Sigma Pi Alumni Announcement

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Come join us Friday October 28 for our annual Homecoming Reception. The evening will start at promptly at 8:00 pm. The event is semi-formal and will be held at the Sigma Pi house on 3408 Greek Way. The event is BYOB. Hors d'oeuvres will be served.

This event will be a great opportunity to tour the new house, meet the active brothers of Rho chapter, and of course, catch up with old friends.

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

Summer Outing Recap



Summer Outing – Durham Bulls

On July 31, the Durham Bulls were fortunate enough to have several Sigma Pi Rho Alumni members in attendance for their game. Approximately 25-30 of us braved the tremendous heat in the right field bleacher area, enjoyed the included burgers/dogs/chicken, wore our complimentary Bulls' hats proudly,but like the good Pi's that we are, we eventually found our way to a shaded bar with a breeze (fans) and a good supply of cold beers!

Don't even recall if the Bulls won or not, but I do recall having a lot of fun hanging out with old friends. Please make sure that you plan to attend upcoming Alumni Social Events so you can experience quality times with your fraternity brothers, too!

In the bond, Brent Brewbaker, Alumni President

Scholarship

As alumni, thinking back on our time as NC State 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.

In the Fall of 2015, the Rho Chapter Alumni Association established a scholarship program for new Sigma Pi members. The board approved issuing up to three scholarships of \$100 each to new members who excel academically while meeting their obligations to the Fraternity. Additionally, the board presented the active brotherhood with a plaque to be displayed in the house recording the names of the scholarship winners.

The Spring 2016 semester winners are Jack Fyfe and Andrew Lem. The scholarships will be presented at our Homecoming Reception on October 28. Both recipients made the semester's Dean's List.

The three scholarships are named Sigma, Pi, and Rho. The hope of the board is an alumnus or group of 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 or 479-295-6620.

Active Update

The brothers of Sigma Pi, Rho chapter would like to thank all of our alumni for their continued support, and especially for helping us get into our new house at Greek Way off of Avent Ferry. Our second semester in the new house was a huge success, with 5 brothers being inducted in the Spring. The chapter is currently running with 64 brothers, with 33 living in the fraternity house this fall. In the Spring, our 6th annual "Break the Silence" 5K was the most successful yet, with over 300 participants and \$10,000 raised for the NCSU counseling center for suicide prevention and education programs, our highest donation to date. We participated in a few educational seminars this semester, including a resume building session given by our own Ryan Taylor's mother, Trish Taylor, who works as a Leadership developer for the YMCA of Greater Charlotte. The chapter also took part in a QPR class, a training session partially paid for by the donations given to the counseling center for suicide prevention. After this summer, we will have completed our probation program, and will be able to host events in our house in the coming semester. We have also hired a new chef for the house, who be providing our meal plan this fall, a dinner plan for any active brother who wishes to participate. Even after a year of living in our new house, we are excited to continue improving the facility and take advantage of the full house. To do this, we have carried out a number of improvements, including an in-ground basketball hoop and a mounted television in the foyer of the house. After a successful formal rush in September, the third year of formal rush, the chapter is currently pledging 17 potential new members. We are always looking for new ways to grow as a chapter, and for new connections to our Alumni and brothers. We look forward to seeing all of you at our Alumni Cocktail! If you have any suggestions for us as a chapter, or if you'd like to connect to our chapter in any way, please feel free to email our 1st counselor Bo Starnes (bostarnes@triad.rr.com) or our Sage Ives Harkins (fsharkin@ncsu.edu).

Treasurer's Report

The account is comprised of restricted funds of \$159,808.01. The restricted funds have grown mainly due to receiving \$157,913.75 net proceeds from the sale of our Greek Way Lot. This sale is also subject to providing financing of \$75,000 to the buyer Nu Sigma Land Development, LLC (known as Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity). We have received \$4,560 in interest payments on this debt YTD and we are awaiting the first principal paydown of \$25,000 from NU Sigma. The net proceeds of \$157,913.75 were reduced by \$57,665.74 (\$100,253.01 net) paid to the land investors. These investors are comprised of alumni that paid off a previous bank loan and provided capital to cover expenses associated with the property. Lastly, this balance consists of a lease breakup fee of \$55,000 that we received in 2016 from departing the fraternity's previous location on Hillsborough St.

I have attached a form that each alumnus can use to pay dues for 2016. If you have not already paid your dues for 2016, 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. We would like to build a cushion in the account to assist with the needs of maintaining and improving the appearance of the current fraternity house on Greek Way. Dues collections and future capital campaign contributions will be important as we look towards purchasing our current 40 bed location on Greek Way. We have an active brotherhood, and we expect a large turnout for our Friday Night Homecoming Party in the new house. If your name is not on the list, please consider giving. With all that said, we continue to have an aggressive goal of receiving dues from 100 alumni in 2016. YTD, we have received dues from 56 alumni. I encourage everyone to attend homecoming (against Boston College, October 29th), visit the house, and reconnect with fellow alumni this year.

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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
 - 2. Complete and submit the below form.



2016 Alumni Association Membership Form

City:		
Best Contact Phone Number	er:	
Email Address:		
Pledge Semester/Year:		Graduation Year:
Membership Type: (Please	Select)	
Alumnus (More than 4 year	s removed from l	Jndergraduate) - \$50.00/year _
Young Alumnus (2-4 years	removed from Ur	ndergraduate) - \$25.00/year
1st Year Alumnus (Up to 1	year removed fro	m Undergraduate) - Free/1st y
Checks should be made pa	vable to: Alumni	Rho Chapter of Sigma Pi Inc

Please fold form and remit with payment to:

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