



Dear Alumni Brother,

Greetings from the Collegiate Brothers of the Epsilon Sigma Chapter of Sigma Nu at Rhodes College! My name is Brendan Finley, and I am the Alumni Relations Chair of the Chapter. We hope you and your family members are doing well at the time you receive this letter. This third installment of the Chapter's bi-annual Semester Chapter Report is a big milestone for the Chapter, and we are very proud to send it to you.

Much has happened since the last Semester Chapter Report was sent out in the spring, including the Chartering of the Epsilon Sigma Alumni Chapter, and numerous house improvements. We hope you read on to learn about the recent achievements of the Chapter, and reserve time on your calendars for some of our upcoming events—especially the first official meeting of the Epsilon Sigma Alumni Chapter at our Homecoming Celebration on October 20, 2007!

Brotherhood Fish Fry 2007

In April, the Chapter held its first annual Brotherhood Fish Fry. The event was a huge success, and even enticed Rhodes College President Bill Troutt to make an appearance. The Chapter would like to thank the following alumni for helping make the event such a wonderful success: DJ Bentley (EΣ 1045), Brian Boone (EΣ 980), Patrick Fisher (EΣ 932), Rob Harrison (EΣ 920), Harry Lehair (EΣ 1012), Tim McCray (EΣ 1040), Rob McCleary (III 38), Mac McWhirter (EΣ 549), and Britt Summers (EΣ 877). See the website photo gallery (http://www.rhodes.edu/studentorgs/sigmanu/photos/2007_fish_fry.html) to view pictures from the event. The Chapter plans to host another Brotherhood Fish Fry in April 2008.

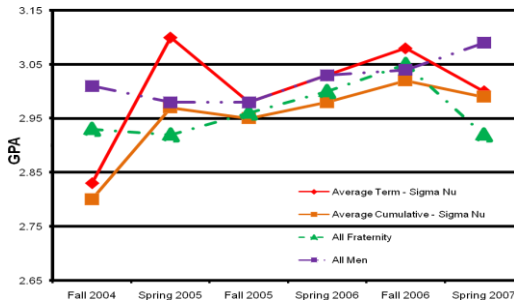


Patrick Fisher (EΣ 932), with his two daughters, and Rob Harrison (EΣ 920), enjoy their time with Active Chapter members Taylor Phelps (EΣ 1073), Stephen Noble (EΣ 1081), Dirk Hedlund (EΣ 1075), and Jake Covey (EΣ 1060) at the Brotherhood Fish Fry 2007.

FISH FRY

Chapter's April Fish Fry a great success!

Spring 2007 Grades



ACADEMICS
Strong academic performance continues.

This past spring, the Active Chapter continued its trend of strong academic achievement, receiving average semester and average cumulative GPAs of 3.0 and 2.99, respectively, giving Sigma Nu the 3rd highest GPA of the six fraternities. New academic policies and increased use of the LEAD program have both contributed to the Chapter's continued academic success.

Summer Alumni Events/House Improvements

At the Brotherhood Fish Fry 2007, we announced plans to establish an Alumni Chapter by the end of the year, and planned an interest meeting in mid-June. The interest meeting was a success, and was followed by a planning meeting in July, and the petition-signing during the Alumni/Active House Clean-up in August.

With increased involvement from our Alumni, the Chapter has been able to accomplish an unprecedented amount of work on the House. Over the summer, the Chapter spent a total of \$3200 on improvements, with Alumni donations accounting for just over \$2200 of the funds spent. The work over the summer accomplished the following (see page 2 for pictures of the work):

ALUMNI & HOUSE

Chapter makes numerous improvements over the summer with Alumni help.

1. Plumbing throughout the House was fixed;
2. Electrical work throughout House was fixed and two large fans were installed in the Goodbar Morgan room;
3. The ground level of the House was repainted;
4. New paneling was installed in the Donald Horace Johnson room of the basement; and
5. Phase II of our landscaping plans was completed with the creation of beds around the house

The Chapter is committed to improving the House and the Chapter's membership has developed a strong sense of ownership of the Chapter's property. One outward example of this commitment was the recent approval of a no-smoking in the House measure (except designated areas).

Future house improvement goals include:

1. Landscape the exterior of the House in early October; and
2. Install AC for the House by next fall



A. Derek Pegram (EΣ 1069), Brendan Finley (EΣ 1078), Mac McWhirter (EΣ 549), and Brian Boone (EΣ 980) install new paneling in the Donald Horace Johnson Room. B. Dale Baker (EΣ 1070) and Jake Covey (EΣ 1060) work with other Chapter members to add a fresh coat of paint to the ground level. C. Dirk Hedlund (EΣ 1075), Erik Davis (EΣ 1077), and Alex Liu (EΣ 1063) take a break during the pre-Rush House Clean-up to throw the football on the lawn in front of the newly-prepared flower beds. D. The House, just before the start of Rush. The new Rush banner was donated by Rob Harrison (EΣ 920).

