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Spring/Summer 2015



**Expanding Leadership
Provisional Chapter Presidents**

Erik Kahl Joins Headquarters Staff



Erik Kahl in front of Sigma Tau Gamma Headquarters in Warrensburg, MO

Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity is proud to welcome **Erik Kahl** as our new Director of Member and Organizational Development. In this position Erik oversees collegiate services, leadership programming, and member safety and wellness.

“I am looking forward to enhancing the Sigma Tau Gamma experience for our undergraduate and alumni members,” said Kahl. “I believe my perspective as a former fraternity/sorority advisor will be helpful to the headquarters team.”

Kahl is a 2007 initiate from the University of Wisconsin – La Crosse. Erik came to our headquarters staff from Arizona State University where he oversaw men’s fraternity housing, chapter advising, and large-scale workshops and programs as the Student Activity Advisor for Fraternity and Sorority Life.

From 2010 to 2012, Kahl served as a mentor to the Provisional Chapter at Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville. In 2012, he served as the Southwest District Director and helped the Washington, Arizona State and Northern Arizona chapters get started. Kahl is the recipient of the Fraternity’s 2012 Winebrenner Distinguished Service Award.

Kahl received his B.A. in Spanish from the University of Wisconsin – La Crosse and his Master’s of Education in Higher Education/Student Affairs with an emphasis in leadership development and learning from Iowa State in 2013.

“Erik brings a great deal of experience to our team from his advisor role at Arizona State to the numerous volunteer positions in Sigma Tau Gamma,” said Chief Executive Officer **Steve Latour**. “His background and leadership qualities are a great addition to our team, and we are excited to welcome him on staff.”

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Rededicate Yourself to Ideals of Brotherhood

Dateline – Fall 1973

Our Founders, when they began to organize their ideas of brotherhood into the Fraternity to be called Sigma Tau Gamma, set their purpose into the preamble of the Fraternity Constitution.



Believing that all men are social creatures and that friendships of college men are lasting ones, we do hereby seek to promote these associations through a social fraternity, which will uphold the true standards of brotherhood...

Here is the foundation upon which our brotherhood is set. Our preamble is an ideal to which over 30,000 Sig Taus have subscribed. Those who have subscribed and taken the ideal seriously know that brotherhood is not easily accomplished. Successfully achieving brotherhood requires virtues of patience, understanding, generosity and good will in large measure. Achieving and maintaining brotherhood in a chapter is hard work, yet brotherhood itself is your own generous reward.

If you have just pledged a Sigma Tau Gamma chapter, I challenge you to dedicate yourself to the high ideal of brotherhood.

If you are a Sig Tau, a brother in good standing, I challenge you also. Brotherhood is a worthy ideal. Rededicate yourself to its noble purpose.

Pat Phelps
17th National President
1972-1974

Editor's Note: Pat Phelps, Southeastern Oklahoma '58, served the Fraternity as a field consultant in 1961. He then went to Law school at the University of Oklahoma. Brother Phelps will soon celebrate 50 years in the practice of law. While national president he was an associate district judge in Durant, Oklahoma. Pat and his wife Dot continue active interest in Sigma Tau Gamma.

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On the cover

Alex Maggard, President of our Kansas State University Provisional Chapter.

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70 Chapters and Counting

Thank you for such a wonderful welcome!

Having now visited 39 of our 70 chapters and provisional chapters (the plan is to hit the remaining 31 this fall), I have been extremely humbled by the kindness and openness that I have received from undergraduates, alumni, and campus administrators as the new CEO. I will be the first to say that following in the footsteps of a man that has given so much to the Fraternity is a daunting task, but with every member interaction I have, I am even more determined to make this opportunity that I've been given *truly count*, not only for me, but for the future of our great Fraternity.



Since coming onboard, I have been very focused on learning about our current strengths and challenges, and have spent a significant amount of time recruiting and cultivating a team here at Headquarters that will stand ready to make sure that each of you are given the best member experience possible. The Headquarters Staff exists because of you, so it is our privilege to serve and support each and every member. Our entire team is committed to offer you an approach that is timely, innovative, trustworthy, and responsible – all while doing our best to give you our upmost attention and respect in every interaction. I am determined that when you think of the Headquarters Staff, you will say that it is one of the hallmarks of your ongoing experience with the Fraternity. As you can imagine, there are many topics I could address with you, but I wanted to start there first. Earning your trust and confidence will give me and the staff enormous potential to *do good* for everyone.

As you may have suspected, there is no shortage of stuff to do, enhance, evaluate, or all together stop doing. At the end of this first full year as CEO, I want to be able to say that I have not only learned a tremendous amount about where we are today as a Fraternity and Foundation, but that I have also taken the steps necessary to modernize our efficiency and increase our visibility on the campuses where we call home. I will share that I believe it is possible to not only strengthen our current chapters and the experience each of them have been given but to expand to new campuses around the country. We

have not seen interest in Greek life like this since the 1980's, so I want to make sure that we are capitalizing on this moment in time and have within our sights the goal of having active chapters on more than 100 campuses.

I would be remiss if I didn't also address the dozens of op-eds and television commentary calling for the end of Greek life on campuses across the country. 2015 has definitely had an unusual feel to it, as a handful of campuses levied en mass, disciplinary measures against hundreds of thousands of students, even though most of those young men and women were not part of any specific code of conduct violation or campus investigation. Their crime? Belonging to a fraternity or sorority. The facts are that fraternity men are no better than anyone else from a human value perspective, but they're certainly no less *either*. I believe that our members deserve to be respected for the aspiring young men they are – and seek to become.

With Greek life under the microscope like never before, the truth is that we are going to have to make some changes as an organization regarding alumni engagement and member safety, but know that I and the Board of Directors are paying close attention to this topic and that we stand ready to engage as needed to protect this institution and the greater Greek life experience as a whole.

As I begin this new responsibility, I look forward to hearing from you, hearing your stories, and reflecting with you on what the future of our Fraternity will look like in the decades to come. If anything in my letter has struck a nerve I would ask you to re-engage and get involved, whether that be helping to advise one of our chapters or committing support to our Foundation, there has never been a better time to step in and recommit to the ideals that have helped us endure for 95 years.

