

# Sweet Happenings from Your Sweetheart

Sigma Chi ~ Eta Iota

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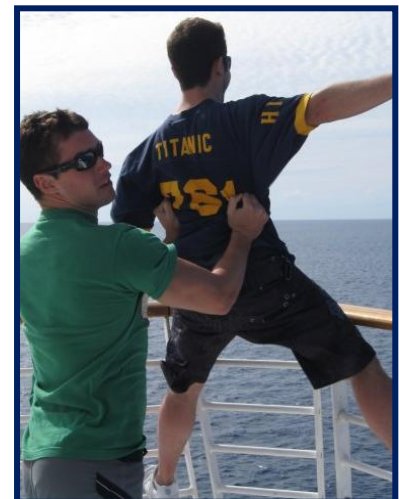
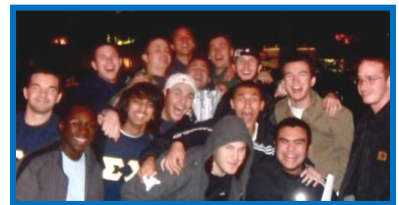
## Eta Iota Ready for another Recruitment!

Tuesday January 25<sup>th</sup> kicked off a new year of recruitment for Eta Iota at Embry-Riddle's Activities Fair. The Brothers have set their sights on some excellent potentials after Meet the Greek's on January 28<sup>th</sup>. It looks like this year will be a really great recruitment for Eta Iota - especially after last night's BBQ and basketball game tailgate!

This coming week has a lot more excellent events planned. Today the guys will have an open house event where they will eat pizza and play corn hole. On Wednesday, Brothers and potentials will enjoy go-karts, batting cages, and mini-golf and on Thursday, will enjoy bowling. Wrapping up the week will be

Spaghetti Dinner on Friday afternoon where Brothers will share with potentials what Sigma Chi truly means to them. By the end of the week, Eta Iota will look forward to bidding some great guys who could, one day, call himself a Brother.

Check out some great shots from the Activities Fair and Meet the Greeks.



## Keep the emails coming and Get Ready for 40<sup>th</sup>!!!

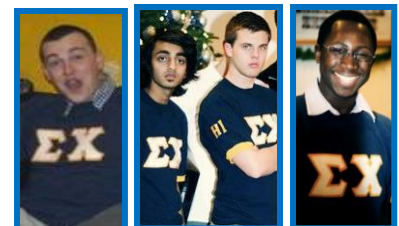
I cannot even begin to express how much I have enjoyed speaking with many of you, getting to know you, and how excited I am to meet you and your family at Birthday! And even more excited than me is the active chapter! From the upper classmen to the newly initiated Brothers, everyone is psyched to meet the Alumni who have helped

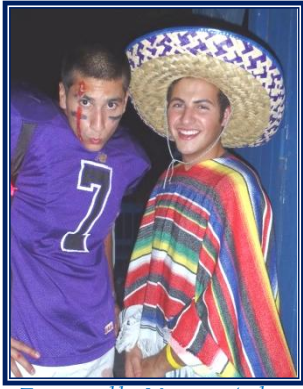
shaped Eta Iota into what it is today. While you all are making plans to come and celebrate, everyone here is doing the best they can to get ready!

Recently, some of the undergraduates went for a food tasting at the Hilton with James Ahrens - and may I just say, the reports were good! So, if you

haven't done so yet, make sure you get on Eta Iota's website, book your tickets, and do all you can to come to 40<sup>th</sup>!

And as always, keep the emails coming! You could let me know what you would like to see in *Sweet Happenings from Your Sweetheart* or just say hi! I look forward to it either way ☺





Timmy and his Magister, Andres Villalobos, hanging out during Halloween last October.

"When I became a Sigma Chi it was great, because they were the people I enjoyed being with and I was very proud of the association. It was kind of an instant confidence builder for me ~ that what I considered the best fraternity on campus had actually wanted me. And I had always been very shy and without a lot of confidence. So it was a really good social experience and for me it was also a social maturation. It was a great benefit."

- David Letterman



Josh Chancey hanging out with Brothers Christian Schirra, Rick Lapp, and Trevor Simms.



Tony hanging out with Brothers Omar Moreno, Jake Gleske, and Nick Nelson.

