

Sweet Happenings from Your

# Sweetheart



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## What a Year it's Been!

Sigma Chi has worked very hard this past semester and is keeping a very strong reputation within the Greek community. They have held a great recruitment and currently have a pledge class of 10 aspiring men. Three men graduated and look to become helpful alumnae's to the chapter. White Rose, Thanksgiving, and White Elephant were all celebrated and all were a fantastic time!

### Save the Date!

January  
[13<sup>th</sup>]  
First Chapter  
Meeting

January -February  
[27<sup>th</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>]  
RUSH WEEK!  
(events coming  
soon)

March  
[3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>]  
Derby Days!  
(events coming  
soon)



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## Meet the Graduates

### Daniel Duquette (Billybob)



Daniel Duquette (Left) graduated this semester with a degree in Aeronautics with Concentration in Aviation Maintenance Science. He was part of the Gamma Lambda pledge class and his goal as an Alumni Brother is first to become a Life Loyal Sig, join Eta Iota's 1855 Club, and if possible try to be able to interact with the chapter by offering experience. Dan advises, "Every moment of time you can spend with your brothers is a blessing in itself, and not many other college students get to share that same common bond that holds us all Sigma Chi's so close". Dan enjoyed his undergrad years and is excited for what the future may hold.

### Chuck Kwon (First Base)

Chuck Kwon (Right) graduated this semester earning a 3.0 GPA with a degree in aeronautics. Chuck was a member of the Gamma Lambda pledge class and served as a Quaestor in his time as an undergrad. Chuck will be continuing his career in the United States Army.



### Josh Chancey (Monthly Gift)

Joshua Chancey (Right) graduated this semester with a degree in Air Traffic Management. Joshua was a member of the Gamma Nu pledge class and during his course as an undergrad held numerous positions within the fraternity and Embry Riddle as well. Joshua's positions were Pro Consul, Quaestor, Risk Manager, House Manager, and Social Chair. Joshua was also fortunate enough to attend Horizons and BLTW. He later became IFC Vice President through Embry Riddle and was awarded 2010 Greek new member of the year. Finally Joshua was commissioned as a Second LT in the United States Army, who "Looks forward to serving his country".



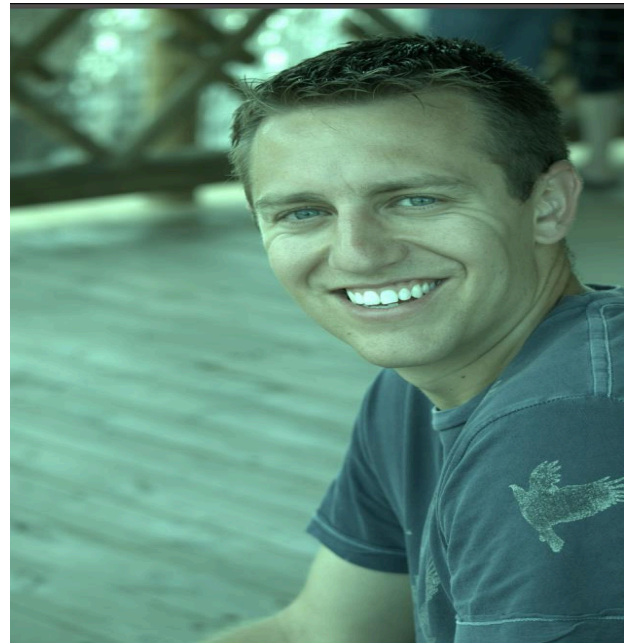
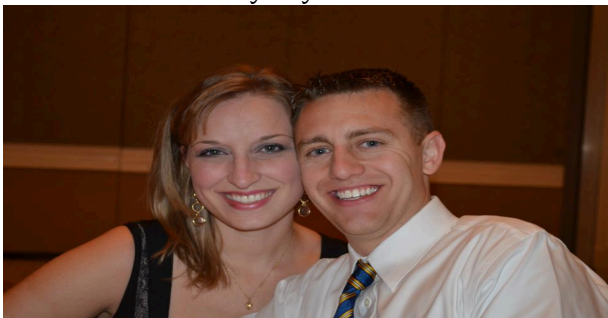
## Meet the Chapter Advisor and the Pro-Consul Advisor



### Derek Pizzo

I am the Chapter Advisor. I am the chairman for the Advisory Board and I appoint advisory board members. I have direct responsibility for the entire chapter. Personally I try to work only with the Consul and allow the advisory board members to work with the others. I would like to see someone who lives closer to the chapter take over because in any relationship distance is a bitch. I originally went to Embry-Riddle for Aerospace Engineering, but after having one too many professors that I could not understand I changed to Air Traffic Management. I graduated in 2009 and was part of the Gamma Gamma pledge class of Sigma Chi – Eta Iota. Currently, I live in Tallahassee with the love of my life Michelle, and I work at the Tallahassee Regional Airport. Within the next year I hope to achieve my career goal of being a Certified Professional Controller.

