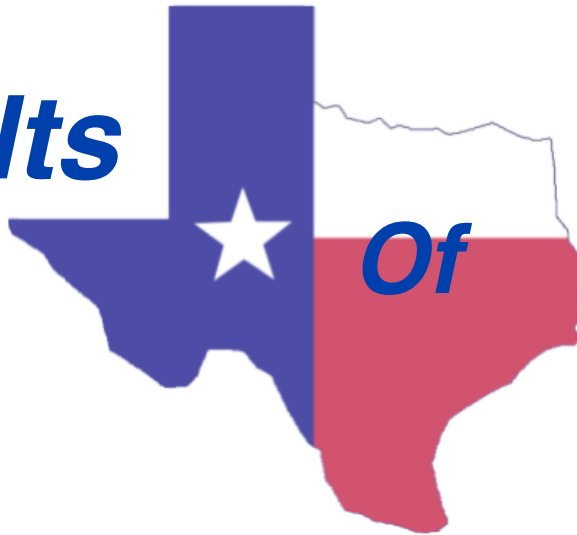


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Epsilon Eta Experiences Momentum Swing With Great Recruitment

After the course of two semesters, Epsilon Eta has consistently remained number one in recruitment on campus. With strong involvement from the chapter during the fall, Epsilon Eta was able to recruit a fall pledge class of 14 total members. With the slow times of spring just around the corner, the chapter put together a strong recruitment plan. While pushing forward and recruiting well, the chapter was able to recruit 12 new members during spring recruitment. All of these guys express the will and desire to continue Epsilon Eta's long standing tradition, and will only help us in the recruitment process as the semester progresses.

With the summer quickly approaching, however, the chapter has begun designing the fall recruitment plan listing a goal of 20 new members for the fall. This upcoming semester will also be the first time that the University will re-implement formal recruitment in over 5 years, something which will greatly help the chapter meet quality guys that want to see Epsilon Eta continue. Recruitment T-shirts will also be advertised by the end of May. If you would like to reserve a shirt in advance, would like more information, or would like to suggest a design, Please contact Josh VanAlstine at joshvanalstine@yahoo.com

Update from House Corporation

Epsilon Eta Education Foundation AKA the house corporation for Epsilon Eta has enjoyed recent success, specifically in paying off the Delt House in full in early 2011!!! A year of no loan payments has allowed house corp to make some major repairs to the shelter including: complete remodel of downstairs bathroom, plumbing work and replaced urinal in upstairs bathroom, replaced roof on "3rd floor" balcony. In addition to repairs, a full-size conference room table and chairs was donated for executive meetings and study in what was formerly the dining room. Not all the changes have been serious ones, however. The back deck area sports a new tiki bar complete with deep freeze for hosting outdoor events at the Delt Shelter.

These upgrades to the house serve as an excellent reminder of all the hard work the brothers of Epsilon Eta have put into this house, "Old Blue" before it, and the other places where Epsilon Eta has sang to our "safest shelter". A big THANK YOU goes out to those men (and women) who put in the work to buy the house and those throughout the years who have worked hard to maintain it. Another THANK YOU should go out to the active chapter members who are currently working hard to keep the shelter clean and a place where alumni can be proud to drop by and show off to their families. These young men are eager to meet and hear some stories from alumni before them.

House corp looks forward to seeing alumni and active brothers alike at the B.S. Open Golf Tournament on April 22nd, and other events that will be announced soon. We will be meeting beforehand to discuss long term plans for the shelter.

MEETING AT 10 AM AT RENE GRIFFIN'S HOUSE
CALL HOUSE CORP PRESIDENT RICHARD
HANSEN
WITH ANY QUESTIONS AT (214) 616-4810



Commerce Delts Receive Several Awards at Division Conference

As we continue to push forward, Epsilon Eta is on the upswing as an organization. Throughout our economic woes, we have been able to consistently push onward, and we have began establishing ourselves as a great organization once again. By turning, and focusing, more attention on the values and obligations of the Fraternity, the chapter has been able to push through those bad times, and now we have begun our climb back to the top.

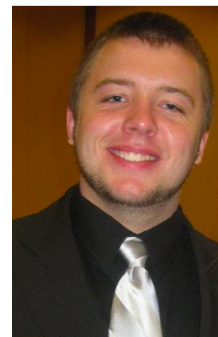
First off, I would like to highlight our academic excellence. For the consecutive year, we have both the best new member GPA on campus, as well as, the best overall GPA amongst all IFC fraternities. By having a more in-depth and relentless Director of Academic Affairs and a better focus on academics, the chapter's GPA was a 2.9, bettering the previous GPA total. At the Western Plains Division Conference this year in Lincoln, Nebraska, Epsilon Eta was given an award for exceeding the all greek average and the all mens average here on campus.

Another large area of success that Epsilon Eta will continue to thrive at is the recruitment of new members. This past fall, we were ranked number one in recruitment amongst ALL fraternities on campus, running the hill with 14 new members. The spring was no exception. This spring, we were ranked number one in recruitment with 12 new members pledging the fraternity. With so much success, we were also given an award, at the Division Conference, for growing the chapter by 25 percent. By next spring, Epsilon Eta will double the size of the current chapter, putting us at about 40 members total.

