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A publication for the alums, actives, and friends of Tennessee Alpha which:

- Informs alumni of interesting news of the Fraternity and their brothers
- Promotes alumni events offering alums opportunities for continued Sigma Phi Epsilon experiences
- Secures alumni support for worthy chapter projects
- Meets the interests and needs of Tennessee Alpha brothers

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NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

TENNESSEE ALPHA ESTABLISHES AN ALUMNI ADVISORY COUNCIL

Most of you received the letters regarding the active chapter situation and the establishment of the Alumni Advisory Council (AAC). To review, here is a brief summary:

The chapter has recently had a series of concerning incidents involving the hazing of new members. These incidents led to a judicial hearing by the University's Office of Student Conduct. The chapter was found guilty of hazing and, thus received sanctions from the University of Tennessee. One of those sanctions was to undergo a full membership review. SigEp Headquarters and your Alumni Association worked with the University of Tennessee to facilitate the review. Thirty-one men were invited to return to re-build Tennessee Alpha. Of those thirty-one men, eighteen have chosen to remain and accept the challenge.

The Fraternity's National Board of Directors has placed the chapter's charter in the hands of the newly formed AAC. The AAC will have oversight responsibilities for the chapter and will mentor the new leadership to provide the best possible chance for success. The AAC will remain in effect for at least two year. The charter will be returned to the chapter once it's ready to govern itself after the two-year period.

Members of the Alumni Advisory Council, appointed by the national board, are:

- **EARL RAINWATER '58**
- **BRYCE GIESLER '78**
- **MIKE HICKEY '76**
- **AARON SNYDER '88**
- **MARK SPARKMAN '92**
- **KELLY WILLIAMS '92**
- **BRAD CLOWER (APSU)**
- **D.J. GARDOW (USF and UT Greek Life employee)**

These brothers have gone above and beyond to help re-build Tennessee Alpha. Additionally, the new leadership appointed by this group is outstanding and will lead the chapter through this situation, as well as help lay the foundation for Tennessee Alpha to be the best student organization on campus.

The AAC has also established a Mentor Committee whereby each chapter officer and committee chairman has an alumni mentor to assist them and provide guidance. If you would like to get involved, please contact the Alumni Association. Alumni involvement and support will be critical as we move forward. ■

IN MEMORIAM

DR. JOSEPH W. HARB, '56 – a longtime Knoxville physician and businessman died October 3, 2015 in Raleigh, North Carolina. He was 80. Born in Knoxville in 1934, Dr. Harb graduated from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in 1956 after attending both Knoxville and Fulton High Schools. At U.T., he was named Torchbearer, President of Omicron Delta Kappa leadership fraternity, Outstanding Senior, and Co-editor of the Volunteer annual. He was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity and cherished his friendships with his brothers. Dr. Harb was fortunate to earn a living doing what he loved. He graduated from the U.T. College of Medicine in Memphis in 1960 and was President of his

graduating class. Prior to completing his residency in internal medicine, he served two years in the United States Air Force in Japan. He then began his medical practice in Knoxville in 1967. He was beloved by his patients, and he loved them as well. Through the years, Dr. Harb served Knoxville's medical community in several capacities. He was President of the Knoxville Academy of Medicine, Chief of Staff of St. Mary's Medical Center, and medical director of the 1982 World's Fair. He retired from private practice in 1985, at which time he became Knoxville's City Physician, and he opened Harb's Oriental Rug Gallery. The son of immigrants, he was proud of his Palestinian heritage. He was also a lifelong member of St. John's

Episcopal Cathedral, where he served as an usher and chapter member. Brother Harb was immensely proud of his three children, one of which, Dr. Bill Harb '92, is a SigEp. His children will remember him for the things he loved: buying and selling antiques, reading the newspaper, eating desserts, and watching sports. He knew almost everything possible about baseball, especially concerning historic Brooklyn Dodgers teams. He also seemed to know people everywhere he went, and was a wonderful friend who shared his time and medical knowledge generously when his friends needed him. Brother Harb served as chapter counselor in the early 1990's and was a member of the Tennessee Alpha Hall of Fame.

BRYCE GIESLER ACCEPTS POSITION AS TN ALPHA CHAPTER COUNSELOR

Brother **BRYCE GIESLER '78** has just moved to Knoxville from Houston with his wife, Victoria, and has wasted no time in getting involved with Tennessee Alpha. SigEp involvement is nothing new for Bryce as he served SigEp diligently while in Houston.



Bryce Giesler (left) and Kelly Williams at the 2011 Conclave

Bryce served the Texas Delta Chapter (University of Houston) as a member of the Alumni Board, serving as Vice President and President. He also served as Chapter Counselor for two years. Even though he lived in Houston, Bryce has been a regular attendee at TN Alpha events over the years and has served on the Alumni Board as well as the Scholarship Foundation.

Nationally, Bryce has been a facilitator at Carlson Leadership Academies and Conclaves. He also started and maintains a SigEp Blog with over 1900 followers. Bryce's involvement garnered him SigEp's Distinguished Alumnus Award in 2013. Bryce is also a member SigEp's Board of Governors and Tennessee Alpha's Hall of Fame.

Brother Giesler has agreed to take over as Chapter Counselor during transition period while the Alumni Advisory Council (AAC) is in place. He replaces **KELLY WILLIAMS '92** who served as Chapter Counselor for nineteen years. Kelly will remain involved with the chapter, serving on the AAC and Mentoring Committee. Kelly also serves as Vice-President of the Alumni Board and Chairman of the Scholarship Foundation.

Thank you Brother Giesler for your service and dedication to SigEp and Tennessee Alpha! ■

FOUNDER'S DAY 2016

APRIL 22-23, 2016

Tennessee Alpha has finalized plans for another first class Alumni Weekend and Founder's Day Celebration on April 22nd and 23rd. The weekend will kick off on Friday with Alumni Golf Tournament beginning at 9:00 am. All proceeds will benefit the Tennessee Alpha SPE Scholarship Foundation. The 27th annual Hall of Fame dinner will be on Friday night and invitations will be mailed to honorees. Saturday morning, the Alumni Brunch will return to the Bistro by the Bijou for an informal, relaxing opportunity to visit and renew old friendships.