As we record another milestone this June, I will be thinking of each of you and the effort you've given to help us reach this moment – without you, none of us would be here today. Happy 95th Founders Day! May it be the start of a new era of growth, expansion, engagement, and innovation for Sig Tau!

Fraternally Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Slatour". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Steven Latour
Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity and Foundation
Chief Executive Officer
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Alpha Omega *(Missouri University of Science and Technology)*

Brothers from the Alpha Omega Chapter worked with the Missouri S&T Police to support the 2015 Special Olympics of Missouri Torch Run.



Alpha Omega brothers volunteering at the 2015 Special Olympics of Missouri Torch Run

Alpha Phi *(Southeast Missouri State University)*

In April, brothers from the Alpha Phi Chapter participated in a local free throw contest for their local Special Olympics branch. The Chapter also donated \$50 to Special Olympics.



Alpha Phi brothers at the Special Olympics philanthropy

Beta *(Truman State University)*

In February, more than 50 brothers from Beta Chapter participated in the 26th annual philanthropy “The Walk.” For this event, members drove to the local TV news station and walked five miles back to the chapter house in their underwear. The chapter donated the money to their local philanthropy partner, The Northeast Missouri Association for Citizens with Disabilities (NACD). The NACD assists individuals and families in purchasing and building handicap accessible equipment in the homes of people with disabilities. The chapter sold boxers, organized a GoFundMe page, and coordinated fundraising efforts with area restaurants who were asked to donate a percentage of their profit to the philanthropy. The brothers raised more than \$1,000 for NACD.



The week of March 22-March 28 Truman State held their annual Greek Week. Throughout the week, Fraternity/Sorority organizations teamed up to participate in events ranging from American Trivia, Penny Wars, Trumerican Idol, Battle of the Bands, Cook-off, and Lip Sync. Beta Chapter won the IFC victory for the 2nd year in a row and 3rd time in the past 4 years. The members were awarded 2nd in the Cook-off, 1st in Battle of the Bands (featuring the chapter’s own band “The Wobbly Goats,” who are pictured), and 1st overall in Lip Sync. Beta Chapter raised a grand total of \$20,000 for the NEMO Inclusion Project.

Beta Chapter’s band “The Wobbly Goats” with their trophy from Greek Week

Beta Gamma *(Youngstown State University)*

During the last weekend in March, 20 brothers from the Beta Gamma Chapter volunteered at the 7th annual Wick Park Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Wick Park Neighborhood Association. Members helped children and families at the registration table and with multiple activities at the event. Brother **Kyle Shehadi** ‘12, dressed as a very tall Easter bunny and posed for pictures with event attendees.

Beta Gamma Chapter also won the Youngstown State Interfraternity Council Academics Award for having the highest grade point average among all of the fraternities at YSU. This is the 15th straight year they have received the award. Brother **Sam Rakocy** ‘13, won the Youngstown State Interfraternity Council Delegate of the Year Award. Brother **Jacob Schriener-Briggs** ‘13, was inducted into Order of Omega.



Beta Gamma brothers volunteering at the Wick Park Easter Egg Hunt

Beta Theta (Purdue University)

On March 1, Beta Theta Chapter teamed up with Gamma Phi Beta to volunteer at the Almost Home Humane Society in Lafayette, IN. Members washed cages, refilled food and water, moved furniture, and gave all the dogs and cats some exercise outside.



Beta Theta brothers volunteering at the Almost Home Humane Society

Beta Iota (California University of Pennsylvania)

Beta Iota won first place in the Leadership and Scholarship Awards for IFC at Cal U. The chapter also won the overall President's Award and a \$500 prize. In March, the chapter won Greek Sing with Delta Zeta.

Brothers from the Beta Iota Chapter, along with the chapter's 2014 White Rose Sweetheart, attended the American Heart Association Heart Ball.



Beta Iota brothers at the American Heart Association Heart Ball

Beta Tau (Slippery Rock University)

On April 11, the Beta Tau Chapter held the 2nd Annual Warrior Run 5k at Slippery Rock University to benefit chapter alumnus and US Marine **Doug Vitale '06**. Doug attended Slippery Rock University from 2005-2007



Beta Tau brothers at the 2nd Annual Warrior Run 5k

where he joined Sigma Tau Gamma in 2006 and met his wife, Alexis, in 2007. Two years later Doug joined the United States Marine Corps. During Doug's second deployment overseas, he was critically wounded in the line of duty. Doug's injury left him wheelchair bound and permanently disabled. Doug is a recipient of the Purple Heart. All proceeds from the race were donated to help towards Doug's recovery and his family. In early April, the chapter had raised more than \$2,100 with more donations coming in each day to benefit Doug.

Beta Upsilon (Cleveland State University)

In February, 15 brothers from the Beta Upsilon Chapter participated in the Polar Plunge in Geneva, OH. Members raised \$2,300 to support the Special Olympics.



Beta Upsilon brothers at the Polar Plunge

Sig Tau Represented at AFLV Central

During the last weekend in January, fraternity men and sorority women from hundreds of colleges and universities attended the Association of Fraternal Leadership and Values Annual Conference (AFLV) in Indianapolis, IN. Eleven Sig Taus were in attendance from Central Michigan (Psi), Central Missouri (Alpha), Central Oklahoma (Beta Zeta), Salisbury (Epsilon Rho), Saint Louis (Epsilon Xi), Southern Indiana (Gamma Phi), Youngstown State (Beta Gamma), and Wisconsin - Whitewater (Kappa).

The men came together during the affiliation lunch and discussed how to take what they had learned back to their chapters and campuses.



Sigma Tau Gamma brothers at the Association of Fraternal Leadership and Values Annual Conference (AFLV) in Indianapolis, IN.

Delta Alpha (East Carolina University)

In February, brothers of Delta Alpha Chapter took first place in the Intramural Bowling Championship.

Delta Alpha brothers at the Intramural Bowling Championship game (From left: Michael Zollo, Tyler Moore, William Daniel, Austin Wilder, Conor Mangham)



Delta Epsilon (Texas State University)

In March, brothers from Delta Epsilon Chapter participated in the annual Bobcat Build, which is the second largest community service event hosted by a school in Texas. Members helped a homeowner repaint her house and rebuild her garden. The homeowner was so grateful for their service that she named a peach tree after the fraternity.



