

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### 125th Anniversary Celebration

Friday-Saturday,  
September 27-28

See page 2 for more details!

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- Alumni updates
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## ALUMNI UPDATES

### Stephen L. West '88

(3609 Coventry Ct Greenville, NC 27858; [stephenwestins@earthlink.net](mailto:stephenwestins@earthlink.net)) I live in Greenville, NC now, but miss everything about Chapel Hill which I believe is God's country. Now I take each of my three seven-year-old kids to football games, one at a time. They like the house better than the game.

Find many more updates  
on page 3!

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Albert Lea, MN 56007-8007

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## PSI HOME ASSOCIATION UPDATE

### Enhancing Your Alumni Experience

In Psi's 125th Year, Efforts Underway to Re-Engage Alumni Brothers  
and to Progress Active Chapter

By Bob Lewis '75 (Psi 1106)



I was dumbfounded to learn we have not sent an alumni newsletter in nearly three years—the last one being in 2010! We have been remiss in not telling you what has been happening at Psi Chapter over these past years. There is much to tell, and the vast majority of the news is outstanding. Psi continues to thrive and the chapter continues to grow. Our collegiate membership now totals over sixty young men from all over North Carolina and the USA. The fall 2012 recruitment class included seventeen young men, and many of them have already taken leadership positions and active roles within the chapter.

Over the past two years, spearheaded by the efforts of **Bob James '65 (Psi 932)**, we have grown our fall tailgate series to include each home game during football season. Bob has worked diligently to build an active email distribution list of over 250+ Psi alumni. This effort has produced some fantastic fellowship opportunities for Psi alumni to reconnect at the chapter house and to meet our collegiate brethren and

build new relationships. This coming fall, we will celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Psi Chapter of Sigma Nu. Please see page two of this publication for all the event details. Mark your calendars now!

We continue to make needed improvements to the chapter house each and every year. Our most recent efforts include:

- Sanding and refurbishing the floors in the Henry Clark Chapter Room and the Coxhead Wing
- Installing a stone based hardscape patio in the front of the house
- Landscaping
- Remodeling the kitchen
- Installing the Walk Way of Honor
- Remodeling the basement space into a TV room and computer lounge

By the efforts of Bob James, the Walk Way of Honor began to take shape in spring 2012. You can still purchase a brick to honor yourself, another brother, your pledge class, or to memorialize a deceased brother.

Please send \$150 to me at 404 Greenfern

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## PSI Home Association Update Continued

Court, Burlington, NC 27215 with the information you want inscribed on the brick, if interested. You are limited to three lines of thirteen characters each, including spaces, hyphens, etc. The proceeds of the brick campaign go to reduce our capital projects cost or to reduce debt on the house.

The Psi Home Association's financial status is solid. Though our income is based on the dues from the collegiate chapter, we have been operating at a break-even status or slightly in the black since our return to campus in 2006. Our dues, housing fees and food cost are not the cheapest of the Greek houses, but we are generally in the average range for most. We are still a great bargain when it comes to campus housing or off-campus apartment living. Our total secured debt is just under \$200,000. Interest rates continue to help us in being able to handle the debt. Our long range goal and desire would be to amortize the debt completely and to begin to build an escrow for capital projects and to add to the endowment for the Henry T. Clark Scholarship Fund.

There has been a concerted effort by House Corporation presidents of the IFC fraternities to provide guidance to IFC

fraternities at UNC. Our efforts have paid off, especially in the area of housing safety, fire prevention, sprinkler installation, governance and recruitment. These efforts culminated in a comprehensive review of the Greek system, and recommendations were made to the UNC administration in many areas. Unfortunately, none of the recommendations were adopted. Our relationship with the University has deteriorated, with Greeks being dictated to by the university. Though we have a good director in the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life and Community Involvement, my hopes of a cooperative effort by all IFC houses, sororities and Greek councils to make a profound cultural change in these organizations no longer exist. Because of this situation, it is imperative that Psi alumni provide a constant and diligent mentoring role to the active chapter. Those chapters that have



involved alumni at all levels are the ones who sustain their memberships and thrive in a very volatile campus community. I am personally thankful to have Bob James, **Josh Weeks '74, Mark Cramer '76, Nick Varunok, David Crispin and Michael Crook** as members of the Alumni Advisory Board. These men dedicate their time to making sure Psi Chapter continues within the tenets of Love, Honor and Truth. If any alumni are interested in getting involved as a mentor, please email me at [blewis@naipt.com](mailto:blewis@naipt.com).

