

# Sigma Pi Alumni Announcement

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*Please join us for our Annual Alumni Meeting.....*

## Founders' Day Meeting

**Rho Chapter – Sigma Pi Alumni Association**

**Saturday February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (10am – 12pm)**

**The Players' Retreat Restaurant and Bar (105 Oberlin Road)**

We have a full agenda planned that is intended to bring you up to speed on the past year, and provide insight into the upcoming goals! You will hear updates from all seven of the Board of Directors, the Chapter Director, and the Active Sage. We have made many important strides in the last year and look forward to discussing our progress. Our association grew to a record size in 2017! Of course, the desire in 2018 is to strengthen even further.

Best part of all.....you get to catch up with many of your old friends!!!! And, if that isn't enough, we will have donuts and coffee for you. And, if you still need more convincing, PR's has cold beer!!!!

Many folks will stay after the meeting to enjoy lunch and beverage. Hope to see you there!

In The Bond,  
Brent Brewbaker ('90-'93), Alumni President

p.s. Last year, Governor Cooper was kind enough to stop into our meeting for a few minutes. Pretty cool!!!!



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

# Homecoming Recap

On November 3<sup>rd</sup> a Sigma Pi Alumni Homecoming reception was held at the Chapter House and was hosted by the active brothers. By all accounts the event was a success with strong participation from both the active brothers and alumni.

The format for the event worked well with everyone being encouraged to make plans with small groups for dinner and to arrive at a social hour starting at 8:30. About an hour later a live band the actives booked started playing. There was a brief break for Alumni Association President Brent Brewbaker to give an update on the Alumni Association and for the active Sage Adam Elshanawany to review the state of the active chapter. Alumni Association Vice President Will Lackey presented the Spring 2017 scholarship to Harley Silver. Thank you to all who attended the Homecoming Reception for making it such a great success!



Alumni Association President  
Brent Brewbaker



Alumni Association Vice President  
Will Lackey presenting scholarship  
to Active Harley Silver



Sage Adam Elshanawany

# DON'T MISS THIRD THURSDAY HAPPY HOURS AT 6:00 PM

**Sammy's Tap and Grill:**

**2235 Avent Ferry Rd, Raleigh, NC 27606**

**Next Events: January 18, February 15, March 15**

## 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.

Several years ago, 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 has presented the active brotherhood with a plaque which is displayed in the house recording the names of the scholarship winners. The scholarship program is now entering its third year. Harley Silver received the scholarship for the Spring 2017 semester. At this year's Founder's Day meeting, the Fall 2017 semester scholarships will be awarded to new members Benjamin Knight, Kollin Klingenberg, and Mason Lewis.

The scholarships are 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 Update

To the alumni of Sigma Pi, my name is Sam Covington and I am the new sage of Sigma Pi. I am studying Textile Technology with a minor in Business Management. Outside of the fraternity I am involved in College Mentors for Kids and AATCC student organization. The new executive council is Benjamin Kirkland (2<sup>nd</sup> councilor), Logan Perkins (3<sup>rd</sup> councilor), Mitchell Beane (4<sup>th</sup> councilor), Layton Gantt (1<sup>st</sup> councilor), and John Prather (Herold). The active brothers of Sigma Pi Rho Chapter are pleased to announce that we will be returning 74 active brothers this coming spring semester. Seven brothers graduated in the fall semester and we wish them the best in their careers and post collegiate life. We initiated 15 new members in the fall which was below our goal, however, the new members are high quality and I believe they will impact the fraternity in the future. While we've not gotten the overall grade report from the university, it appears that the majority of the guys had successful semesters and we are expecting something around a 3.0, cumulatively with 14 members making the dean's list. January 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> I was accompanied by the new 3<sup>rd</sup> councilor Logan Perkins, the new 2<sup>nd</sup> councilor Ben Kirkland, and the new rush chair Kyle Solomon to Mid-Year conference in St. Louis. During the trip we acquired information how to run our chapter better and grow as a fraternity. On March 24<sup>th</sup> at Wake Med Park we are hosting our 8<sup>th</sup> annual break the silence 5k, registration is available at [www.ncsubreakthesilence.com](http://www.ncsubreakthesilence.com). We are expecting this year's 5k to be one of the biggest that we have had so please come out and support our fraternity and raising awareness for mental health.

