

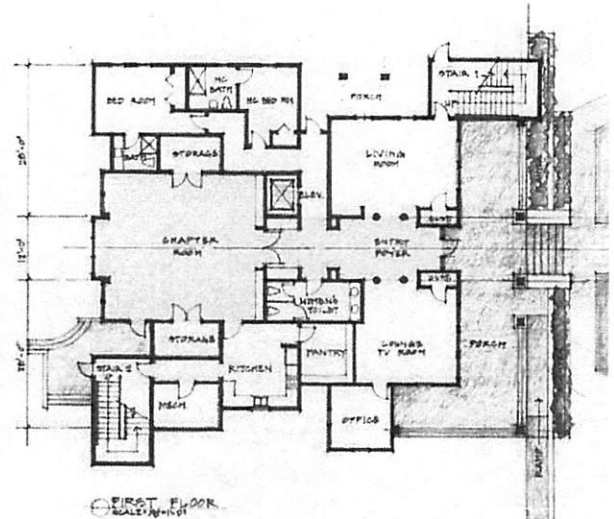
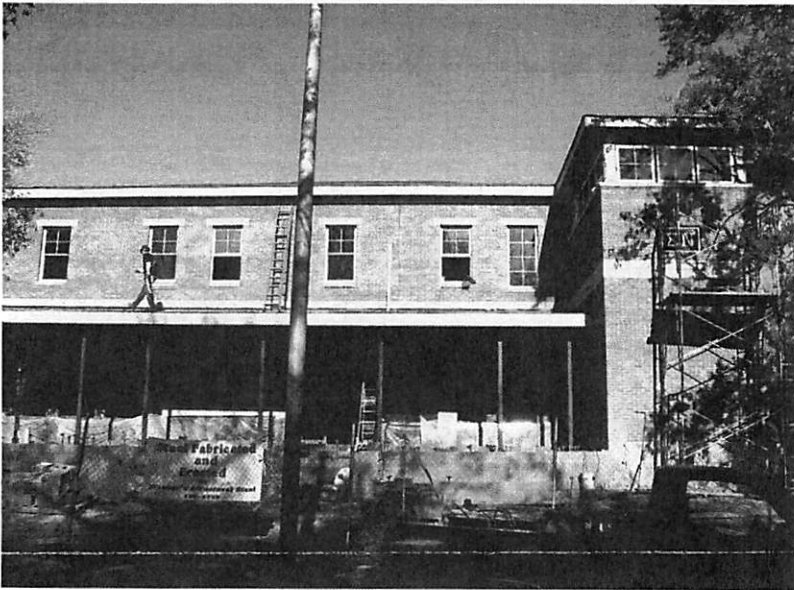
# SIGMA NEWS



THE NEWSLETTER FOR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF THE EPSILON ETA CHAPTER

OF SIGMA NU AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE - DECEMBER 2009

## NEW SIGMA NU HOUSE IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION



*The layout of the spacious first floor in the new Sigma Nu House*

Construction continues, and the new Sigma Nu House will open in January.

Commenting on the construction progress, National Campaign Co-Chairman **Bruce Wiley, EH 953** said, "The house looks very impressive. This baby is going to look huge from the front sidewalk. It is going to tower over the Ping Pong house and rival the Pike Rats' new abode."

The new two-story, Sigma Nu House will sleep 18 men within 8,620 square feet full of ample living, learning, meeting and eating space including a chapter room, living room, TV room, chapter office, full service kitchen and elevator. Top of the line, the new house will meet and exceed

all required safety codes with proper fire escapes, fire sprinklers, kitchen facilities, heating and air conditioning, and plumbing facilities. An ADA accessible first floor suite will be just one of the features in the new, ADA-compliant facility.

The new house will also recognize all donors to the campaign that made it possible. For a complete listing of these donors, see page 3.

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To view more pictures of the house construction progress, visit <http://newsigmanu.shutterfly.com>.

## Save the Date

The 89th Annual Founder's Day Weekend will be April 16-18, 2010.

More details will follow at the beginning of the New Year.



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## Third Highest GPA

The Epsilon Eta Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity finished the 2009 Spring Semester with the third highest fraternity GPA at the University of Tennessee. The fraternity finished with a 3.11 GPA for the semester.



