



SIG-NIFICANT NEWS

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SIGMA CHI ALUMNI CHAPTER OF FRESNO

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President's Message



My Brothers,

The Alumni Chapter of Epsilon Eta, at Fresno State is alive and well, and needs new Board Members to continue to move forward, with new ideas and activities that will draw in members to participate in activities conducive to fun and brotherhood among Sigma Chi's. It could be football tickets for a specific game, a cruise for a few days to Catalina and Mexico, or a picnic with softball and other activities. But without a Board of Directors who can give us some direction, we are like a ship without a destination. Please give some thought to joining the Board of Directors, so we can continue to provide activities that will interest more Sigs.

Call me at 559-446-6424, or e-mail me at warren.williams@olamnet.com.

One activity that is coming up soon is the Rush Function that Brother **Tom Downing (F '57)** puts on every semester at the Downing Planetarium. If you have not come to this event, its about time you do. The experience is great in learning about our universe, and you get to see the rushees and active brothers at the same time. And you get to have snacks and refreshments provided by Brother **Tom Downing**. The time and date is: **6:00 pm on Wednesday, August 31st**. Please make an effort to be at the Rush Function, you will experience a great time.

In hoc,

Warren Williams
Alumni President



House Corporation

Contributed by Brother Tony Flores (S '56), HC President & Grand Trustee



Brothers,

The Chapter House is now officially open for the fall semester and so far 30 are moving in with a few more expected when school begins.

The maintenance man has started once again making sure that the Chapter House and its grounds are kept up so we can all be proud of what has been accomplished over the past several years with the help of many Sigs. The Chapter House has been completely repainted inside and all systems are working, i.e., air conditioner, washing machines, etc., etc., etc.

We had an "Open House" and were pleased to have some parents of some new initiates present whose son will be living in the Chapter House this year as well as other parents who will have a son attending Fresno State this coming year or fall of 2012. Some are legacies and others aren't, but the important thing is that parents visited the house.

Brother **Mark Scott** (F '69), City Manager of Fresno attended and informed me the fire hydrant that was being requested by the fire department is now a moot point. He talked to the Fire Chief and it was decided that there were a couple of fire hydrants nearby therefore it was not necessary to have Sigma Chi install one at a cost of approximately \$10,000. He also will be visiting the Chapter House with the head of the Planning Department to see if there are some alternatives to the ADA requirement that presently calls for ripping out the entire patio area and redoing it all over again. Keep your fingers crossed!

We also recently appointed Brothers **Jerry Waters** (F '62) and **Darin Tockey** (S '88) to the House Corporation Board of Directors. Jerry is retired and Darin is the Principal of Clovis East High School. We welcome them and look forward to their active participation in keeping Sigma Chi the top fraternity on campus.

We continue to seek your donations so that we can retire a loan made to finish up the entire remodeling of the Chapter House so don't forget that the Sigma Chi Housing Improvement Foundation is a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit and your donations are deductible.

Drop by the Chapter House when you have an opportunity and take a look at all the improvements that have been done. Give me a call at 559.456.0128 and I'll be more than happy to show you around!!!!

Until next time.....

In hoc,
John "Tony" Flores
HC President and Grand Trustee



Open House on Saturday, August 12, 2011



ACTIVE CHAPTER SPOTLIGHT



Contributed by Brother **Matt Helon** (F '00), Chapter Adviser and Brother **Austin Anton** (F'10), Chapter Editor

New Semester

Nothing much has been going on except for moving into the house and getting ready for classes.

Rush Activities

We have been on campus trying to get in touch with the incoming freshmen to promote Sigma Chi. We have a group event called "baggage buddies" where we help all new freshmen move into their dorm rooms. This gives us an opportunity to plant the seed regarding the Greek system.

Alumni Focus



- Congratulations to Brother **Rob Bell** (F '95) and his wife Brooke for the birth of their twins born on July 19th. The boy was named Owen Knox and his sister is Blake Eleanor. Brooke is already training big sister Riley (age 5) and Blake to be future Sweethearts. Rob claims Owen should be reciting the Jordan Standard flawlessly by Christmas!
- Congratulations to Brother **Tony Flores** (S '56) for being appointed to the 4-man Awards Committee for Sigma Chi. Grand Consul **Dennis Santoli** (Case Western 1967) has asked Brother Tony to assist headquarters in the selection of candidates for Constantine Sig, Significant Sig and several other important recognition awards for the international fraternity. This will ensure the western chapters will be given fair and equitable acknowledgement.
- On August 13th, Brother **Scott Colgate** (UC -Berkeley '00) married Jenny Workman in Leesburg, VA. Scott works at the Federal Reserve under Ben Bernanke. He is the son of our late brother **Bill Colgate** and is pictured on the left at the wedding with Brother **Steve Heinrichs** (F '65).



Chapter Eternal

F. DONALD GIACOMAZZI (F '57)

Brother Don was born on October 26, 1937, in Hanford, CA and passed away on Thursday, August 18, 2011, in San Francisco following a recent kidney transplant. He is survived by Jacqueline, his wife of 48 years; four children; five grandchildren; his mother; and his sister. Recitation of the Holy Rosary was held at St. Brigid Catholic Church in Hanford on Thursday, August 25, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. A Funeral Mass was held at St. Brigid Catholic Church in Hanford on Friday, August 26, 2011, at 11:30 a.m. Interment was at Calvary Cemetery in Hanford.

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All honor to his name.





Alumni Calendar

| DATE | ACTIVITY |
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| Thursday August 31, 2011 | Location: Downing Planetarium, Fresno State Campus Time: 6:00 p.m.- Refreshments & Appetizers Detail: This is a rush week activity to meet prospective members. |
| TBD | The date and location of our September meeting will be sent out soon. |

.....We Want Your Feedback

Let us know what's going on with you and other Brothers! Send us any news items you'd like printed in *your* Newsletter. Including news about:

- Yourself and other Brothers (profiles and updates)
- Vacation Photos/Stories
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- Email Address Changes
- Anything else you want us to know about!

Send information to jamesvaux@comcast.net

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