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EPSILON CHAPTER
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If you are looking for an easy way to stay informed with the current news of Epsilon, be sure to follow us on our various social media accounts. We post pictures, news, and other content that allows alumni, parents, and community members to follow our service, philanthropy, and more.

Our Twitter and Instagram are both @OWUAlphaSig, while our Facebook page is easily found by going to tinyurl.com/alphasigowu. We are also able to be reached via Direct Message on any of these accounts. We would appreciate you following us!

In Phi,
Bryson W. Tarbet, Ohio Wesleyan '14
Communications Director



STATE OF THE FRATERNITY



Pictured Above: Undergraduate brothers participating in the 2016 OWU Mock Election.

THE EPSILON CHAPTER of Alpha Sigma Phi has achieved so much in the past year. We brought home a Gold Cup from Elevate this summer with only five points deducted from the annual report. We are hoping to fix the flaws we encountered last year and take a shot at the GSP at Grand Chapter.

Despite significant efforts by the House Corporation to address university decisions made over the summer, the position of Fraternity House Director has been eliminated by the university. After many years of

service to our chapter, we were saddened to say goodbye to our house father, Ed Uhlman. However, Ed has since moved to be closer to his family in Germany, and that has been the silver lining of the decision. We as an organization are incredibly thankful for the years of service that Ed dedicated to our chapter.

Our brotherhood director has many exciting events planned for this semester including brotherhood camping and paint ball! Last semester we raised over \$300 dollars for the Rape Abuse Incest Nation Network (RAINN). We did this with a new

event where people donated money and received a raindrop to put their name on which was then hung up on a banner.

With generous help from Alumni and the Housing Corporation, we had new carpet installed in the living room and new acrylic designs hung in our halls. If you have not seen these updates, I urge you to check out the renovations album on our Facebook page. We are proud to say that the house looks better than it has in years!

In Phi,
Austin Minnick, Ohio Wesleyan '14
President

RECRUITMENT UPDATE

RECRUITMENT has always been critically essential to the life of all organizations. That being said, it is emphatically safe to say that Ohio Wesleyan's Epsilon Chapter is strongly positioned to thrive for many years to come. The Old Gal took in three new members in the fall semester of 2015. We held recruitment events in the fall that seemed to entice many, including some new freshmen who were and are planning to go Greek during spring recruitment of 2016! With events like Casino Night, Broom Ball, and House Golf, the fall of 2015 was a huge success.

We kicked off the spring 2016 recruitment season by hosting a College Football National Championship

viewing party. Nearly 50 people showed up to watch Alabama take home the title. Next, we hosted our annual Viking Feast. Thereafter, we held a huge NERF gun war in the house! Finally, Epsilon is taking potential new members to Sky Zone, an indoor trampoline park, for an hour of jumping and diving.

All-in-all, Epsilon is looking and hoping to initiate 15 new brothers into the Mystic Circle this semester. We are very excited to see what is to become of the Epsilon Chapter of the great Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity!

In Phi,
Kaden Thompson, Ohio Wesleyan '15
Recruitment Director



UPDATES FROM THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

THANK YOU to the Epsilon House Corporation and the Epsilon Alumni Association for working with dedicated alumni to coordinate the most recent improvements to the chapter house. The House Corporation and undergraduates have been responsible and diligent since taking occupancy in 2001. Check out the chapter websites to see all of our brothers, both young and old, enjoying brotherhood in the house; better yet, stop by the chapter to see for yourself.

Epsilon remains strong—and we need YOUR support to sustain this success. The strongest chapters nationally always have the most consistent alumni involvement; unequivocally, our chapter has benefited in kind. Epsilon has won the GSP Award two out of the last three years and missed by the closest margin in 2015.

The Epsilon Alumni Association has added new Directors focusing on our primary goals to facilitate communication with you and to support the undergraduates. In addition to supporting the

chapter, your dues subsidize the Quill. For the Epsilon Alumni Association, annual dues remain \$25; in addition, lifetime dues have been established at \$500 discounted to \$350 for those over 65 years. (Dues-paying alumni earn a discounted registration to Sig Bust events & voting privileges). Please send your dues and any additional support to our Treasurer, John Gwin, Ohio Wesleyan '95:

Epsilon Chapter Alumni Association
ATTN: John Gwin, Treasurer
P.O. Box 92
Pataskala, OH 43062

As a brotherhood for life, we look forward to many more years together. Save the date for Alumni Weekend (May 13-15, 2016) and Homecoming Weekend (October 7-9, 2016). We can't wait to see you again!

Yours Within the Mystic Circle,
Dr. Scott Gallagher, Ohio Wesleyan '93
President, Epsilon Alumni Association
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2015 FALL CHAPTER WITH NEW MEMBERS



**RICHARD JACKSON, OHIO
WESLEYAN '50 SPEAKING AT
THE 2015 SIG BUST AT THE
EPSILON CHAPTER HOUSE.**

★ ★ ★ ALPHA SIGMA PHI IS NUMBER ONE AT OHIO WESLEYAN

IF YOU ASKED the average person to describe college fraternity men they might say: “A bunch of beer drinking, toga wearing party boys who exploit coeds and cause trouble.” This attitude comes from Hollywood and the media. The truth is very different, particularly at Ohio Wesleyan University. The University issues a Greek Scholarship Report each semester. The latest report shows that the cumulative grade point average for their fraternity men is 3.12, while for non-fraternity men, it is 2.72. Fraternity men at OWU are scholars.

The report also shows that our 36 active undergraduate brothers of Epsilon lead all other fraternities at OWU with a GPA of 3.37. Since our fraternity has always had the support of the sororities due to our respect of women, our fraternity men can best be described as gentlemen and scholars.

In Phi,
Dick Jackson, Ohio Wesleyan '50
Grand Chapter Advisor



A GREAT TURNOUT TO WATCH THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME