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## HOMECOMING BRINGS TROPHIES TO CHAPTER

Homecoming was a special time indeed for the Epsilon Eta Chapter last October. We teamed with the women of Alpha Zeta Delta Sorority for the week-long celebration of Homecoming.

Our chapter worked hard enough to capture three trophies for displaying our homecoming spirit. The celebration was highlighted with our first-place win for lawn decoration. We also took a second place in the mini-float competition and placed third in the overall competition, a really good showing for Sigma Nu here in Knoxville.

We want to recognize the organizational efforts and teamwork that made this homecoming very special. A big thanks goes to active brother Bill Selph and the sisters of Alpha Xi Delta. With the same amount of input next year we will surely capture all first-place designations.

The celebration also offered our returning graduate brothers the chance to renew old friendships as well as begin new ones. Our alumni turnout was very good this year. It was especially beneficial to the active brothers who were afforded the chance to mingle with the brothers who are in touch with "the real

world." We look forward to an even better turnout this fall.

Among the many alumni who attended were: Gary Ross '71, Al Lewis '67, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Brown '78, Mr. and Mrs. Den Davis '66, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Wiley '74, Stan Roberts '68, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Craig '78, Byron Lawson '74, Mike Sheffield '78, Steve Arendt '71, Philip Arendt '74, Jerry Lyle '77, Ed Ingle '79, William Ross Jr., Wink Neal, Greg Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sweatt, Sadler Bailey, Jeff Jones, Bill Freeles and Pete

Pegues.

Overall, the weekend was a terrific success despite the inclement weather and our 13-10 loss to Ole Miss.

Tentative plans for this year's homecoming are being tossed around at the house. If you have any suggestions, please feel free to contact us anytime. Above all, be sure to leave that weekend open on your calendars. You will not want to miss our very special celebrations this fall!



**HOMECOMING 1983:** Out for a comfortable cruise during last fall's Homecoming were Scott Tampke, Laura Hanson, Mike Turner, Mike Mears, Bill Green, Barry Templeton, Mark Sanders, Buddy Enoch, Barry Smith, David Kinnard and Bill Selph.

### *Banquet and Awards Scheduled for Founder's Day 1984*

The chapter is making special plans for this year's Founder Day celebration. This event promises to

be one of the best ever for the Epsilon Eta chapter and we hope you will attend. Activities will include a dinner at the house and an awards banquet.

The celebration will be scheduled to coincide with the anniversary date of the founding of our chapter — April 1, 1921. The chapter is 63

years old.

We are looking forward to meeting many of our graduate brothers at this most important alumni event. Don't miss this chance to revitalize old friendships and make new ones. Watch your mail or contact the house for more information about Founder's Day 1984.

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## CHAPTER OFFICERS

Commander.....Barry Smith  
 Lt. Commander.....Buddy Bass  
 Treasurer.....Barry Smith  
 Recorder.....Bill Selph  
 Rush Chairman.....John Menefee  
 Social Chairman.....James Mynatt  
 Alumni Contact.....Bryan Robertson  
 House Manager.....Allen Pollitt  
 Kitchen Steward.....John Hamilton  
 Pledge Marshall.....John Hamilton

## CORPORATION OFFICERS

President.....Steve Arendt EH 911  
 Secretary.....Ron Sherrill EH 857  
 Treasurer.....Douglas Nichol EH 870  
 Member-at-Large.....  
 ...Bill Blankenship EH787

## ALUMNI ADVISORS

Chairman.....Byron Lawson EH951  
 Rush Advisor.....Jim Drake EH949  
 Pledging Advisor.....  
 ...Ron Lawson EH891  
 Financial Advisor.....  
 ...Buzz Johnson EH786  
 Scholarship Advisor.....  
 ...David Needham EH979

## RECENT GRADUATES

Scott Tampke  
 David Brink

*New officers were not elected as of press time. Watch the next newsletter for a listing of the new officers of the Epsilon Eta Chapter.*

## Tournament Benefits MDA

We are trying to organize a golf tournament this spring to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Budweiser has offered to sponsor the tournament. It will be held at the Pine Lakes Golf Course.

Make plans now to attend. The

fortunate brother who lands a hole-in-one during the tournament will also bag a 1984 Chevrolet.

Contact the house if you need more information or if you are interested in helping organize any part of this worthwhile event.

## Pledges Great Addition to Sigma Nu

We went through our most successful rush in three years last fall quarter.

Initiated were Mark Anderson, Ron Bonhagen, James Grissom, David Kanwisher, Rob Linnadary and Chris Meyer. Bill Stroyk, Tony Stires and Michael Loy comprise the winter pledge class.

We try constantly to attract the best to Sigma Nu. We would like your help in accomplishing this end. Please take the time to review the young men in your community. If you come across a prospect, fill out the rush recommendation form on page 3. We need your input to make our chapter as strong as possible.

## Action Taken to Improve House

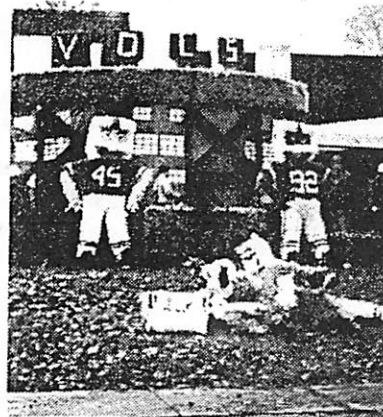
Significant structural improvements have been made to the house recently thanks to the appointment of a new housing corporation, and from donations we've received from our alumni.

The value of our house has been added to significantly with the installation of a new roof over our heads. The brothers are pattering

about on new tile flooring upstairs, and the downstairs is now a bit brighter thanks to the new plate glass windows. We also have a new heating and cooling system downstairs. In addition, the ceiling for the lower part of the house has been replastered.

We currently are undergoing asbestos testing which may show asbestos contamination via our old downstairs ceiling. The university has assured us, however, that it may be held accountable if testing should reveal that the residents of the house may have been exposed to unsafe levels of asbestos. The university is conducting the testing.

The house is a physical representation of our fraternity and, as such, we continually strive to maintain and improve those qualities that make the house as strong and beneficial as the fraternity itself. Stop by soon and inspect the recent improvements. We think you'll be pleased.



**FIRST PLACE:** Sigma Nu took the first place designation in the yard display competition during last fall's Homecoming.

# ALUMNI NEWSNOTES

## Wyatt C. Wilkinson '26

After a long career during which he put his agriculture degree to work, Wyatt retired in 1965. He was a farm loan officer with Mutual of New York.

He was also on the Fayette County Board of Education for 33 years.

In 1964, he was president of the Tennessee State Board of Agriculture and was a board member for eight years.

He lives with his wife Lillian at 62 Laurel Ln., Jackson, TN. They have three children and six grandchildren.

## Robert M. Condra '23

Bob owns the R.M. Condra Company, a building and investment firm in Nashville, Tennessee, putting his engineering degree to work.

He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Elks Club, and is a Shriner.

Contact Bob and his wife Evelyn at D4-2600 Hillsboro Road, Nashville, TN 37212.

## Thanks to our Contributors

*"I really enjoyed hearing how my classmates are doing!"*

*"Congratulations to the chapter for an outstanding job on the newsletter!"*

*"What a great idea!"*

These are the kind of positive comments we have received from alumni about our newsletter in recent months. Thanks to your enthusiasm and support, we are happy to continue bringing you news of the chapter and your classmates with this issue of "The Snakeskin." Between September and January, we received voluntary contributions to the newsletter program from the following brothers, and thank them sincerely for making this issue possible:

Elored R. Ledbetter

J. David Walker

John O. Neal

David R. Beaman

W. C. Jacobs

S. M. Warren

Michael Price

George Jones

Roy Davis

Wayne Parkey

John Nance

James Nichols

William Miracle

Ralph Wallace

William Shaver

C. P. Cochran

S. W. Thorn

Lawrence Haynes

F. H. Snipes

W. G. Baird

L. A. Absher

S. L. Gill

Robert Gray

J. D. McElroy

## James D. Crum '56

Jim brought forth a new Crum in to the world last June, in case you haven't heard.

Get the latest from him at 9611 Kendale Boulevard, Miami, FL 33156.

## Herbert Douglas House '59

Doug is a metal fabrication section manager for SCI Systems Inc., in Lacey's Spring, Alabama. They manufacture electronic products.

