

# OHIO GAMMA

#### Undergraduate Newsletter Autumn Semester 2024



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## Autumn Recruitment

This semester, the Ohio Gamma chapter was fortunate enough to welcome 8 new members into our chapter. These men come from many different backgrounds, but are all aspiring to become better men with a more balanced lifestyle. These new members worked diligently throughout their time in the Sigma Challenge and have already made a huge impact on the chapter. We cannot wait to see how their new perspectives shape OH Gamma moving forward.

<u>AU24 Sigma</u> <u>Challenge Class</u>

Robert Orr Abdallah Hinnawi Ryan Dix Andrew Duska Dylan Eagon Griffin Gappa Isaac Kill Charlie Lawrence



### A New Brother Perspective

#### Andrew Duska

#### Computer Science and Engineering Major

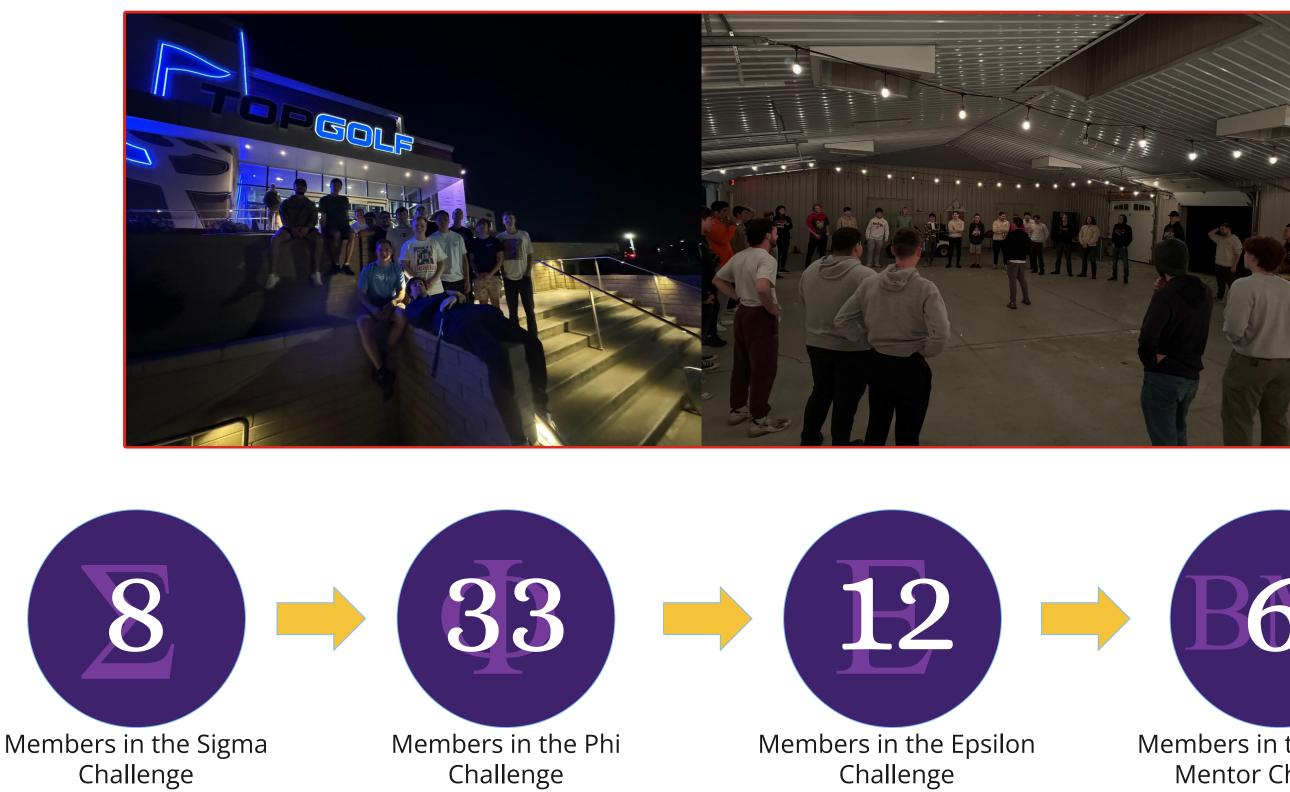
This semester, deciding to join SigEp has been one of the best decisions I've made. I wasn't initially planning on joining a fraternity, but after attending rush events and seeing the strong brotherhood, I knew I wanted to be part of it. Even though it's only been a semester, I've found friendships that I know are going to last a lifetime. This semester I've had the opportunity to contribute to a few committees, and am looking forward to having a bigger role in them in future semesters. I'm especially looking forward to being a Sigma Challenge Coordinator next semester and helping the next class of Sigmas integrate into the fraternity. Overall, my experience in SigEp had been a very positive one. I've been incredibly impressed by the opportunities it's given me and the events that have been held. I've also really enjoyed learning about the chapter in the Sigma Challenge and am looking forward to the future challenges in the BMP.

