

2020

Sigma Nu Fraternity
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Sigma Nu By the Numbers

44

Brothers initiated during the 2019 - 20 academic year. (Spring 2020 candidates will be initiated in August due to the COVID-19 closing of UT.)

The number of brothers who had a 4.0 GPA for the spring semester

24

308

Number of donations made on behalf of Sigma Nu in the fall semester Big Orange Give Campaign. The chapter won the large group competition (chapter over 100 members) in both donors and donations. By winning both categories the chapter received an extra \$5,000.

3.41

Chapter average GPA Spring 2020.

92% Of brothers initiated in the past 10 years have graduated or are still in school on course to graduate.

131

Number of brothers in the chapter for Spring 2020. (118 brothers and 13 candidates)

33

The number of brothers who graduated during the 2019 - 20 academic year.

15

Legacies in the chapter.

8

Fall Semesters in a row that chapter has signed more than 29 candidates. 1 of only 4 chapters on campus to reach this level.

36

Chapter members are from the state of Georgia.

70

Brothers on the Dean's List (3.50 or above GPA) Spring 2019.

\$3,500

Donated to Camp Koinonia. Money was raised during Snake Daze philanthropy.

17

the number of states represented by brothers in the chapter.



Commander's Update

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Fellow Knights,

It is an honor to be able to share the current state of the Epsilon Eta Chapter of Sigma Nu with you. Despite an abrupt ending to the semester, we have maintained unity and have been working towards setting ourselves up for a better future. Our main goal from the beginning has been to increase overall involvement by giving more people a part to play in the operations of the Chapter. We want membership to be an active and meaningful experience for all four years of one's time at Tennessee. We began the semester in full force taking a very strong spring class and partnering with the women of Phi Mu for a joint service project. Luckily, when disaster hit, we were well prepared and, in a position, to refund everybody a substantial portion of their dues. While much of what we will be able to do in the Fall is still largely up in the air, thanks to hard work from everybody on the Executive Board, we have been at the forefront of Summer recruitment by utilizing social media and other online resources. The current circumstances have no doubt put a strain on the entire Greek community at Tennessee. For this reason, it is more important than ever for us to stay strong as a collective group so that our chapter can persist and continue to grow. Support from the Alumni Board and Housing Corporation provide a strong foundation for everything that we do. Please feel free to reach out at any time; I will always graciously accept advice from people older and wiser than I am. We are very excited for the new renovations coming to the House, and I hope to see everybody next year for the 100th anniversary.

Regards,

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Hello Alumni,

My name is Nick Hunter and I have had the pleasure of serving the chapter as the Lieutenant Commander so far this year. After our attendance at College of Chapters in January, Phil and I set some ambitious goals for our chapter to strive to improve our operations and position us to become a Rock Chapter. I was proud of the work our executive team put in to submit, what I feel to be, one of our strongest Pursuit of Excellence reports to the national chapter. We are all looking forward to the release of our results in early August! As a chapter, we have a lot to be proud of in the past year from our success in Homecoming, Carnicus, Intramurals, and other campus events. What I've been most proud of are the leaders that we are developing in the community, as over 14% of our members serve in a leadership capacity in an on-campus organization. While we were disappointed to have had our Spring semester cut short, we have refused to let it diminish our momentum as a chapter. As we quickly approach our 100th year on campus, I look forward to communicating more with our great alumni as we celebrate our past and future success. I have attached my contact info below, and please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns. The state of the chapter is strong!

Regards,

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New Brothers



Sigma Nu had another very successful year in recruitment. Fall 2019 recruitment started a week before classes and bid day occurred the night before the first day of class. The Epsilon Eta chapter signed 29 candidates and initiated 27 in November. Spring 2020 the chapter signed 15 candidates and will initiate 13 candidates in August (due to the COVID-19 situation). Once again, the chapter held their annual Riverboat cruise to wrap up fall recruitment and welcome the new candidates to the chapter. Due to chapter size and new Riverboat regulations the chapter rented the Riverboat for two consecutive evenings. Dr. Jack Lacey (EH #754) hosted the chapter at his house for the annual recruitment pool party again this year. The chapter would like to thank Dr. Lacey for hosting the chapter each August.

If you know anyone interested in going through the recruitment process this fall, please send their contact information to the Chapter's recruitment chair, Kris Brucker (kbrucke1@vols.utk.edu).