Saturday night will be at The Southern Depot again for our reception. A cash bar and heavy hors d'oeuvres will be available. The Southern Depot is owned and operated by the Foundry. This historical venue in downtown Knoxville is perfect for events with an open indoor space and a unique patio and outdoor space. The Southern Depot is a former railway complex located at 306 West Depot Avenue. The complex, which includes a passenger terminal and express depot adjacent to a large rail yard, was built in 1903 by the Southern Railway. For more info on the Southern Depot visit: www.foundonfair.com/sdepot.htm.

More information will follow in the Spring Spiel and be available on the website at www.tnalpha.com. Please call your peers and plan to join us for a great weekend. ■

ALUMNI PLANNING RETREAT 2016

FEBRUARY 19-20, 2016 > TOWNSEND, TN

Out-of-towners as well as local SigEps, spouses, and guests can look forward to an enjoyable gathering for the annual planning retreat at the Tally Ho Inn in Townsend, TN.

The weekend will be a great mix of business and socializing. For those who arrive on Friday night, we will have a relaxing dinner in the cottage with the active chapter officers. Business will be the order of the day on Saturday morning as we review and solicit input regarding events and communications. Chapter housing and the Scholarship Foundation will also be discussed. Active chapter officers will attend the morning session and give an update on chapter operations. Major topics of discussion will be the Alumni Advisory Council and the restructuring of the Alumni Association.

After a morning of work, everyone will break for lunch. Then, after wrapping up a few details, the afternoon will be free for rest and socializing in the cottage. Following a 6:00 pm social hour, the group will enjoy a nice dinner for those who are interested.

Whether you spend the night or just attend the daytime meetings, it's a great opportunity to rendezvous with friend while getting a productive overview of alumni business. Reservations can be made at the Tally Ho Inn by calling 1-800-448-2465. We hope to see you there! ■

TENNESSEE ALPHA RECOGNIZES GIVING LEVELS

In response to alumni feedback from a survey sent out a several years ago, Tennessee Alpha has developed three new giving levels in addition to the original levels established in 1987. Near the top of the list is the Founder's Club, which is for total giving between \$250,000 and \$500,000. The other two levels are the Purple & Red Club for gifts between \$2,500 and \$5,000 and the Volunteer Club for gifts between \$5,000 and \$10,000. The Hall of Fame level remains at \$10,000 to \$25,000, however, several members were "grandfathered" in at the \$2,500 level several years ago.

Tennessee Alpha giving clubs recognize total lifetime giving to Tennessee Alpha through Voluntary Alumni Dues, Scholarship Foundation, and Housing Corporation. Below is a breakdown of all the Tennessee Alpha giving levels and the members of the various clubs.

A big SigEp "thanks" to all who support Tennessee Alpha financially. ■



> DUCAL CROWN CIRCLE

The Ducal Crown Circle identifies Tennessee Alpha's premier cumulative giving club. It recognizes those brothers and friends whose total support to Tennessee Alpha exceeds \$500,000. As the official alumni pin of Sigma Phi Epsilon, the Ducal Crown appropriately identifies this distinguished circle of brothers.

> FOUNDERS CLUB

The Founders Club honors the memory of our founding fathers who started our fraternity in Ryland Hall at Richmond College in 1901. They wanted to establish a fraternity that would be different and would stand out from the other fraternities. Members of the Founder's Club stand out among their brothers with strong total giving exceeding \$250,000.

> 1913 CLUB

The 1913 Club honors the memory of Tennessee Alpha's founding by recognizing those who have added to its solid foundation through gifts and support exceeding \$100,000. Tennessee Alpha, the 45th chapter chartered by Sigma Phi Epsilon, was installed on May 29, 1913.

> SHEBEEN CLUB

The Shebeen Club honors the strong traditions of Tennessee Alpha brotherhood. Ye Olde Shebeen, originally an old carriage house owned by Tennessee Alpha, provided the setting where many lifelong brotherly bonds were developed. Honoring the strong bonds of brotherhood in Tennessee Alpha, the Shebeen Club recognizes those who continue to help build brotherhood bonds with contributions and support exceeding \$50,000.

> PEARL HEART CLUB

The Pearl Heart Club recognizes the official badge of Sigma Phi Epsilon and, for many Tennessee Alpha brothers, their first significant capital

investment in the fraternity – a pearl pin. Following initiation, and as soon as a brother could scrape together the funds, he would order his own pearl heart pin. Then, he would return the pin he so proudly wore – one gladly loaned by the big brother. Saluting this early investment as the beginning of brotherly support, the Pearl Heart Club recognized those whose contributions and support exceeds \$25,000.

> HALL OF FAME

Tennessee Alpha's most widely recognized honor and its first established alumni support recognition award is the Tennessee Alpha Hall of fame. Established in 1982, the Hall of Fame honors those brothers whose level of support to Tennessee Alpha reaches \$10,000.

> VOLUNTEER CLUB

The Volunteer Club recognizes the Tennessee Volunteer spirit that gave our state and university its nickname. In true volunteer fashion, members of this club have shown strong support for Tennessee Alpha with total gifts exceeding \$5,000.

> PURPLE & RED CLUB

The Purple & Red Club honors the colors of our fraternity and are prominent on our coat of arms and our fraternity flag. The colors come from our fraternity flowers the violet and red rose. Members of this club have shown their SigEp colors by supporting Tennessee Alpha with gifts exceeding \$2,500.

> RED DOOR CLUB

The Red Door Club is the introductory level of recognition for those who have established their loyalty to Tennessee Alpha with contributions and support totaling \$1,000. The red doors of Tennessee Alpha's chapter house have long been the hallmark of Tennessee Alpha's hospitality toward returning alums. Thus, the Red Door Club offers a welcome to those establishing their continued support for Tennessee Alpha.

DUCAI CROWN CIRCLE

OVER \$500,000

'56 Jim Clayton

FOUNDERS CLUB \$250,000 - \$500,000

'57 Joe Clayton

'92 Jon Nix

1913 CLUB \$100,000 - \$250,000

 '49 Ed McBride*
'50 Jim King*

 '52 Mark Venrick
'58 Burl Rainwater*

'61 Don Barber

SHEBEEN CLUB \$50,000 - \$100,000

'55 Jim Daniel

'58 Lockwood Marine*

'80 Alan Wilson

PEARL HEART CLUB \$25,000 - \$50,000

 '50 Bill Moore*
'60 Bill Hope, Jr.

 '62 J.C. Tucker
'67 Grover Wilson

 '84 Derrick Herndon
'92 Kelly Williams

HALL OF FAME \$10,000 - \$25,000

 Dick Panther*
Jerry King*
Ron Tosh
'22 Fred Wade*
'25 Pap Qualls*
'33 Tom Harton*
'39 Cayce Pentecost*
'41 Jim Wilbanks, Jr.*
'44 Zeke Stanfield*
'45 Dewey Roark, Jr.

 '46 Raymond Hair*
'47 Marty Wilkerson*
'49 Bob Burgin*
'49 Don MacLeod
'49 Frank Smith, Jr.*
'50 Leo Holloway, Jr.
'50 Virg Huston
'50 Paul Sherbakoff
'53 Tom Frazier*
'54 Tom McCord

 '55 John Pennington*
'55 Jim Wilkerson*
'56 Bud Dougherty*
'56 Dave Evans
'56 Joe Harb
'56 Jacques Tribble*
'56 Bob Ungerecht
'57 Hugh Bell III
'57 Henry Bledsoe*
'57 Allen Elkins

 '57 Bob McBride
'57 Myron Peck IV
'57 Joel Safriet
'58 Walt Anen
'58 Al Ferguson
'58 Gil Gilliland
'58 Earl Rainwater
'58 John Rambo*
'58 Hubert Shuptrine*
'59 Wade Green, Jr.

 '59 Bill Reed
'59 John Stephens
'59 Herb McCartney
'60 Bill Hargrove
'60 David Morgan
'60 Bob Qualls
'60 Harry Tucker
'61 Tom Givens
'62 Maury Horner
'62 Jim Reynolds, Jr.

 '65 Don Baker
'65 Bill Sullivan
'66 Jim Ritts
'66 Andy Stallings
'66 Larry Winters
'67 Lee Peterson, Jr.
'67 Don Tate
'69 Bill Ewing III
'69 Richard Grant
'69 Zeke Schmus

 '70 Tom Carrier
'71 Howard Kaplan
'72 Terry Rigsby
'74 Rick Henderson
'76 Ray Greer
'76 Mike Hickey
'78 Bryce Giesler
'92 Mark Sparkman
'95 Lee Cross
'99 Alan Hice

VOLUNTEER CLUB \$5,000 - \$10,000

'60 Charles Miller

'67 Jim Harding

'67 Joe Luna

'71 Bob Boatright

PURPLE & RED CLUB \$2,500 - \$5,000

 '36 Jim Moon*
'42 Cy Gantt, Jr.*
'44 Norton Myers*
'46 Earl Pippin, Jr.

 '50 George Nader*
'52 Gene Koonce
'55 Steve Cowan*
'60 Earl Kennedy

 '60 Barry Romoser
'61 Ricky Byrn
'63 Jerre Wilson
'65 Marvin Lubin, Jr.

 '67 Bob Hash III
'68 John Bushore
'68 Rob Carroll
'68 Bill Rudder

 '70 Art Wimer III
'70 Gary Roth
'72 Doug Gantt
'81 Mark Darr

 '82 Jeff Adams
'84 Mark Nix
'85 Dan Ricketts
'87 Aaron Snyder

 '88 David Richards
'89 Wade Hutchens
'90 Doug Derrick
'93 Steve Senkus

RED DOOR CLUB \$1,000 - \$2,500

 Jack Dunlap*
Ginger Dougherty
Ilene Rainwater
'30 Fannie Ladd*
'32 Haynes Barnes*
'34 John Armistead*
'38 Carlisle Evans, Jr.*
'40 Ed Jeter*
'40 Nick Nicholson*
'43 Joe Harton
'43 George Taylor
'45 J.E. Brown, Jr.*
'45 Maurice Roach*
'46 Ed Brown*
'46 Bob James*
'49 Jim Hornsby, Jr.
'49 Jack West
'50 Beason Martin, Jr.*
'50 John Reneau

 '51 Howard Prince, Jr.
'52 Carl Walker
'53 Nobal King, Jr.
'54 Ted Lundy
'54 Ezra McConnell, Jr.
'54 Jerry Palmer
'54 Walt Seaman
'55 Dave Cottrell
'55 Gordon Goodgame
'55 Jerry McDonald
'55 Ernie Rochat
'56 Ray Chumley
'56 Jim Marine
'56 Pat Reavis, Jr.*
'56 Bill Williams
'57 Bob Chambers
'57 Jerry McCracken
'58 Charlie Deck
'58 Garrett Kivett, Jr.

 '58 Rick Scoble
'58 Bob Seaman
'59 John Bralliar
'59 Jim Edwards III
'59 Jim Fox
'59 Jim Schultz
'59 Ed Smith
'59 Ray Williams
'59 Jim Young
'60 John Tucker
'61 Gene Stephens
'61 Don Dowden
'61 Sam Qualls
'61 Ronald Sienknecht
'62 Joe Lindsay III
'62 Larry Palmer
'62 Tom Bralliar
'64 David Amonette
'64 Dick Beaver

 '64 Ken Ethridge
'64 William Tyler, Jr.
'65 Joel Clifton
'65 Harry Ford
'65 Carl Liggett
'65 Richard Lowe
'65 Bruce McBratney
'65 Dan McGaughey
'68 Jim Cumby
'68 Jim Moody
'68 Bill Moore, Jr.
'68 Richard Purdy*
'69 Dick Basler
'69 Sam Bass*
'69 Tony Cooke
'69 Mike Woody
'70 Terry Gower
'71 Lew Epperson, Jr.
'71 Don Gilliam

 '71 Frank Kowalski
'71 Roger Lang
'71 Nelson Rice
'71 Mike Shankman
'72 Gary Bryde
'72 Jess Davis
'72 Paul Davis
'72 Rick Davis, Jr.
'72 Tony Kelly, Jr.*
'72 Maurice Guinn
'72 Mike Maxey
'73 Rae Cronmiller
'73 John Reed III
'73 Leonard Sitar
'73 John Thomas
'73 Tom Tidwell, Jr.
'74 Frank Hamman
'74 Kent Roller
'75 Craig Diller

 '75 Randy Goodman
'75 Art Zucker
'77 Chris Cashion
'77 Doub Thomson
'79 Steve Tallman
'79 Randall Woodcock
'80 Terry Condon
'80 Frank Shope
'81 Mark Colquitt
'81 Craig Wilks
'82 Alan Owen
'83 Tom Carpenter
'83 John Moisson, Jr.
'83 Mark Weiler
'85 Will Terrell
'86 Burt Chandler
'87 Jeff Brewer
'87 Paul Hager
'88 Neal Hyde

 '89 Leonard Carroll
'90 Bob Leonard
'91 Kerry Byler
'92 James Bell
'93 Robert Pardue
'95 Brandon Smith
'97 Derek Schoonover
'98 Ben Rogers
'99 Aaron Hice
'99 Kyle Hungate
'02 Aaron Barbe
'03 Chris Najpaver
'03 Brian Winbiger
'05 Matt VanCleve
'06 Matt Bobrowski
'06 Jeremy Shannon
'06 Rob Wilson

* Deceased

GRAND CHAPTER CONCLAVE

AUGUST 12-16, 2015 > NASHVILLE, TN > GAYLORD OPRYLAND HOTEL

Tennessee Alpha SigEps attended the 2015 Grand Chapter Conclave at the Gaylord Opryland in Nashville, Tennessee. They were joined by over 1,600 SigEps and guests from across the country for a week of legislation, education, and celebration. Among the alumni in attendance were Tennessee Alpha's **BRYCE GIESLER '78**, **ALAN WILSON '80**, **FRANK SHOPE '80**, **TOM FORRESTER '81**, **KELLY WILLIAMS '92**, and **ROBBY BILLINGS '15**. The highlight of the event for Tennessee Alpha was our own **ALAN WILSON** receiving the Sigma Phi Epsilon Citation. The Citation award is given to a small number of alumni who have excelled in their careers. Alan is the eighth Tennessee Alpha alumnus to be honored. Others include:

EVERETT "PAP" QUALLS - 1925 - Awarded in 1965
Director, Interstate Commerce Commission

JAMES CRABTREE - 1921 - Awarded in 1965
Dean, University of Pennsylvania

WILLIAM JONES - 1931 - Awarded in 1967
President, Southern Greyhound Bus Lines

ROBERT HAMPTON - 1948 - Awarded in 1975
Chairman, U.S. Civil Service Commission

BOB BURGIN - 1949 - Awarded in 1983
Chairman, Leaseway Transportation Corporation

HUBERT SHUPTRINE - 1955 - Awarded in 1983
Nationally Renowned Artist

JIM CLAYTON - 1956 - Awarded in 1987
Founder and Chairman, Clayton Homes

In addition to Alan's award, **BRYCE GIESLER** received the Larkin Bailey, Babe Fry Loyalty Cup for attending his 15th Conclave. The Clayton- Doud Award was also presented. It was quite a Conclave for Tennessee Alpha. We hope to see many more of you at Conclave in 2017! ■



Alan Wilson receives his Citation Award from past Grand President Ed Hammond



Alan poses with his award along with the other Citation Recipients



Alan addresses the crowd at Conclave



Alan and Wendy Wilson enjoying a SigEp event at the Country Music Hall of Fame



Jonathan Wharton presents the Clayton-Doud Award at Conclave



The stage at the opening ceremony



Tennessee State Senator and SigEp Randy McNally presents a proclamation from the State Legislature



The stage is set for the Brotherhood Luncheon



Citation Recipient Alan Wilson pauses with TN Alpha undergraduates



Max Fowler and Zach Knight receive the Clayton-Doud Award from Jay Hurt (left) and Jonathan Wharton (right)



The Ballroom is ready for over 1600 SigEps and guests



Robby Billings (left) with Ronni Stockton and Kelly Williams



Newly elected Grand President, Rick Bennett addresses the crowd



The winning team at the Conclave Golf Tournament. (from left) Grant Buttram, Mike Williams, Rod Smartt, and Kelly Williams. Lee Steward from HQ presents the awards



Tennessee Alpha brothers and guests gather in a hotel suite



Bryce Giesler celebrates receiving the Larkin Bailey, Babe Fly Loyalty Cup with Victoria Hawkins



The Grand Ole Opry was the venue for the opening ceremony



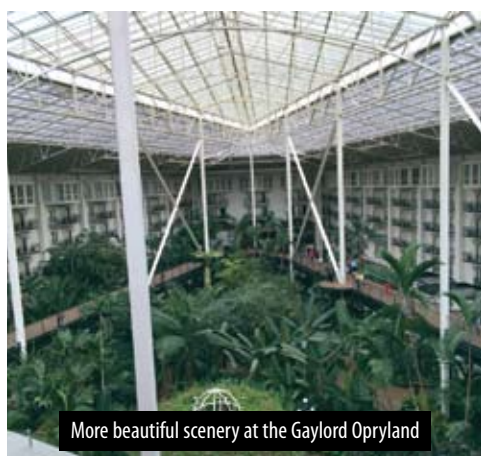
The stage at the Grand Ole Opry



Clayton-Doud Award winners Max Fowler and Zach Knight pause for a photo with their South Carolina Alpha brothers



At the Country Music Hall of Fame (from left) Tom & Cindy Forrester, Frank & Robin Shope, and Alan & Wendy Wilson



More beautiful scenery at the Gaylord Opryland



Past Grand President, Steve Shanklin (left) pauses with Tennessee Alpha actives Jacob Nagy, Jack Finnegan, and Colin Roberson.



Brothers! (from left) Tom Forrester, Frank Shope, and Alan Wilson

CAREER CENTER DEDICATION

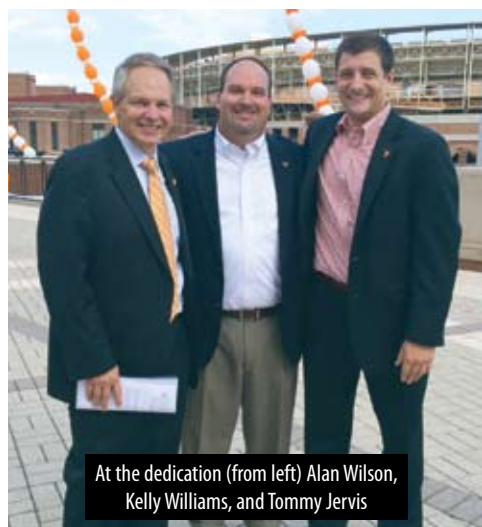
SEPTEMBER 11, 2015 > UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE CAMPUS

On a beautiful Friday afternoon, The University of Tennessee dedicated the first phase of the new Student Union. Among the speakers for the event were SigEp's own **ALAN WILSON '80**. Brother Wilson was asked to speak because he and his wife, Wendy, endowed the new Career Development Center on the top floor. This state of the art facility is unmatched and will help bring the very best companies to UT to recruit students. The facility will also help attract the best students to Tennessee.

Following the dedication, a special celebration dinner in Alan and Wendy's honor was hosted by Chancellor Jimmy Cheek at Cherokee Country Club. The gathering was composed of Alan and Wendy's family, UT officials, and, of course, some SigEps. After dinner, Chancellor Cheek and Vice-Chancellor for Development and Alumni Affairs, Scott Rabenold, presented Alan and Wendy a commemorative plaque. It was a wonderful evening and a fitting tribute to Alan and Wendy who have done so much for The University of Tennessee. Thanks Brother Wilson for your dedication and loyalty to UT and SigEp! ■



Alan and Wendy Wilson receive a commemorative plaque from Chancellor Jimmy Cheek (right) and Vice Chancellor for Development and Alumni Affairs, Scott Rabenold.



At the dedication (from left) Alan Wilson, Kelly Williams, and Tommy Jervis



Accompanying Alan on the company jet (from left) Summer Foust, Whit & Carla Dulin, and Andrew Foust



At Cherokee Country Club (from left) Wendy & Alan Wilson, Robin & Frank Shope, Kelly Williams and Ronni Stockton



The dedication plaque in the Career Development Center

FALL GATHERING

OCTOBER 9, 2015 > CALHOUN'S AT TURKEY CREEK

Alumni and actives, along with spouses and guests, gathered at Calhoun's (Turkey Creek) on Friday night before the Georgia game to enjoy some SigEp brotherhood. The tradition started in 2007 when we gathered at the Bridgeview Grill. Since then, we have gathered on Friday night before the Alabama and Georgia home games. This informal gathering gives attendees the opportunity to spend time with their brothers in a relaxed atmosphere. On Saturday, a large group gathered in Fraternity Park in front of the chapter house for tailgating and more brotherhood. Make plans to join us next year for another great weekend as Butch Jones rebuilds our football program. Go Vols! ■



Tailgating (from left) Susan & Burt Chandler, Wade Hutchens & son Reece, and Kelly Williams.



Evan Pardue visits with his son, Dawson



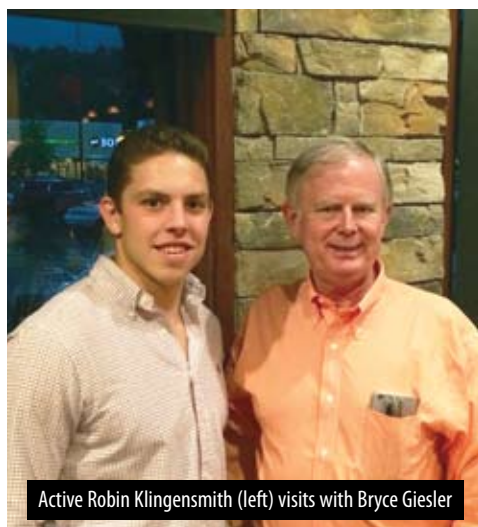
Don Barber (left) visits with J.C. Tucker



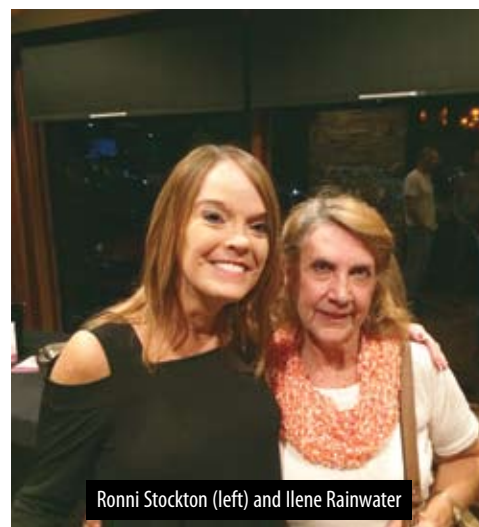
Bill Rudder (left) visits with Don Tate



Lee Cross (left) and Kelly Williams



Active Robin Klingensmith (left) visits with Bryce Giesler



Ronni Stockton (left) and Ilene Rainwater



Tom and Heidi Hodges attend with their children



(From left) Wade Hutchens, Josh Black, Mike Wyrosdick and son Marvin



Active Caden Smith (right) visits with Bob Boatright



TN Alpha actives (from left) Grant Lisle, Robin Klingensmith, and Cole Harris



Terry Gower (left) welcomes new initiate Carson East



Ray Greer (center) shares some stories with Joe Chirico (left) and Caden Smith



Sarah Rudder (left) visits with Helen and Don Tate



(From left) Bryce Giesler, Wade Hutchens, and Scott Gentile



Alan and Shauna Hice with their new baby boy



Tom and Julie Carpenter

VOLUNTARY ALUMNI DUES

2015 FINANCIAL REPORT

THROUGH NOVEMBER 2015

Tennessee Alpha's alumni program and SPIEL publication are made possible through the generous support of alums and friends like you. Each year SigEp alums are requested to voluntarily contribute to the Tennessee Alpha Alumni Association through the Voluntary Alumni Dues (VAD) program

