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 winter issue-October 1

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We always welcome your comments – both positive and negative – about this publication. E-mail the Editor at [SMC@phikappapsi.com](mailto:SMC@phikappapsi.com) or send mail to Shawn Collinsworth, 5395 Emerson Way, Indianapolis, IN 46226.

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## staff directory

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# The State of the Fraternity: 2005-2006



**By Shawn M. Collinsworth,  
Indiana Eta '91,  
Executive Director**

## *The Great Joy of Serving Others*

### INTRODUCTION

At the 73rd Grand Arch Council in New Orleans, La., participants were able to live one of the Fraternity's founding principles, "The Great Joy of Serving Others." Brothers from around the country came in a day early, paid extra money for lodging and food and volunteered with Habitat for Humanity in the Ninth Ward, one of the hardest-hit areas of New Orleans, which is still attempting to recover from Hurricane Katrina. Many left early from their paying jobs to drive all night to help those in need. For many of the brothers in attendance, it wasn't their first trip to New Orleans to help out after Hurricane Katrina. Several chapters and alumni made a trip earlier in the year to help those who lost everything. I found myself overcome with pride for the difference that the members of Phi Kappa Psi made in our GAC host city and in their own communities.

In nearly 155 years of existence, our

brotherhood continues to live up to the obligation of helping others. As you are able to see in chapter and alumni association reports in *The Shield*, our members are extremely active in their communities. Phi Psis have partnered with local Boys & Girls Clubs, area schools, served on Chamber of Commerce Boards, helped out with soup kitchens and picked up trash along area highways. Just as we were founded on February 19, 1852, with a typhoid outbreak on the Jefferson College campus, Phi Psi brothers continue to make a difference.

As you will read in this report, Phi Kappa Psi continues to make a difference around the country. The Fraternity's membership numbers continue to rise and are at a record high, we have more chapters than in recent history, a record number of colonies, and our programming is second to none. The current Executive Council and Headquarters Staff are charting the path for the future, and

working hard to make Phi Psi the most influential fraternity in America.

With all that is positive in Phi Kappa Psi, let's not lose touch with why we are part of this great organization: brotherhood, leadership, academics, and, of course, The Great Joy of Serving Others.

## MEMBERSHIP

Phi Kappa Psi's undergraduate membership for the June 1, 2005 to May 31, 2006 report year was 4,038, which is slightly up from the last report year, and just eight members off of the record setting '03 – '04 year of 4,046 members. As you will see in the membership chart, Phi Psi has enjoyed a large spike in membership the last nine years, with only one declining year during this run. This is during a time when many fraternities are experiencing a decline of membership nationwide.

Looking at the preliminary census numbers for the June 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007 report year, our undergraduate numbers have grown to a new record high. An unprecedented 4,412 undergraduate membership census was collected this year, which is directly related to our aggressive expansion model, and chapters growing nationwide. The census number is always taken in September of each school year, for insurance and

record maintenance purposes at Headquarters. Obviously, as chapters continually recruit during the school year, our undergraduate numbers grow dramatically, and so does our average chapter size.

## AVERAGE CHAPTER SIZE

An "average" Phi Kappa Psi chapter had 45 members during the 2006-2007 academic school year. Though many chapters and campuses are different, this number is used as a benchmark for many of our chapters. The Fraternity asks that our chapters be above the average chapter size on their respective campus.

A recent survey conducted by the Fraternity Executives Association reported that the average chapter size for all men's fraternities was 38 in 2005-2006. Although our average chapter size has increased over the past several years, the Fraternity still needs to concentrate as an organization to recruit quality men that will make a difference in their chapters, campuses and communities as undergraduates and alumni.

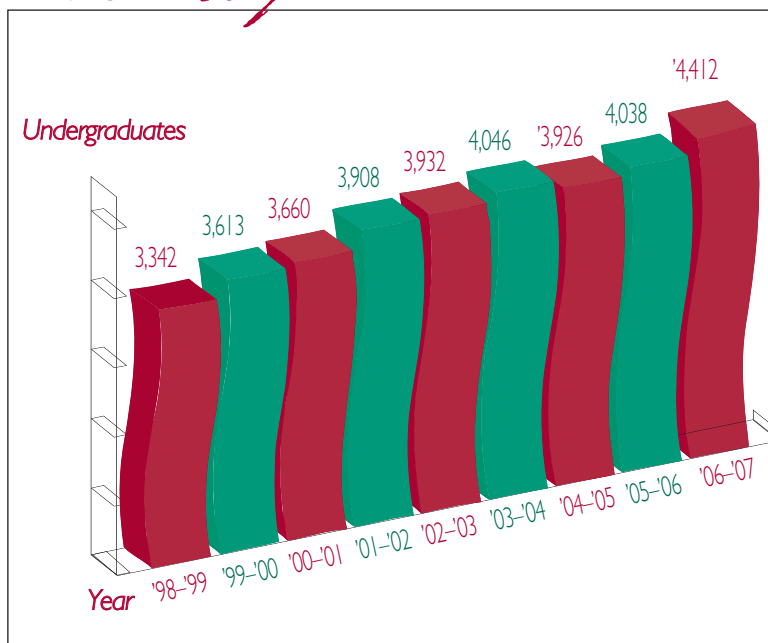
From February 19, 1852, through May 31, 2006, the names of 109,256 men have been recorded on the Grand Membership Rolls.

## CHAPTER SERVICES

The Educational Leadership Consultant (ELC) Program remains the most vital and visible component in the Fraternity's arsenal in the attempt to help chapters improve chapter operations. Phi Psi's four road warriors travel the red and green highway nine months of the year, visiting each chapter for three days, with the goal of helping every chapter reach its potential. Many chapters have taken advantage of the program and request additional visits during the year or ask for a recruitment visit prior to formal recruitment periods.

The purpose of the ELC program is to continue to assist chapters in leadership and scholarship programming, chapter

*membership*



management evaluations, officer training, risk management presentations, recruitment workshops and general trouble-shooting. It is vital to have area alumni work with local chapters to help institute these best practices with follow-up from staff. The strongest chapters nationwide are those that have alumni attend chapter meetings and advise the chapter on a weekly basis. If chapters need help getting local alumni involved with the chapter, please contact Will Haskett at Phi Kappa Psi Headquarters.

During this report year, the Chapter Services team at Fraternity Headquarters, which includes the Executive Director, Assistant Executive Director, Director of Leadership Development, Director of Chapter Services, Director of Alumni Services, Director of Expansion and the four Educational Leadership Consultants, worked very hard to provide the support and services chapters need to improve and excel. Every chapter was visited at least once, with most groups receiving multiple visits.

## ALUMNI PROGRAMS

The cultivation of alumni associations continues to be the biggest focus in our alumni efforts. Over the report year, three new alumni associations were created; South Florida Gulf Coast, Rochester Area, and Phoenix Area. The Fraternity is looking forward to the upcoming Founders Day, with the theme being "Grow and Flourish." Please see page 11 in this issue of *The Shield* to find the closest Founders Day celebration, and plan on attending. You can also find updates and additions to this list at [www.PhiKappaPsi.com](http://www.PhiKappaPsi.com).

The Executive Council has made alumni training programming a priority for the near future. We are working on finding funding for programming that will help recruit and develop Fraternity volunteers.

As stated earlier in this report, Phi Kappa Psi needs to continue to "re-recruit" alumni to be involved in area alumni associations, chapters, and housing corporations. I encourage each alumnus to "come back to Phi Psi" and give back to the Fraternity from which you were able to take so much.

## EXTENSION

The Fraternity has made a concerted effort to grow our organization at a reasonable rate, so

more members at more institutions can experience the benefits of Phi Kappa Psi. The past report year has been nothing less than astonishing. There are currently 10 colonies across the nation working to become chartered chapters of Phi Kappa Psi. The Fraternity has colonies at: Bowling Green State University; Ohio University; University of Maryland; Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis; Northern Illinois University; Iowa State University; Houston Baptist University; University of Oregon; University of California, Riverside; Occidental College.

As you can see, this is a very impressive list of places at which we are planting the Phi Psi flag, and we continue to look for future expansion opportunities. The Fraternity is looking forward to many of these groups completing their chartering petitions in the near future and being inducted into the mysteries of "our strong band."

No chapters were lost during the year under review.

## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Due to the generosity of the Fraternity's Foundation, The Endowment Fund, we are able to conduct several leadership programs that help our undergraduates become better leaders in their respective chapters and communities. Programs that were offered the past report year include: the Presidents Leadership Academy (PLA), Fraternity Educators Leadership Academy (FELA), and the Leadership Experience.

The PLA is in its 12th year and was held in Indianapolis, Ind. This year the Fraternity hosted over 80 chapter presidents at the new home of Phi Kappa Psi, Laurel Hall. Having a new Headquarters facility to host the event was a positive addition to the program. As always, the Fraternity furnishes travel, room and board for each GP so he will be able to attend. The 2007 PLA will be held on January 26 - 28 at Laurel Hall in Indianapolis, Ind. Please contact Rob Nagel, at Fraternity Headquarters, to reserve your chapter's spot today.

The seventh annual FELA took place this past July in Laurel Hall. Sixty fraternity educators came to Indianapolis to learn how to effectively lead new members and teach them to get the most out of



their collegiate experience. Unfortunately, due to the Fraternity grant restrictions for the upcoming year, the Fraternity Educators Leadership Academy will not be held this coming summer, with the expectation that this program, or a similar program, will be added in the summer of 2008.

The Fraternity was again able to reward scholarships to our members for various nationally endorsed leadership programs. Phi Kappa Psi awarded ten Undergraduate Interfraternity Institute scholarships and five Futures Quest scholarships during the reporting year. The North-American Interfraternity Conference (NIC) facilitates both leadership programs, and Phi Psi attendees gave both programs rave reviews.

The Woodrow Wilson Leadership School (WWLS) is currently in its planning stages for the summer of 2007. The dates for the upcoming WWLS will be July 18-22, 2007 at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. You will be able to find out more information in future issues of *The Shield*, and online at [www.PhiKappaPsi.com](http://www.PhiKappaPsi.com).

## CHAPTER EXCELLENCE PROGRAM

The Chapter Excellence Program just completed its sixth year, and is designed to give chapters a self-assessment on whether they are meeting the Fraternity's minimum standards in 11 key areas of chapter life. In 2004, the Executive Council "fine tuned" the accreditation program to make it more manageable for the chapters. Now the accreditation application will be due in April before each WWLS (odd years). The accreditation application will also be used as the awards packet for the WWLS. The full application is available at [www.PhiKappaPsi.com](http://www.PhiKappaPsi.com).

A chapter that reaches an accredited status remains at the level for two years before being asked to resubmit an application before the next WWLS. Chapters that meet or exceed all 11 standards are designated as accredited with distinction. Chapters meeting or exceeding 10 of the 11 standards are designated accredited with honors, and chapters reaching eight or nine of the 11 standards are termed accredited. Please encourage your chapter to take the time to fill out the Chapter Excellence Program that will be due this April.

## TOP 10 CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS

1. Texas Alpha – 158
2. Kansas Alpha – 131
3. California Delta – 107
4. California Epsilon – 107
5. Michigan Alpha - 101
6. Iowa Alpha – 101
7. California Lambda – 97
8. Ohio Lambda – 96
9. Indiana Beta – 95
10. Indiana Delta – 95

Numbers are from the fall 2006 semi-annual report (ties are broken by number of actives in the chapter)

## TOP 10 FALL 2005 CUMULATIVE CHAPTER GPAS

1. California Beta – 3.57
2. Pennsylvania Iota – 3.49
3. Massachusetts Beta – 3.41
4. Illinois Alpha – 3.40
5. Pennsylvania Gamma – 3.34
6. New York Iota – 3.27
7. Ohio Epsilon – 3.24
8. Iowa Alpha – 3.23
9. Washington Alpha – 3.21
10. Pennsylvania Theta – 3.18

## INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Since 1997, Phi Kappa Psi has been a member of FRMT, Ltd., a Bermuda-based mutual reinsurance company. Past national president, Steven E. Nieslawski, *Illinois Delta '79*, is concluding his service as Phi Kappa Psi's member of the captive's board of directors, and serves as the Executive Committee's Members at Large chairman. Steve has been a big part of managing our Insurance program, ensuring that our rates are as low as possible, and will be greatly missed.

The cost for liability insurance during the report year was \$183 per man. For the 2006-2007 academic year, the rate is going to increase to approximately \$190 per man. Insurance rates continue to climb across the country, and the fraternal market is no different. Phi Kappa Psi's insurance rates have an opportunity to be lowered by a 20% margin, if the Fraternity were to

significantly lower its insurance claims during a five-year span. FRMT has developed a variable rating schedule that allows fraternities with good loss rates to obtain a discount, and, conversely, those with poorer records pay a higher premium. Over the past years the Fraternity has had an excess of claims from its members, therefore increasing our premiums dramatically. With a concerted effort from our members to manage their risk, the rates will again begin to decrease. FRMT continues to be the best option for Phi Kappa Psi. Non-FRMT group rates are significantly higher than ours, and those groups are unable to get into FRMT due to their loss record. It is interesting to note that, in today's world, it is more expensive to insure a fraternity than it is to insure a nuclear dumping ground.

Phi Kappa Psi has instituted a variable rating schedule for chapters. Chapters with a risk management violation during an academic year will pay a higher premium than those chapters who do not have a violation. Furthermore, chapters may earn an extra discount if they have a history of no losses during a tracking period and complete risk management educational programming, found in the back of the risk management guide. If you are interested in lowering your insurance premium, please contact Claude Warren at Fraternity Headquarters. Educational programming guides and forms are available at [www.PhiKappaPsi.com](http://www.PhiKappaPsi.com).

Phi Kappa Psi paid over \$800,000 in insurance premiums for both property and liability coverage. The Fraternity's coverage included a \$40 million property coverage policy for chapter houses, and liability coverage of \$6 million.

Phi Kappa Psi is also a member of FIPG, Inc., a risk management association made up of more than 40 men and women's fraternities. Phi Psi has adopted the FIPG, Inc., risk management policy as its minimum risk management standard.

*The Sentry* is Phi Kappa Psi's risk management newsletter that is produced several times each year and sent to chapters, advisors and house corporations. In addition, the Fraternity sends the FRMT, Ltd., newsletter, *Fraternal Law*, a newsletter concerned with legal issues facing the Interfraternity world, to those same audiences throughout the year.

## EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The Executive Council is the supreme governing body of the Fraternity between Grand Arch Councils. This 10-member board of directors is the policy-making arm of the Fraternity. Serving on the Executive Board during the report year were: President James R. Blazer II, *Ohio Delta '79*; Vice President Stephen R. O'Rourke, *Missouri Alpha '74*; Treasurer Stuart W. Rhodes, *Indiana Beta '69*; Secretary J. Tryon Hubbard Jr., *Alabama Alpha '64*. Other members of the Executive Council include six District Archons elected at the District Council meeting. The Archons serving during the report year include: District I – Allan Rysin, *New York Iota '04*; District II – Bryce A. Myers, *Ohio Epsilon '02*; District III – Ryan E. Fischer, *Indiana Zeta '03*; District IV – John C. Cochran, *Alabama Alpha '03*; District V – Jason A. Martin, *Texas Alpha '01*; District VI – Daniel J. Duran, *Arizona Alpha '03*.

A new Executive Board was elected at the 73rd Grand Arch Council, held this past summer in New Orleans, La. The new Executive Board consists of: President Stephen R. O'Rourke, *Missouri Alpha '74*; Vice President Paul R. Wineman, *Washington Alpha '55*; and Treasurer J. Tryon Hubbard Jr., *Alabama Alpha '64*; and Secretary James L. Miller, *Ohio Delta '85*.

## FRATERNITY STAFF

Shawn M. Collinsworth, *Indiana Eta '91*, just completed his fifth year as Executive Director, and editor of *The Shield*, and has been on staff since 1998. Along with Collinsworth, serving on the management team during the report year were: Assistant Executive Director Claude M. Warren III, *Indiana Alpha '96 (Indiana Zeta '95)*; Director of Chapter Services Chad M. Stegemiller, *Indiana Zeta '98*; Director of Leadership Development Shane N. Yates, *Ohio Theta '97*, and Robert S. Nagel, *New York Eta '99*; Director of Publications RJ Proie, *Pennsylvania Beta '00*; Director of Alumni Services Mark Solomon, *Missouri Alpha '98*, and William L. Haskett, *Indiana Zeta '00*; Director of Expansion Alec G. Traub, *California Kappa '99*, and Ronald K. Ransom, *Indiana Zeta '00*.

The support staff included: William M. Spotts, Systems Administrator; Jacklyn H. Cole,



Bookkeeper; Christina A. Silas, Administrative Assistant.

Educational Leadership Consultants include: Aaron R. Chandler, *Michigan Beta '02*; Eric M. Jezewski, *Ohio Theta '01*; Mark J. Lipka, *Pennsylvania Phi '04*; and Erik B. Rechenbach, *Tennessee Epsilon '02*.

Staff changes occurring during the report year saw the departure of Shane N. Yates, *Ohio Theta '97*, as Director of Leadership Development, Alec G. Traub, *California Kappa '99*, as Director of Expansion, Mark O. Solomon, *Missouri Alpha '98*, as Director of Alumni Services, William M. Spotts, as Systems Administrator, and Consultants Scott C. Sutton, *Pennsylvania Phi '04*, Jonathan M. Moxey, *Missouri Alpha '01*, and Micah S. Kleid, *Pennsylvania Eta '00*.

## FINANCES

The total assets of the Fraternity are determined by combining the totals of the various funds under the umbrella of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, Inc., an Indiana nonprofit corporation. The assets of three funds – the General Fund, the Insurance Fund and the Permanent Fund – make up the vast majority of the Fraternity's net worth. There exist a few smaller funds that have been created for specific purposes.

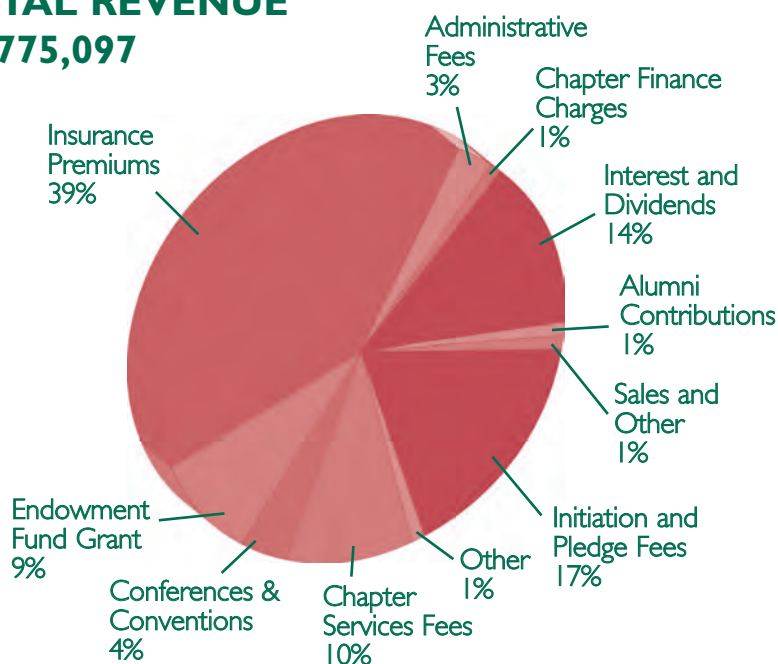
At the end of the report year, the net assets of the Fraternity were \$5,451,896 compared to \$5,047,959 a year ago, an increase of \$403,937. Total liabilities and net assets total \$5,674,879 for the report year.

The graphs show the Fraternity's breakdown of income and expenses in the General Fund from June 1, 2005 to May 31, 2006.

