

UPCOMING EVENTS

Blue-White Weekend

Buffet To Follow

Make your plans now to pre-view the 2017 Nittany Lions in the annual Blue-White game. Kickoff has been set for 3 PM on April 22. Parking is \$20.00 unless you received a parking pass with your 2016 season tickets. A buffet dinner will follow the game at 7 PM at the Chapter House. *Join us for a great weekend in Happy Valley.*



PennState



2017 Penn State Football

See You There!

4/22- Blue/White Spring Game-
3 PM
9/2- Akron- TBA
9/9- Pitt- TBA
9/16- Georgia State- TBA
9/23- At Iowa- TBA
9/30- Indiana- TBA
10/7- At Northwestern- TBA
10/21- Michigan- TBA
10/28- At Ohio State- TBA
11/4- At Michigan State- TBA
11/11- Rutgers**- TBA
11/18- Nebraska- TBA
11/25- At Maryland- TBA
**-denotes Homecoming



The Delta Delta

Sigma Nu Fraternity at The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA • March 2017

www.sigmanupennstate.org

www.sigmanu-psu.org

CHAPTER NEWS

Delta Delta To Appoint Special Board

To All Delta Delta Brothers,

Recent events at University Park, including the recent death of a candidate at Beta Theta Pi, have the eyes of many directed at the Greek Fraternity system.

In light of these events, the university has suspended all social functions, which are defined by the IFC as "any activity sponsored by a Chapter or its members, on or off Chapter property, where alcohol is present, regardless the source, including third-party vendors. The Moratorium on these functions will be enforced by the Interfraternity Council and Student Affairs."

As President of the Property Association and Chapter Risk Advisor, I, with the advice of the General Fraternity (aka, "National") have directed the following to all Brothers and candidates:

1. There will be no Chapter social functions involving alcohol at any location until further notice, in compliance with the IFC's action and the University's Statement.
2. There will be no individuals or gatherings of individuals with alcohol in the common areas of the Chapter House until further notice. While one could assert that an impromptu gathering of legal-age individuals with alcohol in a common area of the Chapter House does NOT constitute a Chapter social function, it is possible/probable that the University or IFC might deem such a gathering as a Chapter activity only because it occurred at the Chapter House. We are taking this action out of an abundance of caution, and lacking dispositive advice that such a gathering would NOT be deemed a Chapter social function.
3. Regarding members socializing together off-campus/away from the Chapter House, members have been asked to refrain from wearing any Greek or Sigma Nu insignia to an event or location involving the consumption of alcohol in order to try to avoid someone mistakenly thinking that Sigma Nu is having some kind of social function.

In addition, the alumni are in the process of organizing a special board of volunteers to assist the Chapter in this climate to improve the following areas of focus:

- Strategic planning
- Care of the property
- Values-based recruiting
- Financial management
- Academics

The alumni appointed to this special board are as follows:

Robert Nelson, ΔΔ916- Chair and Recorder, President of the Property Assoc.

George Bonnewell, ΔΔ1490- Alumni Chapter Treasurer

Lane Kintigh, ΔΔ1156- Association Director

Steven Rodrigo, ΔΔ1160- Association Director

Ernest Russom, ΔΔ1104- Association Director

James Shincovich, ΔΔ860- Association Director

Edwin Sidwell, ΔΔ879- Association Vice President

James Wyland, ΔΔ1273- Chapter and University Advisor

Please feel free to reach out to me regarding questions/concerns with this matter. The Delta Delta Property Association, Alumni Chapter and Alumni advisory Board are acting swiftly and taking necessary measures to ensure full compliance with the University and to continue to grow and improve our Chapter of The Legion of Honor.

Fraternally,

Robert A. Nelson '72

President, Delta Delta Property Association

THE VALUE OF BROTHERHOOD

West Coast Brother Finds A Home In Happy Valley

Money is always tight in college, right? We all remember that. For Brother **James Merritt '00**, that fact led him to a home away from home, and an experience he would never want to change.

"I did not shop around at other fraternities," said Merritt. "I was in a dorm with a guy who was going through rush at Sigma Nu. He invited me to the house for a "free dinner," which I accepted since money is always tight when in college. I was completely blindsided and had no idea what I was getting into. When I entered the Sigma Nu house, I all of a sudden had 30 guys who were interested in talking with me



and becoming friends. Because I had come to Penn State from Seattle, I didn't have any friends at PSU, so this was quite exciting- a bid was extended, I accepted and the rest is history!

"Homecoming week was always awesome, said Merritt." When I attended PSU from 1996-2000, we were

always in contention with our floats and won first place one of the years I was there. While in the Fraternity, I held the positions of EC, Rush Chair, and Treasurer. For me, my entire college experience including being a lifetime Brother of Sigma Nu has had great impact on my career and life. It was a four year section of my life that I learned

about myself, about being on your own without your parents, meeting new people from all different walks of life, learning to adapt to various people and situations, becoming responsible for income, spending, and simply taking charge of my own life as an individual. Specifically, Sigma Nu taught me to lead a group of men as EC, taught me to be outgoing as a Rush Chair, and somewhat fiscally responsible as the Treasurer. In addition, my best friends are from the fraternity. I would never change my experience at Penn State or Sigma Nu!

