

# SIGMA CHI



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# Homecoming

Each fall, the Beta Phi chapter fills with alumni, come to reunite and celebrate homecoming at the U of A. This year was no different, as the Beta Phi Chapter enjoyed a fun-filled homecoming week and weekend.

During the week, the boys of Beta Phi teamed up with the girls of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority to build a homecoming float, honoring the 50<sup>th</sup> birthday of Wilbur the Wildcat.

Over the weekend, Beta Phi alumni gathered in Tucson for a reunion at the Doubletree Hotel and the U of A campus. On Saturday, alumni and active brothers visited the homecoming parade, then headed over to the football game against Washington State. Following the Wildcat victory, the alums returned to the new chapter house for a tour and a barbecue.



Beta Phi alumni strike a pose at the Doubletree Hotel

## Epsilon Class Initiation

On November 15<sup>th</sup>, the 31 brothers of Epsilon class entered I-week. After a week filled with introspection, deep thought, and self-reflection, the week culminated with their Initiation ceremony on November 21<sup>st</sup>. With many alumni present, the ceremony was indeed special for all of Epsilon class, especially those legacies who were pinned by older brothers and fathers alike. These 31 outstanding young men represent the bright future that lies ahead for Sigma Chi and the Beta Phi chapter.



Steve Schuyler (Beta Phi '79) speaks to alumni during Homecoming Weekend



# Spring Rush 2010

Rush week is always an exciting time at the University of Arizona, and Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup> marked the beginning of the Interfraternity Council official rush week. Throughout the week, active brothers interacted with the hundreds of young men who came through the Sigma Chi house. Events were held at the house each night of the week, ranging from basketball to poker to the wildly popular carne asada taco night.

Rush week culminated with Bid Day, January 30<sup>th</sup>, where Sigma Chi offered 11 bids to compose the new Zeta pledge class. All 11 bids were accepted, forming an elite pledge class of scholarly young men (the cumulative GPA of Zeta class is **3.52!**). Congratulations to the new members of the Spring '10 Zeta pledge class.



## Big Bear Formal

Over Valentine's Day weekend, 70 brothers and their dates rode buses up to Big Bear, California, for Sigma Chi's formal date dash. The weekend featured tons of great skiing and snowboarding, as well as the Sigma Chi Sweetheart Ball.

At the ball, which was held in the hotel banquet room, brothers and their dates dressed to impress for a night of eating, dancing, and remembering. During the ball, 2008-09 Sweetheart Sydney Fong spoke before the brothers, reminiscing about her time as Sweetheart, and passing the torch to the 2009-10 Sweetheart, Paige White.





## Derby Days

This February, Derby Days returned, with great success, to the U of A. Derby Days is a vital process of Sigma Chi's overall goal of representing the University of Arizona campus, giving back to the community and benefiting the campus.

The gentlemen of the Beta Phi chapter are proud to say we will be able to donate over **\$14,000** to the Diamond Children's Medical Center.

The week contained thrilling events such as a volleyball tournament, Sign-A-Sig day, the Derby Chase (where girls attempt to "capture" a

Sigma Chi by taking a photo with him and 5 girls in it), and the wildly popular Derby Hunt, in which girls attempted to grab a Sigma Chi's Derby Days Hat while he was wearing it.

Pi Beta Phi was eventually crowned champions of Derby Days, with Kappa Alpha Theta coming in second and Kappa Kappa Gamma in third.

For their victory, Pi Beta Phi was awarded a trophy, a letter to their nationals, an article in the Daily Wildcat, a team picture and a date dash with Sigma Chi. Tons of free prizes were given out during to the week thanks to our many generous sponsors.

## Province

On February 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, brothers from Beta Phi traveled to Prescott for the Southwestern Province Conference, hosted by the Kappa Phi chapter at Embry-Riddle University.

Beta Phi was represented very well at the conference. Current Consul Andrew Cole was selected as the Southwestern Province Balfour winner and nominee for the International Balfour Award. This award comes with a Life Loyal Sig membership from the Sigma Chi Foundation. Congratulations to Andrew on this outstanding achievement.



## Upcoming Events

### Spring Fling

April 8-11, 2010

### Greek Week

April 19-24, 2010

### Spring 2010 Pledge Class Initiation

April 24, 2010

### Spring 2010 Graduation

May 14-15, 2010



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