Overview

The spring semester brought many exciting opportunities for growth, development, and success of and within the chapter. In this newsletter, we hope to highlight a few of the chapter’s exciting social events, noteworthy developments and changes, successful individual members, and valuable alumni contributions.

As the chapter continues to progress, we understand the importance our alumni play in supporting our operations and building meaningful life-long relationships. We hope this newsletter gives some insight into the current chapter and life within the chapter.

-Paul Qualey, alumni chair

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Rush and New Sigma Nus

Moving into the Spring semester, rush was a major source of excitement and anticipation for the chapter. Given the importance of rush in maintaining and growing the chapter’s presence on grounds, the chapter made it a high priority to succeed; brothers came to a consensus that rush recruitment be made a top three priority of the chapter’s continued operation and success.

Through concerted effort, universal contributions by brothers, and successful logistical planning by rush chairs Kris Kokoneshi and Jacob Miller, the recruitment process proved to be an unadulterated success. In all, the rush process yielded 23 highly sociable and intelligent then-candidates eager to begin their next stage of college as a brother of Sigma Nu.

The new pledge class hails from all across the United States including South Carolina, California, Illinois, Texas, and New York among other locales.

Reese Allen

1st year from Houston, Texas majoring in Computer Science and on the Pre-Commerce track

What features of the brotherhood attracted you during rush?

“I was impressed most by how welcoming the brothers of Sigma Nu were. All of them made an effort to really get to know the rushees, and some reached out personally to ask me how things were going, tell me about events, and answer any of the questions I had about the fraternity….I was impressed by this closeness, and I knew I wanted to be part of a group that not only had a lot of fun but really looked after one another”

What do you hope to gain from the Sigma Nu and the brotherhood of the fraternity?

Through Sigma Nu, I hope to continue building connections with brothers, alumni, and other people and organizations across Grounds. And of course, being in Sigma Nu is just a lot of fun; I know I’ll have gained enough stories at the end of my four years to last a lifetime.
2019 Officers

Commander  Nick Koziolek
Lt. Commander  Dominic Keilty
Treasurer  Thomas Miller
Recorder  Luke Van Leeuwen
Chaplain  Justin Shah
Marshall  Chase Zegarski
Alumni Chair  Paul Qualey
Social Chairs  John Fishbein, Alex Stern
Rush Chairs  Jacob Miller, Kris Kokoneshi

Spring Semester Recap

After a successful rush, the chapter enjoyed many exciting social events including a national championship watch party, parents’ weekend, and Fox Fields Races.

Brothers Hank Bramham, James Berlin, Ray Massey, and John Fishbein celebrating on the Sigma Nu plot at Foxfields (left to right).

Brother Qualey and his parents celebrating Sigma Nu’s parents’ weekend event at Wisdom Oak Winery.

Brothers Stafan Zachar, Stephen Chung, Paul Qualey, Chase Zegarski, and Alex Stern celebrating the basketball national championship win on the corner.
Student Summer Spotlight:

Nick Koziolek on his summer internship at Evercore:

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I spent the summer working in the mergers and acquisitions group at Evercore. This experience, while demanding, was extremely rewarding as I had the ability to work firsthand on a number of interesting transactions and with some great people. My "deal of the summer" was working on the London Stock Exchange's $27bn acquisition of Thompson Reuter's financial data provider Refinitv. The ability to gain exposure to projects of this magnitude while still in school was a privilege and extremely exciting.

My time at Evercore even led to a chance meeting with one of our distinguished Beta chapter alumni, as I ran into Marc Doyle (Class of '91 and CEO of DuPont). The exposure that my summer provided me to senior business leaders was very rewarding but it was even more powerful to meet a successful leader such as Marc, who also called 189 Culbreth home. As the summer comes to a close, I’m excited to return to UVA to complete my degree and to serve my last semester as commander in the Fall.

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Kunaal Sarnaik on his time as a scribe in the UVA Hospital emergency room:

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As an aspiring future healthcare professional, working in the Emergency Department of University of Virginia’s Hospital has been an extremely rewarding experience this summer. Although I am simply a scribe, documenting notes on patient history, the stories and patients that I have encountered have deeply humbled me.

These patients and their reactions to harrowing events has been eye-opening and inspiring to me; It is why I have found my experience as an ER scribe this summer so fulfilling and will continue to do so for the rest of my undergraduate career.

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A Special Thank You to Our Alumni

The fraternity would like to extend a special thanks to those active alumni who have contributed to the continued wellbeing of the chapter by generously offering either their time and/or financial resources to the fraternity.

How your Contributions help:

Generous alumni contributions have made possible:
- Refinishing the chapter room
- Upgrading the library
- Restoring front columns
- Renovating the yard, making it an ideal outdoor event space
- Repairing the front steps

Alumni Who Donated this Spring and Summer:
Albert Bracht
Clintin Schneider
Bob Boorman
Jon Christ
Lynn Housner
Steven Nelson
Jim Sebo
Stephen Brazas
Stephen Adams
James Bogart
Wesley Martin
Paul Zoukis
Michael Madden
David Oliver
Nellie Yarborough
George Wheatley
Richard Steinweidel
Karen Mandeville
WK Kincaid
Robert Rustad
John Buterbaugh
Gerry Zimmerman
John Docherty
William Baker
Stanley Binsted
Dennis Kuhnmund
John Haffey

A Note from the Alumni Chair:

Thank you for your continued support. Many of our improvements to the house and much of our progress as a chapter would not be possible without your support.