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# The State of the Fraternity: 2006-2007



By Shawn M. Collinsworth, Indiana Eta '91

### The Executive Council Focuses on the Ongoing Attempt to End Hazing

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Hazing is a very real problem in today's fraternities. It is a cancer and can rip through a chapter's core and tarnish the Fraternity's history in a short period of time. As you will read in this issue of The Shield, Phi Psi chapters at Dickinson and Arizona State were recently closed by the Executive Council due to hazing. These two chapters have been historically successful chapters on their campuses dating back to their founding years in 1859 and 1962 respectively. Unfortunately, due to these hazing practices, their alumni now have a closed chapter, and future students will temporarily miss out on experiencing the benefits of Phi Kappa Psi.

People have asked me what actually constitutes hazing. Phi Kappa Psi defines hazing as, "any action taken or situation created, intentionally, whether on or off fraternity premises, to produce mental or

physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment, or ridicule." Paddling, line-ups, forced or encouraged drinking, personal servitude, excessive fatigue, theft, or any other behavior that would violate the Fraternity's and/or campus' hazing policies, or state or federal hazing laws would be constituted as hazing.

I always find it ironic that some fraternity men say, "The new members need to prove they want to be in a Fraternity!" In actuality, it's the active members who should be the ones proving to the new members every day the benefits of the organization. Furthermore, the idea that hazing makes a closer pledge class or chapter is also a falsehood. In reality, hazing has proved to create a divide and harbor ill feelings towards the chapter and individual members. Besides, making the claim that chapters that haze are closer with their chapter brothers then those chapters who do not haze is preposterous.

The Fraternity has recently taken steps to reach out to our chapters to help the ongoing attempt to end hazing. First, Phi Kappa Psi partnered with 25 other fraternities and sororities to create a Greek Anti-Hazing Hotline. The toll-free number is I-888-NOT-HAZE (1-888-668-4293). The line is available to those who think they, or students they know, have been or may become victims of hazing. Callers may remain anonymous or they can provide personal information so that their concerns can be responded to directly. Hotline connects to a dedicated Voice Mailbox at the Cincinnati law firm of Manley Burke. Manley Burke will monitor the Hotline on a daily basis and forward any messages to our Headquarters staff to conduct an investigation. In states in which the law requires notification of other authorities, this will be done as well.

The Fraternity has also created a Hazing Amnesty program that will give chapters an opportunity to call Headquarters and talk openly about hazing in their chapter. The expectation is that they work extensively with the Headquarters staff to change their new member program to eradicate hazing in their chapter. This program is in addition to having the Fraternity's Educational

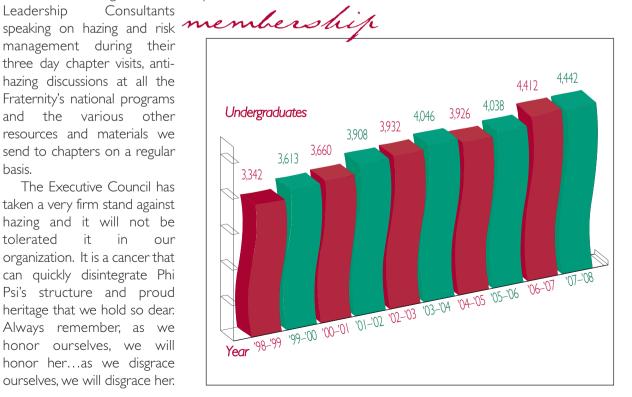
Consultants Leadership management during their three day chapter visits, antihazing discussions at all the Fraternity's national programs the various other resources and materials we send to chapters on a regular

The Executive Council has taken a very firm stand against hazing and it will not be tolerated it in organization. It is a cancer that can quickly disintegrate Phi Psi's structure and proud heritage that we hold so dear. Always remember, as we honor ourselves, we will honor her...as we disgrace ourselves, we will disgrace her.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Phi Kappa Psi's undergraduate membership for the lune 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007 report year was 4.412, which was up 372 members from the last report year. This number is a record for undergraduate membership in the Fraternity's recent past history. As you will see in the membership chart, Phi Psi has enjoyed a large spike in membership the last ten 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, 2007 to May 31, 2008 report year, our undergraduate numbers have grown to a new record high again, with chapters reporting 4,442 undergraduates. This census number is always taken in September of each school year, for insurance and record maintenance purposes at Headquarters. This number is obviously the "low watermark" in membership during the school year and will grow throughout the year as chapters continue to recruit.



