

Sweet Happenings from Your Sweetheart

Sigma Chi ~ Eta Iota

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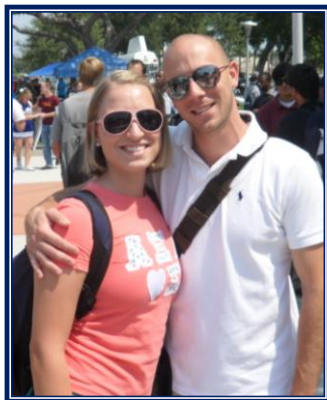
Fall Recruitment knocked it out of the park!

Last time we left off right before Eta Iota participated in the Fraternity's Mission 365 Recruitment Seminar, and boy has a lot happened since. Mission 365 was held on Saturday, September 10th where the Chapter Brothers congregated and worked together to come up with great ideas for the upcoming recruitment as well as

for the next year. With the help of a Fraternity representative and HI Alumni (Derek Pizzo and Chuck Bonini), the guys really kicked off the semester with a great start! Their hard work truly paid off and began to show the following week during the University's semi-annual Activities Fair and Meet the Greeks

events. They instantly had the attention of many new students at ERAU and had more interest to potential Brothers than any other Fraternity on campus. But it does not stop there - HI truly knocked it out of the park the week of September 19th when they not only hosted many different recruitment events, but pledged in 29 guys!





Here I am hanging out with Jeremiah Poff at this year's Activities Fair.

"As usual, the various secret and literary societies are pulling and tugging after new members. There is quite a large number from which to choose and we are taking it quite cool. The idea of rushing a member in without giving him time to breathe is very bad. Sometimes we can get good boys and then again we get awfully sold. We therefore (our society) have determined to look before we leap."

William Lewis
Lockwood
September 14, 1857



Brothers Spencer, David, and Marc hanging out at the House.



Alumni Arash and Derek at the Fraternity House this past month – both of whom were very helpful during Recruitment this semester.

Eta Iota outdid everyone with some *Extras* during Recruitment

Eta Iota Brothers (as you all already know) pride themselves on being the best, recruiting the best, and initiating the best – and this year is no different. That is why the Chapter went above and beyond other Fraternities as ERAU and gave out a little extra during the week to make sure that all of the potential men would remember who the Brothers were, what the Fraternity represents, and how proud they are of Sigma Chi.

Thanks to the generous donation from Alumni Nick Weiss, each Brother was given a Recruitment Business Card (as well as myself!! ☺) to pass out during the weeks leading up to recruitment and for use for times to come. Although easy enough to make, these cards helped set Eta Iota above the rest! Check them out ...



Some *Sweet Loving* for Eta Iota Brothers!

Of course, as Sweetheart, I had to make sure that the guys were well fed during Recruitment this semester – as I not only love to bake but also like to sweeten up their days ☺ On Monday, the Brothers and potentials were treated to strawberry shortcakes, on Tuesday they enjoyed blue and gold cupcakes, and on Wednesday gooey chocolate brownies.

Then on Thursday, I made some buffalo chicken dip and spicy bean dip. And to finish the week off, I made my mom's special recipe of baked macaroni and cheese for Spaghetti Dinner with some Oreo and pudding dirt! It was all so yummy!



Recruitment Events from this Semester

On Monday, 9/19/2011, the Brothers headed to the beach with potentials to cook up some barbecue, play some football, and catch some waves. On Tuesday, the chapter headed to Ormond Lanes Bowling Alley where they strapped on the bowling shoes and had some fun.

Wednesday, 9/21/2011, the guys hung out with potentials and went to Go-Kart City in Port Orange. Together, they played some putt-putt on the miniature golf course, took a few swings in

the batting cages, and got knocked around on the go-kart turned bumper cars. Then on Thursday, the House was jam packed full of people as Brothers introduced the potentials to the Fraternity House and chowed-down on wings from Buffalo Wild Wings.

To end out the week, everyone got dressed up and headed to the traditional Spaghetti Dinner where the potentials got to hear wonderful stories from Active and Alumni Brothers about why Sigma Chi is so important to

them and what their final factor was in deciding to pledge.

Speakers at Spaghetti Dinner included Consul Taylor Quackenbush, Chapter Advisor Brian Lojko, and Alumni Derek Pizzo and Chuck Bonini. During the week, these men, along with other Alumni such as Arash Sabet-Rasekh and Chris Haun, even got to join in the festivities as they attended other recruitment events.

Pictures from the week can be seen on Page 4.

Eta Iota Chapter Events for the Semester!!

Bringing back the *Intramurals*

And intramural season is back! Brothers have gotten together to compete in both football and volleyball and are doing all that they can to kick some major butt this year. Brothers and pledges also have been going out to cheer on the sororities that are also competing in intramural sports. One of the pledges, Kirk Haun, has even taken it upon himself to coach one of the sororities, Alpha Xi Delta, during their games. Check out some pictures of the guys in action:



Kirk
Alpha Xi
Delta Coach!



More *Recruitment* pictures ...