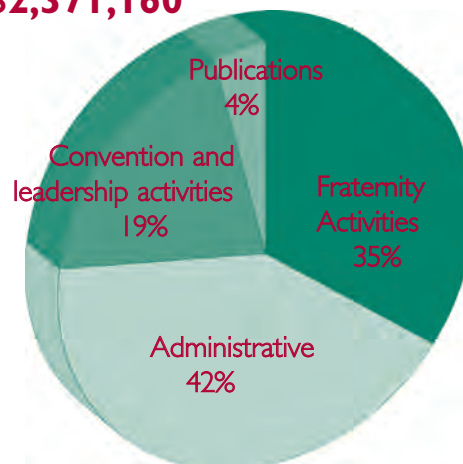
Copies of the Fraternity's audited financial statements are available from the Fraternity Headquarters upon written request.

## General Fund Revenues and Expenses

### TOTAL REVENUE \$2,775,097



### TOTAL EXPENSES \$2,371,160



# *Phi Kappa Psi's Most Initiates by Chapter*

## **2,600 + INITIATES**

Indiana Beta

## **2,200 – 2,399 INITIATES**

Kansas Alpha

Texas Alpha

## **2,000 – 2,199 INITIATES**

California Delta

Illinois Delta

Indiana Delta

Ohio Delta

West Virginia Alpha

## **1,800 – 1,999 INITIATES**

Illinois Alpha

Indiana Alpha

New York Alpha

New York Beta

Ohio Alpha

Pennsylvania Beta

Pennsylvania Gamma

## **1,600 – 1,799 INITIATES**

Iowa Alpha

Missouri Alpha

Nebraska Alpha

Ohio Beta

Washington Alpha

## **1400 – 1599 INITIATES**

California Beta

California Epsilon

Michigan Alpha

Minnesota Beta

Mississippi Alpha

Oregon Alpha

Pennsylvania Alpha

Pennsylvania Epsilon

Pennsylvania Zeta

Pennsylvania Theta

Pennsylvania Iota

Pennsylvania Lambda

Rhode Island Alpha

Tennessee Delta

Virginia Alpha

Virginia Beta

Wisconsin Gamma

## **1200 – 1399 INITIATES**

Indiana Gamma

Iowa Beta

Maryland Alpha

Ohio Epsilon

Oklahoma Alpha

Pennsylvania Eta

## **1000 – 1199 INITIATES**

Colorado Alpha

Indiana Epsilon

Nebraska Beta

Ohio Lambda

Rhode Island Beta

## **800 – 999 INITIATES**

Ohio Eta

Texas Beta

## **600 – 799 INITIATES**

Arizona Beta

California Eta

Indiana Zeta

Michigan Beta

New York Eta

Ohio Zeta

Ohio Theta

Oregon Beta

## **400 – 599 INITIATES**

Alabama Alpha


Arizona Alpha

DC Alpha

Florida Alpha

Louisiana Alpha


Pennsylvania Nu ■



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# To Grow and to Prosper – Founders Day 2007

**By: Larry Zaiser, Director of Alumni Associations**

Founders Day 2007 will celebrate the 154th anniversary of our beloved Fraternity, a time of remembrance of our founders and a re-dedication to our brotherhood. For the third year, Founders Day events will share a national theme that will serve as a guidepost for all Alumni Associations.

*To Grow and to Prosper* challenges our Alumni Associations and Clubs to proactively become even more prolific and vibrant parts of our Fraternity's culture of brotherhood. Many Phi Kappa Psi alumni find satisfaction and joy participating in events with their brethren, such as lunches, golf outings, family outings and, of course, Founders Days. The opportunity is that many hundreds of our alumni do not live in areas presently served by chartered Alumni Associations, and thus are not ongoing participants in the joy of our brotherhood. The theme of *To Grow and to Prosper* embraces all alumni and is the formal beginning of a year of proactive establishment of new alumni groups all across the country. The excitement has already begun in Florida, California and Tennessee, as brothers who attended the GAC in New Orleans went home with the enthusiasm to begin bringing brothers together in their areas. And now it is time for the rest of the country to catch the fever.

Alumni Associations require just 15 charter members and can easily be established with the help of online guides at [www.phikappapsi.com](http://www.phikappapsi.com) and with assistance from Will Haskett, Director of

Alumni Affairs, at Laurel Hall, or from me. If a smaller group wishes to begin the adventure, an Alumni Club may be formed with fewer brothers. The opportunity to grow the organized alumni has never been better and never more appreciated. Why appreciated? Not just because we can fly more banners at GAC, nor just because a longer list of AAs looks good in the Shield, but because our spirit of fraternity can be enriched for ourselves and because we can reach out to the hundreds of undergrads attending colleges and universities in our areas and share with them the kindred values of Phi Kappa Psi.

In 2007, each Alumni Association will be asked to form a bond with proximate active chapters and share their fraternity. Undergrads will be asked to open their chapter to alumni participation and mentoring. Phi Kappa Psi has a rich treasure of brothers in all walks of life and life experiences, who would value sharing with their undergrad brothers. In 2007, we will bring them together. So, catch the excitement that you had as an undergraduate and get your current Alumni Association moving to reach out to other alumni in your area, or begin a group in an area where the joy of Phi Psi can be shared with other alumni. Mailing lists are available for all areas of the country, just ask.

May your Founders Day celebrate what Phi Kappa Psi has been, is, and will be, as we all pledge *To Grow and to Prosper*.

### ATLANTA AA

Date/Time: 3/2/2007, 6:30 p.m.  
 Location: Petite Auberge Restaurant in Toco Hills  
 Address: 2935 North Druid Hills Rd., Atlanta, GA 30329  
 Additional Information: Social hour from 6:30 - 7:30;  
 www.geocities.com/atlantaphipsi  
 Contact: Flynn Brantley, *South Carolina Alpha '72*,  
 flynn151@aol.com, 404.325.0595

### CHICAGO AA

Date/Time: 2/3/2007, 6:30pm  
 Location: Goose Island Brewery  
 Address: 1800 North Clybourn, Chicago, IL 60614  
 Additional Information: www.phipsichicago.org  
 Contact: Karl Marschel, *Missouri Alpha '97*,  
 kmarschel@sbcglobal.net

### COLUMBUS AA

Date/Time: 2/17/2007, 11:30 a.m.  
 Location: TBD  
 Address: TBD  
 Contact: Mitch Grant, *Ohio Delta '78*,  
 mitch.grant@lfg.com, 614-296-6029

### GARDEN STATE AA

Date/Time: 2/18/2007, 11:00 a.m.  
 Location: Mastoris Diner  
 Address: 144 US Highway 130, Bordentown, NJ 08505  
 Additional Information: Elections of officers also to take place  
 Contact: Dave Dziengowski, *New Jersey Delta '02*,  
 dziengowski@yahoo.com

### HOUSTON AA

Date/Time: 2/19/2007, TBD  
 Location: Carrabbas Italian Grill  
 Address: 1399 S.Voss Road, Houston, TX 77057  
 Contact: Chuck Brandman, *Ohio Epsilon '70*,  
 brandman@pdq.net, 281-856-8279

### LOS ANGELES & GREATER ORANGE COUNTY AAS

Date/Time: 3/4/2007, TBD  
 Location: TBD  
 Address: TBD  
 Contact: Matt Shaw, *California Kappa '93*,  
 mattjshaw@yahoo.com, 949-863-4572

### NEW MEXICO AA

Date/Time: 2/19/2007, 6:00pm  
 Location: TBD  
 Address: TBD  
 Additional Information: Dinner at 7:00pm  
 Contact: Lewis Bejcek, *New Mexico Alpha '89*,  
 mrhipsi@comcast.net, 505-550-4033

### NORTH TEXAS AA

Date/Time: 3/8/2007, 6:00 p.m.  
 Location: Maggiano's  
 Address: 6001 West Park Blvd., Plano, TX 75093  
 Additional Information: Cash bar at 6:00; Dinner at 7:00; \$40 for a 4 course meal  
 Contact: Bill Long, *Oklahoma Alpha '92*,  
 iblong@sbcglobal.net, 214-435-7839

### PITTSBURGH AA

Date/Time: 2/15/2007, 6:00 p.m.  
 Location: Montecristo Club at PNC Park  
 Address: 115 Federal Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15212  
 Additional Information: \$70 for alumni, \$50 for undergraduates; Billiards tournament at 9:00  
 Contact: Abe Key, *West Virginia Alpha '81*,  
 a.key@pony.org

### RUBBER CITY AA

Date/Time: 2/24/2007, 6:30pm  
 Location: Max McQ's Billiards Club  
 Address: 1562 Akron Peninsula Road in the Merriman Valley; Akron, OH 44313  
 Additional Information: \$25 per person  
 Contact: Steve Horgan, *Ohio Iota '90*,  
 HorganS@nskind.com

### SACRAMENTO AA

Date/Time: 2/17/2007, 6:00 p.m.  
 Location: Bistro 33  
 Address: 226 "F" Street, Davis, CA 95616  
 Additional Information: Cocktails at 6:00; Dinner at 7:00; \$50 for dinner  
 Contact: Mark Wong, *California Iota '88*,  
 ucdaggie@aol.com, 530-757-2517

### SOUTH FLORIDA GULF COAST AA

Date/Time: 2/17/2007, 11:30 a.m.  
 Location: Snook River Grill  
 Address: 2505 Manatee Ave. East, Bradenton, FL 34208  
 Additional Information: Luncheon  
 Contact: Bob Greene, *New York Eta '59*,  
 rg27masten@aol.com

### ST. LOUIS AA

Date/Time: 2/16/2007, 6:00 p.m.  
 Location: Morgan St. Brewery, Laclede's Landing  
 Address: 721 N. Second St., St. Louis, MO 63102  
 Additional Information: The dinner precedes the weekend Mardi Gras celebration in St. Louis  
 Contact: Bill Reinecke, *Missouri Alpha '87*,  
 billreinecke@yahoo.com, 314-609-1489;  
 Joe Freund, *Missouri Alpha '01*,  
 freund1552@yahoo.com, 314-258-1261

**TEXAS SOUTH PLAINS AA**

Date/Time: 2/17/2007, 6:00pm  
 Location: Lubbock CC  
 Address: 3400 Mesa Rd., Lubbock, TX 79403  
 Additional Information: Dinner  
 Contact: Frank Bray, *Texas Beta '60*, fbray@airmail.net

**TOLEDO AA**

Date/Time: 2/23/2007, 6:00 p.m.  
 Location: Central Park West Banquet Hall  
 Address: 3141 Central Park West, Toledo, OH 43617  
 Additional Information: \$35 per person;  
 Dinner at 7:00  
 Contact: Larry Zaiser, *Michigan Beta '62*,  
 lzaiser@muzakoftoledo.com, 419-473-8811

**WISCONSIN AA**

Date/Time: 2/17/2007  
 Address: Downtown Madison  
 Additional Information: \$35 per person,  
 badgerhipsi.net  
 Contact: Rob Ulaszek, *Wisconsin Gamma '89*,  
 rob@ulaszek.com, 1-888-202-9899

**BIRMINGHAM AA /  
ALABAMA ALPHA**

Date/Time: 3/3/2007, All day  
 Location: Alabama Alpha chapter house  
 Address: 965 University Blvd., Tuscaloosa, AL 35401  
 Additional Information: Social hour starting at 11:00  
 a.m.; Dedication of Ramsey Room; luncheon at  
 12:30; tours; Dance band from 8:00pm - midnight  
 Contact: Jay Masingill, *Alabama Alpha '68*,  
 jmasingill@ogb.state.al.us; Tim Connell, *Alabama  
 Alpha '86*, tkcbama@charter.net

**SEATTLE AA /  
WASHINGTON ALPHA**

Date/Time: 2/17/2007, 5:30 p.m.  
 Location: Seattle Yacht Club - Fireside Room  
 Address: 1807 East Hamlin Street, Seattle, WA 98112  
 Contact: Mark Johnson, *Washington Alpha '90*,  
 markj@mckinstry.com, 206-954-8981

**TWIN CITIES AA**

Date/Time: 2/16/2007, 7:00 p.m.  
 Location: McNamara Alumni Center -  
 U. of Minnesota  
 Address: 200 Oak Street SE, Minneapolis, MN 55455  
 Additional Information: 100th anniversary of the  
 chapter house at Minnesota Beta  
 Contact: Josh Mohr, *Minnesota Beta '01*,  
 mohrjosh@gmail.com

**SILICON VALLEY AA /  
CALIFORNIA BETA**

Date/Time: 2/24/2007, 6:30pm  
 Location: California Beta chapter house  
 Address: 592 Mayfield Ave., Stanford, CA 94305  
 Contact: Eric Watkins, *California Beta '98*,  
 ewatkins@stanfordalumni.org, 650-814-4364

**WESTERN NEW YORK AA /  
NEW YORK ETA**

Date/Time: 2/23-2/24/2007, All weekend  
 Location: New York Eta chapter house  
 Address: 169 Highgate Ave., Buffalo, NY 14215  
 Contact: Brian Meade, *New York Eta '91*,  
 ubphipsi@yahoo.com

**ARKANSAS ALPHA**

Date/Time: 2/17/2007, 7:00pm  
 Location: Hugo's  
 Address: 25 1/2 North Block Avenue, Fayetteville, AR  
 72701  
 Additional Information: Finger food at 7:00pm; Arrive  
 early if you desire a quiet dinner  
 Contact: Mac Pafford, *Arkansas Alpha '85*,  
 tmpafford@sbcglobal.net, 713-882-3508

**MISSISSIPPI ALPHA (150TH)**

Date/Time: 2/23/2007, Evening  
 Location: The Inn at Ole Miss  
 Address: Alumni Drive; University MS 38677  
 Additional Information: Alumni Reception  
 Contact: Tim Walsh, *Mississippi Alpha '80*,  
 tim@olemiss.edu  
 Date/Time: 2/24/2007, All day  
 Location: Campus and Oxford University Club  
 Address: Oxford, MS  
 Additional Information: AM - Tour of Campus and visit  
 to gravesite of J. Hardy Durley; Lunch - South end  
 zone of stadium; Dinner - University Club  
 Contact: Tim Walsh, *Mississippi Alpha '80*,  
 tim@olemiss.edu

**OHIO MU**

Date/Time: 2/18/2007, TBD  
 Location: TBD  
 Address: Dayton, OH  
 Contact: Mike Hauck, mjhauck@fuse.net

**OKLAHOMA ALPHA**

Date/Time: 2/17/2007, TBD  
 Location: TBD  
 Address: TBD  
 Additional Information: TBD  
 Contact: James Campbell, *Oklahoma Alpha '05*,  
 james.m.campbell\_1@ou.edu, 405-313-9244



## VIRGINIA ALPHA

Date/Time: 2/17/2007, TBD  
 Location: Virginia Alpha chapter house  
 Address: Charlottesville, VA  
 Additional Information: Dinner  
 Contact: Ben Warthen, *Virginia Alpha '62*,  
 benwarthen@yahoo.com, 804-285-0044

## NEW YORK CITY GROUP

Date/Time: 2/24/2007, 1:00 p.m.  
 Location: Fraunces Tavern  
 Address: 54 Pearl St. (Pearl and Broad), New York, NY  
 10004  
 Additional Information: Luncheon  
 Contact: pkpnyc@yahoo.com, 650-862-6731

## FLORIDA PANHANDLE / FLORIDA ALPHA

Date/Time: 2/24-2/25/2007, All Day Sat., Sun. Morning  
 Location: Summer Brook GC  
 Address: 7505 Preservation Rd, Tallahassee, FL 32312  
 Additional Information: Golf outing followed by a  
 banquet; Breakfast on Sunday morning  
 Contact: Frank Taylor, *Alabama Alpha '64*,  
 laguna123@comcast.net, 850-234-5517

## PORTLAND, OREGON GROUP

Date/Time: 2/17/2007, 5:00 p.m.  
 Location: TBD  
 Address: Downtown Portland  
 Additional Information: First combined event of  
 Oregon Alpha & Oregon Beta in 30 years; House  
 Corporation meetings prior to the reception  
 starting at 5:00; Dinner at 6:30  
 Contact: Chris Koons, *Oregon Beta '93*,  
 CKoons@carlsonwagonlit.com; Craig Stockbridge,  
*Oregon Alpha '86*, 503-484-5301

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 ouge.htm

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 rleans.htm

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## ACCREDITATION UPDATES

With each chapter's newsletter, you will find the chapter's level of accreditation, if applicable. A chapter is considered "Accredited" by successfully completing at least 8 of the 11 areas of the accreditation packet, which is due on a biannual basis during Woodrow Wilson Leadership School years. A chapter is "Accredited with Honors" if it exceeds our standards in 10 of the 11 categories, and a chapter that is able to surpass National guidelines in all 11 categories is "Accredited with Distinction."

There are several reasons that a chapter may not be accredited. The packet may have been submitted after our deadline, or not submitted at all. Documentation may have been lacking in certain areas, or the chapter may struggle to meet our standards in several areas. For more information on a chapter's accreditation status, please contact the chapter. To find out how you can help your chapter become Accredited with Distinction, contact your Alumni Advisory Committee, Housing Corporation or Chad Stegemiller, Director of Chapter Services, at [cms@phikappapsi.com](mailto:cms@phikappapsi.com), or by calling 1-800-486-1852.

The accreditation packet is due April 1, 2007, and is available at [www.PhiKappaPsi.com](http://www.PhiKappaPsi.com).



### ALABAMA ALPHA University of Alabama

#### **Accredited with Distinction**

No newsletter submitted.



### ALABAMA BETA Auburn University

#### **Accredited with Distinction**

What an exciting time it has been for the brothers of the Alabama Beta Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity at Auburn University. Now that we have finished formal rush, we have achieved an all time high of 15 pledges, and due to the success of formal rush, we plan to start a second pledge class this semester. One of the biggest reasons we did so well in rush this year was the help of Brother Jerry Nelson from California Epsilon. This pledge class size has opened many doors for Alabama Beta with sororities and other fraternities on Auburn's campus. Academically, Alabama Beta finished the spring semester with the fifth-best GPA among all fraternities on campus. Alabama Beta is very proud of our academics, and we strive to have the best GPA on campus.

In the social arena, Alabama Beta has been gaining more and more reputation on campus. We

kicked off the fall semester with a "Miami Vice"-themed party featuring an Auburn favorite, Hightide Blues. We also had a "Dukes of Hazard" party featuring Surgestone the weekend of the Auburn vs. Florida football game. We had our semi-formal "Fall Fling" at Grayton Beach in early October. We are also having a joint Halloween social with the sisters of Alpha Xi Delta sorority. The brothers of Alabama Beta continue to work with other Greek organizations on Auburn's campus to spread the name of Phi Kappa Psi.

Philanthropy is a big thing for the brothers of Alabama Beta. We racked up 300 service hours during the spring semester. Our goal this semester is to beat that number. This fall, we have already planned a joint event with Omega Phi Alpha Service Sorority. The brothers of Alabama Beta are in the process of starting our own signature community service to reach out to the whole Auburn Community. Alabama Beta continues to excel in athletics on Auburn's campus. Out of all small Greek organizations, we placed 5th overall last year, and have gotten off to a great start this year. We defeated every fraternity, big and small, in the intramural track championships. We also had two of our brothers place first and second in the intramural badminton championship. We are currently playing soccer and succeeding in it also. The brothers of Alabama Beta are striving to finish in first place in intramural sports for small



**Alabama Beta's members at their Fall Fling event**

fraternities, and with the way we have started this semester we feel we can achieve it.

Finally, Alabama Beta continues to improve in housing. This year is the second year we have had our house and have made some big improvements. We replaced the tile in our kitchen area, and refinished the hardwood floors in our hallways and in the chapter room. Our house is looking better and better each semester and we plan on adding new features and beginning further renovations. We also plan on beginning our housing corporation to start the process of the purchase of or building of a new house on our fraternity row in the near future. The Alabama Beta Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi is growing rapidly, not only in size, but also in reputation and recognition on Auburn's campus. The brothers of Alabama Beta are very proud of what we have accomplished in just a year and a half. I again, want to thank Brother Nelson for his help in the success of our recruitment. We strive to continue the growth we have and are excited about what the future holds for Phi Kappa Psi at Auburn University.

*Brett Sprouse*



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During fall 2006, the undergraduate brothers of Arizona Alpha faced some difficult challenges – the state of the chapter house being perhaps the most formidable. Over 100 years old, the residence has been home to several generations, and today still houses a number of brothers. Its age has begun to show. We had to rise to the challenge of bringing it up to modern housing code standards, as was required per terms of our insurance. Among other things we labored on a daily basis to return the yard to a clean state, give tired-looking walls new life, fix a multitude of electrical problems, repair drafty windows and replace sub-par cables with wireless internet.

Much was done in this regard, but the semester was not merely a project of renovation; it was an opportunity for building bonds between brothers. The most notable event, which undoubtedly



helped foster the growth and development of the chapter; was the AZ Alpha Speaker Series arranged by District VI Archon Danny Duran and attended by Alumni Jerry Nelson and Paul Wineman. They took time from their busy schedules to give well-received and enlightening speeches on success and negotiation, and spent the remainder of their stay conversing with both the brothers and the semester's pledge class.

In addition, we placed an emphasis on strengthening our local and campus relations. Tau Kappa Epsilon joined our speaker series, and even contributed a speaker from their alumni base as well. To increase community involvement, we now have brothers serving as representatives at the local homeowners' association. And finally, we recently teamed up with Chi Omega and Fiji to put on a Halloween celebration for local youth.

The semester was great, and Arizona Alpha enthusiastically awaits all that is to come!

*Ryan Hillis*



## **ARIZONA BETA** **Arizona State** **University**

In April 2006, the Arizona State Development committee informed our chapter that our house, which holds about 50 brothers, would be bulldozed in the summer. We had two months to find somewhere else to live. So, we invited every single alumnus from badge one to 744 to a final, enormous chapter meeting, to remember and celebrate the home of Arizona Beta. We were fortunate to have Arizona Beta's Sandy Chamberlin, badge number one, give a speech of closure. Among many inspiration things he said, "Brotherhood does not have walls!" still stands out in our minds, and we are motivated to thrive as a chapter. With this new challenge we had to face, some of the brothers emerged as leaders like diamonds in the rough. We recruited 56 men, more than any other fraternity on campus! Our pledges are dedicated, loyal, potential leaders and have all paid their semester dues in full. We've also had a record 18 community service hours per brother. Here at Arizona Beta the future of our

chapter is promising and there are only more excellent things to come throughout our journey.

*Marcus Jacobs*



## **CALIFORNIA BETA** **Stanford** **University**

### **Accredited with Distinction**

Amidst the hustle and bustle of Stanford University, California Beta continues to thrive. Now entering our fifth year as a housed chapter on campus, we have really found our stride. We completed our second year of our Newly Initiated Brother Orientation, which borrows partially from the Men of Excellence Program, and continue to reap the benefits of continuing fraternity education. There are 14 new initiates living in the house and they are already stepping into leadership roles.

We have a number of great events lined up for the year to build on our past successes. After a massive overhaul two years ago, our "Looking Ahead" speaker series has had tremendous success. We have had several high-profile speakers, including Jen-Hsun Huang, CEO of NVIDIA, and Carlos Ghosn, CEO of Nissan. We are working on another impressive lineup for this year. Stay updated at [hipsi.stanford.edu/looking-ahead](http://hipsi.stanford.edu/looking-ahead).

We are also continuing our commitment to service, putting in over 1,500 hours of community service last year. We are in the process of re-vamping our Phi Psi 500 Philanthropy event to better serve the community. Our alumni continue to be very active and an integral part of our chapter. This October's Homecoming dinner brought over 100 brothers and guests to our house. We had a great time and enjoyed hosting all the alumni that came, ranging from the recently graduated to graduates of the 1940s. We hope that many more will come to our Founders Day dinner in February.

Thanks to our alumni involvement and contributions to the House Corporation, we have been able to improve the assets of the house and create a better living environment. Their sponsorship has allowed us to hold a weekend long leadership retreat to plan out the year and



### **California Beta's newest initiates looking dapper**

their support has allowed us to repair, maintain, and add to our house.

There is a lot to look forward to in the coming years and we hope that any alumni or other brothers in the area can come by the house and be a part of it.

*A.J. Kumar*



### **CALIFORNIA DELTA University of Southern California**

California Delta continues its success as the top fraternity at USC, as evidenced by our overwhelmingly successful fall recruitment and 25-man pledge class. Of the 300 people who rushed this semester, over 180 rushed Phi Psi. With numbers like these, it makes sense that we've won the university's award for "Best Membership

Recruitment" two years in a row. In addition, we began a new tradition with the induction of 14 brothers into the "California Delta Hall of Fame," which includes such prominent Phi Psis as Dr. Bruce McMahan and Hank Marvin. The Hall of Fame plaques were presented to these brothers at our inaugural alumni/parents golf tournament. Cal Delta will have another great accomplishment this semester with the induction of our newest pledges, which will bring our house to over 100 men – an impressive number given that just two years ago, we had some 25 members. Amici.

*Dane McLeod*



### **CALIFORNIA EPSILON UCLA**

#### **Accredited with Distinction**

The California Epsilon Chapter is proud to report that the Phi Kappa Psi brotherhood at UCLA is alive, well and growing in sunny Westwood, Calif. From pledges to alumni, social

events to philanthropy, Phi Psi is still going strong after almost 75 years in Westwood. Having just started our school year at the end of September, it did not take long to get the house right back on track. We are proud to say that we are on pace for another phenomenal year at California Epsilon.

The quarter started off strong with an exceptional rush. We have 33 new pledges, and each is a positive addition to our brotherhood. The pledge class has three members from overseas, a member who has already started his own successful business, a sprinter from the UCLA Track and Field Team, a distinguished musician and several other young men who have already impressed the brotherhood with their passion for Phi Psi. On Formal Pledge Night, we were honored to have Brother Jerry Nelson visit the house and speak to our prospective brothers about what it means to be a Phi Psi. Whether in Cabo, at the Grand Arch Council or in the chapter house, we are so thankful for how Brother Nelson has continued to pass on his wisdom and experiences to Cal Ep.

The California Epsilon chapter house was built in 1931 and was the first fraternity house on the row. This February, we will be celebrating the 75th anniversary of our chapter. After 75 solid years, we are proud to be continuing the tradition with 78 active brothers, a chapter GPA above the all-men's average, accomplished intramural sports teams, and a packed social calendar. We are also heavily involved on campus and the Interfraternal Council with brothers serving as the Chief Justice, associate justice, and G.A.M.M.A. chair. In terms of philanthropy, we are planning a trip to Dakar, Senegal, to give aid and supplies to designated clinics and schools. Currently, we have several brothers studying abroad this quarter in all parts of the world. Our chapter has also improved upon our quarterly newsletter by making it available online from our new chapter website, [www.pkpCalEp.com](http://www.pkpCalEp.com). A brother in the chapter who is an accomplished web designer created the site (creator of the ALA website). The site not only allows us to update our alumni information more frequently, but it also saves funds as well.

A facet of California Epsilon that we are all most proud of is our close relationship with our alumni. We are honored to have the best alumni relations

at UCLA and we continue to look forward to our Saturday game-day tailgates at the Rose Bowl, now outfitted with couches, barbeque and satellite TV. We are also going to host events in the winter and spring quarters that bring alumni back to the house and allow us to show our gratitude for their generosity and support, such as the upcoming Alumni Date Party. With incomparable fundraising efforts by Brother Jerry Nelson, the California Epsilon House Corporation has worked tirelessly towards the development of our new four-story chapter house. After 75 years, our current house has gained more than just a rich tradition, and a new house will ensure the longevity of California Epsilon for another 75 years. The alumni's support for our goals and concern for the future of our brotherhood has been exceptional to say the least. In school, sports, philanthropy, alumni relations and social events, we feel that the California Epsilon Chapter is on the right track and we will continue to take pride in being part of the Phi Psi tradition.



## CALIFORNIA ETA California Polytechnic

The Cal Eta chapter of Phi Kappa Psi is alive and well. We recently moved into a new property adjacent to campus, thanks to the support of our alumni, with special thanks to brothers Brad Lachemann and Wilbur Smith. This fall we were able to have the largest pledge class our house has seen in over fifteen years, and their initiation will essentially double our chapter.



## CALIFORNIA IOTA UC-Davis

### **Accredited with Distinction**

The brothers of California Iota started fall quarter off with a bang! Our fall rush went extremely well, giving us a seven-man pledge class. If all the pledges are initiated, our chapter will have 25 members – almost double the number that went through our installation ceremony last February. With two official rush periods remaining



in the year, our goal is to have 35 members by Spring Quarter 2007. With these growth prospects, looking for housing options has become a priority. At this time, we are discussing sources of possible funding, and local alumni have begun to set up a house corporation. If all goes smoothly and a housing option becomes available, we hope to have a house displaying letters within 2 years. In the meantime, we are pushing our new freshman pledges to consider renting a house next year, which will provide us with a place to hold meetings and have social events. Although growth is extremely important for our chapter, we are not sacrificing quality for quantity. Last spring, we had a cumulative GPA of 3.3, which was the highest in the UC Davis Greek Community. In fact, the next closest GPA was a 3.0. This is the second consecutive quarter that our chapter has come out on top of the GPA list and we have every intention of keeping it there. Scholarship is very important in our chapter, and collectively we make every effort to help our brothers succeed academically. Through mandatory study hours and a good grades reward program, we hope to keep our academic excellence legacy alive – a legacy that started back in the 1980s and 90s when California Iota topped the all-Greek GPA list for 6 years straight. Although academic achievement is important, so is good, clean fun. So far, within the first 5 weeks of fall quarter, we have had several social events for brothers and their dates. In addition, the brothers of legal age enjoy heading to the pub Monday nights after meetings, and gathering at the Davis Neighborhood Applebees on Friday nights. Of course, any alumni in the Sacramento/Davis area are welcome at any of these gatherings. Having regular social events has really brought all of us together, and kept all the brothers involved in what we have planned for the rest of the school year. A few of the events include: a golf tournament with Phi Psi alumni, a philanthropy event involving the UC Davis Greek community, and a trip to Lake Tahoe. In addition to local events, we plan on having an extremely strong showing in Cabo San Lucas for Spring break. As of now, almost half the chapter is planning on heading down there this year. In addition to all the activities, California Iota plans on making major strides toward increasing

our alumni network in the Sacramento area, increasing our fundraising efforts, and building and enriching our brotherhood. And to close this newsletter, I would like to congratulate Bryon Groesbeck for graduating this past spring and becoming the new California Iota's first active alumni. Thank you again to all local alumni for your support. Go Aggies!



## **CALIFORNIA KAPPA UC-Irvine**

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Despite being homeless, California Kappa continues to dominate UCI. Our first houseless recruitment proved to be extremely challenging, although it was successful nonetheless, yielding 28 promising pledges. Even without a centralized meeting place, the feeling of brotherhood lives on strong as brothers participate in wide variety of brotherhood events that range from cabin retreats to UFC fight nights. This is not to say however that Cal Kappa has not been affected by the absence of a house. In response to homelessness, chapter dues have increased by 25%, the number of usual social events has been cut in half, and the brotherhood that used to happen every single night is now restricted to planned brotherhood events. Lots of money and time have already gone into the house fundraising, however the goal of purchasing a house is still quite a ways off. If you are interested in helping Cal Kappa please contact our president, Julien Bassan, at (805) 455-2605.

*Julien Bassan*



## **CALIFORNIA LAMBDA San Diego State University**

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### **Accredited**

The last year for California Lambda at San Diego State University has been one of excitement, great accomplishments and amazing brotherhood. Within the last year, our chapter has taken many steps toward bettering our house as a whole and doing our part to better the great

community around us. Just recently, our chapter came in second place for Dean's Trophy, which is awarded to the top chapter on campus in the eyes of the school, a very important award to our Greek society on campus. Along with our great finish for Dean's Trophy, our chapter led our Greek Week pairing to a victory last year, another great accomplishment for our chapter. Now that we are beginning another year, we have our sights set on building on our recent accomplishments and taking our house to a level that we have never been to before. So far, we already have had three of our brothers voted into very influential Interfraternity Council executive positions, putting California Lambda into a leadership position in our Greek system. Along with those elections, we are planning an independent philanthropy golf tournament involving the help and involvement our alumni, which is going to be benefiting the children of the Make-a-Wish Foundation. This year is shaping up to be a great year for the gentleman of Phi Kappa Psi on the campus of San Diego State, and all of the brothers here are very excited to be a part of it.

*AJ Driscoll*



## **COLORADO ALPHA** **University of Colorado**

Colorado Alpha Phi Kappa Psi kicked off the 2006 school year with a few top priorities: collect a solid pledge class, continue to remain one of the top academic and social organizations on campus, and maintain a level of excellence far exceeding the norm. With a pledge class of 25 students, spanning the freshman to junior classes and coming from all corners of the United States, Colorado Alpha is sure to live strong for years to come. Socially, Phi Kappa Psi reaches out to all of the sororities and fraternities on campus. As far as striving to maintain excellence, Colorado Alpha knows that a strong brotherhood, household and even family begins with a positive attitude. They look forward to hosting another great year of Powder Puff football for the University of Colorado Greek community in the spring and taking great care of the newest fraternity house on Boulder's campus.

*Tom Stapleton*



## **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALPHA** **George Washington University**

The District of Columbia Alpha Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi has had an exceptional 1st semester of the 2006-2007 academic year. After losing the largest senior class in the chapter's history at the end of last year, the chapter managed to recruit the largest pledge class among all of the fraternities on campus as well as the largest in chapter history with 29 young men accepting bids from Phi Kappa Psi. DC alpha also organized an exception philanthropy event, organizing ten different Greek organizations to participate in a day long park cleanup nearby. During November, the Phi Kappa Psi football team won the annual TKE Turkey Bowl Football Tournament. Finally, Phi Kappa Psi recently placed 4th at Greek Week, marking the second year in a row that the chapter has placed in the competition.

*Casey Pond*



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No newsletter submitted.

## **FLORIDA ALPHA** **Florida State University**



## **GEORGIA ALPHA** **University of Georgia**

**Accredited with Honors**

As the Georgia Alpha Chapter prepares to celebrate the 30th anniversary of our chartering this November, the chapter is enjoying some of the best times of its history. Thanks to a great group of new initiates, we are currently educating our second group of new members this fall. In mid November, we will hold our Chartering Banquet,

and are looking forward to reuniting with our alumni as we celebrate this special anniversary.

On the social front, we have had a fantastic intramural sports season as well as numerous sorority socials, date nights and brotherhood activities, including a trip to visit our Mississippi Alpha brothers.

Of course, not everything can be fun and games. Once again, we have far exceeded university standards for academic performance. We have numerous brothers in positions of leadership on campus, and our philanthropic efforts have taken a running leap in the right direction. Under the leadership of our new philanthropy chair, Brother Mayer, we have undertaken fundraising projects to benefit Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, the Boys and Girls Clubs, Habitat for Humanity and the American Cancer Society.

All told, the Georgia Alpha Chapter is in the best shape it has seen in recent memory. We are poised for tremendous expansion in the short-term, and our long-term outlook is very bright. Expect great things from our chapter in the coming year.



## **GEORGIA BETA** **Georgia Institute** **of Technology**

### **Accredited with Distinction**

The brothers and pledges of the Georgia Beta chapter have exemplified the values of Phi Kappa Psi through their endeavors this semester. This fall, our brothers participated in T.E.A.M. Buzz, a Georgia Tech initiative to improve the surrounding communities. Our philanthropy coordinator, Chris Pool, has been organizing a campus-wide clothing drive that will be held in November and sponsored by the Georgia Beta chapter. In addition, many of our brothers have also volunteered through university programs, local religious organizations, and the YMCA.

Not only have we immersed ourselves in serving the community, we are also actively involved in athletics on campus, competing in flag football, soccer and Ultimate Frisbee during the fall

semester. We made it to the playoffs in Ultimate Frisbee. We also played our alumni in our biannual softball game, which the alumni won 21-5.

We have excelled in academics, where we are proud to announce that almost half of our brothers made the dean's list last spring, and we look forward to an even better performance this fall. I would also like to congratulate Chris Puglisi and Kevin Cook, who are graduating in December and will both be attending graduate school at Georgia Tech.

Quoting two of our members, Pledge Educator Sean Lynch describes our current pledge class:

The pledge class of fall 2006 was outstanding. Individually, they all took responsibility, used their given abilities to better themselves, others and the chapter, and created their own personality inside the chapter. While I was impressed with their individual work and performance, I was even more impressed with their ability to put any differences aside, either of personality or opinion, and work together as a whole. By himself, all one man can be asked is to contribute his own ability. As a team, many men with many different abilities can be a powerful force. This pledge class really showed us all how this can be done. This class features many personalities: natural leaders, hard workers, spiritual leaders, organizers, guys who are serious and guys who can't stop smiling. We were lucky to get a complete package this semester. I look forward to their impact on the chapter as they join a larger unit in Georgia Beta, and an even larger one in the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity on a National level. I am proud to call myself their educator, and soon, their brother: Live ever, die never!

One of our pledges, Chris Dreybus, describes his personal experiences:

As a fall 2006 Phi Kappa Psi pledge, I have had a great experience. Everyone in the chapter has welcomed us in with open arms and made us feel comfortable. Whether it was eating at Waffle House, riding the rides at Six Flags or just hanging out at one of the

brothers' apartments, all of the guys have made sure that the pledges have a fun time. Setting up tailgating and planning pledge events were just a few of the times my fellow pledge brothers and I would hang out. We have all become very close and I am glad to have gone through this pledge process with them. We could not have survived without Chris Papa's tailgate cooking, Cormac Ennis' pool tournament, Alex Coleman's pledge Olympics, Trey Rhodes' obtaining of food, or my study sessions. Luckily, in this fall 2006 pledge process there was no cut-throat competition among us, but instead a lot of brotherly love, which is what Phi Kappa Psi is all about.

*Altan O. Tanju*



## ILLINOIS ALPHA Northwestern University

Thanks to the loyalty of our alumni and the energy of an ambitious class, Illinois Alpha has finally paid off a debt of over \$1 million, recruited the largest spring pledge class of any fraternity on campus, and received the nationally renowned Award for Scholastic Achievement and Summa Cum Laude status during the New Orleans GAC. We are driving Northwestern's philanthropic spirit with a campus-wide blood drive and a Halloween retreat for inner-city children, and energizing the Northwestern social scene with a constant stream of tailgates and social events with sororities and potential members. With a sophomore homecoming king, national debate tournament winners, martial arts champions, the leader of Northwestern University's award winning Energy Day, NASA interns with research to their name, actors who actually get roles, the voice of Northwestern's sports radio and an active IM sports team, the possibilities are endless for Illinois Alpha.



## ILLINOIS DELTA University of Illinois

### **Accredited with Honors**

Another year is upon us at the Illinois Delta Chapter, and it is filled with a large amount of potential and anticipation by all of its beloved brethren. Our chapter numbers are within the top five on campus and our starting pledge class matched the top on campus for the second straight year.

First of all, we look to our future, which comes in the form of this year's fall pledge class. Besides being large in numbers (over 40), it is large with excitement, curiosity and dedication for our Fraternity. This much talent would not have been possible if it weren't for our outstanding membership chairmen. The three of them, Ari Franklin, Luke Karcher and Matt Babcock, initiated and managed a system of recruitment captains, designed to relieve stress and share responsibility. They also planned and organized a recruitment retreat, where National Director of Expansion Ron Ransom and two ELCs from our National Headquarters came down and led exercises for developing effective recruitment strategies.

Our Fraternity was founded on the ideals and commitment to community service, and we as a chapter have been focusing a large portion of our time on this. Our External Vice President, Eric Bill, has done an outstanding job the past year of enrolling us in numerous opportunities for community service, logging countless hours for charity. The chapter recently received news that we had been named the Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser from the Association of Fundraising Professionals. We are the only Greek Organization to win this award in the past ten years locally, which is a tremendous honor.

