

# The Scroll

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The Official Sigma Alpha Iota Newsletter of  
Tulsa Alumnae Chapter, Tulsa Patroness Chapter, and Sigma Gamma Chapter at the University of Tulsa  
Region 2, Zeta A Province  
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### Tulsa Alumnae

#### Formal Meeting and Potluck Salad Luncheon

**Saturday, May 13**

**10:30 am**

#### Location:

Southminster Presbyterian Church

3500 S. Peoria, Tulsa

#### Musicale:

Karen Gingrich

Karen Hiller

Whitney Lee

Tulsa Opera's Aaron Beck and students

#### Hostesses

Nancy Haswell

Peggy Cooper

Mary Snider

### Chapter Announcements

♪ We have three extra t-shirts from Province Day, two mediums and an extra large. Get yours in time to wear for Mayfest, for a bargain price of \$10. Email [saitulsaalumnae@gmail.com](mailto:saitulsaalumnae@gmail.com) if you are interested!

♪ Tulsa Alumnae, don't forget to sign up to help with Mayfest! This fundraiser pays for scholarships for the convention fund, and we need your help. Let's not go back to selling magazines, bulbs, candles, etc. Thank you for doing your part in helping make this fundraiser a success!

♪ As we plan next year's meetings and activities, please remember that it is an obligation of membership for every member to help with hostessing. We are in need of hostesses as well as meeting locations and musicale performers for next year! When the sign up list comes your way, please find a place to sign up and do your part. If you are not at the May meeting, please contact VP Hostess Mary Hargrave and VP Programs Beth Keener to see how you can help. Thank you!

♪ Alumnae members, it is time to start thinking of next year's dues. At the May meeting, we will be accepting your local dues before our summer break. If you think you might be gone for our May meeting, feel free to mail your money to our treasurer, Sherye Halliburton, at 4113 East 42nd Street, Tulsa, OK 74135. To be an active, voting member, dues are \$25. To be an associate member without voting status, dues are \$10. Checks should be made out to Sigma Alpha Iota, Tulsa Alumnae Chapter. National Alumnae Association dues of \$35 are paid separately, not to the chapter.

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### **Sigma Gamma Communications, Erin Jones**

The Senior Luncheon was beautiful, and we would like to thank the Patroness Chapter for hosting such a wonderful event. In addition, the seniors were honored, and it was such a great way to celebrate their success. Mayfest is just around the corner, and many sisters have signed up to help! With the school year coming to a close, we are also finishing up our volunteering at Lindbergh Elementary. It has been a great year!

### **Patroness Chapter Communications, Janet Hyne**

Thank You to the Tulsa Alumnae Chapter for a fabulous Province Day!

The Spring Luncheon held April 22<sup>nd</sup> at Boston Avenue Church was a lovely event. Colorful linens and small vases of spring flowers made the room cheery and bright. We welcomed thirty-one Sigma Gammas. Also attending were Rowena Mills, Zeta A Province Officer, four Alumnae Chapter members including President Patty Mandrell, TU music faculty member Judith Pannill Raiford, who serves as Faculty Advisor to Sigma Gamma, and Suzy Thompson, Director of Development for TU College of Arts and Sciences.

Awards were presented by Rowena Mills, Patty Mandrell, and Judith Raiford. The 2016-2017 Patroness Scholarship recipients, Rachel Francis and Makayla West, were recognized and presented with framed certificates. Each of them received a \$3000 scholarship. Graduating seniors Melissa Buchman, Cara Douthitt, Rachel Francis, Pamela McKee, Abby Raiford, Rhylee Sandford, and Makayla West received gifts from the Alumnae and Patroness Chapters. Following the awards was the Sigma Gamma Farewell Ritual. To conclude the program, Rowena Mills shared a wonderful history of the Patroness Chapter. We sincerely appreciate the time and effort that Rowena put into sharing our chapter's fifty-eight years of affiliation with Sigma Gamma. Thank you Rowena for the beautiful program, and a big thank you to Debbie Watts for all her help with the Spring Luncheon.

