Sigma Phi Epsilon **NEWSLETTER**

Spring 2023



As we reflect on an awesome spring semester in the Mississippi Gamma Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon, we reflect on the words Viture, Diligence, and Brotherly Love. This semester pushed each man in Mississippi Gamma to strive to be the best that they could possibly be academically, socially, and professionally. A semester filled with awesome achievements, fun memories, and personal growth.



Spring Recruitment

Mississippi Gamma had the honor to recruit three new outstanding members into our chapter this semester. Believing that these men possess the qualities that our chapter holds high, we are excited to present them with the opportunity to experience life-changing moments that they will remember for a lifetime. A lifetime of brotherhood, a lifetime of friendship, and a lifetime of trust. These men are eager to continue their journey through the Balanced Man Program. Congratulations to these brothers!

Academics

Achievements

We are proud to announce that we have received 2nd place out of 10 fraternities for overall chapter GPA in the Interfraternity Council. 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 Mississippi Gamma chapter achieved a 3.51 GPA. Averaging one of the highest GPAs that this chapter has ever had.





Academic Excellence List

President's List: 4.0

Mert Sahin

Patterson White Payton Temple

Dean's List: 3.5+

Benjamin Heindl Braxton Ruddock Charles Lewis

Addison Boyette Christian Welch-Dick Joseph Tarver Riley McGregor Daniel Laudadio Tanner McGee Tyler Weeks Dylan Littles Garrett Cooley Jay Ashley

Intramurals



Sportsmanship & Athleticism

This semester our brothers played some intense intramurals and were able to put sound bodies to action. These men gave their all into intramurals this semester and won a number of titles for our chapter while making plenty of memories. Through the wins and loses these brothers played with integrity and athleticism that was easily seen by many others.



<u>Philanthropy Involvement and</u> <u>Community Service</u>



16th Annual Chili Cook-Off

This semester our chapter decided to do our Annual Chili Cook-Off philanthropy event during the spring instead of the fall. Mississippi Gamma is excited to announce that \$17,000 was raised for Extra Table, thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, families, and other on-campus organizations. This event is always an awesome way to not only raise support for starving Mississippians but to also bring our Greek Life organizations here at USM together. Over 100,300 meals were able to be given to hungry people all over the state of Mississippi! Thank you to everyone who made this event a success!





<u>Community</u> <u>Service</u> <u>Outreach</u>

Mississippi Gamma takes pride in community service. We know that in order to live by the principles for which we stand, we must show action towards these. This past semester we have supported and served in many different sorority and fraternity philanthropy events in an effort to bring awareness to their causes. On the left is a picture of some of our brothers participating in Delta Gamma's Annual Anchor Splash philanthropy event and on the right Pi Beta

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Kappa Delta Sorority Philanthropy Event: Brothers Supporting their efforts to raise money for Kid's Hub & Prevent Child Abuse America



Alpha Chi Omega Sorority Philanthropy Event: Brothers supporting their efforts to bring benefit to the Domestic Abuse Family Shelter in Hattiesburg, MS

Brotherhood

Events

Throughout the semester, Mississippi Gamma has hosted many events in the effort to cultivate a stronger bond of brotherhood. With the help of our Brother Mentors and Membership Development Team these events have been a success in creating stronger bonds between the brothers. From inspirational life motivating talks given by professional personnel to swimming days at the creek our brotherly love, this semester, has surely grown!





Brother Mentor Workshops

Mississippi Gamma believes that teaching our younger brothers strategies on professionalism and how to handle real-life situations will better prepare them for life after college. Brother Mentor workshops are meant to allow younger members of our chapter to learn how to excel in different areas of life. This semester's workshop turned out awesome, leaving younger members of the chapter with new perspective on common life situations.

