



SigEp Newsletter

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Tom Teson Regional Director

Imagine a job where you live out of a car, sleep on couches, and change locations every four days. The pay isn't great, you are always on the clock, and you are constantly scrutinized and relied on as a point of authority. Why would anyone take a job like that?

That is the RD job in a nutshell, and I couldn't imagine a more difficult or rewarding job in my life. I remember the day that I was given my region. My chapter services director gave me a packet of information on all 20 of my chapters. He said that I was ultimately in charge of, and responsible for, all of these chapters. Every success and every failure, every meeting and missed opportunity, every completion of a goal was mine to make. That is a gigantic weight to put on any entry level recent graduate.

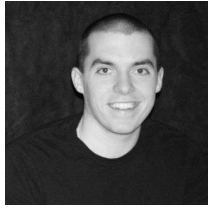
But I wasn't in it alone. Every campus I visited had a team of SigEp brothers, alumni, and volunteers all waiting and willing to help change and improve our SigEp chapters throughout the country. And every chapter had different obstacles and things to improve. It kept the job interesting, the experience invaluable, and the relationships permanent.

I'm now starting my last month on the road and I am in disbelief at how quickly the year has passed. Conclave in Texas, five BIG Ten football games, my first time playing pond hockey, Bell's and Founder's Brewery tours, and soon to be the Indy 500 are only some of the amazing events and memories I had the privilege to experience while on the road.

I looked back to how I was selected for this position, and it starts back with the experience I had at Drexel. The experience I had at SigEp as an undergraduate was not just a four year commitment. It was a lifelong and life altering experience of building friends, skills, and a passion for excellence. These are attributes of the experience our chapter provides that set me up for success within SigEp, at Drexel, and my life outside of college. I'm proud to be a SigEp and honored to represent our chapter on the SigEp staff.



Meet The Sigmas



Tyler Pingree

Computer Engineering

Pre Jr

Pittsburgh

I love playing basketball and video games! I am extremely excited to get involved with the chapter! Go Penguins!



Justin San Juan

Biomedical Engineering

So

Philadelphia

I love playing basketball and hanging out with friends. In the future, I hope to become a pediatrician, not an engineer (although engineering is really cool, too).



Tapiwanashe Ndlovu

Chemical Engineering

Fr

Harare, Zimbabwe

I am excited to always move forward in life, making new friends and cherishing old friends and making unforgettable memories.



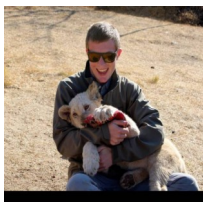
Frank-nelson Musemate

Civil Engineering

Fr

Nairobi, Kenya.

I really enjoy working out, cycling, watching TV shows and movies, travelling to new places and hope to become a really successful civil engineer in the future.



Chase Connell

Mechanical Engineering

Fr

Menlo Park, California

I'm a huge car nut and eventually want to design, build, and race them. I love watching Sharks hockey and no matter how long I live on the East Coast, I'll always be a West Coast kid.



Eric Troilo

Electrical Engineering

So

Stone Bridge, Maryland

I look forward to be in the chapter and play sports!



Joshua Boate

Sports Management

Fr

United Kingdom

I can't wait to meet new people and be involved in the chapter!

Eric Madden- State of SigEp PABB

Today the state of the Pennsylvania Beta Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon is strong. This is the result of our national organization, university, alumni, parents, and undergraduate brothers working in synchronization to better the overall undergraduate experience. For the first time in our chapter's history we have reached an astounding 100 members. This is in no way an accident but instead a product of our ongoing excellence in that which we strive.

When analyzing how far we have come in just over a decade we can simply look at the tangibles from the past few years. As a Buchanan cup chapter, Residential Learning Community, back-to-back Greek Week Champions, and three-time recipient of the Dean's Cup we have proved ourselves to be good at what we do. But we aren't finished yet. Over this past year the leadership of this chapter has worked to not only maintain our stance as the best fraternity on campus but also change the image of the fraternity experience entirely.

However none of this could be accomplished without our seamless operations, due to a competent executive board overseeing a motivated and involved population. I find that it is extremely important to develop each and every one of our leaders. To adhere to such an idea we have budgeted more than ever before to the various leadership opportunities held by our national organization. These include EDGE, CLA, RUCK, Conclave, Tragos and Life After College. Each having a different purpose and allowing them to gain a new perspective, experience new situations, critique styles, network with others, and advance their skill sets. These trips undoubtedly bring the brothers closer together and leave them with a new assurance of why they joined SigEp.