Our success has been numerous in other areas as well. Social events have improved significantly in the past three years, culminating with the return of Samoa this semester. Other big news from the semester includes the beginning of construction on a lovely patio in the back, a house band that is amazing and almost 60 live-in brothers.



Although homecoming has come and gone already, there is a terrific opportunity to come back to the house and hang out with the chapter. We are planning a golf event for the second spring in a row on Friday, April 29, 2007, and we would love to have alumni come down and hang out with us for the day. The set up is a four man scramble, with prizes for long drive, closest to the pin and top three low scores. Any and all Phi Psi alums from all over the country are welcome, as long as you are willing to have a fun weekend with us. The proceeds from this event go to support the Stephen Acheson Scholarship foundation. For more information and registration for the golf event, please contact Nathan Kelsey at nkelsey2@uiuc.edu or call his cell phone at (708)-921-6646.

*Nathan Kelsey*



## **ILLINOIS EPSILON Illinois State University**

### **Accredited**

This year at Illinois Epsilon, we have seen some great strides in making Phi Kappa Psi a more stable and well known fraternity at Illinois State University. We have had an amazing rush and are looking forward to almost doubling our members. The present 17 actives will soon be joined by around 13 new members. Also, by having more guys we have been able to become more known around campus. Our chapter has started to have a positive social image that we are working to maintain. We have also gotten our Housing Corporation together thanks to the great work of many of our alumni. This group of dedicated alumni is now working to cement Phi Kappa Psi at Illinois State for a very long time by getting the chapter a house that we can be proud of. The actives of Illinois Epsilon are also looking to do our part by working even harder in the next rush to further ensure that Phi Psi will always be a part of ISU. In the world of academics, we have unfortunately fallen to the number two GPA on campus after a long reign at number one. We have taken measures to get back

on top, including a new scholarship and study program. Financially the chapter has been pretty solid, but we will be doing some work for the university to raise more money. Recently, there has been a major shift in attitude to make Illinois Epsilon much stronger. Alumni and actives have been working together very well to meet this goal. Altogether, the gentlemen of Illinois Epsilon have had a very positive first semester and are looking forward to another in second semester.

*Timothy Miner*



## **ILLINOIS ZETA DePaul University**

This past summer and fall were a time of change, discipline and great accomplishments.

The combined efforts of the chapter allowed us to recruit a dedicated pledge class of 12 members during fall rush. Initiation will be in November.

The chapter is also proud of our involvement in the community. For the last three consecutive terms, two members of the chapter have served as President of the IFC. Brothers were recognized with the Arthur J. Schmitt Award for the second consecutive year, and IFC New Member of the Year Award.

We have also been busy with philanthropy and fundraising, volunteering at DePaul's soup kitchen and donating money and children's books and games to Marshall's Place After School Center. In October, we raised money for breast cancer awareness, participating in the annual Chicago Marathon and selling raffle tickets. Come winter, we have the annual Chicago Polar Plunge and also are planning a new fundraiser called "Corn Hole for Cancer," taking place this spring.

Special mention goes to alumnus Marc Dumas: he's the first brother from the chapter inducted into the GAC's Order of the S.C., making the New Orleans GAC his seventh.

*Jack Edgar Jr.*



ILLINOIS ETA

## Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville

### Accredited

The brothers at Illinois Eta are excited about another great school year. We are busy here at SIUE, and look forward to many events we are planning.

First of all, congratulations to our newest initiates: Brothers Stone, Rardin, Sheff, Hunter, Czapinski and Heckenkemper. Also, we welcome our fall pledge class of 10 fine young men. We hosted a back-to-school barbeque in September that was a huge success and will likely become an annual event. We have also planned many brotherhood events and fundraisers that will enrich the life of our chapter.

This year we held our fourth annual Halloween canned food drive that benefited the Glen-Ed food pantry with great success! Collecting more than 500 pounds of food items, the food pantry was overjoyed at our contribution. We may also have a "Toys-for-Tots" philanthropy in the works with the approach of the holiday season.

Although this semester we will lose many of our outstanding undergraduate actives to graduation, the chapter is working as hard as ever and looks to the challenges ahead with enthusiasm. We have set the goal of doubling the size of our chapter by the end of the school year and are already well on our way to meeting that goal. All in all, we here at Illinois Eta are optimistic about a great year. Live Ever! Die Never!

*Andy Stone*



## ILLINOIS THETA University of Illinois – Chicago

### Accredited with Honors

This fall semester, Illinois Theta has recruited its largest pledge class in the chapter's three-year history here at UIC. We are looking forward to

the great potential we have seen in our new recruits, and hope that they will soon come to love this Fraternity as much as the established brothers here do.

Furthermore, the men of Illinois Theta are proud to have won Greek Week for two consecutive years now, and we are aiming for a third, which has never been done before here at UIC. To help promote Greek relations on campus, as well as to encourage students to join fraternities and sororities, we have established three scholarships: one available to a Phi Kappa Psi pledge, one to students that are pledging another fraternity on campus, and one to new sorority members. The scholarships are \$250 each and have been donated by our chapter as well as our ever-growing alumni base. We would like to thank our alumni for their continual support, and appreciate the time they contribute to help guide us.

In terms of philanthropy, we have once again raised over \$1,000 for the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk. In addition, we have topped last year's donation by hosting our first Bags for Breast Cancer tournament and holding our annual booth, raising a total of \$1,600, which was then donated to the American Cancer Society. The bags tournament was almost single-handedly organized by Michael Lindbloom, and we want to thank him for his effort and time. We recently joined with the American Society of Civil Engineers in renovating the Louis L. Valentine Boys and Girls Club, which is the largest Boys and Girls Club in Chicago, hosting close to 250 children.

Due to the fundraising earned from our hard work at concessions for the Chicago Bears home games, we were able to host an incredible 2006 formal as well as providing funds for other fun events such as our annual golf outing. We want to congratulate Brothers Ryan White, Mark Rockwood, and Bryan Stryzik on attaining 3.5 or above GPAs last semester. Last but not least, we are proud of Brother Stryzik for competing in the Chicago Marathon and raising \$280 for pediatric cancer.

*Ben Johnson*



## INDIANA ALPHA DePauw University

### **Accredited with Distinction**

Indiana Alpha has started the year off with enthusiasm and anticipation for the year to come. The initiation of 25 new members provided a spark of excitement in the chapter. With the recent graduation of a class of 28, this incoming class was very welcome to everyone in the chapter. Even through some bumps and challenges, the pledge class bonded together and is very happy to have moved into the house with the other actives. With the new pledges, this brings the number of members currently in the chapter to right around 70. Because of this and with most everyone living in the house, we are at almost full capacity.

The chapter has also been participating in many philanthropy events both on and off campus. On campus, our annual 3 vs. 3 Basketball Tournament was a success. Even despite bad weather and relocation, the turnout was good and managed to get many people on the campus together. Even people who did not participate in the tournament came to enjoy the hot dogs and hamburgers while watching the games. In addition, a former Indiana Alpha member now in the Peace Corps has recently contacted the chapter. Scott Miller, a 2005 graduate, is part of an effort to transport computers to Africa. The chapter has decided to help Scott in this effort in hopes that he can complete his service successfully. To help raise funds outside of our basketball tournament, the chapter has struck up a new weekly barbeque on Sunday evenings with sororities on campus. By inviting the whole campus, this has been a good way to add to the aid we can give out. So far both the Alpha Chi Omega and Pi Beta Phi houses have been over to help us out and raise funds to send to Brother Miller.

Since the start of the semester, we have also celebrated our annual Parents' Weekend and Symposium on DePauw's Old Gold Weekend. The Parents' Weekend was celebrated with our annual auction to help raise money to improve the house. Parents came from as far away as Kansas to help us commemorate this weekend. Symposium

Weekend was observed with a nice meal on Friday evening as well as time for all of the members to socialize with the alumni back to enjoy the evening on their old campus. Weekends like these two are always nice events for all of the members of the Phi Psi house, both those still living in the house and those who get to come back and enjoy a day or two on campus.

The Indiana Alpha Chapter continues to strive towards excellence in many aspects. We look forward to a good recruitment this spring, especially with the new changes in the Greek system at DePauw. Financially, the chapter is in good shape, with the many members currently living in the house. It is our hope that we can continue to uphold the tradition that Phi Kappa Psi currently enjoys on the DePauw University campus.

*Dan Stroh*



## INDIANA BETA Indiana University

This has been an eventful fall semester for Indiana Beta. On October 19, Chaplain David Schweer organized the Road Trip for Relief of the Gulf Coast. Five members from Indiana Beta and 53 other members of various Greek houses attended the four day event. October 23 – 28th marked Indiana University's Homecoming week. Indiana Beta celebrated the week with various activities, including the first annual alumni tailgate. The chapter expects the tailgate to attract even more alumni in the years to come. Paul Wineman, *Washington Alpha '55*, visited the house on November 4 to give the brothers a lecture on negotiating in the real world. Wineman engaged the brothers in activities, and his lecture prepared us for future negotiations. While most brothers were in attendance for Brother Wineman's speech, 15 brothers were participating in the campus fundraising event, Dance Marathon.

*Jake Barker*



## INDIANA GAMMA Wabash College

**Accredited with Honors**

Here at Indiana Gamma, the brothers have begun another year in the tradition of college and fraternity. Many of our brothers are studying overseas this year, representing Wabash College and Phi Kappa Psi as the gentlemanly institutions that they are, including Brothers Brian Weil (Morocco), Josh Chase Harris (France), Chris Haskell (Australia), John Garrett (Ireland), Ben Bly (England), Dan Gillespie (Italy), and Luke Odom (Greece). Thanks to the generosity of the college and our supportive alumni, we are anticipating the December completion of our newly renovated chapter house. The renovations are the first major work on our chapter house since 1970 when the house was first completed. Recruitment this year was a success in bringing in a pledge class that can boast the quality of men only found at Phi Psi. We are training our pledge class to replace last year's seniors, continuing the tradition of replacing ourselves and molding great brothers. Through the leadership of the brothers, they are learning the great joy of serving others in the community, volunteering for the local animal shelter, museums, environmental cleanup efforts and working with children. Our semiannual party, K'Laya, once again turned out to be an enormous success, boasting the largest turnout of any party on campus. We plan to continue this success throughout the school year. Alums who do not receive the email newsletter should contact Steve Abbott at [abbotts@wabash.edu](mailto:abbotts@wabash.edu) so that we can make sure you are updated frequently on the events of the house.

Steve Abbott



## INDIANA DELTA Purdue University

The fall 2006 semester at Indiana Delta has been an incredibly fun and productive one. After a tremendous recruitment, we are proud to have an

extremely strong 21-man pledge class. The brothers have been hard at work on house improvement projects, including the addition of a brand new deck. All of our hard work really paid off at our very successful Homecoming celebration. And just a few weekends ago, we enjoyed our biannual formal and Arabian Nights dance, a great time for brothers and dates alike. All the while, we continue to excel in athletics, with strong showings in many intramural sports and philanthropy sports tournaments. With just under half of the semester still to come, we look forward to eight more strong weeks, and the continued strengthening of Phi Kappa Psi at Purdue.

Matt Davis



## INDIANA EPSILON Valparaiso University

**Accredited**

The Indiana Epsilon chapter of Phi Kappa Psi has once again had a prosperous semester. We have three new brothers to welcome to our chapter: Jordan Allodi, Michael Couillard and Ross Haseman. Valparaiso University had relatively few people join a fraternity this semester, with Indiana Epsilon's fall class being one of the largest. Congratulations to the three new Phi Psis!

Fall rush is not the only thing Indiana Epsilon has focused on. We have also held many campus-wide parties supporting our philanthropy, the Boys and Girls Clubs of America. Brothers are also supporting the club by spending their days being score keepers for children's basketball games and just spending time with the kids by playing games with them. This is a great opportunity for our chapter to give back to the community for all that it has given us!

We hosted our second annual freshman scholarship banquet this semester as well. This banquet was a nice way to introduce all of the brothers' parents to one another and have them spend an elegant afternoon together. Congratulations to the winners, and great job by the brothers who helped to put it together. It went really well and will only continue to get better in the years to come.





### **Indiana Epsilon's Parents' Banquet had great turnout**

This semester has been a very active one for Indiana Epsilon. There have been many activities in support of our philanthropy and many brotherhood activities to create stronger bonds within the chapter. We would like to congratulate everyone else on their achievements and wish them the best of luck in the upcoming years. Congratulations to our new initiates and we hope they will continue the traditions of Indiana Epsilon and Phi Kappa Psi!

*Dean Webb*



## **INDIANA ZETA Butler University**

### **Accredited with Honors**

The brothers of IN Zeta got off to another great start this fall to the first semester of the 2006-2007 school year. As the brothers arrived back on campus, most were very excited to see that our new front lawn had been laid and was looking better than ever. With all the brothers back and ready for another great year, we again held out semi-annual Phi Psi retreat, where the officers and leaders of the house discussed our goals for the semester to come. With goals and a plan in place, we set out on having the best semester possible. Many events have already taken place this

semester, including our annual canoe trip, a very successful fall recruitment cookout event, and many fun, exciting brotherhood events.

Our main fall philanthropy event, Phi Psi 5k, again this year was another great success. With the help of all the brothers, alumni, local businesses and the Butler community, our chapter was able to raise over \$4,000 for the Hope Lodge and the American Cancer Society. Thanks to all who had a part in making this event such a success. Along with Phi Psi 5k, the brothers have also been participating in other philanthropy projects such as rebuilding the wall, the Dick Lugar Community run and walk, and working at the Hope Lodge.

Recently our chapter and Butler celebrated homecoming. All of the brothers had a great time participating in all the events leading up to homecoming and going to the football game. It was great to see so many alumni come out for homecoming. The brothers had a great time meeting all of you and are looking forward to seeing many of you again in the future.

Even though Butler has a delayed recruitment process, the brothers of IN Zeta are proud to welcome a pledge class of two sophomores this fall. This is our first fall pledge class since 2003. The brothers are very excited about our newest pledge class, but they are also looking forward to formal rush this January. As the semester progresses, the brothers continue to strive to fulfill our chapter's potential and make it the best it possibly can be. Thank you to all those who continue to support

our chapter. We look forward to hearing from all of you soon.

*Brett Voegelé*



**INDIANA ETA**

## **Indiana State University**

The brothers of Indiana Eta had a great fall semester. This year was challenging, yet very exciting for our second year in the new house. We were very pleased with our fall recruitment, introducing 12 new outstanding brothers to the Indiana Eta Chapter. The new brothers are eager and willing to carry on the traditions of Phi Kappa Psi and Indiana Eta. We had a respectable homecoming, finishing fourth in the trike race and fourth in the homecoming sweepstakes. Our best event in homecoming was stomp, where we finished second. We look forward to the spring semester, where we should have another outstanding recruitment. This will be a very busy and exciting semester, because we are celebrating our 20th Anniversary. There will be a reception for all alumni and brothers at the house on April 20th, 2007, and a banquet will be held on April 21st at the Holiday Inn in Terre Haute. Hope to see everyone there!

*Ryan Smith*



**IOWA ALPHA**

## **University of Iowa**

**Accredited with Distinction**

The brothers of Iowa Alpha have gotten off to an excellent start this year in Iowa City. From a successful recruitment to an intramural football championship, the brothers of Iowa Alpha have been and will continue to be busy achieving excellence this semester.

The year started off great with an excellent turnout to the annual Alumni Golf Outing. Active brothers had the opportunity to golf and speak with alumni, and the event was an excellent time for all who attended. The alumni then enjoyed a luncheon with brothers at the chapter house.

After a successful event with alumni, the brothers turned their attention to the future as the chapter recruited 10 new members through the Nile C. Kinnick Freshman Scholarship. The program was successful in seeking out those incoming freshmen who have proven to be academic and involved leaders. This year, \$4,500 was awarded to nine scholarship winners. In addition to these great new members, the chapter gained 29 men through the University of Iowa's formal recruitment, one of the largest incoming classes on campus. By the end of recruitment week, Iowa Alpha had emerged as the largest fraternity chapter at the University of Iowa.

An exciting addition to the chapter house has been a brand new 60-inch plasma television and entertainment center. This recent addition has proved to be a great way for brothers to root on the Iowa Hawkeyes during the football team's away games.

Even though the academic year is still young, Iowa Alpha is proud to have been successful at a number of events this year. During Homecoming week, the men teamed up with the Alpha Phi sorority and took second in the Iowa Shout competition. Iowa Shout is the largest competitive event during Homecoming week, when fraternities and sororities team up and perform a skit. Homecoming week was also filled with blood drives, canned food drives, penny wars and the annual parade for which the brothers built a float representing the student section in Iowa's own Nile Kinnick Stadium.

Another outstanding accomplishment this year came when the intramural football team captured the Greek League championship. After completing a five-game regular season the team pulled off three straight wins including back-to-back shutouts in the semifinal and championship games.

Furthermore, the brothers have set a number of goals for the year. At the top of the list is to maintain its standing as having the highest GPA among fraternities. Last semester, the chapter obtained a GPA of 3.1 and has raised the bar by setting a semester goal of 3.2 for the fall semester.

Iowa Alpha also plans to sign up a large number of its members for the University of Iowa Dance Marathon, an event that raises money for local

children who have been diagnosed with cancer. Each brother who signs up will raise over four hundred dollars for the Dance Marathon program. The brothers of Iowa Alpha have been very proud of their average of over 15 hours of community service per brother each semester, of which participation in Dance Marathon is a part. The total number of community service hours exceeded 1,300 for all members in the spring semester, and it is a goal to continually improve on this total. To this end, the men of the chapter have involved themselves in a number of local philanthropic events on campus such as Habitat for Humanity and the new United Way Student Campaign.

The brothers welcome all alumni to feel free to drop by, spend time at the chapter house, and see our new entertainment center. Also, all brothers are encouraged to please visit our new website at [www.uiowa.edu/~phipsi](http://www.uiowa.edu/~phipsi).

*Brandon Wilson*



## KANSAS ALPHA Kansas University

### **Accredited with Distinction**

The fall semester is already quickly under our feet here at Kansas Alpha. We welcomed a strong new class of 33 outstanding young men that look forward to contributing not only to Kansas Alpha but also to the university's Greek community. There are three general areas the chapter has focused on improving this fall: scholarship, philanthropy and career development. To improve our scholastic ability, the chapter has reincorporated faculty advisor Brother Jim Miller, Iowa Beta '71. Jim is an electrical engineering and computer science professor at the university. An increase to our philanthropic and community service activities was also a goal we set for ourselves. So far this semester, we contributed more blood and/or volunteer time than any other fraternity on campus to the university's semi-annual Blood Drive. It is the eighth time over the last nine semesters we have won. Also, we decided to complete two philanthropies during the fall semester. On the Friday before Halloween, we hosted around two



**Kansas Alpha's John Ziegelmeyer is presented with the Edward H. Knight Award of Merit at the 2006 GAC.**



**Esther Wolfe, Kansas Alpha's house director, won the Letterman Silver Bowl at the 2006 GAC, for her decade of service to the chapter.**

hundred kids from the Boys and Girls Club of Douglas County that trick-or-treated from room to room at the chapter house. The second philanthropy we are planning will be a 3-on-3 basketball tournament at the student recreation



center that will benefit the Special Olympics in Shawnee. The final area we have been working on is career development. The plan is to invite several recent Kansas Alpha alumni back to the chapter house for dinner and to share their recent experiences with getting a "first job." Each alumnus will be from different academic backgrounds such as finance, mechanical engineering, history, etc.

As a new school year began, all was well at Kansas Alpha. The biggest news from the summer was the awards we received at our Fraternity's 73rd Grand Arch Council in New Orleans, Louisiana. We received 8 awards in total, including the Overall Membership Excellence Award, Ralph R. Haney Award for Financial Excellence, Senior Involvement Award, Risk Management Award for Life Safety and Risk Avoidance, and the Thomas Cochran Campbell Award for Ritual Exemplification. There were also three individuals that were recognized. Brother Scott Shorten, now a student at the University of Kansas Medical Center, was honored as the Undergraduate of the Year, and Brother John Ziegelmeyer also won the Edward H. Knight Award of Merit, an award for outstanding alumni contributions. Most significantly, the Silver Bowl for Outstanding Contribution by a House Director was given to our housemother, Esther Wolfe, to recognize her amazing and dedicated service. This year marks Esther's 10th year as our house director. Her wisdom and kindness is a gift to every man at Kansas Alpha. The chapter would like to honor these three individuals' hard work and dedication. Thank you for your service.

Also, for those that did not hear, Kansas Alpha was recognized by the University of Kansas last spring. We won eight awards in several areas that ranged from financial management to membership development and even risk management. On top of that, we were the only fraternity at the university to receive the Chapter Excellence Award. We also had two individuals recognized as Outstanding Seniors: Scott Shorten and our former GP Matt Moeder.

Thank you to any former and current brother for your dedication and hard work. Best of luck to all Phi Kappa Psi chapters across the country, and remember that as you honor yourself, you honor her. Enjoy the remaining of the school year.

*Matt Sparks*



## KENTUCKY BETA University of Kentucky

Kentucky Beta is having a great new beginning. Last semester, we were able to pay off our debt to Headquarters, which has been around far longer than any of us have been active. Being able to vote at GAC for the first time in years has made us all very proud to be brothers of Kentucky Beta. The chapter has been working on our house to improve its conditions. We plan on having it look better than ever. As always, we want to continue communications with our alumni. If you are a Kentucky Beta alumnus and haven't been receiving the KBQ newsletter, please email [mattmartz@insightbb.com](mailto:mattmartz@insightbb.com) with your address and phone number.

*Charles Mathew Martz*



## LOUISIANA ALPHA Louisiana State University

No newsletter submitted.



## LOUISIANA GAMMA Loyola University

**Accredited with Honors**

The Louisiana Gamma Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi is celebrating: we had our first fall semester in two years without one single hurricane! With that said, this semester has been one of great productivity and accomplishment.

Our goal for community service for the semester is 800 hours and we are closing in on that goal. Some projects we have done include work for Habitat for Humanity and helping individual families gut their homes so they can start rebuilding. In addition, October was breast cancer awareness month and the chapter was able to raise almost \$400 for breast cancer research. Through our efforts in community service and fundraising, our

chapter is having a positive effect throughout the community.

As far as on campus accomplishments, the chapter put on the most attended Greek social events this semester and we hope to continue to do so. Also, this past summer, our chapter received the Amici Award for an outstanding brotherhood at GAC. As of this year, we have a new advisory committee, which include JT Ells, Greg Rhoades, and Alex Lew. We believe that this new committee will help our chapter to further its success and to prosper in the years to come.

We are also working on our second annual alumni reunion in April. Last year's reunion was a great success and we hope to continue that tradition for many years to come as our chapter continues to grow.

This semester was a time of normalcy and rejuvenation for the brothers of Louisiana Gamma, which was something we all needed. We continue to make our best efforts throughout the city and on campus to help better the community. If you weren't able to make it down for GAC or want to come and see the city of New Orleans again, please come!

*Jake Parvino*



## **MARYLAND ALPHA Johns Hopkins University**

### **Accredited with Honors**

Maryland Alpha has made huge progress in accomplishing the goals set out by the new officers at the end of last year. The restoration of our chapter house, foremost among these goals, has seen an unprecedented level of progress and collaboration between alumni and the active brothers. As recent as the publication of this newsletter, construction crews have begun phase one of the project. Having started with a well-crafted business plan, the chapter was also able to secure sufficient capital to move forward, both thanks to the concerted efforts of the Housing Corporation and several other generous alumni. After careful consideration and approval by the active members, the process began in earnest, and

we are already well on our way to seeing the former beauty of our beloved house reinstated.

Having also put forth a new set of practices for managing the house when it is finished, we envision not just restoring but also maintaining the same high standards for many years to come. As with last year, our temporary housing continues to serve our needs well while we manage the renovations.

New philanthropy measures voted on by the brotherhood have ensured that our tradition of service will continue on at an even stronger level. As such, we foresee little difficulty in extending our chapter's reception of the campus Greek Award for Philanthropy to a third year.

With regards to rush, we have begun the process of further establishing our chapter presence on campus, as well as actively seeking out potential candidates for spring recruitment. Our ambitious goal this year is for 30 new initiates, and this goal is more than reasonable considering the success of new recruitment strategies.

Lastly, a strategy of blending boundaries has allowed this chapter to host Phi Psi pledges from Brown University, and thus learn about other chapters. We also have blended our social events to raise awareness about community needs. The third part of the strategy has been a successful collaboration with sororities for a variety of causes.

We move forward with all of our goals in order to secure our future as both honorable men of this fraternity, distinguished scholars of the university and better citizens for the world.

*JR Yarbrough*



## **MASSACHUSETTS BETA Brandeis University**

### **Accredited**

No newsletter submitted.



## MICHIGAN ALPHA University of Michigan

Michigan Alpha is celebrating two important milestones: it is our 10th consecutive year at 700 S. State Street, and it is our 5th consecutive year with the chapter house at capacity (31 men living in). As another semester progresses, Phi Kappa Psi continues to serve as a role model for fraternity life at the University of Michigan. Marked by an undying devotion to brotherhood, leadership, and diversity, Phi Kappa Psi is a presence both on campus and in the surrounding community. Boasting a new pledge class of 19 members, the chapter achieved its goal of a smaller, tight-knit class. With the continued involvement of current brothers and the potential of our new members, success in the future is in the hands of men who understand what it truly means to be a Phi Psi. The Michigan Alpha Housing Corporation continues to meet monthly in Ann Arbor with a social dinner following each

meeting. For further information, please contact Dave Frayne, [dwfrayne@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dwfrayne@sbcglobal.net) or visit [www.michiganhipsi-alumni.com](http://www.michiganhipsi-alumni.com) for meeting dates & times.

*Steve Lindberg, Dave Frayne*

## S MICHIGAN BETA Michigan State University

The fall of 2006 has been quite an eventful semester for the men of Michigan Beta. We made great strides with our alumni relations during Michigan State's homecoming. The pre-game breakfast was a great success, bringing a great turnout from our alumni.

Our IM football team had a heartbreaking, but very successful season, posting a 5-1 record before losing an overtime thriller in the championship game. Brothers eagerly anticipate next season for their chance at redemption.

We continue to focus ourselves on philanthropic



***Heritage Day reunion, May 2006, at Michigan Alpha***



events throughout the East Lansing community. For Halloween, we participated, with other Greek organizations, in a community safe Halloween event. Brothers passed out candy to children and also ran game stations for all to enjoy. Phi Psi placed 3rd in the Chi Omega kickoff, a soccer event benefiting the Make-a-Wish Foundation.

Things are looking great for Michigan Beta. Please visit [www.msuphipsi.com](http://www.msuphipsi.com) for more information.

*Nick Pantano*



## **MINNESOTA BETA** **University of** **Minnesota**

We have had a great fall semester thus far at Minnesota Beta. The highlight of the semester has been spending a weekend hosting Brothers Paul Wineman and Jerry Nelson. Both spoke with the chapter, alumni, parents and guests for several hours on a Saturday in October. We're having one of our best recruitment years ever. We are proud to have formally pledged 13 gentlemen, bringing our total to 48 brothers. In mid October, 21 brothers donated a large portion of their Saturday filling meal packages for the philanthropic organization "Feed My Starving Children." Our scholarship committee is at its strongest, implementing a very fun "Fantasy Grades" league amongst all active brothers and pledges. Homecoming was held Saturday, November 4th, and included many events for actives as well as alumni. The house is looking better than ever, and there has never been a greater time to be a Minnesota Beta!

*Joseph Taralson*



## **MINNESOTA GAMMA** **Minnesota State** **University at Mankato**

**Accredited with Honors**

It has been a great year for the Phi Kappa Psi chapter of Minnesota Gamma. We would like to

extend our congratulations to our graduated members Tyler Savage and Paul Johnson. Also, we would like to congratulate those brothers who have recently been married and had children.

Many brothers in our chapter attended national events this summer. Brothers Sam Hansen and Brent Swygman thoroughly enjoyed GAC. Evan Hedwall and Mitch Brumbaugh also enjoyed going to FELA and said it was a very enlightening experience. Our chapter also extends our thanks to Minnesota Beta, Paul Wineman and Jerry Nelson for the seminar that was put on in October.

Our chapter has been busy with the community and campus this year. As in recent years, we helped out with the campus blood drive and the mock house party that the Greek system provides annually. Our chapter also enjoys the highway cleanup that we do annually. We had a new philanthropy event this year in Helping Little Heroes. Thanks to our alum Aaron Jansson, we helped raise a lot of money that was donated to the Children's Hospital.

Finally, we would like to thank our alumni for their continued support. They helped make the 12th annual Minnesota Gamma golf tournament a success. They have also been very supportive donated money and giving us creative ideas to continually improve our chapter. Our list of active alumni grows with each day; we encourage those who have not been an active part of Phi Kappa Psi to come and experience the brotherhood they loved when they were undergraduates. Anyone who would like to contact our chapter can email us at [mngammaphipsi@yahoo.com](mailto:mngammaphipsi@yahoo.com). It has been a great year for us and we always look to make the next year better than the last.

*Terrance Tauer*



## **MINNESOTA DELTA** **University of** **Minnesota, Duluth**

**Accredited**

This semester, we have had the privilege of getting to know four quality pledges with great

potential. Their names are Garrison Hunter, Jeremy Petrowski, Kenneth Iroezi, and James Skoog. We are super excited to be celebrating our five year anniversary this year, and are looking forward to an amazing Founders Day celebration, since that was also the day our chapter was chartered.

Operation Underground, a recruitment program started last year, went amazingly well this year. We rented a cruise ship to take us around Lake Superior for an hour while we enjoyed music and food in a fun atmosphere. All potentials and the ladies accompanying them were picked up and delivered in a limousine. The following weekend, we sponsored a paintball outing with the potentials and others. We had a reasonable turnout to paintball considering the weather was pretty bad. Even though it was raining and windy, all that went had a great time.

We continue to retain the motto set forth by our Founders in the "Great Joy of Serving Others." All brothers are encouraged to attend monthly trips to the local Boys and Girls Club to play dodge ball. Recently, we held our annual poker tournament for anyone that wished to participate, all that was needed as a buy-in was a can of food, which we then donated to the local food shelf. Working with another Greek organization on campus, we participated in an event in which we created a haunted house for children of the community. Over semester break, three of our brothers, Matt Slinger, John Mieners, and Sean Booher, will be accompanying a group of students of the UMD Greek community to go to New Orleans and help rebuild for victims of the Katrina disaster.

*Greg Bartell*



## **MISSISSIPPI ALPHA University of Mississippi**

This February, Mississippi Alpha will celebrate its 150th year on the campus of the University of Mississippi. To mark this special event, we will have an exciting weekend for all Phi Psis. Please mark your calendars and plan to be in Oxford on February 23rd and 24th, 2007. All alumni are

encouraged to arrive in town on Friday for an alumni reception at the Inn at Ole Miss. On Saturday, we will begin the day with a tour of campus, followed by lunch in the South End Zone at Vaught-Hemmingway Stadium. That evening, we will have a dinner at the Oxford-University Club in downtown Oxford. SWGP Steve O'Rourke will be the keynote speaker for the evening. A block of rooms have been reserved at the Inn at Ole Miss. Mention Mississippi Alpha's sesquicentennial to receive the group rate of \$70 per night. If you are interested in attending or helping fund the event please contact either Tim Walsh at 662-816-0800 or chapter GP Brett Kittredge at 203-215-1590.

*Brett Kittredge*



## **MISSOURI ALPHA University of Missouri**

This fall has been one of the most exciting semesters for the brothers of Missouri Alpha. We recently wrapped up a successful homecoming effort, finishing first in service hours and placing in the top three out of 13 floats for the homecoming parade. We recently had our own philanthropy called "Trick or Treat So Kids Can Eat," in which we invited the Boys and Girls Club over to "trick or treat" in our hallways. We accomplished the gathering of many canned foods for the children. We are also honored to have a successful intramurals semester, participating in the championship football and softball games. We have had great participation in recruitment this semester, initiating 19 new members. The brothers would like to wish the best of luck to Ashkan Seyedi as he concludes his last semester at Mizzou. We're looking forward to another successful semester with Phi Psi 500 and Greek Week!

*Will Wilson*



## **NEBRASKA ALPHA University of Nebraska**

The Nebraska Alpha chapter has experienced significant growth over the past summer, adding 22

new pledges. These men have contributed to the current successes of the chapter; including the annual philanthropy event, the Phi Psi 500. On October 22, the chapter was able to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma society, which will aid in the research of these illnesses. In addition to philanthropy, Nebraska Alpha has improved its alumni relations. In recent months, a newsletter was composed to inform members of the advances of the chapter and its upcoming events. One of the alumni in particular, Dan Cook, was kind enough to share his skybox suite with several members for the Nebraska and Troy football game on September 23. The Chapter has also started the construction of a new website, [www.nebraskaphipsi.com](http://www.nebraskaphipsi.com), which will provide pictures and information pertaining to future fraternal activities.

*Justin Pratt*



## NEBRASKA BETA Creighton University

No newsletter submitted.



## NEW JERSEY DELTA The College of New Jersey

### **Accredited with Distinction**

As we head into 2007, New Jersey Delta continues to excel in all aspects of fraternity life. Last spring we had only four graduating seniors, and although they had a prominent impact in our recent achievements, the addition of 11 Alpha Deltas helped us to not only increase our numbers, but ensure this ongoing success would continue.

As a chapter, we realize the importance of recruitment and strive to do whatever possible to make sure Phi Kappa Psi remains one of the largest and most successful organizations at our school. Recruitment is a constant process that begins literally the very first day of school. With our annual freshman move-in event, many brothers help students feel more comfortable on their first day by talking it up and getting Phi Psi's name out to them. This is a great public relations tool. Later that week, known as Welcome Week where solely freshman are on campus, we co-sponsor a karaoke event with one of the top sororities at the college.



**New Jersey Delta's members are always involved in the Relay for Life.**

This event is extremely fun and has been big for us in the recent past with recruitment, as the recruitment team is in charge of contacting the freshman we meet and letting them know of our upcoming events. As we headed into October, we already had a fall pledge class lined up and a solid base for freshman and our spring pledge class later down the road.

Furthermore, New Jersey Delta has always been one of the top Greek organizations at TCNJ when it comes to community service, philanthropy, scholarship, fundraising and other important activities. At the end of every year, the school's Greek Advisor rates each Greek organization with consideration given to all these aspects and much more. We are proud to say that last year we received a perfect four out of four stars, and this year we are already heading in that direction again. With a minimum of 500 hours of community service in our chapter, we can ensure the Phi Kappa Psi name reaches out to everyone on this campus and in our community. Perhaps our biggest community service event and philanthropy of 2006 is the signature event of the American Cancer Society called Relay For Life. It is designed to spread awareness of cancer prevention, treatments and cures, celebrate survivorship and raise money for research to find more cures for cancer. NJ Delta devoted its time to ensure this event was a huge success for the American Cancer Society.

When it comes to Greek relations, we are at the top on this campus. Individually, it is no different. We have brothers of Phi Kappa Psi that hold high ranking positions in our school's Inter-Greek Council and Inter-Fraternity Council. Also, our chapter's average GPA is at an all time high and the highest among all fraternities at The College of New Jersey, a very challenging school when it comes to academics. As we get ready for another year of success, it is easy to see that our chapter is as strong as it ever was in all the major aspects of Greek life. The future looks bright for the New Jersey Delta Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi.

*Steve Kotarski*



## **NEW JERSEY EPSILON Rowan University**

The brothers of the New Jersey Epsilon Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi are proud to announce that we are the winners of the Greek Cup for the year 2006. This is the first time that we have won this cup since the founding of our chapter. We hope that our success will carry over into the next year and win a second cup. We also have a pledge class that is doing exceptionally well in its pledging process, doing well on their tests and demonstrating that they have grasped what they have learned. They continue to improve as they progress throughout their process. We have been involved in a number of service events. Some of them include doing a walk in Camden to aid in finding a cure for leukemia, buying school supplies for children that lost their mother this year and doing a walk to aid in research for juvenile diabetes. A good number of service events have been set up in the future as well. We are enjoying a second year of having a house and are hoping that some time in the near future we will own one.

*Brett Juchniewicz*



## **NEW MEXICO ALPHA Eastern New Mexico University**

No newsletter submitted.



## **NEW YORK ALPHA Cornell University**

The past year has been wonderful for New York Alpha. We initiated the largest pledge class on campus, with 25 new brothers coming into the



house. This has put us into an amazing financial position, and we project to have a surplus at the end of the year in our budget, which will allow for us to make some needed improvements to the chapter house. With the upcoming pledge class, we should be initiating brother number 2,000 into New York Alpha. We have captains of the football and swimming teams in our house, as well as other campus leaders. Overall, we are having a great year and hope to have another strong pledge class.

Devin DeMenno



## NEW YORK BETA Syracuse University

### Accredited

The fall 2006 semester brings another exciting chapter into the lives of New York Beta. It started

in the early summer when our dining room floors were refurbished and new dining hall furniture was brought in. As the summer ended, the brothers gathered and broke ground on basement repairs. Most of the drywall is now redone, and we hope to have our entire basement repainted and a new cement floor poured in by the end of the semester. These projects lead us into our school year where more improvements kept coming. The brothers welcomed the largest pledge class since our 2001 re-founding. With 14 pledges set to be initiated by the end of the fall semester, the future of our house looks brighter than ever. New York Beta is also starting to make a name for itself on campus. In an alcohol-free social event during alcohol education week, Syracuse University's IFC gave us the "Best Party Theme" cash prize for the event we had with sorority Alpha Phi. We are also participating in philanthropy and increasing our community service as each semester passes. As time goes on, New York Beta will only continue to grow and flourish. I



**The fall 2006 pledge class at Syracuse**

urge our alumni and any other Phi Psi's to look at our site at [www.cusehipsi.com](http://www.cusehipsi.com), which we are in the process of updating.



## NEW YORK ETA University at Buffalo

The fall semester at the University at Buffalo started off as planned, as the chapter focused much of its time on house improvements. A new heating system was installed and sections of the house were painted. However, after the Buffalo community was hit hard this October by a severe storm that damaged thousands of trees and personal property, many brothers went out into the community and helped remove debris from our surrounding neighbors' properties along with other volunteers from the university. Our efforts did not go unrecognized by the community, as chapter president Max Datz was interviewed by

the local newspaper, The Buffalo News. In November, we will once again hold our Thanksgiving can drive, which was greatly appreciated by the local community center and neighbors who graciously donated canned food during the event.



## NEW YORK THETA Rochester Institute of Technology

**Accredited with Distinction**  
**GRAND CHAPTER**

NY Theta attended GAC this past summer in New Orleans. Three awards were won, including the Grand Chapter Award. An award was also given for Outstanding Alumni Newsletter (which you can



**Members of New York Eta take a break while helping Buffalo clean up after violent storms.**





**N.Y. Theta – try to catch them ridin' dirty!**

download and read from our website, [www.rithipsi.org](http://www.rithipsi.org)) and an award for an outstanding pledge and Fraternity Education Program. Both undergrads and alumni were present to receive the Grand Chapter award. The chapter has pushed forward with overwhelming statistics in grades, philanthropy hours and chapter improvement programs. A GPA which crushes all averages at RIT, in addition to averaging over 50 hours of philanthropy per brother, is outstanding. Our chapter is a living example of the balance that can be achieved between education, friendship, community service and recreation. Our chapter is looking forward to another great year of success and growth.

NY Theta began this fall with the distinct pleasure of hosting Brothers Jerry Nelson and SWVGP Paul Wineman. Brother Wineman and Brother Nelson spent the weekend with us in Rochester, N.Y., giving their famous "Winners and Losers" (Brother Nelson) and negotiation (Brother Wineman) speeches to an open audience. Brother from chapters nearby chapters attended as well as some non-affiliated RIT students. This event was the culmination of a successful recruitment period, and provided unbelievable motivation for everyone to get the year started off right. Thank you Brother Wineman and Brother Nelson!

