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

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Announcements

🔊 Alumnae, we are in need of hostesses as well as meeting locations and musicale performers for next year. Please contact Beth Keener to sign up for performances or presentations (bethkeener@cox.net), and contact Jeanne Stover to sign up for hosting (jmstrings4m@cox.net).

🔊 Alumnae, please remember to turn in your dues ASAP! If you can't make the September meeting, please mail your checks to our treasurer, Sherye Halliburton, at 4113 E. 42nd St., 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.

🔊 If you are an SAI Alumna but not yet affiliated with our Tulsa Alumnae chapter, we'd love for you to attend our next meeting! Come see what we're all about, pressure free!

Tulsa Alumnae Formal Meeting Saturday, 28 September 1:00 pm

Location:

University United Methodist Church
2915 E 5th St, Tulsa

September Musicale: "Food, Glorious Food"

Beth Keener

Tracy Crow

Hostesses:

Jeanne Stover

Sue Amstutz

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Sigma Gamma Chapter Communications

Sarah Carr

Sigma Gamma is back and ready to go for another year full of great things. Since we have just started up for the semester, we have not done much yet as a chapter, but we have a lot to look forward to. We are in the midst of Recruitment Season, and cannot wait to meet all of the MITs for this semester. We had several events during band camp with Phi Mu Alpha to meet some new girls, we went to the university's Activities Fair and represented well at our booth with smiles and candy, and we have a Recruitment Week for those interested to come and meet our sisters. This year we are not ready for summer to end, so we stuck to a Luau theme with a campfire night, watched *Lilo and Stitch*, and created sunset paintings.

We are also working on starting up the children's choir with the bART that we ran last semester as a part of our philanthropy. We are so excited to be able to continue our relationship with this wonderful organization and get to continue to connect with these great kids through music! Fun fact: this year we get to include our Phi Mu Alpha chapter as well, since it is no longer through our philanthropy specifically. So awesome!!

We are so excited to see the many great things that this year has in store for us!



Tulsa Alumnae Chapter Communications

Patty Mandrell

Summer break is giving way to fall and a new year for Alumnae meetings, activities and celebrations. We will be acknowledging a 75 year member this year! The Membership Brunch was well attended and our first service project, collecting socks for a local homeless shelter, was very well supported. A big thank you to the Board and participating members.

Our September 28 meeting promises some Frat Ed, wonderful musicale and tasty treats as well as Jodi Powell's lovely handmade SAI themed tablecloth. Come and enjoy, catch up on news, exchange summer stories.

And remember, for your name to be included in our yearbook your annual dues must be paid by the end of September. If you haven't gotten around to paying them Miss Sherye is still accepting payments in the mail or at the September meeting.

See you at UUMC on the 28th!

FRATERNITY EDUCATION: „QUOTES IN CELEBRATION OF S.A.I.”

“THE MINUTES OF S.A.I.’S FIRST MEETING”

Penned by Frances Caspari

As documented by K Marie Stolba on page 504 of SIGMA ALPHA IOTA: A HISTORY

June 12, 1903

Miss Campbell was appointed chairman of the organizing committee.

Miss Davis was nominated and elected President.

Miss Campbell was nominated and elected Vice President.

Miss Caspari was nominated and elected Secretary and Treasurer.

The name chosen for our sorority is Sigma Alpha Iota and our motto, “Art Improvement Society”.

It was moved and seconded that our initiation fee be \$5.00 and our dues be \$1.00 per year.

The first Monday evening of each month was chosen for meetings.

The Committee appointed for laws and rules:

Miss Campbell, chairman

Miss Farlin

Miss Caspari

Upcoming Events

28 September: Tulsa Alumnae Formal Meeting, 1:00pm, University United Methodist Church

16 October: Sigma Gamma Bake Sale! all day, Lorton Performance Center at TU

26 October: TA Formal Meeting, 1:00pm, Home of Sherye Halliburton

3 November: Sigma Gamma Initiation, 3:00pm, Meinig

12 November: TA Hideaway Fundraiser, time TBD

7 December: TA Caroling, time TBD

25 January: TA Formal Meeting, 1:00pm, Home of Debbie Watts

22 February: TA Potluck Luncheon, noon, Church of St. Mary

28 March: TA Formal Meeting, 1:00pm, location TBD

25 April: TA Formal Meeting, 1:00pm, location TBD

30 May: TA Salad Luncheon, 1:00pm, location TBD


New NVP Alumnae Chapters

Mary Frances Bushong has been appointed the new NVP Alumnae Chapters. Mary Frances is an initiate of Delta Phi Collegiate Chapter at Mansfield University where she served as Editor and Music Chair. She received degrees from Rowan University (BME) and Temple University (PhD). She has served as President, VP Ritual, and VP Membership in the Philadelphia Alumnae Chapter, and recently completed nine years serving as Chi A Province Officer.

