

# The Macomb Sig

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### ΣX Alumni/Active Facebook Group

Facebook is the new means of communications these days. If anyone is already on Facebook or considering it, join our Alumni/Active group, set up by Gabe Sanders. It's a great way to keep in touch.

After logging in, go to:

[http://  
www.facebook.com/  
group.php?  
gid=10331324277](http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=10331324277)

If you're not a member of Facebook just go to the



As we roll into a new year, it brings with it change. Many brothers have engaged in helping clean up the house. Together, we have plastered walls, put in drywall where needed, painted the party room and as seen in the photo, the brothers have redone the crest.

During the course of the summer, many projects

### Theta Xi

Brothers, We would like to take this time to recognize the nine new initiated pledges into Iota Omicron.

Already initiated these men have already taken on positions to better our house.

Jared Brady (Historian)

Ryne Davis (J Board)

Trey Dehbalt (involved in SGA)

Steve Fijor (Tribune & Fall '09 Rush)

### Reconstruction

will take place. Nearing the end of the semester, there will be a house clean up with the entire chapter to prepare for work to be done.

Many projects lay ahead for the future and

hope to rebuild the inside of 611 W. Adams



Brothers Boughton, Brady and Steele Working on Giving the house a fresh look.

Mike Kelley  
(Fundraiser)

Alex Michalski  
(Head Pin)

Joe Moore  
(Public Relations)

Drew Mueller

Dan Sheridan (Greek Week & IFC Rep)

Many of the Theta Xi pledge class will be living within the house in the next few years and plan to hold top positions to keep the brotherhood together.



## Theta Omicron

Through the nineteen long years after Iota Omicron received it's charter, fine gentlemen have been initiated into the great fraternity of Sigma Chi. Currently, we have four new members who look forward to taking a big role in our chapter.

- Nathaniel Burren  
Rockford, IL  
Economics/ Finance
- Jon Hassett  
LEJA

Chicago, IL

- Danny Schaver  
Palos Hills, IL  
Undecided
- Micah Wedekind  
Hoffman Estates, IL  
Biology

As a pledge class, Jon Micah and Nate look forward to fixing up the house during summer with the other brothers. Nate was asked how the pledge

process is currently going. He likes the way our new member educators go into depth with information and analyze the Normal Shield. If initiated, he plans to run for Questor and already has many great ideas using his Economic and Finance focus of study.

## New Officers for Spring '09 Semester

We have started anew with the spring semester. Elections have taken place and the IO chapter of Sigma Chi welcomes our brothers into their positions in office.

- **President: Anthony Fiorito**  
Pledge Class: ΘΛ, Spring '07  
Year/Major: Jun./Const. Management  
Hometown: Arlington Heights, IL
- **Vice President: Jeff Harrington**  
Pledge Class: ΘΝ, Spring '08  
Year/Major: Jun./LEJA  
Hometown: Lake Villa, IL
- **Annotator: Craig Garkie**  
Pledge Class: ΘΜ, Fall '07  
Year/Major: Soph./Exercise Science  
Hometown: Quincy, IL
- **Treasurer: Ben Antao**  
Pledge Class: ΘΛ, Spring '07  
Year/Major: Jun./Finance  
Hometown: East Moline, IA
- **Kustos: Richard Roy**  
Pledge Class: ΘΛ, Spring '07  
Year/Major: Sen./Phys. Therapy

Hometown: Downers Grove, IL

- **New Member Educator:**  
**Caleb Colar**  
Pledge Class: ΘΚ, Fall '06  
Year/Major: Jun./Business Management  
Hometown: Grayslake, IL
- **Asst. New Member Educator/ Intra-mural: Joe Carcerano**  
Pledge Class: ΘΜ, Fall '07  
Year/Major: Jun./Construction  
Hometown: Elk Grove Village, IL
- **House Manager: Jake Teegarden**  
Pledge Class: ΘΙ, Spring '06  
Year/Major: Jun./Construction  
Hometown: Petersburg, IL
- **Risk Manager:**  
**Brandon Delaurentis**  
Pledge Class: ΘΝ, Spring '08  
Year/Major: Soph./Construction  
Hometown: Homer Glenn, IL
- **Tribune/ Recruitment Fall '09:**  
**Steve Fijor**  
Pledge Class: ΘΞ, Fall '08  
Year/Major: Soph./ Comm  
Hometown: Mt. Prospect, IL

Carrying over from the previous semester, the Consul, Anthony Fiorito and Pro Consul, Jeff Harrington have been working hard to keep IO running according to by laws. Craig Garkie has stepped in as Annotator while Kyle Tackett takes a leave of absence to North Carolina. Brother Garkie had little time to prepare for Theta Xi's initiation yet performed with remarkable abilities.

New member educator Caleb Colar has been working hard with the five pledges of Theta Omicron and is getting them prepared for I-week at the beginning of May.

## O f f i c e r R e p o r t s

**A letter from the Consul Anthony Fiorito**

Brothers,

We are rapidly approaching the end of the school year.

