Sigma Nu Alumni, Parents, and Friends...

This is an open letter to Sigma Nu Alumni, Parents, and Friends of our Theta Kappa Chapter of Sigma Nu. We are writing to ask you to consider volunteering with the chapter. There are a variety of volunteering options: serving as an advisor, a mentor, a LEAD facilitator, an alumni speaker, or supporting those that do. Times have changed, advisement needs have changed, and the volunteer model has changed, so if you have a lot or a little time to give – we have a role for you!

While most of our alumni were collegiates when we had the “Chapter Advisor” model, Sigma Nu has since moved to an “Alumni Advisory Board” (or AAB) model. This model provides a deeper, richer level of advisement and allows for a wide variety of time commitments that can also change over time. Our current collegiates deserve and want this advisement model; in fact, Sigma Nu’s top performing chapters (Rock Chapters) have implemented and actively use this model. And because it is not a “one size fits all” model, it remains flexible to meet the changing needs of every chapter.

If you are interested, even remotely, or even if you just want to find out more to see if you or someone you know may be interested, want to meet our collegiate leadership, or find out what you can do for our chapter (not just being an advisor), we have a perfect opportunity for you. On Sat., Feb. 18th, right before the Sigma Nu Institute at Georgia Tech, we will be holding our next “Joint Council-AAB Meeting” in Atlanta. At this meeting, you can meet and interact with both advisors and collegiate leaders. If you are interested, please let us know by going to our website at: http://bit.ly/rsvp-for-aab. After the AAB meeting, if you are able, please stay and attend the Sigma Nu Institute, where there will be various sessions, including an “Alumni Breakout” led by Todd Denson from the ΣN Headquarters Staff.

If you are unavailable to join us on February 18th but want to learn more about volunteering, look at the Sigma Nu Website at: http://bit.ly/sn-aab-model. Thank you for considering. Theta Kappa is a Sigma Nu Rock Chapter! Snakes on Top!

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On Saturday, February 18th, at 8:30 am, the Chapter Council and Alumni Advisory Board will hold a joint meeting at Georgia Tech in Atlanta. This meeting is being held in Atlanta as Sigma Nu is holding its regional Sigma Nu Institute (SNI) for 2017 at Georgia Tech that afternoon. SNI is for key officers and members of chapters in the Southeast. ΘΚ is sending 15 members! We welcome you to join the morning meeting to get to know your Chapter and its officers or to see if there is something you can do to help sustain the chapter’s progress. Also, you are invited to the alumni breakout during the Sigma Nu Institute that afternoon, which is 12:30-2:00 pm at Georgia Tech. Theta Kappa alumni and chapter members present will be having lunch at the Varsity in between these events. This a great opportunity to find out more about volunteering with your chapter, with Sigma Nu, or to just catch up with your chapter or some of the advisors. We welcome and encourage your participation!


Thank you for your consideration!

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Rock Chapter!
Theta Kappa Chapter at Georgia Southern Wins coveted award for the 2014-16 Biennium #4 in the Nation • Wed., June 29, 2016 • 67th Grand Chapter
Theta Kappa on track with great momentum & trajectory – Come Celebrate!

5th Commanders’ Dinner
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Sigma Nu Fraternity

Rock Chapter
Sigma Nu’s Highest
Collegiate Award
Recognizes
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Georgia Southern University

Presented June 29, 2016, at the
67th Grand Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity
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11 ROCK CHAPTERS

- Appalachian State
- Arkansas-Fort Smith
- Butler
- Case Western Reserve
- Georgia
- Georgia Southern
- Georgia Tech
- Illinois
- Kansas
- Minnesota
- Rhodes College

7% Percentage increase in average Pursuit of Excellence rating from 2015 to 2016
Sigma Nu Fraternity – Theta Kappa Chapter (#171)
2017 Commander’s Dinner at the Capital Grille (Buckhead)

5th Commanders’ Dinner
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Alumni Advisory Board Overview

Typically an Alumni Advisory Board is made up of several chapter alumni who support the undergraduate chapter in various aspects of chapter management. Board members can be Sigma Nu alumni, parents, faculty or staff members of the host institution, men or women who want to support the undergraduate chapter.