VDBL, Andrew Duska





## Membership Experience



6 Members in the Brother Mentor Challenge

## Building Brotherhood

Over the course of this past semester the brothers of Ohio Gamma strengthened their relationships with one another through a variety of Brotherhood Events. From exploring Columbus by attending events such as Clippers games and Topgolf to building sound bodies by partaking in weekly morning, brothers have been made better for participating in these exciting events. They also provide great opportunities for brothers to destress and find balance in their eventful lives as students.





## Pack Shack

In late September brothers worked with The Pack Shack to pack over 350,000 meals for Ohio communities during the Ohio State's BE KIND event. The Pack Shack is a non-profit organization whose mission is to increase awareness about food security issues and provide meals to local organizations so people can see a direct impact in their community. Brothers acted as pacesetters for the event and were a driving force in being able to achieve such a remarkable goal. The chapter would also like to recognize and thank Assistant Vice President for the Office of Student Life Tracy Stuck for once again inviting it to participate this year. Tracy has been involved with OH Gamma for many years now and continually works with our brothers to help give back to both the Ohio State and Columbus communities.

## Very Sharey

Ohio Gamma once again hosted its signature service event, Very Sharey, this fall in order to help give back to the Columbus community. Brothers worked diligently to collect over 2200 pounds of food from the Upper Arlington area to donate to the Mid-Ohio Food Bank. The canned goods collected during Very Sharey went to help those in need during the holiday season.









### Campus Involvements

Along with the commitment to the brotherhood, our members are extremely involved and hold leadership positions in other on campus orgs.

Notable Orgs

James Cancer Hospital Volunteering, Aviation Management Organization, Engineering Scholars, Buckeye First, OUAB, Cru Ohio State, Student-Alumni Council, Mount Leadership Society, EcoCar, Baja Buckeyes, Judo Club, Percussion Club, Gamma Iota Sigma Business Fraternity, Men's Glee Club

Josh Kerner Josh Wolfe

Abdallah Hinnawi - Treasurer for Jordanian Student

Aidan Kyle I Notable Leadership

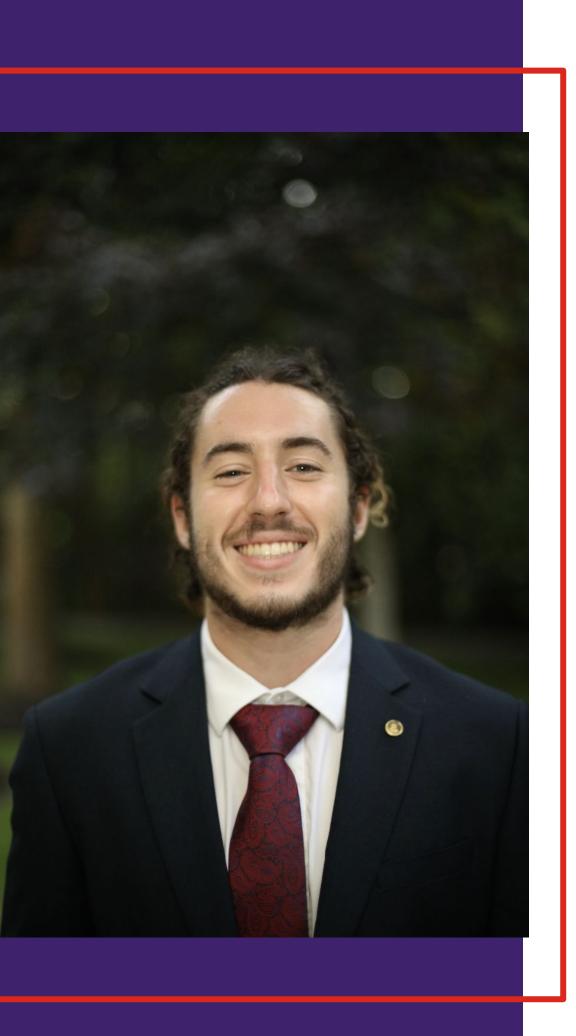
Josh Kerner - Undergraduate Student Trustee

