

THE SCROLL

The Official Sigma Alpha Iota Newsletter of Tulsa Alumnae Chapter and Sigma Gamma Chapter at the University of Tulsa | Region II, Zeta A Province

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Announcements

📢 We are soliciting information for our “People of Note” and “Upcoming Events” sections for the January *Scroll* issue. Tulsa Alumnae, please get information to Megan Gibson at chapter meetings or by email. Sigma Gammas, please get information to Carlie Wiseley.

📢 Tulsa Alumnae, we are still looking for hostesses for March and April, as well as a location for our March meeting. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Mary Hargrave.

📢 Tulsa Alumnae, if you are interested in joining a special committee to help plan the benefit concert for Sigma Alpha Iota Philanthropies Pan’s Cottage Campaign in the spring, please contact Sharon Doty.

Tulsa Alumnae Fundraiser
Tuesday, 14 November, 4:00 - 9:30 pm

Location:

Hideaway Pizza
KingsPoint Village
61st and Yale, Tulsa



Hideaway Pizza will donate 15% of net sales generated to the SAI Tulsa Alumnae Chapter. Please notify your server that you are with SAI!

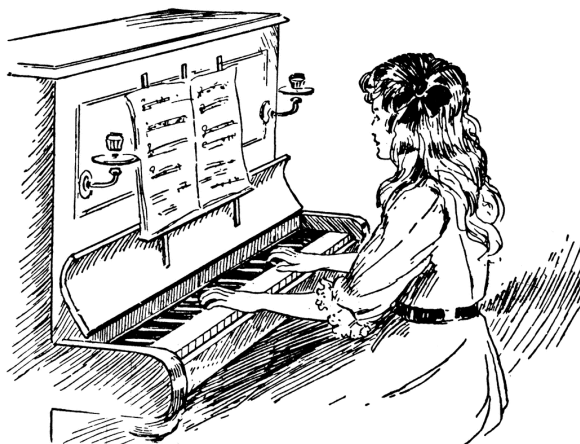
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Sigma Gamma Chapter Communications

Erin Jones

We are very excited for this weekend! Sigma Gamma will hold our Initiation Ceremony on Saturday, November 11, 2017, at 3:00pm in the Lorton Performance Center at The University of Tulsa. We are initiating 7 new members, and we are all eagerly awaiting the day. October was a busy month for the chapter! We had sisterhood events, hosted a Joint Recital with Phi Mu Alpha, held committee meetings, and more. We are looking forward to our fall bake sale on Wednesday, November 15, from 9:00am until 5:00pm in the lobby of the Lorton Performance Center, and in December, we will sing at the Holiday Market for the Junior League of Tulsa.



Tulsa Alumnae Chapter Communications

Patty Mandrell

Brrrrr, the approaching cold weather might make some folks want to hibernate but not the Tulsa Alums! After all, we were awarded the Zeta A Chapter Achievement Award for 2016-17! Our current calendar has scheduled two fun events through which members can continue to support and promote the chapter: the annual Hideaway Pizza fundraiser on a November Tuesday evening and Christmas caroling/lunch on a December Saturday morning. Fun, easy and rewarding, join us.

Kudos to Megan Gibson and Karen Hiller for another fine edition of our Tulsa Yearbook Directory. They did it again, devoted lots of time and effort to publish the 2017-18 project... ladies, you have our gratitude and appreciation for a job well done!

The yearbook, "The Scroll" and miscellaneous announcements keep members abreast of all news Tulsa Alumnae—and that helps us support and encourage our SAI sisters individually and as a chapter.

Our time is the most precious thing we have. What more meaningful way to support sisters than each of us giving a little of our time to attend meetings, recitals or programs, support fundraisers or to welcome new sisters: Sigma Gamma on November 11 for their Fall Initiation Ceremony and Tulsa Alumnae on Jan 27, 2018 for affiliating four new members. Stay warm and see you at the Hideaway!

“WHAT I LEARNED READING K. MARIE’S BOOK”

“Three Citations” by Sue Amstutz

Sigma Alpha Iota has received three citations honoring the Fraternity for its emphasis on American music.

