

# THE CHAPTER CUSTOS

*The Custos shall be entrusted with upholding the Ritual and traditions of Tau Delta Phi Fraternity.*

## *Goal*

- To ensure that the Chapter and its members are living the values espoused within Tau Delta Phi's Ritual through everything that they do.

## *Qualifications*

- Be a leader who has gained the respect and confidence of the entire Chapter.
- Be a role model who exemplifies calmness, maturity, and sagacity.
- Be a mediator who displays tact when addressing dissension within the Chapter and who works to unify the members into a smoothly functioning Chapter.
- Be an advocate for all Brothers of the Chapter.
- Be a dedicated and passionate advisor who has the time and interest necessary for properly fulfilling the job. Unless the outgoing Consul is the best fitted to fill this position, custom should not impel their election to this office.

## *Duties*

- To preside over the "Good and Welfare" portion of each meeting.
- To read the Invocation at the beginning of each meeting and perform the Induction of Chapter Officers for each term.
- To act as the restraining influence within the Chapter which may require advising, counseling, admonishing, and praising Fraters as various circumstances warrant.
- To exercise all possible influence in the constructive improvement of the Chapter and the developments of the character of the Fraters.
- To oversee all ritualistic aspects of the Chapter and all other Chapter activities to ensure that they conform to the laws and traditions of the Fraternity.
- To act as Chairmen and public member of the High Tribunal.