#### **AVERAGE CHAPTER SIZE**

An "average" Phi Kappa Psi chapter had 44 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 2006-2007. 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.

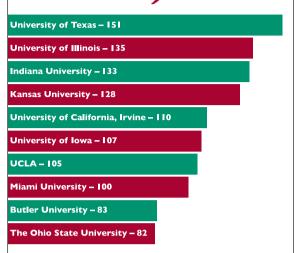
From February 19, 1852, through May 31, 2007, the names of 111,155 men have been recorded on the Grand Membership Rolls.

#### **CHAPTER SERVICES**

The Educational Leadership Consultant (ELC) Program remains the most visible component in chapter services, with their attempt to help chapters improve chapter operations. Phi Psi had four road warriors during the report year traveling the red and green highway for 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 management evaluations, officer training, risk management presentations, recruitment workshops and general troubleshooting. 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.

top 10 chapter membership numbers



\*\* Numbers are from the fall 2007 semi-annual report

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 a strong focus in our alumni development efforts. The Fraternity currently boasts a total of 42 active alumni associations across the country. This February 19th will mark the 156th anniversary of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, with this year's Founders Day theme being: "Brotherhood for All Ages." Please see page 15 in this issue of *The Shield* to find the closest Founders Day celebration, and plan on attending.

The Fraternity is also working on developing volunteer training programs for chapter advisors,

house corporation board members, and alumni association officers. The first program will be a New Volunteer Training Orientation (NVO) held on January 25-27, 2008, in conjunction with the President's Leadership Academy at Laurel Hall in Indianapolis, Indiana. This program will be centered on giving Fraternity volunteers the training and resources to be effective in their current positions. Attendees will be able to learn about fraternal programs, policies, paperwork, as well as helpful hints on how to do their job effectively.

#### **EXPANSION**

Expansion continues to be one of the top priorities for the Fraternity. There are currently 7 colonies across the nation working to become chartered chapters of Phi Kappa Psi. The Fraternity has colonies at: Bowling Green State University, Houston Baptist University, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, Ohio University, Occidental College, University of California, Riverside and Temple University.

The Fraternity has also chartered a total of three chapters during the report year. Those groups include: Northern Illinois University (April 21st), University of Maryland (September 29th) and Iowa State University (October 27th). Currently, chartering dates have been set for Houston Baptist University and Ohio University on lanuary 19th and February 9th respectively.

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."

The Fraternity has also lost three chapters during the report year. As stated earlier, chapters at Arizona State University and Dickinson College were closed by the Executive Council due to hazing violations, and the chapter at Eastern New Mexico State University due to low membership numbers. In addition, the University of Southern California chapter was suspended for a year due to university sanctions, but will be returning to campus during the 2008 fall semester.

#### LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Due to the generosity of the Fraternity's Foundation, the Fraternity was able to host several leadership programs that helped 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), Recruitment Bootcamp, and the Leadership Experience.

The PLA is in its 13th 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 chapter president so he will be able to attend. The 2008 PLA was held January 25-27 at Laurel Hall in Indianapolis.

The Recruitment Bootcamp program was a new addition to the Fraternity's programming arsenal this past report year. Undergraduate brothers from around the country traveled this past June to the Kansas Alpha chapter house to take part in an intensive weekend of recruitment instruction and training. It allowed members to learn about how to sell the organization, and recruit the best students on their respective campuses. The program received great reviews, and the Fraternity is looking for ways to make it a yearly program for chapters.