It is with a great deal of sadness that I announce that the Patroness Chapter will be coming to an end on May 31, 2017. I am so thankful for the members who have faithfully supported our mission through their financial contributions. Our chapter remained active because of the strong leadership and commitment of Sue Shadley. We miss her so much!

The Patroness Scholarship at The University of Tulsa will now be awarded by a committee consisting of the Director of The School of Music, the Faculty Advisor to the Sigma Gamma Chapter, and the Director of Financial Services. We hope the annual Spring Luncheon will continue, because it is such a meaningful event for the Sigma Gammas. Our account with Saied Music will be closed.

We wish the very best to all our Sigma Alpha Iota sisters.

Love and Roses, Janet Hyne

### **Tulsa Alumnae Chapter Communications, Patty Mandrell**

It's hard to believe it's time again to wrap up another season. Everyone's favorite -our salad luncheon- is scheduled for May 13 and will offer lots of tasty food, inspiring musicale, and sisterhood. Following on May 18-21 is Mayfest, the easiest way you'll ever fundraise \$2,000! Your small individual efforts over four days reap a huge year's reward for the chapter. Join your sisters for both events before we take our summer break.

Tulsa Alumnae has had a very rewarding year: membership brunch, monthly meetings with themed musicales, Board meetings, fundraising games, an excellent yearbook, engaging monthly Scrolls, Christmas caroling, goodies for Baptist Children's Home Owasso, pot luck luncheon, contributions to SAI Philanthropies, service project for Grand Central Kids Pre-school, chapter updates in Tempo, new initiates and affiliates, ever expanding archives, Memorial Rituals, continuing relationship with Sigma Gamma, three Bowles Scholarship winners, hosting a very successful Zeta A Province Day, and presenting gifts to Sigma Gamma seniors while enjoying Janet Hynes's delicious homemade chocolate roses at the Patroness sponsored Senior Luncheon. Whew! What a year!

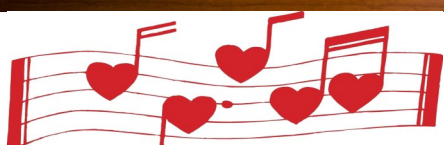
Remember to sign up for Mayfest duty, as much or as little time as you like, it all helps. See you at Southminster, see you at 3rd and Main, see you in August.



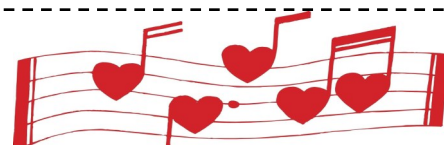
*Some FUN now! See if you can unscramble these terms associated with SAI!*

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sopartens	nap psiep

*Find the answer on page 7!*



## People of Note



♪ Jeanette Mayfield, associate member of Tulsa Alumnae, sends greetings and best wishes to her Tulsa sisters from Muncie, Indiana, where Jeanette now resides. Jeanette is a former very active Tulsa Alumnae member who still maintains her association with Tulsa via every-so-often phone calls to Sue Amstutz. Jeanette suffered a broken ankle several months ago which has hampered her organ playing but reports that the ankle is on the mend and she expects to resume playing soon.

♪ Congratulations to Tulsa Alumna Kara Street on the arrival of her new son Rhys, who made his SAI debut at our Province Day! Rhys Eugene was born on March 29 at St John-Owasso, and was 8 pounds 1 ounce and 20 1/2 inches long. He was welcomed by Kara, her husband Wesley, and 2 year old big brother, Liam.

♪ At the Senior luncheon, several Sigma Gammas were rewarded for their hard work and dedication to SAI. Melissa Buchman received the Zeta A Ruby Sword of Honor; Rachel Francis received the Scholastic Award; Julie Mitchener, Brettany Demier, and RhyLee Sanford received the Sword of Honor; and Makayla West received a certificate for the 2016 Zeta A Province Achievement Award on behalf of Sigma Gamma. Well done, ladies!