There have been many dedicated brothers helping of late making our house a fun and warm environment to live in. I have seen the brotherhood of this wonderful house reach great heights while continuing to climb. I am honored to be



Anthony Fiorito

able to be a part of this amazing fraternity. Over the next few weeks we have some events coming up that will complete this wonderful year. Our spring initiation is approaching us rapidly. The ceremonies are scheduled to commence the weekend of May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Every brother in the house is doing their part to make this upcoming initiation one of our best yet. We hope to see as many of you there as possible. If any questions or concerns should come up about the

house please feel free to contact myself at any point in time.

Anthony Fiorito

Consul

**Recruitment**

According to IFC President and our very own brother Ryan Ford, the fraternizes at WIU are now faced with adjusting rush



week to formal recruitment. In order to compensate for this new policy, our Rush Chairman Steve Fijor, has begun

researching on tips for this type of rush. Already he is in the process of making rush t-shirts, setting up meetings with the sorority chapters to have them fill out recommendation forms, that of which can be found on our up and running website of [www.wiusigs.com](http://www.wiusigs.com).

The brothers have started eat together in the freshmen dorm cafeterias in order to spread the great name of Sigma

Chi. And tables will be set up in the union and dorms to answer any questions or concerns some freshmen might have. If there are any tips from prior rush chairmen, please feel free to contact brother Fijor at the following contacts:

Email: [s-fijor@wiu.edu](mailto:s-fijor@wiu.edu)

Phone: 847-494-9100

**From The Tribune: Greetings Brothers**

I am proud to introduce myself as the new Tribune, as well as Rush Chair, for the IO Chapter of Sigma Chi. I am a Sophomore, seeking a Communication Major at WIU from Mt. Prospect, IL, and was just initiated this past January with the Theta Xi Pledge Class. This house has my dedication and loyalty, as I know it still does yours. It is an honor for me to hold this position and see to it that everyone of you knows that all of us here at the house are forever guard-

ing the honor of Sigma Chi. I will be working with former IO Consul and former President of the San Diego Alumni Chapter Andrew Crossan this semester, as he is the new Advisor to the Tribune. The website is revived at [www.wiusigs.com](http://www.wiusigs.com). Andrew has done a fantastic job and the brothers cannot thank him enough. I am also helping Justin Boughton set up the 20th Anniversary which is October 23rd and 24th. I look forward to seeing everyone during

the Initiation which is the weekend of May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Steve Fijor  
IO Chapter of Sigma Chi  
Tribune & Rush Chair  
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### Initiating a Colony Member

First I would like to thank all the men of IO for the honor of being associated with all of you! The basic idea of Nu Sigma Chi was to do everything in our power to become a Sigma Chi chapter. It was the goal to be accepted, and recognized by Sigma Chi. There was never a day that we didn't discuss what we needed to do to become a chapter. It is similar to what the active members do now to carry on the tradition at WIU. You have the honor of continuing something that was started by a group of men several years ago. We were challenged by the university to be formally recognized as a fraternity. We needed to be sponsored by other fraternities to have social gatherings at our house. Now you are all challenged by the univer-

sity with sober monitors and other issues. To be in a brotherhood takes sacrifices, but the rewards of this bond will live in your hearts forever. It took me 20 years of that love to realize that I needed to finish what I had started so many years ago!

It is now an honor of being on the house improvement committee. As a collective group we all need to donate whatever is in our power to make this a better house. Time or resources to keep the tradition going strong. Many people believe that our house has lost

pledges and members due to it's physical appearance. This is a concern we all need to have. This summer I hope many of us will take the time to work on the house. The 20 year reunion is coming soon, and it will be wonderful to see you all again!

In Hoc, Jerry Hagemann  
89' 09'

Brothers Trey Dhabalt and  
Jerry Hagemannmann



Officer Reports (Continued from P. 3)

20th Anniversary

Brother Boughton has taken the chair of our 20th anniversary committee. He and fellow brothers have been working closely with the House Corporation in hopes to make this event a true expression of the worth of this amazing fraternity which we are all members of. We are planning on having an exciting weekend planned so be sure to save the date.



Formal 2009



Brothers, as second semester comes to a close we know are reminded that formal comes with it. Brothers Bindgen, Boughton, and Dulski have been working diligently to book Fun City in Burlington, Iowa. In hopes the city will live up to it's name, the facility provides many possibilities such as go-carting, water park and much more, contact brother Bindgen at his email for more information on the date and details.



A Dynasty of Mr. Greek?

In recent events, our own brother Ryan Ford has taken the crown for the Tri Sigma fundraiser, Mr. Greek. Mr. Greek is a contest or pageant for the men of the greek community to compete with each other in swim-suits, talents and questionnaires. For the past two years now, Sigma Chi men have taken the title. The previous winner is brother Craig Garkie. Next year is another opportunity for the greek community to recognize that Sigma Chi is on top.

Other Officer Reports

- Kustos
    - New Member Ceremony May 2nd
    - Richard Roy
  - New business:
    - Looking to put gargoyles or lions at the front door.
- The Iota Omicron Chapter –

Upcoming Events

- Toga Party- April 18th
- Formal- April 24th
- New Member Ceremony- May 2nd
- Look for more on the 20 Year Reunion – Fall 2009



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