- 1953 *Award of Merit for Outstanding Service to American Music* from the National Association for American Composers and Conductors
- 1955 *Citation of Merit* from the National Music Council for outstanding contribution to American music
- 1963 *Recognition Award for Advancing National and World Culture Through Distinguished Service to Music* from the National Federation of Music Clubs (presented at the Federation’s 32nd Biennial Convention)

Upcoming Events

10 November: TU Symphony Orchestra with the TU Chorus performing Vaughn-Williams at Trinity Episcopal Church, 7:30pm

11 November: Sigma Gamma Fall Initiation, 3pm, Meinig Hall, Lorton Performance Center

14 November: Tulsa Alumnae Restaurant Fundraiser

15 November: Sigma Gamma Bake Sale Fundraiser, 9am-5pm, Lorton PC lobby

19 November: Nu Beta Installation and Initiation, Weatherford, OK

20 November: Tulsa Youth Symphony Orchestra Concert, 7pm, Union High School PAC

4 December: Sequoyah Middle School Choir Concert, PAC Broken Arrow

9 December: Tulsa Alumnae Caroling, 10:30am

16 December: TU graduation, 10am, Reynolds Center

2018 Alumnae Meetings: 1/27 - Formal, 2/24 - Potluck, 3/27 - Formal, 4/21 - Formal, 5/12 - Salad Luncheon

26 January: Sigma Gamma Pledging Ceremony

10 February: Zeta B Province Day

7 April: Zeta A Province Day

8 April: Sigma Gamma Spring Initiation

14 April: Sigma Gamma Senior Farewell Luncheon, 11:30am, Boston Ave. Methodist

22 April: Tulsa Alumnae Chapter Benefit Concert for Sigma Alpha Iota Philanthropies Pan’s Cottage, feat. John Rush, 2:00pm

17-20 May 2018: Mayfest

Zeta B Province Day is set February 10

SAI members throughout Oklahoma are invited to attend Zeta B Province Day, to be hosted by Alpha Iota Chapter at the University of Oklahoma on February 10, 2018. The event will be held at 500 West Boyd Street in Norman.

In addition to Alpha Iota, chapters in Zeta B are Alpha Zeta at Oklahoma City University, Delta Iota at the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, Oklahoma City Alumnae, and Edmond Alumnae.

For more information, contact Ashlee Boydston, Alpha Iota president, ashlee.n.boydston-1@ou.edu, or Alicia Vanderschaaf, Zeta B province officer, zetab.province.sai@gmail.com.



Zeta A Province Day scheduled for April 7

Kappa Rho Chapter will host Zeta A Province Day at Langston University on April 7, 2018. The other Zeta A chapters are Sigma Gamma at the University of Tulsa, Iota Alpha at Oklahoma State University, and Tulsa Alumnae Chapter.

Make plans now to attend this event. Kappa Rho is celebrating the addition of eight new members this fall and is looking forward to hosting a very successful Province Day.

-Hazel Rowena Mills



The University of Tulsa recently celebrated homecoming on October 12-15 with the theme "Stay Gold." Here are some examples of Sigma Gamma's creative contributions to the homecoming festivities!



♪ Sigma Gamma RhyLee Sanford, who is graduating in December, has decided to stay and attend law school at TU in the spring semester!

♪ Sigma Gamma Allison Whitelock has been chosen as a drum major for TU's Sound of the Golden Hurricane for next season!

♪ Congratulations to Sigma Gamma Rachel Neely, who is graduating in December!

♪ Several of our Tulsa members were featured in the Fall 2017 of *Pan Pipes*! Congratulations to Ruby Sword of Honor winner Melissa Buchman (Sigma Gamma), Undergraduate Scholarship Winner Hope Bradford (Sigma Gamma), Professional Development/Education Grant winner Kaci Schick (Tulsa Alumnae), and to Sigma Gamma Chapter for their Collegiate Service Project Award (which you can read about on the next page). Brava ladies!