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Delta Epsilon brothers volunteering at the annual Bobcat Build

Epsilon Lambda (SUNY, Plattsburgh)

In April, the brothers of Epsilon Lambda joined the #IAmAFraternityMan movement and showed support for fraternity men across North America.



Epsilon Lambda Chapter joins the "I Am a Fraternity Man" Movement

Epsilon Phi (University of Alabama)

Brothers from Epsilon Phi Chapter held two successful philanthropy events for the Humane Society of West Alabama. For the Lend-A-Paw and Claws for Paws events, the chapter partnered with Alpha Gamma Delta and Alpha Chi Omega sororities respectively. They raised a total of \$2,169 for the dogs and cats of Tuscaloosa.



From left: VP of Programs Michael Clark, HSWA board member Tina Miller, and Philanthropy Chairman Samuel Tucker.

Delta Pi (University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown)

Delta Pi Chapter won University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown's Organization of the Year Award through fundraising and community service work. The chapter also won Greek Week for the second year in a row. **Nate Eicholtz** '13, won the Elite Mountain Cat Award, which goes to an officer that shows unparalleled dedication to an organization. Chapter Vice President, **Aaron**



Inkrote '13, won the Academic Excellence and Leadership Mountain Cat Award, which goes to an individual who has been able to hold a leadership position effectively and achieve a high GPA (3.56).

Delta Pi brothers with their Greek Week Award

Epsilon Xi (Saint Louis University)

Brothers from Epsilon Xi Chapter studied abroad in Madrid, Spain this past semester and proudly represented Sigma Tau Gamma at the Royal Palace of Madrid.

Epsilon Xi brothers in front of the Royal Palace of Madrid



Gamma Theta (University of Missouri, St. Louis)

In honor of MLK Day of Service, brothers of Gamma Theta Chapter volunteered to paint schools and clean up at a local YMCA.

Gamma Theta brothers volunteering at the local YMCA



PROJECT LEADERSHIP



1400 UNITED TO ADVANCE THE CHAIN OF HONOR

Project Leadership is our campaign to double the number of unique donors to the Sigma Tau Gamma Foundation. We launched this three-year campaign in 2012. The Project Leadership goals were to involve 1,400 unique donors and to raise \$250,000. The Project Leadership campaign is coming to a close.

Over the course of the campaign 1,355 donors contributed \$291,902 to support scholarships and leadership development program. Nearly 500 alumni, undergraduates and friends were first time donors. Many of our donors made multiple gifts over the three-year life of the campaign.

“A special thanks to John Heiman, the original chair of the campaign. Without his leadership and his team, this campaign would not have got off the ground. Our challenge for the future is to continue to grow our number of donors to assure that we can continue building the leadership skills of our members as well as develop programs for member wellness and safety.”

*Tomas N. Janicki, President
Sigma Tau Gamma Foundation, Inc.*

Project Leadership raised the level of awareness about our Chapter Endowments Program. With this program individual gifts may be designated for the support of scholarships and leadership development programs at a specific college chapter. Each Chapter Endowment is managed by our Foundation. That management includes investment of the funds, distribution grants and scholarships, accounting and related IRS rules compliance. For more information on Chapter Endowments, visit: www.sigmataugamma.org/foundation.

So far our undergraduate members have been awarded more than \$35,000 in grants and nearly \$29,000 in scholarships. Our Foundation has invested the remaining funds to enable continued support of the academic and leadership development of our student members.

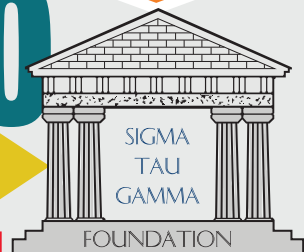
We are deeply grateful to the our many brothers and friends who volunteered their time and donated to help make this funding available and the campaign an overall success.

Your generosity is transforming undergraduate brothers across Sigma Tau Gamma, providing them with the tools necessary to become high performing gentlemen.

**BY THE NUMBERS:
PROJECT LEADERSHIP**
TOTAL RAISED: \$291,902

490

new donors to the
Foundation.



1354

total unique donors who
gave over the 3-year
campaign.



186

grants and scholarships were awarded.



\$28,450

was awarded in academic
scholarships.

32

total Sig Tau
chapters were
impacted by
campaign
funding.

\$35,422

was
awarded to undergraduates
for attendance at regional &
national events.

Honor Roll of Project Leadership Donors

We are pleased to salute our Project Leadership donors with this Honor Roll. These brothers and friends believe in Sigma Tau Gamma and are investing in the futures of the undergraduate student members who make up our university chapters.

We are particularly grateful to those brothers who gave in excess of \$5,000 during the campaign. They are **Richard Harguindeguy** (Northland '78), **Thomas Janicki** (Carnegie Mellon '74), **Shawn Kelly** (Wisconsin-River Falls '96), **Paul Phillips** (Southeastern Louisiana '92), **Jeffrey Russo** (Carnegie Mellon '88), **Michael Schermer** (Illinois State Hon.), and **Paul Szczesny** (Michigan Tech '81).

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Paul McMillen Elected to Board of Trustees



Paul McMillen

Paul McMillen, Mansfield PA '66, is newly elected to the Board of Trustees of the Sigma Tau Gamma Foundation, Inc. McMillen is currently employed as President of the Pennsylvania Automotive Association Foundation (PAAF). He previously, served as the President of the Pennsylvania Automotive Association (PAA) from 1980-2011, and in 1976-1980 served as Director of Development & Alumni Affairs at Mansfield University of Pennsylvania.

McMillen graduated from Mansfield in 1969. As an undergraduate, he served as President of Gamma Alpha Chapter from 1968-1969. McMillen and his wife Dusty have two grown children, Mike and Daniel, and two grandchildren.

McMillen is an active civic and professional associations leader. His prior leadership affiliations include Highmark Inc., Blue Shield Consumer Advisory Council, Capital Blue Cross, Inc., Hershey Entertainment and Resorts, Inc., Automotive Youth Enterprises, Inc., Automotive Trade Associations Executives, Governor Tom Corbett Transition Team, National Automobile Dealers Association Foundation, American Red Cross, and Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Alumni Association. McMillen was one of three incorporators of the Mansfield University Foundation.