Chapter Leadership

Commander	Philip Deaton	Memphis, TN
Lt. Commander	Nick Hunter	Marietta, GA
Recorder	Max Cohen	Marietta, GA
Treasurer	Anthony Kronis	Winston-Salem, NC
Recruitment	Kris Bucker	Collierville, TN
Social	Michael Ryman	Roswell, GA
Marshal	Adam Neiderauer	Hendersonville, TN
Alumni Contact	Walker Hoover	Pulaski, TN
Chaplain	Mack Scanlon	Arlington Heights, IL
Historian	Ryan Turner	Milton, GA
LEAD	Sam Stepp	Dalton, GA
Philanthropy	Michael Rosenberg	Marietta, GA
Risk Reduction	Sam Banks	Brownsville, TN
Scholarship	Ethan Cerrito	Owings, MD
Sentinel	Keenan Murphy	Vienna, VA



IM Basketball Champions



The chapter's basketball team won the IM Fraternity Division this year. The team went undefeated during the regular season and closed out their 7-0 campaign by defeating Beta Upsilon Chi in the semi-finals and Phi Gamma Delta in the championship game. The team was coached by our House Director, Miles McDowell.

CHAPTER FINISHES FOURTH IN CARNICUS

The chapter participated with Kappa Delta for Carnicus 2020. The chapter has finished in the Top 4 for four years in a row, under the direction of Matthew Peterson (EH #1698) each year. The group spent many hours working together in February in preparation for the performance.



Snake Daze Held for Camp Koinonia

During the fall semester, the chapter hosted their annual Snake Daze event for the chapter philanthropy. Eleven different sororities participated in events. The events consisted of a flag football and volleyball tournament as well as sorority members competing in a banner painting contest. Chapter brothers coached the individual sorority volleyball and football teams. KKG won the banner contest and AOII won the volleyball and flag football competition. The chapter donated \$3,500 to Camp Koinonia from Snake Daze.



Homecoming 2020

Sigma Nu and Sigma Kappa joined forces to finish third in Homecoming 2019. The two Greek organizations entered the following events: Three on Three basketball, Small Float, Large Banner, Smokey's Howl, Chalk Ped Walkway, Anything Goes, Torch Pursuit, Lawn Decorating and the Tower of Cans competition. The groups donated 7,721 pounds of food and the height of the tower was 13 feet, 1 inch. The groups won the Tower of Cans competition and finished fourth in Smokey's Howl, Lawn Display and the Torch Pursuit.

