



The Eta News

OHIO ETA CHAPTER - SIGMA PHI EPSILON - MIAMI UNIVERSITY

2007 Reunion Weekend and Event in the Tent VI

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2007 Reunion Weekend and Event in the Tent

Planning is already underway for this summer's Reunion Weekend and Event in the Tent VI. All alumni are welcome back to Oxford to reunite with both active and alumni members of Ohio Eta. **Kurt Nickels '09**, Ohio Eta's VP of Communications, is the chapter contact for the event. Questions and concerns can be directed to Kurt at nickelkr@muohio.edu or (440) 666-2679. He is also able to assist alumni in finding accommodations for the weekend.



Members of the Class of 1956 celebrated 50 years of Sig Ep brotherhood at Event in the Tent 2006

Coordinators of this year's event are putting a special focus on reunion classes coming together. The classes of 1957, 1967, 1977, and 1982 are making a strong effort to welcome their pledge classes back to Oxford. These classes are being led by alumni of that year that will be coordinating their class reunion activities. Below is the listing of classes marking a milestone anniversary in 2007 and the coordinators of each reunion:

50th Anniversary

Class of 1957:
William (Doc) Gordon '57
(828) 696-9753
twogoatroad@aol.com

30th Anniversary

Class of 1977:
Jeff (tubes) Tewart '77
(614) 785-0667
jtewart@sbcglobal.net

40th Anniversary

Class of 1967:
Mark Durket '76
(513) 793-3448
mdurket@rsanet.com

25th Anniversary

Class of 1982:
Scott Cowan '82
(330) 239-0085
scott@centurycycle.com
Mike Uthe '82
(440) 572-0252

"This year's Event in the Tent promises to be an exciting time for Ohio Eta. I hope all alumni will be able to make it back, especially if this is their reunion year. The class of 1957 already has 20 men planning to come in for the weekend," said **Mark Durkett '76**.



Ohio Eta Honored by Sigma Phi Epsilon

During the February 9-11, 2007, weekend, the entire Executive Board of Ohio Eta traveled to Lexington, KY for SigEp's Carlson Leadership Academy. The three-day conference offered the officers the opportunity to brainstorm with other SigEps from the Midwest and learn about programming that works for other chapters. As a top chapter in the district, many other chapters looked to Ohio Eta's recruitment techniques and overall operations for guidance and ideas to take back with them.

Chapter officers were broken into groups based on their position within SigEp and learned a great deal about their position. They also set goals for themselves for the year.

At the awards banquet, Ohio Eta was recognized with several awards including Grand Chapter Scholarship Cup for ranking first in overall academics on Miami's campus, Manpower



Ohio Eta's Executive Board at the Carlson Leadership Academy in Lexington, KY.

Excellence Award for ranking in the top quartile for manpower on campus, Phi Beta Kappa Wheelhouse Award for having a chapter grade point average.

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Chapter Officers

Adam Ring '08
President
St. Louis, MO
Chemistry

Kyle Boston '08
VP of Programming
Dayton, OH
Psychology

Corey Hallion '08
VP of Finance
Louisville, KY
Accounting

Eric Hapner '08
Chaplain
Dayton, OH
Management

Matt Korte '08
VP of Membership Development
Dayton, OH
Political Science

Kurt Nickels '09
VP of Communications
Cleveland, OH
Finance

John Owed '09
VP of Recruitment
Toledo, OH
Mathematics

Nolan Windholtz '08
VP of Operations
Columbus, OH
Mechanical Engineering

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www.OmegaAlumniServices.com

Visit

<http://www.ohioeta.com>

Visit www.ohioeta.com the
official Ohio Eta website to:

- Learn more about the chapter
- See pictures of the new house
- Search for alumni
- Update your address, phone number and e-mail address
- Post noteworthy accomplishments (a new baby, a recent marriage, a recent promotion, etc.)
- Make a pledge to support the new house
- Join the Ohio Eta Alumni & Friends Association

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Third Annual Birdies and Burgers Golf Outing

The 3rd annual Birdies and Burgers golf outing will take place on April 14th from noon until 4:00 p.m. at Hueston Woods Golf Course. Last year's golf outing was a huge success with a large number of seniors spending quality time with SigEp alumni. This year, the chapter hopes to host even more alumni at the event.

Following the outing, there will be a barbeque hosted by the active chapter. Don't wait to sign up for a truly entertaining day and to congratulate the

seniors on their hard work and accomplishments. For further details or to reserve your spot, please contact **Kurt Nickels '09**, VP of Communications at nickelkr@muohio.edu or (440) 666-2679.

"I am honored to coordinate this event for our chapter members that will be graduating soon. This is a great way for them to network and learn how they can stay connected with SigEp after graduation," said **Kurt Nickels '09**.



Classes Continue at the Ohio Eta RLC



Ohio Eta hosted Fundamentals of Fatherhood taught by Dr. Steuart Wilson.