Doug reports that he is the inventor of a runner attachment for bicycles.

He married the former Sandra Ellen Hillman, a Phi Mu from UT. Their new address is 12108 Comanche Trail, Huntsville, AL 35803.

### Rushee Recommendation

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Street address \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Hometown \_\_\_\_\_ Legacy? \_\_\_\_\_

Classification \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies, interests \_\_\_\_\_

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Your name and address, so we can inform you of this rushee's involvement with Epsilon Eta:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Sigma Nu, 1824 Fraternity Park Dr., Knoxville, TN 37916. Thanks!



## MORE ALUMNI NEWSNOTES

### William C. Jacobs '32

Bill retired from the DuPont Company in 1970 and is also a retired colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve.

During his college days, he was vice president of his freshman class, a member of the All-Students Club and chapter Commander.

Write him and his wife Eleanor at 2201 Elkridge Drive, Camden, SC 29020.

### John B. Ellis '23

John reports that Brother John C. McCracken '32 is in failing health and would appreciate a word from some chapter buddies at 837 Vocan Toll Road, Jackson, CA 95642.

Write Brother Ellis at 3611 Essary Road NE, Knoxville, TN 37918.

### Stephan T. Denton '63

Stephan is a marketing instructor for Fulton County Schools in Atlanta. He received his master's in education in 1975 from Georgia State University.

Stephan reports that he has traveled extensively in Europe, the Middle East, and the Soviet Union.

He also reported that he was to be married last September to Carolyn Susan Kale from the University of Georgia Medical College.

Catch the latest from the man himself. Write him at 1814 F. Ashborough Circle, Marietta, GA 30067.

### Christopher D. Chiles '74

*"This newsletter is an excellent way to get alumni more interested in the chapter and to let them know what brothers they haven't seen in years are up to.*

*"After UT, I went to West Virginia University, until 1980, where I earned my law degree. Now I'm a partner with Dodrill & Chiles and an assistant prosecuting attorney for*

*Cabell County.*

*"I'm also involved with a Sigma Nu colony on the Marshal University campus. I'd like Bill Baltz' address if anyone has it.*

*"Michaela and I married in 1980 and are proud parents of a baby boy. Write me at 103 Steiner Blvd., Barboursville, WV 25504."*

### William Owen Mynatt '33



Owen is a retired U.S. Attorney. He worked for the District Counsel's Office of the Veterans Administration in Nashville.

*"I'm now a beekeeper or apiarist. All of our children and grandchildren live within 40 miles of us and we enjoy them. We are happy that we can see our grandchildren often and let them know that we love them very much."*

Owen was treasurer of the senior class in 1935. He served in the Army for over four years and was released from active duty as a captain.

He and his wife Rachel have two children and four grandchildren. Write him at 1900 Richard Jones Road, #M1, Nashville, TN 37215.

### Arthur A. Sharples '67

Art is currently a vice president with Merrill Lynch Pierce Fenner & Smith. He serves as managing director of Merrill Lynch Capital Markets. He also is the director of Permian Chemical Company.

Write Art at 57 Frederick Plaza, Morristown, NJ 07960.

### Burton Woody

#### Waller Jr. '68

Woody has lived in Dallas for over 10 years. He is currently the administrator of Methodist Hospital there.

He and his wife have two young children. Write Woody at 3817 Standford, Dallas, TX 75225.

### Charles M. Cary '68

Chip received his JD in 1972. Today he is a partner in the law firm Denton and Cary in Bolivar. He served as mayor of Whiteville for four years until 1979 and he also served as the attorney for Hardeman County. He currently is a member of the Tennessee House of Delegates. He also is a major in the Tennessee Army National Guard.

Drop Chip a line at PO Box 485, Whiteville, TN 38075.

### Albert W. Lewis '70

*"I'm currently doing long-range financial planning for Xerox. I specialize in planning related to high tech products and businesses.*

*"I'm active with the municipal elections commission of Los Angeles, the West Hollywood Professional Association and an Episcopal Church."*

After leaving the University of Tennessee, Al went to UCLA for his MBA in finance.

He's still single and lives at 1417 Veteran Ave., #209, Los Angeles, CA 90024.