The Sigma Tau Gamma Foundation is governed by a board of 18 Trustees. Trustees serve a term of three years. Six Trustees are elected each year. Trustees reelected this year to three year terms include **Joseph Feldhouse**, Cleveland State '67, **Kenley R. Hoover**, Indiana PA '54, **Shawn Kelly**, Wisconsin-River Falls '93, **Michael Schermer**, Illinois State Hon, and **Kelly Young**, Central Missouri '77. **Robert E. Bernier**, Kent '70, was elected to the office of Emeriti Trustee after more than 30 years of service as a Trustee.

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 Harry Sieben, '65
 Michael Whiting, '15
- Wisconsin-Eau Claire**
 Brad Kipp, '70
 Dennis Knutson, '66
 Robert McBride, '78
 Theodore Priem, '62
 Michael Schmidt, '75
- Wisconsin-La Crosse**
 John Bagger, '71
 Thomas Connell, '08
 Stephen Donahoe, '78
 Cody Falls, '14
 James Hilton, '74
 Brent Jacobs, '13
 Erik Kahl, '10
 I. Thomas Macgillivray, '69
 Aron McManus, '09
 Thomas Olsen, '74
 Clifford Schadler, '62
 Ryan Schaefer, '10
- Wisconsin-Oshkosh**
 W. P. Barlow, '67
 Michal Duveneck, '67
 Lawrence Glines, '74
 Timothy Lubinsky, '72
 Louis Marohn, '61
 David Mauer, '65
 Richard Mauer, '70
 Dean Moede, '65
- Wisconsin-Platteville**
 Evan Anderson, '16
 Craig Bareis, '69
 David Burdick, '14
 Nathan Flack, '15
 John Janssen, '70
 Jeremy Johnson, '98
 Gary Lien, '69
 Daniel Meinert, '74
 Ryan Parr, '14
 Teagan Phelps, '15

Arnold Roper, '74
 Scott Seacrist, '90
 Thomas Sokol, '87
 Lucas Swalheim, '07
 Cameron Thompson, '73
 Taylor Trummer, '14
 Joseph Urban, '14
 Thomas Waters, H
 Danny Williamson, '70

Wisconsin-River Falls

Nathan Augustine, '96
 Jeremy Daus, '02
 Shawn Kelly, '96
 Jonathan Proehl, '99

Wisconsin-Stevens Point

Kristen Adams, '16
 Robert Booth, '85
 Pierre Clark, '15
 Richard Cook, '72
 Stephon Freeman, '13
 Samuele Grimm, '15
 Peajche Howard, '15
 Jeffrey Jenkins, '76
 Joshua Philon, '14
 Bryan Pierre, '06
 Gary Swanson, '73
 Chad Whitney, '12

Wisconsin-Stout

W. Warren Barberg, '51
 Anthony Beyer, '71
 Jacob Burger, '17
 Jack Dotta, '16

Brock Erickson, '16
 Gerald Falkowski, '69
 William Finkler, '71
 Patrick Halpin, '01
 Brian Hudy, '75
 Tyler Jensen, H
 Roger Kerstner, '58
 John Link, '70
 Daniel Marohl, '70
 Charles McGinnis, '88

Ryan Napstad, '16
 Gary Nelson, '71
 Byron Olson, '72
 Harold Osborn, '49
 James Rathert, '64
 Karl Schon, '69
 Samuel Stephens, '15
 David Stoinski, '72
 Adam Utzinger, '14
 David Vidlock, '73
 Broderick Walker, '12
 Daniel Wild, '16
 Devin Winnes, '16

Wisconsin-Superior

Ronald Erickson, '68
 Paul Korst, '85

Wisconsin-Whitewater

Edward Baranowski, '59
 James Beistle, '62
 J. Patrick Bruner, '58
 Duane Clausen, '69
 Joseph Dathe, '14
 John DeVroy, '15
 James Goodnetter, '53

Bradley Hamblock, '11
 Charles Harmon, '52
 Kevin Kolter, '11
 Michael Rochford, '14
 Richard Skyles, '43
 Jordan Walsh, '14

Youngstown State

Christopher Adler, '16
 Charles Africa, '61
 Zachary Alcorn, '15
 Richard Baker, '59
 John Barkett, '71
 Zachary Brown, '10
 Robert Clark, '15
 Franklin Court, '62
 Thomas Gillette, '67
 Joshua Gilmore, '15
 Edward Harvey, '68
 Rajah James, '03
 Stephen Jordan, '61
 Fredrick Krolopp, '57
 Brandon O'Neill, '16
 Zachary Politsky, '15
 Michael Ray, '01
 Jason Reinert, '05
 Ryan Shimko, '15
 Christopher Spielman, '15
 Jason White, '15

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Justin Acklin
 Katherine Ahern
 Jeffrey Alexander
 George Bacalakis

James Baker
 Jeffrey Brawner
 Mark Brown
 Diana Brush
 Beulah Clark
 Thomas Dake
 Lowell Davis
 Kim Day
 Drew Edwards
 Kristee Elliott
 Jim Fazekas
 Joan Fleming
 Janet Garner
 Ferne Graves
 Karen Harris
 M. Cathy Heiman
 Joy Helsel
 H. Patricia Hunt
 Marlene Janssen
 Susan Juliano
 Medhat Kaldas
 Homer Kay
 Damien Keller
 Edward Kirklín
 Patsy Kirschner
 Steven Latour
 Dan Leavy
 Dan Lehtola
 Jerry Lekan
 Ian Lowe
 Cara Mahon
 Thomas McIntosh
 Bill Menard

Lisa Miller
 Mary Molchan
 Judi Moore
 Gloria Mueller
 Cynthia Neale
 Jerry Nicholson
 Larry Parrish
 Michael Phillips
 Liam Porter
 Paula Probstfeld
 Jennifer Rabas
 Louis Rushton
 Delano Rushton
 Chris Saba
 Brenna Seger
 Lindi Smedberg
 Jeff Smith
 Pat Sullivan
 Patrick Sullivan
 Kathleen Szirony
 Patsy Tallman
 Donald Thomas
 Nancy Tohl
 Robert Tønning
 Ron Utterback
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 Edward Ward
 Jeffrey Wexler
 Rosemaries White
 Robert Zavagno

2015 Regional Conclaves

How to be Legendary was the title of one of two capstone seminars offered at all five region conclaves this year. The other capstone seminar, at which all participants attended, was called *Achieving Chapter Goals*.