She has served on numerous SAI Committees and won several awards, including the Sword of Honor, the Rose of Honor, the Rose of Dedication, and the Wreath of Achievement.

She currently serves as an Elementary Band Director in New Jersey, plays euphonium and trombone in two community bands, and sings in her church choir. We look forward to working with such a distinguished sister!



 **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to Anna Norberg (TA, June 2), EvaMarie Campbell (TA, June 4), Tracy Crow (TA, June 12), Rianne Brown (SG, June 13), Jean Wallace (TA, July 9), Emilee Adair (SG, July 17), Megan Kesterson (SG, July 18), Vaughndean Fuller (TA, July 21), Julie Mitchener (TA, July 22), Karen Hiller (TA, July 31), Beth Keener (TA, August 4), Iris Ramirez (SG, August 20), Sandra Hayes (TA, August 20), Aileen Todd (TA, August 26), Angela Ray (SG, September 1), Jeanne Stover (TA, September 1), Michaela Beesley (SG, September 1), Carrie Hanson (SG, September 6), Bonnie Griffin (TA, September 9), Megan Gibson (TA, September 10), and Donna Swaffar (TA, September 13)!!!

♪ We are deeply saddened to announce that Tulsa Alumna Jodi Powell passed away last Saturday, September 14. Our deepest condolences are with her husband, Charlie, the Powell family, and all of her SAI sisters who loved her dearly.

♪ Dr. George Caldwell, husband of Tulsa Alumna Kari Caldwell, died recently while on a trip in Florida. We extend our condolences to Kari and their two daughters.

♪ Hope Bradford received the 2018-2019 Collegiate Leadership Award for Zeta A Province and is now a nominee for the Region 2 leadership award!

♪ Tulsa Alumnae Chapter and Sigma Gamma Chapter each received the 2018-2019 Province Chapter Achievement Award for outstanding fulfillment of the national objectives!

♪ Kathy Huber's father passed away July 29 from complications following a stroke suffered in May. Our condolences go out to Kathy and her family.

♪ Janet Hyne is recovering from hip replacement surgery on July 10th. We wish her a speedy recovery.

♪ Eileen and National Arts Associate Jim Cohn sent a note in reference to Tulsa Alumna Jodi Powell and her husband Charlie which stated, "I do remember this lovely lady and her husband. Jim and I were impressed with their musicianship despite their advanced ages. We do wish the best for Jodi and her family."

♪ Brava to Honorary Member Rachel Barton Pine, who performed in Tulsa on September 14. Tulsa Alumnae Chapter presented her a rose in honor of her stellar performance!

♪ Our thoughts are with Alumna Phillele McBrayer as her son is ill.

♪ Congrats to Alumnae Nicole Brown and Kara Street who recently gave birth to beautiful babies!



Welcome to our New Tulsa Chapter Officers!

New Sigma Gamma Officers:

President: Sarah Carr

Year: Senior

Major: Bachelor of Music

Education-Instrumental

Instrument: Viola

Fun Fact: She was born in Las Vegas but was raised in Albuquerque for most of her life.

Treasurer: Kassidy Everett

Year: Junior

Major: Chemistry

Instrument: French Horn

Fun Fact: She likes to go scuba diving!

Vice President Membership: Allison Pennybaker

Year: Junior

Major: Biological Science Pre-Med

Instrument: Percussion

Fun Fact: She is learning aerial skills!

Vice President Ritual: Alex Vest

Year: Junior

Major: Vocal Performance

Instrument: Alto (voice)

Sergeant at Arms: Kaycee Schaper

Year: Senior

Major: Physics

Instrument: Cello

Fun Fact: She is this year's TU Treks president and she has a well-trained angelfish named Leroy!

Secretary: Emma Fishback

Year: Junior

Major: Psychology

Instrument: Cello

Fun Fact: She's a cosplayer! She loves to make her own costumes and go to conventions!

Editor: Tori Gellman

Year: Senior

Major: Creative Writing

Instrument: Trombone, Cello, Percussion

Fun Fact: She's planning on becoming a librarian!