This semester, the chapter is hosting two classes for university credit in its Residential Learning Community (the house). EDP 450 is taught by Dr. Steuart Watson, the chair of the Educational Psychology department. His class, Fundamentals of Fatherhood, is only open to brothers, and the class



Chapter members gather with their fathers during Dad's Weekend 2006

involves a ten-page term paper, writing a letter to your father and holding a 60-minute interview with your father. The other class is taught by Sheldon Anderson and deals with global issues and diversity. The class was open to all Miami students, and class participants meet in the RLC for the course.



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above the SigEp national G.P.A., and the Chapter Home of the Year award for showing significant care for the chapter's living environment.

"The Carlson Leadership Academy allowed our Executive Board to look at our overall goals for the chapter, as well as set our own personal goals. The awards the chapter received were hard earned, and it was nice to have our work recognized. My hope is that we will have more success in the future and be honored again at Conclave this summer," commented **Adam Ring '08**, President.



Handshakes & Applause To the Chapter

- For the Fall semester 2006, the chapter finished with a grade point average of over a 3.2, ranking among the top highest three fraternities on campus.
- Ohio Eta continues to be one of the top fraternities on campus sought after by freshman.
- **Michael Simon '08** was just recently elected IFC's VP of Public Relations.
- **Douglas Dakesian '08** has been granted a highly selective internship position with

PricewaterhouseCoopers in Cincinnati, OH as a tax associate. Douglas took the semester off from his studies at Miami and is working for PWC full time during the busy tax season.

Far left: Ohio Eta formal 2006

Left: Chapter members and their dates at Halloween 2006

Join the Ohio Eta Alumni & Friends Association

In 2005, the alumni board launched the Ohio Eta Alumni & Friends Association. The Association's first year was a success with 55 donors contributing \$6,790 toward the chapter's alumni relations.

The Ohio Eta Alumni & Friends Association Campaign 2006 has not only matched the previous campaign's success but exceeded it. To date, 76 alumni have contributed just over \$9,000 toward the alumni relations efforts. Contributions to this campaign have allowed the alumni board to reconnect with several generations of Ohio Eta initiates and to plan events for alumni to attend. Support of this campaign has allowed the alumni board to:

- Hold a successful Alumni Reunion last June 2006 in Oxford
- Produce two alumni newsletters in September 2006 and March 2007
- Continue to host and maintain the alumni webpages available at <http://www.ohioeta.com>
- Hold monthly conference calls of the Alumni Board

Not only have these events been possible due to alumni contributions, but the alumni board has been able to enhance alumni events by sending personal invitations to alumni and make each event a little bigger in 2006, as will be the case in 2007. Attendance has increased, and the alumni board is able to plan for future events thanks to the contributions it received throughout 2006.

"We are so appreciative of all of the men who contributed to our 2006 campaign, and we're thankful that so many alumni have been able to see the benefit of this support. We look forward to several more years of success," said alumni president **Graham Mitchell '73**. "If you have not yet

contributed to the 2006 campaign, it's not too late."

Annual dues for the Association range from \$1,000 to \$35 per year, and there are a variety of payment options available to donors. Most brothers believe that the careful attention being paid to these important alumni programs has played a key role in the progress Ohio Eta has made over the last few years. Broad-based alumni support and involvement will be the key to our continued success.

Anyone can make a pledge by visiting the website at <http://www.ohioeta.com> or by completing and returning the form below. Please select the membership level that's best for you and respond today.

See a list of Campaign Donors on page 4.

Alumni ListServ

Are you looking for a regular way to stay in touch with Ohio Eta brothers? Share some stories? Plan upcoming activities? Join the Ohio Eta Listserv to reconnect with old friends and stay up to date with fraternity news and events. The listserv is an automatic e-mail posting service. If you are subscribed to the listserv, you will receive an e-mail message anytime another member of the listserv sends something. You can choose to receive periodic e-mails or a digest each day summarizing the activities of that day. More than 100 brothers are already subscribed. You must, however, be granted permission to join. If you want to join and begin receiving e-mail updates, send an e-mail to **Scott Shriver '78** at shrivers@muohio.edu and let him know you want to join the Ohio Eta Listserv.

Alumni Board of Trustees

President

Graham Mitchell '73

Vice President - Housing

Herb Glasgow '74

Vice President-Relations

Cary Dice '73

Vice President-Resource Group

Mark Durket '76

Vice President-Financial

Operations

Dan McKenzie '74

Chapter Advisor

Bob Blackburn '64

Trustees

Bob Albright '51

Frank Braun '81

Jason Chitwood '05

Dave Chittcock '80

Joe Etter '73

William "Doc" Gordon '57

Tom Scherr '78

Scott Shadrick '71

Jim Wilson '54

Brad Young '05

Joe Hornsby '06

☐ Yes, I want to Join the Ohio Eta Alumni & Friends Association!