## Meet the *Tribune* - Timmy Englehardt [englehat@my.erau.edu]

Timothy, Timmy for short, was born on December 17, 1991. At ERAU, he studies Meteorology with a Media concentration and hopes to become a broadcast meteorologist for the news. He was in the Gamma Nu pledge class and has the nickname "Kraymah," as he tends to remind people of the nutty character from Seinfeld - not to mention, he had long curly hair before shaving it all off after becoming the 778<sup>th</sup> initiate of Eta Iota! Besides school, he enjoys watching football, baseball, and basketball. Hailing from Bradford, Massachusetts,

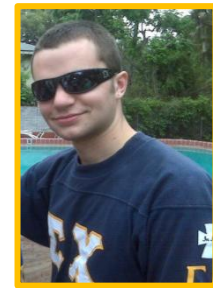
Timmy is a huge fan of his New England Tri-Patriots, Red Sox, and Celtics. He likes going to the beach, hanging out with Brothers, and meeting new people. One of his favorite shows even features a Sigma Chi - The Late Show with David Letterman. Since being initiated, he has been elected to be the Tribune and chairman of the Finance Committee. On campus, Timmy is involved in the Orientation Team with Consul Taylor Quackenbush.



## Meet the *Kustos* - Marc Gonzalez [gonzam11@my.erau.edu]

Marc Gonzalez became the 771<sup>st</sup> initiate at Eta Iota in the spring of 2010 (Gamma Mu). He bears the nickname "Opossum" and was born November 13, 1990. Marc was born and raised in Liberty, New York (Catskills). During his pledge period, he was Captain America. As an active brother, Marc serves as Eta Iota's

Kustos. At Embry-Riddle, Marc studies Aeronautical Science with a minor in business. He enjoys hunting, fishing, off-roading, and being outdoors and is a NY Giants fan. Marc is also a legacy of this Chapter. His Uncle Juan Gonzalez was an active brother in the mid 70's.



## Meet the *House Manager* - Josh Chancey [jchance1129@live.com]

Josh Chancey (Chancey as he is known) served as the Gamma Nu Pledge Class President and was the 781<sup>st</sup> initiate into Eta Iota with the nickname "Monthly Gift." He was born a twin on November 29, 1989 and lives in Lakeland, Florida. Currently, Chancey serves as Eta Iota's

house manager, athletic chair, and Greek Standards Board alternate chair. He likes doing any and all sports and enjoys flying and bowling. He is studying Air Traffic Management and upon graduation, will commission as an officer in the US Army.



## Meet the *newly appointed Annotator* - Tony Romano [gonzam11@my.erau.edu]

Tony Romano, from Plymouth, Massachusetts, was in the Gamma Lambda pledge class (Fall 2009). He was the 745<sup>th</sup> initiate and is nicknamed "Finger Food." He was born April 12, 1991. In the fall of 2010, he served as Eta Iota's Athletic Chair and Kustos. Tony currently serves as the Peterson Chair and has recently been

appointed to Annotator when Jim Balydga (previous Annotator) got elected as this semester's Magister. He is an Aeronautical Science major and enjoys playing soccer, golf, tennis, pool basketball, rugby, and like most college guys, likes playing X-box 360. He hopes to one day fly for Fed-Ex or UPS upon graduation.



## Where are they now? Catch up with alumni and see what they have been up to!

### Gary Towers

Gary Towers was initiated into Sigma Chi on April 28, 1979. He graduated from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in 1981 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Aeronautical Science. In the spring of 1981, Gary served as Eta Iota's Consul and during his tenure, hosted 10<sup>th</sup> Birthday.



Gary has been employed as a pilot for United Airlines since 1985 and is currently a Boeing 777 Captain based at Chicago O'Hare.

Gary lives in the northwest suburbs of Chicago with his wife of 17 years and their two children. He has made many new friends since his graduation from ERAU 30 years ago and feels that nothing compares to the bonds of brotherhood he shared with his Sigma Chi Brothers. He looks forward to seeing Sigs of the past and present at the upcoming 40<sup>th</sup>.

The picture below was taken in Maui with his wife Julie, son Preston (14) and daughter Renee (11).



The picture to the left was taken of Gary during a layover in Beijing at the Forbidden City.

### Brent von Stein ~ Baby on Board!

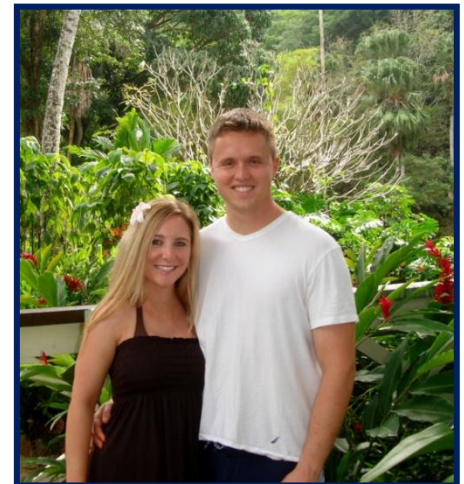
**Pledge Class:** Fall 2000  
Beta Rho  
Nicknamed "Sparky"  
627<sup>th</sup> Initiate of Eta Iota

Brent von Stein graduated Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Aeronautical Science. Upon graduation, he became a pilot for SkyWest Airlines based in his hometown of San Luis Obispo, California. Brent has continued his post-ERAU education and completed his MBA in 2009 from California Polytechnic State University.