I currently live in Ft Lauderdale, FL and run a Toyota Dealership (Lipton Toyota). I have a wife and three young children.

The only people I keep in touch from PSU are my Brothers from Sigma Nu- **Brian Walther '99, Dave Busch '99, Ryan Cool '00, Justen Bennett '00, Nick Ferroli '03, and Mark Cangiano '98.**"

ACTIVE CHAPTER

Sigma Nu Officially Launches a Mentor Network

Members Learn & Gain Insight from Multiple Advisors

Are you seeking career advice? Or are you in the position to mentor young alumni?

Sigma Nu has officially launched their mentor network, which allows alumni to provide and receive assistance with resumes, interviews, and job search.

This newfound program was inspired by a 2013 survey that indicated a strong desire for a formal networking platform.

According to The Delta, Justin Wenger, Director of Member Engagement, says "The Sigma Nu Mentor Network is a direct result of our members' voices and is a tremendous opportunity for our Brothers across the globe. The platform is live, which means Sigma Nu Brothers can begin registering now. We're excited to have collegiate and young alumni members begin signing up as advisees and taking advantage of this opportunity to learn from experienced, dedicated alumni who register as advisors."

The program offers a safe, secure, online platform, www.sigmanu.firsthand.co, where members can register as advisees and advisors. After creating a profile, both parties can then take part in what is called flash mentoring. Unlike traditional mentoring, this allows advisees to choose an advisor for a single online career conversation. From there, they can schedule additional consultations with the same advisor or others.

This method allows advisees access to an entire searchable directory of advisors, not just one assigned advisor.

"Access to the entire network of advisors is important because it means that advisees can learn, and gain insight, from multiple points of view while also expanding their personal network," said Wenger.

The website also provides a Webinar library that can help alumni get up to speed on industries and companies they're interested in.

To create an account and start networking, visit www.sigmanu.firsthand.com

ALUMNI UPDATE

Dan Land '57

At 81, Still Kicking!

"I joined the fraternity because I knew several of the Brothers previously. My best memories are a number, but mostly involve fellowship with my Brothers in various activities. I'm not sure how cool it was, but the hangout which I frequented was the Skellar.

I believe it is important to give back because we, the alumni, now have the ability to help.

At 81 I'm still kicking and I stay in touch with **Bob Schrader '57**. We have been

lifelong friends since high school. It wasn't a tradition but my favorite Sigma Nu memory is when I was learning to box in the Chapter Room (**Steve Haky '56** was my teacher) and he made my ears ring with a couple of punches!"

ALUMNI UPDATE

Delta Delta Alumnus, 81, Gives Back Graciously

Always Have a Plan, Always Look Ahead

C. Granger Haugh '57, was a Delta Delta for two years at 340 N. Burrowes. He was privy to its prime location on campus, situated right near Recreation Hall, ironically where he spent significant time playing handball. His experiences those two years would lead to a lifetime of giving back.

"I knew some guys from Wheeling, WV who were in the Fraternity," said Haugh. "**Russ Bond '55**, who was EC one year, and **Richard Meek '56**."

The 81-year-old added that he'd been living in the dorms right across the street from the Sigma Nu House at the time, and that moving there was quite convenient.

"My favorite memory of my time at the house was the pledge week process," said Haugh. "We cleaned, painted, and most importantly, bonded."

Granger spent two years at Penn State, before transferring to West Virginia University to complete his degree. In Morgantown, he spent one year living at the Sigma Nu House. After college, he immediately went into the Navy Air Force, where he underwent flight training and became a Navy pilot for 11 years.

He was honorably discharged from the Navy as a Lt. Commander.

The 81-year-old went on to start his own company in 1973 called International Enzymes, a sales and marketing company that distributed raw materials used in manufacturing of machines that ran medical instrumentation. 15 years ago, the company changed its name to Cliniqua and became more involved in clinical chemistry and quality control.

Now retired, Haugh has established a non-profit organization as uses it as a way to gift to worthy organizations including Sigma Nu, Rotary, numerous Veteran's organizations, and a special needs school in the Cayman Islands, along with halfway houses for rehab patients.

Haugh, ΔΔ682, recently made a significant contribution through his charitable foundation to the Sigma Nu Educational Foundation, Inc. (SNEF) to fully fund a grant from SNEF to reimburse the Property Association for the February 2016 purchase and installation of a whole-house wireless internet system.

The old hardwired system was extremely unreliable and difficult to troubleshoot

and repair. These characteristics resulted in extensive down-time. The new system has greatly improved our internet connectivity. We are confident that this new system will reliably serve our needs for many years. Many thanks to Brother Haugh for this generous gift! A commemorative plaque will be hung in the foyer.

These days, Haugh says he has stopped flying, but is keeping himself busy rebuilding an airplane, a war bird, which he plans to restore to 1944 specifications and paint in the traditional color of the Royal Navy at that time.

There is no question he was impacted by his time at Delta Delta.