♪ Tulsa Alumnae Lynette Bennet Danskin was featured the *TU Arts and Sciences Magazine* for Fall 2017, p. 6. Please read the article "Broadway Dreamer," which celebrates the bold and fascinating life and career of one of our dear sisters, a 60 year member of SAI.

♪ National Arts Associate, Dr. Joseph Rivers, was nominated for an Emmy in Best Documentary-Historical Category for his original music for the documentary film: "The Life and Times of E. W. Marland." Dr. Rivers said, "We did not win, but it was an honor to be nominated." Congratulations to Dr. Rivers on this prestigious distinction! (Read more in the *TU Arts and Sciences Magazine*, Fall 2017, p. 21).



Sigma Gamma wins national service award

Sigma Gamma Chapter recently received the Category 2 National Collegiate Service Project Award for 2016–2017 for its eight-month service project at Charles Lindbergh Elementary School in the Tulsa Public Schools district. Category 2 consists of “medium-sized” chapters.

Sigma Gamma won the TU homecoming competition in fall 2016 and earmarked \$1,000 of the prize money for Lindbergh. In addition, members of the chapter donated 46 volunteer hours at Lindbergh, assisting with music fundamentals, concert preparation, and classroom management and providing overall positivity to support the Lindbergh students’ musical growth. At the end of the school year, Sigma Gamma hosted a fund-raising dinner for Lindbergh, including setup, food distribution, and entertainment. The dinner raised \$965, and Sigma Gamma presented a check of \$1,965 to Lindbergh on May 15, 2017, for the purchase of Orff musical instruments.

Rachel Horton, a Sigma Gamma alumna and TU graduate, is the music teacher at Lindbergh.

Sigma Gamma Chapter also won the national service award in 2012–2013 for a similar project for the band program at Marshall Elementary in Tulsa. The chapter has a large service project every year and has won province and regional awards in SAI. The members maintain high GPAs and are very active in music and other academic fields.

Sigma Gamma, the 27th SAI chapter in the nation, was installed on April 23, 1924, by national SAI president Hazel Ritchey under the sponsorship of Albert Lukken, dean of the University of Tulsa School of Music, and his wife, contralto Florence Lukken. Mrs. W. H. (Grace) Crowder was the charter patroness.

–Hazel Rowena Mills



TULSA YOUTH SYMPHONY

The Tulsa Youth Symphony fall concert will be held at 7 p.m.

November 20 at the Union High School Performing Art Center, 6636 South Mingo Road, with a preconcert performance in the lobby at 6 p.m. by the Preparatory String Orchestra. The Symphony Orchestra and Concert Orchestra will play Suite No. 1 from

Carmen by Bizet, selections from The Firebird by Stravinsky, symphony movements by Beethoven and Dvořák, and music by Tchaikovsky, Bach, and Verdi. Ronald Wheeler, an SAT National Arts Associate, is music director of Tulsa Youth Symphony. For more information, call 918-592-7725 or go to www.tyso.org.

–Hazel Rowena Mills

Sigma Alpha Iota

49TH NATIONAL CONVENTION

"SAI - SO NEAR, SO DEAR"

July 26-30, 2018

WESTIN KIERLAND RESORT & SPA
SCOTTSDALE, AZ

• PEEK AT THE WEEK •

THURSDAY, JULY 26

Visit the SAI Mall - Herff Jones (official jeweler)
"SAI Whistle Shop" by Coastal Greek
(official SAI Boutique vendor), and others!
Opening Night Initiation

FRIDAY, JULY 27

Opening Session - Province Flags
Welcome Luncheon
Strolling SAls
Mini-Musicals
Educational Workshops
IAMA Premiere Concert featuring composer judges
and winning composition

SATURDAY, JULY 28

Phlea-Phlam - An exciting opportunity to raise funds for your chapter
and SAI Philanthropies, Inc.!
Educational Workshops
Philanthropies Benefit Concert - classical guitarist Dr. Christopher S.
Kachian, National Arts Associate

SUNDAY, JULY 29

National, Regional, and Province Officer Elections
Alumnae and Collegiate Forums
SAI Memorial Ceremony
Dinner of Honors and National Awards
Fraternity Sing

MONDAY, JULY 30

Educational Workshops
Installation of Officers
Closing Ritual & Adjournment - 12:00 pm

For more information, visit sai-national.org

Watch the SAI website for Registration information
and an opportunity to order the official Convention Charm from Herff Jones.