Josh Wolfe - Texnikoi Engineering Honorary Recruitment Chair

Organization

Aidan Rohrer - FMA Board Member

Kyle Moyer - Men's Club Volleyball



### Message From a Brother Mentor

#### Josh Wolfe

Fourth Year Electrical and Computer Engineering Major

I never know where to start when talking about all the ways SigEp has made an impact on my life. SigEp has provided me with a group of people who make my life better, support my growth, and believe I can succeed, even when I don't believe I can. It is an environment I would've never found anywhere else on campus and my little freshman self could not have imagined the man he would become due to SigEp's influence. From making tough conversations seem easy, to learning how to act like a working professional, anything in life you want to learn, SigEp can help you. Even with all the professional stuff, SigEp has also provided so much fun and many great memories as well. From a Hocking Hills bonfire during a brotherhood retreat to exploring the bright streets of Nashville during Formal, all of the stories I will tell about my college experience have SigEp somewhere in them. Something that was told to me by an older brother that I would tell underclassmen is to go do things and fail. College is the most unique part of your life where you can make mistakes without big consequences, so go try everything you want to before it's too late.



### Autumn Brotherhood Retreat - Cleveland, OH

In late fall, brothers made the trip to Camp Ho Mita Koda outside of Cleveland, Ohio for their annual Brotherhood Retreat. Being just a few weeks before finals, the retreat gave everyone the opportunity to take a step back and collect themselves before heading into one of the more stressful times of the year.



This year Founders Day was full of exciting events, the first of which being brothers organizing and running a call center to help SigEp raise money toward its National Day of Giving. This was the chapter's first year attempting this new strategy which helped the fraternity raise over \$1.2 million. Later in the day brothers, along with alumni and university officials, gathered for the annual Founders Day Dinner at Ohio State's Fawcett Center. During the evenings ceremonies brothers lavaliered three young women into the chapter. Camryn, Kyleigh, and Marit embody everything that makes our brotherhood strong. The chapter also was proud to see alumni Mike Zion receive the Outstanding Volunteer Award due to his unwavering support of Ohio Gamma. Mike has played a crucial role in helping the chapter grow and we are confident that there is no one more deserving of this



## Founders Day



## Brothers on Co-Op

This semester multiple brothers from OH Gamma have accepted offers for cooperative education with many companies both within Ohio and around the country. These are exciting opportunities for these men to build connections and get hands on experience in their field, and as such we wish them the best of luck.

Egan Beach - HW & Co Jacob Caine - Deloitte Frank Mintmire - Ostrow Reisin Berk & Abrams LTD Rajeev Rai - TFAS Spring Fellowship Brayden Truex - Cenovus











## Looking Forward

In keeping our tradition of continual development it is important to note that OH Gamma has a lot to look forward to. The chapter has been selected by Nationals to be a BMP pilot program. This new model of the Balanced Man Program places a higher emphasis on goal setting and building relationships that will hold an individual accountable. Also the chapter is looking implement the Balanced Man Success Series which is intended to bridge the gap between Balanced Men Scholarship applicants and undergraduate brothers by programming events in which the groups can build connections and grow together. Furthermore, OH Gamma will be in the running to winning its second consecutive Buchanan Cup at next year's Grand Chapter Conclave. Will the process to win is intensive, the entire chapter has been doing everything they can to help make this a reality.



# Final Remarks

Dear OH Gamma Alumni,

As my presidential term winds down on the 2024 year here at SigEp OH Gamma, I am extremely grateful to have led this fantastic organization and proud of all that we have accomplished. This position has pushed me to grow and develop in countless areas in my life, and I will take the skills I've gained from this experience and implement them into my everyday life.

This semester we welcomed 8 impressive new members into our chapter. These members are already getting involved by joining committees, and running for the standards/executive board. As for notable events this semester, we had plenty, but I'd like to highlight our Brotherhood Retreat this past Fall. We branched out and tried a new location and site which was Camp Ho Mita Koda in Geauga County, Ohio. During this weekend, our brothers did bonding activities such as a team building exercise called "Step in the Circle", Gaga ball, talks by the fireside, ultimate frisbee tournament and watching the Buckeyes beat Northwestern! Retreat helped all of us grow closer and strengthen the bonds of our brotherhood.

Our philanthropic and service initiatives also were a big success this semester. We raised \$2500 in philanthropy money, and our members had an average of 8.67 service hours this Fall! We also were very involved with the SFL community this semester by exceeding our Standards of Excellence requirements and attending community events such as Greek Shriek.

I want to once more reiterate how thankful I am for this organization and the purpose that it serves for undergraduates at Ohio State. I'm super excited to see the new heights that SigEp will reach in the coming years, and I'm looking forward to being a brother for life by joining the ranks of the alumni.

In Virtue, Diligence and Brotherly Love, Bryce Eagon

