

Sigma Phi Epsilon NEWSLETTER

Spring 2022



This concludes a very successful year for the MS Gamma Chapter. From the Fall to the Spring, SigEp has undoubtedly shown its presence on campus. Whether it's in the classroom or on the intramural fields, SigEp continues to live through the principles in which it stands for. Throughout this newsletter you will see what the MS Gamma Chapter has been up to this semester.

Recruitment

Having brought in such a large new member class during the fall semester, it was a bit tough to bring in another large group of quality men in the Spring. As you may already know, Sigma Phi Epsilon prides itself on recruiting quality over quantity. With that being said, during the Spring semester recruitment season, we brought in 4 new members. We believe that these men were the best of the potential new members presented during the Spring recruitment season. SigEp has high hopes for these new members and believes that within the next 4 years of their college career, the SigEp program will build them into Balanced Men.

Academics

We are proud to announce that we have received 1st place for overall chapter GPA in the interfraternity council for the third semester in a row. The men of this chapter have worked very hard to maintain scholarly grades and it shows. Balancing a sound mind with a sound body, the MS Gamma chapter achieved a 3.45 GPA.



Intramurals



This past Spring semester SigEp once again took home multiple intramural championships. Focusing on sound body, SigEp won first place in basketball, soccer, and indoor volleyball. Following close behind academics and philanthropy involvement, the MS Gamma chapter leaves it all on the playing field.

Philanthropy Involvement and Community Service

This Spring, we hosted our 2nd annual “Throwing out Hunger” kickball philanthropy event to raise money and awareness for Extra Table. There were two tournaments held, one fraternity division and one sorority division. A first-place plaque was given to the winner of each division, and a spirit award was given to the sorority or fraternity with the most participation and spirit. Proud to say it was a very successful event.



A few of our members took part in cleaning up the university’s campus in awareness of Earth Day. It was concerning to see so much trash on our campus. However, we are glad we were able to make a difference in not only our environment but our campus as well.

SigEp placed first in Kappa Delta’s annual Shamrock Super Bowl raising awareness for child abuse.



Brotherhood



As we all know, Sigma Phi Epsilon is built on Brotherly Love. With that being said, the MS Gamma chapter is always trying to strengthen our brotherhood. This semester a few of our brothers got together and spent the day at the Red Bluff hiking trails. Memories were made and great conversations were held. It is times like these that brothers get to step away from school and remember the reason we all joined SigEp.

Alumni Event/Involvement



This semester we wanted to improve our alumni relations farther than only hosting one alumni event in the Fall each year.

During April we hosted an alumni crawfish boil. Although we know our alumni are very busy, we were grateful to see a few of our alumni show up and spend the day with our current chapter.

In a series of guest speakers coming to talk to the chapter about meaningful life lessons, we would like to thank one of our alumni, Gary Thiel, for coming to speak to the Epsilons and Phis on “What it means to be a man.” It was a great opportunity to get to hear some wisdom from one of our own alumni.



Member Spotlight

Throughout the semester the men of Sigma Phi Epsilon have achieved many accomplishments, from becoming a leader on campus to reaching a personal achievement, here are some of the accomplishments made by the members of SigEp this semester.

- **Cole Russell**- Hall of Fame, Outstanding Student in Accounting & Outstanding Academic Achievement Award for the College of Business
 - **Gary Rogers**- Outstanding Student in Healthcare Marketing Award
 - **Chipper Baudry**- Who's Who
 - **Patterson White**- SGA VP of Finance & Administration
 - **Dylan Littles**- 2022 Freshmen of the Year
 - **Riley McGregor**- IFC Vice President of Recruitment
 - **Ben Heindl**- IFC Vice President of Community Outreach
- **Tommy Dilwith**- College of Nursing and Healthcare Professions Campus Leadership Award
- **Brandon "Bo" Ellzey, Addison Boyette, Braxton Ruddock, Hunter Simmons, Dylan Littles, Matthew Scoggins, Chip Lewis**- Accepted into Eagle Connection

New Graduates of 2022



John Chambliss

Following graduation, John plans to take the NCLEX to obtain his nursing license. After that he plans to work in Hattiesburg at Forrest General Hospital. Specifically, John's goal is to work in the Emergency Department.

A note to the Chapter:

SigEp has impacted me in so many ways without me even realizing it. It's the only fraternity that develops you in all aspects without you even knowing.



William “Cole” Russell

After graduation, Cole plans on starting the MBA program at the University of Southern Mississippi in June. While extending his education, he will be working as a graduate assistant with the USM alumni association. After graduating with his MBA degree next May, Cole will be going to work with KPMG Birmingham.

A note to the Chapter:

Over my time in the chapter, I was able to meet lifelong best friends, receive mentorship, and have role models that were able to guide me to things that helped make me a better man. I found brothers who had faith in me and pushed me to get out of my comfort zone and I owe everything to those guys. SigEp brought me a family at USM and it's something I'll forever be thankful for.



Gary Rogers

Following graduation, Gary plans to take a deployment to run down the year and a half left on his contract with the Air National Guard. After that, his contract should be close to done, and he plans to reenlist in an officer position. Gary hopes that all of this will eventually land him back home in Louisiana where he plans to get a job in the medical device industry in New Orleans or the Northshore area.

A note to the Chapter:

SigEp has given me both a home and brothers that I'll have for the rest of my life.



David “Chipper” Baudry

After graduation, Chipper plans to attend grad school at Southern Miss in the Masters in Sports Management program with a Sport Security certificate. After getting his Masters, Chipper plans to pursue a management position in a professional sports team.

A note to the Chapter:

The impact SigEp had on my life is immeasurable. Specifically, SigEp has gifted me with a passion for leading and developing others. I learned how to be a brother through good times and bad, and I had the opportunity to be a part of something bigger than myself. SigEp has given me countless lifelong memories with my brothers, and I would not be the man I am today without them.

Note to our Alumni:

At Mississippi Gamma, we are always trying to improve alumni relations and we hope that this newsletter helps to accomplish this. If you or any alumni that you still keep in touch with have any sort of change of information (email, phone number, address, etc.) please let us know so that we are able to update it in our records. If you have an interest in getting more involved with the chapter, please contact our Vice President of Communications, Britton Everett. His contact information can be found below.

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