

Newsletter

July 2016



Upcoming Events

July 23rd, 2016 - Family Day
August 20th, 2016 - Move-in Group Event
October 1st, 2016 - Homecoming
November 5th, 2016 - Thanksgiving Dinner

Grand Chapter Update

Brothers,

This past weekend I had the honor of attending our 47th Grand Chapter in Orlando, FL. This was the 6th Grand Chapter I have attended and this was by far the biggest and best I have witnessed. Overall there were approximately 500 Sig Tau friends and family in attendance.

The impact of new CEO Steve Latour was extremely evident. Friday evening the fraternity sponsored a private reception at Epcot center to enjoy an open bar while taking in some great fireworks. The evening was incredible to see 500 of us all wearing the same shirts. I will say that next time they should employ Brother Garner to take over the fireworks portion!

During the Grand Chapter there was some historic changes proposed and adopted. The two most impactful include new branding and new principles of Sigma Tau Gamma...

LEARNING: He is committed to the pursuit of wisdom and seeks to afford the environment for learning in all his personal and professional endeavors. He knows full well the obligation he has taken and seeks to pass what he has learned to others, knowledge that will rule and mold his thoughts, acts, and deeds. He is focused and goal-oriented.

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INTEGRITY: He lives a life of personal integrity perfecting a structure of honor and living by the highest standard that keeps our Brotherhood alive, for, without it, we could not rely on each other or advance our cause. A man with integrity is an honorable man who lives up to promises made – to others and himself. He is confident, ethical, and honest.

EXCELLENCE: He consistently strives for superior performance and does not shrink from adversity or lofty goals. He is a man who is dedicated and purposeful who carries an unblemished reputation among men. His actions serve as an example and standard bearer for others. He is curious and bold.

LEADERSHIP: He is compelled by a sacred trust and duty to develop good leaders for the world. He is a man who is humble and make others feel like they are truly part of something special. He is the defender of good from evil. He is always prepared to lend assistance to a Brother in need. He is courageous, innovative, and strategic.

CITIZENSHIP: He is an outward defender of the common man and cares about more than just himself, demonstrating an unwavering commitment to serving his fraternity, college, and country. He is charitable in the broadest sense of the word, knowing those so richly blessed have an obligation to serve those less fortunate. He is generous and kind.

BROTHERHOOD: He loves his fraternity and seeks to enhance the worth of belonging for others. His actions are emblematic of our shield, a protector of our secrets and our life-long commitment to one another. He holds our ideals in high regard and is forever bonded within the Chain of Honor. He is respectful and dignified and proudly represents the fraternity in all his affairs. He is loyal and proud.

The new branding approved will also be making its way into Sigma Tau Gamma very shortly.

The new Board of Directors for the coming term are:

President: Jon Proehl, UW-River Falls
President Elect: Jim Johnston, Carnegie Mellon
Board Member: Jeremy Daus, UW-River Falls
Board Member: Jeremiah King, Missouri S&T
Board Member: Philip Jeanfreau, Southeastern

Louisiana

Board Member: Joe Gallo, Michigan Tech
Immediate Past President: Alyx Parker, Illinois
Senior Past President: Tom Morgan,
Southeastern Louisiana

The banquet on Saturday night was very exciting and historic. Two highlights I would like to share is that our big brother Chapter Beta Theta at Purdue

once again took home the McCune award for best chapter in Sigma Tau Gamma.

Also those in attendance were privileged to witness Greg Rumpf, Truman State '76 be inducted into the Society of the Seventeen! Greg's induction marks the first time there has been a full society membership in over 10 years!

Next summer's conclave will be in Minneapolis, MN and the 2018 Grand Chapter will be held in Phoenix, AZ. The 100th anniversary Grand Chapter will be in Kansas City in 2020!!!

I was honored to once again represent the Delta Tau Alumni Association voting delegate! Hopefully we can involve more members from our Association in the coming years at National meetings and Grand Chapters!

Fraternally,
Brother Van Camp





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SIG TAU FAMILY DAY



SATURDAY

JULY 23, 2016

11AM-2PM

WEST PARK, 2700 W 116TH ST, CARMEL, IN 46032

PLEASE BRING THE WHOLE CREW AND JOIN THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION FOR THEIR ANNUAL FAMILY DAY!

