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## 40th Anniversary Banquet Planned

Dick Fletcher To Be Present

Epsilon Eta is proud to announce that it is celebrating its fortieth anniversary this year with an alumni banquet. It will be held on Saturday May 12th at C'est Bon Country Club in Knoxville. The banquet will be a stag affair and it will begin at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the dinner is to celebrate forty years of brotherhood and to promote active alumni interest in the fraternity.

Present at the banquet will be Executive Secretary I and Fletcher, first commander C. C. Wilson, and Representative Howard Baker. Following the meal, there will be an informal period so that the alumni can renew past friendships and meet the new brothers.

It is hoped that this dinner will be the start of an active alumni chapter to lend a helping hand to the present brothers. Anyone interested can find more information about the banquet by writing or phoning the Sigma Nu house.

The brothers of Epsilon Eta will hold an open house all day before the banquet for anyone who might wish to see the present house.

#### SIGMA NU'S ON CAMPUS

The past year has seen a great rise in the activities of the brothers here on the hill. Our new commander, Bill Robinson, has been initiated into Omicron Delta Kappa, honorary leadership frat. Following close behind him, Brother Larry Perry has been elected president of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, and is editor of the Tennessee Engineer.

This year also saw Epsilon Eta enter the competition in Homecoming and narrowly miss being a finalist in All Sing. But our strong finish assures that we will be in close competition next year. In Greek Week this spring, Epsilon Eta was well represented, as our girl, Miss Bette Carlson, won the Miss Venus contest. And brothers Robinson and Jim Hiegal won the ZBT treasure hunt.

Under the able leadership of brother Gene Newton, Sigma Nu has won the intramural sports championship in our league. And it looks like we may repeat the feat again this year.

Politically speaking, Sigma Nu is on the inside track. Lead by brother Neil Clark, Epsilon Eta joined the new GenTennial party in a clean sweep of the spring elections. Brother Russell Houser was elected Vice-President of the Sophomore class in this election.

This is only a small part of Epsilon Eta's activity this year. All of the brothers have worked hard to carry the name of Sigma Nu to an even higher place on campus.

Commander Robinson



#### **NEW OFFICERS ELECTED**

This is the time of the year when all Sigma Nu chapters elect their new leaders for the next school year. We at Epsilon Eta are proud of our old officers for the fine work they have done, and of our newly elected officers.

The new Commander is Bill Robinson, an engineering physics major from Madison, Tennessee. Bill is now president of Tau Beta Pi, engineering honorary, and a member of Sigma Pi Sigma, Phi Eta Sigma, and Omicron Delta Kappa honorary fraternities.

Assisting Bill will be Lt.-Commander Ed Lynn, a political science major from Centerville. The new recorder is Bob Gray, a psychology major from Memphis, and the new treasurer is Gene Newton, a business major from Athens, Tennessee.

Dear Alumni,

The school year 1961-62 has been an interesting and rewarding one. Epsilon Eta initiated 20 new men into the chapter, and the scholastic average of the fraternity has been above the all men's average with Sigma Nu placing third among the fraternities. Last year we won the intramural trophy for sports, and prospects are that we will do the same again this year. Many brothers are active on campus bringing honor and prestige to Sigma Nu.

I hope all of you will be able to attend the fortieth anniversary banquet May 12th. I am sure you will meet your friends and classmates whom you have not seen in many years. The opportunity is here and many will be disappointed if you are not there. You will have received information concerning this occasion. Please notify us as soon as possible as to your plans so that we can facilitate our arrangements.

I hope I will see you on May 12. Make this event a must on your schedule.

Fraternally,

Pat Malone



Mr. Nichel Fleth

### ALUMNI SKETCHES

Brother Thomas W. Thomson ('38) is a partner in Creekmore & Thomson law firm. He is in Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity and the Elks Club. He is married and has five children.

Brother Lee Alton Absher is president of Epsilon Eta's House Corporation and is chief of general practice at Fort Sanders Hospital. He is also in Who's Who in Tennessee.

Brother Leo J. Hardin is a graduate of Arkansas University and now is an instructor at the University of Tenn. Agricultural School. He is a Kiwanian and is a Lt. Colonel in the Army Reserve.

Past Commander Emmet Hoge ('22) is Vice-President of Fisher Howes & Company Investments.

Brother Henry T. Ogle ('50) has his own law practice in Knoxville, and he is a member of the Kiwanis Club, City Club, Masonry, and Board of Trustees of the East Tennessee Baptist Hospital. He married a U.T. girl, Faye Hines, and has three children.

First Commander C. C. Wilson is a metallurgical development engineer and a member of the American Society for Metals. He is married and has two daughters.

Two of our brothers have returned to U.T. Brother Bruce Harrison is the Head of Men's Residence Halls, and Brother Wiley Thomas is the head of the Engineering Co-op. Program.

Brother Charles Morgan Emory III ('22) is a partner in Emory-Richards Construction Company and is now building U:T.'s new Physics building.

Brother C. S. Needham, Jr. ('39) is owner and operator of Plasti-Fab. He is the treasurer of the Fountain City Lions Club.

Brother Frank Faulkner ('27) is a practicing physician and a member of the Board of Directors of YMCA, Executive Board of East Tennessee Baptist Hospital, and chairman of the House Committee of the Knoxville Academy of Medicine.

Brother C. B. Alexander is the president of Oliver King Sand and Lime Co. He was initiated in 1932 when Beta Alpha Omega came into Sigma Nu.



The Alumni House Corporation is presently working on Epsilon Eta's new house.

#### a letter from our Housemother

Dear Alumni,

We were happy to have Mrs. Claude C. Wilson, wife of Epsilon Eta's first commander, Mrs. H. D. Roden, Mrs. Robert Boruff, and Mrs. C. R. Perry meet with us to discuss the organization of next year's Mothers and Wives Club. We hope from this nucleus a powerful guiding group may grow. It has long been a need of this chapter.

This is the time of year that is both happy and sad is the time we say a fond adieu to the retiring officers have led and served this chapter well. It is a happy time as we welcome another fine group of young men, dedicated to the growth and well being of Sigma Nu.

There are many and varied talents among us, and a wonderful spirit of real brotherhood is present. I still feel, as I did when first asked to be Sigma Nu's housemother, it is a great honor, and my fine family of young men are dear to my heart. They are very highly thought of by the housemothers of the dormitories and other fraternities, and by the neighbors here on 17th street. Even the university police commended them for their cooperation. I am sure that I could not be happy in any other fraternity.

Sincerely,

Mrs. E. H. Shannon