Working together to solve problems is a theme of PLA's small groups

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 was held on the Vanderbilt University campus on July 18-22, 2007. Nearly 300 undergraduates and alumni participated in the four day program and it received some of the best reviews of any leadership program the Fraternity sponsors.

#### CHAPTER EXCELLENCE PROGRAM

The Chapter Excellence Program just completed its seventh 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

top 10 fall 2006 cumulative chapter GRAs



make it more manageable for the chapters. Now the accreditation application is due in April before each WWLS (odd years). The accreditation application will also be used as the awards packet for the WWLS. You can view the full application on 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.

#### Accredited with Distinction

Alabama Valparaiso
Stanford Butler
UCLA Iowa
University of Illinois, Ohio State
Chicago Toledo
Northern Illinois Dayton
DePauw Ashland

#### Accredited with Honors

Arizona Minnesota

Wabash Case Western Reserve

Kansas Bucknell

Loyola Sciences in Philadelphia

Johns Hopkins West Virginia

Brandeis Beloit

Michigan

#### Accredited

Auburn RIT
Cal Poly Oneonta
Georgia East Carolina
Georgia Tech Allegheny

Illinois Franklin & Marshall

Illinois State Penn
DePaul York
Minnesota State Lycoming
Duluth Brown
Missouri Texas Tech
Creighton Washington

### INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Since 1997, Phi Kappa Psi has been a member of FRMT, Ltd., a United States-based mutual reinsurance company.

The cost for liability insurance during the report year was \$176 per man. For the 2006-2007 academic year, the rate is going to increase to approximately \$181 per man in the 2007-2008 report year. 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 then 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 then 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.

Phi Kappa Psi paid over \$800,000 in insurance premiums for both property and liability coverage during the report year. 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 Stephen R. O'Rourke, Missouri Albha '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. 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 lota '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.

During this past summer's District Council meetings, held in conjunction the Woodrow Wilson Leadership School in Nashville, Tennessee, six new Archons were elected to serve a two-year term. The new Archons include: District I — Sean Michael Devlin, Pennsylvania Upsilon '06, District II — David C. Voll, Ohio Delta '04, District III — Charles Albert, Illinois lota '07, District IV — John J. Shumaker, Kentucky Beta '04, District V — Barrett J. Anderson, lowa Alpha '05, District VI — Scott A. Wood, Arizona Alpha '04.

#### FRATERNITY STAFF

Shawn M. Collinsworth, *Indiana Eta '91*, just completed his sixth 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 Robert S. Nagel, *New York Eta '99*; Director of Publications RJ Proie, *Pennsylvania Beta '00*; Director of Alumni Services William L. Haskett, *Indiana Zeta '00*; Director of Expansion Ronald K Ransom, *Indiana Zeta '00*.

The support staff included: April M. Johnson, Database Administrator; Jacklyn H. Cole, Bookkeeper; Christina A. Silas, Administrative Assistant.

Educational Leadership Consultants include: Eric M. Jezewski, *Ohio Theta '01*; Erik B. Rechenbach, *Tennessee Epsilon '02*; and Zhi C. Yee, *Indiana Epsilon '04*.

Staff changes occurring during the report year saw the departure of Bookkeeper Jacklyn H. Cole and Consultants Mark J. Lipka, *Pennsylvania Phi '04*, Aaron R. Chandler, *Michigan Beta '02*;

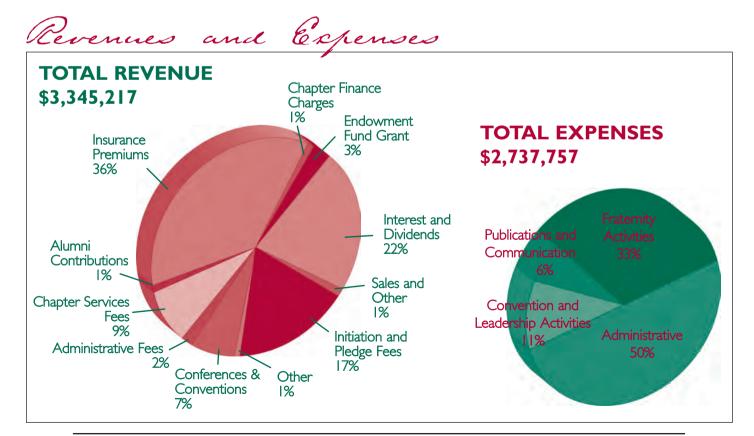
#### **FINANCES**

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 \$6,059,356, compared to \$5,451,896 a year ago, an increase of \$607,460. Total liabilities and net assets were \$6,340,699 for the report year.

