COMMANDER'S ADDRESS

In the fall 2016 semester, the Gamma Delta Chapter continued on its mission to provide a safe, educational, and mature environment in which brothers can grow as students, leaders, and young professionals. In doing so, the chapter welcomed guest speakers and alumni to educate our members on internal issues such as personal accountability, bystander intervention, and proactive risk reduction.

Externally, Sigma Nu is proud to see its members excelling in leadership positions on campus. The chapter is currently represented by brothers serving as executives of the IFC, heads of academic and Greek honor societies, varsity athletics captains, presidents of student clubs, and student government senators. Gamma Delta's campus presence and prestige continue to increase as we sculpt honorable men into influential members of our community.

The chapter would like to thank all of its actives and alumni who contributed to the "Voice of Stevens" donation contest. Through your efforts, the chapter received the most donations of all Greek houses, securing an additional $2,500 in funding for our Clifford E. LePage Scholarship.

The support of our academic success is unparalleled among Greek life and greatly appreciated.

Lastly, on behalf of the current executive council, I would like to thank all actives and alumni for allowing us to serve this brotherhood. The lessons learned here are invaluable and our experiences will remain with us for the rest of our lives. We wish the best of luck to the incoming board and hope that they, along with the brotherhood, continue "to Believe in the Life of Love, to Walk in the Way of Honor, and to Serve in the Light of Truth."

Sincerely,

ID 1375 Luke A. Guglielmo '17
Eminent Commander

Inaugural Clifford E. LePage Scholarship Celebration Strengthens Bonds

On a sunny and hot Sunday afternoon on July 24, 2016, brothers of Sigma Nu gathered to celebrate the beginning of a wonderful initiative, the inaugural celebration of our newly founded Clifford E. LePage Scholarship.

I would like to share a little background for all of you about the scholarship. The Clifford E. LePage Scholarship Fund was established in 2014. This is not to be confused with the previous Gold and Silver Key Scholarships. This new scholarship was established through Stevens Institute of Technology. Currently it consists of two yearly scholarships: one $1,000 scholarship that any current brother is eligible for, and one $500 scholarship that only new brothers who were initiated in the previous two semesters are eligible for. Brothers submit applications to the alumni e-board, which reviews the scholarships and chooses the scholarship recipient based on academics, activities at Stevens, and involvement in Sigma Nu.

One of the many benefits of having this scholarship as part of the Stevens Endowment is that we can take advantage of opportunities such as matching programs. With the help of the matching programs—as well as the extreme generosity from the alumni—this scholarship fund has exceeded $30,000 in just two years! This is an incredible accomplishment. With this rapid growth, we will be able to re-evaluate our scholarship giving and be able to help even more brothers with financing their education.

A goal of the alumni leadership is to have this scholarship become endowed, which would essentially help the fund grow itself. The minimum for this is a $75,000 fund, which we are well on our way toward achieving.

To celebrate the great success of this scholarship, Phil Crowley—our fellow brother, Stevens Board of Trustees member, and one of the key contributors in initiating this scholarship—offered to host a celebration barbecue at his beautiful home in Fair Hills, New Jersey, along with

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Strong Philanthropic Efforts Continue

The fall 2016 semester was another successful year philanthropy-wise for the Gamma Delta Chapter. We continued our annual War of the Roses philanthropy event, which is a competition between the sororities on campus that raises money for St. Jude’s Children Research Hospital, as well as the sororities’ philanthropies. We completed over 200 collective philanthropic hours and raised close to $3,500, all of which was donated to charity. During the process, we made cards to raise awareness for the philanthropies we are raising money for. We also ran a bake sale and donated all the extra baked goods to the first responders at the Hoboken transit station accident. We were recognized by the Stevens Police Chief with a plaque, now hanging in our foyer.

We also participated in a couple of smaller philanthropic projects this year. We participated in Student Athletic Advisory Committee’s tab collection, and are continuing until the end of the semester. We would also like to thank the Stevens faculty and the Gamma Delta alumni for helping us with our toy drive this year. During the house’s Thanksgiving celebration, we asked guests who attended the dinner to bring a toy to donate to charity. Finally, we held a clothing drive with Sigma Delta Tau at the beginning of December to collect lightly used/warm clothes from the Stevens community to donate to charity. We are super excited to continue supporting our philanthropies and making a positive impact on campus and the community.

Δ1390 Jonathan F. Hatter ’18

Chapter Reports: Undergraduate Updates

LEAD

This semester our brotherhood was honored to have outside guest speakers, alumni, as well as actives who thought they could shed some light on some important topics to host LEAD events. Some events this semester included risk reduction, professional experience, a PEP submission information session, Greek Life reflection, recruitment tips, and a student loan and financial Q-and-A.

Our average attendance per event has gone up due to a satisfying incentive program. The events this year were a great mix of being a better man and knight of Sigma Nu, as well as learning about important information that we might need later in our lives. Every event was intended to be beneficial for all who came, and I always asked for reviews after the event to make sure they did just that. This semester, I started taking minutes from each event and sending them out to the brotherhood the next morning for those who weren’t able to attend.