## 125<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

*Join us for an eventful weekend at the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Psi Chapter at UNC*

### 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Friday, September 27

Cocktails and Heavy Hors d'oeuvres at the house. Music provided by a local D.J.

### Saturday, September 28

Psi Chapter Tailgate at the Chapter House. Come have Brunch with us before the ECU game. Time TBD prior to the weekend (check our website for updates). Chef Sam will be preparing our traditional BBQ Lunch with all the trimmings. Open Bar. Parking in Sigma Nu Lot on a first come first serve basis.

### Costs

Prior to July 31, 2013  
\$60.00 Individual/\$85.00 Couple

August 1 to September 15, 2013  
\$75.00 Individual/\$100.00 Couple

### Accommodations

The Umstead Hotel (Cary, NC)  
919-447-4000  
Group Code SIGMA0913  
\$245 per Night  
Rate guaranteed till 8-30-2013

The Hampton Inn & Suites (Carrboro)  
919-402-9427  
Group Code – Sigma Nu Reunion  
Rate: \$159.00 per night standard  
\$189.00 per night studio suite  
2 Night Minimum  
Rate guaranteed till 8-23-2013

Hilton Garden Inn  
(Durham, Southpoint Area)  
919-544-6000  
Group Code: Sigma Nu Alumni-125<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary  
Rate: \$129.00 per night  
Rate guaranteed till 8-27-2013

Quality Inn by Choice Hotels  
919-968-3000  
Group Code: Sigma Nu Reunion  
Rate: \$99.00 per night  
2 Night Minimum

## ALUMNI UPDATES

### Seth Brumley '55

(404 Early Dawn, Edmond, OK 73034; sbrumleyjr@earthlink.net) Chapel Hill, Sigma Nu and AFROTC were among the best years of my early life. I married at age 32. We have three daughters - one born in Beirut and two in Rio - and they have given us nine wonderful grandkids.

After 21 years of banking I tried to retire but became bored and went back for three more years. Now I'm trying to see if I can keep from being bored again!

### Joseph A. Adams '57

(4667 Bloomberg Lane Inver Grove Heights, MN 5507; jaadams123@comcast.net) After graduation I moved to California where I taught high school English. Years later, in 1967, I traveled to Europe for a grand tour. There, I met the girl of my dreams and married her in 1968. Today we have four children, two boys and two girls, along with 12 grandchildren. I currently live in Minnesota, where we raised our four children. All but one of them chose universities in other states including North Dakota, Alabama and North Carolina. My daughter Susan has a PhD from Iowa State and teaches at Northern Iowa University.

### Harvey Hamrick '61

(317 Bayberry Dr., Chapel Hill, NC 27517; sport@med.unc.edu) My wife, Ann, and I still live in Chapel Hill where I work half time as a pediatrician with the UNC School of Medicine. We have two children and five grandchildren and we enjoy visiting them in Asheville and Atlanta. We try to stay fit with regular exercise and are thankful that we can still get up and around every day. Seeing brothers of my vintage at the reunion organized by Dave Buxton '62 last May was a lot of fun and brought back many fond memories.



### Rob L. Denny '67

(rldenny2@gmail.com) I am an environmental chemist/project manager serving as an adviser on chemical-pesticide stewardship issues to the FAO-Rome, WHO-Geneva and a number of governments in Asia, Africa and Europe. I am also the recipient of more than 10 environmental awards, including the USA's highest environmental award: the EPA Gold Medal for Environmental Excellence. My food scientist spouse, Rita, and I rotate between our homes near the center of Lithuania's baroque capital of Vilnius and the spa community of Druskininkai.

### Vance Forbes '71

(2208 Sulgrave Dr., Wilson, NC 27896; vance@forbestransfer.com) I sold my family trucking business in 2007 and am working as a consultant with the company that bought me out. I spend my free time at Wrightsville Beach fishing. I also do a lot of duck hunting in Hyde County and play a little golf when the weather is nice.

I married Wortley Herring also from Wilson in 1971, but we never started dating until we were both at UNC. We have two daughters who are married and living in Wilson. They have given us four grandchildren.

### George E. Moore III '73

(958 Quail Run Quay Virginia Beach, VA 23452-6113; george.moore@emchome.com) I will have been in the mortgage business for 40 years in June. I currently work for Tidewater Home Funding as Sr. V.P. in Chesapeake, Va. I have a 21-year-old son attending FIT in NYC.