Special Thanks and Acknowledgements

Throughout the summer and early Fall, Alumni have been involved in numerous Chapter-related activities. The Chapter would like to recognize each for their continued support and guidance:

June Alumni Interest Meeting

- Brad Farris (EΣ 1053)
John Gehrig (EΣ 1062)
Tim Gibson (HΣ 358)
Mac McWhirter (EΣ 549)
Bill Pendergrass III (EΣ 474)
Bud Richey (HZ 169, A 260)

July Alumni Planning Meeting

- Brian Boone (EΣ 980)
Brad Farris (EΣ 1053)
Patrick Fisher (EΣ 932)
John Gehrig (EΣ 1062)
Mac McWhirter (EΣ 549)
Bud Richey (HZ 169, A 260)
Bill Short (EΣ 515)
Britt Summers (EΣ 877)

August Alumni/Active House Clean-up and Alumni Chapter Petition Signing

- Brian Boone (EΣ 980)
DJ Bentley (EΣ 1045)
Patrick Fisher (EΣ 932)
John Gehrig (EΣ 1062)
Rob Harrison (EΣ 920)
Mac McWhirter (EΣ 549)
Mel Payne (EΣ 714)
Bill Pendergrass III (EΣ 474)
Bill Short (EΣ 515)
Britt Summers (EΣ 877)

September Alumni/Candidate Dinner

- John Gehrig (EΣ 1062)
Bill Pendergrass III (EΣ 474)
Paul Plekon (EΣ 1043)
Ben Williams (EΣ 1051)

Summer House Improvements

- Brian Boone (EΣ 980)
John Gehrig (EΣ 1062)
Mac McWhirter (EΣ 549)
Bud Richey (HZ 169, A 260)

Monetary Donations

- John Gehrig (EΣ 1062)
Matthew Ian John (EΣ 906)
Mac McWhirter (EΣ 549)
Bill Pendergrass III (EΣ 474)
Bill Short (EΣ 515)
Bud Richey (HZ 169, A 260)
Jay Wills (EΣ 585)
Matt Writt (EΣ 1055)

Donation of the New Rush Banner

- Rob Harrison (EΣ 920)

THANK YOU! We are deeply grateful for the continuous support from our Alumni!

RUSH Chapter to begin year-round recruitment.

Rush 2007

This fall only one third of the freshman class rushed—a record low for the Greek system at Rhodes. Despite these low numbers, the Chapter performed strongly, recruiting the 4th largest number of pledges out of the six fraternities on Bid Day. The Chapter's current pledge class, pictured to the right, contains two Epsilon Sigma Legacies--Andrew Mullins-Williams and Ben Waller. Andrew Mullins-Williams is the son of Norman R. Mullins (EΣ 510), and Ben Waller is the son of Benjamin Waller III (EΣ 693).



The current pledge class, pictured above (from left to right): Jared Ewing, Ferrell Varner, Ben Waller, Steven Risley, and Andrew Mullins-Williams.

Homecoming Celebration/Epsilon Sigma Alumni Chapter

Homecoming First Epsilon Sigma Alumni Chapter meeting to take place October 20!

Homecoming event graphic featuring 'RHODES LYNX vs. ROOS' and 'OCT. 20, 2007' with logos for the Lynx and Roos.

The Epsilon Sigma Alumni Chapter Charter has been approved, pending action by the High Council. The first official meeting of the Epsilon Sigma Alumni Chapter will take place during the Homecoming Celebration on Saturday, October 20, 2007. The Active Chapter will hold a reception at the Chapter House from noon – 4:00 pm, and will provide a free lunch for all alumni and family members present. At around 1:00 pm, all Collegiate and Alumni Brothers will have a chance to congregate in the Chapter Room of the House to raise the Chapter and perform the Meeting portion of the Ritual. The Alumni will then elect a Worthy Commander, Worthy Lt. Commander, Worthy Treasurer, and Worthy Recorder, and briefly discuss any Alumni Chapter-related business.



If you are interested in joining the Epsilon Sigma Alumni Chapter, please see Article II from the Alumni Chapter Bylaws printed below:

Article II - Dues

1. The annual dues of the Alumni Chapter shall be paid prior to the annual meeting of the Alumni Chapter and shall be as follows:
 - a. TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00) per year for the first two years after graduation (or other cessation of undergraduate study).
 - b. TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$25.00) per year thereafter.
 - c. A donation to the Alumni Chapter for improvements to the Epsilon Sigma Chapter House will serve as payment of dues in full for the current year if in the amount of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) or more.

If you plan on attending the Homecoming Celebration, please RSVP using either the included Alumni Update Form or our website, www.rhodes.edu/studentorgs/sigmanu.

Please send all Epsilon Sigma Alumni Chapter e-mail correspondence to epsilonsigma.alumni@gmail.com, and send all mail correspondence to:

Epsilon Sigma Alumni Chapter
 c/o NP McWhirter
 Comptroller and Associate VP of Finance
 2000 North Parkway
 Memphis, Tennessee 38112

75th Anniversary Celebration

Because the Chapter was officially chartered on February 10, 1934, the Chapter's 75th Anniversary will take place on February 10, 2009. The Chapter is planning a 75th Anniversary Celebration to be held in February or early March 2009 to mark this exciting occasion. The celebration will include an Open House, Golf Tournament, and White Rose Banquet. A planning committee for the celebration will be formed shortly after the Homecoming Celebration. The Chapter would like to encourage all of you to mark your calendars now—this will be an event you won't want to miss!



SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY
Chapter to celebrate 75 years of charter in 2009.

Alumni Advisory Board

ADVISORY BOARD

Chapter is now recruiting Board members; training session scheduled for November 10.



The Chapter is currently in the process of recruiting members for an Alumni Advisory Board. There will be seven positions on the Board, and each Board member will work with and advise a specific Chapter officer. Mike Hammontree (KY 149), a representative from Headquarters, will be conducting an Alumni Advisory Board training session for the Board on Saturday, November 10 from 9:00 am-1:00 pm. If you are interested in serving on the board, please contact Commander Joe Doyle (EΣ 1061) via his e-mail (doyjp@rhodes.edu) for more information.

Although each new Semester Chapter Report has grown longer than the last, we hope you find this to be a good thing, and are encouraged by our progress to reconnect with both your fellow classmates and the Chapter.

Fraternally,

Brendan Finley
 Epsilon Sigma 1078