Derby Days 2011

Diva Derby Days

This year will be the 4th Annual Derby Days Event hosted by the Eta Iota Chapter of Sigma Chi. This semester will be involving five different organizations (Sigma Chi plus the four participating sororities) and their associated philanthropies in the competition. This year's event will be one of the largest Greek Philanthropic events Embry-Riddle has seen. Half of the money raised will be donated through Sigma Chi and the rest will be split amongst the four competing sororities' associated philanthropies.

The theme for this year's Derby Days will be *Divas*. As of now, each sorority has selected a famous Diva from modern or historic pop culture, and will incorporate the diva's style into all aspects of the Derby Days competition.

The Coaches Auction was held on the 5th of October – and each sorority (Alpha Xi Delta, Lambda Theta Alpha, Sigma Sigma Sigma, and Theta Phi Alpha) now has two Eta Iota Brothers as coaches.

Diva Derby Days will be held beginning Monday, November 7th, concluding with the Awards Banquet and a celebratory gathering on Friday, November 11th (Veteran's Day).

Fundraising for Derby Days is the priority, as all associated profit will be donated worthy philanthropies. To assist each of the sororities in fundraising, the fraternity will be providing *Diva Derby Days* T-Shirts and admission ticket sales to the Diva Dance, formerly referred to as the Lip Sync, in which each sorority performs a 10 minute show (to be held on Thursday the 10th).

As of right now, the most amount of money raised for Derby Days was \$5000! This year, Eta Iota is DETERMINED to surpass that amount. If you are willing and able to donate, please let me know! You can contact me on the [Sweet Hart](https://www.facebook.com/SweetHartFacebook) Facebook page or through sweetheart@etaiota.org.

The Chapter is also looking for any Brothers and/or companies who would like to be another sponsor for the event. For details, contact Jeremiah Poff at poffece@my.erau.edu.

WANT MORE SHIRTS???

Need to gear up in more Sigma Chi shirts? I still have a few more shirts from Birthday! If you would like any, let me know. You can email me at sweetheart@etaiota.org or message me on the [Sweet Hart](https://www.facebook.com/SweetHart) Facebook page. I have ...

My Kinda Guy (\$17) → 1 Small, 4 Medium, 2 Large
These shirts run a size small!

I ♥ my SX (\$20) → 2 Small, 1 Medium

Winged Sigs (\$20) → 1 Medium, 4 Large, 1 XL

Children's Miracle Network (\$10) → 2 XL, 2 XXL

You can also order some of this year's recruitment shirts! Contact me or Pedro Pinero (pinero0482@yahoo.com). The shirts are \$15.



All checks to be made out to **Sigma Chi** – contact me for details with shipping and where to send the checks!

NEWS UPDATE!!!

Eta Iota is now on Twitter – you can follow us at ...

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FUTURE BROTHER EVENT ~ Vegas Style!

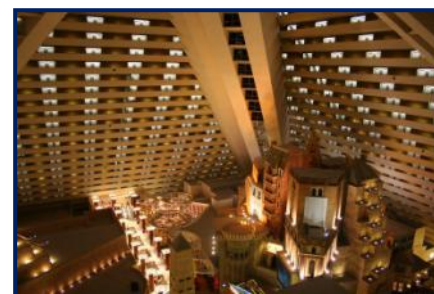
For anyone who is up for a bit of fun, here is a little vacation that you may like! Mark Rogers (mwr2235@embarqmail.com) recently let me know of a little excursion that he and other HI Sigs are going on ... Several brothers from the chapter's early years are going to get together in Las Vegas, July 23-28, 2012. They are planning on staying at the [LUXOR](http://www.luxor.com) hotel. During the five days, they are going to visit Boulder Dam, Grand Canyon, Pawn Stars, and several quality shows. It will be a totally unstructured five days.

Direct from Mark – If you want to site see, gamble or whatever; do it at your own speed and all ideas are encouraged. Bob Sween and Mark plan to have a sit down meal at the beginning and another one at the end of each day. If they do, you are all more than welcome to join in as well (restaurant selection and times TBA).



There are six quality restaurants in the LUXOR. You all could also gather at the LUXOR Happy Hour in the main bar each night to renew old friendships and see what the next day will bring.

If you are interested drop an email to Bob Sween (bobb200478@hotmail.com) or Mark Rogers. Your cost on this will be what you make it. Reservations can be made on the LUXOR's website (about \$400.00 for the week). Mark and Bob hope to see several of you in VEGAS.



You can contact me anytime!

HI Brothers and Sweethearts,

Sorry it has been so long since the last newsletter – I have been swamped with school and working to raise money for Derby Days. I am about halfway to the amount I wanted to raise on behalf of my Chapter right now, so wish me luck! And again, if you want to donate let me know! It would be very much appreciated ☺

And as always, if there is anything that you would like to see in these newsletters or would like to add anything yourself, send me your ideas and/or news and I would be more than happy to include your story. But, back to school work for me! I look forward to updating you again soon.

Farewell until then ...

Love Your 2011 Sweetheart ♥



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