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GAMMA PHI CHAPTER HOMECOMING EXCELLENCE

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Most homecoming celebrations, if you are familiar with the tradition, typically happen during the fall semester. It is centered around a football game or a fall sports outing. For the University of Southern Indiana, homecoming actually happens during the spring semester. Basketball is a big part of the campus culture at Southern Indiana, and the Gamma Phi Chapter showed no doubt in their school pride this homecoming.

Homecoming week was fueled by games, karaoke nights, a pizza design contest at a local pizzeria, and ends with a lipsync battle and the crowning of homecoming court. For the first time in six years, Sig Tau had a brother represented on homecoming court. Former chapter president Hairo Rivas, Southern Indiana, was one of only 12 students nominated to serve on homecoming court. At Southern Indiana, the faculty and staff actually nominate candidates for homecoming court, identifying students that exhibit traits of being a leader inside and outside of the classroom.

"Sig Tau gave me the confidence to become more of a leader on campus and to make an impact," Rivas said. "I would not be where I am today without my brothers. No matter where you go on campus, you can see guys wearing the letters and being positive role models. When you keep your head on

straight and do fraternity the right way, you can accomplish anything."

The Gamma Phi Chapter also raised the most money leading up to the lipsync battle at the end of the week. Teams from across campus practice hours to perfect their routine and perform it on the hardwood in front of a bleacher filled audience. Tickets are sold for the event, with all proceeds going to local philanthropies. Rivas said it was a complete chapter effort to become more involved in homecoming this year.

"Everyone was on board and knew homecoming would be a good way to represent Sig Tau. Having a group of guys be present for almost every event shows that we care about our university and helps break the fraternity stereotype."

THREE THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT SIG TAU THIS MONTH

1

GRAND CONCLAVE REGISTRATION OPEN

All registration options are now open for Grand Conclave Kansas City. Students, alumni, and Friends of Sig Tau can register through the online registration portal. Check out the Grand Conclave section of the website to [learn more](#).

2

NATIONAL BOARD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sigma Tau Gamma is accepting applications for the Fraternity [Board of Directors](#), Foundation [Board of Trustees](#), WPN [Board of Managers](#), and Fraternity [General Counsel](#). The term will begin in June 2022 at Grand Conclave Kansas City.

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COMMITTEE WORK BEGINS

Multiple committees formed for Grand Conclave Kansas City have started the process of working through benchmarks to present to the House of Delegates in June. Of the eight committees, brothers from 33 chapter are represented.



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INFORMAL RECRUITMENT TURNS INTO SURPRISE CELEBRATION FOR ZETA CHAPTER NEW MEMBERS

For the Zeta Chapter at Northeastern State, spring recruitment in usually an informal affair. There is no official day new members have to be in the system for the university, there is no dedicated tabling days or house tour days, and there is no final celebration of a bid day. The men of the Zeta Chapter saw this as an opportunity to mold the recruitment experience into one that stands out on campus.



What started out as a normal day where all potential new members were asked to come and sign their bids, turned into a greeting and welcome members will never forget.

"After we sat down to get to know all of the potential new members and discussed them as a chapter, we asked them to come to a room on campus to sign their bid and take their next steps to join Sig Tau. We set up a table outside the room where new members signed their bid, and then told them to enter the room. Once they entered, we had every active member and our White Rose cheering them on and welcoming them to the chapter," Zeta Chapter President Turner Howk, Northeastern State said.



Creating this type of welcoming environment is something the Zeta Chapter prides themselves on. After the surprise welcome, everyone went out to eat and then went to a basketball game as a chapter. Howk believes a good first impression can make a lasting impact, and one where the chapter can stand above the rest on campus.

"Those guys did not expect it, and you can tell they had some much fun during the welcome process. We wanted them to feel confident they made the right decision in signing their bid, and to know that they have dozens of guys now standing in their corner," Howk said. "We are about being noble men and knowing that this experience is more than just having a friend group, we want to be the example of a leader on campus, and that begins with how we recruit and welcome our newest members."



CHAPTER ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the chapters celebrating anniversaries this month!

Tuesday, February 1 | *Epsilon Chi Chapter at Auburn* – **Eight years of brotherhood**

Monday, February 7 | *Beta Gamma Chapter at Youngstown State* – **63 years of brotherhood**

Monday, February 28 | *Beta Kappa Chapter at UW - La Crosse* – **62 years of brotherhood**

Monday, February 28 | *Epsilon Omega Chapter at Florida Tech.* – **Seven years of brotherhood**





NOBLE NEWS

Would you like to share news with the Sig Tau community? Submit your news [here](#).



1

BROTHERS FROM ALPHA EPSILON CHAPTER AT HENDERSON STATE VOLUNTEER AT A LOCAL FOOD PANTRY.



2

CHAPTER OFFICERS FROM THE UPSILON CHAPTER AT ARKANSAS AT MONTICELLO TABLE TO RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS.



3

NOBLE MEN FROM THE DELTA CHAPTER AT EMPORIA STATE TAKE A PIE TO THE FACE TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE JUNEBUG FOUNDATION.



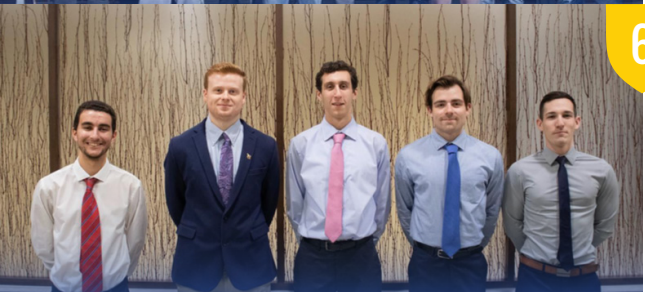
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BROTHERS FROM THE BETA GAMMA CHAPTER AT YOUNGSTOWN STATE HAVE FUN DURING THE WINTER SNOW STORM.



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CHAPTER MEMBERS FROM THE THETA CHAPTER AT NORTHWEST MISSOURI STATE VOLUNTEER AT THE LOCAL HUMANE SOCIETY.



6

THE EPSILON OMICRON CHAPTER AT MONMOUTH INTRODUCE THEIR NEW EXECUTIVE CABINET OFFICERS.

FROM THE ARCHIVES

This month, we feature the Gamma Delta Chapter at Minot State University. Minot State University is located in Minot, North Dakota and was founded as a normal school in 1913. The Gamma Delta Chapter had 22 founding fathers and received their charter on May 28, 1966. The chapter's last initiated member was in 1984, and have over 400 alumni. They were named Edward H. McCune Distinguished Chapter of the Year five times from 1968 through 1977.

