

Phi Kappa Sigma International Fraternity 99th Grand Chapter

ATTENDEE INFORMATION PACKET

Grand Chapter in New Orleans
JW Marriott – New Orleans

www.GrandChapter.com

We are excited that you will be joining us in New Orleans this summer. This Grand Chapter location was chosen not only for the city's reputation, but because NOLA has a rich history in the Fraternity and for accomplishing the great work of our Brotherhood. This year also marks a historic year for NOLA, as the city celebrates its Tricentennial (300th anniversary).

Grand Chapter is a time to reconnect with your brothers, conduct the business of the Fraternity, and maybe even learn something new, but also to spend time socializing and relaxing in an environment where you know you can trust each other, maybe provide some guidance, or just listen to each other, whether times are good or not so good.

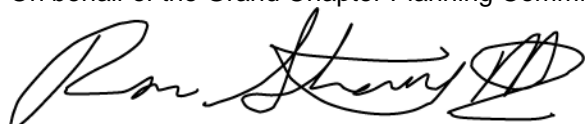
The Grand Chapter, which has existed since 1869, was the first democratic system based on chapter representation established in the United States by any social fraternity. The Grand Chapter is the chief legislative body of our Fraternity and each chapter is required by the Constitution and Acts to send at least one delegate and Chapter Advisor. Chapter representation is critical at Grand Chapter since we will be discussing and voting on issues that will shape the future of Phi Kappa Sigma for many years to come.

During Grand Chapter, both undergraduates and alumni will have the opportunity to attend educational sessions dealing with all aspects of chapter operations and important issues facing college students today. Chapter Advisors and volunteers will also benefit from programming specifically designed for them.

The 99th Grand Chapter promises to be a fantastic time where you will have the opportunity to meet brothers from all over the United States and Canada to share in the bonds of brotherhood. We are also planning several special activities while in New Orleans and all attendees will have plenty of time to go out and explore the beautiful city.

Please contact the International Headquarters via phone (317-853-1234) if you have any questions and we look forward to seeing you in The Big Easy!

On behalf of the Grand Chapter Planning Committee,



Ron Stranix III
Grand Pi

The Phi Kappa Sigma Grand Chapter Committee

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| Ron Stranix III | Delta Rho '12 – Grand Pi (Committee Chair) |
| Sean McCann | Alpha Epsilon '05 – Grand Sigma (Past Chair) |
| Clem Barbazon | Beta Xi '75 – Grand Delta |
| Chuck Beck | Alpha Epsilon '09 – Grand Delta |
| Dan Lund III | Beta Xi '85 – Past Grand Alpha |
| Iggie Perrin | Beta Xi '84 – Past Grand Beta |
| Lonny Boeke | Gamma Gamma '00 – Foundation Vice President |
| Tim Schug | Alpha Epsilon '07 – Fraternity Staff |

Tentative Schedule of Events

| Thursday, August 2, 2018 | |
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| TBD | Vendor Exhibits |
| 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM | Grand Chapter Committee Meetings |
| 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM | Check-In & Registration |
| 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM | Delegate Reception and Orientation |
| 3:00 PM to 5:30 PM | General Session & Keynote – Day 1 |
| 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM | Philanthropic/Service Partnerships |
| 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM | Dinner & Entertainment |
| Friday, July 29, 2016 | |
| TBD | Vendor Exhibits |
| Morning | Optional Session - TBD |
| 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM | Brunch |
| 11:30 AM – 12:15 PM | Undergrad Session & Alumni Session |
| 12:30 PM – 2:30 PM | General Session – Day 2 |
| 2:30 PM – 5:30 PM | Undergrad Sessions & Alumni Sessions |
| 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM | Alumni Reception (alumni and their guests only) |
| Saturday, July 30, 2016 | |
| 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM | Continental Breakfast |
| 9:45 AM to 11:00 AM | Ritual Exemplification Secrets & Symbols (initiated members only) |
| 11:00 AM to 3:30 PM | General Session & Boxed Lunch– Day 3 (initiated members only) |
| 5:30 PM to 6:15 PM | Cocktail Reception (open to all attendees and guests) |
| 6:15 PM to 6:30 PM | Group Photo |
| 6:30 PM to 10:00 PM | Awards Banquet |

DRESS CODE

- ✘ **All Grand Chapter Sessions (Opening, General, and Closing) and Alumni Events:** Business Attire (Coat and Tie or Suit) is required. Please **no** casual clothing, flip-flops, shorts, etc.! Members not in proper dress will not be permitted in Grand Chapter sessions.
- ✘ **Awards Banquet:** Black Tie (Tuxedo) is suggested. Must have coat and tie.
- ✘ **Travel days, down time, and evening/other activities:** Business casual (pants and a collared shirt) is recommended but casual is acceptable for the Thursday evening activity and the free time on Saturday afternoon.

Additional Attendee Information

Official Undergraduate Delegates

According to Article IV, Section 2 of the Fraternity's Constitution and Acts, every chapter is required to be represented by one Official Undergraduate Delegate. However, as many members of your chapter may attend as desired, in fact we encourage it!

A credentials form for the official voting delegate is required. The form must be completed, signed by the Alpha and the Sigma, and sent to ΦΚΣ International Headquarters no later than July 1, 2018. In order for your chapter to have a vote at the Grand Chapter, you must submit this form.

