

Alumni Speaker Series

Business Leadership

Part 1: April 6th at 6:30 pm

Event & Date:

- **Event:** Alumni Speaker Series: Alumni Panel on Entrepreneurialism and Business Leadership
- **Date/Time:** Wed., April 6th at 7:00 pm
- **Location:** GSU Performing Arts Center (PAC), Room 1915, 847 Plant Drive, Statesboro, GA 30460
- **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/events/1490531804574927/> (this is a private site)

Format:

Billy Hickman, a CPA, partner, past managing partner, and business advisor at Dabbs, Hickman, Hill, & Cannon will facilitate and ask questions of panel – he will also contribute from his experience as a well. All questions are meant as guides only to keep the event moving and focused, but can deviate.

Suggested questions for the panel to solicit feedback:

1. Give us a quick background on your fraternal and business history (a bio of sorts) to date. (We can keep this short as we will hand out the information sheet with the short bio).
2. Briefly describe your current role and how you got here.
3. What things/values did you learn in the fraternity, college, life, & business that serve you well today?
4. Each of you owns and runs a business and is essentially no longer in “Corporate America”, tell us why and/or how you got here plus why you are still there?
5. Without violating the Risk Reduction Policy, tell us a couple of your most memorable fraternity moments and experiences?
6. Briefly describe your post-graduation fraternity experience or what the ΣN/fraternity experience means to you 20, 30, or 40+ years later (or all).
7. What do you find most enjoyable about the work that you do?

Background on this initiative:

- **Purpose:** To provide an interactive panel discussion with Theta Kappa alumni for our Collegiate Chapter on entrepreneurialism and business leadership that will help them better understand the opportunities out there and what they may need to do to prepare themselves or if it interests them as well as provide additional benefits to being in a fraternity and in particular Sigma Nu.
- This fits into our approach to LEAD programming with the “All Chapter LEAD Category”. LEAD is a multi-part program that chapters implement over their collegiate career that starts with Phase 1, which is part of the new member education. For more on LEAD please go to: <http://bit.ly/sn-lead> or to the Fraternity HQs site at: <http://www.sigmanu.org/programs/lead/index.php>.
- Panelists are all business owners that Theta Kappa Chapter alumni. They are:
 - **Facilitator:** Brother Billy Hickman (ΘK 62), Partner at Dabbs, Hickman, Hill, & Cannon CPAs, has agreed to be Host Facilitator for this panel discussion. He is the past Managing Partner.
 - **Panelist 1:** Steve Gay, ΘK 28, Pharmacist & Owner of the Prescription Shop, Statesboro GA
 - **Panelist 2:** Andy Oliver, ΘK 231, President & Owner, Braswell Food Company, Statesboro GA
 - **Panelist 3:** Shane Ragan, ΘK 254, President/Owner, Ragan Insurance Agency, Inc., Columbus GA
 - **Panelist 4:** Todd Kalish, ΘK 311, Owner-Operator, Chick-fil-A Bradley Park, Columbus GA
- Alumni, Cecil Christopher and Keith Roughton, plus LEAD Officer, Josh Calhoun, will be there will be there to ensure a smooth event and coordinate with all parties.
- Keep in mind we will have a videographer and a professional photographer to chronicle this event. We will have someone from the George-Anne, local press, and the Statesboro Magazine there.