BROTHERLYLOVE

<u>Alumni Event & Involvement</u>



Alumni Crawfish Boil

This semester we hosted our 2nd Annual Alumni Crawfish Boil where we were able to host some active alumni who have supported and sculpted our chapter into what it is today. An awesome time filled with memories, brotherly love, and 400lbs of crawfish! Thank you to all of the Alumni who showed up to interact with Mississippi Gamma's active members and catch up!

Alumni Involvement

This semester our interactions with Mississippi Gamma Alumni have been increasing, though we want to make relationships between Alumni and Actives more fluent. Usually our fall semester alumni event tends to have a huge turnout, whereas our spring event tends to be fewer in numbers. If you are an Alumni of the Mississippi Gamma Chapter, we encourage you to come get to know the active members of your fraternity. We want to get to know the men who made these college experiences possible for us to have!





Spring Graduates



Payton Temple

Following graduations, Payton plans to work as an Assistant Project Manager for JW Chain Contractors in Hattiesburg, MS while pursuing a Master's degree.

Note to the Chapter:

Take a step back and breathe every once in a while. There's always so much happening, and it's important that you're actually enjoying it all. It only comes around once!



<u>Tyler Weeks</u>

Tyler plans on furthering his education at Ole Miss Law School hoping to eventually practice or work in a professional field that utilizes his degrees.

Note to the Chapter:

My four years as an active member in Sigma Phi Epsilon have meant the world to me. The ability to become a part of something so much bigger than you is a blessing that I feel many don't have the opportunity to pursue. I'm proud of everything this chapter has accomplished during the 4 years I was able to witness. The growth in the chapter's programming, development of principles, and pursuit of holding one another accountable have been incredible to experience, and I cannot wait to see what the brothers that come behind me have to offer to the organization that gave so many of us a great college experience.



<u>Ben Heindl</u>

Following graduation, Ben plans to move to Tampa, Florida to work as a Field Engineer for Hensel Phelps Construction.

Note to the Chapter:

Keep striving to do great things, stay involved on campus, and always make sure to have fun. The more you put into SigEp, the more you will get out of it.



Patterson White

After graduation, Patterson will attend Dental School at the University of Alabama in Birmingham for the next four years.

Note to the Chapter:

I have made many core memories and lifelong friends throughout my time in SigEp. I have seen each of you grow exponentially since the days we first met, and I am confident that you all will continue growing into the Balanced Men you strive to be. I'm more than excited to see what you will do in the future.



Joseph Tarver

Following graduation, Joseph plans to obtain my JD and MBA from the University of Mississippi. After that, he would like to start a career as an entertainment attorney in a music related field.

Note to the Chapter:

People always say you can only get as much out of SigEp that you put into it, but that's only half of the truth. The other part is that SigEp is only as good as each of its members strive to make it. I would like to challenge each of you young men to try and make it the best it can be in your own ways. I think by doing this you can get more out of your time in the chapter than you ever imagined, and we can remain at the top of the chapter on the row.



Riley McGregor

After graduation, Riley plans to finish his Masters of Business Administration at USM while serving as a graduate assistant in the office of admissions.

Note to the Chapter:

This chapter has changed my life for the better. I would not be the person I am today without the support from my brothers and the lessons I have learned from the ritual. Make sure to cherish the time you have in this chapter because it goes by so much faster than you think. Use every day as an opportunity to better yourself and the fraternity, and you won't have any regrets about your time here.



<u>Hayden Elwell</u>

Hayden plans on taking some extra prerequisites in order to apply for PA school while working as a medical assistant in an orthopedic clinic.

Note to the Chapter:

This chapter has given me every opportunity to thrive after graduation. I owe SigEp my life. This home has given me my best friends, and I can't be more thankful.



Nathan Eirich

Following graduation, Nathan plans to move back home and live with his family while pursuing his MBA.

Note to the Chapter:

Over the last few years these guys have grown from strangers to my brothers. These guys will be in my wedding and bury me in my grave. I love this chapter, and I love the relationships that I have made. I will cherish my time at Mississippi Gamma forever!



<u>Mert Sahin</u>

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