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RECRUITMENT SEASON IS HERE

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The fall 2021 semester marked the inaugural Sigma Tau Gamma Recruitment Classic.

The Recruitment Classic is a challenge designed to promote brotherhood and drive recruitment success through the spirit of competition. The Delta Upsilon Chapter at Penn St. Behrend, the Kappa Chapter at UW - Whitewater, and the Zeta Alpha Chapter at Arizona State were crowned inaugural Recruitment Classic champions.

The 2022 - 2023 Recruitment Classic aims to build off last year's success. Once again, chapters are split into three divisions according to chapter size and paired against another chapter within the same division. The pairings are determined by previous years' recruitment data, geographical alignment, and conference or state rivalries, if applicable.

Chapters with similar statistics compete against one another for the chance to win prizes, custom Sig Tau swag, and, most importantly, ultimate bragging rights. If you want to see chapter matchups, check the division breakdowns on the next page.

THREE THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT SIG TAU THIS MONTH

1

NATIONAL RECRUITMENT VIDEO

The 2022 national recruitment (rush) [video](#) is available to view. This video is available for any chapter to use at any point in time during the 2022 - 2023 academic year.

2

REGIONAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The regional structure launched last academic year plays a pivotal part in the success of chapters and the experience of thousands of undergraduate brothers. [Apply](#) and learn more online.

3

WPN PROPERTY MANAGER POSITION

[Make](#) an impact and join the Sig Tau Headquarters Staff. Those with a background or experience in apartment or leasing management or student/campus housing management are desired.



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DIVISION



BREAKDOWNS



DIVISION 1

Black Hills	vs	Nebraska
Penn State Behrend	vs	Fitchburg
Monmouth	vs	William Woods
Cal U	vs	Pitt-Johnstown
UW - Stevens Point	vs	UW - La Crosse
Plymouth State	vs	UMass Lowell
SUNY Buffalo	vs	SUNY Plattsburgh
Millersville	vs	Robert Morris
Arkansas at Monticello	vs	Marshall



DIVISION 2

Maryland	vs	Purdue
UW - Whitewater	vs	Michigan Tech.
Colorado State	vs	Colorado
Central Michigan	vs	Carroll
Youngstown State	vs	UW - Platteville
Nevada	vs	Pittsburg State
Winona State	vs	Nebraska at Kearney
Kansas State	vs	Missouri-St. Louis
Truman State	vs	Southeastern Oklahoma
SIU Edwardsville	vs	Cleveland State
Missouri S&T	vs	Henderson State



DIVISION 3

Alabama	vs	Auburn
UNC Charlotte	vs	Virginia Tech.
Arizona State	vs	Arizona
Missouri	vs	Michigan State
Central Arkansas	vs	Western Michigan
Central Oklahoma	vs	Northeastern State
East Carolina	vs	Southeastern Louisiana
Central Missouri	vs	Northwest Missouri
Salisbury	vs	Southern Indiana
Emporia State	vs	Cincinnati



MEET THE 2022 – 2024 FRATERNITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS



41st National President Jeremy Daus, UW – River Falls

Jeremy Daus was initiated into the Gamma Nu Chapter at the University of Wisconsin – River Falls in 1996. He served in multiple roles as an undergraduate, including executive vice president. As an alumnus, Daus would serve as lead advisor to the Gamma Nu Chapter, held the position of vice president for the Gamma Nu Alumni Association, and was very involved as a regional volunteer. He served as a district director from 2005 - 2008 and then as regional Vice President until 2011. Daus was elected to the Board of Directors in 2014 and was voted as President-Elect in 2018 at Grand Conclave Phoenix.

"Being elected as president is one of the greatest honors of my life and one of the greatest responsibilities because my Brothers put their trust in me to stand up and lead. I am truly humbled in taking on this role because our Fraternity's success today rests upon the shoulders of the men who've brought us to this point, and it's my responsibility to continue to advance Sig Tau's Vision and Purpose for the next generation of Noble Men," Daus said.



President-Elect Mike Van Camp, Indiana State

Mike Van Camp began his service and leadership with Sigma Tau Gamma almost immediately after his initiation into the Delta Tau Chapter at Indiana State University. As an undergraduate, he held various chapter positions, including the standards board chairman, vice president, and president. Following graduation, he served as a district director from 2010 - 2013 and was active in the Delta Tau Alumni Association, including president from 2013 - 2016. In 2017, he began serving as a Trustee for the Sig Tau Foundation and was elected as President-Elect in 2022 at Grand Conclave Kansas City.

"20 years ago, I started a journey at the Delta Tau Chapter. Every year since has been such an amazing experience. I believe Sigma Tau Gamma offers an opportunity to every brother, and it is up to each brother to decide what to do with that opportunity. For me, I soaked in as much knowledge, skills, and advice as I could. I then harnessed those lessons to help my development as a person, leader, and Brother. I owe so much to Sig Tau, so I continue to volunteer and give back to our Brotherhood. It is truly an honor and a privilege to be elected as the 42nd National President of Sigma Tau Gamma. I am thrilled to work alongside a great Board of Directors and staff to enhance that Brotherhood experience," Van Camp said.



