



GAMMA TAU CHAPTER OF DELTA TAU DELTA

ELEVEN ELEVEN REPORT

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS ■ SPRING 2026

Brady Robinson '22, Keaton Stramberg '22, Justin Hicks '22, Jake Roszak '22, Blake Harner '21, Mason Fox '21, Josh Kirby '21, Max McGavran '22, Ben White '21, and Cade Wait '21.



Quentin Hammontree '94, Patrick Raferty '94, Scott Heyka '94, Brent Wood '94, Chris Ward '94, Geoff Gardner '94, and Chris Garrelts '94.

BUILDING SUCCESS

Academic Excellence and Alumni Connection

Greetings, and welcome to another edition of the *Eleven Eleven Report*. The undergraduates have been exceptionally busy achieving truly impressive accomplishments.

They ranked first in GPA among all fraternities for the fall, repeating this achievement from the previous spring. An outstanding 61 men earned honor roll recognition, including 21 who achieved a perfect 4.0. This is a remarkable showing in the classroom.

The chapter also partnered with Kappa Alpha Theta in this year's Rock Chalk Revue, earning multiple awards, including Best Overall Show. Additional details can be found in the chapter report on page 2, as well as in *The Crest*, the recently published undergraduate newsletter.

ALUMNI WEEKEND AND SCHOLARSHIP FUND

We hosted our annual Alumni Weekend on April 24-25 with an excellent turnout. As has become tradition, we awarded \$15,000 in Hibbs Scholarships on Friday night. The "Good Delt" Scholarship, sponsored by **Frank Rodkey '51**, was also awarded.

On Saturday, we held our annual golf tournament, which sold out several months in advance and featured 32 teams and 128 golfers. Beyond reconnecting with old friends and enjoying ideal weather, the event raised nearly \$15,000 to fund new living room carpet and provide additional

support for the Kansas Delts Scholarship Fund at the KU Endowment Association. We are nearing the \$50,000 endowment balance required to begin issuing scholarships! Scan the QR code on page 3 to visit kuendowment.org/delts and find out more about making a tax-deductible donation.

Special thanks to **Hunter Peterman '10, David Robinson '93, PJ Arnold '88, Scott Roberts '91, Dave Sanders '88, Brad Elsten '89**, and the men of the chapter for their hard work in organizing such a memorable weekend.



PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR NEXT YEAR'S ALUMNI WEEKEND ON APRIL 23-24, 2027.

Finally, our football tailgates will return this fall. We invite you to stop by the Shelter, reconnect, and support our Jayhawks. As a reminder, season parking passes at the Shelter are now available. Please contact me directly for more information and find the schedule to the right.

Rock Chalk Jayhawk!
Brad Stasiulis '91
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2026 TAILGATE SCHEDULE

Friday, September 11
Missouri

Saturday, October 3
Middle Tennessee State

Saturday, October 24
Baylor

Saturday, November 7
UCF

Saturday, November 21
BYU

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Meet Gamma Tau's newest brothers! Top row: Brendan Carroll, Jake Robinson, Ben Seigel, Max Auslander, William Waxman, Rex Twibell, Kade Kwapiszeski, Elijah North, Bennett Tuttle, Alex Stumm, Gavin Wade, Dash Engel, Gavin Roerig, and Ben Weber. Bottom row: Shane Gifford, George Micek, Quinn Heble, Peyton Wood, Jaxson Wasinger, and Ben Wachtel.

Raising the Bar UPDATES FROM THE CHAPTER

Over the spring semester, Gamma Tau Brothers achieved a number of accomplishments worth celebrating. To begin the term, the Eta class was officially initiated on January 23, welcoming 27 young men into our Brotherhood.

Academically, the chapter continues to excel. Last fall, we achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.53, with 61 Brothers earning honor roll recognition and 21 achieving perfect 4.0s. This placed us first in IFC for GPA for the second-consecutive semester.

We are also proud to share an impressive achievement: **we won the annual Rock Chalk Revue!** For seven months, **Aidan Sullivan '24, John Van Gelder '25, and Luke Namee '23** served as directors alongside three Kappa Alpha Thetas to create an

original production, including plot, music, and choreography. Beginning in January, an additional 25 Brothers joined as ensemble members. After a month of daily practices, the show week concluded with tremendous success.

Together with Kappa Alpha Theta, we helped raise more than \$80,000 and earned seven awards:

- Overall Best Show
- Best Production Number: "The Town Will Know"
- Best Vocal Performance
- Best Chorus Performance
- Best Choreography
- Best Female Supporting Performance: Julia Garrison as Blair Merchant
- Best Female Lead Performance: Abby Lewis as Roxie Morris

In February, **Dane Hutchins '23** was accepted into the KU School of Law. In March, **Luke Lewis '25** was accepted into the KU School of Nursing, and **Aidan Sullivan '24** was named IFC Scholar of the Month for his involvement in Rock Chalk Revue and for maintaining a 4.0 GPA.

