



# BETA TAU UPDATE

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## *Men of Beta Tau,*

### House Update

On Saturday, September 26, prior to the football team's great win over Pittsburgh, ground was broken for the Randall L. Ward House of Sigma Nu Fraternity at Greek Court. Thanks to all of the alumni who are making this house possible!



If you would like to make a contribution to the housing effort of any size, please contact Brad Hastings at (540) 460-3063 or via e-mail at [brad.hastings@sigmanu.org](mailto:brad.hastings@sigmanu.org).

Hello, my name is Sam Reynolds and I am the current Commander of the Beta Tau Colony. I am proud to announce that on October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 we will be receiving our Charter at the McKimmon Center in Raleigh, North Carolina. Joe Gillman, the National Regent, will be traveling from headquarters to present us with our charter. I would like to thank all alumni and the many other individuals who helped us with their time, effort, and resources that made this petition and approval for chartering a reality.

This fall will be packed for us as we go through rush and continue to develop ourselves on campus as one of the top fraternities. While chartering weekend is taking a portion of our efforts, our recruitment chairman, JT Steed, has been doing a phenomenal job planning rush events for the fall. On Wednesday September 2, we held an on-campus cookout that attracted 300+ people and allowed the brothers to introduce themselves to many potential new members.

Our participation and enthusiasm for school spirit and philanthropy events last year gave us a lot of recognition. In partnering for homecoming this fall we had four sororities asking to team with Sigma Nu. This fall our homecoming partners will be the ladies of Delta Gamma. Last fall we had the opportunity to team with the ladies of Chi Omega and won second place overall in the homecoming festivities.

This fall semester will be extremely exciting as we will become a chartered chapter and continue to recruit and build the chapter further. Now that we have gotten our petition completed the next mountain is focusing in on becoming a Rock Chapter. The last two semesters have revolved around the petition now we shift our focus to recruiting men worthy of becoming Sigma Nu brothers and continue working to become a Rock Chapter.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at Chartering weekend and alumni events to come in the future.

Fraternally,

*Sam Reynolds*

Commander – Beta Tau

## The Petitioning and Chartering of Beta Tau

The petitioning process of the Beta Tau Colony began in Fall 2008 when the Petitioning Committee was formed. After working diligently for a year documenting, compiling, and organizing every single activity of the Beta Tau Colony, the Petitioning Committee left for summer vacation hoping to complete the Beta Tau Petition for Re-Charter. On Tuesday, July 28, 2009, the Petition was completed and sent to the Sigma Nu Headquarters. The final document includes 16 sections, 441 full-color pages with headings, and nearly 100,000 words. Then, on Tuesday, August 18, 2009, the Petition was unanimously approved by the High Council. The news was very welcomed by the Colony at their first meeting of the Fall 2009 semester that night.

The next objective after completing the Petition was to arrange the Beta Tau Chartering Weekend and Ceremony. Chartering Weekend, which is October 16-18, 2009, is quickly approaching and the Colony has been working hard to prepare for a great weekend.

**Friday, October 16, 2009**

*Commander's Reception*

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

**Saturday, October 17, 2009**

*Initiation Ceremony*

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

*Social Hour, Dinner Banquet, Program and*

*Charter Presentation*

6:00 PM – 9:30 PM

Semi-Formal/Black Tie Optional

If you cannot make it, please visit our website for Colony updates and activities and/or consider a donation. The Beta Tau Colony looks forward to seeing brothers, alumni, parents, guests, faculty, and staff at Chartering Weekend. We would like to celebrate our entire year of re-colonizing, petitioning, and a creating a new chapter of Sigma Nu history here at NC State.

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## College of Chapters Recognizes Beta Tau with LEAD Awards

As part of the Beta Tau commitment to excellence, our Colony (soon to be Chapter) took another step in its journey to becoming a Rock Chapter this year. Not only did Beta Tau successfully adopt the LEAD program but we asserted ourselves as one of the premier chapters for LEAD education across the nation.

For those of you unfamiliar, LEAD is an acronym for Leadership, Ethics, Achievement, and Development. The purpose of LEAD is to develop ethical leaders for society, brothers who will make an impact on their chapter, campus and community.

The Program is designed to ensure participants "learn by doing." LEAD utilizes sessions including exercises, simulations and discussions to highlight leadership issues students will face while in school and later in their lives and careers. These sessions are housed within 5 distinct phases of the program. Each of the phases includes a unique curriculum. Phases within the program have been designed to coincide with each member's year in school and level of individual

development - Phase I for Candidates, Phase II for second year members (Sophomores), Phase III for third year members (Juniors), Phase IV for members preparing to graduate (Seniors), and All-Chapter for the entire membership.

Every year, the Sigma Nu Headquarters awards individual chapters/colonies for their progress in LEAD implementation. This year, Beta Tau was recognized for its success. Among a representative body of some of the best Sigma Nu chapters, Beta Tau shined through and walked away from College of Chapters this year with four LEAD awards in tow. The Beta Tau Colony was recognized for Excellence in LEAD Phase I, Excellence in LEAD Phase II, Excellence in All-Chapter LEAD, and our former LEAD Chairman, current Lt. Commander, Christopher Brenton, was named LEAD Chairman of the Year. Our incredible success is only heightened by the fact that these awards came less than a year into our colonies existence.

The men of the Beta Tau colony are incredibly proud of their achievement. Our colony hopes to continue to push forward

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