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National Convention 2017 in Orlando, Florida



TAU BETA SIGMA SORORITY

2017-2019 BIENNIAL REPORT



JULY 18 – JULY 22, 2019

Stillwater, Oklahoma



2017-2019 Biennial Report

With my Sisters...

The 2017-2019 biennium has been about working together within our organization to develop new leadership and projects while maintaining the ties within our bond. It has also been an exciting time as we prepare to celebrate major milestones in the Sorority and with our Brothers of Kappa Kappa Psi.

New Opportunities and Growth

Each facet of the organization has seen success this biennium. The Board of Trustees continues to build our financial foundation through investments and capital development. The board also wants to ensure future leaders are ready to step into the role when the time comes by expanding the use of committees and seeking out leaders with varied backgrounds which would best serve our long and short term goals. The National Council's Chapter Visitation program has continued and grown, as over 100 on-campus visits were conducted this biennium by over 30 members of the National Leadership Team. This marks significant progress as we re-established campus visits last biennium with the creation of Chapter Visitation Assistants. Individuals in these positions help to ensure all chapters have the communication they need while also building up leaders to take on future roles. The TBΣAA Executive Council has continued programs and seen growth in membership as well as furthering leadership possibilities with membership categories, grants, and mentoring opportunities. The Sorority reached its highest total number of new Life Memberships this biennium at 226 members providing continued growth for the Sorority and fostering opportunities for alumni and leaders wanting to continue their involvement.

Current Programs

Focus on Five turned five! This year marks the 5th anniversary of the National Council's campaign to ensure student success through clearly communicating expectations and by incentivizing chapter participation in our national programs. The majority of chapters have hosted Women in Music speakers and we have witnessed this hallmark program take root at the National and District conventions, and now on a local level. Further, chapters are connecting to their communities through music and participation in our Crescendo: A Musical Youth Initiative and Coda programs.

In the Bond

The Board of Trustees, National Council, and TBΣAA Executive Council are united in our common bond to serve bands. We openly communicate about projects to use the resources we have in each branch to help make Tau Beta Sigma stronger. Our social media presence has increased and we have set new communication standards to make the best use of our website, Facebook page, Twitter, and Instagram accounts. The "8-to-5 Minute" short video series showcased timely communication from the National Council, while Chapter and District "Instagram Takeovers" allowed for further interaction and helped to build our sense of community. While we move forward with more efficiency, we are reminded of how each of us came to this place and work towards ensuring this bond continues for future leaders, members, and alumni.

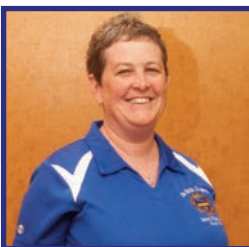
Anniversaries

Tau Beta Sigma is excited to kick off two years' worth of celebrations during the 2019 National Convention in Stillwater, OK. Our biennium will begin by recognizing and honoring an amazing 100 years of musicianship with our Brothers of Kappa Kappa Psi. In 2021 we will bring the biennium to a close with a celebration of our own as Tau Beta Sigma celebrates 75 years for greater bands! Start planning now to join us in 2021!

This biennium has been one of growth, opportunities, and Sisterhood. The National Council, Board of Trustees, and TBΣAA Executive Council thank you for an amazing two years. We couldn't have done it without all of you. With our sisters we are best!

In the Bond and For Greater Bands!

Kathy, Jonathan, and Katie



Kathy Godwin
Board of Trustees
Chair 2017-2019



Jonathan Markowski
National President
2017-2019



Katie Rixon
TBΣAA Executive Council
Chair 2017-2019

Generosity of Mind, Heart and Hand

Friends of the Trust

Established in 1985, the Tau Beta Sigma Trust Fund supports the valuable long term programs of the Sorority. Charitable giving opportunities such as the 1946 Club, the Century Club, and Giving Tuesday provide Tau Beta Sigma with the funds needed to provide scholarships and offer leadership and musician development opportunities to our members. The Board of Trustees greatly appreciates all who have helped make these possibilities a reality.