The graphs show the Fraternity's breakdown of income and expenses in the General Fund from June 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007.

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





#### **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

lowa Alpha Missouri Alpha Nebraska Alpha Ohio Beta Washington Alpha

#### 1,400 - 1,599 INITIATES

California Beta
California Epsilon
Michigan Alpha
Minnesota Beta
Mississippi Alpha
Oregon Alpha
Pennsylvania Alpha
Pennsylvania Epsilon
Pennsylvania Theta
Pennsylvania Iota
Pennsylvania Lambda

Rhode Island Alpha Tennessee Delta Virginia Alpha Virginia Beta Wisconsin Gamma

#### 1,200 - 1,399 INITIATES

Indiana Gamma Indiana Epsilon Iowa Beta Maryland Alpha Ohio Epsilon Oklahoma Alpha Pennsylvania Eta

#### 1,000 - 1,199 INITIATES

Colorado Alpha 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

# The Hardest Decision

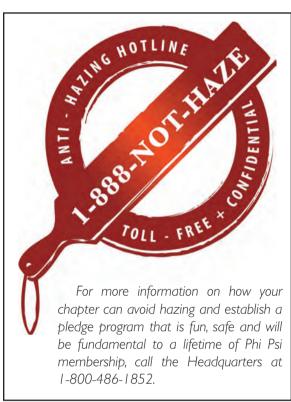
### Two Chapters Closed In 2007 For Hazing Violations

One of the most difficult events for the Fraternity to bear is the closing of a chapter. In over 150 years, Phi Psi has lost chapters to host institution opposition to Greek life, lack of alumni support, depletion of the student body due to war or illness, and falling recruitment numbers. However, it is perhaps most painful to watch undergraduate members make the conscious decision to jeopardize the future of their charter by ignoring our policies and undermining the most sacred meanings of the word "brother" by hazing their pledges.

In 2007, the Executive Council and Headquarters staff were compelled to close two chapters, Pennsylvania Zeta (Dickinson) and Arizona Beta (Arizona State), in accordance with National and host institution policies. The Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity is firmly against hazing, a practice that is in direct opposition to the fundamental values of our organization. We attempt to bring like-minded men together to improve their lives and thereby improve society; hazing degrades individuals, destroys camaraderie and is a black eye on our and all Greek organizations.

Hazing is against the law in most states, and rightly so. The pledge period is perhaps a member's most vulnerable time, when he desires membership and brotherhood but has not yet been initiated. To turn his vulnerability against him is a perversion of the positive relationship that can be built during this formative period. Instead of utilizing the pledgeship as a time to teach tradition, responsibility, balance between scholastic, social and spiritual life, and the many functions of a good chapter, a hazing chapter wastes time abusing and intimidating young men whom they will soon call "brother."

We hope to never be forced to close another chapter because of hazing, but the National Fraternity recognizes that only our proactive measures can prevent that from happening. We have a number of resources set up to help



chapters comply with our rules and use the pledge period as a constructive and instructional time, and to change their ways if they are hazing.

Our first line is our Educational Leadership Consultants (ELCs). ELCs travel to every single chapter each year, and many more than once. While on campus, they meet with chapter officers, alumni volunteers and campus Greek Life officials. Each chapter is given a tailor-made report specifying areas for improvement, modeled around our Chapter Excellence Program, or Accreditation. ELCs often meet with pledge classes, educating them about what a productive pledge process looks like and offering to help if anything seems awry. ELCs also meet with the entire chapter and discuss our risk management policies, so there can be no misunderstanding of what hazing means to Phi Kappa Psi.

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# Mark Biscone: Phi Psi Aiming High

# Brother to climb Mt. Kilimanjaro to raise funds, awareness of cancer research

Mark J. Biscone, New York Theta '96, is looking forward to the adventure of a lifetime, but he also wants that personal adventure to have a much wider impact. "This is the biggest thing to come along where I can combine my love of hiking and adventure with a good cause," Biscone says. "This opportunity allows me incredible challenges matched with immeasurable rewards."

Biscone, who has spent most of his life researching medicines and treatments in a laboratory setting, will be hiking Mt. Kilimanjaro, in Tanzania, Africa, from Feb. 23 to March 8, 2008. He will be a member of one of four teams that plan to meet from four directions on the highest point in Africa at sunrise. According to the website www.journeysforinspiration.com, those individuals will be there "to celebrate the struggles, the courage of spirit and the sharing of community...to spread hope to the world...to demonstrate what is possible in a world community...to strive to develop support for each other, spread awareness, fund the cancer fight and celebrate the beauty and goodness in life."

Biscone is going with a team, mostly based in Rochester, N.Y. although he now lives in Philadelphia. The members of the group are people who themselves have been or have had someone close to them affected by cancer. The goal is to raise at least \$100,000 for the American Cancer. Society to use for research on cures for cancer.

Biscone, now 31, received a B.S. degree in biochemistry from Rochester Institute of Technology, then went on to the University of Pennsylvania where he earned his Ph.D. in microbiology. Biscone worked on virus research in Philadelphia and is now teaching part-time at the

University of Pennsylvania along with doing some construction work and bartending to help earn funds for his planned hike.

Several years ago, Biscone introduced his former boss and good friend Jim to hiking, inviting him on several trips in the northeast including Mt. Katadhin and Mt. Washington. Jim is now nearly 60 years old, and has embraced the passion of hiking while at the same time surviving prostate cancer. When Jim called and asked if Biscone would like to join the team hiking on Mt. Kilimanjaro, Biscone says he only had to think for a minute before replying, "Sure."

Now Biscone is trying to raise the funds to pay for the expenses of the trip itself, \$2,500 plus airfare and the necessary equipment, and toward the fundraising goal for cancer research.

He's also making sure he is in shape, mentally and physically, for the hike up the 19,340 foot mountain. Biscone says his most difficult climb to date has been an ice climb up a 5,000 foot mountain near Seattle, but he has done a lot of hiking and, while the climb will be a challenge, he is in good physical shape.

As for Biscone, he says his life has been affected by cancer. His grandmother died from the disease and his grandfather continues to fight prostate cancer. He has an aunt who died from pancreatic cancer, just three weeks after being diagnosed; one of his sisters had a bout with skin cancer; and a close friend is currently fighting the disease.

Biscone is asking many people, including his Phi Psi brothers, to "please help me to take the Great Joy of Serving Others to the next level. Make a

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# Brotherhood for All Ages

### By: Larry Zaiser, Michigan Beta '62 Director of Alumni Associations

Founders Day 2008 celebrates the 156 year Phi Kappa Psi heritage, proudly displayed by over 60,000 living initiates and by the positive imprints made by those others who are now in Chapter Eternal. The enduring links from generation to generation is the lifeline of our beloved fraternity and strengthens her continuously growing history. This brother to brother sharing is the mortar which joins the pieces of the past into an inclusive story for the eager ears of the present. This dynamic occurs only if our brotherhood keeps communication within itself.

The theme of this year's Founders Day urges brothers of all ages to join together, to share experiences and to share the special relationships of brotherhood. It is important to the success of the initiatives of the Director of Alumni Associations, approved by the Executive Council, which call for a re-melding of alumnus brothers of all decades to each other and to the undergraduates, who are the newest to bear our glorious shield. Founders Day cannot be the sole effort toward these ends, but it is a good place to start.