The following weekend, we held our 11th Annual Mudtug Event. This event was incredibly successful, yet again. We were able to raise over \$2,000 for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Research Foundation. Thirty-six teams competed in the competition, which consisted of Men's, Co-ed and Women's brackets. Everyone had a great time in this campus-wide event.

We have continued to make improvements on our chapter website ([www.rithipsi.org](http://www.rithipsi.org)). Alumni Relations are better than ever with our site's Message Board and our newly recognized Rochester Area Alumni Association. This is also a big year for our chapter, as we will be celebrating our 15th Annual Alumni Weekend, April 26th-29th. For information on event schedule and logistics, visit our website.

As we move in to the winter quarter here at RIT, our chapter is working harder than ever to continue our improvement. The sky is the limit for NY Theta, as we continue our efforts in expanding our chapter, increasing our academic achievements, strengthening our presence on campus, and giving back to the community. As we carry on with this motivation, every member of our chapter is proud to say that we are brothers of Phi Kappa Psi!

*Patrick Curran*



## NEW YORK IOTA Binghamton University

### Accredited

New York Iota is looking forward to another fall season. The kickoff of the academic year is always anticipated, especially the brotherhood events that keep our chapter busy. Our brothers "run" the Interfraternity Council Football league, where we leave the competition laying on the ground and most of the time without points. The month of October is booked solid for us with campus activities, volunteer work, social events and philanthropy. Our Binghamton homecoming is an anticipated weekend where the University hosts an annual competition, Greek God (a show during Greek Week). We prepare thoroughly because the competition is always fierce. This year we are expecting most of our alumni to come back for the event and for alumni/ homecoming weekend. Some of our most recent volunteer work is helping run the Special Olympics, Chow Walk and Boys and Girls, as usual. This past spring semester alone, we reached the Phi Psi 500 for community service hours. Thanks again to Brother Jerry Nelson for financing our new Fraternity House. We are reaching new heights that we couldn't have before.



## NEW YORK KAPPA State University of New York College at Oneonta

### Accredited

Greetings from New York Kappa! First off, we would like to congratulate our Theta class on their recent initiation. We are excited to have these new brothers in the chapter and look forward to watching them grow into successful, passionate brothers.

This semester has been busy for the chapter, as we have been participating in a multitude of community service activities. Our work began even

before the official start of the semester, as our brothers helped on freshman move-in day. This served as a great opportunity to get some hours and get our name out to new students at the same time. During September, we spent a few Saturdays helping out with Flood Relief. The upstate N.Y. area suffered a good amount of damage during the summer floods, and this has been an almost constant source of community service for us and will remain an active part of our activities for the entire semester. We have also been participating at Habitat for Humanity. During the spring 2006 semester, our chapter accumulated over 1,000 community service hours and was recognized as having the highest average hours per member for all on-campus Greek organizations.

In September, we attended the lecture by Jerry Nelson and Paul Wineman, hosted by NY Theta. This was a great opportunity for all of our brothers to learn from these kind and knowledgeable brothers, and a great opportunity for older brothers to hear words from these individuals for a second or third time. We'd like to thank our RIT brothers for inviting us and making the event possible.

We look forward to a very busy semester and we are also anticipating a large new member class in the spring. If you'd like to plan an event or visit NY Kappa, contact Zack Wischnia, Corresponding Secretary, at [z.wisch41@gmail.com](mailto:z.wisch41@gmail.com).

*Zack Wischnia*



## NORTH CAROLINA BETA East Carolina University

The NC Beta Chapter would like to congratulate four new members of the Alpha Delta pledge class this fall. NC Beta continued to achieve the highest fraternity GPA in the spring semester of 2006, and we hope to further that achievement by obtaining the highest GPA this fall as well. Mid-semester recruitment took place during the month November for anyone who didn't have a chance to make it to formal rush earlier in the semester. We are also doing some



philanthropic activities this semester, and are finalizing the plans on one as we speak. Our 15-year anniversary celebration was a success. Many alumni came out and showed their support. If anyone has any questions, please contact President David Converse at [dmc0824@ecu.edu](mailto:dmc0824@ecu.edu).

*David Converse*



**OHIO ALPHA**  
**Ohio Wesleyan**  
**University**

No newsletter submitted.



**OHIO BETA**  
**Wittenberg University**

The brothers of Ohio Beta have had a successful year so far. Earlier this semester, we participated in the Greek Week games and came in first place. One of our brothers, Rob Moore, won the Greek God award as well. In October, our chapter put on a philanthropy in which we made our house into a haunted house. The haunted house was a success and proceeds that we made will be used to support an underprivileged family's Christmas. During informal recruitment, our house gained seven new members out of the 17 that rushed campus-wide. Thank you to all the alumni that visited and donated to our house for alumni weekend and we hope to see you again soon.

*Rob Moore*



**OHIO DELTA**  
**The Ohio State**  
**University**

The undergraduate brotherhood of the Ohio Delta chapter stands poised this fall quarter to continue the enrichment of ourselves and our community through strength, unity and the principles that make Phi Kappa Psi the premier fraternity in the nation. We have improved our chapter GPA to 3.14, placing us in the top third of

all fraternities on campus. The intermural football, basketball, soccer and softball championships are currently in our possession, honors we intend to defend with all our grit. Our involvement in an area Adopt-a-street program will allow us to clean and beautify the city that has given us so much. With a house at capacity – 42 brothers living in – the 06-07 academic year looks to be a year of opportunities and fulfillment. We wish all chapters across the nation the best this year in each of your endeavors.

*Greg Kester*



**OHIO EPSILON**  
**Case Western Reserve**

The Ohio Epsilon Chapter is in the midst of another successful semester. This past June, we celebrated our centennial anniversary, which was a great success. We had over 100 alumni and brothers during the three-day event. Also, we had a very good fall rush and will initiate 10 new brothers in the coming weeks.

*Andrew Baker*



**OHIO ETA**  
**University of Toledo**

**Accredited with Honors**

This has been an excellent year in Toledo for the Ohio Eta chapter. With numbers consistently on the rise over the last few years, our chapter has seen an increase in campus involvement and chapter GPA. We also have been very active in national Phi Psi events, sending representatives to the 73rd GAC in New Orleans as well as sending over half of our chapter to the American Leadership Academy in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. While attending GAC, we received a very special award. Ohio Eta was honored as the Most Improved Chapter thanks to all the hard work of the alumni and brothers.

Ohio Eta holds the record for the largest pledge class ever initiated into Phi Kappa Psi. This pledge class of 150 members was initiated in 1950 when

a local fraternity, Sigma Beta Phi, decided to charter as Phi Kappa Psi. At our chapter house in October, the brothers hosted a lunch for the members of Sigma Beta Phi to honor their commitment to our chapter and recognize the growth of Ohio Eta. The brotherhood is very grateful to be able to stay in touch with local alumni and learn about our local history. Our chapter is also planning a philanthropy dinner to raise money for Dance Marathon, the largest philanthropy on campus, to benefit the Children's Miracle Network. The brotherhood is also in the process of organizing the first annual Phi Psi Golf Outing at the University of Toledo to benefit the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Northwest Ohio. Plans are not finalized, but the golf outing should be in April of 2007.

Brothers here at Ohio Eta are also active in raising money for our chapter. This year, the brotherhood worked at Cedar Point amusement park for two weeks as a fundraiser for our chapter. Ohio Eta continues to raise money for Fall Parents Day and intramural sports, to name a few. As a chapter, we are also looking forward to assisting in the re-colonization of the Bowling Green State University chapter of Phi Psi. Things are looking very

promising in Toledo for Phi Psi, and we are working to make sure it stays that way for a long time!

*Brad Phillips*



## OHIO THETA Ashland University

### **Accredited with Honors**

The fall semester for Ohio Theta has been filled with excitement, service and hard work. Our chapter's recruitment this semester was extremely successful and concluded with 12 new men deciding to pledge themselves to our Fraternity and actively seek initiation. They are: Clint Hackney, Andy Cyphert, Max Julian, Ross Wheeler, John Philabaun, David Ellsworth, David Stuck, Alexander Curavo, Robinson O'Brien, Matt Strobel, Jarrod Williams and Brian Montgomery. We are looking forward to watching these new pledges go through the pledge education process and become brothers in our Fraternity.

Ohio Theta has really been involved in philanthropy this semester. By the time this article is published, our chapter will have completed over 600



**Members of Ohio Theta get together for a song.**

hours of community service since the beginning of the school year. We have had the privilege of taking on a significant local philanthropy this year. The Ashland County Rape Crisis Center has moved its offices into a new safe-house that they recently purchased near our campus and we have been very active in helping them move in, painting their new building's interior and exterior, and furnishing their safe-rooms. We plan on continually doing projects with them well into the next few years. We have also collected money for a family who lost their child in a local fire, sponsored a car bashing event for MADD, and helped with numerous other activities on campus to further both the community of Ashland and the students of Ashland University.

This semester we have also taken steps in growing closer together as a chapter. We held a brotherhood retreat at a local camp, Camp Nuhop, where we participated in several team-building and goal-setting activities. We were also honored to have our brothers from the Ohio Mu chapter at the University of Dayton come join us in our efforts to learn about how we can all become better brothers in Phi Kappa Psi. At the end of the retreat, we thanked Camp Nuhop by spending an afternoon doing manual labor to help improve their campsite.

With such achievements behind us, we look forward to continuing our commitments to service and brotherhood next semester.

*Matt Mingus*



## Miami University

**Accredited with Honors**

No newsletter submitted.



## OHIO MU University of Dayton

**Accredited with Distinction**

The Ohio Mu Chapter has had a great semester, and is sad to see it end.

The beginning of the semester was exciting, as Ohio Mu planned and executed our chapter's inaugural Phi Psi 500. Planning began last semester and continued throughout the summer, with last-minute trouble-shooting in the first weeks of school. The event was held September 10th through the 16th. During this week, brothers sold t-shirts, pizza throughout the student neighborhood on the weekend and raffle tickets for a free trip to Daytona, which is a week-long trip sponsored by the Student Government Association. Most of the fundraising events held during the week encouraged campus-wide involvement, both Greek and non-Greek. These events included kickball and volleyball tournaments, a high-competition pizza-eating contest and an attempt at the world's largest pillow fight. Exclusively Greek activities included a sweetheart competition between sorority women and a chariot race using brother-designed and made chariots. All proceeds were donated to ABCs for 911, a Dayton-based charity that was formed by a UD alumni and is meant to educate elementary-aged children how and when to use the 911 system. Although all brothers participated and many took leadership roles in the organization and execution of the week, the chapter owes much to an Ohio Mu founder, Craig Rossi, who put much time and energy into the preparation of 500 week.

Ohio Mu is also excited about a structural change. The philanthropy committee has recently been split into two administrative committees, the philanthropy committee and the service committee. This change has been made in hope of increasing productivity, allowing two separate committees to concentrate their full attention and efforts on individual causes: volunteering by brothers or fundraising for charitable organizations.

This Dayton-based chapter is also excited about its fall semester pledge class. The members of the Gamma pledge class of Ohio Mu are continuously showing their commitment and dedication to Phi Kappa Psi and brothers are equally as enthused in getting to know and learning about the pledge class members.

At GAC, this relatively new chapter was represented well and left New Orleans as a proud chapter. Although before GAC we were thankful

to be nominated for twelve awards, we were extremely proud that we received the Ralph D. Daniel Award for Excellence in Chapter Management. Ohio Mu's chapter advisor Mike Hauck also received the Outstanding Chapter Advisor Award. Although Ohio Mu previously recognized Mike's exceedingly large contribution to the formation and progress of our chapter, we are happy that he was recognized Nationally as an asset to Phi Kappa Psi as a whole. Our chapter is in debt to Brother Hauck and owes him much.

Ohio Mu is looking forward to the spring semester. We will be having our chapter's first week-long service event, Phi Psi 250, and plan to exceed our last year's Phi Psi contribution, including exceeding last year's \$6,000 fundraising donation, which was the largest contribution made by any UD organization. We also look forward to a spring pledge class and continued newfound success in the intramural fraternity sports league.

All Phi Psis are welcome at Dayton and encouraged to visit if possible. If you would like to contact the chapter, you can do so through the website, <http://www.udayton.edu/~phipsi/>.

*Kevin Timms*



The brothers of Oklahoma Alpha are excited to start the new school year. This fall, we worked extremely hard and had a fantastic recruitment. This is an exciting time to be a part of Oklahoma Alpha. The brotherhood is growing each and every semester. On the alumni front, the chapter is excited to have a new chapter advisor, Andy Ferguson, and new housing corporation president, Stacy Smith. We know they will do a great job. Another great homecoming has come and gone. While we did not place this year in the campus competition, it was great to see the many alumni that came back to see how the chapter has been doing. We would like to thank Brother Curtis and his wife for throwing a wonderful barbeque for the undergrads and alumni in attendance. We would like to see all our alumni at Founders Day on Feb. 17th. Invitations will be sent out soon.

*Jeff Morrow*



## OREGON BETA Oregon State University

Oregon Beta is finally a chapter on the rise. After struggling the last few years, our chapter has found the dedication and motivation needed to succeed in getting out of the rut we have been the past few years. This has mostly been able to happen through the helpful support of extremely active alumni. We're expanding in other areas besides recruitment as well. As a chapter, we decided to develop our first major philanthropy event to support the Lance Armstrong Foundation last spring. The first annual "Phi Psicle," which was a series of hilarious tricycle races, was a success and will hopefully become an even bigger event in the years to come. As our brotherhood grows, we're striving to develop our chapter into a successful one and to develop the skills needed to maintain it. Live ever, die never!

*Robert Cady*



As the founding chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity at Washington & Jefferson College, Pennsylvania Alpha has been very diligent with many social and charitable events. On Halloween, we committed several brothers to help young trick-or-treaters safely cross the streets in the Washington area. Last spring, our chapter's brothers participated in "Read Across America," in which we visited a local elementary school and read Dr. Seuss books to individual classrooms. We've also been very zealous in our philanthropies at the Interfraternity Council. As for social events, we've engaged in mixers with several sororities on campus and just completed a very successful Halloween costume party. For this party, we built a three-story tall pumpkin at the front entrance of our house. All of this has been done while holding intact the true virtues that William Henry





**Pennsylvania Alpha's three-story pumpkin was a signature piece of their Halloween social event.**

Letterman and Charles Page Thomas Moore instilled in our fraternity over 154 years ago.

*Jonah Hatfield*



## **PENNSYLVANIA BETA Allegheny College**

Pennsylvania Beta is excited to announce its redesigned website, [www.pennbeta.com](http://www.pennbeta.com). Alumni members can learn about current undergraduates, see what the chapter has accomplished and even acquire an email address. With two new initiates and two pledges, we continue to grow even during the fall semester, which is not a formal rush period

at Allegheny. We are engaged in plenty of philanthropic activities, including three separate events at the campus-wide Make A Difference Day, where we installed a wheelchair ramp, put a new roof on a home and constructed a free-standing roof over a mobile home. We also installed a new liner in a Koi pond at a local retirement home and participated in a letter-writing campaign for Up 'til Dawn, benefiting St. Jude's Cancer Research. Because of the rising cost of sending out our chapter newsletter, we are now exclusively sending the newsletter by email, available on our website under the "News" section. If you would like to receive a hard copy, please email us at [Alumni@PennBeta.com](mailto:Alumni@PennBeta.com). Thanks to all of our alumni who give time, money and support to the chapter. Keep us updated on what you're doing by emailing us at [PKP@Allegheny.edu](mailto:PKP@Allegheny.edu).

*Sean Link*



## **PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA**

### **Bucknell University**

#### **Accredited**

The Pennsylvania Gamma Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi has continued to strive for excellence with the addition 29 pledges this fall. A successful recruitment, highlighted with a pig roast and popular casino night, resulted in 156 meal preferences.

Homecoming '07 was as successful as ever. Alumni continued their tradition of attending and participating in the annual shipwrecked party. This year's ship proved to be difficult to destroy due to the hard work and effort put forth by all the brothers of the Pennsylvania Gamma Chapter.

Pennsylvania Gamma sent Andrew Shea to New Orleans as our delegate for the Grand Arch Council Conference. There, our chapter received national recognition for academic excellence. Penn Gamma was awarded the Dr. Thomas D. Myers Scholarship Award as well as the award for academic excellence in our district.

In closing, we would like to thank the brothers and alumni for an already successful year and to having an equally successful upcoming semester.

*Ryan Soberl*

*Bullets* PENNSYLVANIA  
EPSILON  
**Gettysburg College**

No newsletter submitted.



PENNSYLVANIA ZETA  
**Dickinson College**

It has been a great start to the year for the Pennsylvania Zeta Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi. The men's soccer team is full of brothers. Seniors Andrew Rowek, Matty Kurteson and Carlisle Balfour are the leaders of the team. Also, juniors Bobby Malek, Cooper Morris and Andrew Cutright have provided valuable play to the team. Sophomores Matt Critchlow, Rodrigo Barboza, Matt Wood, Paul Coyle, John Freed and Tyler Zentz are all big contributors to the team as well. With a string of great play, they fell just one point shy due to a tie with Gettysburg in the final game of the season. The chapter has also continued to help the Carlisle community through different philanthropic activities. This semester, we participated in the cleanup of an area of Carlisle on Pitt Street. We cleaned up the trash that had been left to build up around this area. This is not a one time project. We will continue the upkeep of this area periodically for the remainder of the year.

*Patrick Threadgill*



PENNSYLVANIA ETA  
**Franklin & Marshall College**

**Accredited**

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PENNSYLVANIA  
THETA  
**Lafayette College**

**Accredited with Distinction**

We are lucky to be active Penn Theta brothers in year 2006 – one of the most productive and exciting years throughout Phi Psi's history at Lafayette. We have been overwhelmed by the amount of support our alumni have given to the campaign to restore The Old Grey Barn. Thanks to a committed alumni leadership committee, a dedicated Housing Corporation and a tireless group of undergraduates, we have raised \$900,000 in less than a year. Cherry Alley and Homecoming were both attended by record numbers of alumni, and we recently added the largest pledge class in over a decade to our roles, surpassing 1500 Penn Thetas.

Over the summer our job was to clear the house of everything valuable. The move-out process was challenging, but it was a great way to bring us back to campus during the summer. Three dumpsters, two trailers and a moving truck later, the interior was ready for the demolition process, which has recently begun.

Homecoming weekend marked the groundbreaking, which was attended by many Phi Psis from far and wide. We celebrated the milestone of over 50% of our capital campaign raised, and the support evident that afternoon suggests that momentum is gaining with the help of numerous generous alumni. The finalized architectural plans were displayed, and all agreed that the new accommodations, for 24 comfortable brothers, will support a thriving chapter for many years. In addition to updating and rehabilitating all the interior spaces, the renovation will include the installation of a more efficient heating system, modernization of the wiring, adapting fire prevention systems to meet current codes and the addition of two front porches to replace those that were lost when the building was moved in 1971. The living floors will be reconfigured to more effectively accommodate brothers in a uniquely fraternal environment. Though the changes will be

extensive, the timeless atmosphere of the house will be preserved for future brothers to enjoy.

We have learned that the renovation will take a full year to complete, rather than a semester as originally planned. Though we will miss our home, we are now settled into a college-owned dormitory, and we are pleased that we can continue to be a very active chapter while temporarily displaced.

Our latest notable achievements include winning Greek Week for the third time in four years and maintaining the highest GPA among fraternities on campus. We are looking forward to participating in the Up 'til Dawn event to raise funds for the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and volunteering with the Adopt A Highway Corporation.

Recruitment followed a strong spring semester with a stronger fall semester, with 19 new members – the largest in decades. With the help of a supportive new college president and an effective IFC, the Greek community at Lafayette is as prosperous as ever. Each of the 12 Greek chapters on campus gained 15 new members or more this fall – truly impressive considering the small size of

the student body. We are working hard to continue this trend, and expect to welcome a sizeable spring class to the chapter. The revived house will receive a very healthy brotherhood.

