



# Theta Tau Velocitas

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## TULANE PETITION

[Tulane Petition](#)

[Tulane Ballot](#)

We are proud to present the petition received from the Tulane Colony of Theta Tau. Each chapter is to vote on the petition per the ballot linked above. Please do so right away. Theta Tau looks forward to soon installing a chapter at this engineering school which has rebuilt itself to new and great heights after Hurricane Katrina devastated the engineering school and enrollments.

In addition, we send **hearty congratulations** to our **recently installed chapters KE, AE, and ME at USC, USD, and Baylor** respectively. The newest colony was also certified at Northern Arizona University. The school year kicked off with a very busy September!



## EVERFI - GreekLifeEdu

Theta Tau has just joined 30+ other greek organizations in adopting [EverFi's](#) revolutionary educational program [GreekLifeEdu](#). EVERFI's online programs provide a comprehensive, year-round array of survey, education, and prevention resources tailored to meet the priorities/challenges of our Fraternity at the chapter or national level. GreekLifeEdu is an online program that addresses the critical **issues** of **alcohol awareness, sexual misconduct, and hazing** for incoming fraternity and sorority members. By leveraging trends and incorporating multiple evidence-based learning theories, GreekLifeEdu achieves behavior change objectives and helps members practice safer decision-making.

To begin best use of this program, **all student members** and **pledges** are expected to complete the GreekLifeEdu modules. A significant part of the module is simply **survey questions to which your responses will remain anonymous** (though response data will be aggregated by chapter and/or region). It is **vitaly important that we have your current members complete** the program since it will enable us to create a baseline from which to measure future response results. **In the future**, it is highly likely that **participation and completion of the GreekLifeEdu** modules will be used in determining your chapter's liability insurance rates.

More information, including registration and login, will be forthcoming in the week or so just ahead.



## RISK MANAGEMENT COMPLIANCE

[Alcohol & Risk Management Policies](#) – **w/i 10 days of start of school!**

Risk Management policies are an integral part of helping to keep our friends and members safe, and our liability insurance rates low. Please be familiar with these policies and communicate them to all members and guests. If your chapter has not yet filed this form, **do so now**.

- Please see the policy found at the link above
- Note the requirements under the heading "Officer Responsibilities"
- [Submit completed](#) page to your **Regional Director(s)** w/i 10 days of school start

## LIABILITY INSURANCE

### [Liability Insurance Program Description](#) [Adoption of Model New Member Education Program](#)

Earlier this month, the Central Office emailed Invoices for General Liability, Directors and Officers, and Crime/Fidelity Insurance to each house corporation, chapter, and colony. Invoice amounts are based on a **3 year average of members measured each spring**. Liability Insurance **invoices** are **due by October 22**.

Your chapter also has the opportunity to recognize savings (**10% discount**) in the annual cost via adoption one of the New Member Education Models and [notifying us via this form](#).

Housed chapters of Theta Tau that carry their property/fire insurance with the [JR Favor Company](#) should pay premiums in a timely manner directly to Denver. Do not allow your property/fire insurance to lapse due to non-payment – the risk is too great!



### WELCOME BACK!

- [Online Pledge Form](#)
- [NCR Online Forms](#)
- [Chapter Management Tool](#)
- [RM Policies](#)
- [Chapter Officer Calendar](#)
- [New Member Education 2013 – Basic Model](#)
- [New Member Education 2013 – Standard Model](#)
- [New Member Education 2013 – Non Traditional Model](#)

We pray that you and your family and friends have managed the recent hurricanes in the country, and hope that the remainder of the school year ahead is less traumatic!

The [Online Pledge Form](#) expedites the upload of prospective member information and is designed to fulfill compliance with Theta Tau laws. It must be **completed at the very start of pledging**. The Pledge Form has been modified to **restored functionality** based on the user's selection of school/college. Please note that the information keyed by the user is uploaded to our CRM; therefore, do **not** use "pledge names" for nickname field.

[Membership Status Change](#) and [Co-op Reports](#) were due **September 15** to ensure that each chapter's Fall Semiannual Dues Invoice is as accurate as possible. Use the [Online NCR form process found here](#). If you have not filed reports due 9/15 yet, **do so now**.

Alternatively to the NCR, the live **Chapter Management Tool** as it includes membership info, form submissions, and the annual report to try and reduce confusion. Your **chapter officers should have received a Login & Password to access this google doc** system. If not, please contact your Regional Director for details. [FAQ for this management tool may be of assistance to you](#). (While this system is "live," it does not process your submissions/filings in real time; instead, the data reported is batched, standardized, reviewed, and then approved/uploaded.)

The New Member Education Manuals linked above contain very detailed instruction, information, checklists, and materials needed to conduct a well-planned education period. Each Manual is divided into three parts: **Instructors Manual, Handouts, and Pledge Workbook**. Your chapter is encouraged to use these Manuals now. The 2017 Membership Manual (the "redbook") has been inordinately delayed by a variety of causes. Please have current members loan their manuals to those currently pledging if necessary.) Our apologies that it may not be available until the end of the year.

#### Update Members

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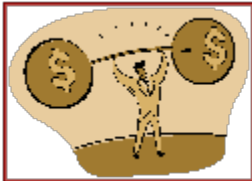
### FRATERNAL LAW

#### [September 2017 Issue 150](#)

The latest edition of the Fraternal Law publication is linked above. Students and alumni are encouraged to educate yourselves as to the issues raised in this extremely valuable educational publication.

### ANNUAL AWARDS

We don't want to spoil the surprise when your chapter attends its next Regional Conference so most awards will not be announced until a bit later in the school year.



### SEMIANNUAL DUES

Dues Invoices and completed Dues Lists for each chapter and colony will be emailed in late October to Regents and Treasurers. **Chapter Dues are payable at \$90 each with a \$10 discount for payments sent by November 1.** This represents the first increase in National Dues since 1997 (20! years). Colony Dues remain \$30/person.



### NATIONAL SERVICE PROJECT

#### [Habitat spring break: Online Registration](#)

**Registration is nearly full for the 2018 Theta**

**Tau - Habitat for Humanity alternative spring**

break. Come spend your spring break in the sunshine with brothers from across the country helping build homes for the less fortunate. This is a fantastic way to change lives, including your own! There are now **5 event dates/locations** to choose from (Dates starting **3/5, 3/12, & 3/19 in Flagler Beach, FL** followed by 1 week starting **3/26 in Ventura, CA**, and then an all new **Alumni week starting 4/2 back in Flagler** again), so please select the correct week on the registration page based on your school's spring break. (Spring break weeks for every chapter can be found on the Facebook event page [here](#).) Space is limited by Habitat to 25 spots each week, and some weeks are filling up already. The **registration deadline** is October 1 for the three Florida weeks **and October 31 for the California week, unless the spots fill up before that.** *If your week fills up before you're able to register, you can email [amar.amin@thetatau.org](mailto:amar.amin@thetatau.org) to be placed on a waiting list in case spots open up.*

### VELOCITAS NEWSLETTER

**Generating Superior Performance for Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity**

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