A full day program track was devoted exclusively to recruitment. Breakout sessions for other participants offered seminars on time management, fundraising, and alumni relations.

The five region conclaves were held in Newark, NJ, Independence, MO, Oklahoma City, OK, Chicago, IL, and Pittsburgh, PA, over the February 20-22, weekend. More than 250 student and 25 alumni members participated.

Alumni and members at the Atlantic Coast Conclave



Expanding Leadership Provisional Chapter Presidents Making a Mark

Sigma Tau Gamma opened eight new provisional chapters at campuses across the US during the 2014-2015 school year. Brian Lewallen, our Associate Director of Recruitment and Growth, recruited founding fathers for these new groups. Importantly, he also provided leadership resources and coaching for these chapter founders.

Expansion and growth are paramount to the success of our Fraternity. Excellent leadership is necessary in order to ensure these new chapters enjoy continued growth and stability. Leadership is also critical to delivering the quality of collegiate member experience that is a hallmark of our Fraternity. Here we feature four outstanding provisional chapter presidents. They lead some of our most recent new provisional chapters, located at Kansas State University, Northern Arizona University, Arizona State University, and Washington State University.



Alex Maggard

Kansas State University

Alex Maggard, '14, is President of our Kansas State Provisional Chapter. In addition to his leadership in the Fraternity, Maggard is involved with ROTC and a religious group band at Kansas State University. Maggard's background in the military taught him the value of leadership and leadership

skills. In his role as president, Alex has empowered younger and more reserved members to step into leadership roles and succeed. Some leadership qualities Maggard believes are essential are communication, open-mindedness, and delegation of duties among the members. "My leadership and service within Sigma Tau Gamma can best be described as a stern but knowledgeable older brother who provides the tools necessary to succeed throughout college and life. I won't do your job or work for you, but I will assist you in completing it," said Maggard. He encourages members to be active throughout campus and the greater Manhattan

community. Alex believes that members grow through student activities, volunteer opportunities and leadership roles.

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David Forker

Northern Arizona University

David Forker, '14, is President of our Gamma Zeta Provisional Chapter. He is leading re-founders who have restored Sigma Tau Gamma at Northern Arizona University

after a 35-year absence. Forker is a junior studying exercise science at NAU. He previously served as a Resident Advisor to guide nearly 40 young residence hall students toward an enhanced college experience and enforce university policies. This leadership experience encouraged him to join the Fraternity. "I decided to join Sigma Tau Gamma because I saw an organization that was looking to change the ways of the past fraternities. When I attended the first interest meeting to recolonize the NAU chapter I saw a great opportunity to leave a mark on my campus," said Forker. In his role as Chapter President, Forker has been able to help the chapter overcome challenges and increase member participation and involvement.



Michael Bishop

Arizona State University

Michael Bishop, '14, is President of our Arizona State Provisional Chapter. Bishop was a foundering father and first Executive Vice President of the provisional chapter. He joined the Fraternity to build his leadership skills and

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form life-long friendships and brotherhood. Bishop uses his determination and attention to detail to accomplish chapter goals. “The idea of Fraternity to me means always having people around to pick you up in your lowest moments and cheer you on in your highest moments, and I believe that is why I joined Sigma Tau Gamma. It offered me the opportunity to form a new idea of Fraternity at ASU, and that was very important to me,” said Bishop. In his role, he has been able to develop leaders in his chapter and help them grow as men and leaders. In addition to serving the Fraternity, Bishop is also very involved



Michael Honn

with community services and philanthropy.

Washington State University

Michael Honn, '14, is President of our Washington State Provisional Chapter. Honn leads his chapter with patience and purpose

Principles In Action: Leadership

From the beginning of the Path of Principles Program, Sigma Tau Gamma brothers are instilled with the values of the Fraternity that they will continue to live out, well after the end of their academic journey and graduation. By highlighting alumni who continue to embody these values within their personal and professional lives we seek to inspire current members and alumni to recommit to the Fraternity's brotherhood and ideals.



Mark Stephens

Mark Stephens, Delta Pi '13 (University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown) is a Councilman in his hometown of Patton, PA. He is also running for the 72nd PA House District and will be officially announcing his campaign this fall. His four biggest issues, on which he will center his campaign are the district's problem with drugs, economy, welfare reform, and commitment as Representative. Stephens

always had a passion for politics, and joining Sigma Tau Gamma motivated him to strive for excellence in everything he did. Some of his biggest accomplishments on the Borough Council were passing a budget without raising taxes, implementing a mini golf course and employment positions to take care of the local park, and tackling personal problems for local residents. As an undergraduate, Stephens served as Judicial Board Officer, and is still involved with helping his chapter find community service opportunities in his hometown, such as cleaning up the town and creating fundraisers for renovating the local park. “I encourage all alumni to stay involved. It's always great to meet new people and learn how

their chapters are developing not only with their projects but their members as well,” said Stephens. Stephens encourages brothers to support him by connecting with him on LinkedIn, emailing him at mgstephens91@gmail.com, and contributing to his campaign. “Any donation would be greatly needed and appreciated for my PAC.”