On April 24, we attended and participated in Buckets for Luke, an annual fraternity-run fundraiser supporting the KU Cancer Center and Children's Hospital Colorado.

We are grateful for the continued support of our alumni Brothers and look forward to seeing you at a tailgate this fall!

Fraternally,
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Delts take the stage at Rock Chalk Revue!

A LIFELONG JOURNEY OF BROTHERHOOD

STEVE HADEN '83 ON THE VALUE OF CONNECTIONS

As a freshman at KU, **Steve Haden '83** didn't take long to follow in the footsteps of his brother **David '79** and join Gamma Tau Chapter. Delta Tau Delta gave him a place to fit in on campus and helped shape Steve's development for a fulfilling life after college.

FRATERNAL GROWTH

Steve joined in 1982, just a year after David's graduation, after first visiting the Shelter for a Saturday recruitment party following a Friday basketball recruiting visit to Graceland College in Lamoni, Iowa. "Easiest decision I ever made."

As a Gamma Tau, Steve enjoyed bonding with pledge class Brothers who have since become lifelong friends. They made great memories together through campus events, Delt parties, KU basketball games, and studying hard.

"We attended each other's weddings, and a few years later, we started a monthly card game that continued for a decade," Steve said about his ongoing connections. He eventually joined a golf club with fellow Delt alumni, and eight pledge Brothers have gathered for an annual reunion during the British Open week for more than 20 years. "We boat, play golf, lounge around on the dock, and tell stories. It has been a fun tradition."

CAREER SUCCESS

Steve's career began with an interview at the KU business school placement office conducted by his eventual first boss at NCR in Wichita. "I was fortunate to stumble into a career in technology that allowed me to learn about sales, industry, and systems."

In 1995, Steve became one of the first business development directors at Arthur Andersen. He later joined six other partners in Kansas City and Omaha launching a new firm, MarketSphere, in 2002.

"Over the next decade, we grew that business to more than 200 employees and then sold the core of the Oracle practice to Grant Thornton in 2013. Today, I'm still with GT and lead our firm's Alliance function, which includes our joint engagement with top technology companies like Oracle, Workday, CrowdStrike, Microsoft, and many others."

Reflecting on his own professional trajectory, Steve encourages today's collegians to plan out their career and make meaningful connections. "You never know which Delt alumnus, family friend, guest speaker, or recruiter will become your first boss or help you to advance on your chosen path."

In his personal life, Steve and his wife Abby are empty nesters in Stilwell, Kansas. They met in college and have five sons who are all KU graduates, along with four grandchildren. "One of our twins is getting married over Labor Day weekend!"

You can connect with Steve at steve.ku.haden@gmail.com.



Help Us
Reach
the Next
Milestone

We are nearing the endowment level needed to expand scholarship opportunities for our undergraduate brothers. Your support through the KU Endowment brings us closer to awarding even more meaningful financial assistance.

Read more on page 1 and make plans to give today at kuendowment.org/delts. Thank you for helping us move the needle!

WHAT'S INSIDE?

- ✓ 2026's Alumni Weekend recap and start making plans for 2027!
- ✓ Hear from undergraduate Brothers after their award-winning semester.
- ✓ Celebrate (almost!) reaching an important milestone for our scholarship fund.

Find more pics inside!



Will Merz '26, John Karpinski '92, Dan Hare '93, Dan Merz '92, Matt Payne '92, David Robinson '93, Justin Willett '93, Chris Lake '92, and Matt Leonard '93 at our alumni golf tournament.

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WHO WILL CARRY THE TORCH?

Send Us Your Member Recommendations



From one generation to the next, our brotherhood endures through those willing to continue our Gamma Tau traditions. Who do you know with the resilience, leadership, and honor to carry our brotherhood's torch into the next generation?

Help us find the young men who will honor our past and shape what comes next. Send their info, including how we should contact them, their hometown and year in school, and why you think they'll fit right in with Delta Tau Delta, to **Jackson Collins '25** at jacksoncollins1234@gmail.com or **Alex Stumm '26** at stumm.alex@gmail.com.

Brothers snap a pic backstage to celebrate their work for Rock Chalk Revue. Read more about this year's show on page 2.



Back row: George Micek '26, Gavin Roerig '26, Jaxson Wasinger '26, Rex Twibell '26, Max Auslander '26, Alex Stumm '26, Blake Winter '26, Jackson Collins '25, Christian Brummett '24, Dylan Talcott '25, Ben Weber '26, Jackson Ready '25, Ben Seigel '26, Bobby Oppenheim '23, Caden Shephard '26, and Gavin Wade '26.

Middle row: Sutton Pierce '25, Bennett Tuttle '26, Minh Nguyen '24, Shane Gifford '26, Benny Gomez '26, Patrick Lester '25, and Andrew Pronske '23.

Front row: John Van Gelder '25, Aidan Sullivan '24, and Luke Namee '23.