Be sure that not only the alumni from the home chapter of the alumni association participate, but

that the alumni from other chapters living in the area of the alumni association are made welcome. Brothers from across the country and generations are invited to join in our celebrations!

Each alumni association should contact the leadership of each chapter and colony within driving distance. Call your brothers and make them welcome. Better yet, call and then visit a chapter meeting to make your personal invitation to Founders Day and other events. I have seen the results of such outreach in causing mentors to rise from the fertile fields sown by mentors of ages past. There is nothing more vital, and frankly nothing more rewarding, than discovering that those 18-22 year old brothers value your stories. experiences and advice. After all, alumni have lived that which is in the future for our undergrads; we have experienced college years, military service, job seeking, career choices, marriage and fatherhood.

All of these adventures lay ahead for the young brothers. I suspect that every alumnus has at one time or another said, "If I only had someone to ask..." I propose that each of us be that mentor, that Brother for All Ages.

These brothers from all ages met for an initiation ceremony at Ohio Eta (Toledo). L-R Walter Carstensen, Ohio Eta '69, Larry Zaiser, Michigan Beta '62, Timothy Kiss, Ohio Eta '01, Andrew Sinner, Ohio Eta '05, Painting of Edward Schmakel, Ohio Eta '37



#### Founders Day Event Schedule

Brothers from all over the country will celebrate Founders Day 2008 with the theme of Brotherhood For All Ages. The Fraternity was founded by William Henry Letterman and Charles Page Thomas Moore in Canonsburg, Pa., on February 19, 1852. You are invited to join a celebration near you! A complete and updated listing is available at www.phikappapsi.com. You can submit events we aren't yet aware of to Will Haskett, Director of Alumni Services, at WLH@PhiKappaPsi.com or by calling 1-800-486-1852. Help us wish Phi Kappa Psi a happy 156th anniversary!

2/1/2008 - Friday

#### ST. LOUIS AA

Start Time: 6:30 p.m.

Event Location: McMurphy's Grill

614 North 11th Street; St. Louis, MO 63101

Special Guest Speaker: Paul Wineman, Vice President - Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information: Day before the St. Louis Mardi Gras parade; All profits from the restaurant help the St. Louis homeless population

RSVP to Bill Reinecke: billreinecke@yahoo.com; 314-609-1489

2/9/2008, Saturday

#### **CHICAGO AA**

Start Time: 6:30 - 10:00 p.m.

Event Location: Goose Island Brewery

1800 N. Clybourn; Chicago, IL

Special Guest Speaker: Todd Schoell, Sales Representative - Allied Sales and Marketing

Special Information: Business Casual attire for the evening

RSVP to president@phipsichicago.org

2/9/2008, Saturday

#### **MID-MISSOURI AA / MO ALPHA**

Event Location: Wine Cellar and Bistro 505 Cherry St.; Columbia, MO

Special Guest Speaker: Steve O'Rourke, President

- Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information:

RSVP to Ed Brandon: a3diners@aol.com

2/9/2008, Saturday

#### SAN DIEGO AA / CA LAMBDA

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Event Location: Tom Ham's Lighthouse 2150 Harbor Island Dr.; San Diego, CA 92101

RSVP to Ben Moraga: benmoraga@gmail.com

2/9/2008, Saturday

#### WASHINGTON DC AA / DC ALPHA

Start Time: 5:00 p.m.

Event Location: McFadden's Restaurant

240 I Pennsylvania Avenue; Washington DC, 20037

Special Information: Cost is \$75; Dinner starts at 6:00

RSVP to Doug Miller: dcphipsi@yahoo.com; 301-704-2104

2/15/2008, Friday

#### PHILADELPHIA AA

Start Time: 5:00 p.m.