♪ Brava to Izzy Potts for successfully defending her dissertation. We are very proud of you, Dr. Potts!

♪ Congratulations to Jessica Santino for winning the 2017 Mary Bowles Scholarship! The quality of all auditions and applications was very high this year, so the scholarship committee decided to award additional stipends to the two other finalists, Meg Mobley and Hope Bradford. Congratulations again, Jessica!

♪ Congratulations to our new 2017-2018 Tulsa SAI officers. Sigma Gamma has elected Erin Jones as President, Nicole Asay as Vice President Membership, Kristina Scott as Vice president Ritual, Yiyi Chen as Treasurer, Kristin Caliva as Secretary, Grace Headerlin as Sergeant at Arms, Hope Bradford as Music Director, and Carlie Wiseley as Editor. Tulsa Alumnae has elected Patty Mandrell as President, Beth Keener as VP Program, Mary Hargrave as VP Hostess, Sue Amstutz as VP Ritual, Sherye Halliburton as Treasurer, Tracy Crow as Secretary, and Megan Gibson as Editor. We look forward to another great year from both chapters!

♪ Our condolences to Jan Dailey on the passing of her husband, Dwight.

♪ Congratulations to Tulsa Alumna Kaci Schick for being selected as a recipient for an SAI Professional Development Grant! Kaci plans on using the grant to complete her Kodaly Level III training this summer!

♪ In 1998, Tulsa Alumnae initiated composer James Cohn as a National Arts Associate. He and his wife Eileen have always kept in touch with us and recently have given a donation to Tulsa Alumnae's fundraising efforts. Jim, who will reach his 90th birthday in February 2018, is still an active composer. In past years, CDs of his music were provided to the Tulsa chapter for use as door prizes and other efforts. A quote from a recent email from Eileen illustrates the Cohns' affection for their Tulsa chapter: "We think of you and Tulsa and Jim's initiation there with great fondness." Tulsa Alumnae sisters send special love-filled greetings to the Cohn's and look forward to next February, when we will do our part to observe Jim's 90th birthday.





# Zeta A Province Day 2017

Tulsa Alumnae hosted the 2017 Zeta A Province Day on April 8 at University United Methodist Church. All chapters were represented, including Sigma Gamma, Iota Alpha, Kappa Rho, and Tulsa Alumnae. Zeta A Province Day officer Hazel Rowena Mills gave a special welcome and speech about Zoltán Kodály. Dan and Kathy Call gave an inspiring keynote speech, fitting for our theme of “Bold Notes.” There were sing-a-longs, two musicales, and an exciting and competitive game of SAI Jeopardy. Thanks to all who came out, and for Tulsa Alumnae for organizing and making this year’s Province Day a success!

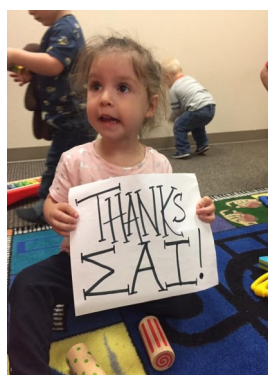






# 2017 Tulsa Alumnae service Project

Thanks to a successful Hideaway Pizza fundraiser, Tulsa Alumnae was able to donate funds for early childhood instruments to Grand Central Kids Preschool (GCK) in Owasso. GCK teaches ages 6 months to five years old, and the children receive music classes twice per week when they are as young as 12 months old. Mindy Russell, the music teacher at GCK, will use these instruments in her younger classes and is very grateful for the generosity of SAI. Members of the Tulsa Alumnae chapter—Tracy Crow, Patty Mandrell, Sue Amstutz, Karen Gingrich, and Kara Street—attended GCK's final chapel of the year on April 25 to present the gift to Mindy Russell and director Jana Oder at the preschool.