Legacy Society \$50,000+

Wava Banes Founder Society \$20,000 - \$49,000

Alan Harriet
Max Mitchell

Crown Pearl Society \$10,000 - \$19,999

Debbie & Glenn Baker
Wava Banes Henry

Golden Lyre Circle \$5,000 - \$9,999

Debbie Baker
Lisa Croston
Dr. Kathryn Kelly
Cathy and Melvin Miles
Jean Newman

Red Rose Circle \$1,000 - \$4999

Justin Brady
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Kappa Psi

White and Blue Circle \$500 - \$999

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Linda Rae
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Zara Simpson
Kelly Sipko
Jessica Smith
Mary Sue Stuart

Sisterhood Circle \$250 - \$499

Marcos Alvarez
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Tammy Carethers
Alison Clanton
Mary Gibson
Mary Ann Gradisher
Shalyn Guthery
Holli Hartman
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Christina Reed
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Sibyl Snyder
Stacey Stenerson
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Terri White
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Julia Woodson
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Chelsea Zuniga
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Legacy Asset Management
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Monthly contributions to the Tau Beta Sigma Trust Fund is one of the best ways to ensure the continued legacy and success of our organization. Thank you to the following individuals for their continued support of the mission and ideals of Tau Beta Sigma via the 1946 Club and the Century Club.

The 1946 Club

Carrie Anthony
Debbie and Glenn Baker
Justin Brady
Susan Carr
Lance Coochyouma
Lisa Croston
Emily Donovan
Bill and Kelly Eidson
Dr. Dawn Farmer
Leslie Gartin
Daniel George
Kathy Godwin
Karon and David Hammond
Dr. Kathryn Kelly
Marisa Lunde
Jonathan Markowski
Ted McCadden, Jr.
Carolyn and Scott McCambridge
Leslie McClure
Melanie Meehan
Cathy and Melvin Miles
Jean Newman
Dollie O'Neill
Maisha Paggett
Erika Pope
Adrienne Rall
Dr. Nicole Sanchez
Scott Sergeant
Kimbi Sigle
Zara Simpson
Meghan Smith
Chelsea Zuniga

Century Club

Tim Greenwell
Samantha Kinnison
Allison Leeman
Christopher Lukasik
Jennifer Scott
Tiffany Singleton

In Kind Gift

Susie DePinto



Scholarships & Awards

Scholarships:

Patsy Drury Hejl Scholarship for Outstanding Musical Achievement

2018 Megan Darlington, *Beta Gamma*; 2019 Zoe Stinson, *Delta Delta*

Tau Beta Sigma Wava Scholarship

2018 Bonnie Bearden, *Beta*; 2019 Megan Darlington, *Beta Gamma*

Tau Beta Sigma Legacy Scholarship

2018 Katie Brink, *Chi*; 2019 Ciara Gibbs, *Eta Pi*

Tau Beta Sigma Outstanding Student Leaders Scholarship

2018 Ashlyn McDonald, *Zeta Omicron*; 2019 Quintavia DeShay, *Beta Zeta*

Awards:

Outstanding Service to Music Award:

Dr. Mary Palmer, *University of Central Florida*; Dr. Jennifer Higdon, *Curtis Institute*

Paula Crider Award for Outstanding Director of College Bands:

Dr. Debra Traficante, *Kennesaw State University*; Dr. Stephen Pratt, *Indiana University*;

Dr. Courtney Snyder, *University of Michigan*; Dr. Emily Threinen, *University of Minnesota*

Wava Banes Turner Award: Dollie O'Neill, *Psi*

Johnnie Vinson Award: Krista Murphy, *Conference Direct*

Stanley G. Finck Memorial Award: Katherine Godwin, *Omega*; Kristin Wright, *Omega*

Outstanding Sponsor Award: Derrick Mills, *Chi*

2018 Baton Recipients:

Brian Carrier, *Theta Xi*

Olivia DeFilippo, *Gamma Kappa*

Vivian El-Salawy, *Alpha Omega*

Amanda Juntunen, *Lambda*

KeAsiah McLaughlin, *Theta Zeta*

Do'Nyal Webb, *Theta Lambda*

Katelyn Wyson, *Zeta Psi*

2019 Baton Recipients:

Julie Bruns, *Theta Mu*

Samantha Carter, *Xi*

RJ Gammon, *Beta Xi*

Natalia Lambert, *Alpha Omicron*

Amanda Leith, *Delta Delta*

Madeline McCarthy, *Theta*

Ashlyn McDonald, *Zeta Omicron*

Alex Mowen, *Eta Gamma*

Meeka Smith, *Beta Nu*

Hannah Wilson, *Gamma Tau*

Chelsea Zuniga, *Alpha*



Grace & A. Frank Martin Chapter Leadership Award:

University of Texas at Arlington, *Gamma Nu*

Grace & A. Frank Martin Chapter Leadership Award Finalists:

University of Cincinnati, *Theta*

The Ohio State University, *Chi*

University of Arizona, *Omega*

Sam Houston State University, *Alpha Omicron*

University of Texas at Arlington, *Gamma Nu*

University of Massachusetts, *Delta Delta*

Boston University, *Eta Gamma*

Howard Payne University, *Delta Upsilon*

University of Nebraska at Kearney, *Theta Mu*

Iowa State University, *Theta Xi*

Washington State University, *Theta Delta*

Bethune-Cookman College, *Theta Rho*

Kennesaw State University, *Iota Psi*

Janet West Miller Delegate Distance Award:

Nichole Chambers, *Theta Delta*

Chapter Participation Award: Morgan State University, *Epsilon Omega*

Chapter Distance Award: University of Arizona, *Omega*

District Participation Award: North Central District

District Spirit Award: Southwest District



Board Of Trustees

Tau Beta Sigma has a bold past of laying a foundation for unfolding opportunities. Stemming from our loyalty to the organization, the Tau Beta Sigma Board of Trustees begins the biennial review with a statement of thanks. We would not be able to report on the steps forward we have taken towards our current and future successes without the work and dedication of those who have previously served.

We began the 2017-2019 biennium by providing opportunities in our new committee structure. With this program, we retain continuing leaders and encourage potential new leaders while developing and sharing institutional knowledge. Forming connections between those with extensive Sorority experience and those looking to lead help all of us grow together. We know this will assist current leaders and develop new leadership.

During this biennium our investments have continued to grow. Our four scholarships are endowed at \$1000 each. We have been able to set aside funds for future projects, such as our upcoming 75th Anniversary celebration, while maintaining and growing support for the Sorority's programs. Part of our financial success is due to striking a balance between a deliberate management of funds and focused capital development projects. Our success in fundraising from both continuing and new donors has met or exceeded our expectations through the two years, including one of our most successful years of new Life Memberships.

With the positive growth and financial stability for the organization, this biennium proved to be the right time to evaluate the direction of the Board of Trustees. The Board considered questions regarding the balance of Sisterhood and professional skill sets, operating procedures, and the structure of other non-profit boards. As a team, we strive to cultivate Sisterhood while we streamline the systems required to be efficient and timely on capital development strategies and investing.

Our success as an organization is due to all of us that contribute to the bonds of Sisterhood. We all can continue that legacy and build on it, as many more opportunities unfold for us in the future. Tau Beta Sigma is for a lifetime. Thank you, Sisters, for everything you do, no matter how big or small, whether it is once a biennium or once a month. It takes us all.