Event Location: Happy Hour at Keating's River Grill

(Hyatt); Dinner at Plough & the Stars

201 S. Columbus Blvd (Hyatt) / 123 Chestnut St (Restaurant); Philadelphia, PA

Special Guest Speaker: Shawn Collinsworth, Executive Director - Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information: Happy hour from 5:00 - 7:00; Dinner starts at 7:00; Saturday includes a "Meet and Greet" with Shawn Collinsworth at Behrakis Hall on the Drexel University Campus from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

RSVP to Russell Pocaro: Russell.Pocaro@T-Mobile.com

2/15/2008, Friday

#### **TWIN CITIES AA**

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Event Location: McNamara Alumni Center -

University of Minnesota

200 Oak St SE; Minneapolis, MN 55455

Special Guest Speaker: Paul Wineman, Vice

President - Phi Kappa Psi

RSVP to Josh Mohr: mohrjosh@gmail.com

2/16/2008, Saturday

#### **INDIANAPOLIS AA**

Start Time: 11:30 a.m.

Event Location: Columbia Club - Crystal Court 121 Monument Circle; Indianapolis, IN 46204 Special Guest Speaker: Paul Wineman, Vice

President - Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information: Reception prior to lunch. For more details visit www.pkpindyaa.org.

RSVP to Douglas Palmquist: douglaspalmquist@aim.com

2/16/2008, Saturday

#### **OREGON AA**

Start Time: 5:00 p.m.

Event Location: Kells Restaurant

112 SW 2nd Ave,; Portland, OR 97204

Special Guest Speaker: Uchenna Agu *OR Alpha '85* - Winner of Amazing Race 7, along with his wife, Joyce

Special Information: House Corporation Meetings for OR Alpha and OR Beta from 4:00 - 5:00; Live auction again this year - raised \$3600 for both chapters last year!

RSVP to www.oregonphipsialumni.com - Click on Founders Day Link

2/16/2008, Saturday

#### **HUNTSVILLE AA**

Start Time: 6:30 p.m.

Event Location: Heritage Club

111 Washington St NE; Huntsville, AL 35801

Special Guest Speaker: Steve O'Rourke, President:

Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information: Dinner starts at 7:00 and includes AA meeting and discussion of potential colony expansion to U. of Alabama-Huntsville

RSVP to Glen Buttrey: imglenb@comcast.net

2/16/2008, Saturday

#### **CENTRAL IOWA AA**

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Event Location: Hotel Fort Des Moines 1000 Walnut St.; Des Moines, IA 50309

Special Guest Speaker: Barrett Anderson, Archon -

District V

RSVP to Mark Easler: easlerm@nationwide.com

2/16/2008, Saturday

#### SOUTH FLORIDA GULF COAST AA

Start Time: 11:30 a.m.

Event Location: Snook River Grill

2505 Manatee Ave. East; Bradenton, FL 34208 Special Guest Speaker: Will Haskett, Director of

Alumni Services - Phi Kappa Psi Special Information: Luncheon

RSVP to Bob Greene NY Eta '59 (rg27masten@aol.com)

2/16/2008, Saturday

#### **WESTERN CHICAGO AA**

Start Time: Noon - 2:00

Event Location: The Westin - Lombard

70 Yorktown Center; Lombard, IL 60148

Special Guest Speaker: TBD

Special Information: Cost is \$30 for lunch -

Spouses and Guests are welcome

RSVP to Paul Oblon: consults@ais.net; 630-886-6102

2/16/2008, Saturday

#### SILICON VALLEY AA / CA BETA

Start Time: 6:30 p.m.

Event Location: CA Beta Chapter House

592 Mayfield Ave.; Stanford, CA 94305

Special Guest Speaker: Gordon Letterman, Great-

Grandson of William Henry Letterman Special Information: Cocktails with dinner to

follow

RSVP to Eric Watkins:

ewatkins@stanfordalumni.org; 650-814-4364

2/16/2008, Saturday

#### LANCASTER COUNTY AA / PA ETA

Start Time: 4:00

Event Location: TBD

Campus of Franklin and Marshall College

Special Information: Two-hour reception followed by dinner; Beginning of a series of events leading to the chapter's sesquicentennial in 2010

RSVP to Ricardo Rivers: rgrivers@aol.com; 646-824-6981

2/16/2008, Saturday

#### **TEXAS SOUTH PLAINS / TEXAS BETA**

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Event Location: Lubbock Country Club

