

# IOTA OMICRON NEWSLETTER

Summer/August and September Edition

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Dear Worthy Brothers,

My name is Matthew Hutchison (Spring 2019), and I am this semesters Tribune. I most recently served as Consul and before that Pro-Consul. This will be my second time as Tribune as it was my first position I held during my first semester (Spring 2016) as an active. I am once again excited to take on this position as I am soon about to become an Alumni of Iota Omicron and I want to make sure that communication between the Actives and Alumni continues to grow better. For those who haven't met me yet, I am from St. Louis, Missouri and I am Senior Broadcasting major while minoring in Journalism. I rushed Sigma Chi during my first semester, and I can say this is one of the best decisions I have ever made. Outside of Sigma Chi, I am a student worker in the Athletic Communications department. I serve as the contact for Women's Tennis, and I am the secondary contact for both men's and women's basketball. I will be the last one to graduate from college as my older brother went to Virginia Law and older sister went to Aurora. In short, that is a lot about me, and if you any questions about the active Chapter or need some strong arms I can be reached at 314-609-5352 or [mw-hutchison@wiu.edu](mailto:mw-hutchison@wiu.edu)

Above is brother Steven Copher (Spring 2019) #FlagFriday when he went on vacation to the Mayan Ruins of Tulum, Mexico. He was lucky enough to be chosen by Headquarters through their social media as the winner of # FlagFriday in which he won a \$25 gift card to Campus Classics. Currently, Copher serves as this year's Derby Days Chair and Social Chair for the fall 2018 semester.

# Internships



Pictured to the left is brother Zach Cummings (Spring 2019) during his summer internship with the Burlington Bees who are the Single-A team for the Los Angeles Angels. His position was the Marketing/Stadium Operations intern. Zach nearly touched every aspect of working gameday. He worked all of the on-field promotions during the game, helped with tickets sales, general cleaning around the stadium and also did some PA announcing as well. Zach was 1 of 3 WIU students who interned for Burlington this summer. Brother Cummings currently serves as the Chapter's IFC Rep for the Fall semester.

Pictured to the right is brother Troy Lathrop (Spring 2018) who completed his internship with the Sycamore Police Department this summer. While at his internship he ran into brother Jim Winters (Illinois State 1988). Winters is a retired lieutenant colonel as well as a former Illinois State police officer and now serves as the Chief of Police for Sycamore.





# Grand Council and Balfour LTW



This summer brother Lane Martells (Spring 2019) had the honor of representing the Western Illinois Province at Grand Council in Chicago. Brother Martells says his experience was amazing. “This summer I had the pleasure of representing the Western Illinois Province at the 2018 Grand Council. Throughout the weekend I learned a lot about how successful Sigma Chi is internationally, as well as the amazing things that we will be rolling out in the years to come. Sigma Chi has shown that we will always be the leaders in the greek community, while everyone else is following in our footsteps. From the improved development of our interactive P4B Pledge Program to fighting for the rights of our brothers on every college campus, we are in an exceptional position internationally.”

Before the Fall semester starting, Consul Lane Martells, Pro Consul Evan Wignall, Magister Steven Herigodt, Queastor Dan Chumra, Rush Chairman Jake White, and Kustos Matthew Hutchison all attended what would be the last Balfour LTW. At the closing ceremony, it was announced the renaming of the workshop to the Krach Transformational Leadership workshop after Keith Krach, PURDUE 1979, the Fraternity’s 64th Grand Consul. The group had the honor of having 59th Grand Consul, Richard Hester, BALL STATE 1977 be the Chapter’s small group facilitator. Hester enjoyed his time with our chapter and could see we are a great chapter of Sigma Chi. “I sincerely mean it when I say that we had a Chapter Team of “ALL STARS”! You made my job very easy and enjoyable. I only hope that you learned a great deal about yourselves and each other...and are using the tools provided during your Officer Team meetings as well as during our Chapter Team.”



# New Sweetheart & Merlin Olsen Day



In the final week of August, we were happy to announce our new Sweetheart for the 2018-2019 school year in Taylor Jordan. Taylor is a senior from Chicago and is a Sports Broadcasting major. Currently, she is the President of Love Your Melon, which is an American hat and apparel company that donates its profits to benefit children with pediatric cancer. Also, she is the Director of Logistics for Dance Marathon.



For Merlin Olsen day today, the active chapter and some of our pledges took part in a street clean around the Chapter House. We cleaned our block of Adams, Chandler, Charles, and all of North Clay street which is our current adopt a street.





# Homecoming

This Homecoming the Chapter teamed up with Sigma Sigma Sigma and Sigma Alpha Epsilon. The theme this year was "Game On. Leathernecks Win It All" and our teams individual theme was Jumanji. We were proud to win homecoming as it came down to the final events. We took 2nd in V-Show and 1st in Yell Like Hell. The win also was the 10th time that Tri Sigma has won in a row. Below are some pictures throught the week.



# Important Dates:

October 27th: Boo Bash

October 29th: Founders Day for Iota Omicron

November 20th: Alumni/Active lunch, 11:30 at a place TBD.

Work weekends:

Nov. 2-4 (patching walls, cleaning, removing dilapidated furnishings, and removing “DSP” from everything)

Dec. 7-9 (replacing carpets, fixing smaller items in every room, relocating the White Cross)

Jan. 18-20 (primarily painting and cleaning)

## Current Officers

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