

THE NEW ALTO

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

PRESIDENTS' MINUTE

Hello Southwest District!

As we enter September, the excitement from the start of the year continues to energize us. On behalf of the Southwest District councils of Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma, we want to emphasize the importance of staying focused and continuing to meet our goals and deadlines. The progress we've made so far is impressive, and we must keep up the momentum!

Let's make sure we finish this year strong and continue to make strides towards our goals. AEA and MLITB fearless champions, let's keep the energy high and the progress steady. Here's to a successful September and beyond!

ON THE HORIZON

Happy Recruitment Season! As we are introducing people to our organizations it is important to stay ahead of what we are already doing. This means staying on top of paper work, sticking to goals from an individual, chapter, and national level, and taking care of ourselves. Recruitment initiatives along with other resources can be found on page two for each organization. Governors, Counselors, and District Council Members are also great people to reach out to if needed. Keep doing what you're doing!

ALTOGETHER INSIGHT

This month's question was "What made you decide to join your organization?" Here are responses:

Damien Cameron, KKPsi Rho said:

"I saw how my chapter gave back on game day through service and wanted to be a part of that."

Ben Eichenseer KKPsi Alpha said:

"The brothers were always happy to be around and I had fun doing different service related activities with them before I joined."

Sara Patsey, TBS Gamma Omicron said:

"I decided to join our chapter of TBS because I noticed how kind and supportive they were, not only to their active sisters, but everybody around them. I really wanted to be a part of something that gave back to my community and to have a family away from home. My chapter is my family and I wouldn't change anything about it!"

Important Dates:

- September 15th @ midnight
 - Early bird deadline for CPR
- September 30th @ midnight
 - CPR & Dues are due
- December 1st @ midnight
 - FAR due

General Reminders:

- Membership Candidate Registration Form
 - Due 7 days after 1st Degree
 - Due within 30 days after 3rd Degree
- HQ Contact Information
 - (405) 372-2333

- Governor Contact Information:
 - swdgovs@kkpsi.org

- Counselor Contact Information:
 - swdcounselor@tbsigma.org

Want to showcase your chapter in the New Alto? Let us know what you've been up to! Email photos and information on what your chapter has been doing to us!

- swdvpp@kkpsi.org
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ALTOgether Insight:

As we enter September, we wanted to feature some pictures of Brothers and Sisters doing service together. Upload your service photos [here](#).

SPECIFIC INFORMATION

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KKPsi Announcements:

- Happy Month of Service. Thank you all for everything you do individually and chapter wide!
- Please fill out the [SWD Convention Survey](#).
- Apply for District Liaison Position
- Road to Wisdom Calendars
 - Submit TWO weeks before first recruitment event.
 - If you don't know spring semester dates yet, then you can resubmit for the spring dates in November.
- Check out the 2024-2025 [Crown Pearl Goals!](#)
 - National Initiative to help your chapter become a high functioning chapter.
- Review [Strive for Five](#) Recruitment Resources and Strategies
- Chapter Personnel Report Pro-Tip:
 - If your chapter offers payment plans. make the deadline BEFORE the paperwork deadlines so your form and payments are submitted ON TIME!
- Want to take over the SWD Instagram Story? We want to showcase you and your Chapter! We have plenty of October availability.
- We'd love to see what you're up to. Tag @kkpsi_swd in your Instagram posts!
- Check out our [District Discord](#).

Chapter Features:

Brothers of Beta Sigma (left) shared some ways they gave back to the band including giving popsicles to band members alongside their sisters during camp.



Brothers of Zeta Xi (right) hosted a back to school game night in order to promote brotherhood within their chapter.

TAU BETA SIGMA

TBS Announcements:

- Finish submitting those MEP's as no recruitment events can happen unless they have been approved!
 - Need help? Reach out to our SWD VPM Kyla at swdvpm@tbsigma.org
- District Lyre piece has been announced please tag @swdvpsp in all district lyre piece discord submissions!
- Focus on Five example document is soon to come in the discord if you would like to submit example photos that had earned you a stripe in the past please email our VPSP, Mykaela
- Red Stripe deadline is soon approaching October 15th!
 - Check out the Focus on Five discord for details on how to submit!
- The National Hazing Prevention Week will be taking place September 23-27. Here is an overview of the themes for each day of NHPW:
 - Monday 9/23: Wear purple to recognize National Hazing Prevention Week
 - Tuesday 9/24: Review the definition of hazing and actions to prevent hazing
 - Wednesday 9/25: Discuss how to report hazing in the band, Chapter, and on campus
 - Thursday 9/26: Connect anti-hazing practices to Tau Beta Sigma values
 - Friday 9/27: Complete the "Anti-Hazing Pledge" and fill out the "Take a Stand" cards
- For easy access to the "Take a Stand" card you can either use [THIS LINK](#) to access the Canva template ..

Chapter Features:

We love when bands get to play together! Even more when sisters get to perform together! Here is the two bands from the spicy southwest that got to play in National Battle of the Bands!

