

## EPSILON GAMMA CHAPTER RETURNS TO TEXAS TECH



Newly initiated brothers of Epsilon Gamma Chapter.

*As a colony, Epsilon Gamma Chapter was a moving force in community service on the Texas Tech campus, raising \$107,000 for Relay for Life.*

On the evening of April 20, 2012, 94 men were initiated into Epsilon Gamma Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha at St. Elizabeth's Catholic University Parish on Main Street in Lubbock, Texas. Brothers from nearby chapters at Southwestern University (*Alpha Omicron*), University of Texas-Arlington (*Eta Upsilon*), and Sam Houston State University (*Epsilon Pi*) came to Lubbock and helped conduct the initiation process.

The next afternoon, the newly initiated brothers gathered for the installation ceremony, conducted by International Vice President Rick Jenkins (*Texas-Arlington, Eta Upsilon '84*), Lonestar Regional President Blake Monroe (*Texas-Arlington, Eta Upsilon '93*), and past International President, Tommy Turner (*Texas Tech, Epsilon Gamma '67*). The chartering banquet was held that evening. Three hundred guests were in attendance, including parents, dates, and University administrators. Representing the International Fraternity were Director of Expansion Joe Wegelin (*Iowa State, Alpha Phi '07*), Director of Real Estate Reuben Rodriguez (*Bowling Green State, Delta Beta '07*), Monroe, Turner and Jenkins. University President Guy Bailey addressed the chapter, congratulating their success and welcoming them to the Texas Tech community. International Vice President Jenkins gave the keynote address, congratulating them on their achievement and challenging them to strive for excellence in the future.

### Colony History

In fall 2011 Chapter Consultants Reuben Rodriguez and Daniel Stockton (*Central Oklahoma, Lambda Iota '06*) spent five weeks on campus recruiting and training members for the new colony at Texas Tech University. During their time as a colony, the men participated in community service events such as the Polar Bear Arctic Splash and Kick for the Cure. In addition, they also took charge of Relay for Life and raised \$107,000. Now, as a chapter, they plan to continue this strong tradition of community service and philanthropy, and have already set aggressive goals for the future, planning to be among the top three in membership, grades, and intramurals for the 2012-2013 academic year.

### University History

Texas Tech University was created by legislative action in 1923 and has the distinction of being the largest comprehensive higher education institution in western Texas. The university is the major institution of higher education in a region larger than 46 of the nation's 50 states and is the only campus in Texas that is home to a major university, law school and medical school.

Congratulations and good luck to the brothers of Epsilon Gamma Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha!