

EPSILON ETA ACTIVE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

SHOW ME THE MONEY

The active chapter is continually striving to make the active member and alumni relationship better. Epsilon Eta has been actively involved in planning and coordinating this year's 82nd annual Founder's Day. This year's event is expected to be one of the most successful and enjoyable events to date. Each and every day, as actives, we look for ways in which we can improve our relationship with our alumni. One thing that actives and alumni alike have in common is our goal to see a new fraternity house in the very near future. At a recent executive council meeting, Bill Blankenship, Chairman of the Epsilon Eta Housing Corporation, spoke about the new house plans. As actives, we were pleased to hear that we are now closer than ever to breaking ground and seeing a new and improved fraternity house. Mr. Blankenship informed us that the only thing holding us back from getting a new house is the loan that we are waiting to receive from the University. He also informed us that we will "have the highest quality house possible." He went on to say that the new house will include the most up to date and advanced features possible. The news of this was very promising to us as active members of Sigma Nu. In addition to the new house and Founder's Day, the active chapter is continually striving to keep the current house in as good of shape as possible so that visitors, such as alumni feel welcome any time they may wish to stop by.

Andrew Shafer
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house, campus or on the road. We continue to promote sober driving by having a sober driving system, which brothers and pledges run three nights a week. It has been very effective system in keeping the chapter safe. Brothers also take the responsibility of sober brothers at social events in hopes of maintaining safety for the members and keeping them out of trouble. The Risk Reduction chair has been important to maintaining safety for the brothers so that they will continue to act like gentlemen and men of honor.—Jamie Antone, EH 1389



FOUNDER'S DAY APRIL 12TH, 2003

ACADEMICALLY ON TOP

It has definitely been a year of improvement for Sigma Nu academics. This year our brothers boasted an impressive 2.91 average GPA. This put us well ahead of the All Men's Average of 2.74 and the All Fraternity Average of 2.57.

Sigma Nu recorded the highest GPA in Fraternity Park and the third highest GPA among all university fraternities. These academic achievements did not come easily, however. Pledges and brothers have been attending study hours, which are held four times a week at the Hodges Library. At these sessions, we encourage brothers to assist pledges in their acclimation to a university environment.

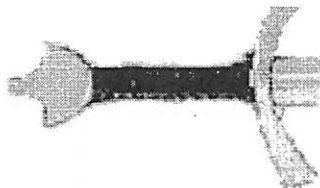
In recognition of all the hard work Epsilon Eta has put into raising the standard of grades, two scholarships will be awarded. Preston McCary and I, current scholarship chairs, have selected a recipient we feel had the most impressive academic performance this past year. In addition, a scholarship will be awarded to the pledge who attains the highest GPA. We look forward to another year of school and another opportunity to raise the bar for fraternity academics.

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SAFETY FIRST!

As always, the Risk Reduction Chairman is in charge of the overall safety of the chapter. Whether it be around the





CANDIDATE PROGRAM EXPANDS

As all of you know
pledging is an integral
part of the
fraternity process.

This is where the candidate proves his loyalty to us and the brothers prove that this is a great place for the pledges to be. Over the past years we have lost many of our pledges to low grades. That is always unfortunate because these are candidates who proved themselves but cannot be initiated due to grades. This year after reconstructing the pledge program every pledge that finished his pledge semester made the grades to get into Epsilon Eta, and we initiated every one of them. This year there have been many differences in the pledge semester. Instead of one there are two pledge marshals. This gives Pledge Marshall Seth Bridges and me the ability to work with certain individuals on the history of Sigma Nu, school work and just problems they might be facing on campus. This spring the pledges are also undergoing an etiquette class. If you ever stop by the house you will see eager and respectful pledges that would be more than happy to accommodate alumni.

W.K. Andrews Jr.
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FOUNDER'S DAY ITINERARY

Friday, April 11th

5:30 PM
Alumni/ Active Barbecue

Saturday, April 12th

8:00 AM
Golf at Three Ridges Country Club

3:00 PM
Orange and White Game at Neyland

6:30 PM
Founder's Day Dinner at the Radisson Summit Hill

A MESSAGE FROM THE EMINENT COMMANDER

Yet another successful semester has passed for Sigma Nu. Through the sacrifice and hard work of our brothers EH has been able to take new steps into spheres of the Greek Community that it was not involved with in the past. Participating in philanthropies, such as helping at-risk children at the YWCA, walking in events to raise money for cancer awareness and fibrosis, having our first ever **ΣAE** Boxing Tournament Champion, and volunteering at the Second Harvest Food Bank. This Spring semester, EH will have raised nearly \$2,500 in donations and put in nearly 500 hours of service for the surrounding community. Though EH maybe on probation, this set back has merely strengthened the resolve of its brothers. Where EH was once weak we are now strong. EH has participated in a record number of philanthropies, received awards this year for its Chapter GPA, and walked away with many athletic honors. This semester has done more than strengthen our academic and philanthropic ventures. It has managed to strengthen the very brotherhood that holds us together. It has given the opportunity for brothers to exhibit their loyalty, love, and willingness to sacrifice for the rest of their brothers. This semester has made us better students, better brothers, and better men. The future of EH grows brighter by the day.

Fraternally,
Eric Wachtler
EH 1392



Thank You