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WILL BE PROVIDING FOOD AND BEVERAGES.

SIDE DISHES AND DESSERTS ARE WELCOME.

West Park Activities

Splash Park (bring swimsuits & towels!)

Prairie Garden

Playgrounds

Walking Trails

Wetland Boardwalk

Wide open space for activities!



Please contact Travis Drake with any questions

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Recruiting Competition

All:

2016 / 2017 has been designated the year that we “Grow the Party, Add to the List, Bring a Brother with you”. To do that we need your help.

As with all things Sig Taus do, it seems that nothing gets us moving like a little friendly competition, so here’s how this will work:

- The contest will start June 19th (Father’s Day – it just seemed fitting) and end at midnight the day before the Annual Alumni Association Meeting in 2017.

- For each brother an alumni member recruits and has join the association by paying dues - he gains a point.

- After joining the association the “new” members are eligible for the contest as well.

- ANY brother who is not a current member of the association as of the start date is fair game for recruitment!

- **At the Annual Alumni Association Meeting in 2017 we will tally the points and award a winner, who will receive a \$250 Visa Gift Card.**

- In the event of a tie, the names will be tossed into a hat and one will be drawn at random as the winner.

To help you get started here are some tips:

- Recruit from your era, you shared a significant amount of time with the brothers in your pledge class, and those you lived with. Take a moment to reconnect with those guys and ask them to join the organization and enjoy being a part of the fraternal experience once again.

- Call your big brother and work through your “family tree” and reconnect with the members that are partly responsible for you being a member of STG.

- Call the guys you went on Spring Break with, rode trike with or just hung out with all the time – reliving the good old days is a good way to reconnect.

- There are a lot of ways to recruit brothers and bring them back to the family, and it all starts with something as simple as a phone call.

One opportunity I want to highlight is coming up on July 23rd, when all past alumni are invited to experience an Association event free of charge, so they can see for themselves why they should make an investment and join the association. Please consider taking advantage of this opportunity, and invite them to bring their entire family to our “Family Day” event on July 23rd.

Good luck and may the best man win.

Andy

STG – DT Founding Father

Delta Tau Alumni Association V.P. of Membership

Carb Day Events

The 100th running of the Indy 500 took place this May and after 24 years working IMS events as a photographer I wanted to experience just a little bit of the festivities as a fan would, I've never done that. Carb day morning Zac sent me a text that the Sig Taus were in their traditional spot along the front stretch and invited me to stop by. What a perfect opportunity.

After I finished my photo duties, I walked over to section 55 and found my brothers, that wasn't terribly difficult as I heard my name being yelled from the grandstands as I walked up the steps. I quickly deduced that I was in the correct place – I'm sharp like that you see. It was really nice to see everyone that was there and meet a brother I don't think I had met before, Mr. Adam Hungate. It was pointed out to me that Adam and I could be twins, which might explain why he looked vaguely familiar to me...

We all just hung out and talked about the events of the day, watched the pit stop competition and listened to Adam's plans regarding the Journey concert later in the afternoon...After the cars were done I decided to say my goodbyes and skip the concert, I'd been at the track since 4:00am and really wanted a quiet place to just sit. I had no idea the most entertaining part of the day was still to come.

From my couch at home I started seeing facebook posts and group texts going back and forth

between Adam and the rest of the group about where he was and inquiring as to where everyone else was. From the picture that was posted below, Adam was in different zip code than everyone else. I must admit that watching this live game of "Where's Waldo" play out over a few hours was HUGELY entertaining.