Galen Clagett

Galen Clagett, Beta Pi '94 (Frostburg State University) was a member of the Maryland House of Delegates from 2002 to 2014 and served on the leadership team where he was able to help Frederick City and Frederick County improve the quality of life for their citizens. Clagett also served on the Frederick County Board of Commissioners from 1978 to 1986 and was President of the Board from 1982 to 1986. As an

undergraduate, Clagett was the President of the Beta Pi Chapter. Galen's son, Thomas, was also President of the chapter as an undergraduate at Frostburg. Clagett's involvement with the Fraternity provided him with excellent leadership training and taught him the importance of community service. In addition, Clagett helped found and contribute to the Sigma Tau Gamma Scholarship at Frostburg State University and currently serves on the Board of Directors of the chapter's Alumni Association. “If an undergraduate in college wanted to follow a similar career path as I did in public office, I would encourage him to study and be an outstanding student. It is important to be a career professional and not a political professional. Public elective service is an opportunity to give back to your community, state or country. I would suggest having

by incorporating his members' perspectives when making chapter decisions. Honn encourages respect and kindness throughout his chapter to encourage them to reach out to others and be gentlemen and leaders throughout their community. "To me joining Sigma Tau Gamma was an opportunity to start something from the ground up. It has given me life experiences that are hard matched. I have gotten to learn and experience things through a unique lens that has only furthered my personal and professional development all while representing

values and ideals that align perfectly with mine," said Honn. The chapter has been able to give back to their community through several service and philanthropy projects like volunteer work at the Spokane, Washington Veteran Garage, community pool and local farms. Honn strives to have members be active throughout their campus and communities in order to build a great reputation for the chapter.

a well-defined value set and always run on issues," said Clagett. He still keeps in touch with many of his brothers from Frostburg, and many of them served in public office as well.



Rocky Miller

Rocky Miller, Alpha Omega (Missouri University of Science and Technology) represents parts of Camden and Miller Counties (Lake of the Ozarks Region) (District 124) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He is chairman of the Energy and Environment Committee and sits on the Select Committee on Utilities, Utility Infrastructure and Natural Resources. He has been given legislative awards

from Missouri Chamber of Commerce, St. Louis Business Journal and the Missouri Farm Bureau. Through improved environmental, tax and permitting laws, Miller has been able to make a clearer path for businesses to start and continue making a profit in Missouri. As an undergraduate, Miller was involved with different committees as a member and chairman, and he is currently on the financing committee for the Alpha Omega Chapter Alumni Association. Miller encourages alumni to stay involved with their chapters by participating in the financial and building process of the chapters and going to alumni work days. "I think it is important to give back to your community. The public needs ethical and principled people to be leaders in your school board, civic organization, city council or church board. Sigma Tau Gamma is based on the principles that should be brought to public life. If you feel like you can give more back by moving up in public life do so," said Miller. Brothers interested in

supporting Miller can contribute to his PayPal website at electromiller.com or contact him at rock.miller@house.mo.gov.



Michael Ray

Mike Ray, Beta Gamma '01 (Youngstown State University) is currently Youngstown's councilman representing the Fourth Ward. He also serves as a trustee for the J. Ford Crandall Foundation, and has helped endow a scholarship for deserving area students at Youngstown State University. During his time on City Council, he has served as chairman of several committees as well as President Pro Tempore. As an

undergraduate, Ray was a founding member of the Beta Gamma Chapter and was very active on campus. Ray worked as a traveling consultant at Sigma Tau Headquarters for three years and in several volunteer roles serving the national Fraternity and his chapter. "Politics within the fraternity is often viewed as something peripheral to the organization itself, and members frequently downplay its importance. But the reality is that politics is integral to the operation of our organization. My time and leadership roles in the Fraternity were great practice for my career in public service. Founding a chapter and serving a Fraternity for over a decade provided the opportunity for many valuable lessons on compromise, humility, and leadership that made me the successful politician I am today." In his current role, Ray strives to improve the overall quality of life for the residents of Youngstown by reducing blight through eliminating vacant properties and creating economic development.

Northwest Missouri State Re-Chartered

Theta Chapter at Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville, MO held their re-chartering ceremony on Sunday, March 15, in the J. W. Jones Student Union. Theta chapter has 33 active brothers. More than 90 people attended the dinner and ceremony. Honored guests included Theta chapter alumni, national officers, dates of the members and more than two-dozen parents and family members. The active brothers participated in a chapter retreat on Saturday, prior to the ceremony.



Northwest Missouri State Re-Chartering Ceremony

National officers who assisted with the retreat and ceremony included CEO **Steve Latour**, CEO Emeritus **Bill Bernier**, National President **Alyx Parker**, Illinois '94, Board of Directors Secretary **Jeremiah King**, Missouri S&T '02, former staff members **Josh Floyd**, Michigan Tech. '08, and **Alex Williams**, East Carolina '10, Director of Member and Organizational Development **Erik Kahl**, and Collegiate Services Coordinators **Austin Uebelhor** and **Rick Day**.

Florida Tech. Chartered

On Saturday, February 28, National President, **Alyx Parker**, Illinois '94, presented a charter to 54 members of the Epsilon Omega Chapter at the Florida Institute of Technology. Florida Tech. is the 144th chapter chartered in the 95-year history of Sigma Tau Gamma.

The chartering ceremony was held at the Denius Student Center on the Florida Tech. campus in Melbourne, Florida.



Florida Tech. Chartering Ceremony

More than 100 people attended the event including national officers, area alumni, university officials, representatives of other campus Greek organizations, dates of the members, parents and family members.

Cat McGuire, Director of Student Activities & Greek Life, represented the university. In addition to President Parker, national officers who assisted with the chapter retreat and ceremony included CEO **Steve Latour**, Collegiate Services Coordinator **Rick Day**, and former staff members **Derek Kaimann**, Truman State '06, and **Paul Manly**, Salisbury '09.

William Woods Provisional Chapter Installed



William Woods Provisional Chapter Installation

to invite excellent students to begin a new fraternity as founders. **Brian Lewallen**, Associate Director of Recruitment and Growth, directed the project. Our twelve founders are widely regarded as the top men on campus in scholarship, activities and leadership. This was a challenging project because it occurred late in the spring semester when students are thinking about class projects and final exams.

Lewallen conducted the Installation ceremony. He was assisted by **Erik Kahl**, Director of Member and Organizational Development, and **Derek Kaimann**, Truman State '06, who formerly worked on the Fraternity expansion staff.

With the Ceremony of Provisional Chapter Installation on April 1, 2015, we welcomed twelve Sigma Tau Gamma Founders at William Woods University. William Woods is an independent private co-educational university located in Fulton, Missouri. Founded in 1870, it was originally a school for girls orphaned by the Civil War. Responding to changing needs, William Woods became a four-year college in 1962. In 1993 William Woods added graduate programs and began admitting men. This fully accredited university with a residential campus has an enrollment of 3,800 students.