The delegates have a special role in the legislative sessions of Grand Chapter. As such, the delegate should be an initiated (except for colonies) and well-informed member to represent the best interests of your chapter. As the official delegate, he will be required to attend all event sessions (roll call is taken) and holds the voting rights of your chapter. Each undergraduate delegate will receive a room paid for by the Fraternity which will be shared with another delegate. This room will be reserved by the Fraternity's staff. He is also entitled to a travel reimbursement up to \$275 for an air/bus/rail ticket or calculated at \$0.14 per mile driven up to \$275. In order to receive this reimbursement, delegates must attend all events and submit a travel reimbursement form and receipts within 30 days of the convention.

If your chapter is sending more than one attendee, consider selecting an Alternate Delegate. In case something happens, there will be no question of who should take on the role of Official Delegate.

Alumni Chapter Delegates

Every recognized Alumni Chapter should be represented by one Official Alumni Chapter Delegate.

A credentials form for the official voting delegate is required. The form must be completed, signed by the President and the Secretary of the Alumni Chapter, and sent to ΦΚΣ International Headquarters no later than July 1, 2018. In order for your Alumni Chapter to have a vote at the Grand Chapter, you must submit this form AND be current with your financial account with the Fraternity.

Each Alumni Chapter shall have the right to one vote on all motions and in the election of Grand Officers, except when the vote of the Grand Chapter is taken by Chapters (e.g. motions to amend the Constitution and Acts) as provided for in the Constitution and Acts.

Official Alumni Chapter Delegates are responsible for their own registration, transportation and hotel arrangements.

All Other Members

Undergraduate and alumni participants (non-delegates) are encouraged to participate in all meetings and serve on at least one committee, although voting privileges must be restricted to official delegates with proper credentials.

**** Executive, National, and Grand Chapter committee members should consider arriving on Tuesday or Wednesday depending on their committee assignments. See your committee chair for further information. ****

Travel Reimbursements: Please keep in mind that only Official Undergraduate Delegates* and Chapter Advisors** (or approved Assistant Chapter Advisors in the absence of the Chapter Advisor) are eligible for a travel cost reimbursement of their documented roundtrip air/bus/rail fare or, if driving, \$.14 / mile roundtrip, both limited to \$275. In order to receive this reimbursement, delegates must attend all events and submit a travel reimbursement form and receipts within 30 days of the convention.

*** Official Undergraduate Delegates are those registrants who have completed and sent to the International Headquarters a Credentials Form.**

**** Official Chapter Advisors (or Assistants) are those alumni who are recognized and approved by the International Fraternity's Executive Committee.**

GRAND CHAPTER INFORMATION
(From the Constitution and Acts of Phi Kappa Sigma International Fraternity)

ARTICLE IV
THE GRAND CHAPTER

Section 1. Composition. There shall be a Grand Chapter of the Fraternity, composed of an assemblage of delegates from each active Chapter, one of whom may be a graduate, of delegates of each alumni Chapter, of the Chapter advisors, and the Grand Officers and the Past Grand Alphas.

The Grand Chapter shall exist only while delegates so convened are assembled.

Section 2. Attendance. It is the responsibility of every Chapter and colony to send a minimum of one undergraduate delegate to the Grand Chapter Meeting.

Section 3. Authority. The Grand Chapter shall be entrusted with all general legislative and executive power, including the power to levy and collect taxes, not otherwise provided for, and its decision in all cases shall be supreme. It shall be authorized to pass such in all cases and shall be supreme. It shall be authorized to pass such enactments, not inconsistent with this Constitution, as may be deemed necessary for proper government and administration of the Fraternity.

Section 4. Sessions. The Grand Chapter shall meet in the convention at such time and at such place, annually or otherwise, as it or the Executive Board may determine, provided that at least thirty days notice of said convention be given to each Chapter. A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of a majority of the active Chapters.

The sessions of the Grand Chapter shall be open to all members of the Fraternity, including those not designated as delegates. To such members the privileges of the floor, without voting, shall be accorded.

Section 5. Officers. The Officers of the Fraternity shall be a Grand Alpha, a Grand Beta, a Grand Pi, a Grand Sigma, Grand Tau, and Grand Thetas. These Grand Officers shall supervise the sessions of the Grand Chapter and shall perform such other duties as are defined or outlined in the Constitution and Acts or otherwise provided.

These Grand Officers shall be elected at the concluding meeting of each regular Grand Chapter to serve through the next Grand Chapter session.

Section 6. Voting. Each active Chapter, each Alumni Chapter, each Chapter Advisor, or, in his absence, the authorized Assistant Chapter Advisor, and each Grand Officer shall have the right to one vote and all motions and in the election of Grand Officers, except that the Grand Alpha shall vote only in the case of a tie. Past Grand Alphas shall have one collective vote which shall be of such character as a majority of said Past Grand Alphas present may decide.

When the vote of the Grand Chapter is taken by Chapters, as provided for in this Constitution or in the Acts, the active Chapters only shall vote; provided, however, in such case of a tie, the Grand Officers shall cast one collective vote, which shall be of such character as a majority of the said officers may decide.

Receive a copy of the full Constitution and Acts at: <http://AlwaysAPhiKap.org/Constitution>