and from the camp, lodging, and meals. Volunteers will also receive a Noble Man Institute zip fleece.



Interested in volunteering? Click [here](#). The deadline to apply is September 24.

## 5 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT SIG TAU THIS MONTH

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### Labor Day

HQ was closed September 1-4 in observance of Labor Day. We hope you and your family had a safe holiday weekend.

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### Sig Tau Joins Anti-Hazing Hotline

We have partnered with 51 other Greek Organizations to bring this useful tool to our members. Read more about the hotline on the [SAGA Blog](#).

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### Four Expansions are Underway

Expansion efforts have begun at Texas - Austin, Nebraska - Lincoln, Iowa State, and Minnesota - Moorhead. Refer a potential new member [online](#).

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### WPN Launches Buildium

Residents of WPN properties can pay rent or submit a work order online using the new software [Buildium](#).

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### 2016-17 Record Recruitment Year

During the last academic year, 1,318 new members joined Sig Tau. That's a new record. Congrats brothers.



## GROWING CHAPTERS NEED LOCAL ALUMNI BASE

Sigma Tau Gamma is growing faster than ever. Participation of undergraduate members, attendees at educational conferences, staff, and volunteers are at an all-time high. With continued growth comes the need for increased mentorship, guidance, and support.

Recent graduates, or seasoned alumni, we need you. Now is the time to re-engage with Sigma Tau Gamma. No matter where you are in life, no matter your age, there is a place and way for you to reconnect with and support Sigma Tau Gamma brothers.

As chapters seek guidance from experienced alumni, this is your opportunity to have a direct impact on the newest generation of undergraduate brothers. Chapters across the country are looking for Executive Cabinet advisers who can help them see the big picture, let them make mistakes when necessary, and most importantly help the chapter be great. There is a one near you—donate your time and knowledge; they need you.



To get involved on a local level, please visit our website and use the [Update Your Information form](#). This will keep our records as up to date as possible, as well as help to identify how you are interested in getting plugged back in. Seize the day, and help influence the next generation of leaders.

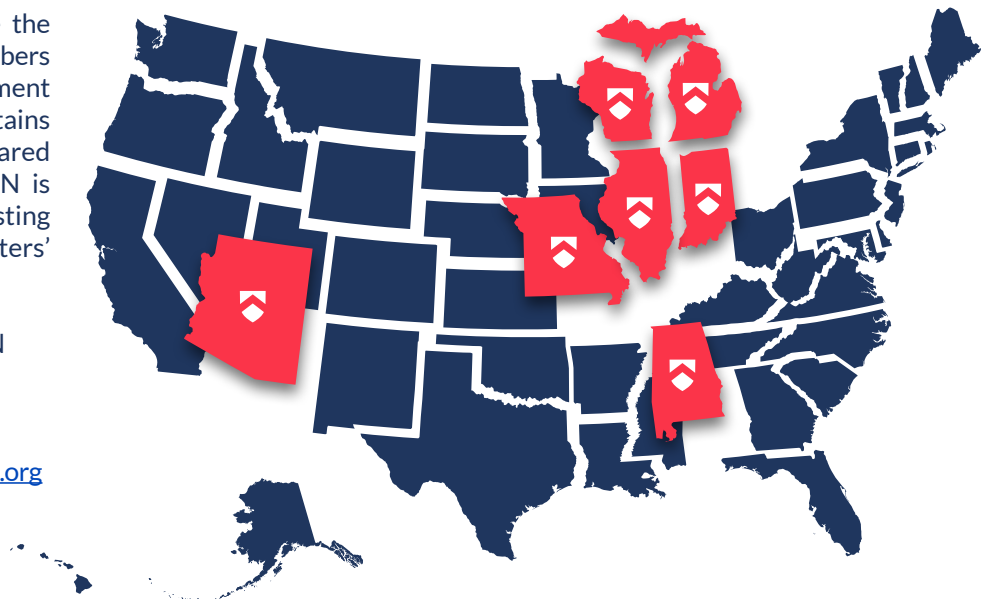
## WPN GROWS FROM ONE TO NINE PROPERTIES

This fall the WPN Housing Company has grown to include nine properties. As you may have seen on Twitter and Instagram last month, we spotlighted each WPN property with an official welcome home graphic and public announcement. Currently WPN has properties in seven states, including Alabama, Arizona, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Missouri, and Wisconsin.

The purpose of WPN is to enhance the undergraduate experience of our members by providing property management support and assistance as it pertains to housing or other forms of shared fraternity living/meeting space. WPN is always looking to partner with existing housing corporations to enrich chapters' fraternal experience.



To learn more about how WPN can assist your chapter, please contact the Director of WPN Housing and HQ Operations, Vanessa Ryan at [vryan@sigtau.org](mailto:vryan@sigtau.org)







## SOCIETY MEMBERS TAKE ON HQ ARCHIVES

Last month a heavyweight bout nearly 100 years in the making was fought at the Founders Library at 101 Ming Street in Warrensburg, Missouri. Four Society of Seventeen Members geared up to take on their opponent-97 years of chapter paperwork.

Joe Feldhouse, Cleveland State; Michael Schermer, Illinois State; Kenley Hoover, IU Pennsylvania; and Bill Hardebeck, Harris-Stowe, traveled to HQ on their own dime to sort through steel file cabinets of chapter records that Headquarters has accumulated



over the years. It was a hard fought, week-long battle, but the Society prevailed, and the four volunteers survived. By the end of the week, over 100,000 pieces of paperwork had been sorted and looked over, emptying 12, six-foot tall filing cabinets!

Of course the Society Members found time to have some fun as well during their time at HQ. Bill Bernier, Kent State, and Bill Hembree, Pittsburg State, joined the rest of the Society Members at the end of the week to catch up with one another and celebrate Brother Hembree's birthday.



Members of the Society of Seventeen plan on making one more trip to the Warrensburg HQ in November to continue their work on sorting historical paperwork.

## SIG TAU MARKETPLACE

### MARKETPLACE ITEM OF THE MONTH

The Sig Tau Marketplace item of the month is the Vineyard Vines Bow Tie. Make sure you check out the [Sig Tau Marketplace](https://sigtau.org/marketplace) and order yours today.

