



# OHIO EPSILON SIGMA PHI EPSILON

**Spring Newsletter 2016**

The Ohio Epsilon Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon would like to update you on the progress and development of our chapter! The balanced men of Sigma Phi Epsilon here at Ohio Wesleyan University continue to pursue excellence, and it's amazing to see how much we have accomplished over the last year.



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# Heartline!

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We have hosted successful philanthropy events, and we have participated in many community activities. Over the past year our brothers have continued to excel in the classroom, on the stage, in the community, and on varsity athletic teams. We believe that the driving force behind our success is due to our cardinal principles of Virtue, Diligence, and Brotherly love. While putting these principles into action, our brothers have been able to improve in various aspects of our lives. I am excited to share our past year's accomplishments with you.

Fraternally,  
Jacob Volbers  
2016 VP of Communication

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# President's Report

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## PHILANTHROPY AND INTRAMURAL

Over the past year our brothers participated in various intramural sports and philanthropy events.

SigEp won championships in intramural flag football and dodgeball.

Our own philanthropic events, SigEp Belly-Flop (Fall) and The Bill Boaz Magic Show (Spring), raised over \$2,000 for Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Alzheimers' association of Central Ohio. We are proud to be continually involved in holding philanthropic events in their benefit every year!

I hope this reaches all of you well. It has been a fantastic year for the Ohio Epsilon Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon. This was a year filled with academic achievement, athletic prowess, and community engagement. In our school work, our fraternity earned a cumulative 3.14 GPA and had 5 members receive scholar athlete awards from the school and the NCAC. This year we also received multiple awards as a chapter including a silver excellence award, best Greek advisor, and best new member.

On the field, we have also accomplished a great deal. A rising senior, Mason Tomblin, was elected to be a captain of the football team. We also have 5 other members who are involved with the team in our house. The baseball team has also had a great year with our many members on the team. They are heading into the NCAC crossover series as a #2 seed!

Finally, we had an extremely successful philanthropy event this year. For the second time, our very own Bill Boaz put on a fantastic show for the students at Ohio Wesleyan and the surrounding Delaware community. We raised over \$1000 for Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Central Ohio! I am extremely proud of the work of the philanthropy board and the Vice President of Programming, Zack Katona.

All in all, I am proud of what we have accomplished this year and I can't wait to see what we can accomplish in the years to come. If you are ever on campus, please stop by. We always want to meet our alumni!

**VIRTUE,  
DILIGENCE,  
AND  
BROTHERLY  
LOVE**

*“I believe in the  
American college  
fraternity. I believe  
in Sigma Phi  
Epsilon.*

*I believe in this  
fraternity because it  
would have me  
strive in every way  
to live up to the high  
principles for which  
it stands...”*

*-Creed of Sigma Phi  
Epsilon*

# 2016 Executive Committee Update

Our new executive committee is excited to help our chapter grow as much as possible over the next year. We firmly believe that with the groundwork laid by last year's crew we can continue to carry on the Sig Ep tradition and solidify our chapter's reputation as one of the top organizations on campus. We are all 100% committed to making this chapter the best it can possibly be, so feel free to contact us with any ideas or advice for our chapter!



From Left to Right:

VP of Brotherhood Development, Stephen McGrath (2018)

Philanthropy Chair, Aaron Strausbaugh (2017)

House Manager, Drew Wigham (2017)

President, Kevin Alkins (2018)

VP of Communications, Jacob Volbers (2018)

VP of Recruitment, Colin Pietron (2018)

VP of Finance, Trevor Ray (2018)

Social Chair, Patrick Faley (2018)

Chaplain, Michael Blatchford (2018)

VP of Programming, Zack Katona (2017 Fall)

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# New Members

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Our Chapter handed out a total of 18 bids this semester. Out of those 18 outstanding young men to whom we gave bid, 11 signed to be our brothers. We are continually striving to continue recruiting for the summer and during the fall semester. Many of these young men come from the baseball and football team. Thank you to the hard work of our outgoing Vice-President of Recruitment, Ryan Moss.

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# Senior Spotlight

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At the end of our newsletter, we would like to share the stories of some of the graduating seniors!

## **A.J. Barnhardt**



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**Favorite Memory from being in the house?**

- Being president

**What did you take away from your time at SigEp?**

- Leadership skills and lifelong friends.

**What advice would you give to a prospective student or new member?**

- Do things for others when no one is looking.

**Plans for the future?**

- Go to grad school for religion.
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## Bill Boaz



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### Favorite Memory from being in the house?

- Blasting oldies but goodies, ouija boards, bats, and other late night antics.

### What did you take away from your time at SigEp?

- Some of the best friends that I will ever have and leadership experiences that you can't get anywhere else.

### What advice would you give to a prospective student or new member?

- Get involved with the organizations that mean something to you, and envelope yourself in their missions and values 110%. You will grow to be an individual that your younger self would look up to, you will learn things that will enrich you personally and professionally, and you will have the time of your life.

### Plans for the future?

- Entering the workforce - marketing/sales
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## Brandon Henderson



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### Favorite Memory from being in the house?

I loved hanging out with all the boys on the front porch whenever it was nice out.

### What did you take away from your time at SigEp?

I took away friendships that I will have for the rest of my life. I also took away valuable leadership skills and information to better myself as a man in the future.

### What advice would you give to a prospective student or new member?

RUSH SigEp!

### Plans for the future?

Apply to graduate school for Occupational Therapy

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# ALUMNI PROFILE

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Help update our membership records with current and complete information.  
Please return this form along with photos of you and your family, and include a business card.

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Name:

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Class of: \_\_\_\_\_

Address:

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation:

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Title:

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Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Mailing Address (circle one):      Home      Office

Home Phone:

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Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address:

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Wife's Name (please include maiden name): \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

News that may be of interest to your fellow brothers: \_\_\_\_\_

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What is your favorite memory about Sigma Phi Epsilon: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please feel free to add any other information, and return to the address listed on the newsletter.



## **In Appreciation**

**We would love to hear from you and learn what you have been up to! Stay connected with the SigEp Ohio Epsilon Chapter.**

**Sigma Phi Epsilon  
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**Are you interested in joining our  
Alumni Volunteer Corporation?**

**Yes / No**

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# **Congratulations**

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**Class of 2016**

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