Sigma Pi Alumni Announcement

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ANNUAL MEETING 2013 UPCOMING

Be sure to put Saturday, February 23 on your calendar for our annual Sigma Pi Alumni Association meeting at the Players Retreat (PR) just off Hillsborough Street starting at 10:00am. We will have a good meeting in a relaxed atmosphere, and many of us will stay for lunch and go to the Chapter house to watch the Pack play at UNC at 4:00.

We are continuing our push to grow the Alumni Association, and one of the best ways to help that happen is to contact brothers from your era and get them involved. Our goal is still to grow to over 100 dues paying members, and we continue to make good progress. Your reaching out to other brothers would ensure our reaching that goal. Also, go on the Rho Chapter website (www.ncsusigmapi.com) to see what's going on with the actives, and then connect to our Facebook link to catch up with brothers from the last 50 years.

Here's hoping you can make the Alumni Association meeting in February, and watch the game with us. We are all excited about the Wolfpack and another great basketball season. Go Pack!

Thank You 2012 Members

Rich Adams Terry Allen Rick Anderson Jim Baggs Peter Barnes Jon Boland Brent Brewbaker Neil Britt Don Bullock Bill Bunn George Burnette Jim Caddell Jon Campos Jason Cashwell Joe Charles Jeff Cline David Cromartie Jack Cummings Jack Daniels

Pete Daut **Bob Davis** Garrett Diamond Thomas Geshay Berkley Godehn Carey Gupton Steele Hall John Hollingsworth Chris Hultgren Dan Ingram Brian Johnson Michael Kaney Rick Kiernan Pete Kolf Will Lackey Chris Love Lloyd Mattingly David McAulev Pat McKee

Wayne Miller Speedy Mitchell Mike Moles Greg Nesbitt Wesley Owens Lawrence Redmen Greg Roberts **Richard Schmidt** James Singer Chuck Smith Randall Smith Thomas Spizzo Grady Sykes Michael Talbot Michael Tindle Jay Tippette Ray Uptegrove Jesse Walsh Alan Wright

Check out the Fraternity on the web at www.ncsusigmapi.com

Letter from the President

Hello Fellow Sigma Pi Alumni,

Our Actives are really doing great in many areas......Brotherhood Numbers, GPA, Athletics, Social, Philanthropy, Pledge Class Strength, House Pride.....and the list could continue. They are truly one of the strongest fraternities on campus, with a strong desire to be even better. This is a great time to be part of Sigma Pi Fraternity! I would like to think that the re-activated and re -engaged Alumni Association, working with the Actives over the past several years, has at least something to do with all of their success. We still need more support from the masses of our Alumni group, so if you haven't already in 2013, please join today!

Our 2013 goal is to do even more to help the Actives than we did in 2012. Last year, we helped with two successful rush events, helped fund a house renovation day which really helped the appearance of the house, and had a fun Homecoming party that many Sigma Pi's enjoyed. As the budget allows, we will always be looking for additional ways to make Sigma Pi flourish!

As always, I would like to take an opportunity to recognize a group of gentlemen who give a ton of their time and effort. Grady Sykes, Speedy Mitchell, Terry Allen, Jack Daniels, Steele Hall, and Tommy Rodwell are wonderful to work with. Please take the time to thank them for their contributions when you get a chance. In addition, Brandon McPherson continues to be a huge resource for the Brotherhood as Chapter Director.

I hope to see many of you at our annual meeting, Founder's Day, in a couple of weeks.

In the bond, Brent Brewbaker, Alumni President

Career Advice for the Actives

The Actives are also always on the lookout for internships or post-graduation career opportunities. If you or your company have any opportunities please let us know. In the future we hope to organize a job board where Alumni can post opportunities directly.

Treasurer's Report

The account balance in the Alumni General Operating Account is \$3,796.17 as of 12/31/12. I have attached a form that each alumnus can use to pay dues for 2013. If you have not already paid your dues for 2013, please complete the form and mail it back to me with a check. Also, you can pay us through pay pal. Simply go to the fraternity website at www.ncsusigmapi.com and click on alumni. The current balance in our account is net of paying the 2012 property taxes on the Greek Way property that is currently for sale. The goal with this account is to continue to build a cushion to assist with the needs of maintaining and improving the appearance of the current fraternity house, and growing it towards new fraternity house building futures.