While at ERAU, Brent was lucky enough to win the heart of Eta Iota's 2002 - 2003

Sweetheart, Maggie Hays. Now married, Brent and Maggie are expecting their first child!! They are due to deliver Baby von Stein this July. They are really excited about becoming parents and could not wait to announce it to everyone.

In their free time, this happily married couple loves using Brent's travel benefits provided through working for SkyWest Airlines. Their most recent adventure was a visit to Tokyo, Japan. Through their travels, they have found a perfect getaway to the wonderful islands of Hawaii and now say it is their favorite place to go! In the picture to the right are Maggie and Brent on the island of Oahu, Hawaii.



### Legacy Sigs ... do you know any initiated legacies?

Did you know that Eta Iota has two sets of Father/Son initiates and one Uncle/Nephew?? That's right - three Sigs from Eta Iota not only have legacies in their family, but those legacies became a "Winged Sig" and joined the Sigma Chi Brotherhood.

The first pair of father and son is Donald and Hayden Haddox (1976 and 2004). The second pair is Dave and Jay Fraser (1977 and 2010). And again, there is Marc with his Uncle Juan (pg. 2). Don Haddox and I have been communicating back and forth a

few times now and are interested in finding out just how many Eta Iota Alumni are proud grandfathers, fathers, uncles, brothers, or cousins of fellow Sigs!

So we would like to know, who here at Eta Iota has family members in Sigma Chi? Who else besides Don, Dave, and Juan have other family membership in this great Fraternity or in Eta Iota?

Let us know!! We would love to see the numbers and share your stories with everyone else.

### CHAPTER ADVISOR UPDATE ~

**Brian Loyko**, Eta Iota's Chapter Advisor, wanted to let everyone know just how great the Active Chapter is doing and how hard they are working to excel! He says that ...

*The undergrads have recently made tremendous strides towards improving their financial processes. They've cleared all debts from last semester and within the last month have recovered well over 1/2 of their Accounts Receivable as well as over 1/2 of this month's semester dues and rent paid in full. Now they are working with alumni advisors to further improve the tools they use to budget and track financial progress and control their business.*

*Sweetheart Michelle Rodio and Scholarship Chairman Trevor Simms are working hard on an academic improvement program that includes study sessions, awards, and scholarships. Strong academics are job #1 and we're working hard to build a culture of strong academic leaders in our brothers and pledges.*

**Sigma Chi Shirts - Order Now and Pick up at 40<sup>th</sup>!**  
 All proceeds will benefit the Children's Miracle Network!

Design	Amount per Size						Total Cost
	Adult S	Adult M	Adult L	Adult XL	Adult 2XL	Adult 3XL	
"Sigma Chi Brother" T-Shirt <i>Price: \$14 per shirt</i>							
"Philanthropy" T-Shirt <i>Price: \$18 per shirt</i>							
"I Love my ΣΧ" V-Neck Shirt <i>Price: \$20 per shirt</i>	Adult S	Adult M	Adult L	Adult XL			
"Sigma Chi's are my kind of Guys" Fitted Shirt <i>Price: \$17 per shirt</i>	Adult S	Adult M	Adult L	Adult XL			
"The Winged Sigs of Eta Iota" T-Shirt <i>Price: \$20 per shirt</i>	Youth S	Youth M	Youth L	Youth XL			
	Adult S	Adult M	Adult L	Adult XL	Adult 2XL	Adult 3XL	



If ordering shirts please print out this order form, fill it out, and mail it to either myself or the Quaestor, Chuck. Cash and check are both accepted. If writing a check, please make it out to Sigma Chi. All orders must be received by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Bigger depictions of the shirts can be seen on page 4 of the January 16<sup>th</sup> issue of *Sweet Happenings from Your Sweetheart*.

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**The *Sweetest* Goodbye ... until the next issue of course!**

Thank you for all the support for this newsletter - without the interest of past and present Brothers, these publications would not be possible. You all give me such great support and comments that I only wish I could put out more!

Do get ready for the next issue though - it surely will be one to remember. I already have a lot of great alumni stories to tell you all and after recruitment this week, will have a lot more pictures for you all to enjoy.

I just wanted to remind you all that you can still donate for the Norman Shield Award (a description can be seen in both the Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> and Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> issues). If you would like to be a donor for this esteemed honor, please send cash/checks to either myself or the Quaestor, Chuck. The actives are putting forth a tremendous amount of effort to better their grades, finances, and involvement in the chapter and I can already see an improvement in Chapter morale. They are psyched about this award

and are doing their best to be the best Brother that they can! I just cannot wait until I can reward one of them at Birthday.

If you would like to be featured in the "Where are they now?" section just like many others have already done, please send in a bio of yourself and a picture. I am quite certain that your fellow Brothers, past and present, would love to hear your story!

Farewell until then ... *Love Your 2011 Sweetheart*