

## BETA PSI CHAPTER SIGMA NU FRATERNITY

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BERKELEY

## LOVE, TRUTH AND HONOR

Dear Beta Psi Alumni,

Thank you to all who came out this semester and hung out with the brotherhood during our Alumni Dinner and Alumni Appreciation BBQ! We have received positive feedback for all of these events and hope to make them even better in the coming semesters.

Starting this semester, we will be sending out an alumni newsletter towards the end of every pledge process. This newsletter will provide you all with some updates on what the brotherhood has achieved in the last few months, with regards to our different committees and various other activities. Additionally, we would like to highlight some of our graduating seniors and remark on their accomplishments at Cal.

Next fall semester, Cal Football is coming back to Memorial Stadium and we will have some fantastic gamedays planned for our alumni. I hope we will see all of you at the house!

Fraternally,

Alumni Appreciation BBQ

Stuart Wilson and Geoffrey Snow



# **Beta Psi Activities**

#### **Executive Committee**

Sigma Nu is currently heading towards an outward expansion socially, and becoming more of a "household name" that everybody around campus knows. As the executive committee that governs the house, we believe that our active participation in various committees within the house is essential to propel the house in the right direction and not conflict with the values that this fraternity has instilled within each brother. We hope that our fraternity continues to grow as a respectable organization, one that people look up to on and off campus.

## **Philanthropy**

The brothers of Sigma Nu have been avid participants in several philanthropic events ranging from Delta Delta Delta's yoga classes to Alpha Chi Omega's "Frats at Bat" where all proceeds went to the sorority's respective charities. Joining forces with the Youth Support Program at UC Berkeley, many brothers have become mentors for troubled youths in the Berkeley area. Also, we are currently working on developing plans for a marquee Sigma Nu philanthropy event with all proceeds donated to our charity, St. Judes.

#### **Brotherhood**

It's been a banner year for the brothers of Sigma Nu. Capitalizing on the spectacular weather this Spring, we have been active throughout the community, spending many sunny afternoons playing football as a brotherhood or doing a little BBQ on the front lawn. The rainy days were also enjoyed together utilizing our beautiful new TV to watch movies and sports games. Its been a semester full of bonding and fun here at Sigma Nu.

#### Social

This year our social semester has been better than it has ever been before. We continued to build relationships with top sororities like Kappa Kappa Gamma and Pi Beta Phi. Our exchanges have also been more meaningful and interactive. We decided to move past the introductive stage and into the relationship-building stage where we construct actual friendships. Outside of formal events, we have created the relationships that go beyond events like exchanges. Sorority girls are consistently around the house, and are now a part of day-to-day activities.

## Housing

Our house has been kept in immaculate condition this semester. Girls constantly compliment our new hardwood flooring and are pleased with our bathrooms, which rank among some of the cleanest they have seen. In addition, we have revamped the backyard deck and retiled the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor bathroom showers. We are really hoping that we will get some donations to fund the building of a fence outside the front lawn next year as well.

## Pledge Program - Pledge Marshall

We had the privilege of having twelve candidates accept their bids and we crossed nine of the those candidates into our brotherhood on April 29th. Throughout this semester, we have pushed them to become better men: gentlemen of Sigma Nu. They have worked hard on pledge projects and maintaining the house, but have also worked hard on improving themselves both mentally and physically. Each and every one of them has grown over the past semester and shows great promise in the future to develop as wonderful brothers.

# **Graduating Seniors**

#### Alexander Philip Ouligian (1502)

Major(s): History

<u>Positions:</u> Housing Manager, Recorder, Rush Chair <u>Other Organizations:</u> Berkeley College Republicans <u>Full-Time Job:</u> Dovel & Luner LLP - Paralegal Best memory from <u>Cal:</u>

Studying abroad in Madrid, Spain – Great opportunity to explore new cultures and learn about Spanish politics.

#### Best memory from Sigma Nu:

First Lake Tahoe experience as a pledge – It was the first time with all the brothers. Great brotherly bonding experience with fun outdoor and active experiences.

How has Sigma Nu made you a better man?

Has made him a more well-rounded individual and the experience has encouraged him to be more social and improve upon his communication skills.

Where do you see yourself in five years?

Attending law school, pursuing intellectual property law, or starting his own business.

#### Kevin Patrick Gibson (1504)

Major(s): History & Political Science

<u>Positions:</u> Social Chair, Eminent Commander <u>Other Organizations:</u> UCPD, Attorney Gen. ASUC

Full-Time Job: Political Consulting

Best memory from Cal:

Him and another brother drove to the Cal v. Oregon game last minute. Had a fantastic time and cemented a great friendship.

#### Best memory from Sigma Nu:

Last night as EC, he looked around the Chapter Hall at his best friends and knew he had helped create something special that year. He'll never forget that night and will forever cherish it.

#### How has Sigma Nu made you a better man?

SN is the defining experience of his college career. SN is truly a unique place and has produced some of Cal's finest men. He looks forward to continuing this tradition as an alumnus.

#### Where do you see yourself in five years?

Graduating from law school and working as a litigator. Hopes to have an active role with Beta Psi and support the brothers.

#### Ryan Coleman (1519)

Major(s): Business Administration

Positions: Rush Chair, Pledge Marshall, Social Chair Other Organizations: Wounded Warrior Project

<u>Full-Time Job:</u> Alvarez & Marsal – Business Consultant Best memory from Cal:

Sigma Nu Initiation – Working hard to improve himself and pushing to be a better person really paid off.

#### Best memory from Sigma Nu:

The Fall 2011 pledge class initiation after seeing them grow from boys to men as their Pledge Marshall. Having the chance to influence these individuals to do great things.

How has Sigma Nu made you a better man?

Learned to lead, while understanding the virtue of humility. Learning to constantly improve and ask for criticism from brothers is one of the most important skills he's learned.

Where do you see yourself in five years?

Not sure, but confident that Cal and Sigma Nu will help him build the toolbox he needs to tackle any problem.

### Hayden McFarlane (1529)

<u>Major(s)</u>: Political Science (minor in Public Policy) Positions: Treasurer, Pledge Marshall

Other Organizations: Phi Alpha Delta (President)

<u>Full-Time Job:</u> Dewey Square Group – Political Consultant <u>Best memory from Cal:</u>

21st Birthday Party after pledging Sigma Nu - Symbolized the close bonds and life-long friendships he had made.

#### Best memory from Sigma Nu:

Seeing the rapid progress of the fraternity and watching his pledges go from being disorganized and hesitant to becoming a unified pledge class and knights of Sigma Nu.

#### How has Sigma Nu made you a better man?

Socially, it has given him a great group of friends he can always rely on for help. Leadership skills he's honed through his positions and the lessons Sigma Nu teaches you in LEAD.

#### Where do you see yourself in five years?

Graduating from a top law school and pursuing a career in entertainment law or politics.

## Spring 2012 Graduating Seniors

Matthew Thomas Allen (1490) – Integrative Biology/Philosophy – Applying to medical school Pierce McClory (1491) – Political Science/Chinese – Working in banking/consulting in Beijing Patrick John Gustie (1499) – Geophysics – University of Texas (Geophysics graduate program) Aleo Nobel Mok (1505) – Bioengineering – Working as a bioengineer Nathan Evan Quintana (1506) – Integrative Biology – Applying to a veterinary graduate program Russell Miller (1509) – Mechanical Engineering – Working as a mechanical engineer

Jordan Michael Costigan (1511) – Mechanical Engineering – Working for Northrop Grumman Andrew Salinas (1539) – Psychology – Working in human resources in San Francisco