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I wish to pledge:

☐ \$1,000 - Ohio Eta Trustee

☐ \$75 - Ohio Eta Investor

☐ \$500 - Ohio Eta Leader

☐ \$35 - Ohio Eta Member

☐ \$250 - Ohio Eta Partner

☐ Other: \$ _____

☐ \$100 - Ohio Eta Guardian

Payment Options:

☐ Check Enclosed - Make payable to Omega Financial

☐ Multi-Year Pledge - Please bill me:

☐ Annually ☐ Twice a year ☐ Quarterly

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Exp. Date: _____

Name on Card: _____

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone: _____

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Fax: (706) 571-0043

You can also make a pledge online at <http://www.ohioeta.com> by clicking on "Join the Alumni Association"

www.ohioeta.com

Ohio Eta Welcomes 35 New Members

Building on the chapter's long-standing reputation of successful recruiting, Ohio Eta welcomed 35 new members this semester. Under the leadership of **John Owed '09**, VP of Recruitment, SigEp was able to recruit a large Sigma class, that is made up of quality men that will continue the Ohio Eta legacy for years to come.

"I am thrilled with the results of January Rush. The men that have joined Sigma Phi Epsilon not only have great leadership potential, but are very excited about the SigEp brotherhood. I look forward to working with them over the next couple of years and to welcome them to the chapter," commented **John Owed '09**.

2007 Ohio Eta New Members

Jon Adler	Billy Krugh
Adam Altman	Sam Lee
Mike Anacker	Nick Lupica
Eric Anderson	Tyler Merkle
Tony Arguello	Jon Mezzadri
Mark Barranada	Joe Pasquinelli
Bryan Baritot	Nathan Planavsky
Tyler Belew	Robert Polleys
Frank Bisceglie	Aaron Rohe
Pablo Bonnin	Kyle Schmitz
Ryan Brown	Devin Shroyer
Brendan Burke	Dan Swomstedt
Josh Daniels	Andrew Styer
Jon Fernandez	Jeff Vayda
Will Hoyt	Adam Vanicek
Jacob Hurst	Brendan Winslow
Jeff Kindig	John Willard
John Kramp	



New members with their SigEp bids on Bid Day 2007 and the Ohio Eta 2007 new member class.



Ohio Eta Alumni & Friends Association Campaign 2006 \$9,065 pledged as of February 13, 2007

Ohio Eta Trustee

\$1,000 - \$5,000
Graham E. Mitchell '73

Ohio Eta Leader

\$500 - \$999
James B. Currie '70
Lee C. Miller '71

Ohio Eta Partner

\$250 - \$499
Eric W. Anderson '71
William F. Bradley '70
Joseph H. Etter '73
Robert S. German '85
Richard A. Puzitiello '84
Robert C. Winslow '56

Ohio Eta Guardian

\$100 - \$249
Robert G. Ball '79
John Haynes Barnhart '64
David B. Chittock '80
Michael Dabbelt '89
Michael N. Edmonds '68
William Doc Gordon '57
William W. Greer '81
Thomas V. Kellermeyer '61
Thomas H. Lameier '54
Daniel R. McKenzie '74
Peter O. McKown '80
Thomas J. Millikin '55

Gerald F. Newman '68
Harold T. Redden '50
James B. Reese '81
Bradley R. Ryan '05
Donald H. Ryan '74
Gene Schwerin '68
Nicholas D. Spadaccini '76
William West '81
Gordon L. Wolf '76

Ohio Eta Investor

\$75 - \$99
Thomas D. Anthony '74
Leonard Perry Bailey '60
Richard S. Flickinger '62
Robert J. Sack '56
David W. Smiley '78

Ohio Eta Member

\$35 - \$74
David L. Ballard '61
Eric A. Baumgartner '82
Paul G. Bezjak '56
Emerson L. Brown '53
John R. Dopler '51
Mark J. Durket '76
Charles M. Evans '58
Todd M. Fink '88
Douglas First '52
Don J. Foerst '53
Herb Glasgow '74
Edward W. Gough '61

Gregory S. Halasy '88
Robert D. Hartung, Jr. '65
Harold Hayes '51
Richard X. Hutter '52
Steven D. Kline '81
William O. Kling '72
Thomas E. Kuenning '67
Kurt A. Lenz '81
Raymond Link '50
Donald N. Lorenz '57
Paul R. McGhee '61
John Mikkelsen '78
R. Clair Miller '58
Donald B. Mills '59
Thomas L. Munson '83
Richard W. Olt '85
Bryan T. Rapp '89
Thomas A. Repko '79
Jeffery D. Schulze '74
Irwin L. Seidel '56
John F. Shanafelt '55
Merle R. Smith '53
Andrew D. Thomas '64
Paul D. Vance '57
James Waldsmith '73
Earl Waltz '56
Tony Wendeln '75
Jack W. Wert '65
Bradley Matthew Young '05



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