

THE NEW ALTO

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

PRESIDENTS' MINUTE

Hey Southwest! We hope everyone had a wonderful and cozy winter break! As we're gearing up for Area Workshops and #SWDCON25, there will be a healthy amount of announcements coming from the councils regarding committees, deadlines, and all-things Southwest events; please be on the lookout. We are SO excited to be one month closer to seeing everyone, and we are officially on the highway to SWDCON25! Stay cozy, and lots of love and good thoughts from your presidents!

ON THE HORIZON

Happy New Year! 2025 is bringing many opportunities to meet other KKPsi/TBS members through events such as Area Workshops or District Convention. These are great chances for leadership development and may even have some seminars to help with your New Year's resolutions. Stay tuned to the SWD Social Media pages to see who speakers are and topics that will be addressed. We're excited to meet some of you throughout the year!

ALTOGETHER INSIGHT

What was your favorite service related memory of this semester?
Tito Chaves-Ramos, KKPsi Alpha said: I loved field lining with my brothers and sisters on the wet mushy grass. My favorite pair of jeans got ruined but it was still so fun and the sunset was amazing. We made so many jokes and I just couldn't stop laughing. Shout out to field lining squad!

Angelina Jacobson, TBS Alpha said: "My favorite service memory this year was playing at the youth shelter because it allowed us to bring the joy of music to our community!"

Important Dates:

- January 31st
 - SWDCon registration link goes live
- February 8th
 - Area Workshop at University of Central Arkansas
- February 22nd
 - Area Workshop at Texas Southern University
- March 1st
 - Area Workshop at University of Louisiana Monroe
- March 14th
 - SWDCon early registration ends. Late registration will be available.
 - Deadline to book convention site hotel.
- March 28th-30th
 - SWD Convention in Midwest City, Oklahoma

General Reminders:

- Membership Candidate Registration Form
 - Due 7 days after 1st Degree
- Initiate Registration Form
 - Due within 30 days after 3rd Degree

ALTOgether Insight:

The New Year is a goal setting time for many. To make a goal it is good to reflect on where you are at and how you are impacted by the community around you. Share your experiences [here](#).

SPECIFIC INFORMATION

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KKPsi Announcements:

- Want to take over the SWD Instagram Story? We want to showcase you and your Chapter!
 - We'd love to see what you're up to. Tag @kkpsi_swid in your Instagram posts!
- Check out our District Discord.

Chapter Features:

Brothers of the Xi Beta chapter at the University of North Texas held a series of College of Music "Makeover" Days. In this, they tightened stands, cleaned up bulletin boards organized classrooms.



Brothers of Theta Phi at Henderson State University held a full band event entitled "Bored? Games!"

TAU BETA SIGMA

TBS Announcements:

Sign up for 2025 TBS District Committees

- We're in the process of forming the 2025 SWD Convention Committees. This is a great opportunity to contribute your skills, ideas, and energy to the SWD District.
- Each chapter needs to sign up no later than January 15, 2025! Visit this [link](#) to learn more and register your interest.
- Let's make a difference together!
- Check out the Focus on Five discord for details on how to submit the district lyre piece!
- Have your chance to submit chants and songs and set an example for other chapters and our new members! Submissions link is in the discord!
- No more slack! Everything is posted in the discord! Can't join? Here is the [link](#)

Chapter Features:

Sisters of the Gamma Phi chapter at Southwestern Oklahoma State University welcomed a new class and honorary member into the bond. We can not wait to see many new sisters in the new year!



Gamma Phi chapter