# SAGA MONTHLY

### ALPHA PHI CHAPTER RETURNS TO SOUTHEAST MISSOURI (SEMO)



After a brief hiatus on the campus at Southeast Missouri State University (SEMO), the Alpha Phi Chapter is back. Over the past eight weeks, Headquarters Staff Greg Rush, Phi Delta Theta, has recruited the next generation of noble men and has reinstalled the chapter with 25 founding fathers.

Brothers are from across the country, are freshmen to seniors, and represent different parts of the campus community. Rush was excited to help a new group of students become noble men.

"Once I was settled into campus, I could hit the ground running and connect with students from all across campus. Everyone was warm and welcoming, and by the time I left campus just a couple of days ago, I had student union workers and my favorite barista wearing a Sig Tau button. This group of young men is poised for greatness, and I can't wait to watch them accomplish every goal they set."

Part of what made this expansion a success was alumni support. The Alpha Phi Alumni Association helped provide recruitment scholarships, supported the growing chapter with brotherhood dinners, and saw the importance of setting a strong financial foundation for the chapter to grow.

"The alumni have been tremendous during my time here at SEMO. I've had the opportunity to work for other national organizations, and this group is one of the most passionate. I'm thankful for their support and motivation to see the Alpha Phi Chapter return. There would be 25 fewer changed lives on campus if not for the alumni."

Colton Francis, Southeast Missouri, was selected to be Alpha Phi Chapter President. He is a sophomore from Fredericktown, Missouri, earning his degree in business administration. He knows the importance and impact he can have on the chapter's future success as it grows.

"It's an honor to me and means a lot. I hope to set the standard for what a brother of Sig Tau looks like on campus and help establish the right type of fraternity experience. We know this can be whatever we want it to be, and I want to help create a place where people feel comfortable and accepted."

#### THREE THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT SIG TAU THIS MONTH

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The 2022 – 2024 Fraternity Board of Directors held their first official meeting at Headquarters from October 6-8.

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#### #SIGTAUTHANKS

The <u>#SigTauThanks</u> Campaign is back! Let us know why you are thankful for Sig Tau to possibly be featured on social media this November. 3

#### WPN PROPERTY MANAGER

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. D

## UMASS LOWELL CHAPTER HOLDS UNIQUE RECRUITMENT EVENT

For the Epsilon Delta Chapter at UMass Lowell, they wanted to have a recruitment event that would stand out from the rest. While others are doing cornhole tournaments or a meet the brothers' barbeque, they went the route of an alumni networking event. At the end of the summer, Epsilon Delta Chapter President Alex Cassady, UMass Lowell, sat down with his officers and a few alumni and wanted to get creative this fall. They wanted to bring alumni back to campus and thought a networking event would be a perfect way. Instead of potential new members meeting with current chapter brothers, they met with alumni to hear how Sig Tau helped them in college and how they can use the fraternity for professional development.

"I was able to reserve the event hall on campus, and we had alumni stationed at different tables for potential new members to chat with," Cassady said. "We had alumni that are now lawyers, to those that are in sales, to brothers even in the fields of energy and tech., so we had a lot of guys in various degree fields."

The space accommodated 40 people, and they had nearly that many participants. The entire chapter, 12 alumni, and a handful of potential new members joined the event. Cassady said after the event was over, you could tell the brotherhood was getting stronger, which could be the start of something with even more impact.

"The alumni in attendance want to start a mentorship program with active brothers in the chapter. Being able to pair an active brother with an alumnus who wants not only to see the chapter do well but also wants to guide them through college is exciting. This also showed potential new members the evidence of what Sig Tau can do for them and why this matters."





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This month we feature the Epsilon Tau Chapter at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. The Epsilon Tau Chapter received its charter on March 17, 2013, becoming the 139th chapter in Sig Tau history. Initiating over 300 men since its inception, the chapter has won multiple national awards, including the Edward H. McCune Distinguished Chapter Award in 2016.

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