At the invitation of the University Sigma Tau Gamma used its proven method of expansion

University Nevada, Reno Provisional Chapter Installed



Reno Provisional Chapter Installation

The University of Nevada, Reno invited Sigma Tau Gamma to enhance its fraternity community by organizing a new chapter. **Brian Lewallen**, Associate Director of Recruitment and Growth directed the project. He met with dozens of students and extended bids to only those who met our high standards in scholarship, activities, service and leadership.

Serving on the newly elected Provisional Chapter Executive Board are: **Matt Carpenter**, President, **Josh Sundberg**, Executive Vice President, **Tommy Mancuso**, Vice President of Membership, **Bobby Thoms**, Vice President of Programs, and **Alex Tietsort**, Vice President of Finance.

Sigma Tau Gamma expanded to Nevada for the first time when on April 11, 2015, when our provisional chapter was installed at the University of Nevada, Reno. The installation included the ritual imitation of our 16 founders into full membership.

The University of Nevada, Reno was founded in 1874. It is the sole federal land grant institution in Nevada, with an enrollment of nearly 20,000 students. It is a research university with comprehensive offerings, including graduate colleges in Medicine and Engineering. It is also home to the statewide Nevada Extension services.



Mike Bevers

Mike Bevers, Southern Indiana '81, was recently named the 2015 Silver Medal Award recipient for lifetime achievement from The American Advertising Federation- Greater Evansville. Bevers is the Senior Account Manager for Midwest Communications (WIKY/WSTO/WABX/WLFW) in Evansville, Indiana.

Bevers currently serves as Chapter Advisor to Gamma Phi Chapter at the University of Southern Indiana. He is also the 2015-16 President of the Rotary Club of Evansville and is active in the community. He and his wife Joan reside in Evansville and are parents of two fraternity/sorority members at USI; son **Matthew** (Gamma Phi '15), and daughter Karen (Gamma Phi Beta Sorority).

Ron Hinton, East Carolina '11, was named ECU's Fraternity Man of the Year in January. The award is given to the top man among all of ECU's fraternities on campus. Hinton was named the top man for his achievements in raising over \$4,000 in philanthropy while serving as the Vice President of Communication and Administration on ECU's IFC Executive Board.

Hinton was also inducted into ECU's Fraternity/Sorority Hall of Fame. Being inducted into the Hall of Fame is a prestigious honor. Only three to five members of fraternity/sorority life are inducted each year.

During his last semester as an undergraduate, Hinton helped create the ECU Fraternity/Sorority President's Council. The Council serves as a collaborative legislative body that serves all four of ECU's Fraternity/Sorority councils and works to promote diversity, equality, scholarship, leadership and betterment. Hinton also served as the inaugural chair of the organization.

Dean Moede, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh '62, returned to campus to lead his classmates in celebrating their 50th anniversary Golden Titan Reunion May 15-16.

Following graduation, Moede worked for Rockwell International and then began a 20



Rob Hinton (third from left)

year career working for Reeve Memorial Union, where he held four different titles including marketing director. Moede was University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh's 1965 class president and was inspired by his time at the university to be the class representative for the reunion.

Bernier Elected to NIC Board

CEO Emeritus **William P. (Bill) Bernier**, Kent '70, was elected to a two year term on the NIC Board of Directors. The election occurred on April 20, at the NIC annual meeting in Kansas City. Nine interfraternity leaders serve on the NIC Board.

The NIC (North-American Interfraternity Conference) is an association of 74 national and international college fraternities. It was founded as the National Interfraternity Conference in 1909, but traces its roots to a gathering of college fraternity leaders at the 1893 Worlds Fair in Chicago.

Sigma Tau Gamma joined the NIC in 1950. Our Fraternity has actively participated in the leadership of the conference. Prior NIC board members from Sigma Tau Gamma include **Basil Hunt**, Truman '56, **Ken Hoover**, Indiana-PA '54, **Buz Barlow**, Wisconsin-Oshkosh '64, and **Ron Erickson**, Wisconsin-Superior '65. They are all past national presidents of Sigma Tau Gamma.

The NIC office is located in Indianapolis. There a staff of ten serves the needs of its member organizations and delivers educational programs to campus interfraternity councils and collegiate fraternity and sorority leaders. NIC member fraternities have college chapters at 800 campuses serving nearly 400,000 students.

NIC member fraternities subscribe to a set of Standards that serve as the benchmark for supporting high quality experiences for student members. A key feature of the Standards is the collection of data used to measure performance in scholarship, leadership, service and behavior. With this data the NIC measures the performance of the entire fraternity system and each



*Sigma Tau Gamma brothers who took part in the 2015 NIC Annual Meeting, from left, **Erik Kahl**, Wisconsin-La Crosse, '07, Director of Member and Organizational Development, **Addison Schopp**, Truman State, '06, National Accounts Coordinator at OmegFi, **Alyx Parker**, Illinois, '94, National President, **Wynn Smiley**, Illinois, '80, CEO of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, **Bill Bernier**, Kent State, '70, CEO Emeritus, and **Steve Latour**, CEO*

member organization can measure its performance as compared to its peers.

"I am deeply grateful to CEO **Steve Latour**, President **Alyx Parker** and our Board of Directors for supporting my nomination to the NIC Board," said Bernier. Parker and Latour served as the Sigma Tau Gamma delegate and alternate delegate, respectively, at the 2015 NIC annual meeting.

27th National President Charlie Marr Enters Chapter Eternal



Charles J. Marr, Edinboro Hon., 69, died May 15, 2015 in Inverness, Florida, where he and his wife, Debbie, had been spending winters in recent years.

Charlie was our 27th national president (1992-94) and a significant leader in Sigma Tau Gamma at both the local and national levels for 36 years.

Charlie was a professor of English and Theater Arts at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, where he served Beta Omega Chapter as faculty advisor. He was initiated into alumni membership in 1979. In 1984 he became regional director of the Three Rivers Region, serving until 1988, when he was elected to the national Board of Directors. He was elected president-elect in 1990 and served as national president from August 1992 to August 1994. He continued to serve on the Board as a past president until August 1998.