GRAND CENTRAL  
KIDS PRESCHOOL





# Sigma Gamma Senior Luncheon

April 22, 2017





Back to SAI Basics  
answer:

Fraternity	province
Seven Founders	Chorale
Philanthropies	musicians
Whistle Song	Ann Arbor
patroness	Pan Pipes

### Which Sigma Alpha Iota Founder Are You?

Take this online quiz to find out which Sigma Alpha Iota founder you are most like!

[https://www.buzzfeed.com/saimuzeta/which-sigma-alpha-iota-founder-are-you-2ycck?utm\\_term=.bwVMKeggy#.bp66yqwwp](https://www.buzzfeed.com/saimuzeta/which-sigma-alpha-iota-founder-are-you-2ycck?utm_term=.bwVMKeggy#.bp66yqwwp)



Anna Norberg stands next to food preparations in her home at the March 21 Tulsa Alumnae meeting.



## Sigma Gamma Initiates

Meet Sigma Gamma's Spring 2017 initiates! Freshman Ariel Rodriguez is a vocalist from Sachse, Texas; Freshman Rachel Wallis is a percussionist and vocalist from Pryor; Sophomore Meg Mobley is a pianist from Indianapolis, Indiana; Freshman Marjorie Sheaff is a vocalist from Owasso; Freshman Tori Gellman is a trombone player from Houston, Texas. The five new Sigma Gammas were initiated on April 9 in the Lorton Performance Center. Congratulations girls, and welcome to Sigma Alpha Iota!

*Keep up with our Tulsa Chapters on the web!*

### Sigma Gamma

Website: <http://saisigmagamma.wixsite.com/welcome>

Twitter: @SAI\_SigmaGamma

### Tulsa Alumnae

<http://saitulsaalumnae.wixsite.com/saitulsa>





The Tulsa Performing Arts Center has announced their 2017 SummerStage festival held May 25—June 25 in the PAC’s John H. Williams, Liddy Doenges, Charles E. Norman and Robert J. LaFortune Theatres. The festival begins on May 25 with a performance from Kripalaya Dance Academy, and will also include performances from Tulsa Project Theatre, Tulsa Repertory Musicals, Echo Theatre Company, Tulsa Youth Caberet, Tulsa Youth Opera, Theatre Tulsa, and more. For more information, visit [summerstagetulsa.org](http://summerstagetulsa.org), or for tickets, visit the Tulsa PAC box office online at [myticketoffice.com](http://myticketoffice.com) or by calling (918) 596-7111. SummerStage Tulsa is presented and produced by the Tulsa PAC Trust and sponsored by the George Kaiser Family Foundation, the Helmerich Foundation, the Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

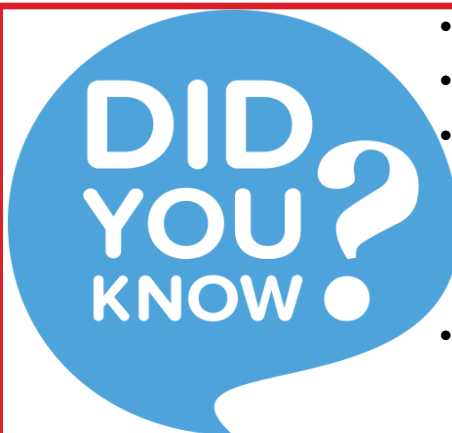
#### UPCOMING EVENTS

**May 13:** Tulsa Alumnae Formal Meeting & Salad Luncheon

**May 18-21:** Mayfest

**August 21:** TU Fall Semester Begins

**August 26:** Tulsa Alumnae Membership Brunch



- The initiation fee in 1903 was \$5.
- Annual national dues in 1903 were \$1.
- During WWII, when National Conventions were impossible, SAI held “Province Parleys” where members all over the country wrapped bandages and collected United States Saving Stamps.
- SAI became international in 1927.