"I learned to get along and be part of a team," says the 81-year-old. "I had good grade schooling through a military school from seventh through 12th grade, he said. So it was a good transition and gave me the tools I needed. The philosophy of a Fraternity is a good one, there are always people around if you need it. I learned you have to look ahead and always be ready. You always have to have a plan for the future."

CLASS UPDATES

Favorite Memories, Re-"Nued"

Thanks Sigma Nu!



Doug Kosydar (second from left) at Sigma Nu Centennial

Doug Kosydar '94

"One of my favorite memories was organizing and attending our Centennial celebration at the Hintz Family Alumni Center in 2009. Our committee held a family fun day at Sunset Park as well as an Alumni Golf Outing in State College prior to the Evening Centennial Celebration which was attended by over 100 Alumni and family as well as Sigma

Nu Nationals Regent and then President Graham Spanier. It was an awesome weekend in State College where I was able to meet a lot of distinguished Alumni from the 1940s through the early 2000's. It is always wonderful to meet up with a group of Brothers but this event was truly special. I thank all those that were involved in the planning and coordination of such an historic event.

Bill Carman '04

"I have a lot of great memories. First one to stand out are the football

games and tailgating. The next would be hanging out with the guys on the second floor patio, playing horseshoes, tossing the football or playing bocce ball on the front lawn. First place I go to when I return would be Beaver Stadium. I go there for tailgating and the football games."

Tyler Newcombe '11

"Tailgating with the Brothers. We would always get out to the fields early, set up the grill and music and have a blast. When I come back to State College, I always drive down Burrowes to see the house, the lion shrine and my freshman dorm. It's a must!"

William Hoffman '73

"Other than the Sigma Nu house and football games probably spring time on Old Main lawn and usually when I go back I always go to the Skeller and have a brew and a burger.

Steven Price '77

"Two favorite memories, meeting my wife of 38 years and taking Kevin's swimming test so he could graduate. The follow up was the swim team coach calling the house asking him to audition for the team."

HOMECOMING

Homecoming, Military Appreciation Weeks To Run Concurrently This Fall

Come See An Exciting Game In Happy Valley!

The 2017 Homecoming Executive Committee and Penn State Military Appreciation Committee have announced that the 2017 Penn State Homecoming and Military Appreciation weeks will both be held Sunday, Nov. 5, through Sunday, Nov. 12.

The 2017 Penn State Homecoming and Military Appreciation Game is set for Veterans Day, Saturday, Nov. 11, against the Rutgers Scarlet Knights in Beaver Stadium.

Members of the Homecoming Executive Committee and Military Appreciation Committee expressed excitement about working together and collaborating with the Penn State community to welcome home Penn State's alumni and military personnel throughout the week, culminating in the

Homecoming and Military Appreciation Game.

"Penn State Homecoming is very excited to have the unique opportunity to work in collaboration with Military Appreciation Week," said Jillian Susi, executive director of Homecoming 2017. "We look forward to organizing events to celebrate pride and tradition for the whole Penn State community to enjoy."

"Penn State's Military Appreciation Committee is honored to celebrate our commitment to our alumni and others in the community that have served in the military," added Todd Bacastow, a committee co-chair. "We're again excited to hold a week of military appreciation activities honoring

service members, veterans, and their families, concluding on Nov. 11, Veterans Day. Our tailgate at the Military Appreciation Game is a community supported, free tailgate honoring service members, veterans, their families, and the families of fallen warriors, and has become a growing and very well-attended event."

The annual Homecoming parade will be held on Friday, Nov. 10, on Penn State's University Park campus and in downtown State College. The annual Seats for Service members' initiative also will take place leading up to the gridiron clash with Rutgers.

Details on additional Homecoming and Military Appreciation Week events will be announced as they become available.

SIGMA NU NATIONAL

LinkedIn Group

Brother Riley Fukuji, ΔΔ1566, has set up a group on LinkedIn called "Sigma Nu, Delta Delta Alumni." This group provides a great platform for all Alumni and Undergraduates to network. Join us today by visiting www.linkedin.com and searching Sigma Nu, Delta Delta Alumni or go directly to: www.linkedin.com/groups/8583423/profile

Educational Foundation Launches New Scholarship

First-Of-Its-Kind National Undergraduate Scholarship

The Sigma Nu Educational Foundation announced this month the formation of the first national undergraduate scholarship. Once fully funded, the Founders General Scholarship Fund will provide financial support to those Brothers who best demonstrate the ideals of Love, Honor, and Truth in the communities where they live. The Founders General Scholarship Fund is the first in Sigma Nu history that will be open to Brothers from any Chapter.

The new scholarship has already developed impressive momentum, raising over \$10,700 in the

first two weeks. Applications will be reviewed and administered by a set committee coordinated by the Foundation board of directors. The merit-based scholarship will feature a web application process hosted by the Foundation website.

The new Founders General Scholarship Fund was developed in part to fulfill the need for more merit-based scholarships in higher education. The Foundation is also hopeful the scholarship will draw attention to collegiate Brothers doing outstanding work in their communities.

PHOTO FLASHBACK

Take a Trip Down Memory Lane!