After all it is our cardinal principles of Virtue, Diligence, and Brotherly Love that separate us as gentleman from those not only on our campus but also in our nation. As undergraduates we ask that every brother be balanced in their everyday life. To further push this concept of balance we decided to better focus the chapter. As an organization we found ourselves in a common slump with meetings, they had become repetitive, agenda reading, lackluster encounters. So we have begun to use active meetings to better focus our membership and create an environment of learning. In this past term alone we have had Men's health speaker, St. Baldrick's seminar, a nutrition seminar, and a chapter wide workout.

These larger events allowed our programming cabinet to start a more involved sound body and sound mind program by partnering with the Rec Center for the first time. Through targeted smaller programming we have also been able to fight off the separation between upper classman and the younger membership. Through various involvements the men have entangled the various classes and bettered the overall brotherhood.

But as I said this is not our peak by any means. As I step out of office Sean Soboloski will be our new President. I have a great deal of faith in him and his executive board that they will go above and beyond where we have before. As we enter spring term and prepare for another Greek Week victory our chapter is stronger than ever.



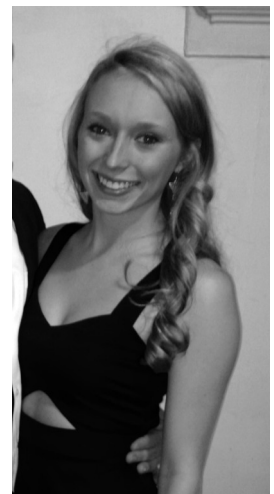
Athletics Update

This winter term, SigEp had amazing regular seasons for intramural sports. In IFC basketball, SigEp went 4-1 and made it to the semifinal round of playoffs, falling to AXP, who ended up winning the championship. In IFC Hockey, SigEp went 3-2 and fell to Pike in the semifinals. In IFC Bowling, SigEp went 4-0 in the regular season and fell to Phi Psi in the semifinals. It was a great winter term for SigEp's athletes and they hope to dominate in softball, dodgeball, soccer, and volleyball this coming spring.



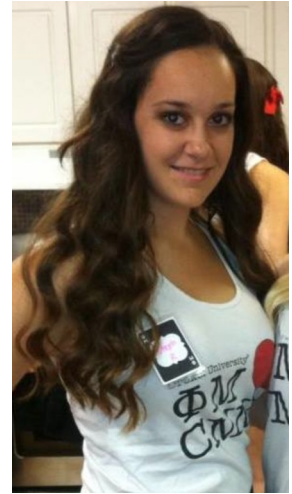
Maggie Buell– New SigEp Sweetheart

Maggie Buell, a sophomore Delta Zeta sister, is the new SigEp sweetheart this year! Maggie is one of the biggest supporters of SigEp, attending all of our events and supporting each and every brother. She can usually be found hanging around the house, making baked goods for the fraternity, or helping with one of our fundraising events. Damn Proud to introduce Maggie Buell as the new SigEp Sweetheart!



In Memoriam of Stephanie Ross

A friend close to everyone in the PABB chapter of SigEp unfortunately passed this March. Stephanie Ross was a true friend of SigEp, making sure to meet everyone in the chapter, and trying her best to brighten everyone's day. She was a sophomore at Drexel, and a member of the Phi Mu sorority. Steph was a huge supporter of SigEp, as she always supported brothers in all of our endeavors to reach our goals. She loved everything that the fraternity stood for, and really is an inspiration for us all. She will forever be remembered here at the PABB chapter of SigEp, and will always be in our hearts. We thank Steph for her constant support, friendship, and care for each and every one of us in SigEp. Rest in peace.



Blake Bostick in the WingBowl

Every year since 1993, the sports radiostation, WIP 94.1, hosts a chicken wing eating contests every Friday of SuperBowl Weekend. The WingBowl is a great way for the community to come together and have a good time. For the competitors, they can win various prizes and this year, the winner of the Overall Wing Bowl 22 won \$22,000 with a gold medal and a championship ring and the winner of the Local Wing Bowl 22 and the College Wing Bowl each won a Chrysler 200. In order to win these prizes, competitors had to eat their way through two 14 minute rounds and the final round of only two minutes. Only the top 10 competitors from the first round of 30 competitors moved onto the second round and from there, the top five competitors moved onto the final round. The competitor with the most chicken wings eaten—generously donated by PJ Wellihans—would become the Wing Bowl Champion. For this year's 22nd annual Wing Bowl, one of our very own, a Sigma Phi Epsilon PABB alumnus, Blake Bostick qualified for the Wing Bowl during *The Morning Show* at the 94.1 WIP studios in Center City, Philadelphia by eating 3 McGangbangs (a McChicken in between the two burger patties of a McDouble—a whopping consumption total of 4 buns, 2 burgers, and 1 chicken patty times three) in under six and half minutes! With a sold out audience of 20,000+ at the Wells Fargo Center, Blake ate 90 chicken wings in the first round, barely missing out on the second round by only three wings! Good Job Blake, Damn Proud.