While the renovation campaign has been exhausting, our efforts bring us closer to the rebirth of our honorable chapter of Phi Kappa Psi. We encourage all alumni and friends of Penn Theta to visit our campaign website [www.oldgreybarn.com](http://www.oldgreybarn.com) or e-mail Doug Fish at [doug\\_fish@hotmail.com](mailto:doug_fish@hotmail.com) for information on how you can make a difference. Once again, we would like to express our most sincere appreciation for the support and generosity of our alumni brothers.

*James Parsekian*



**Accredited with Distinction**

This year has been yet another strong one for Penn Iota. We initiated a fine group of 10 new brothers in the spring and saw a continued



***Pennsylvania Theta was exceptionally excited about winning Greek Week.***



improvement in the chapter's academic standing on campus, ending up with one of the top five GPAs on campus. Penn Iota also had a good showing at the Grand Arch Council, held this past summer in New Orleans. One of a few chapters eligible for the Grand Chapter Award, Penn Iota was recognized for the highest GPA in the district, as well as earning Summa Cum Laude distinction from National for our overall academic standing.

In addition to continuing excellent academics, Penn Iota has worked aggressively to redesign its alumni relations. By redirecting the majority alumni donations to scholarship purposes, Penn Iota saw an increase in our ability to offer scholarships to our undergraduate brothers and our pledge class this spring, thanks entirely to alumni generosity. Furthermore, through a push to create events that were more enjoyable for alumni and were better advertised, and we saw a marked increase in alumni attendance at homecoming, which received higher praise than many homecoming events in recent years. We are also actively working to increase alumni participation in the chapter and in the pledging process.

Alumni relations is not the only area to see a redesign within the chapter. Since the end of last semester, the chapter has worked on retooling our spring recruitment, Penn's major recruitment period. Starting at the beginning of the year, an aggressive policy to get to know incoming freshmen through weekly poker and Monday Night Football games, has been implemented. Furthermore, the chapter has continued with its Gentlemen, Leaders, and Innovators Scholarship (GLI), which seeks outstanding incoming freshmen men. Not only has the GLI scholarship allowed the chapter to reward young men who embody the qualities of Phi Kappa Psi, it has also acted as an excellent recruitment tool by allowing us to identify some excellent candidates before the spring. We have also seen an excellent flow of ideas between the membership committee and the brotherhood, as we seek to add new, effective events to recruitment and remove older events that are not so strong for us.

Community service saw a slow start at the beginning of the year due to some flux in the community service chairmen. A strong desire to

get back to our founding principles of community service, however, have righted our community service goals as a chapter, and we are currently working on events with the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and the Ronald McDonald house.

Penn Iota has also been active in fostering a community amongst local chapters with the Philly Alpha program (a consortium of Penn Iota, Penn Upsilon, Penn Sigma, and a fledgling colony at Temple University). As has been the case in the past few years, we planned a joint Founder's Day event for the chapters that was enjoyed by all. We are currently in the early stages of planning this year's Founders Day as well as more events for the chapters to participate in together.

This has been a good year for Penn Iota and our momentum is already carrying us into another great year. As a chapter, we have established ourselves well in both the classroom and community, and we have made a firm commitment to involving alumni in the chapter to a degree never before seen. All in all, this next year looks bright for Penn Iota.

*John Swierk*



The brothers of Penn Lambda are optimistic about starting a new year. After an incredibly successful Homecoming weekend with our alumni and doing exceptionally well with our Homecoming events that we competed in with our partner, the Penn State Equestrian Team, we know the semester can only get better. We are continuing to expand, as we have nine new men in process of completing our pledge program. Our house is filling up quickly and we are constantly making improvements to it. THON, the Penn State annual IFC/Pan-Hellenic fundraiser, is fast-approaching, and plans are already in motion for canning and potential dancers to help kids with cancer. We are working hard to improve over last year, when we raised over \$80,000.

*Jason Culp*





**Pennsylvania Lambda's members assisted Habitat for Humanity in September.**

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**Indiana University  
of Pennsylvania**

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No newsletter submitted.



**PENNSYLVANIA XI  
Edinboro  
University**

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Well, it is another semester here at Edinboro. Our chapter has been flourishing, we have been working hard on recruitment. We have a pledge class of eight and are working to mold them into the leaders of tomorrow. Other than that, we have been working hard on fundraisers. We are in the middle of a raffle for a pair of Steelers tickets. Since we are in the heart of Steelers country, we hope to gain a lot from it. We have also, finally, got all good portions of past debts repaid. Other than that, we have just been having some much-needed fun and going to hang out with the brothers from Penn State and Allegheny. This semester is rapidly becoming a restructuring period. We have revamped the chapter to make it more productive. We were given this opportunity by a generous donation from an alumni brother from Texas Alpha. We did not even know him, but Brother Noble showed us what brotherhood is all about. With all this, we are rapidly becoming one of the leaders on campus. We are a new Pennsylvania Xi Chapter.

*Kurtis Charlton*



**Members of Pennsylvania Xi pose for the camera.**



## **PENNSYLVANIA RHO York College**

**Accredited**

Hello brothers! Here in York, Penn., Penn Rho has greatly improved our rush process. Our fall pledging class is the largest in years and the largest on campus. On top of that, our spring class might be two or three times that size. We have returned to being the most recognized fraternity on campus. We've continued our traditional monthly philanthropy event, Adopt-A-Block. This program has received much success and has expanded to incorporate more organizations. Our brothers have not only been advancing the Fraternity's name, but also improving in other areas. The chapter's average GPA has risen. There will be a record number of brothers attending the American Leadership Academy. I would like to extend my thanks to all the brothers who were there for me over the summer. I really appreciate all the love and support from everyone and know these are my brothers for life.

*Daniel R. Tyler*



## **PENNSYLVANIA SIGMA University of the Sciences in Philadelphia**

**Accredited with Distinction**

The brothers of the Pennsylvania Sigma Chapter have had a very constructive and active semester. The chapter celebrated the Ten Year Anniversary of our local Founders Day on October 12, 2006. The brothers enjoyed a dinner the following Friday night. Brothers past and present were invited and enjoyed the camaraderie and strong bond generated by our beloved Fraternity.

This semester has also been full of activities involving the community. The brothers helped plan and run a basketball tournament in order to raise money for The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Ten teams participated, including one made up of our own brothers. The event provided a fun night

for all of those who participated as well as benefited a great cause. The winners of the tournament received a cash prize, with the rest of the proceeds going to the Hospital.

Also, in early October, the brothers helped the sisters of Alpha Delta Theta run a "Lupus Luau," where information about the disease was given to students and money was raised by means of a raffle. The event generated both awareness and help for the cause.

Most recently, the brothers helped with a clothing drive benefiting the needy in the area. Over a period of a week, a very large amount of clothes were collected and sorted by brothers who volunteered their time.

The brothers also conduct regular block cleanups to keep the neighborhood around the chapter house clean and attractive. Community service has always been a vital part of the Fraternity, and this semester has been no exception. The outstanding effort put forward to making the community a better place is unrivaled on our campus, and the chapter brings a positive connotation to Greek life on our campus.

Last semester, Brother Joseph C. Cook was given our Brother Brining Award. Joseph received this honor by completing the most total hours of community service throughout the year. Ryan Pell was named Brother of the Year for his excellent work and dedication as the P. Congratulations to Joseph and Ryan, and good luck in your endeavors. Also, the chapter named two new Alumni Advisors, Brothers Visai Lor and Steven Devane, who will offer the chapter the guidance of those who came before, as well as provide a link to these alumni the chapter has produced.

The chapter was also awarded with the Fraternity Campus Athletic Championship Trophy last semester. This trophy was given to the chapter for accumulating the largest number of points based on athletic events, including basketball, volleyball, flag football, home run derby and many other athletic competitions. Congratulations to those brothers who were able to use their gift of athleticism to secure the trophy for the chapter.

The brothers have begun the formal rush period, and have a large number of candidates who are eligible to pledge next semester. The two

formal rushes were able to generate not only a large turnout, but incredible success. The events gave the men a great opportunity to show their interest in the Fraternity. The men were able to meet the brothers, and see the attitude, ideals and dedication that the Fraternity holds as its foundation, as well as the lasting friendship and benefits of becoming a brother of Phi Kappa Psi.

This semester has been extremely strong, as the chapter now has its largest group of undergraduate brothers since its founding in 1996. The chapter hopes to continue to become stronger in both friendship and business, as well as initiate a new class of brothers that can lead the Fraternity into the future.

*David Kulich*



**PENNSYLVANIA  
UPSILON**

**Drexel University**

**Accredited**

This year, Drexel University has been accomplishing great things, and so have we. Having

just run the annual Lupus charity walk with great success for the fourth consecutive year, we even had a Drexel student win the 5k race. We look forward to continuing this great tradition year after year. On that philanthropic note, another great tradition is just around the corner. On November 22nd, we will have held our Sixth Annual Thanksgiving Philanthropy event, where last year we prepared and served five turkeys, fifty pounds of homemade mashed potatoes, stuffing, vegetables, cranberry sauce and dessert for approximately 100 homeless and needy individuals at St. Agatha & St. James Church in Philadelphia. This year looks to be the largest so far, with assistance from both New Jersey Epsilon, the Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority and our interest group at Temple University. Unlike last year, we also have an unofficial home for some of our brothers off campus, but as we grow we are looking for a true home. Also, we have just pinned our Iota pledge class of six worthy men. We are very excited about the next few months with many great things ahead.

*Sean Devlin*



***Pennsylvania Upsilon members volunteered at the Lupus charity walk.***





## PENNSYLVANIA PHI Lycoming College

### **Accredited with Honors**

The brothers of the Pennsylvania Phi chapter have undergone some big changes this past semester. Ten graduates of the 2006 class have passed the torch of Phi Kappa Psi excellence onto the nine new members of our chapter. We are pleased to announce that the nine new members have been doing a great job filling the shoes. They have taken over a handful of committees and one of our brothers, Nicholas Reed, has taken over the executive position of chapter treasurer. These new brothers share the same enthusiasm and passion for the Fraternity as the brothers who departed us to embark on a different journey in their lives.

In other news brother Jason "Lips" Schoonover has been voted onto the Homecoming prom court. We will be rooting for him to win Homecoming king come the Homecoming football game announcement.

We are continuing to provide our "Odd Jobs" community service, two to three times a week, to Lycoming faculty and members of the Williamsport community. We have also been doing community service for Aids Resource, which is an organization that we always have and will continue to hold dear to our hearts. In addition, Penn Phi is participating in Operation Christmas Child, where brothers provide presents for underprivileged children. Overall, the chapter is pleased with the semester's progress.

Recruitment is going well, as a few new brothers have really stepped up and have brought around some positive potential new members to the Penn Phi chapter. The brotherhood is currently dividing itself into teams to tackle recruitment on an everyday basis and talk with and associate with a list of potential new members.

We always look forward to seeing our alumni when they are in town.

*Stephen Metz*



## RHODE ISLAND ALPHA Brown University

Brother linked arms with brother as "Blow Your Mind," the first big party of the academic year at Brown, came to an end. The DJ then played Don McLean's classic, "American Pie," (how all of our dancing parties end) as brothers and independents alike sang together off tune. That circle undeniably helped me realize how special my 37 unique brothers here make our chapter. Looking around the circle I saw brothers who volunteer, 15 pledges who have since become energetic brothers and valuable assets to our house, brothers who help build, clean and beautify our on-campus house, and even brothers leading our intramural flag football team to a top seed in the playoffs. After there was no more "Bye, bye, Miss American Pie" to sing along to, 37 gentlemen jumped and chanted in the middle of the lounge the Phi Psi yell. Moments like that validate the infectious excitement this year for Rhode Island Alpha.

*Bobby Kaufman*



## RHODE ISLAND BETA University of Rhode Island

Rhode Island Beta is doing great things to ensure the best possible reputation of our brotherhood. In the spirit of helping others we have already volunteered over 225 chapter hours of community service and we are still going strong. We are tentatively planning an alumni reunion for this spring, and I strongly encourage all who are interested in attending to contact me at [Neil.Leston@gmail.com](mailto:Neil.Leston@gmail.com). We have been recognized for our scholastic improvement in back-to-back biennia at the 72nd and 73rd Grand Arch Councils and we show no signs of slowing down. Our brothers are tutoring classmates and mentoring freshmen and new Greek members. Brothers will soon be able to put their own personal mark on the house in the form of a new front walkway with personally inscribed bricks. We send our





**Ask these Phi Psis about joining the University of Rhode Island Chapter.**

condolences, thoughts and prayers to the friends and families of our recently deceased Brother, Gene Bailey.

*Neil Daniel Leston*



**TENNESSEE DELTA**  
**Vanderbilt**  
**University**

**Accredited**

As another year unfolds, our Vanderbilt Chapter has been extremely busy. On October 7th, our chapter hosted a golf tournament benefiting Tennessee's chapter of the ALS Association, an organization determined to find a cure for and improve living with Lou Gehrig's Disease. The tournament was a success, generating proceeds of almost \$1,500. Our Homecoming weekend (October 21-22) was also a great success. In addition to the entire brotherhood and their dates, we were delightfully joined by almost 30 alumni, ranging from graduates of one year to forty years.

We all enjoyed a tailgate to support the Commodores and a post-game party. In addition, our brothers participated in a variety of Homecoming events, including the Float-Build Competition, other inter-Greek competitions, and the Homecoming Day of Service, where brothers traveled to off-campus sites to help our local community. On another note, our fall recruitment has been tremendously successful thus far; and it appears that we will continue the recent upswing our chapter has been experiencing with recruitment efforts. In 2005, our New Member Class of 21 was nearly double the size of the previous year, and was followed strongly in 2006 with another new class of over 20 brothers. Looking ahead, our brothers are extremely excited to visit the American Leadership Academy (ALA) in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. For spring break, 15 of our brothers will be traveling to the ALA along with other Phi Psi brothers from around the country. We hope to continue having a successful year and further strengthen our chapter.

*Michael Ogan*



## TENNESSEE EPSILON University of Tennessee

No newsletter submitted.



## TEXAS ALPHA University of Texas

### Accredited

Texas Alpha continued its successful traditions this year, initiating 11 outstanding young men in the spring 2006 pledge class. It also topped all other fraternities at the University of Texas by pledging 53, again showing its dominance in the area of recruitment. The chapter remains among the most renown at Texas with 117 active members, quickly rising to the top of UT Greek organizations in size and reputation. Texas Alpha also gave out the most money in scholarships to its active members this year, and boasts one of the highest grade point averages at the University of Texas, above both the male and Greek system averages. The old Texas Alpha chapter house on 24th and Leon was finally destroyed and leveled, leaving the chapter members anxiously awaiting the arrival of the new house this upcoming summer; the largest fraternity house in the entire nation. With 63 rooms for brothers of the Fraternity, it will surely symbolize Texas Alpha's exemplary status at the University of Texas. With the continuation of constant social events and always-growing pledge classes, Texas Alpha was named the best "up-and-coming" fraternity at the University of Texas by The Daily Texan and looks forward to surpassing the few remaining fraternities above it in both size and reputation within the next few semesters.

*Harry McClish*



## TEXAS BETA Texas Tech University

The Texas Beta Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi has once again had many successes over the past year. The chapter has placed second out of all the fraternities represented in intramurals for the second straight year. We attained yet another amazing pledge class this fall semester, and look forward to growing each semester. We have been active in the community by continuing our service with the Boys and Girls Club of America. We are striving once again to achieve our goal of 500 community service hours, a goal that has been reached for three consecutive semesters. Once again, our fantastic alumni have managed to surprise us with their commitment and generosity. Our chapter is pleased to report that our chapter house has been paid off, after having our house for only three years. With our great alumni support, and the hard work of the undergraduate brothers, it's no wonder that the Texas Beta chapter is still on top.

*Matt Hester*



## TEXAS GAMMA Texas State University at San Marcos

No newsletter submitted.



## TEXAS EPSILON Stephen F. Austin University

There seems to be a cheerful aura around Texas Epsilon as we tightened down and produced one of our most successful recruitment endeavors, and actually doubled our size. This year, we took an approach that was different than that of previous years. Our goal was to shred the walls of bureaucracy down to mere fences and just focus on what is most important: fun. This semester, our

chapter went on a camping trip. We brought several people, a few tents, tons of food and guitars for the simple trip. The plan was to just chill, eat, sleep, wake up and then go home. However simple the original plan was, it ended up being one of the most productive and solidifying camps we've ever done. We pulled together as brothers that weekend. We eliminated the cliques within the chapter, shredded the walls that divided and threw away the skin that covered us before. From within, a new group was formed, but remained the same. That moment in time was the defining moment in our chapter's new ideal; don't follow the stream, don't try with all your might to swim against it, but get out and stroll where you please. If ever there was a defining moment in our chapter's history, it was then. The best part: it was unspoken, unwritten, and no one knew it but us... brothers.



This fall has been another busy semester for Virginia Alpha. Our brotherhood was improved upon by the addition of 5 new fall pledges, making our brotherhood 53 strong. This semester, Virginia Alpha was named "All University" intramural flag football champion, winner of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority's flag football philanthropy fundraiser and the 2006 Greek Week team winners. We hope to carry on these brotherhood building accomplishments into the spring semester and our formal recruitment process. Virginia Alpha continues to regain long lost alumni contacts as we hosted our 2nd annual 1950's and 1960's "Old Boys" cocktail party. We hope to further strengthen relationships with our alumni by working closely with the University of Virginia's Alumni Hall to produce regular semester news bulletins and other informative mailings in the coming months. Be on the look out for more exciting news from Virginia Alpha.

*Mike Wakefield*



## **VIRGINIA BETA Washington & Lee University**

The brothers of the Virginia Beta Chapter are having an excellent year! Currently in the middle of our 12-week informal recruitment period, we are confident that we will once again meet our goal of 18 new brothers during formal recruitment. Our success has been largely due to a superior social schedule, including annual theme parties like Caveman complemented by mixers with Kappa Delta, Kappa Alpha Theta and Chi Omega sororities. In addition, the VA Beta brothers have had unprecedented participation in community service this year. Alongside our amazingly successful annual Parents Weekend Pancake Breakfast with Kappa Alpha Theta, our involvement has extended to the Greek Halloween Carnival, the Fall Service Challenge, and the Campus Kitchens Project, among others. We look forward to the rest of the year, as we get to know another group of freshmen and once again attend Cabo Alpha and the Foxfield horse race. Live Ever, Die Never!

*Anthony Nardini*



## **VIRGINIA ZETA Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State Univ.**

Greetings from the VA Zeta Chapter! As the semester winds down, we continue to prosper. In March, we successfully purchased the chapter house from alumnus Robert Wagner. Thank you, Brother Wagner, for your several years of dedication to the fraternity and the house. We are losing many brothers to graduation, but due to a very successful recruitment, we have 13 pledges and hope to welcome more in the spring. The brothers continue their fraternal experience by going to GAC, PLA and the ALA. November 13 marked our 30th anniversary of our founding here at VA Tech. Festivities will be held in the spring. Details to follow. We welcome back all alumni, brothers, National and anyone who made this chapter what it is today. If you like to attend or have





**Virginia Zeta's members pose with Jerry Nelson, Paul Wineman and immediate past National president Jim Blazer.**

any questions, please contact Shawn Dwyer at [dwyersp@vt.edu](mailto:dwyersp@vt.edu). Glad and Proud and GO HOKIES!

Robert Narvaez



**WASHINGTON ALPHA**  
**University of**  
**Washington**

No newsletter submitted.



**WEST VIRGINIA**  
**ALPHA**  
**West Virginia**  
**University**

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Fall of 2006 has been the start of another exciting and successful year here at West Virginia Alpha. We began the year by welcoming our new pledge class of 22 motivated future members. With the highest recruitment on campus, our name is growing stronger and our brothers becoming more involved than ever. Our enthusiasm to be the best on campus has recently won us homecoming for the second year in a row. During homecoming events, such as building our float for the homecoming parade, we brothers proved our dominance on campus while having a fun and memorable time. By actively working with fraternities and sororities all over campus, it is our goal to keep the Greek system strong here at WVU for years to come.