Music Director: Ariel Rodriguez

Year: Senior

Major: Vocal Performance

Instrument: Soprano (voice)

Fun Fact: She plans to get a PhD in Musicology studying women composers!

New Tulsa Alumnae Officers:

Vice President Hostess: Jeanne Stover

I was born in southeast Kansas and lived on a working farm. I moved with my mother to Neosho, MO in 1961 as she took an English teaching position. I am a stringed instrument lover. When I was in 4th grade I heard a violin being played as we were all being introduced to orchestral instruments. I turned and exclaimed "I want to learn to play that!" I was a music education major at Missouri Southern University in Joplin, MO. I majored in violin with a minor in piano. I had the honor of taking violin lessons from age 16 through Senior year of college from Mrs Mary Porter who was a Juilliard graduate. Fast forward to recent years will find me playing violin, viola, guitar, mandolin and djembe. I enjoy playing and writing folk music with a group of friends since 1985. Initiated to Tulsa Alumnae by invitation of Sue Amstutz. I have grown to love this fraternity and all my sisters.

Secretary: Jessica Helt

I was born in Tulsa but grew up in McKinney, TX just north of Dallas. I went to Oklahoma State University and was initiated into Sigma Alpha Iota in the Spring of 2009. While in college I held many roles including Editor, Recording Secretary, Sergeant at Arms, and Vice President of Ritual. I graduated in 2012 with a B.A in Psychology and went on to get my M.S. in Counseling. I am now a Licensed Professional Counselor and work at a non-profit mental health agency in Tulsa. I was active in choir throughout my secondary education as well as all through college, and now get to keep music alive by being a member of the Tulsa Alumnae Chapter. My Corgi, Abby, and I love to go on walks down River Trails and she likes to bark at the squirrels, people, other dogs, birds and anything else that moves.



Vita Brevis, Ars Longa

Congratulations to our 2018-2019 Sigma Gamma initiates!

Get to know them a bit more below!

Emilee Adair:

Sophomore, Speech-Pathology
major, Soprano in Capella

Michala Beesly:

Sophomore, Biology major, Alto

Rianne Brown:

Sophomore, Mechanical
Engineering major, Clarinet and
Alto

Ka'Terra Faubion:

Junior, Music Performance major,
Cello

Emma Fishback:

Junior, Psychology major, Cello

Megan Kesterson:

Junior, Music Performance major,
Oboe

Bethany Mally:

Sophomore, Mechanical
Engineering major, Soprano 2

Delaney Peak:

Sophomore, Nursing major,
Saxophone and Alto

Piper Prolago:

Sophomore, Art history and
Economics double major, Viola

Iris Ramirez:

Sophomore, Music Education,
Soprano

Angela Ray:

Junior, English Major, Soprano

Chamber Music Tulsa to start "Route 66" season

Chamber Music Tulsa will kick off its Sunday afternoon series, "Sixty-Six Years on Route 66," with a performance of the American Brass Quintet on September 22. Other ensembles on the schedule are the Lysander Piano Trio, October 13; the Harlem Quartet, November 10; the Daedalus Quartet, February 2, 2020; the McGill/McHale Trio, March 8; and the Miró Quartet, April 5.

All performances are at 3 p.m. in Williams Theatre at the Tulsa Performing Arts Center, with a preconcert lecture at 2:15.

Season subscriptions are available for adults and students. Single tickets are available in advance or at the door.

Chamber Music Tulsa, founded as Concerttime by SAI member Rosalie Talbot in the 1950s, is a member of the Mid-America Arts Alliance, Arts Alliance Tulsa, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Oklahoma Arts Council.

For tickets or information, call 918-587-3802 or go to ChamberMusicTulsa.org.

Concerts with Commentary series at The University of Tulsa

This concert series is held in the Lorton Performance Center. It features award-winning faculty who not only know how to play with excellence, but also know the context and history behind the pieces or composers they are playing. People who attend get to hear great music and learn about it too. Each concert has a different focus on a specific genre, composer, or instrument. It is free and open to the public.

- ♦ B Complex: Bach, Beethoven and Brahms– October 10, 2019, 7:30 p.m.
- ♦ William Blake Songs - November 7, 2019, 7:30pm
- ♦ Vintage Wildflowers in Concert – January 16, 2020, 7:30 p.m.
- ♦ Pioneer Women – February 6, 2020, 7:30 p.m. **(featuring Tulsa Alumna Judith Raiford)**
- ♦ Just Duet: Music for Four-hand Piano – March 5, 2020, 7:30 p.m.