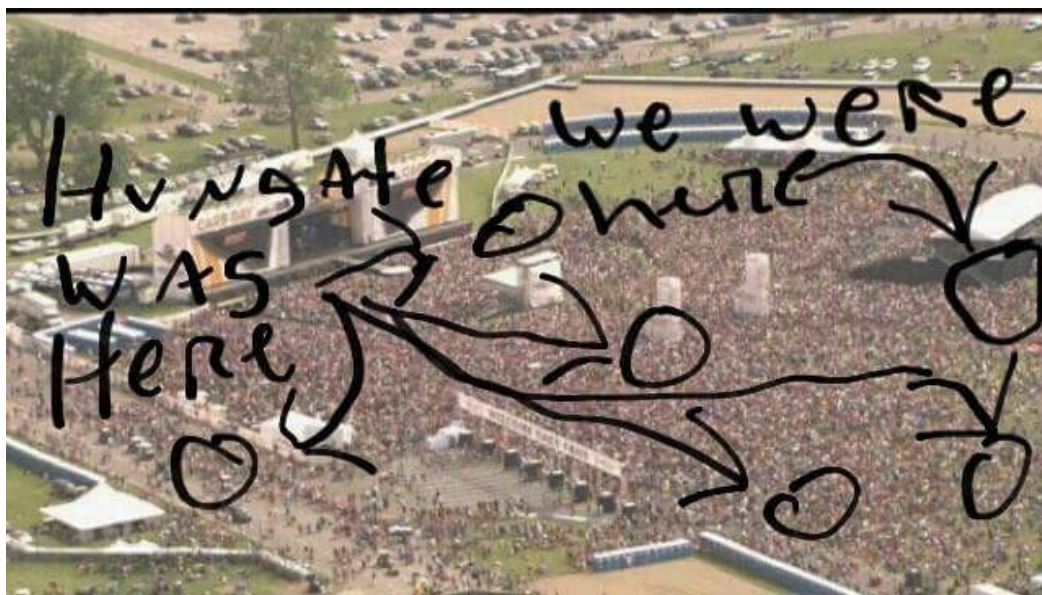
I was reminded of the long standing tradition amongst STG-DT's that someone must get lost or "wander off" at almost every large event or venue. We've lost pledges in downtown Indianapolis (who were blindfolded by the way), a brother in a foreign country, countless party participants and yet we always seem to find them at some point...It's good to see that the tradition continues – and no man is left behind.

A very special shout out to Mr. Hungate, you sir make a first impression like no other and I am very glad you are in the alumni association brother.

Andy Clark

As a non racing fan, Carb Day with a group of guys who like racing is fun. The Sig Tau's who go every year have helped it become a good tradition in the sense of "Come on down and you'll have fun". Their spot they've picked is in the shade the entire time while watching the race cars so that is a MAJOR plus. Carb Day overall is a just a laid back atmosphere. It helps you catch up with brothers you haven't seen in awhile and get to see some aspects of professional racing up close.

Steve Stuck



It was epic lol. Easy to get lost there! Especially when you're three sheets to the wind. Had a blast!

Adam Hungate

It was a very eventful carb day to say the least. Thank you Adam for providing the free entertainment. It was a good turnout for carb day as far as number of Sig Tau's in attendance. Per usual, we were the loudest group in our section thanks to Brother Garner. I do know that the car I picked for the pit stop competition did not win, but he still put out Dustin's car, so it was totally worth it. Somehow amongst the record breaking crowd, we lost Adam (i.e. Adam lost himself) and his wife politely txt me "Did you lose him on purpose?" Though the thought crossed my mind a time or to, I did my best to locate Adam. By the grace of Sig Tau luck, Adam managed to find and Uber back to Dustin's home, hours after we had all arrived safe. In the process he managed to bring back a different cooler than he left with, and more beer. God Bless carb day the sig tau memories made every year. Already looking forward to next carb day.

Lew DiRuzza

Alumni Birthdays

June

Mike Potempa - 8
Drew Lees - 8
Matt Moore - 10
Mark Stalcup - 12
PJ Mazely - 18
Don Cranfill - 21
Matt Fulkerson - 22
DJ McClain - 26

July

Josh Nygren - 8

Happy Birthday Brothers!

** If you have a birthday in one of these months but are not listed, and would like to be, please contact me.

Move-In Weekend

Saturday, August 20th, 2016.

There will be an all day Alumni / Active event at ISU during move-in weekend. The event starts at 9am and will be held on campus. There will be a schedule of events for the day to be posted.

There is a hotel room block already reserved. If you are interested in a room, please contact Brother Zac Garner by 8/15/16.