Dues collections continue to improve due to having an active brotherhood that exceeds 70 members, better Alumni Attendance for our Annual Founder's Day Meeting at Players Retreat (PR), and Alumni attendance for our Friday Night Homecoming Party in the fall. With all that said, we are raising the bar high, and have set an aggressive goal of receiving dues from 100 alumni in 2013. For 2012, we received dues from 56 alumni and one former sweetheart. I encourage everyone to attend our Founder's Day meeting at the PR on February 23rd, visit the house, and reconnect with fellow alumni this year. After the meeting please stick around for lunch, and we plan to watch the mighty Wolfpack beat the Tarheels in basketball later in the day. We would also like to thank the following Alumni who have paid their dues in 2012, and I would like to challenge all Alumni (especially those from the 80's) to pay your dues and attend Founders Day.

ITB, Steele Hall

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Active Update

The active brothers are proud to be continuing the traditions at Rho Chapter. The brotherhood continues to grow in both numbers and strength. There are currently 72 active members, and another 12 young men are proudly wearing their pledge pins. Although we lost three dedicated brothers to graduation last semester in Caleb Lloyd, Tyler Darden, and Mason Pruitt, we wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors, knowing their success is certain. Their absence will be felt throughout the chapter; however, the legacies they leave will never be forgotten.

We continue the practice of chivalry here at North Carolina State, and have been finding our social calendar filling up quickly. We are happy to be hosting events for Sigma Kappa, Delta Gamma, Delta Zeta, Alpha Delta Pi, and Chi Omega this semester. Although at first glance this may seem distracting to academics, we are proud to report raising the Chapter GPA to a 2.84 as we approach our 3.0 goal for the following semester.

We continue residence at 3414 Hillsborough Street, and truly appreciate the location. We have put a lot of effort and money into improving the house, and it has been very successful. We put in new laminate tile flooring, refinished all the hardwood floors downstairs, and replaced several old water pipes in the basement. We have gained a lot of experience in home repairs to say the least.

We have also increased our participation within the community. We have begun to volunteer some of our time each semester at the Wilmington Street Men's Shelter, which has proved to be a valuable experience. In remembering our brother Marc Haege, we are hosting our 3 rd annual Break the Silence 5-k run on March 23rd, 2013. Last year, we were successful in donating \$5,000 to the counseling center

here at the University. We also received a National Award for our philanthropic efforts at the Sigma Pi National Convocation. If you have a minute, it would definitely be worth visiting our event website, www.ncsusigmapi.com/run. We hope to double our donation at this year's event, and further promote suicide awareness not only on campus, but across the nation.

Our emerging national presence is also reflected in our fundraising efforts for Dance Marathon, a national event new to NCSU this year. The event aims to raise money for The Children's Miracle Network at Duke Children's Hospital. Rho Chapter claims the current fundraising leader, Ryan Taylor, who is also the Vice President of the event coordination. Our leaders at Rho truly understand how to lead by example.

We are also co-hosting what may become another annual event with the ladies of Delta Zeta. The event is in honor of the untimely passing of UNC freshman David Shannon, who several brothers knew through childhood. All proceeds will go towards the David Shannon Memorial Fund Scholarship at Chapel Hill.

While intense rivals in athletics, we realize the value of the community we share with both Carolina and Duke, and are proud be supporting such great causes.

The Alumni Board and Association have helped us accomplish all of this and more. We are excited about increasing participation and support as we strive to accomplish even bigger things in the coming semesters.

2013 Alumni Dues

The NCSU Sigma Pi Alumni Association now offers two convenient ways to pay your dues:

1. Online via PayPal at www.ncsusigmapi.com

2. Complete and submit the below form.

2013 Alumni Association Membership Form
Name:
Address:
City: Zip:
Best Contact Phone Number:
Email Address:
Pledge Semester/Year: Graduation Year:
Membership Type: (Please Select)
Alumnus (More than 4 years removed from Undergraduate) - \$50.00/year
Young Alumnus (2-4 years removed from Undergraduate) - \$25.00/year
1st Year Alumnus (Up to 1 year removed from Undergraduate) - Free/1st yr.
Checks should be made payable to: Sigma Pi Alumni Association
Please fold form and remit with payment to: Steele Hall (Treasurer) at 1046 Brighthurst Drive, Raleigh, NC 27605 or pay online using the Paypal link at www.ncsusigmapi.com.
The Sigma Pi Alumni Association will not sell or use your email address or phone number other than to communicate regarding the Association.