As the National Convention draws near, we hope that you are making plans to attend, but did you know that there are multiple ways to participate at the National Convention? Applications are currently underway for Mini-Musical Performers (deadline December 15, 2017) and Workshop Proposals (deadline January 15, 2018). Please see the national SAI website for application forms and more details about these activities.

Highlights for the convention also include SAI Philanthropies Benefit Concert, featuring National Arts Associate Dr. Christopher Kachian, Professor of Guitar at the University of St. Thomas, the premiere of the winning song for the "Pan's Cottage Campaign" by the Strolling SAI's (and an update on the renovations to our residence at The MacDowell Colony) as well as lots of singing (bring your songbooks!), learning, sightseeing at the Musical Instrument Museum (MIM), Phlea-Phlam and *The Whistle Shop* for your SAI paraphernalia, and memorable times of sisterhood and music!

Visit <https://www.sai-national.org/2018-sai-convention.html> for more information.

The newest soon-to-be chapter of SAI in Oklahoma (at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford, OK) will be installed as Nu Beta and its inaugural members initiated on November 19 as part of the Zeta B Province. These ladies have been working hard with Tulsa Alumna Sharon Doty to get to this proud moment, and invite us to be a part of their Nu (new) steps towards official membership in Sigma Alpha Iota.

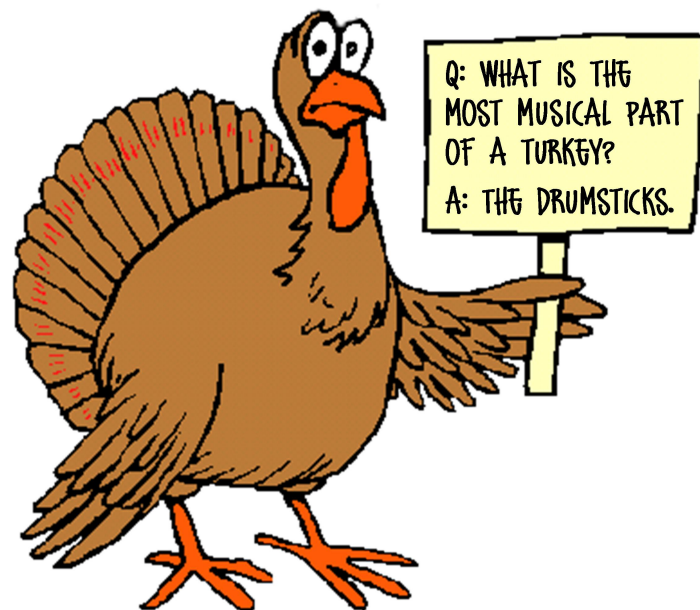
If you are interested in attending Nu Beta's installation/initiation ceremony, please let Sharon Doty know.

Meditation starts at 5:30pm and Initiation at 6:00pm. There is also a musicale earlier at 12pm (noon), with a lunch served afterwards at 1pm.

Come for the day, or in part. It is a 2 1/2 hour drive each way, but it will be well worth the trip! Sharon is willing to take passengers (she leaves at 10am) so please contact her soon if you are interested!

We very much looking forward to welcoming these awesome ladies into our sisterhood!

Sigma Gamma's Fall Initiation takes place Saturday, November 11, 2017, at 3:00pm in the Lorton Performance Center at The University of Tulsa where Tulsa Alumna Sue Amstutz will be leading their meditation for the 9th consecutive semester. Please make plans to attend and support our newest sisters with a warm welcome into our fraternity!



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Keep up with our Tulsa chapters online!

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Website:

saitulsaalumnae.wixsite.com/saitulsa

Sigma Gamma:

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