Chicago Blackhawks Event

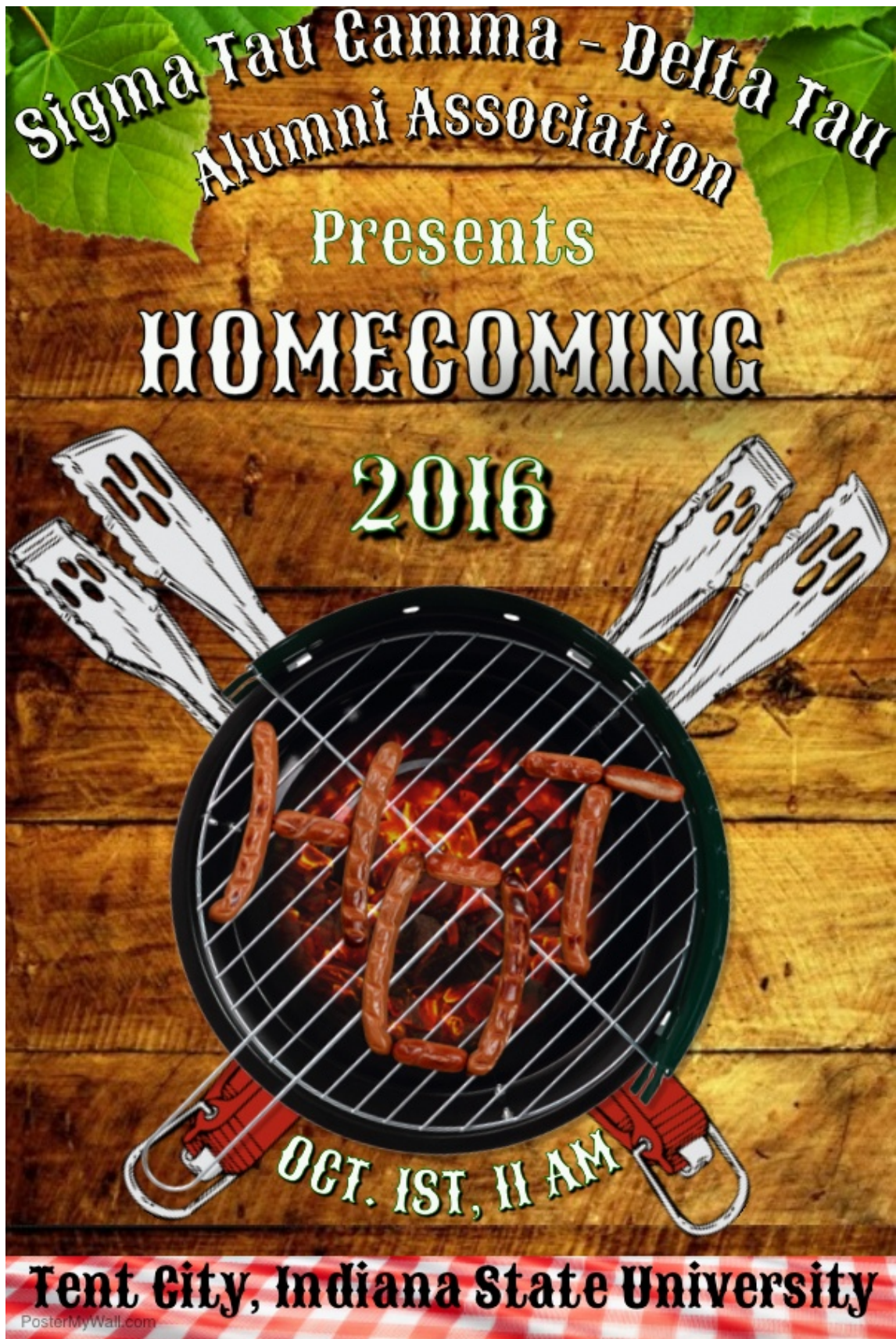
Brother Van Camp is organizing a Chicago Blackhawks even in Chicago on 9/24/16. You must RSVP through the link below by 8/1/16.

[Blackhawks Training Camp Fest](#)

Vice President's Corner

This year, we have a goal of improving communication with the membership. With that being said, there's a goal of getting out more frequent newsletters. We are shooting for every other month and possibly monthly. So that means we should get at minimum 6 newsletters. So I will be needing content. No matter how small or long, if it pertains to our Actives or Alumni, I want it for the newsletter. So send the info to me on Facebook or send me an email. My email address is: curt.binder@gmail.com

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VP Delta Tau Alumni Association



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