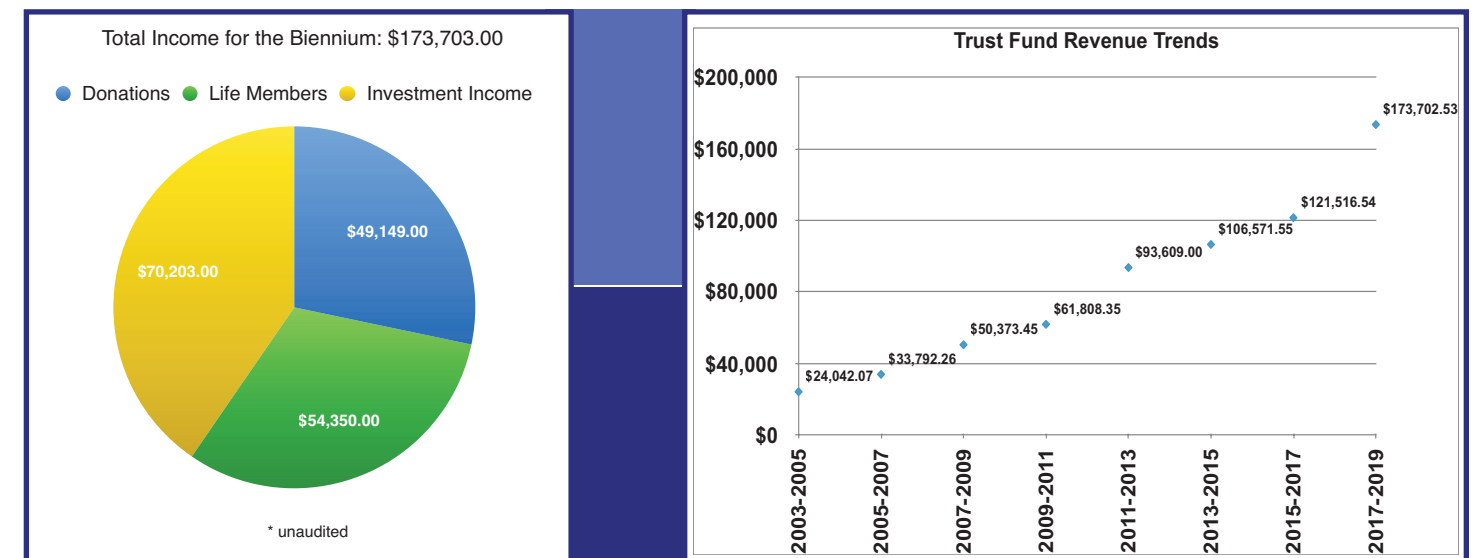
Capital Development

Tau Beta Sigma continues to experience excellent financial growth, with the 2017-2019 biennium being no exception. Our success can be attributed in part to the Giving Tuesday campaign introduced in the Fall of 2015, the most new Life Members ever generated within a biennium, and the dedication of our alumni to our monthly giving clubs.

Overall donations continued to grow this biennium as it has over the last several biennium. Donations via Facebook proved to be especially successful with the Board utilizing this platform for Giving Tuesday, as well as members utilizing Facebook to garner donations for birthdays and other events.

With two full biennium since its inception, the 1946 Club has net \$45,222. While individual contributions may seem minuscule, this figure proves the impact of the greater collective no matter the size of the donation.

We experienced the highest NEW Life Member total ever in Tau Beta Sigma - 226! This is due to the life membership "sale" during Giving Tuesday as well as a greater emphasis on the belief that membership in our organization is for life and seeing the value in investing in this opportunity.



Colonization & Membership

During the 2017-2019 biennium, the Tau Beta Sigma approach to membership has continued to be centered around sustainability and providing necessary resources in order to create a culture of excellence within each chapter. The Chapter Visitation Program is proving to be an invaluable asset to our chapters and the Sorority as a whole. It provides chapters with face-to-face meetings and workshops with a member of the National Leadership Team while also giving the National Council a better insight into the current climate of college campuses and the needs of collegiate band programs. In addition to the Chapter Visitation Program, the National Council has extended additional resources to those chapters needing extra assistance with chapter operations, membership recruitment, and/or membership retention in order to facilitate and to build a foundation of success. This strategy has already proven helpful to our chapters, and we look forward to further refining these resources for the future.

In 2017 a curriculum committee was created to develop a standardized national curriculum for Tau Beta Sigma. The purpose of a national curriculum is to ensure clarity and consistency for membership candidates and newly initiated members of Tau Beta Sigma while providing appropriate resources to support chapter membership educators. Further, based on a review of comparable organizations, we have determined that a standardized curriculum would allow Tau Beta Sigma to adopt industry best practices and remain at the forefront of addressing contemporary issues with our membership.

The Tau Beta Sigma national curriculum has been named OVERTURE. In music, an overture comes at the beginning of a longer piece such as an opera or play and introduces the main themes of the story. In the same way, the Membership Education Program is an introduction to the main themes of Tau Beta Sigma in preparation for full participation in the Sorority. Outside of music, an overture can be an approach to establish a relationship, and as Membership Candidates, the MEP is an approach in establishing membership as a Sister of Tau Beta Sigma. Currently, the curriculum committee is in the second semester of testing OVERTURE with students, and both the National Council and the committee are excited to present the curriculum's materials to the 2019 National Convention Delegation.