The professional experience event was run by Robert Sarrow, Justin Corcoran, Luke Guglielmo, and Angelo Shambides, active brothers of our fraternity who are seniors with a lot of internship experience. Each of them went through their professional experiences with the hope of relating to other brothers and helping to give them a better idea of what they want to pursue after college. The event went very well thanks to the seniors, and I felt as though everyone who came left with some good advice on how to pursue internships and succeed on the job.

The PEP submission information session was run by our current lieutenant commander, Michael Kaspar. In this event, we went through our PEP submission from last year and discussed the comments that national made for us. This event hopefully gave the brothers who were able to attend an understanding of what national expects from us, as well as ways we can improve as a chapter. We were all able to participate in valuable discussions on the steps needed to improve, and gave everyone who came better insight on the ways we can achieve our goals.

The Greek Life Reflection event was my personal favorite as it was in response to an article written in our school newspaper that took a shot at Greek life. This event allowed all of us to reflect on what was said in the article, and how to react to something of this nature. Over half the brotherhood was able to attend, and the discussions we had benefited everyone who came to really understand why we joined Greek life in the first place. There are so many opportunities to be a leader and to better yourself in a fraternity, which made us all come together on what’s really important.

Δ1397 Daniel Wronka ’19

Scholarship

Scholarship this semester held two formal events, both of which included the chapter’s recently established faculty advisory board. The first event was a typical Key Ceremony, hosted by the scholarship chairman and the faculty advisors, where brothers received their gold or silver keys for the spring 2016 semester.

Twenty-nine keys were given out—13 gold and 16 silver. A gold key is awarded for having a 3.75 GPA or higher, while silver is for achieving above a 3.5. The second event was a formal brotherhood meeting with the faculty advisors, where both parties were able to talk and familiarize themselves with each other in a comfortable setting. Furthermore, scholarship has been routinely giving out rewards as part of a system to encourage academic excellence.

Δ1403 Silvio A. Maione ’17
Brothers Step Up, And Out, For Chaplain Events

This semester we held three major events: Red Bulls game, puppy party, and bubble soccer. In addition to these bigger events, we also set up and hosted multiple brotherhood family dinners, a mini-golf course throughout our house, and some ritual-focused gatherings.

The first event of the semester, the Red Bulls game, was a huge success. In total, we had 20 brothers show up, and together, we all traveled on foot to Red Bull Arena in Harrison, New Jersey, which was a perfect time to hang out and catch up with one another. At the game, we had a whole row all to ourselves about 50 yards from the field—we could see everything! It was an exhilarating game with the Red Bulls winning 3-2 against Columbus.

Periodically throughout the semester, we organized multiple brotherhood family dinners that always had a good brotherhood turnout. Usually occurring on Sundays before a long week, we would all gather in our basement or TV room, bring our food, and then spend an hour in each other's company sharing stories and talking. At one event, the chaplain combined with LEAD and facilitated a Cross the Line event, which was extremely beneficial to all who attended.

These two examples are the ones that stood out to our brotherhood, but the puppy party, bubble soccer, and mini-golf events were a major hit. All the events held this year brought us closer as brothers and reminded us why we chose a lifelong commitment to Sigma Nu.

ΓΔ1383 Scott M. Russell '18

Sports

The Gamma Delta Chapter had an extremely successful fall season in the sports world. For the first time in recent memory, the boys of Sigma Nu had a perfect season in Greek football, besting Theta Xi in an excellent match for the title game. The dodgeball team looked to match this feat, but fell in the semifinal match. The athletes on both teams are already looking forward to next season, and with many players returning next year, it is sure to be an exciting season.

Greek soccer is currently under way for the winter season, and the team has gotten off to a great start, going 3-0. Playoffs are two weeks away, and the chapter is hoping to repeat their championship from last year.

Finally, a house-wide FIFA tournament is underway. The tournament has been narrowed down to four players, and the fight to be crowned champion is going to be an exciting match to watch.

ΓΔ1398 Thomas R. Falsone '18

Recruitment

The Gamma Delta Chapter of Sigma Nu has had incredible attendance at recruitment events this fall. Some classic events that we do every year, such as our welcome back barbeque, ice cream social, and cigar night, have seen a steady increase in turnout among potential new members.

Our latest two events, trip to Platters and s'mores night, have had record attendance, with over 75 potential new members from each. The brotherhood as a whole is directly responsible for the success of our events.

This year's academic scholarship was awarded to Michael Alecci. He not only exhibited a tremendous academic record, but exemplified our values of love, truth and honor. Another key upgrade to recruitment this year was the introduction of a “live” slide deck. We've combined our master prospect list with this slide deck to allow brothers to quickly learn information about them, as well as put a face to the name. This has definitely contributed to an increase in brotherhood involvement in recruitment.

In the closing weeks we will be narrowing down our numbers to focus on quality new (continued on next page)
our alumni send their news

“I’m still grateful for Sigma Nu, my only brothers,” writes Art Butler ’51. Art reports that he had a small stroke in February 2016—“ruined my handwriting.” Catch up with him by email at oldartb@gmail.com. He makes his home at 116 Fairview Ave. N. Apt. 715, Seattle, WA 98109.