Past President Jim Johnston, Carnegie Mellon

Jim Johnston was initiated into the Delta Xi Chapter in 1997 at Carnegie Mellon. As an undergraduate, he served as chapter president, executive vice president, and vice president of finance. As an alumnus, he has served as Three Rivers Regional Vice President, Assistant Dean of Webb Academy, and on the Board of Directors. Johnston was recognized as an Ellsworth C. Dent Man of the Year Finalist in 2001 and received the Winebrenner Medal for Distinguished Fraternity Service in 2007.

"I want to give back to an organization that has given so much to me. I would not be where I am today with my career or personal life without my fraternity experiences. I've always been inspired by a simple quote from past Fraternity and Foundation Chairman, Michael Schermer, Illinois State, which is, 'Just make it better for the next guy,' and I want to bring my experiences back to strengthen and grow our organization," Johnston said.



Senior Past President Jonathan Proehl, UW – River Falls

Jonathan Proehl has been regularly involved with Sigma Tau Gamma since his initiation on April 14th, 1996. As an undergraduate member, he was vice president of membership in 1997 and chapter president in 1999. In August 2000, he became the Lakeland District Director, serving four years. Proehl became Great Lakes Regional Vice President in 2004 and served the Gamma Nu Alumni Association as CFO from April 2002 to April 2006. He served as a member of the Gamma Nu Alumni Association Board of Directors from April 2000 to April 2006 and was elected President-Elect at the 2014 Grand Chapter.

"One of my primary goals is to continually improve the programming and training of Sigma Tau Gamma's members and take those resources to a chapter level. I envision online training, alumni delivery to individual chapters, and peer-to-peer enrichment. The resources Sigma Tau Gamma has available can have a much more profound impact if we can access our entire membership," Proehl said.





Jeremiah King, Missouri S&T

Jeremiah King was initiated into the Alpha Omega Chapter at Missouri University of Science and Technology in 2002. He served two terms as chapter president, chapter active of the semester three times, a Dent Man of the Year Finalist, and both Alpha Omega Alumni Association President and Secretary. At the national level, he served as a District Director and Regional Vice President.

"I want to ensure the proper resources are available so Sigma Tau Gamma can continue its positive growth by expanding to new schools and providing additional programming to existing chapters," King said.



John Barger, Murray State

John Barger was initiated into the Epsilon Eta Chapter at Murray State University in 1991, where he was a founding father of the chapter. He served as vice president of programs and eventually as chapter president. He served as president of the Epsilon Eta Alumni Association, as a Sig Tau Foundation Trustee, and has been an advisor to the Zeta Beta Chapter at Cincinnati. He was awarded the Professor O.F. Grubbs Advisor of the Year in 2022.

"Back in the day, I remember my small chapter struggling through every single triumph and tribulation. We didn't know it at the time, but these challenges taught countless lessons in life and love. Although my fraternity story began long ago, I am sure many younger brothers testify to a similar experience. Campus climates and pressures have grown and evolved since my undergraduate days. Regardless, our superb brotherhood has proven itself as the constant over the years. The future isn't absolute, yet our organization must endure. To preserve and thrive, we must be Sigma Tau Gammas for Life. By this, I mean 'lighten the young guys' burden' and 'kindle our lifelong fellowships,' Barger said.



Christian Ely, Southern Indiana

Christian Ely was initiated into the Gamma Phi Chapter at Southern Indiana in 2012. He served the chapter as executive vice president and as president. After graduation, he became vice president for the Gamma Phi Alumni Association and has been an advisor to the Gamma Phi Chapter since 2018. Ely also served on the National Alumni Advisory Council, and in 2015, Ely was named the Ellsworth C. Dent Man of the Year.

"I am honored by the opportunity to give back to an organization that means so much to me. Sigma Tau Gamma offers experiences and the chance to build relationships that can truly change one's life. I'm excited to be able to do my part to ensure that Sigma Tau Gamma continues to provide meaningful experiences to the membership," Ely said.



Erik Kahl, UW - La Crosse

Erik Kahl was initiated into the Beta Kappa Chapter at UW - La Crosse in 2007. He served as executive vice president and president of the chapter and was a Greek senator in student government. After graduation, he served as a district director, regional director, and chapter advisor to multiple chapters, including the Zeta Sigma Chapter at Colorado State, the Zeta Alpha Chapter at Arizona State, and the Gamma Zeta Chapter at Northern Arizona. He was also a 2012 recipient of the Winebrenner Distinguished Fraternity Service Award.

"Prior to my recent volunteer roles, I was a Headquarters staff member working with collegiate services, member safety, educational programs, and alumni engagement. I have a unique perspective of the operational size and great appreciation and recognition of the roles of staff vs. board. Furthermore, working on a college campus allows me to interact with students and understand the experience more readily. When we need colleges for our organization to exist and thrive, having a perspective from the college lens is valuable."

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FROM THE ARCHIVES

This month we feature the Beta Nu Chapter at the University of Louisiana Monroe in Ouachita Parish, Louisiana. The Beta Nu Chapter began with 14 Founding Fathers in 1960, initiating over 300 men since its inception. The last brother initiated into the Beta Nu Chapter was in 1981, with the chapter closing shortly after.