The Beta Phi Chapter at Florida A&M University was reinstalled on April 29, 2018. In addition, Theta Alpha at Fayetteville State University was reinstalled on May 5, 2019.

Sorority representation at major band events, including the Allentown Intercollegiate Band Festival, Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic, and Texas Music Educators Association Convention, continued to highlight our involvement with college and university bands and allow for networking with students and colleagues.

The 2018 National Leadership Conference (NLC) was held in Stillwater, Oklahoma, and we continued our commitment to leadership development by inviting all District Officers to participate in NLC along with our National Council and District Counselors. Throughout our time together, the District Officers learned about District and National Operations, how to create and achieve attainable goals, how to identify and work with different leadership styles and personality types, and how to plan and execute the National Programs of the Sorority. We also took time together to visit our National Headquarters. The District Officers enjoyed viewing their petitioning documents and other treasures inside the station, and our whole group joined together to sing in the Wava Memorial Garden.



Welcome to the Beta Phi Chapter at
Florida A&M University

Welcome to the Theta Alpha Chapter at
Fayetteville State University



TBS Alumni

The 2017-2019 biennium was a time of growth for the Tau Beta Sigma Alumni Association. From membership benefits to programs, the TBΣAA Executive Council worked to provide an elevated experience for the association members.

To kick off the biennium, the TBΣAA Programs Committee, started a new season of its Mentorship Program. The program had the highest participation since its inception. The Mentorship Program continued to flourish with monthly topics to guide conversations between the mentors and mentees. The Programs Committee was also effective in introducing a new scholarship opportunity for TBΣAA members working on a graduate degree. The National Scholarship for Graduate Studies joins the TBSAA Grant Program as a way to financially give back to association members. During this biennium, the TBΣAA awarded grants to Sara Knapp, alumna of the Iota Psi chapter, and Alyssa Scheiner, Life Member of the Eta Gamma chapter.

The Membership Committee, found great success with retention and recruitment of TBΣAA members. The committee worked to find new ways to engage members by creating monthly videos that discussed topics that ranged from resume' building to planning for retirement. Additionally, the TBΣAA Gold Star members were given the opportunity to attend annual conference calls with the Executive Council to provide feedback and offer ideas for upcoming projects. The Executive Council values this special chance to hear different perspectives from our Gold Star members.

The For Greater Bands 5k had fantastic participation during both years of the biennium. The Executive Council selected the Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation as the beneficiary and received an excellent response from both the Foundation and the TBΣAA members. The race was a virtual race this biennium and had participants all over the world. The social media presence of the 5k kept members and participants engaged and interacting with one another throughout the race days!

The TBΣAA Finance committee saw a positive response to its fundraising efforts. During the 2017 National Convention, the TBΣAA allowed members to purchase raffle tickets for a chance at hand-carved Tau Beta Sigma and Kappa Kappa Psi shields. The committee also designed t-shirts that were sold throughout the biennium for TBS alumni to proudly show their alumni status.

In addition to the events and programs put on by the TBΣAA this biennium, the Executive Council made a focused effort to connect with our members through a greater social media presence, regular newsletters, and an updated website. We led the charge in making the TBΣAA more relevant in the way outgoing communications were delivered. The feedback received was unanimously positive from this targeted campaign of better reaching the TBΣAA members.

One of the greatest endeavors the Executive Council saw this biennium was the expansion of the Local and District Alumni Associations. Our LAA Chair Amanda Dickson worked as the liaison to these alumni associations to ensure they had the support and necessary resources to be successful in their goals. The TBΣAA welcomed several new LAAs during this biennium and now has District Alumni Associations in all six districts. The Executive Council looks forward to seeing the continued accomplishments of these rapidly growing groups.



