

# Sigma Pi Alumni Announcement

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## FOUNDER'S DAY ANNUAL MEETING 2016

**WHEN**: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2016

**TIME**: 10:00AM

**WHERE**: THE PLAYERS RETREAT

105 OBERLIN ROAD, RALEIGH, NC 27605



Please join us for our annual Founder's Day Alumni meeting at The Players Retreat in Raleigh to hear exciting updates on the current happenings of both the alumni association and the active chapter. A group of alumni will be staying for lunch following the meeting to watch the Pack take on Syracuse at 2pm. We hope to see you there!

Check out the Fraternity on the web at [www.ncsusigmapi.com](http://www.ncsusigmapi.com)

# Alumni Membership Drive

Dear Rho Chapter Alumnus,

A new year brings our annual appeal for the payment of membership dues. As Board Members we are often asked questions pertaining to the Mission of the Alumni Association and how your dues are spent. Simply put, our primary Mission is to promote and further the welfare and the interest of active or graduated brothers of Rho Chapter or any other recognized chapter of Sigma Pi International. In fulfilling this mission last year, your yearly dues went to providing support to the active brotherhood for items like a temporary loan that allowed the active brothers to secure the lease on the “new” house as well as supporting the actives with improvements to the house, rush functions, alumni functions such as celebrating Founder’s Day and Homecoming, and for the first time ever, providing scholarship funds to three deserving active brothers. Our goal this year is to have over 100 alumni on our membership roles.

Sigma Pi is now the third largest fraternity at NC State and has an active brotherhood of over 65 members. More important, we are considered to be one of the best, if not the best fraternity at NC State. As you can see, with an active growing brotherhood, we need to keep the Sigma Pi Alumni Association growing. Consequently, we invite you be a part of the Rho Chapter family and urge you to **now** take the time to complete the enclosed 2016 Alumni Association Membership Form and send your check made payable to the NCSU Sigma Pi Alumni Association c/o Steele Hall, Alumni Association Treasurer at 1046 Brighthurst Drive, Raleigh, NC 27605 or send Online via PayPal at [www.ncsusigmapi.com](http://www.ncsusigmapi.com).

Your consideration to this request is greatly appreciated and we hope to see you on February 27th at our Founder’s Day event.

In the Bond,

Brian Norris 2009 Chapter Director - Membership  
Terry Allen 1969 Chapter Director – Membership

## Scholarship

As alumni, thinking back on our time as students likely takes us to memories of Homecomings, football games and tailgating, and what we can remember of various functions at the house. It is easy to forget the key reason for our undergraduate brothers to be at NC State: Scholarship.

Last semester, the actives approached the Board of Directors asking for help in establishing a scholarship program for new members. The board approved issuing three scholarships of \$100 each to three new members who excel academically while meeting their obligations to the Fraternity. Additionally, the board is presenting the active brotherhood with a plaque to be displayed in the house recording the names of the scholarship winners.

This semester’s winners are Zach Fearnside, Thompson Vickers, and Trent Philpot. The scholarships will be presented at our Founder’s Day meeting on February 27th at 10:00am. Overall the pledge class average GPA for the semester was 2.95. The scholarship chair strongly believes this program played a role in the pledge class’ strong GPA.

The scholarships will be named Sigma, Pi, and Rho. The hope of the board is that alumni will fund one of the scholarships each semester. Donors will also be listed on the plaque.

Please join me in congratulating the scholarship winners. If you would like to participate in the new member scholarship program this semester, please contact me at [will.lackey@gmail.com](mailto:will.lackey@gmail.com) or 479-295-6620.

In the Bond,

Will Lackey  
Vice President, Rho Chapter of Sigma Pi Alumni Association

# Active Chapter Update

Rho Chapter is off to another great start this semester with the initiation of 20 brothers from Fall of 2015. We currently have 6 pledges this Spring, which is average amongst fraternities due to formal rush in the Fall. We are pleased to announce our fifth annual Suicide Prevention 5K is off to an auspicious start. "Break The Silence" 5K will be held sometime in late March. Since the conception of the event, Rho Chapter has managed to donate over \$35,000 dollars to the North Carolina State University Counseling Center. Last weekend, four of our Executive Council members returned from the Mid-Year Leadership Conference in St. Louis with many exciting new ideas. Rho Chapter looks forward to another very successful semester.



# Treasurer's Report

Be sure to put Saturday, February 28th on your calendar for our annual Sigma Pi Alumni Association meeting at the Players Retreat (PR) just off Hillsborough Street starting at 10:00 am. We will have a good meeting in a relaxed atmosphere, and many of us will stay for Lunch and watch the Pack play Syracuse at 2:00.

We are continuing our push to grow the Alumni Association, and one of the best ways to help that happen is for each of us need to contact brothers from our era and get them involved. Our goal is still to grow to over 100 dues paying members, and we continue to make good progress as we had 71 active members in 2015 (See list below). Your reaching out to other brothers would ensure our reaching that goal. Also, go on the Rho Chapter website ([www.ncsusigmapi.com](http://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.

You attendance and input is welcome as we have some important business to discuss at this meeting. ITB Steele Hall

## 2015 Members

Richard Adams	David Cromarte	Dan Ingram	Bill Monroe	Tom Skeen
Terry Allen	Jack Daniels	Shane Ireland	Sam Monroe	Randall Smith
Rick Anderson	Peter Daut	Jan Jensen	Brandon Morgan	Grady Sykes
Jim Baggs	Bob Davis	Mike Kaney	Doug Nesbitt	Mike Talbot
Brent Brewbaker	Jay Dawkins	Rick Kiernan	Greg Nesbitt	Jake Tippette
Neil Britt	Joseph Devane	Vladic Khodush	Carson Norman	Ray Uptegrove
Don Bulluck	Taylor Dillon	Dave Kohut	Brian Norris	Jesse Walsh
Bill "Twig" Bunn	David Drake	Peter Kolf	Scott Owenby	
George Burnette	Robert Ford	Will Lackey	Wesley Owens	
Jim Caddell	Thom Geshay	Caleb Lloyd	Larry Redman	
Gene Carawan	Berkley Godehn	Lloyd Mattingly	Greg Roberts	
Jason Cashwell	Carey Gupton	David McAuley	Tommy Rodwell	
Joe Charles	Steele Hall	Pat McKee	John Ryan	
Stuart Chambers	John Hollingsworth	Wayne Miller	Jim Saunders	
John Clark	Chris "Brew" Hultgren	Paul "Speedy" Mitchell	Rick Schmidt	
Jeff Cline	Gerald Hurst	Mike Moles	James Singer	

# 2016 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](http://www.ncsusigmapi.com)
2. Complete and submit the below form.



## 2016 Alumni Association Membership Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ 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: Alumni Rho Chapter of Sigma Pi Inc.

Please fold form and remit with payment to:

Steele Hall

1046 Brighthurst Drive  
Raleigh, NC 27605