Items financed by the VAD include:

- Publishing the SPIEL
- Alumni events
- Maintaining address files
- Alumni promotions
- Supplies and postage
- Chapter archives and photos



Over each of the past eighteen years, more than 400 alums consistently responded to this request with the largest number (448) contributing in 2001. In 2014, a total of 384 alums responded. Although Tennessee Alpha alums consistently reach a forty percent and higher response to the voluntary dues request, the Alumni Association has long held a response goal of fifty percent. Serving as the VAD Chairs for 2015 are **BRIAN SHUGART '94** and **AARON SNYDER '87**.

Tennessee Alpha's current mailing list includes over fourteen hundred alums. An estimated 50-100 alumni addresses are believed to be parents' or business addresses, which may or may not mean their mail is actually received. You can help in our effort to keep our alumni database current by keeping your information up-to-date and by locating "lost" brothers. Please submit address changes to the Alumni Association Secretary, **ROB CARROLL '68**.

Voluntary Alumni Dues Honor Roll recognizes annual support. Contributing alumni are recognized year-to-date in each SPIEL through the Honor Roll, which recognizes all contributions. Forty dollars (\$40) is the suggested amount. However, any contribution is appreciated. Checks may be payable to: SPE Alumni, or you may pay online.

A special thanks is extended to those alums who have made the SPIEL and other alumni activities possible and continue to prove that Sigma Phi Epsilon is a "lifetime experience." ■

INCOME

Dues Received	\$ 15,940.00
Additional Dues Needed	8,060.00
Total Income	\$ 24,000.00

EXPENSES PAID

Postage/Mailing.....	\$ 1,1678.12
Administrative	955.10
Supplies.....	1,338.02
Spring SPIEL	2,878.23
Summer SPIEL	2,919.89
Planning Retreat.....	1,459.69
Total Paid	\$ 11,229.05

EXPENSES BUDGETED

Postage/Mailing.....	\$ 4,269.94
Administrative	2,201.01
Supplies.....	2,000.00
Fall Gathering	1,100.00
Fall SPIEL	3,200.00

TOTAL EXPENSES.....\$24,000.00

■ *Fraternally, Alan Hice, Treasurer Knoxville, TN*



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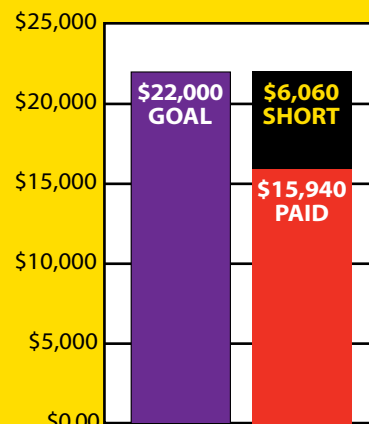
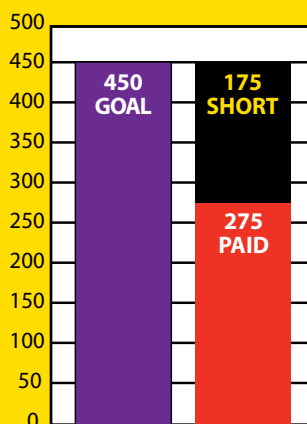
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- ① **450 PARTICIPATING ALUMNI**
- ② **\$25,000 IN DUES RECEIVED**

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Richard Burris
Ginger Dougherty
Maggie McCloud
Todd McElhatton
Ilene Rainwater

1940s

'49 Don MacLeod
'49 Jim Hornsby, Jr.

1950s

'50 Leo Holloway, Jr.
'50 Virg Huston
'50 Odell Leinart
'51 Howard Prince, Jr.
'52 James Martin
'52 Mark Venrick
'52 Carl Walker
'53 Nobal King, Jr.
'53 Wayne Smith
'54 Gene Koonce
'54 Tom McCord
'54 Jerry Palmer
'54 Ed Thompson
'54 Jack Thornton, Jr.
'55 David Cottrell
'55 Jim Daniel
'55 Gordon Goodgame
'55 Glenn Horner Jr
'55 Ernie Rochat
'56 Donald Baker
'56 Ray Chumley, Jr.
'56 Dave Evans
'56 Bill Knight
'56 Jim Marine
'57 Bob Chambers
'57 Joe Clayton
'57 Allen Elkins
'57 Bob McBride*
'57 Jerry McCracken
'57 Myron Peck
'58 Walter Anen
'58 Charlie Deck
'58 Sid Gilbreath, II
'58 Gil Gilliland
'58 Garrett Kivett, Jr.
'58 Bill Medlin
'58 Earl Rainwater

'58 Rick Scoble
'59 John Bralliar
'59 Jim Fox
'59 Wade Green, Jr.
'59 Herb McCartney
'59 Bill Reed
'59 Ed Smith
'59 John Stephens

