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# SIGMA PI FRATERNITY, INTL. BETA PSI CHAPTER

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## OUR FRATERNAL MOTTO

*“Progress, man’s distinctive mark alone;  
not God’s, not the beasts’;  
God is, they are, man partly is and wholly hopes to be.”*

# MONTH IN REVIEW (MARCH & APRIL)

## Community Service (Committee Head: Nick Neira)

- Following our regular Thursday schedule, the Brothers and Neophytes conducted a street clean of Smith St. and Spangenburg St.
- On March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Brothers and Neophytes from the Beta Psi Chapter was involved in Big Brothers Big Sisters of Monroe County's "Bowl For Kids Sake" event at Sky Lanes bowling alley, where we dedicated 8 hours to selling raffles, assisting the youth in bowling, picking up catered food, setting up and cleaning up the bowling alley for the annual event.
- Brothers and Neophytes were included in an "All Greek Campus-wide Cleanup" effort where organizations were assigned streets and building locations in and around the campus to tidy up.

## Brotherhood (Committee Head: Nick Neira)

- Over the past few weeks, the Beta Psi Chapter has taken advantage of our beautiful back yard area and have played wiffle ball tournaments.
- After our Province Conference on April 7<sup>th</sup>, 5 Brothers and 2 Neophytes went on a Brotherhood dinner to Hooters in East Brunswick, NJ and enjoyed tasty wings and fried pickles

## Philanthropy (Committee Head: Cole Browne)

- The Brothers of our Chapter raised nearly \$1,000.00 for ESU's Best Buddies Program which aids students with disabilities and special needs.
- Relay for Life was held From 7:00pm-7:00am on April 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Brothers walked around the track inside of Koehler fieldhouse to fight against cancer all 12 hours. Our Chapter raised over \$700.00 for Relay for Life.

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## **New Member Education (Pledge Master: John Damato)**

- Neophytes have been instructed and examined by their Pledge Master on materials regarding fraternal history and have shown they know all material concerning Sigma Pi, up to Chapter 8 in their Pledge manuals, which is stellar!
- We have learned this pledge class has a cumulative GPA of a 3.20 among the 9 tremendous Neophytes.
- We plan to initiate this class in the coming weeks.
- New members attended a retreat at Stony Acres to work on team building exercises, comradery, and social skills with other Greek organizations.

## **Scholarship (Committee Head: Matthew Wagner)**

- Brothers and Neophytes have attended Study Hours in Sci Tech several days a week to encourage academic achievement.

## **Social (Committee Head: Derek Sarge)**

- On March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 the Brothers of Sigma Pi Beta Psi celebrated Lambda Iota Sorority's Initiation night with their sisters and new girls.
- On March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019 there was another social-fellowship BBQ with the Sisters of Alpha Omicron Pi to celebrate their Initiation of new sisters.
- Brother Rio Kapur starred in Sigma Sigma Sigma's production entitled "Mr. Greek" where he demonstrated his talent on stage and gave a brief dialogue about important issues he sees in the world today.

## **Athletics (Committee Head: Greg Sesko)**

- Brothers and Neophytes participated in both an Intramural Basketball Championship in which they fell short to last year's Champions, but only by 2 points in a 68-66 loss.
- Greek Week ran from March 31<sup>st</sup>-April 7<sup>th</sup> where Brothers and Neophytes participated in a plethora of athletic events. Unfortunately, this year Sigma Pi placed 4<sup>th</sup>.

# RECENT PHOTOGRAPHY & PUBLICATIONS



Relay for Life at Koehler Fieldhouse!



Big Brothers Big Sisters Bowl For Kids Sake at Sky Lanes Bowling Alley!

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A photo with the ESU Best Buddies Program individuals after we raised nearly \$1,000.00 for their organization!



New Member Retreat with all of ESU's Greek Life at Stony Acres!

# WHY WE CHOSE SIGMA PI (IOTA PLEDGE CLASS; FALL 2016)



Armin Kapur

Matt Sanger  
(Graduated)

Dave Krause

Matt Wagner



“We’ve always been a tight-knit pledge class and its been a blessing for us! As Brothers for nearly 3 years now, looking back we can all say we chose Sigma Pi to grow into men and leave behind that high school mentality... It certainly worked as we all prepare for the real world. We love our Chapter!”

# SHOUT OUT TO NEOPHYTE JALON MATHIS & KAREEM BUCHANAN

- New Member Jalon Mathis has secured a role in Northampton Community College's upcoming Summer theatrical productions. He will star in some vital roles in 4 different performances. As a Fine Arts and Theatre major, this is a huge step in the right direction for a talented young individual.
- New Member Kareem Buchanan was awarded a Scholarship through Dr. Rob McKenzie's Communications Department for his terrific efforts and success over the last semester. Well done Kareem!



# EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

**Sage:** Tanner Fritz

**2<sup>nd</sup> Counselor:** Joe Hurd

**3<sup>rd</sup> Counselor:** Steven Edmonds

**4<sup>th</sup> Counselor:** Robert Rogers

**1<sup>st</sup> Counselor:** Colin Tye

**Herald:** Riad Kapur



# THANK YOU!

Thank you for reading this edition of the Beta Psi Chapter  
Newsletter.

Our hope is that all the Alumni feel better informed on the  
activities of the Fraternity, as well as being able to place a  
face to a name of current members going forward.

Again, we thank you and appreciate the unconditional  
support and tremendous legacy of Sigma Pi Fraternity,  
Intl. Beta Psi Chapter at East Stroudsburg University of  
Pennsylvania!

