

CHAPTER GOES VIRTUAL FOR ANNUAL ST. BALDRICK'S EVENT

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The Epsilon Sigma Chapter at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville has partnered with St. Baldrick's Foundation since 2016 and hosts the Shave N Toss event annually.

Shave N Toss is usually held on campus, with students and faculty coming together to play cornhole (bags) and having brothers shave their heads based on donations to the St. Baldrick's Foundation.

This year, the event took on a new twist by going digital. St. Baldrick's raises funds to help find a cure for childhood cancer, and Brother Connor Diaz, SIU Edwardsville, has been on the planning committee for the last couple of years and was excited about this year's event.

"When we were able to have in-person events, it has always been called Shave N Toss and was a great way for the campus to

come together for a great cause. Because of the success each year, it has grown bigger, and we struggled to find a way to have everyone and keep it within state COVID-19 guidelines."

This year it was hosted at a brother's house, with it being restricted to participants, brothers of the chapter, and the barbers. A donation page was created to help raise funds beginning a month before. Diaz said about half of the donations were collected before the event, but then the second half was collected during the live stream of brothers being shaved.

"We had five brothers sign up to shave their heads. We hit specific donation goals and ended up with nine chapter brothers who went bald. We did an Instagram Live for when brothers were having their heads shaved and raised money that way as well."

One thing the chapter learned from this year's event was that local partnerships are

essential. The chapter partnered with a local Edwardsville barbershop for the live stream.

"We feel having local partners adds to the community, and anyway we can help businesses and St. Baldrick's is great. In previous years, we have had businesses match donations, and we want to have that again in the future."

Diaz hopes that aspects such as the live stream and making it more of a team effort continue with future endeavors.

"Being able to live stream the event opens it up to a much larger audience. We've learned that a team of people can make the event better for everyone involved. If we could expand it to have more chapters participate and have everyone pitch in, it could really help make an impact."

In total, over \$2,100 was raised by the Epsilon Sigma Chapter for the St. Baldrick's Foundation.

THREE THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT SIG TAU THIS MONTH

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REGIONAL CHAPTER TOASTS

With the reintroduction of the regional volunteer structure, regional celebrations have been scheduled to give alumni the opportunity to meet some of our volunteers as well as connect with other alumni in your region. Please [visit](#) the Sig Tau website to register.

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2021 HALL OF FAME ANNOUNCED

Six gentlemen will be honored as inductees into the 2021 Noble Man Hall of Fame. Each Hall of Fame member is also now a finalist for the Ellsworth C. Dent Man of the Year – one of the highest honors an undergraduate member can achieve. Read more about each nobleman [here](#).

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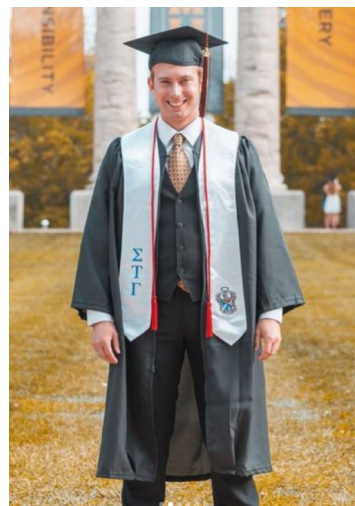
FOUNDERS DAY CHALLENGE

The Founders Day Challenge offers an opportunity to highlight brotherhood stories while offering brothers and friends of Sig Tau the chance to give back. [Join](#) the Founders Day Challenge and help us reach our goal of 300 donors and \$150,000 for the Noble Man Annual Fund.



GRADUATION

Congratulations to the hundreds of brothers across the country who graduated and have taken their next step as noble men of Sig Tau!





FROM THE ARCHIVES

This month, we feature the Delta Gamma Chapter at the University of Texas at Austin. The chapter received its charter in 1978 and was the 99th chapter in Sigma Tau Gamma's history. The Delta Gamma Chapter had 44 founding fathers and have initiated 192 brothers in their history.