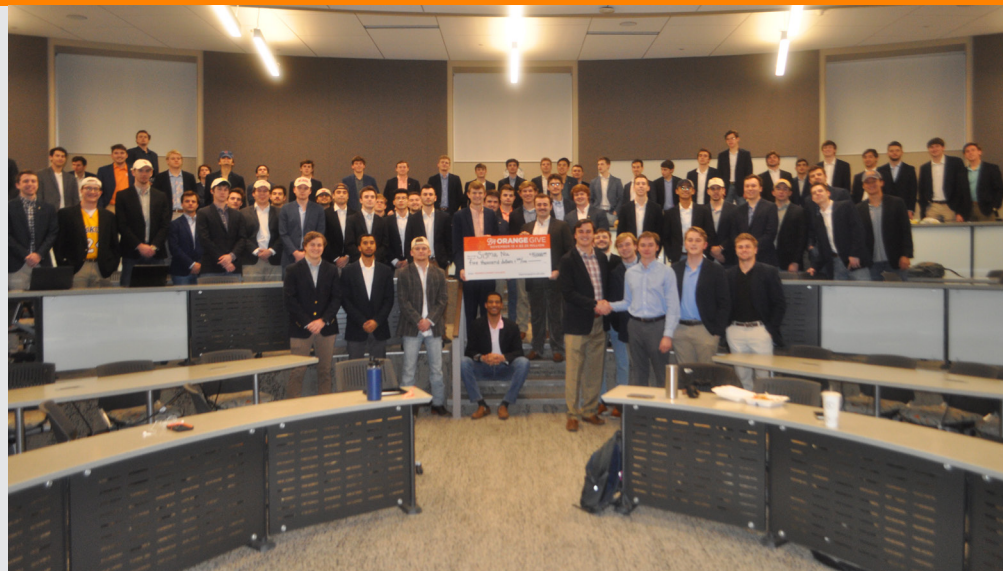


Sigma Nu Wins for Second Year in a Row

The UT Foundation conducted their annual Big Orange Give during the fall semester. UT raised \$2.555 million in one day. As part of the Big Orange Give 2019, UT conducted The Greek Challenge. The Greek Challenge is sponsored by Ron and Don Frieson (Kappa Alpha Psi). All Greek organizations compete against each other in two categories: Large Chapter (100+ members) and Small Chapter (less than 100 members). There were two competitions this year and \$2,500 was awarded to the winner of each --- the chapter with the most donors and the chapter that raised the most money. Sigma Nu won the competition for the second year in a row with 308 donations and raised \$9,087. By winning both categories the chapter won an additional \$5,000.

Save the date for Big Orange Give 2020:
November 18, 2020!

Big ORANGE
GIVE



Epsilon Eta Continues in Academic Success...

The chapter had another successful year in academics. The chapter had 33 brothers during the fall semester and 70 brothers during spring semester make the Dean's List. Students are recognized on the Dean's List who have a semester GPA of above a 3.50.

In addition, twenty-four brothers made a 4.0 during the spring semester.

	Semester	Candidates	Cumulative
FALL 2019	2.92	2.85	3.05
SPRING 2020	3.45	3.24	3.14

IFC OFFICERS



Brother Allen Pack (EH #1732) is serving as IFC President and brother Davis Plante (EH #1790) serves as IFC Vice President for Health and Safety. Allen is the second Epsilon Eta member in three years to be elected IFC President.

Sigma Nu is the only chapter on campus to have three IFC Presidents in the past 10 years. Overall, Allen is the seventh Sigma Nu to be elected IFC President. IFC Presidents from the Epsilon Eta chapter are listed below ---

2020	Allen Pack (EH #1732)
2018	James Eun (EN #1650)
2011	Mason McGlamery (EH #1505)
1970 - 71	Tommy Thomas (EH #756)
1950 - 51	Bruce E. Harrison (EH #418)
1935 - 36	Jack Williams (EN #169)
1928 - 29	William Ridley (EN #89)

It was a great year...



ADDRESS CORRECTIONS NEEDED

As the chapters begins preparation for the 100th Anniversary year Celebration, please let the chapter know if your mailing address changes. If the chapter does not have your correct email address, please send it to sigmanu@utk.edu.

LOST ALUMNI

The chapter has created a list of lost alumni on the chapter web site. If we do not have a mailing address or mail is returned we will list brothers as lost on the chapter web site. Chapter website is www.utksigmanu.com

Sigma Nu's 2021 Centennial Celebration

The Epsilon Eta chapter will be 100 years old in 2021. There has been a group of alumni working to plan several events throughout the year culminating April 23 - 25, 2021 in Knoxville.

Calendar of Events

Fall Kickoff – Saturday, September 26th in Circle Park before the Florida game.

Area Receptions (invitations will be mailed to the following events)

Knoxville – Wednesday, October 21st at The Foundry

Contact Jim Scobey and Larry Smith

Atlanta – Thursday, November 12th, Monday Night Brewery - The Garage

Contact Will Hensley

Memphis – Thursday, February 18th, Home of Britton Crafton

Contact Britton Crafton

Nashville – Saturday, March 6th, venue TDB

Contact Chad Raphael

Sigma Nu Centennial Weekend | April 23 - 25, 2021

Friday, April 23rd at 1:30 pm | Sigma Nu Golf Tournament at Egwani Farms Golf Course

Friday, April 23rd afternoon | Chapter House Open House

Friday, April 23th, evening | Reception, The Foundry

Saturday, April 24th, morning | Brunch at the Chapter House

Saturday, April 24th, evening | Dinner and Program, Knoxville Convention Center

Please continue to refer to the chapter web site for updated information on all the planned events. This information is available at utksigmanu.com.



The chapter has a Linked In group for the Epsilon Eta chapter. Over 130 brothers have joined the group. If you would like to be a member of the Linked In group, please send a note to the chapter email address at sigmanu@utk.edu.



The chapter has a Facebook Page with over 300 members. If you are not a member of the Facebook group, please email the chapter at sigmanu@utk.edu and they will make sure you are added to the page.