1960s

'60 Al Grobmyer, III
'60 Bill Hargrove
'60 Bill Hope, Jr.
'60 Roger Hurley
'60 Earl Kennedy
'60 Charlie Miller
'60 David Morgan
'60 Bob Qualls
'60 Barry Romoser
'60 Harry Tucker
'61 Don Barber
'61 Ricky Byrn
'61 John Daves
'61 Tom Jackson
'61 Allen James
'61 Sam Qualls
'61 Ron Sienknecht
'61 Gene Stephens, Jr.
'62 Maury Horner
'62 Bill Jennings
'62 Joseph Lindsay
'62 Jim Reynolds, Jr.
'62 J.C. Tucker
'63 Jerre Wilson
'64 David Amonette
'64 Ken Ethridge
'64 Jim Falco
'64 Ron Roberts
'64 Bill Tyler, Jr.
'65 Bill Allen
'65 Joel Clifton
'65 Gary Dowdy
'65 Harry Ford
'65 Carl Liggett
'65 Richard Lowe
'65 Marvin Lubin, Jr.
'65 Bruce McBratney
'65 Dan McGaughey
'65 John Miller

'65 John Roisum
'65 Audy Sisk
'65 Bill Sullivan
'66 Lee Dodds
'66 Dick Lillie
'66 Bob Moon, II
'67 Ed Craig, IV
'67 Jim Harding
'67 Bob Hash, III
'67 Joe Luna
'67 Lee Peterson
'67 Don Tate
'67 Grover Wilson
'68 John Bushore
'68 Rob Carroll
'68 Ray Cline, Jr.
'68 Jim Cumby
'68 Bob Littleton
'68 Jim Moody
'68 Bill Moore, Jr.
'68 Bill Rudder
'69 James Baird
'69 Ken Hendrix
'69 Steve Herron
'69 Zeke Schmus
'69 Mike Woody

1970s

'70 Terry Gower
'70 Gary Roth
'70 Frank Shepard
'70 John White
'70 Art Wimer, III
'71 Bob Boatright
'71 Gil Cothran, Jr.
'71 Don Gilliam
'71 Howard Kaplan
'71 Roger Lang
'71 Jim Mayfield
'71 Thomas O'Donnell
'71 Steve Rogers, III
'71 James Taylor
'71 Joe Treanor
'72 Gary Bryde
'72 Paul Davis
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'72 Maurice Guinn
'72 Mike Maxey

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'73 Rae Cronmiller
'73 John Reed, III
'73 Terry Roller
'73 Leonard Sitar
'74 Rick Henderson
'74 Kent Roller
'75 Craig Diller
'75 Randall Goodman
'75 Joe Scattergood, Jr
'76 Steve Alexander
'76 Ray Greer
'76 Mike Hickey
'76 Ed Mitchell
'77 Peter Pate
'77 Doug Thomson
'78 Bill Cutts
'78 Bryce Giesler
'78 Fred Hurt
'78 Sammy Goldstein
'79 Steve Tallman

1980s

'80 Donny Brock
'80 Terry Condon
'80 Frank Shope
'80 Alan Wilson
'81 Craig Wilks
'82 Jeff Adams
'82 Jeff Lewis
'83 Bob Burgess
'83 Tom Carpenter
'83 Ken Dunavant
'83 Mike Hays
'83 Don Irwin
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'83 John Moisson, Jr.
'83 Mark Weiler
'84 Rick Bukeavich
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'84 Mark Nix
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'85 Kevin Carney
'85 Bill Fitzgerald
'85 Marc Rowland
'85 Randy Snipes

'85 Will Terrell
'85 Chris Woodlee
'86 Tom Chaloux
'86 Burt Chandler
'86 Mark Herndon
'86 Mike Kennedy
'87 Tim Cokkinias
'87 Rusty Woy, Jr.
'88 Mike Calleja
'88 Jeff Coughlin
'88 Shane Hite
'88 Neal Hyde
'88 David Merritt
'89 Chuck Atchley, Jr.
'89 Leonard Carroll
'89 Robert Cathey
'89 Richard Preservati
'89 Chris Schechter
'89 Jay Wilson
'89 Derry Young

1990s

'90 Bill Asp
'90 Jimmy Barker
'90 Ben Brooks
'90 Billy Campbell
'90 George DeGrella
'90 Douglas Derrick
'90 Andy Holmes
'90 Bob Leonard
'90 Mike Patterson
'90 Tony Ward
'90 Brian Windham
'91 Scott Harness
'91 Jason Regnier
'92 James Bell
'92 J.J. Hoynacki, II
'92 Ed Reisinger
'92 Mark Sparkman
'92 Kelly Williams
'92 Greg Windham
'93 Karl Berling
'93 Jeremy Biggs
'93 Chris Bollinger
'93 Chris Slover
'93 Kerry Wigginton
'94 Chad Doyle
'94 Patrick Droke
'94 Johnny Hatfield

'94 Brian Shugart
'95 Danny Howe
'95 Simon Kasiewicz
'96 Lans Slack
'96 J.C. Warnick
'97 David Corley
'97 Todd Garten
'97 Keith Hare
'98 Clay Chapman
'98 Whit Lee
'98 Michael McDaniel
'98 Steve Noland
'98 Ben Rogers
'99 Aaron Hice
'99 Alan Hice
'99 Jonathan Schmitt
'99 Leland Smith

2000s

'00 Michael Bowman
'01 Brad Adams
'02 Aaron Barbe
'03 Chris Najpaver
'03 Burke Hanson
'04 Eric Bibb
'04 John Noblin
'05 Glennon Andrews
'05 Whit Dulin
'05 Matt VanCleve
'06 Jeremy Shannon
'06 Kevin York
'07 Bruce Jones
'07 Stuart Saylor
'07 Tom Whitworth
'08 Jonathan Burlison
'08 David Pemberton

2010s

'10 Matt Dakin
'10 Graham Goodman
'10 Will Podesta
'11 Blake Dorsett
'12 Erik Heider
'13 Matthew Yatsula

SIGMA PHI EPSILON AND TENNESSEE ALPHA ADOPT THE BALANCED MAN PROGRAM

The undergraduate delegates at Sigma Phi Epsilon's 54th Grand Chapter Conclave in Nashville voted unanimously to replace pledging at all chapters with the Balanced Man Program. The legislation requires all chapters, who have not already adopted the program, to do so by the end of the 2015-2016 school year. At the time of the vote, only 13 of the 228 chapters had not already adopted the program.