The 2017-2019 biennium was an overall success for the Tau Beta Sigma Alumni Association. From new programs to new local alumni associations, the TBΣAA saw many changes and growth. I am looking forward to seeing the organization continue in a positive trend over the coming biennium heading into Tau Beta Sigma's 75th Anniversary!

Respectfully Submitted In The Bond,

Katie Rixon
Executive Council Chair 2017-2019
Tau Beta Sigma Alumni Association



National Intercollegiate Band

The National Intercollegiate Band (NIB), which began over half a century ago, is one of the most exciting programs coordinated and presented by Tau Beta Sigma and Kappa Kappa Psi. This ensemble continues to make a significant contribution to the advancement of the collegiate band. Open to all qualified collegiate musicians, whether or not they are members of the Fraternity or the Sorority, the NIB helps bring members face-to-baton with some of the most dynamically stimulating and respected conductors in America:

2019 Conductor – **Jerry Junkin**, Professor of Wind Conducting and Director of Bands at the University of Texas
 2017 Conductor - **Richard Clary**, Senior Band Conductor and Director of Wind Ensemble Studies at Florida State University
 2015 Conductor - **Joseph Hermann**, Professor of Music and Director of Bands at Tennessee Technological University
 2013 Conductor - **Anthony Maiello**, George Mason University, Associate Director for Development, Professor of Music, and University Professor
 2011 Conductor - **Craig Kirchoff**, University of Minnesota, Professor of Conducting and Director of Bands
 2009 Conductor - **Colonel John R. Bourgeois, USMC (Ret.)**

Commissioning Program

Since 1953 we have joined with Kappa Kappa Psi to add over 25 new pieces of band literature through our joint Commissioning Program, which is of prime importance to our mission of service to music:

2019 *Fanfare for Friends* by composer **Joel Puckett**
 2017 *Miniature Suite*, by **Steven Bryant**
 2015 *Of Blood and Stone: The Pyramids of Giza*, by **Julie Giroux**, Composer
 2013 *Redacted*, by **John Mackey**, Composer
 2011 *Repercussions*, by **Adam Gorb**, Royal Northern College of Music (Manchester, England), Head of School of Composition
 2009 *Two American Canvases*, by **Mark Camphouse**, George Mason University



Programs & Projects

From celebrating key milestones, to making important connections within the music world, to seeing a growth in chapters programming special projects into their yearly chapter operations, it has been a very exciting two years for Tau Beta Sigma National Programs. Here are a few highlights:

- We officially welcomed **The Coda Program** as one of the Tau Beta Sigma National Programs. This program promotes the principles of supporting lifelong music. It encourages chapters to plan and execute musical activities for Senior Citizens within their communities. In its inaugural year, we had 40 chapters feature their Coda Project as a part of the 2017-2018 Focus On Five Campaign and over 60 chapters featured as a part of the 2018-2019 Campaign!
- We continued to develop the **For Greater Practice Initiative** and we were able to pilot the Structured Practice Method Software with a few of our chapters. A special thank you to the Theta Xi (Iowa State University), Theta Zeta (North Carolina A&T State University), Epsilon Xi (Troy University) and Omega (University of Arizona) Chapters for serving as pilot chapters as we developed this initiative.
- During the 2018-2019 school year, the **Focus On Five Campaign** celebrated its fifth anniversary of promoting the Tau Beta Sigma National Programs! As a part of the celebration, we implemented Focus On Five “Wild Cards,” for chapters who go above and beyond their normal year to year chapter operations. Chapters could then exchange these wild cards for a completed lyre piece.
- There was a significant increase in membership and shared ideas within the **Bandswomen’s Networking Facebook Group** led by Leslie Gartin and Meghan Olswanger.
- We were able to launch a new **Hazing and Risk Management Video** narrated by our National Risk Management Liaison, Kathy Godwin. The video provides tips and points of consideration for chapters to think about as they plan out their yearly activities.
- In working with our National Publications manager, Robert Bratcher, we were able to solidify and adopt **Official Program Logos** for a number of our National Programs and projects including: *The Bandswomen Networking Program*, *Take a Stand for Tau Beta Sigma Initiative*, and the *4Gr8rBands YouTube Channel*.
- Each of the **Tau Beta Sigma National Program Guides** were edited for current practice and also combined into one streamlined document for ease of access by chapters. We also were able to author and adopt the first *National Intercollegiate Band Audition Event Guide* to assist chapters in hosting audition recording events on their campus. Special thanks to Meeka Smith from the Beta Nu Chapter for providing insightful input on this project.
- The **Women in Music Speaker Series** has continued to be an extremely successful program both at the National and Chapter levels. A new addition to the series this biennium has been including women who hold roles as music administrators, specifically for band-oriented organizations. During both school years of the biennium, we had a total of 80 chapters host Women in Music Speaker events, which resulted in 160 events hosted during the 2017-2019 biennium. On the National level, we had 13 amazing women present at our District Conventions, including initiating the start of a collaborative relationship with Drum Corp International! The Women in Music Speaker Series has continued on into Summer 2019, with presentations by professional composer Jocelyn Hagen and professional percussionist Valerie Naranjo!
- We have continued to populate the **4Gr8rBands YouTube Channel** with educational content for chapters, including the launch of the Women in Music Speaker Online Series and episodes of the *8 to 5 Minute*, which is a monthly digest of the National Council Announcements presented by the National President.

