

GREETINGS SWDAA MEMBERS AND FRIENDS,

ON BEHALF OF THE SOUTHWEST DISTRICT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH THE BROTHERS OF KAPPA KAPPA PSI A HAPPY 104TH FOUNDER'S DAY! BROTHERS, TAKE TODAY TO CELEBRATE THE TIMES YOU STRIVED FOR THE HIGHEST BY SERVING YOUR CHAPTERS AND ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS THROUGH MUSICIANSHIP, LEADERSHIP, SERVICE, AND BROTHERHOOD. TOGETHER WE CELEBRATE 104 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE BAND PROGRAMS WE SERVE.

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LEA SANCHEZ

23-24 SWDAA COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR

LIFE MEMBER OF THE ALPHA CHAPTER OF KAPPA KAPPA PSI



Congratulations to our brothers and sisters who are graduating this Fall! It's back! Our Graduating Senior Highlights have returned! We invite all undergraduate and graduate brothers and sisters who are walking the stage this semester to fill out the following form: https://forms.gle/yHzg6jzaaTQ4ewsd9

District Day Returns!

Ciara Gibbs, SWDAA TBS Member-at-Large

After a 5+ year hiatus, SWDAA brought back our District Day event! Our co-MALs set up a weekend in Houston from August 12th to 13th to give members an opportunity for fellowship and service.Our members started off the weekend with a day of service by helping out the George Bush High Marching Band as they prepare for the upcoming marching season. The following day started with a classroom supply donation to Julian Perez, an alumnus of the Tau Chapter of Tau Beta Sigma at Lamar University, for his first year as an elementary music teacher. We wrapped up the weekend at the Houston Zoo and ice cream at Amy's Ice Cream

Special thank you's to the leadership of the George Bush High School band for allowing us to come in and support the program, to Natalia Harrison for the donation of supplies for our first year teacher, to the Greater Houston Alumni Association for partnering with us, and to the members that were able to come out and bring this event back to the district!







SWO Convention

April 5-7, 2024 Whicita Falls, TX

The Kappa Kappa Psi and
Tau Beta Sigma Southwest
District is excited to
announce the dates and
locations of our 2024 SWD
Convention! Registration will
be out soon!





natcon.kkytbsonline.con

The 2025 National Convention of Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma is returning to Lexington, Kentucky from July 15-18, 2025!!!



Secret SWDAA is back! Check your emails and the SWDAA Slack for the Elfster link where you can look through multiple shops. The money limit is \$25. The deadline to sign up is on Nov. 30th and the gift exchange will be on Dec. 17th.











HAPPY BIRTHDAY, OCTOBER & NOUEMBER MEMBERS!

Lizzi Pineiro* - October 3rd

Tammy Armant-Hill - October 3rd

Deneen White - October 9th

Andy Melvin* - October 14th

Chris Kinnison - October 17th

Taylor Young - October 19th

Ayleen Sanchez - October 28th

Shane Joseph - October 28th

Kiki Penn* - November 5th

Samantha Carter - November 6th

Alisha Hodge - November 9th

Ray Correa - November 12th

Chelsea Zuniga* - November 15th

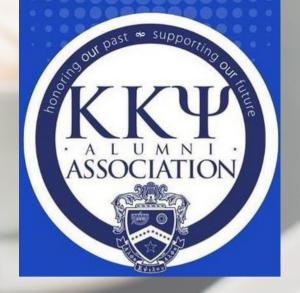
Ciara Gibbs* - November 20th

Miranda Cook* - November 22nd

Caroline Lee - November 26th

(*) - Distinguishes SWDAA BOD, National Leadership, or Governor/Counselor

ASSOCIATION UPDATES





MAX MITCHELL NIB Grant Program

Help support members of the National Intercollegiate Band (NIB).



Join the KKPsi Alumni Association in honoring the Month of Musicianship and the spirit of giving! Learn more about the Max Mitchell NIB Program, dedicated to providing grants to support National Intercollegiate Band musicians.