The three scholarship winners are Benjamin Knight, Kollin Klingenberg, and Mason Lewis.

## Treasurer's Report

Be sure to put Saturday, February 24th 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 likely stay for Lunch afterwards.

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 a record 93 active members in 2017 (See list below). Your reaching out to other brothers will help us reach this 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.

For those unable to attend founder's day you will be pleased to learn that the account balance in the Alumni General Operating Account is \$207,285.69 as of 01-09-18. This account is comprised of restricted funds of \$201,818.15, and \$5,467.54 in unrestricted funds. The restricted funds are largely comprised of proceeds from the sale of our Greek Way Lot, and proceeds that the fraternity received from terminating its lease at their previous residence on Hillsborough St. Nu Sigma Land Development, LLC (known as Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity) currently owes us \$40,000 for owner financing that we provided on the sale of the lot. We expect to be fully repaid on the lot sale later in 2018.

During 2017, we received notification from the IRS that we are officially a 501c -7 non-profit Corporation. This is a milestone achievement for us as it means that we are exempt from paying income taxes on income derived both retroactively and over future years. This exemption will continue for us so long as we begin filing 990 forms to the IRS for the 2017 tax year and annually thereafter.

Your attendance and input is welcome as we have some important business to discuss at this meeting.

ITB Steele Hall

# Alumni Members 2017

2017 Sigma Pi Alumni YTD			
Richard Adams	Jay Dawkins	Lloyd Mattingly	Lucas Stinson
Terry Allen	Nick Despotes	David McAuley	Thomas Stokes
Laurice G. Altman, Jr.	Jarrold Dixon	Pat McKee	John "Kermit" Suther
Rick Anderson	David Drake	Paul "Speedy" Mitchell	Grady Sykes
Jim Baggs	Chad Ellis	Bill Monroe	James Thibault
Peter Barnes	Adam Elshanawany	Sam Monroe	Jonathan Thibault
Pete Beglin c/o R. Adams	Robert Ford	Brandon Morgan	Drew Thomas
Jonathan Boland	Ross Franklin	Barry Morrow	Don Thompson
Tim Bowman	Thomas Geshay	Doug Nesbitt	Jake Tipette II
Brent Brewbaker	Berkley Godehn	Greg Nesbitt	Danny Trask
Neil Britt	Carey Gupton	Nolan Newell	Thomas Trask
Don Bulluck	Steele Hall	Brian Norris	Brian Tyler
Bill "Twig" Bunn	Chris "Brew" Hultgren	Michael Otteni	Raymond Uptegrove
George Burnette	Gerald Hurst	Scott Owenby	Will Vogler
Dave Butts	Dan Ingram	Allen Peoples	Jesse Walsh c/o PK
James Caddell	Shane Ireland	Larry Redman	Raymond Weller
Dale Cannon	Jan Jensen	Matthew Rice	Vince White c/o R. Adams
Jason Cashwell	David Johnson	T. Brad Rivers	Aaron Wingate
Stuart Chambers	Michael Kaney	Greg Roberts	
John Clark	Rick Kiernan	Tommy Rodwell	
Gene Clements c/o PK	David Kohut	John Ryan c/o PK	
Jeff Cline	Peter "PK" Kolf	Jim Saunders	
Jack Daniels	Will Lackey	Rick Schmidt	
Peter Daut c/o PK	Chris Love	James Singer	
James Davis	Caleb Lloyd	Randall Smith	

# 2018 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.



## 2018 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

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