75th Anniversary Announcement

Tau Beta Sigma will be celebrating our 75th Anniversary in 2021. We are in the process of planning special activities on Saturday, July 17 in conjunction with the 2021 National Convention. This will be a wonderful time to reunite with Sisters and friends from over seven decades of TBS. All Past National Presidents, Directors of Bands, and Tau Beta Sigma Alumni are invited to attend this exciting event.

Celebrations will kick off in the Spring of 2021 at District Conventions and will continue through July. We hope you will keep your contact information updated in the Online Membership Reporting System (OMRS) so you will be kept informed of developments.



SPRING 2018 SERIES



NORTHEAST

Dr. Annie Stevens
Assistant Professor of Percussion
School of Performing Arts
Virginia Polytechnic University

NORTH CENTRAL

Dr. Polly Middleton,
Director of Athletic Bands
Illinois State University
(2017-2018 School Year)



MIDWEST

Cathy Coonis
Music Educator & Performer
Springfield, Missouri

WESTERN

Lisa Butts, Music Educator (Ret.)
Anne Hendrickson, Music Educator
Fresno, California



SOUTHWEST

Dr. Constance Kelley,
Associate Professor of Music
Angelo State University

SOUTHEAST

Tonya Mitchell
Assistant Director of Bands & Athletic Bands
University of South Carolina



Dr. Jennifer Higdon (Curtis Institute of Music) receives the Outstanding Service to Music Award at the 2018 Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic.



Kris Wright (Omega) and Kathy Godwin (Omega) receive the Stanley G. Finck Memorial Award at the 2017 National Convention.



Dollie O'Neill (Psi) receives the Wava Banes Henry Award at the 2017 National Convention.



Derrick Mills (Chi) receives the Outstanding Sponsor Award at the 2017 National Convention.



Dr. Courtney Snyder (University of Michigan) and Dr. Emily Threinen (University of Minnesota) receive the Paula Crider Outstanding Band Director Award at the 2018 Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic.



Dr. Stephen Pratt (University of Indiana) receives the Paula Crider Outstanding Band Director Award at the 2017 Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic.



Wendy McCann (Tau) receives the Sue Robash Carr Distinguished Alumni Award at the 2017 National Convention.



Nichole Chambers (Theta Delta) receives the Janet West Miller Delegate Distance Award at the 2017 National Convention.



SPRING 2019 SERIES



NORTHEAST

Christine Sirard
Colorguard Director & Visual Coordinator
University of Massachusetts - Amherst

NORTH CENTRAL

Genevieve Geisler
Chief Operating Officer
Bluecoats Drum and Bugle Corps



MIDWEST

Amanda Sutfin
Jr. High Band Director & Music Educator
Colorado Springs District 11

WESTERN

Melanie Britton
Director of Bands & Music Advocate
Tucson, Arizona



SOUTHWEST

Dr. Stacey DiPaolo
Associate Professor of Clarinet
Southwestern OK State University

SOUTHEAST

Kirsten Lies-Warfield
Composer, Performer & Educator
Brentwood, MD