### John O. Perritt III '78

(2222 Sterling Pl Wilmington, NC28403-6100; joperritt@aol.com) I have been back in Wilmington after living in Jacksonville, Fla. for 16 years. Currently, I am helping to build a Reverse Mortgage Group at Gateway Bank Mortgage. My three children are mostly out of the house, and I have recently

been named Squadron Leader for the USCG Auxiliary Air Group in NC. I also volunteer as the Southeastern NC Federal Aviation Safety Team Lead. In addition, I am still building and flying experimental airplanes for stress relief and trying to stay in touch with my Sigma Nu brothers.

### Rick T. Matthews '99

(2200 17th St NW Apt 213 Washington, DC 20009-6620; matthewsr@hotmail.com) I have received a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry with a focus in Biochemistry from UNC, a Juris Doctorate degree from Campbell University, and a Master's of Law degree in Intellectual Property from The George Washington University School of Law. During law school, I worked as a patent agent prosecuting patents in the mechanical, electrical and biotechnical fields. I also interned at the U.S. Court of Federal Claims for the Judge Susan G. Braden. In addition, I have clerked in the International Trade Commission's Office of Unfair Import Investigation and have lectured on patent law at Duke University's Pratt School of Engineering.

### Ryan Ridenhour '08

(10440 Glenmeade Road, Cornelius, NC 28031; raridenhour@gmail.com) Life continues to go by in a flash. Especially as the majority of my free time lately has been spent skydiving at upwards of 200 MPH! The most memorable moments looking back in college were definitely those spent with my fellow Sigma Nus. Not only were the mixers, formals and road trips fun, but some of my best times came from just hanging around the house in the middle of the day. One tradition I miss, though not sure if the Sigma Nus still do it today was how we would go to Hilton Head for every formal and spend most of the night out on the beach. Always something crazy would end up happening. The relationships, memories and support structures you generate from being a Sigma Nu are second to none, and not a week goes by that I don't wish I could turn back the clock and be back at UNC with everyone.

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What's new with you? Share your news, memories and stories on the enclosed form or online at [www.uncsigmanu.com](http://www.uncsigmanu.com).



## ALUMNI EVENTS

Thank you to the alumni that have attended one or more reunion events in the past two years. We hope you'll make plans to join us for this fall's tailgating—err, we mean football—season, especially for Homecoming on November 9 against Virginia! If you have any reunion event photos like the ones shown here, please upload them at [www.uncsigmanu.com](http://www.uncsigmanu.com) or email [content@affinityconnection.com](mailto:content@affinityconnection.com).

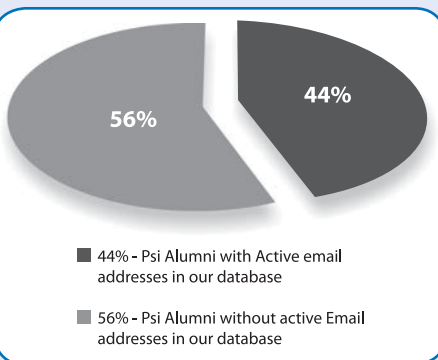


### 2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Thu, Aug 29	@South Carolina
Sat, Sep 07	Middle Tennessee State
Sat, Sep 21	@Georgia Tech
Sat, Sep 28	East Carolina
Sat, Oct 05	@Virginia Tech
Thu, Oct 17	Miami
Sat, Oct 26	Boston College
Sat, Nov 02	@NC State
Sat, Nov 09	Virginia (Homecoming)
Sat, Nov 16	@Pittsburgh
Sat, Nov 23	Old Dominion
Sat, Nov 30	Duke



## EMAIL CRISIS!



### We're Missing Email Addresses for Nearly Half of Our Brothers

You may be missing out on important Psi communications! The Gamma Chapter Alumni Association Board will be periodically sending emails to all alumni as part of our revitalized communications program. Ensure you're receiving your copy of these emails by verifying your email address today!

We currently have active email addresses for just 44% of our living alumni. If your email address is one of the 56% we're missing, please update it on the enclosed form or online at [www.uncsigmanu.com](http://www.uncsigmanu.com).

The more email addresses we have, the more money we can save on paper and postage to keep you in the loop throughout the year. Thanks for helping us to stay connected with you more frequently and cost effectively!

## FROM THE ARCHIVES



In this picture: Sigma Nu brothers in 1974. From Yackety Yack.

We love coming across great old pictures from our chapter's history, and need your help to build up our archives on our new web site! Please share the best pictures from your era with us. You can upload them at [www.uncsigmanu.com](http://www.uncsigmanu.com), or email them to our editors at [content@affinityconnection.com](mailto:content@affinityconnection.com).