Alumni relations remain strong through cookouts and tailgates. We take every opportunity to socialize with our alumni and keep them up to



date with current activities. We also had the privilege of hearing Brother Jerry Nelson speak at the Greek Symposium, where he educated us on becoming more successful leaders and how to better improve our Greek system on campus. The James Cochran House remains as impressive as always, as more renovations to our chapter house have been made courtesy of our generous alumni and the hard work put forth by the brothers of West Virginia Alpha.

Brothers have been showing as much involvement in the classrooms as they are with the fraternity. Grades are continuing to improve, we are working hard to have one of the top GPA's on campus this year. From ambitious philanthropy events of adopting roads to our active participation in intramural sports, we have accomplished many goals not just with the community, but among ourselves. With everything on the up and up, we brothers of West Virginia Alpha are continually stepping up and doing our best to represent Phi Kappa Psi as scholars, athletes, and true gentlemen.

*Jeffrey Pydeski*



## **WISCONSIN GAMMA Beloit College**

Wisconsin Gamma has enjoyed a productive fall semester. We've continued to provide labor to the local Habitat for Humanity Chapter for their house build, which is nearly complete. Warren Kretzschmar, the vice president of Beloit Habitat, is a member of our chapter. Also, in true Phi Psi fashion, WI Gamma had the most philanthropy hours of any Beloit Greeks in spring 2006. At the Beloit Homecoming Game, we hosted the Buck-an-Ear corn roast with the W.A.A. to benefit the Stateline Boys and Girls Club. Homecoming also gave our younger members an opportunity to share experiences with older alumni and network. The chapter is set to initiate three new members in November, raising our roll to 34 active members. Looking to spring 2007, we see WI Gamma regain its past standing as the leader among Greek chapters both academically and socially, a balance that has been the foundation of our chapter for years.

*Nachiket Karnik* ■



**Wisconsin Gamma's GAC delegates in New Orleans.**

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F. Patrick Finley '64

Jerry L. Cain '69

Ben D. Dennis '69

Danny L. Creekmore '71

Thomas K. Dobbins Jr. '85

**Alabama Beta, Auburn University**

Kevin Dean Hodges '80

**California Beta, Stanford University**

Robert B. Crawford '38

William H. Hurley '48

**California Gamma,****University of California, Berkeley**

Milton L. Stannard Jr. '33

Melvin L. VanHorn '46

Robert P. Johnson '53

**California Delta,****University of Southern California**

Robert G. Haley '36

Robert A. Stockmar '37

Howard H. Magor '42

Lloyd E. Jepson '51

Lemuel L. Houser '52

**California Epsilon,****University of California, Los Angeles**

Walter C. Davison Jr. '38

Hal Bracken '49

**California Eta,****California Polytechnic State University**

Ernie L. Gabiati '67

**Colorado Alpha, University of Colorado**

Bernard G. Riechers '50

**Illinois Alpha, Northwestern University**

Thomas Y. Gehr '38

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William A. Glassford III '33

Ronald Sales '53

David Y. Song '94

**Illinois Delta, University of Illinois**

Richard W. Meeks '54

**Indiana Alpha, DePauw University**

Everett B. Cousins '33

John A. Johnson '34

**Indiana Beta, Indiana University**

James T. Romey '36

Robert W. Harger '41

George H. Babcock '43

Philip G. Bowser '44

Richard H. Crosser '57

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Wilbert W. Gasser Jr. '42

**Iowa Alpha, University of Iowa**

Otis D. Wolfe '31

**Iowa Beta, Iowa State University**

John E. Bragdon '42

William H. Buse '50

**Kansas Alpha, Kansas University**

Guy E. Stanley Jr. '33

Roy L. Frost '45

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Michael Reiff Ross '75

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Clayton E. Brelsford '34

Andrew W. Seed '42

Joseph F. Martin '63

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Vincent V. Lane '32

William L. Pence '49

Arthur M. Rauch '53

G. Thomas Braznell '55

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Reese D. Wilson '47

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Jon J. Brunkhorst '85

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Osborne Mills '38

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Charles H. Stanard '29

Alfred F. Nelson '31

Richard S. Reeves '38

David G. Hunter '69

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Lawrence C. Jones '32

Erling A. Larsen '35

Gordon Lee Churchwell Jr. '77

**New York Eta,  
State University of New York at Buffalo**

Roger P. McNeill '50

Frank Gordon Bullock '54

Raymond E. Penman Jr. '62

**North Carolina Alpha, Duke University**

Francis A. Shoaf '37

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James A. Neuman '41

Sidney E. Sprague '46

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Edmond K. Yantes '35

Jerry T. Bulford '54

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Case Western Reserve University**

Robert J. Neville '35

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**Ohio Eta, University of Toledo**

George A. Haffelder '51

**Oklahoma Alpha, Oklahoma University**

Steven W. Rhoades '61

**Oklahoma Beta, Oklahoma State University**

William Arnold Snider '79

**Oregon Alpha, University of Oregon**

Ted H. McMurren '40

Donald C. Frisbie '43

**Oregon Beta, Oregon State University**

Elton G. Nelson '48

**Pennsylvania Alpha,  
Washington & Jefferson College**

Charles K. Lee '39

**Pennsylvania Beta, Allegheny College**

David K. Clark '48

Edward H. Deichman '49

**Pennsylvania Epsilon, Gettysburg College**

Earl E. Winand '51

**Pennsylvania Eta,  
Franklin & Marshall College**

Richard H. Wissler '37

William M. Hackman '38

Donald R. Walker '56

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Charles A. Hess '35

**Pennsylvania Kappa, Swarthmore College**

Drew M. Young '33

**Pennsylvania Lambda,  
Pennsylvania State University**

James C. Sheehan '45

**Pennsylvania Theta, Lafayette College**

H. Warren Rawlings '48

**Pennsylvania Zeta, Dickinson College**

Robert L. Jacobs '29

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William F. Case '43

David D. Hurlin '48

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University of Rhode Island**

David S. Luther '68

**Tennessee Delta, Vanderbilt University**

Robert M. Garrett '63

David Duncan Bosworth '93

**Texas Alpha, University of Texas**

Samuel J. Vickers Jr. '51  
Arthur M. Rauch '00

**Texas Beta, Texas Tech University**

Edmund L. Long '58  
Herbert R. Miller '67

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Randolph Chitwood '35  
William N. Thomas Jr. '37  
Roger K. Snider '60

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Wade H. Ballard III '47  
Joseph D. Bissell '50

**Washington Alpha, University of Washington**

Lloyd W. Harmon Jr. '45

**West Virginia Alpha, West Virginia University**

Michael Joseph Shaffer '85

**Wisconsin Gamma, Beloit College**

William W. Chadwick '39  
Anthony M. Peccarelli '50

**HAL BRACKEN  
CALIFORNIA EPSILON '49**

Born in Hollywood, Calif., Hal attended Hollywood High where he met Dolores (Dodie) Whitley. He graduated from UCLA and married Dodie on June 30, 1950. Hal accepted a commission in the U.S. Air Force as an Electronics Officer stationed in Dover, Del., and later discharged as a 1st Lt. Hal took a short assignment at Hughes Aircraft, but soon transferred to Ford Motor Company, where he spent the next 17 years in key field and national management positions, then with Shelby American and the GT 350/500 and Cobra racing products. Hal left Ford in 1971 to become VP General Manager with Gulf States Toyota (GST). He left GST in 1973 to become the SF Regional Manager for Toyota U.S.A. He later transferred to Toyota Corporate Headquarters to become National Sales Manager, then retired in 1990 as Group VP – Parts, Service, Customer Relations and U.S. Products. Hal and Dodie continued to travel the world during retirement with friends and family, and were happily married for more than 55 years. They are blessed with three children, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

**DAVID BOSWORTH  
TENNESSEE DELTA '93**

David Duncan Bosworth, 32, of Sandy Springs, Ga., passed away Friday morning, September 8, 2006 at his residence following an extended illness. Mr. Bosworth was born in Minot, N.D., on March 10, 1974, the son of Carol and George. Mr. Bosworth was a law student at Mercer University School of Law, where he was a member of the Law Review. He was a 1992 graduate of The Westminster School in Atlanta and a 1996 graduate of Vanderbilt University. He enjoyed playing golf and tennis and had a passion for music. Survivors include his mother Carol; his father George; his wife Bess; brother Christopher; his paternal grandmother Lillian.

**FRANCIS FINLEY  
ALABAMA ALPHA '64**

Francis Patrick Finley, 62, passed away on Tuesday, September 19, 2006, at his residence. He



graduated from Aniston High School in Alabama. Patrick received his B.S. in Anthropology and his M.B.A from the University of Alabama and his M.S. in Computer Science from the University of Dayton. He worked as a financial analyst and computer programmer at NCR for 18 years, where he met his wife Shirley, and then worked for Northrup Grumman as a government contractor. Patrick was an Assistant Coach for the Oakwood Junior High Track Team and he worked on the "Chain Gang" for 26 years for the Oakwood High School Football Team. He was an Eagle Scout, ran track in high school and was known as the "fastest kid in the county." Patrick was a charter member of Alabama Alpha. He collected and loved to build model trains. Patrick was preceded in death by his parents Francis and Arlys, and brother John. He is survived by his wife of 20 years, Shirley; daughter Sarah; sons Mike and John; grandchildren Chenoa, Braden, Michelle, Kurrlyn, Keirya, and Eliana. Condolences may be sent to the family via the internet on [www.routsong.com](http://www.routsong.com).

### **ROBERT W. HARGER INDIANA BETA '41**

Dr. Robert W. Harger 85, formerly of Indianapolis, Ind., died November 3, 2006 in Lebanon, IN. He was born in New Haven, Conn., on January 25, 1921, to the Rolla and Helen. Dr. Harger was a retired Ophthalmologist with a practice located in the Hume Mansur and Consolidated Buildings Indianapolis. He was a member of the Fairview Presbyterian Church, American Medical Association, American Academy of Ophthalmology, Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology Society of Indiana and the Indiana State Medical Society. He graduated from Indiana University School of Medicine in 1945 and did his residency for ophthalmology at Wayne State University, Detroit, Mich. Some of his many accomplishments include: Fellow, American College of Surgeons; BSA Troop 82 Life member; Eagle Scout, Alumni Award, IU School of Medicine 1965 and the prestigious Silver Beaver award in 1966. Dr. Harger was a volunteer with Boy Scouts of America, co-founded the Fire Crafter Alumni Association and compiled first Eagle Scout Directory. His favorite hobbies included

photography, traveling, journal club, and planning and attending reunions. He is survived by his wife Barbara, whom he married August 9, 1949; children Susan, Elizabeth, Peggy, Rosemary and Kathryn.



### **ROBERT JACOBS PENNSYLVANIA ZETA '29**

Honorable Robert Lee Jacobs, 95, of Camp Hill, Penn., passed away August 11, 2006. He was born December 17, 1910, in Carlisle, Penn., to Ralph and Alma. Judge Jacobs was married to the late Ann, who died in 1994. He was a 1932 graduate of Dickinson College and a 1935 graduate of Dickinson School of Law. He also held honorary degrees from both institutions. At age 25, he was elected to the Pennsylvania State Senate, and at the time was the youngest person ever elected to serve in the Senate. He was a veteran of World War II, having served as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Navy. He was a judge for the Cumberland County Court of Common Pleas from 1956 to 1964 and then served on the Pennsylvania Superior Court from 1964 until his retirement in 1979. He became the Chairman of the Board (1979-1994) and Chief Executive Officer (1979-1989) of Frog Switch & Manufacturing Company in Carlisle. He is survived by his two daughters Elizabeth and Ann; four grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren; and companion Betty.



### **ARTHUR RAUCH TEXAS ALPHA '00 (MISSOURI ALPHA '53)**

**Thoughts on Arthur's Phi Psi service  
by Wilton Stone, Texas Alpha '52, from  
Arthur's memorial service**

You know, all Greek organizations have a secret sign of distress. On the way to this podium, I gave the Phi Psi sign of distress. Some Fraternity members saw and responded, and I did likewise. I am in distress due to Arthur's transfer to Chapter Eternal and the resulting void that he leaves in the counseling received by chapter members from him. Yet, today, I celebrate with you the life of our good friend, the brother to many, a member of the Stone's extended family: Arthur M. Rauch.

At the Phi Psi house, we have a portable antique podium built with oak and square nails. It goes back to the era when the chapter house was at 1710 Colorado from 1920 to 1956. From behind that podium, many messages have come. Some examples: in 1952, chapter president Darrell Williams informed the chapter of Johnny Helms sacrificing his life in the Korean Police Action. Other chapter presidents have given similar messages 18 other times. The stained glass window back to your far right is in memorial of Johnny Helms' life. As president of the Chapter in 1955, I informed the chapter of Brother Bob Baxter's decision to finance the construction of the new house at 2401 Longview, the one that is being replaced right now. In 1993, Brothers Mark Mayer, Darrell Spaulding, M. A. William and others conducted a memorial service for pledge Derrick Eaken, who was accidentally killed in a hunting accident. More recently, in the year 2000, after welcoming Brother Scott Noble's return as an active alum, I introduced him to the chapter from behind that podium. Since then, not telling how many times Brother Noble has addressed the chapter with guidance and good news from there. As did Arthur!

Most message from that podium are informative, many joyful, some sad. In all cases, the intent was in the chapter's best interest. If you think about it, no matter what your relationship is with Arthur; family member, coworker, student, friend or Fraternity brother, no matter what message that came from Arthur, his intent was always in your best interest – not his!

There are more similarities. Recently, Arthur celebrated his 73rd birthday, as best as I can tell, about the age of that podium. Arthur was raised by his parents using the best resources available. That podium, likewise, was made from the best available when built: oak and square nails. Speaking of square nails, by the hip-hop standards of today, Arthur is a square, a geek perhaps. Because of Arthur being built, if you please, of "oak and square nails," he has been able to exert discipline to himself and control in his life, the only two things that human beings can control: their attitude and their morals. (Something the hip-hop culture has not been able to do for its practitioners.)

Arthur, though slight in frame, was sturdy in mind and body, a little square maybe, but a good

councilor, mentor and an excellent role model for the times in which we live.

When I put out the notice to alums and chapter members that Arthur was being released from the hospital and being moved to a long term care facility, I made this statement:

In closing for now, please forgive me for taking the liberty of making the following observation: in my 54 years in the bond, I have had the privilege of meeting many nationally-known Phi Psi leaders. Of the 2,211 initiated Texas Alphans since October 27, 1904, my wife Billye and I have had the privilege of knowing and entertaining over half of the membership and their significant others. That's from the original class in 1904 to the last in 2006. Arthur stands tall among all these of the bond. Some may have brought more fame and fortune to our Fraternity and "sweat support" to the high ideals of Letterman, Moore and Campbell, our founders, but none a higher percent of their talents, time and assets than Arthur.

The next day, Brother Brent Monteleone, a dear friend of Arthur's, mine and also our Texas Alpha historian, called me and said, "Your message about Arthur standing tall among all Phi Psis was a superb complement for Arthur." Then he asked, as historians and lawyers always do, "What is your justification?"

My reply was something like this: Over my 54 years as a Phi Psi, I have met many Phi Psi brothers like Arthur Alien, Sr., Howard Barr, Hulon Black, William Camp, Jamie Clements, Morris Creel, Keys Curry, Doug Danforth, Ken Francis, Henry Fulcher, Henry Harris, Charles Harrington, Jr., Tom James, Trey Lehman, Kelly McAdams, Chase McEvoy, John Meadows, Brent Monteleone, Jeff Nealy, Sr., Robert Oglesby, Gibson Randale, George Ramsey, Sr., James Roach, Gary Rodgers, Daniel Ruggles, Floyd Saxon, Darrell Spaulding, Henry Wells and others, who, for a limited period, have given much of their time, skills and knowledge for the betterment of the Fraternity. I have also met brothers like the Baxter brothers, Pete Baldwin, Robert Johnson, Lawrence Jones, Scranton Jones, Kent McIlyar, Nelson Puett, William Ruggles, Bill Schmidt, Sr. and Jr., Beaumont Stinnett, Rhett Stone, Angus Wynne, Sr. and Jr., who in times

of the chapter's financial needs were generous to the brotherhood. I also shared with Brent that four other brothers come to mind for their continuous service over time to the brotherhood rendering their time, skills, knowledge and financial support. These being: James Franklin, Scott Noble, Tom Rodman and Bill Stokes.

Then, I pointed out to Brent that, since 1979, Arthur Rauch has made service to Phi Kappa Psi members the focus of his life, literally 24-7, something no other brother has done. I then pointed out that Arthur has not only given a nice donation to the brotherhood, he has given, in essence, all his worldly possessions and assets to the University of Texas to fund an endowment, constructed to fund scholarships for Phi Psis with a proven record of high scholastic achievement in the class room, community service and service to Phi Kappa Psi.

Arthur relished in the knowledge that his Fraternity, Phi Kappa Psi, dramatically altered his life. It provided him a sense of belonging and support, and introduced him into the world of volunteerism and public service. Arthur's service was not limited to Texas Alphans. He served on campus wherever asked. In addition, for the last six years of his life, Arthur took great pride and pleasure in dedicating three weeks each spring to being on the staff of the American Leadership Academy in Cabo San Lucas, an academy dedicated to developing future American and world leaders.

I closed by telling Brent that I do know of two Brothers who have given more financial support to the Brotherhood but I do not know of any brother throughout Phi Kappa Psi who, like Arthur, has given his life and fortune to the betterment of his fellow man.

Brent's response: "Well... that is standing tall!"

This is my Brother, my dear friend and my extended family member, Arthur M. Rauch.

Take this meek man, a true servant of God, into to your heart and live as he would council. God bless Arthur and his legacy!



### **SIDNEY SPRAGUE OHIO BETA '46**

Sidney E. "Sid" Sprague, 82, of Elyria, Ohio, died Friday, Oct. 20, 2006, in Lorain, Ohio.

Born in Cleveland, he was a lifelong resident of Elyria. He was a corporal in the Marine Corps during World War II, serving in the Asiatic Pacific Theater. He graduated from Wittenberg College in 1949 with a Bachelor of Science degree in education. Mr. Sprague was a teacher and coach in the public schools in Battle Creek, Mich., from 1941 to 1951. He retired from Moen Inc., formerly Western Automatic, in 1989 after 38 years as district sales supervisor. He was a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Elyria, where he served on the church council, sang in the choir, taught Sunday school, ushered and served on various committees. He enjoyed traveling, jazz music, sports and spending time with his family. He and his wife were members of the Elyria Cotillion Club and he was the past president of the Elyria High School Band Boosters and played in the Elyria High School Alumni Band. He coached Elyria Little League East Baseball and was formerly a member of many Elyria-area associations and clubs. Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Shirley; sons David, Gary, Ohio Delta '75, and James; seven grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

### **SAMUEL VICKERS TEXAS ALPHA '51**

Samuel Joseph "Joe" Vickers, of Ft. Worth, Texas, passed away peacefully in Richardson on September 20, 2006. Joe was born on January 7, 1928, in Mexia, Texas, and was the son of Samuel and Lucille. He attended The University of Texas from 1950 to 1956 and fondly remembered the Texas Alpha Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi and his brothers. Joe married the center of his world, Margaret Hollins, 50 years ago on December 27 and together they had three daughters, Kathy, who was a Little Sister to the Texas Beta Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi, Linda and Karen, whose daughter Maddison was Joe's grandchild and the light of his life. Maddison is a fan of the University of Texas and hopes to attend in 2013. A hard worker all his life, Joe spent most of his adult life in the Oil and Gas Industry. While attending school, he worked summers for Texaco and upon graduation he began leasing oil and gas properties for George Mitchell before becoming an Independent Landman. His ability of never meeting a stranger made him a successful and sought after Independent Landman. ■



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