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SAVE THE DATE
September 26, 2026



Please join us on Saturday, September 26, 2026, for our biennial Alumni Reunion Picnic. This event is held during even, non-Conclave years. As you can see from the above pictures, it is a good time had by all. Additional details will be provided in future communications.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Brothers,

As 2025 fades into the past, I am humbled and proud of what an amazing year SigEp at UConn has had. Our successes range from the graduation of our incredible Class of '25, to our fourth consecutive Buchanan Cup in July to another successful Annual Meeting in November.

But beyond our impressive accolades, Connecticut Alpha continues to excel in Brotherly Love—both in the undergraduate chapter and the broader alumni community. Last year, for instance, several of our alumni put in a hearty amount of time and sweat into [building a new, seven-foot trophy case for the chapter house](#) to better display our legacy of excellence.

And to help keep the engine running, in August we wrapped up our 2025 alumni giving campaign, which raised over \$10,000. See below for detail on how these funds are used, and a sincere thank you to all of our generous brothers who helped us meet our goal.

Looking ahead, we currently have over 100 chapter members, and our outstanding new E-Board is primed for another amazing year ahead.

On my end . . . life and work have continued to grow busier. Longer days at the office, more weddings to attend, and more errands to run. As always, reconnecting with my SigEp brothers helps keep myself grounded, whether I find myself hanging around DC, visiting home in Connecticut, or on various travels across the United States. As I continue my sixth year as an alumnus and approach my fifth year as AVC President, I remain both grateful and proud for Connecticut Alpha's past, present, and future. From my red door to yours, wishing you a great 2026.

H.F. F.

Van Augur, Connecticut '20
Alumni & Volunteer Corporation President

CHAPTER UPDATE

SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM STORRS



WELCOME NEW BROTHERS

The Alumni and Volunteer Corporation is incredibly proud to welcome our outstanding fall 2025 cohort of new undergraduate brothers, including:

Hunter Anderson, Essex, CT (Undecided)
Jack Birman, Cherry Hill, NJ (Graphic Design)
Brendan Boyer, Plympton, MA (Undecided)
Joe Bray, Willington, CT (Engineering)
Jacob Dooley, Andover, CT (Finance)
Avery Dube, Burlington, CT (Actuarial Science/Finance)
Grant Fishberg, Rocky Hill, CT (Political Science)
Roan Fothergill, Ledyard, CT (Economics/Finance)
Ben Foley, Burlington, CT (Undecided)
Alex Greenberg, Narragansett, RI (Political Science)

Matthew Huang, Greenwich, CT (Undecided)
Josh Hao, Beijing, China (Anthropology)
Zach Kneessi, Powhatan, VA (Civil Engineering)
Beni Kosovski, West Hartford, CT (Engineering)
Kyle Matuszek, Port Jefferson Station, NY (Biological Sciences)
Aaron Mickiewicz, Burlington, CT (Civil Engineering)
Charlie Saade, Stoughton, MA (Civil Engineering)
Hudson Sepowitz, Ballston Spa, CT (Exercise Science)
Peter Swanson, Milford, CT (Mgmt & Eng. for Mfg.)
Arjun Verdere, Cheshire, CT (Applied Mathematics)
Sebastian Wroblewski, Burlington, CT (Chemical Engineering)





Fall 2025 chapter retreat at Grandview Camp Resort in Moodus, CT.

The 2025 fall chapter retreat once again brought brothers together for a powerful weekend of leadership, reflection, and connections. From alumni-led career and service conversations to deeply personal activities that strengthened chapter bonds, the retreat showcased what makes SigEp special. Rising leaders emerged, new members stepped up, and the chapter's Cardinal Principles were front and center. Click [here](#) to see how this unforgettable retreat is already shaping the chapter's future.

2025 CAREER DAY EVENT



SigEp at UConn Career Day participants from left to right: Chapter President Alex Reilly '26, Cam Irvine '23, Luke Maloney '18, Jerry Dallas '70, James Barron, Loras '95, Tom Birmingham '86, Jim Moreno '86, and Derek Chowaniec '06.