Charlie was honored with the “Prof.” Grubbs Distinguished Advisor Award in 1986 and the Winebrenner Medal for Distinguished Fraternity Service in 1987. He was a Prominent Morris Fellow in the Wilson C. Morris Fellowship of the Sigma Tau Gamma Foundation.

Charlie authored the Fraternity Scholarship Manual. He frequently conducted scholarship seminars at regional and national Fraternity conventions and workshops. He also contributed a significant addendum to the Fraternity Ritual that explained esoteric Greek references in terms easily understood by contemporary members.

“Charlie was a mentor to both students and alumni of Sigma Tau Gamma,” **John Heiman**, Central Missouri ’84, our 32nd national president, recalled his many conversations with Charlie, saying “In many ways he was our generation’s **Ralph Bedell** – the wisest man in the room.”

Charlie was born July 16, 1945, the son of John Marr, Sr. and Marjorie Knepper Marr, who predeceased their son. He earned his B. A. degree from St. Vincent College of Latrobe, PA, graduating Cum Laude. He earned his M. A. degree from the University of Pittsburgh. He was a member of Pi Kappa Delta debate honorary and coached the debate team at Edinboro.

Charlie was a lifelong Episcopalian and active in his faith. He was a member of St. Peter’s Episcopal Church, Waterford, PA, and St. Margaret’s Episcopal Church, Inverness, FL.

Charlie was a member of the Eagles Club in Inverness, FL. He was also a member of the Moose Club in Florida and an affiliate member of the American Legion, Erie, PA.

Brother Marr is survived by his beloved wife Debra Aulenbacher Marr of Cambridge Springs, PA and Florida, three sons, Donald, James, and Timothy Johnson, and one grandson, Donald Johnson., Further surviving are a sister Lucinda Marr of Allentown, PA, and a brother John Marr Jr. (Venessa) of Duncansville, PA. Brother-in-laws George Aulenbacher and friend of Erie, PA., William (Janet) Aulenbacher of Northeast, PA. Mark (Judy) Aulenbacher, of Northeast, PA. and a host of nieces and nephews. One brother in law, Harry Aulenbacher (Rosie), predeceased him.

A memorial service was conducted at St. Peter’s Episcopal Church, Waterford, PA. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial gifts be made in brother Marr’s honor to the Sigma Tau Gamma Foundation, Inc., 101 Ming Street, Warrensburg, MO. 64093 or at the website: www.sigmataugamma.org.

Due to limited space Chapter Eternal does not feature obituaries for every member. Obituaries are posted for 90 days from the date of notice on our website at: www.sigmataugamma.org. To submit a Chapter Eternal entry, please email fraternity@sigmataugamma.org.

Beta Zeta Chapter

University of Central Oklahoma

Zachary M. Collins, '13, July 28, 2014

Alpha Alpha Chapter

Eastern Illinois University

Darrell R. Wilson, '59, February 10, 2015

Beta Omega Chapter

Edinboro University of PA

Charles J. Marr, PMF, Hon. May 15, 2015

Beta Pi Chapter

Frostburg State University

Paul T. Billy, '88, April 15, 2015

Epsilon Tau Chapter

University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Cameron L. Abatiell, '13, February 9, 2015

Beta Tau Chapter

Slippery Rock University

Edward R. Dye, '61, April 23, 2015

Beta Chapter

Truman State University

Donald A. Boone, '57, June 25, 2013

Joseph A. Hill, '77, April 27, 2015

Robert A. Libby, WCMF, '58, April 20, 2015

Distinguished Alumnus Robert A. Libby Joins Chapter Eternal

Robert Atkins Libby, Ph.D., Truman '58, died unexpectedly on April 20, 2015. Libby, 76, was born November 25, 1938 in Shelbina, Mo. Libby was the recipient of the Sigma Tau Gamma Distinguished Achievement Award in 1996.

Libby was a Chemistry student at Truman State University then obtained his Ph.D. in Analytical Chemistry at Purdue University. For more than 30 years he pursued a successful career in Industrial Chemistry at Proctor & Gamble, where he was a team leader in food, household cleaning and pharmaceutical products research and



development. He was well known for the development of Pringles but took greater pride in the development of Etidronate Disodium (EHDP), which regulates bone metabolism.

In 1994, after his retirement from Proctor & Gamble, he returned to Truman as a Professor of Chemistry. He retired from that position in 2001. While on the faculty at Truman, Libby served Sigma Tau Gamma as faculty advisor, Vice President of the alumni association board and chaired the 75th Anniversary Celebration of Beta Chapter.

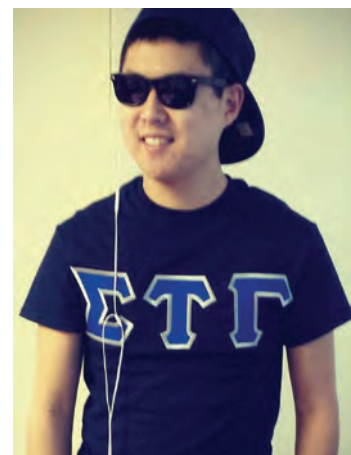
Libby is survived by his wife Kathleen Riley Libby, two daughters and two stepdaughters and their families. Libby was a member of the Kirksville Rotary Club and a Trustee of the First United Methodist Church of Kirksville.

Cameron Abatiell

Sigma Tau Gamma is saddened to share the passing of Cameron Abatiell, an undergraduate member of our University of North Carolina-Charlotte (Epsilon Tau) Chapter on Monday, February 9.

Cameron was an International Studies major from Newburyport, MA. He was a 2013 initiate of Epsilon Tau Chapter. Cameron was also an Orientation Counselor who welcomed and guided freshmen students at UNCC. His fellow students, friends, and brothers adored him. Cameron encouraged many of his freshmen orientation students to join the Fraternity's brotherhood.

Funeral services for Cameron were held February 16. Brothers conducted the Eternal Light ritual ceremony February 22 on the campus of UNCC to honor Cameron's memory.



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