

THE SCROLL

The Official Sigma Alpha Iota Newsletter of Tulsa Alumnae Chapter and Sigma Gamma Chapter at the
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Announcements

📢 If you are an SAI Alumna but not yet affiliated with our Tulsa Alumnae chapter, please let us know! We'd love to stay connected with you and let you know a little more about what we do and what's coming up for us this year.

Also be sure to get on the *Scroll* list by emailing the editor at saitulsaalumnae@gmail.com or visit *Scroll* issues at our website, listed below, to stay up to date on what both of our Tulsa SAI chapters are up to!



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Chapter Communications

Sigma Gamma Chapter

Iris Ramirez

Our chapter has wrapped up another successful school year! We ended the spring semester by honoring our seniors and playing a game that involved guessing the senior from a baby picture. Congratulations to our newly graduated sisters! This semester overall was unique both in good and bad ways and I'm so proud of our chapter members for pushing through! I am beyond honored to start my presidency for our Sigma Gamma chapter and I am even more excited to start working with the new officers. We have such a great team of members and I know that our dedication to the chapter as well as our hard work will make for another wonderful school year.



Tulsa Alumnae Chapter

Patty Mandrell

Summer break is here for Tulsa Alumnae. For still being in pandemic mode we had a productive year of virtual chapter meetings, Province Day, monthly issues of *The Scroll*, service project, and restaurant benenights. This spring we both awarded the Bowles Memorial to and hosted a cupcake picnic Senior Farewell for Sigma Gamma. We also manned our eleventh Mayfest booth, a tradition started in 2010. (2020 festival was COVID cancelled. An interesting tidbit from PO Mills: for the first several years almost all nonprofit groups were music related—Tulsa Boys Choir, Tulsa Children's Chorus, Sand Springs Band Boosters.) Without Mayfest funds we would be unable to continue our yearly Bowles and triennial Palmer scholarships.

Many many thanks to those of you who gave a bit of your time and funds to support your chapter this year. This support is what keeps Tulsa Alumnae going!

Next year's schedule will depend again on the pandemic situation, on member participation and on school calendars.

Enjoy your summer, remain COVID cautious and join your alumnae sisters next fall for a new season.

Fraternity Education: SAI Firsts

“Fraternity Leadership Record”

We now present the final items in the record of actions in which SAI exhibited a leadership role.

First Music Fraternity to establish its own series of published works—— the two series titled the Sigma Alpha Iota MODERN MUSIC SERIES and the AMERICAN MUSIC AWARDS SERIES.

First Greek letter organization to grant a commission for a music work.....
William Schuman's *Voyage*

First Music Organization to publish a Music Journal....(*Pan Pipes*) to be recognized by the U. S. Department of State for distribution to its Information Centers throughout the world

First Greek letter organization to supply libraries with bound volumes of its periodical

First Music Fraternity to receive citations from (a) the National Association for American Composers and Conductors; (b) the National Music Counsel; and (c) the National Federation of Music Clubs

People of Note

♪ Bravae to Cathy Venable, Anna Norberg, and Tulsa Chorale members for their excellent May performances!

♪ Congrats to Neil Cluck, husband of Alumna Karen Cluck, whose art was showcased at Mayfest this year!

♪ Thanks to all who came out to help with Mayfest this year, including SAI Tulsa Alumnae, family, and friends!

♪ Our thoughts are with Alumna Peggy Cooper, as she has been having some back problems.

Stay Tuned for
Upcoming Events for
the 2021-2022 Year



News & Announcements

Tulsa Alumnae Service Project Fundraiser Update



Our fraternity year 2020-21 has certainly been an unusual one, but once again Tulsa Alumnae Chapter members have risen to the occasion so that our chapter could present our annual service project award.

Thanks to all of you who participated in our two fundraisers this year by dining in or carrying out from Hideaway Pizza and Taziki's. And a special thank you to those who were unable to participate on the actual days but sent donations for the fundraisers. We met our goal for the service project which was awarded to the Tulsa Youth Symphony. Maestro Ron Wheeler, a National Arts Associate, plans to use the funds to purchase music for the young musicians. So, a big THANK YOU to Tulsa Alumnae members for your continued support of our chapter even in these unusual times.

Sherye Halliburton, Treasurer



Tulsa Alumnae
Sherye
Halliburton and
Karen Gingrich
helping out at
Mayfest!

SAI Announces Assistant Executive Director

The National Executive Board is happy to announce that Catherine Chandler will join the staff at SAI National Headquarters as assistant executive director this summer. She was initiated by Theta Beta Chapter at Jacksonville State University and is a member of the Mobile (Alabama) Alumnae Colony. She will relocate to Asheville, North Carolina, with her husband and son.

Hyeckha Donation to Sigma Gamma

Hyeckha Club of Tulsa has donated four file cabinets of Hyeckha Chorus music to Sigma Gamma Chapter for its women's vocal ensemble. The Hyeckha Chorus, which gave several performances every year for decades, was disbanded in summer 2020. Pope Economou Kingsley, a Sigma Gamma initiate from the 1950s, is president of Hyeckha Club, Oklahoma's oldest music organization. Hyeckha vice president Nancy Henry and chorus director Caitlin Norton coordinated the transfer of the music files in April with Iris Ramirez, Sigma Gamma music director for 2020-2021. Sigma Gamma members have started to sort and catalog the music and are very grateful to Hyeckha for this generous donation.