

Alumni Newsletter

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Tau Beta Pi
The Engineering Honor Society

Letter From the Historian

Hello alumni,

I hope this newsletter finds you well! Half of the Fall 2023 semester has already gone by, and there is much to catch up on. As the second largest TBP chapter in the nation, Michigan Gamma has been tremendously lively thus far and there is no shortage of happenings to talk about.

First of all, we are excited to announce that nearly 100 electees are choosing to elect to our chapter this semester. This is an astoundingly great number of new Tau Bates, and it is beyond joyous to see that our chapter is remaining strong in the engineering community at the University of Michigan.

As per usual, we have hosted numerous service events so far this semester, and there are many more to come. Our members have volunteered their valuable time for community service events such as Ann Arbor Nature Area Preservation (NAP), MindSET for K-12 Outreach, NROTC Group Tutoring, Knitwits, and Maize and Blue Cupboard Farm Harvesting.

On top of service events, our social events have been nothing but fantastic and are always filled with exhilarating, memorable moments. We had lots of fun holding get-togethers such as Cantina Night, Ice Cream Social, Boba Social, a trip to Dexter Cider Mill, and Buffalo Wild Wings Night, among other phenomenal events.

Other than service and social events, the Fall 2023 Career Fair was an ultimate success, bringing in more companies and student participation than even last year's fair. Additionally, Michigan Gamma won the Chapter Project Award for another consecutive year at the TBP Annual Convention, which was hosted this year by the Georgia Alpha Chapter at Georgia Tech.

The remaining half of the F23 semester looks bright as our chapter continues to improve. I am glad to have gotten the chance to catch up, and I am looking forward to chatting more when I write again in December!

- Tony Zheng, Historian

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Officers built a gingerbread house and then demolished it with a bottle of Diet Coke. Looking forward to Banquet this semester!

Letter from the President

Greetings Alumni,

It's hard to believe that we are already halfway through the Fall 2023 semester! Michigan Gamma has been busy planning and hosting numerous events including our semesterly events such as Breakfast Parties, MindSET, and Nature Area Preservation. There are several more of these that are coming up including Merit Badge Day and Cub Scouts Day. Our Vice Presidents, Karen and Jacob, are working hard to guide our nearly 100 electees through the initiation process, helping them on their way to officially becoming Tau Bates!

Michigan Gamma once again co-hosted the Fall Engineering Career Fair. The fair was a massive success thanks to the efforts of over 20 Tau Bates who served as directors, chairs, and volunteers. We hosted about 290 companies over the two days; the fair was incredibly well-attended by students from every engineering department, reaffirming the value of in-person career fairs. I commend the work that our members put into this incredibly successful fair, especially the tireless efforts of our EVPs, Colin and Kevin.

Our chapter also recently attended the 2023 National Convention - the Michigan Gamma chapter sent a large group of 8 student delegates and 3 advisors to Convention. Our chapter once again received a Chapter Projects Award for the 2022–2023 academic year and a scholarship that accompanies it. Our delegates were able to participate in professional development sessions, interact with other chapters at NICE sessions, and provide valuable input to discussions of different committees despite most being non-voting delegates.

Michigan Gamma continues to remain heavily involved in community service and professional development events. We are growing our current service events as well as developing new opportunities that our members can take advantage of. Our Service Coordinator, Drew, has been working diligently to provide the best experience for our members as well as for those we serve. On the professional development side, we saw the return of in-person Engineering Futures sessions for the first time in several years. Our PD Officer, Andy, has also hosted several corporate information sessions, growing the program immensely compared to recent years.

Our officer corps has been hard at work, planning new events and initiatives aimed at increasing engagement with the community and student body. For instance, we are organizing a TBP-hosted 5k charity run; making a first general video to show prospective electees; planning cross-organization events with HKN, APX, and others; and considering a large-scale engineering service project. With the growth we have seen in our electing class, it is a better time than ever to get involved! I am honored beyond words to serve as the President of this incredible chapter and lead such a driven and motivated officer corps. I look forward to the rest of this semester and future ones, where I am sure we will continue to grow and promote integrity, inclusivity, and excellence in engineering!



Ansh Patel
President, TBP MI-G

Career Fair Recap

The Fall Engineering Career Fair was a marvelous success once again.

Our External Vice Presidents, **Colin Davidson and Kevin Masel**, have done outstanding work as directors for the F23 Career Fair. Alongside two directors from SWE, 27 career fair chairs, and a staggering 161 volunteers, Colin and Kevin ensured that the TBP/SWE Fall Engineering Career Fair returned stronger than it ever has since the pandemic.

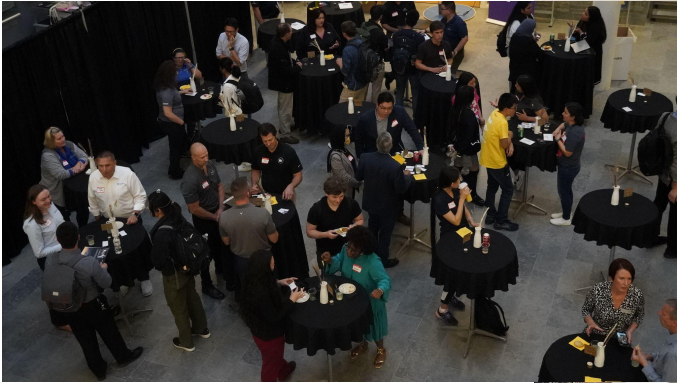
Thank you to everyone who contributed to this absolutely spectacular event. The Michigan Gamma chapter of TBP continues to proudly co-lead the nation's largest student-run engineering career fair here at the University of Michigan. This is only one way that our members show their unfaltering dedication to leadership, professional development, and support for the engineering profession and community; and we cannot wait to see the growth of our chapter and the continued success of the career fair in the coming years.

Career Fair Quick Stats

- Hosted 289 companies over two days, an increase from ~260 last year
- 7500+ students participated on each day
- Obtained 22 sponsors, an increase from 19 last year
- Event revenue was \$290,000, which is more than the \$250,000 attained last year
- 4 directors, 27 chairs, and 161 volunteers all came together to run the event

Photos







Cantina Night



Dexter Cider Mill



New Initiatives



Fall 2023 Officers

Executive Team

President: Ansh Patel
Vice President: Karen Jin
Graduate Vice President: Jacob Miller
Secretary: Namit Padgaonkar
Treasurer: Mitra Mokhlesi
External Vice Presidents: Colin Davidson,
Kevin Masel

Chapter Team

Chapter Development Officer: Advika
Jhingran
Historian: Tony Zheng
Publicity Officer: Hunter Muench
Membership Officer: Alex Li
Website Officer: Ranadeep Mitra

Events Team

Service Coordinator: Drew Boughton
K-12 Outreach Officers: Riley Garliauskas,
Yicheng Tang
Campus Outreach Officer: Vance Kreider
Professional Development Officer: Andy
Zaloudek
Activities Officer: Alex Kalams

Advisors

Zachary Goldston	Kyle Lady
Michael Benson	DFM Martel
Riley Garliauskas	Ranadeep Mitra
Pritpaul Mahal	Kate Giammalvo