*Austin Prince, EH 1457, Mitch McDonald, EH 1485, Anderson Skaggs, EH 1434 and Daniel Alexander, EH 1463 volunteering with Camp Koinonia.*



*Brothers and dates traveled to the Braves game in Atlanta in May for a brotherhood event.*

*Right: Andrew Curtin, EH1496, Zach Stewart, EH 1465 and Jon Merideth, EH1498 pose during a Thursday night rush event at the Square Room in Downtown Knoxville. The "Hillbillie Bastards" provided the entertainment that night for future candidates of Sigma Nu.*



*Jon Meredith, EH 1498, John Mahlman, EH 1510 and Mason McGlamery, EH 1505 pose before heading off to a UT game.*



*Brother Jon Merideth, EH 1498 with Chancellor Jimmy Cheek in the Skybox during a home football game*



## New House Finances

as of 11/15/09

### Costs:

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| Demolition of Old House.....                        | \$30,000           |
| Surveys, Testing, etc.....                          | \$30,000           |
| Architects & Engineers.....                         | \$120,000          |
| Construction .....                                  | \$1,535,000        |
| Furniture & Equipment.....                          | \$160,000          |
| Fundraising, Alumni Relations & Administration..... | \$225,000          |
| Temporary Financing Cost.....                       | \$50,000           |
| <b>Total Costs.....</b>                             | <b>\$2,150,000</b> |

To be Paid from the following funding sources:

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| State of Tennessee/<br>UT Bond Financing.....                       | \$1,100,000        |
| Alumni Contributions<br>Collected to Date.....                      | \$454,000          |
| Alumni Contributions Pledged<br>to be Collected in the Future ..... | \$469,000          |
| <b>Total Funding Sources .....</b>                                  | <b>\$2,023,000</b> |

**Funding Deficit .....** \$127,000

This deficit will be reduced from additional alumni contributions. Any deficit will impact the furniture and equipment budget for the house.

# Contributors Building the New House



Sigma Nu owes a debt of gratitude to the following men who pledged their support to build the new Sigma Nu House. As of November 15, 2009, the following men made a financial commitment and will be recognized on the Wall of Honor once the house is complete. To add your name to this list of distinguished brothers, complete and return the enclosed pledge envelope or make a gift at [sigmanuutk.com](http://sigmanuutk.com).

## Anonymous

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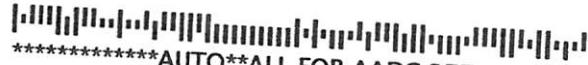
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## Brother to Brother

**Tad Zelski, EH 731** and his wife, Martha Anne, are proud to announce the birth of their fifth grandchild, Owen Taylor Zelski. He was born in Atlanta on May 14, 2009. His father and mother are both UT grads, but his son, David, strayed and was a "black foot".. ATO. Tad writes, "We have higher expectations for young Owen."

**Tyler Kendall Smith, EH 931** wrote, "The video of the house demolition was awesome. Somehow reminds me of us trying to do the same thing manually around 1975. Seriously, was sad to see it go, like saying good-bye to an old friend. Good luck with your new house. I hope it gives you the same good memories a lot of us have of the old one."

**Bruce Charles Wiley, EH 953**, posted the following message on the website: "I stopped by 1824 Fraternity Park Drive today on my way home

to High Point. The house looks very impressive. The first floor walls, floor and support steel are all in place as well as the stairwells and second floor prefab concrete. This baby is going to look huge from the front sidewalk. It is going to tower over the Ping Pong house and rival the Pike Rats' new abode. I cannot wait. The progress is amazing. Hi Ricketty!!!

In June, **Robert M. Drexler, EH 1166**, passed along an e-mail he received from Lynda Ragsdale, wife of **Ty Ragsdale, EH 1130**. Lynda wrote:



[www.sigmanuutk.com](http://www.sigmanuutk.com)

"Please keep Ty in your prayers. I have a website set up for him at [CaringBridge.org](http://CaringBridge.org) under "tyragsdale". The website tells his story and has a journal with updates that I have posted. Feel free to share this with Sigma Nu. Basically, he came down with Guillain Barre Syndrome on April 6, 2009. The paralysis progressed up his body, and he had to be placed on a ventilator on Easter Sunday, April 12. He was put on a feeding tube as well. He has been unable to move anything below his shoulders since then. He started showing signs of improvement a couple of weeks ago. He is now in the process of weaning off the ventilator. The doctors think it may be a year before he is fully recovered."

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