The Balanced Man Program has continued to gain popularity since its inception more than two decades ago.

Over the past two decades, many national fraternities have followed in SigEp's footsteps by adopting non-pledging development models at the national level. However, SigEp remains alone in making the decision through an undergraduate vote, rather than a top-down mandate.

The vote followed a recent undergraduate-led effort to align the Fraternity behind the Balanced Man Program. Over the summer, a coalition of undergraduate brothers from South Carolina, Ohio State, Georgia, South Florida, Drexel, Montana State, Oklahoma State and Nebraska convened to draft the resolution. By the time the resolution reached the floor, 140 chapters had already voiced support. The resolution also received the support of each of SigEp's district governors.

Sigma Phi Epsilon's CEO, **BRIAN WARREN**, said the decision to universally adopt the BMP comes at a critical time in SigEp's history.

"Negative reports of fraternity dominated the spring news feeds," Warren said in a recent Fraternity report. "In the first four months of



TENNESSEE ALPHA AAC MEMBERS ATTEND A GREEK ALUMNI RECEPTION AT UT
(from left): D.J. Gardow, Bryce Giesler, Kelly Williams, Ronni Stockton, Paula Sparkman, Mark Sparkman

2015, almost 8,000 articles were published about alcohol and sexual assault on college campuses. Meanwhile, communities in higher education were consumed by conversations about sexual assault prevention, racial and ethnic diversity on campus, and the overall value of Greek life."

Warren said while fraternities have become easy targets for sensationalist headlines, SigEp is committed to providing meaningful and lasting solutions for their campus partners. "Our recent efforts and future priorities intend

to fill voids felt by students, faculty and administrators, and offer a more complete collegiate experience," he said.

Over the past two years, SigEp's Grand President, **PHILLIP A. COX, INDIANA '84**, has emphasized the importance of SigEp's commitment to the Balanced Man Program. At Conclave this week, he reminded brothers of the program's impact over the past two decades.

"A 1993 Conclave vote introduced the Balanced Man Program as the new development model for SigEp chapters. Eleven Conclaves and 22 years later, it has become a benchmark for our peers and the expectation of our campus partners," Cox said.

"Today, 90 percent of the college experience takes place outside the walls of a classroom, and the Balanced Man Program provides the structure, support and guidance that students need to excel in college and beyond."

Tennessee Alpha wasted no time in getting on board with the mandate and the chapter unanimously voted to adopt the Balanced Man Program during the fall semester. Vice President of Development, **CADE SMITH '18**, has already finalized the new development program. The Balanced Man Program is based on a continuous four-year development model which addresses the needs of the members as they mature through their college careers. The chapter will formally begin the new model in the spring semester.

One of the big advantages of the program is the opportunity for increased alumni involvement and mentoring. If you would like to be involved and learn more about this exciting new program, please contact Chapter Counselor, **BRUCE GIESLER** at bryce.giesler@gmail.com or (713) 553-0328. There will also be more information provided on mentoring opportunities and the Balanced Man Program at the Alumni Planning Retreat in February in Townsend. ■

»» NEW OFFICERS ««

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(From left) Kyle and Jessica Hungate with daughter Gwyn, and Jennifer and Brian Winbigler with sons Wyatt and Max



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UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE 2015-16 BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

11/13/15	UNC ASHEVILLE	KNOXVILLE	W 82-78
11/16/15	AT GEORGIA TECH	ATLANTA, GA	L 67-69
11/19/15	MARSHALL	KNOXVILLE	W 84-74

BARCLAYS CENTER CLASSIC

11/22/15	GARDNER-WEBB	KNOXVILLE	W 89-64
11/24/15	ARMY WEST POINT	KNOXVILLE	W 95-80
11/27/15	GEORGE WASHINGTON	BROOKLYN, NY	L 70-73
11/28/15	NEBRASKA	BROOKLYN, NY	L 71-82
12/12/15	AT BUTLER	INDIANAPOLIS, IN	L 86-94
12/16/15	FLORIDA ATLANTIC	KNOXVILLE	7:00 PM ET

BATTLE IN SEATTLE

12/19/15	GONZAGA	SEATTLE, WA	11:00 PM ET
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12/22/15	ETSU	KNOXVILLE	TBA
12/29/15	TENNESSEE STATE	KNOXVILLE	7:00 PM ET
01/02/16	AT AUBURN	AUBURN, AL	2:00 PM ET
01/06/16	FLORIDA	KNOXVILLE	7:00 PM ET
01/09/16	TEXAS A&M	KNOXVILLE	1:00 PM ET
01/13/16	AT GEORGIA	ATHENS, GA.	7:00 PM ET
01/16/16	AT MISSISSIPPI STATE	STARKVILLE, MS	3:30 PM ET
01/20/16	VANDERBILT	KNOXVILLE	9:00 PM ET
01/23/16	SOUTH CAROLINA	KNOXVILLE	12:00 PM ET
01/26/16	AT ALABAMA	TUSCALOOSA, AL	9:00 PM ET

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01/30/16	AT TCU	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	2:00 PM ET
02/02/16	KENTUCKY	KNOXVILLE	7:00 PM ET
02/06/16	AT ARKANSAS	FAYETTEVILLE, AR	8:00 PM ET
02/09/16	AUBURN	KNOXVILLE	7:00 PM ET
02/13/16	AT MISSOURI	COLUMBIA, MO	3:00 PM ET
02/18/16	AT KENTUCKY	LEXINGTON, KY	7:00 PM ET
02/20/16	LSU	KNOXVILLE	5:30 PM ET
02/24/16	AT SOUTH CAROLINA	COLUMBIA, SC	9:00 PM ET
02/27/16	ARKANSAS	KNOXVILLE	7:30 PM ET
03/01/16	AT VANDERBILT	NASHVILLE, TN	7:00 PM ET
03/05/16	OLE MISS	KNOXVILLE	12:00 PM ET

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