Visit

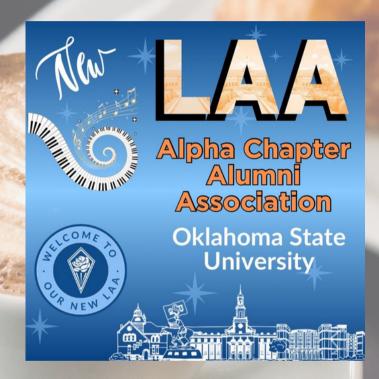
https://www.kkpsiaa.org/max-mitchell-nib-grant-program to learn more or make a donation today! To conclude and say farewell to 2023, the Kappa Kappa Psi Alumni Association presents New Year, New Bros!

This is an opportunity connect and to send a fellow alumni brother a New Year's card! All alumni brothers interested in the card exchange have until December 16th.

The link is listed below: https://tinyurl.com/NewYearNewBros23







The Tau Beta Sigma Alumni Association is introducing the LAA Reimbursable Grant Program. This grant offers financial support to Local Alumni Associations (LAAs) dedicated to serving TBS, band programs, and their community.

Apply by January 1, 2024, through their website or linktree.

We would like to extend a congratulations to the newest LAA in the Southwest! Congratulations and welcome the Alpha Chapter Alumni Association of Tau Beta Sigma at Oklahoma State University!

SWDAA WANTS TO TAKE TIME AND REMEMBER THE TALENTED MUSICIANS AND FRIENDS WE'VE RECENTLY LOST. EACH OF THESE INDIVIDUALS HAVE MADE AN IMPACT ON SO MANY LIVES.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

JEAN NEWMAN - 25TH NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF TAU BETA SIGMA
DR. IRVIN L. WAGNER - PROFESSOR OF TROMBONE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
OKLAHOMA

ROBERT W. SMITH - PROFESSOR OF MUSIC AND COORDINATOR OF THE JOHN M. LONG SCHOOL OF MUSIC'S MUSIC INDUSTRY PROGRAM



Arkansas

- Arkansas Winds, Inc.: http://www.arkansaswinds.org/
- Hot Springs Community Band:
 http://www.hotspringsband.org/
- North Little Rock Community Concert Band:
 http://www.nlrcommunityband.com/

Louisiana

- Bayou Community Band (Thibodeaux):
 https://www.facebook.com/BayouCommunityBand/
- Jefferson Community Band (Metairie):
 http://www.jeffersoncommunityband.org/
- Lafayette Concert Band: http://www.lcband.org/

New Mexico

- Albuquerque Concert Band:
 http://www.abgband.org/
- Mesilla Valley Concert Band (Las Cruces):
 http://www.mesillavalleyconcertband.org/

Oklahoma

- Norman Community Band:
 https://www.facebook.com/NormanCommunityBand/
- Owasso Community Band*:
 https://www.facebook.com/OwassoHSB
- Stillwater Community Band:
 https://stillwatercommunitybands.weebly.com
- Tulsa Community Band: http://www.tulsacommunityband.org/

Texas

- Allen Community Band:
 https://www.allencommunityband.com/
- McKinney Community Band:
 http://www.mckinneyband.com/
- Plano Community Band: http://www.planoband.com/
- New Horizons Band of Dallas:
 http://www.nhbdallas.org/
- Lubbock Concert Band:
 http://lubbockconcertband.com/
- Band of the Hills: http://www.bandofthehills.org/
- Cinematic Symphony:
 http://www.cinematicsymphony.com/
- Austin Symphonic Band:
 http://www.austinsymphonicband.org/
- San Antonio Symphonic Band:
 http://www.sanantoniosymphonicband.com/
- County Line Community Band: http://www.clcbtx.com/
- Montgomery Community Band:
 https://www.facebook.com/p/Montgomery-community-Band-100087843397607/
- Lone Star Symphonic Band: http://www.lssb.org/
- LolliePops: http://www.lolliepopsband.com/
- Houston Brass Band: https://houstonbrassband.org/
- Houston Pride Band: www.houstonprideband.org
- Oak Lawn Band: https://www.oaklawnband.org/
- Pride of San Antonio Showband: <u>https://prideofsashowband.org/</u>
- Tyler, TX Community Band:
 https://www.facebook.com/TylerCommunityBand/
- East Texas Symphonic Band: https://etsymphonicband.org/
- Lake Country Symphonic Band (Mineola, TX):

https://www.facebook.com/groups/339904862754546/

*Indicates newly formed community band

Know anymore community bands around the Southwest?
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