With all the recent success, whether financial, recruitment, or academics, it truly is an exciting time to be a Delt of OI' ET. We GREATLY appreciate all the help that we receive from both the alumni and the House Corporation. **Your continued support and help benefits the active chapter beyond any expression that we can portray, and we hope to see you soon at upcoming events and visit around the shelter.**

Faternally,

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Know a Potential Delt?

As everyone knows, recruitment of new members is one of the obligations of being a Delt, and Epsilon Eta is no exception. We are always looking for new members to join our brotherhood, and we are looking to expand that with the use of alumni support. If you would like to see a potential new member become a brother, please send his name and any information about him to Chapter President Josh VanAlstine at (315) 559 - 8039 or joshvanalstine@yahoo.com



WELCOME, SPRING 2012 NEW MEMBERS

Douglas Boney
Ector, Texas
Ector H.S.

Chaz Bradley
Garland, Texas
Naaman Forest H.S.

D.J. Beach
Irving, Texas
Poteet H.S.

Fernando Sanchez
Emory, Texas
Rains H.S.

Blake Johnson
Waxahachie, Texas
Waxahachie H.S.

Sterling Smith
Tom Bean, Texas
Tom Bean H.S.

Carlos Zaldivar
Rockwall, Texas
Rockwall H.S.

Taylor Baker
Rockwall, Texas
Rockwall H.S.

James Eilts
Rockwall, Texas
Rockwall Heath H.S.

Jamall Vernon
Dallas, Texas
West Mesquite H.S.

Ivan Guerrero
Emory, Texas
Rains H.S.

Shawn Valle
Saginaw, Texas
Boswell H.S.

Upcoming Events

April 20th
Rite of Iris
At Wesleyan Campus Ministry
Commerce, Texas
7:00PM

April 21st
Initiation
At the Sam Rayburn Student
Center, Room: Traditions
Commerce, Texas
7:00 PM

Have a question regarding an
event? Please Contact Josh
VanAlstine at (315)-559-8039

April 22nd
B.S. Open Golf Tournament
Buffalo Creek, Rockwall
Texas
Starts at 1:00PM
Cost is 100.00 dollars. Please
mail checks to
P.O. Box 212
Greenville, TX 75403

April 22nd
B.S Open Barbeque
Rene Griffin's House,
Rockwall Texas
Starts after the tournament

May 19th
Annual Dallas Delta alumni
family night at a RoughRiders
baseball game
Frisco, Texas
Cost: 10.00 dollars per
person. Contact Jay
Langhammer (TCU, 1966) at
Jlangha132@aol.com for
more details.

September 1
Alumni Cookout
Location TBD
Time TBD
Please save the date!

The Current
shelter at
1803 Live
Oak. Come
back any time
and relive
those college
memories!



The Second - Ever Texas Karnea Set For August 2012

With the summer approaching, Epsilon Eta will be one of the many chapters that will migrate to Austin, Texas for the next Karnea August 1-5, 2012.

Come on out and be apart of the celebration, and get a view of what the International Fraternity has become. This Karnea has a goal to have the largest attendance of any Karnea, and it will certainly be one great weekend that you do not want to miss!

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ATTENTION: This newsletter is intended for alumni, undergraduates, and parents. If other alumni are still going to school, or do not receive this newsletter, please send his permanent address to joshvanalstine@yahoo.com and to alumni.relations@tamuc.edu.

Epsilon Eta Celebrates 50th Anniversary



After the many ups and downs that Epsilon Eta has endured throughout the years, we can still hold our heads high as we have celebrated 50 glorious years on campus. Epsilon Eta was able to come together, with brothers of all decades, to celebrate a weekend full of great events, as well as, great brotherhood.

One of the many great new things to come out of the weekend's festivities was a new alumni award. This award is given every five years to five alumni who have substantially contributed to the success of Epsilon Eta. At this time, we would like to recognize the first five winners of the award. These brothers have gone above and beyond what was necessary to ensure that Epsilon Eta has remained a fraternity on campus. Those brothers are: Kenneth Clinton, Don Wilks, Mike Callahan, Derald Bulls, and Rene' Griffin. Thank you brothers for your outstanding service, and we look forward to seeing who gets asked to join the group at our 55th Anniversary!

Rob Frazier Spring '03

Just moved to Baltimore, Maryland where, this summer, he will be getting married to his fiance Kim. Congratulations Rob! He can be contacted at frazier52279@gmail.com

Trent Hamilton Fall '99

Currently living in Tom Bean, Texas, Trent and his wife, Dena are now expecting their second child. Congratulations Trent! Trent has also begun working for a new nonprofit organization called the Whole Hearts Foundation that helps families who have kids with heart defects. He currently works as a principal in Tom Bean. He can be contacted at tdh1858@yahoo.com

Alumni Update

Don A. Wilks '79

In 2005, Don founded a non-profit organization that invests in communities which partner in the construction of schools to enable children, without access to schools, to get an education. He is currently starting to begin building another school this year, and is looking to expand funding. If you would like to learn more, or help out the cause, go to www.GlobalCommunityforEducation.org, or email Don at don@globalcommunityforeducation.org.

If you have any updates about other alumni or yourselves, please send the alumni news to joshvanalstine@yahoo.com