I have great memories of Sigma Chi but I would have to say my fondest moment was



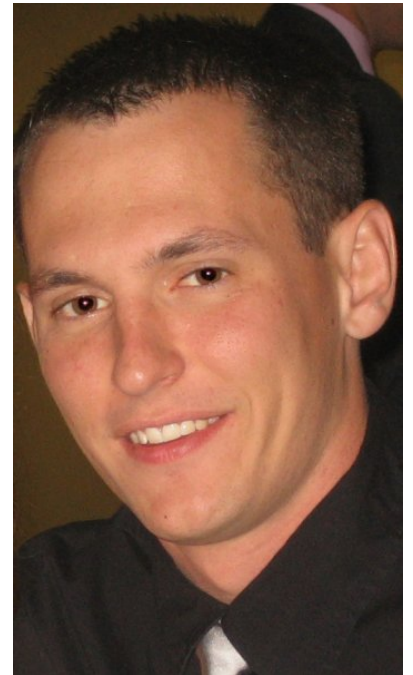
winning Greek Week. We manipulated the rules and won fair and square, but it also caused the rules to change for future generations. Never stop learning! This really is the best advice for anyone, whether it is with Sigma Chi or in their academics. As soon as you think you have it all figured out, someone else didn't and their getting better.

The reason I joined Sigma Chi was because I had a close group of friends back home and most of them stayed together in college and remain together now. I choose a different path, but still wanted that connection to people. Some of the greatest times of my life were during my years as an active brother. Therefore, I would really like the chapter to continue to improve how they hold each other accountable and improve their organization. Great strides have been made over the past semester but more can be done.





## Nick Weiss



I am currently the advisor to the Pro-Consul and worked last semester to primarily help the Pro-Consul identify the goals the chapter wanted to pursue and increase the accountability of the chapter officers to the goals they wished to attain.

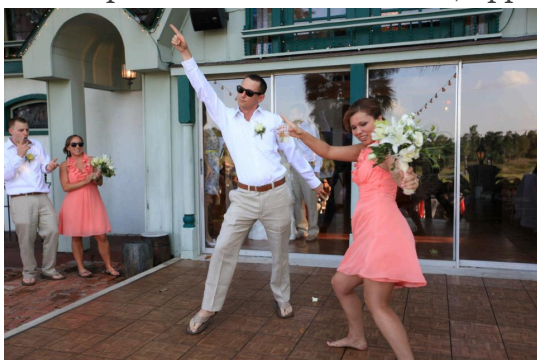
I've spent the last year and a half working for Honda as a Systems Engineer and Chassis Design Engineer, live in Columbus, OH and am working to increase my skill level and build experience. Thus far, working for Honda has been a tremendous experience and the opportunities I've been given have been extraordinary this early in my career. In my free time I enjoy playing golf, backpacking and traveling whenever I have the opportunity.

I have tons of fond memories as an undergrad but one of my favorites had to be Greek Week each year. Regardless of any differences the brothers may have been having at the time, we all managed to set them aside to focus on the common goal of winning. Each brother's unique skills and knowledge were able to be utilized and leadership skills and planning tested. It was always a great experience and when the end goal of a win was realized it always helped energize the guys to make the push to the end of the semester.

My best advice to alumni seeking to be more involved in the chapter is simple; Communication, whether it be stopping by or emailing an undergraduate brother, emailing an advisor or House Corp. member. Input, ideas, concerns and questions are always welcome and as an undergraduate brother it was always great to hear old stories, see how strong the bonds of brotherhood truly are (and how long they last) and make some connections with brothers that may be able to help with advice down the road or possibly with a job hunt after graduation. As for my advice to undergrads, I would advise them to take their ideas for the chapter and work to make them a reality. My favorite part about the chapter was that there were always opportunities for improvement and as a result, opportunities to develop each individual's leadership, planning and

communication skills.

Don't ever get down about things that aren't as you might hope they would be, use them as an opportunity to better the chapter and yourself!



## Incase You Missed It!

### White Rose

In Reunion Resort in Orlando lots of the brothers and alumnae got to reunite and have a ball at White Rose Formal. Blake Ditlow was in charge and did a fantastic job planning and making the formal special. At White Rose Maggie Micinski was announced as Sweetheart and the International Sweetheart, Sydney Binnington, was there as well.



### Thanksgiving

As the tradition is now strengthening, Sigma Chi hosted their Thanksgiving feast for any brothers not able to make it home for the Holiday. Pedro made three delicious deep-fried turkeys and then we all shared in the Sigma Chi Grace. The food was awesome but more importantly it was great for some of the brothers to get together and bond for the holiday!

### White Elephant

Another wonderful tradition is White Elephant. This year Braxton Woodward and I decided to make a roast beef and ham dinner as well for the event. We hope to keep the dinner tradition alive before the infamous gift exchange. Lots of stealing was involved but that doesn't mean happy memories weren't made!



At White Elephant I gave each brother a mini stocking with his name on it. Inside the stocking were a candy cane and a shot glass. On the front it said ΣΧ and on the back each was personalized with their pledge class, initiation number, and a white cross. Hope you all love them!

## Introducing Your New Sweetheart!

My name is Maggie Micinski and in November I was named the 2013 Sweetheart and I'm really excited. I am an Aeronautical Science major with an ATC minor. Just recently I was installed as President of Theta Phi Alpha and have also served as Recruitment Chair. As Sweetheart I hope to help the gentlemen strengthen their chapter and brotherhood, and also keep the Jordan Standard true within each brother. One thing I really hope to help work on is an academic program that they can use from semester to semester.

### Contact Me!

As you all know feel free to contact me at ANY time with questions, comments or concerns. My email is: [sweetheart@etaiota.org](mailto:sweetheart@etaiota.org)

If you are interested in donating money to reward the recipient of the Norman Shield Award please do so! It will be a great honor for the winning Brother. Also, if you would like to be featured in the "Where Are They Now" section, just email me! I will need a picture and a short bio and what you have been doing recently. It is a great way to keep your Brothers updated on what you have been doing after graduation.