More than 40 brothers, alumni, and friends gathered on UConn's campus this fall for the inaugural SigEp at UConn Career Day—a celebration of mentorship,

professional growth, and brotherhood. The day kicked off with an inspiring keynote from Tom Birmingham '86, who challenged undergraduates to see their careers as a “hero’s journey.” This was followed by practical, hands-on guidance from UConn career professionals. Lively networking exercises and an alumni panel spanning four decades sparked meaningful conversations and valuable connections across generations. The event wrapped up with camaraderie, gratitude, and a clear message: SigEp at UConn is building lifelong leaders—together.

Click [here](#) to read more about the 2025 Career Day event.

MEET OUR NEW EBOARD MEMBERS



President - Noah Arce
VP Programming - Jacob Lucas

VP Recruitment - Nikho Torres
VP Member Development - Patrick Liss
VP Learning Community - Jake Stark
VP Finance - Jordan Michaud
VP Communications - Matt Dimech
Chaplain - Devin Otero
Chairman of Member Safety - Rory Granfield
Secretary - Nate Vitorino

SIGEP WINS GREEK BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION TITLE



The chapter seen here basking in their glory after winning the UConn Greek Basketball Association's fall 2025 season.

Connecticut Alpha just wrapped up a championship-winning run in the UConn Greek Basketball Association, finishing an impressive 12–1 season on top of the league. Powered by standout performances and deep team chemistry, the brothers clinched the title in a decisive finals victory. Their success also earned them a spot at the GBA National Tournament in Memphis, where they represented SigEp on the national stage. Click [here](#) to see how this title run reflected the brothers' drive to be the best on and off the court.

ALUMNI UPDATE

SIGEP FOUNDERS DAY CELEBRATION



From L to R: Chief Petty Officer Ed Jones, U.S. Navy (ret.), Buffalo State '96, Petty Officer First Class Tristan McMorran, U.S. Coast Guard, Tampa '07, Colonel Andy Kelly, U.S. Air Force/Connecticut Air National Guard (ret.), Arkansas '00, Major Kris Schmautz, U.S. Air Force, Valparaiso '07, Sergeant Richard Dooley, U.S. Army (ret., Rensselaer '68, and Colonel Jeff Cantor, U.S. Army (ret.), Buffalo State '87.

The SigEp Patriots Project once again brought SigEp's values to life with a powerful wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery honoring our military brothers and the fraternity's founding. Among those leading the tribute was SigEp at UConn's Chapter Counselor Colonel Andy Kelly, '00 Arkansas Alpha, whose service and fraternity leadership embodied the deep bond between duty and brotherhood. The day served as a moving reminder of SigEp's enduring commitment to virtue, service, and brotherly love—past, present, and future.

Click [here](#) for additional information on this moving ceremony.

SEEKING ALUMNI UPDATES

We want to hear from you! This is often the most viewed section of our newsletter. Please send us updates about births, deaths, career, travel, hobbies, reunions, etc. to **speaconn@gmail.com**.

ALUMNI CALENDAR

2026 SigEp Open Golf Tournament - Please join in this year's annual golf tournament being held the weekend of September 26.

- When: 10:00 am
- Where: [Portland Golf Club](#), 169 Bartlett Street, Portland, CT
- What: Details to follow
- Questions: Email Paul Summers @ paulsum06790@yahoo.com

2026 CT Alpha Alumni Reunion Picnic - Please join us on Saturday, September 26, for our biennial Alumni Reunion Picnic. Additional details to follow.

2027 Grand Chapter Conclave - Planning has already begun for the next biennial Conclave to be held in Phoenix, AZ, between July 21-25, 2027. This "odd-year event" typically draws around 1,200 people, including a large contingent of Connecticut Alpha members. If you have never been, then mark your calendars. It's a long weekend of brotherhood, celebration, and fun! Click [here](#) for details.

Donate

To donate by check, please make checks payable to "**CT Alpha of Sigma Phi Epsilon Alumni**" to:

CT Alpha AVC
78 Summer Lane
North Haven, CT 06473

LOST BROTHERS

Help locate “lost” brothers and keep your information current! This is critical to being able to reach our brothers and is easy to do. Here's how:

- Click [here](#) to share any updated contact information for lost brothers on this list;
- Click [here](#) to update your own information.

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