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DELTA NU NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

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Sigma Tau Delta is looking forward to another eventful semester. Last semester, STD held a book sale and participated in the recreation center's Haunted Trail. STD is kicking off the fall semester with a Valentine's Day book and snack sale TODAY, February 14th. The sale will take place by the chalkboard on the second floor of Siceluff Hall from 10 am to 4 pm. The funds will be used to send members of STD to our annual English convention.

At STD's annual convention, members whose critical essays and creative works were selected the previous fall are invited to present their work on panels. All other members are invited to attend and listen to their peers speak. The 2020 convention will take place in Las Vegas. Three of our members, Amber Spencer, Chloe Sierks, and Rae Snobl will present their original work this year.

STD will hold more book and snack sales as well as book drives and other fun events. Please watch your email and the English department's Facebook and Twitter for future announcements. If you have questions or would like information about joining STD, please email our president, Amber Spencer, at spencer511@live.missouristate.edu.

HOW TO BE A SUSTAINABLE READER

BY Chloe Sierks

As the world shifts into a more sustainable era, physical book lovers (like myself) may feel pressure to reduce the number of paper books they use. The most well-known alternative format to paper books is, of course, the e-book. It seems to make the most sense in regards to reducing a reader's paper usage, but if you share the same opinion about e-books that I do, it just doesn't give the same satisfaction of holding a physical book. On top of that, some research has shown that depending on how often you read, e-books aren't always the more eco-friendly option. So if e-books aren't the solution, or preferred solution, to becoming a more sustainable reader, what else can be done? My first piece of advice: use your local libraries! Book sharing is going to be the most effective method of reducing the book industry's overall carbon footprint for obvious reasons and libraries are the most convenient source. Going along with the book-sharing concept, ask your fellow readers if they have the title you are looking for before you purchase a new one and never, ever throw away a book. Smaller bookstores will give you money in exchange for certain novels and consignment stores always take donations. Sustainable reading does not have to be the end for paper books—it just takes a couple of conscious decisions to make a difference.

