Hello Fellow Tau Bates!

I hope everyone enjoyed their Summer Break and are finding the transition back into school somewhat manageable. Can you believe it’s been a month since classes started?? I can’t!

A new semester means new classes, new friends, new electees, and a new Cornerstone writer. I’m new at this, so I would love your input. If you have anything you want to share in the Cornerstone (articles/puzzles/cartoons/memes), please submit them to me. Similarly, if you have any feedback for me or ideas you would like to see implemented into the Cornerstone, I am all ears, so please come talk to me! Added bonus: I am giving away free insomnia cookies if you write for the Cornerstone.

Please feel free to stop by my office hours in the bullpen on Tuesdays from 1:30 to 2:30 pm. I’d love to get to meet you all and brainstorm ideas for making the Cornerstone that much better. Hopefully we can have a great semester together!

Sincerely,
Stephanie Miller
From the Desk of the President

Welcome back, Tau Bates! Fall 2014 has proven to be an amazing semester thus far, and I cannot wait to see how the rest of it turns out for Tau Beta Pi. Just last week, we partnered with the Society of Women Engineers to put on a killer Career Fair with 341 companies in attendance. It was the largest SWE/TBP Career Fair to date by far. We also have a large number of undergraduate and graduate electees joining us this semester, and I am thrilled to say we had over 100 attendees at First General. With TBP's upcoming service events, socials, and professional development opportunities, I look forward to what this semester will bring for Michigan Gamma.

One of the pillars of our chapter of Tau Beta Pi is providing meaningful service to the campus and wider community. Our MindSET program is expanding as we begin to invite more students than ever to participate this semester. The rest of this academic year looks especially exciting for K-12 Outreach, as we are currently looking into expanding into new territory. Our potential new venture will invite high school students to stretch themselves as they dive headfirst into an engineering design project. TBP members will have the opportunity to lead sessions and coach teams of high school students who are eager to challenge themselves.

A new, fun way Michigan Gamma gives back to the college is through Tuesday Breakfast Parties. This initiative started in the winter semester and is coming back in full force this fall. During Tuesday Breakfast Parties, TBP members give out free bagels, coffee, and smiles to whoever happens to be walking through the Duderstadt Connector hallway on Tuesday mornings.

Beyond service, TBP strives to help members and their fellow students to develop professionally. With nine information sessions this month, our Corporate Relations program is continuing to grow.

Each fall, TBP helps to run one of the largest student-run career fairs in the country. On Monday, September 22nd and Tuesday, September 23rd, we brought 40 more companies to North Campus than ever before. Needless to say, it was buzzing in the engineering buildings as students and recruiters networked with one another last week.

Tau Bates can get involved in the development of our chapter by attending and participating in New Initiatives meetings, the first of which will be held on Tuesday, October 14th. These meetings are an excellent outlet for electees and actives alike to share ideas and brainstorm new ways to improve Michigan Gamma.

Of course, social events are an important part of our chapter, and this fall we will have everything from Buffalo Wild Wings to intramural sports, and from movie afternoons to a trip to Cedar Point. There truly is something for every interest, but if your favorite pastime is missing, you have the ability to create your own social event and add it to the calendar.

I hope each one of you finds ways to be as active as you can be in Tau Beta Pi this semester.

Wishing you a fantastic semester,

Kelsey Hockstad
President, TBP MI-Γ
Electees of the Week!

Undergraduate Electee:

Nick Bush

Major: Computer Science Engineering

TBP Accomplishments: An unheard of 12 hours at Career Fair!!!!

Graduate Electee:

Satya Shettigar

Major: Automotive Engineering

TBP Accomplishments: 4 hours of Career Fair, and 18+ hours signed up for on the website

You Could Be Next:
You might be wondering: How can I be an electee of the week? It’s simple—Get Involved. In each edition of the Cornerstone we will be highlighting electees who went above and beyond in the past week or so. I think all actives will agree that it’s best to complete your hours early so you won’t be stressed when exams roll around!!
Oh, the Places You’ll Go!

One of the greatest benefits of being a member of Tau Beta Pi is networking with fellow students who will no doubt be leaders in their respective fields one day. Our members worked and traveled all over the country and all over the world this summer. From storm chasing in Texas, to studying in Hong Kong, to working in Ann Arbor, to watching the World Cup in Brazil, umich Tau Bates branched out and did some truly spectacular things.
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