Joe Rosito ’53 wrote to say he’s glad the chapter is doing so well. “Boy! Time flies! I’ve been out of Stevens 60 years—and my wife, Margaret, and I celebrated our 62nd anniversary in April 2016. I guess that means we’re getting old? As for the ’53 Sigma Nu-ers, I hate to say it, but 2014, which was our 50th reunion (we started with our 10th!), was our last get-together. Age is taking its toll. The last two years’ reunions were held in Pennsylvania, and the brothers who had long distances to travel couldn’t make it. Those of us who lived close by also have travel problems. But through the magic of technology, and the old telephone, we still stay in touch.” He concludes, “If I may, I would like to suggest to the undergraduate brotherhood that you keep in touch with Sigma Nu classmates and their families. Getting together periodically helps make life enjoyable and gives you a chance to see our country as you gather at one another’s homes.”

For more new about ’53 Sigma Nu-ers, contact Joe at jmositos7@verizon.net or 7 Silver Top Lane, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002.

Now that he’s facing retirement (in December 2016), Eric Four ’77 is looking to stay in touch with old colleagues, “especially ’77!” He adds, “So many years since I left—memory fading after 18-plus years overseas (Saudi, Singapore, Malaysia, Germany, Texas [a foreign’ assignment]).” He’s planning to start a new squash facility in Orlando. “Hope to see some Sigma Nu squash alumni visits in 2017. Wishing everyone health, wealth, and love.”

Reach Eric at ericfour.squash@gmail.com or 684 Bear Creek Court, Winter Springs, FL 32708.

George Blazeski ’10 moved up to Boston in December 2015 to start working as an intellectual property associate at McCarter & English. Ask “Lunchbox” for an update by writing him at gblazesk@gmail.com or 40 River St., Unit 314, Mattapan, MA 02126.

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members, and are excited to see the results with the next pledge class in the spring.

ΓΔ1389 Edward A. Carannante ’18

Alumni

This fall semester, the Gamma Delta Chapter held an alumni cider and barbecue event. In addition, the chapter has been in contact with the alumni board to further develop the career networking spreadsheet. The target audience is all brothers looking for internships or full-time employment by giving them a resource to reach out to. Our annual Thanksgiving—held November 16—was open to alumni and, as always, turned out a good crowd as a large sum of alumni were present. We enjoyed a great time socializing with alumni throughout the night. Additionally, the chapter distributed holiday cards in mid-December for alumni, friends, and family of the house, wishing everyone a safe and happy holidays.

ΓΔ1360 Robert L. Sarrow ’77

Giving Thanks(giving)

This year Sigma Nu started off the holiday season in grand fashion with its annual Thanksgiving celebrations. Monday, November 14, and Wednesday, November 16, saw the Reed house full of faculty, friends, and alumni. The smiling faces and big appetites were only part of what the guests brought with them. Sigma Nu has a strong relationship with our philanthropy, St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital. Overall, we were able to collect 15 toys to donate to the cause, and it was all thanks to our wonderful guests.

On Monday, we hosted close to 20 faculty, and on Wednesday, we filled the house to the brim with almost 60 alumni and guests. The goal of the event every year is to show the people we care about how amazing our brotherhood still is. It is a perfect time to laugh, tell stories, and connect with the faculty and alumni.

One important addition that we wanted to make sure was set up in time was led by ΓΔ1405 Robert Principe. A few years ago, an alumnus of the Gamma Delta Chapter passed away, and Robert facilitated the house’s way of showing our respect. There is now a beautiful jersey hanging in our halls to remember ΓΔ1307 Sean Verdi.

There is nothing like this time of year to give thanks to the memories we have made, and to look forward to the new memories that are to come in the new semester. To everyone involved and everyone who showed up, the Gamma Delta Chapter of Sigma Nu couldn’t thank you enough for making this annual event amazing yet again.

ΓΔ1371 Matthew J. Lopez ’17

Upcoming Events

Friday February 3, 2017
Bid Night
Saturday April 22, 2017
White Rose
June 2-4
Alumni Weekend

LePage Scholarship (continued from page one)

his wife, Diane.

Phil provided delicious food, served by his son’s side catering business, and drinks for all as everyone caught up with old friends, met new ones, and enjoyed the gorgeous day.

Both Phil and current Commander Luke Guglielmo spoke to the group about our many successes up to this point, and the plans for what is to come in the future.

As the event was coming to a close, talks were already underway for how we can improve the event for summer 2017. It is very easy to be invited to the event. All you need to do is donate to the scholarship fund to help current brothers. Even the smallest contributions can make a huge difference in an active brother’s life.

Mark your calendars and look for the invite to the Second Annual Clifford E. LePage Scholarship Celebration. I look forward to seeing you all next year!

If you have any questions or would like more details about the event or the scholarship, please feel free to reach out to me at ericalexandernoll@gmail.com.

Fraternally,
ΓΔ 1304 Eric Noll
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