**Purpose**
- Advise, guide, and mentor collegiate members and officers
- Provide ongoing support for the chapter and its officers through periods of transition
- Create long-term continuity among the chapter and the alumni
- Preserve organizational knowledge from year to year

**Makeup & Overview:**
The Alumni Advisory Board (AAB) is an entity that will share the workload of the traditional Chapter Advisor position. Rather than one individual working with a chapter or colony, a board of seven or more alumni will be assembled to serve this role. The board should be at least seven (7) members strong or one board member for each chapter officer. One board member will serve as Chairman of the Board to coordinate all communication and future meetings among the Board.

The Alumni Advisory Board model:
- Allows more alumni to be involved, creating a larger pool of skills and talents
- Prevents one person from being overcommitted
- Creates continuity for the chapter officers
- Provides a strong and lasting foundation for the chapter

**General Responsibilities:**
Each alumni advisor will be responsible for training and advising one collegiate officer. The advisor will become an expert in his area of chapter operations and will help maintain continuity through officer transition and long-term planning in that area.

Additionally, the advisor is expected to be involved with the officer’s committee. The advisor is not expected to attend every committee meeting; however, he is expected to attend the first committee meeting of the term and other committee meetings when possible, as well as provide advice, assistance and encouragement between visits.

**Time Commitment:**
- Regular interaction with a collegiate officer and respective committee
- Quarterly Alumni Advisory Board meetings
- Weekly chapter meetings (once every six-eight weeks each advisor rotating)
- Facilitation of educational and leadership programming when available
Positions & Responsibilities:
The members of the Alumni Advisory Board (AAB) will attend weekly chapter meetings in rotation, ensuring there is at least one alumnus at every meeting without overburdening any individual’s schedule. Attendance at other Fraternity functions will work in similar fashion. The members of the AAB will also take on various mentorship roles with officers. The positions on the Board are:

Chairman of the Board
- Coordinate the quarterly meetings of the AAB
- Coordinate the rotating schedule of which AAB members attend each chapter meeting
- Ensure AAB members are maintaining their mentoring relationship with their respective officers
- Maintain contact with the General Fraternity with updates on any successes or troubles the chapter or AAB experiences

Chapter Advisor
- Train and advise Chapter Commander, Lt. Commander and the Executive Council
- Assist the Executive Council in creating a chapter strategic plan for the upcoming term
- Serve as liaison between the AAB and:
  - The chapter
  - University administration
  - The General Fraternity
- Train all new Alumni Advisory Board members

Finance Advisor
- Train and advise the Treasurer and Finance Committee
- Assist the Finance Committee with annual budgeting and financial goal setting
- Assist in establishing payment plan(s) to vendor(s)
- General oversight of chapter finance with Chapter Treasurer

LEAD Advisor
- Train and advise the LEAD Chairman and the LEAD Committee
- Assist LEAD Chairman and committee with LEAD Program management
- Assist LEAD Chairman with scheduling and facilitator assignments
- Assist LEAD Chairman with active recruitment of guest facilitators
- Assist Marshal with Candidate Education Program (scheduling, format, etc.)
- Work to ensure that Candidate education is free from hazing

Social & Risk Management Advisor
- Train and advise the Risk Reduction Chairman, Social Chairman and their committees
- Assist the Risk Reduction Committee in creating the risk reduction plan for the year
- Promote education on the Risk Reduction Policy and Guidelines
- Assist social committee in establishing well-balanced social calendar
- Help to ensure that chapter social events are in accordance with university policies, as well as Risk Reduction Policy & Guidelines of Sigma Nu Fraternity, Inc.
- Work with Risk Reduction Chairman and committee to ensure that all chapter functions are in accordance with university, state, and Fraternity policies and guidelines

**Recruitment Advisor**
- Train and advise the Recruitment Chairman and Recruitment Committee
- Assist Recruitment Committee in creating a year-round recruitment plan
- Encourage the use of the Values Based Recruitment program
- Assist with active recruitment of alumni involvement in the chapter’s recruitment process

**Alumni Relations Advisor**
- Train and advise the Alumni Relations Chairman and his committee
- Assist the Alumni Relations Committee in creating the alumni relations plan for the upcoming year
- Assist in establishing an alumni calendar-of-events
- Final review and edit of alumni newsletter
- Active recruitment of alumni involvement at chapter events

**Members at Large**
- Assist chapter as a general advisor and, specifically, where needed