3416 Mesa Rd.; Lubbock, TX

Special Guest Speaker: Major General Scott Black CA Eta '74, Major General - US Army

Special Information: \$40 for alumni; \$25 for undergraduates; coat and tie recommended RSVP to Don Weldon: dweldon@ectisp.net; 972-

846-9929

2/16/2008, Saturday

#### **OKLAHOMA ALPHA**

Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

Event Location: Oklahoma Alpha Chapter House

720 Elm Ave.; Norman, OK 73069

Special Guest Speaker: Mike McCoy, Historian -

Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information: Cost is \$10 per person RSVP to okalpah-foundersday@hotmail.com

2/16/2008 - 2/20/2008, Saturday - Wednesday

#### **ARKANSAS ALPHA**

Event Location: Cabo Alpha Cabo San Lucas, Mexico

Special Information: Donation required to attend

RSVP to Mac Pafford: tmacp@aol.com;

713-882-3508

2/16/2008, Saturday

#### **IOWA ALPHA**

Start Time: 1:00 p.m.

Event Location: Nile Kinnick Press Box (subject to

change)

RSVP to Alan Cosby: alan-cosby@uiowa.edu

2/17/2008, Sunday

#### **GARDEN STATE AA**

Start Time: 11:00 a.m.

Event Location: The Farnsworth House 135 Farnsworth Ave.; Bordentown, NJ 08505 Special Guest Speaker: Shawn Collinsworth,

Executive Director - Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information: Also includes annual meeting

RSVP to Dave Dziengowski: dziengowski@yahoo.com

2/17/2008, Sunday

#### **OHIO MU**

Start Time: TBD Event Location: TBD Dayton, OH

Special Guest Speaker:TBD Special Information:TBD RSVP to Glenn Ferguson: fergusga@notes.udayton.edu

2/19/2008, Tuesday

#### **HOUSTON AA**

Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

Event Location: Macaroni Grill

5802 Westheimer; Houston, TX 77057

Special Guest Speaker: Paul Wineman, Vice

President - Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information: Suit and Tie dress code;

wives/dates/guests are welcomed

RSVP to John Packard: john.packard@hilton.com;

832-453-6636

2/19/2008, Tuesday

#### **NEW MEXICO AA**

Start Time: 5:30 p.m.

Event Location: MCM Elegante Hotel

2020 Menaul Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM on the

corner of Menaul and University

Special Information: Cocktails with dinner to

follow at 6:00 p.m.

RSVP to Lewis Bejcek: lbejcek@comcast.net 505-

550-4033 by Feb. 14

2/20/2008, Wednesday

#### **PITTSBURGH AA**

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Event Location: Duquesne Club 325 Sixth Ave.; Pittsburgh PA

Special Guest Speaker: Paul Wineman, Vice

President - Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information: Dinner at 7:00; Pittsburgh AA Hall of Fame Induction; Billiards after dinner RSVP to Jim Denny: jcpdenny@comcast.net OR

Ron DeMay: rdemay@ryconic.com

#### 2/21/2008, Thursday

#### **CHARLOTTE AA**

Start Time: 6:30 p.m.

Event Location: Cans Bar & Canteen

500 W 5th St; Charlotte, NC 28202

Special Guest Speaker: Will Haskett, Director of

Alumni Services – Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information: For more information, visit

www.charlottephikappapsi.com

RSVP to president@charlottephikappapsi.com

#### 2/22/2008, Friday

#### **TOLEDO AA**

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Event Location: Central Park West Banquet Facility

3141 Central Park West Drive; Toledo, OH Special Guest Speaker: Jim Miller; Secretary -Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information: Cost is \$35; Event also includes an alumni induction ceremony for recent graduates

RSVP to Larry Zaiser:

Izaiser@muzakoftoledo.com; 419-473-8811

#### 2/22/2008, Friday

#### WHEAT STATE AA / KS ALPHA

Start Time: 6:30 p.m.

Event Location: KS Alpha Chapter House 1602 West 15th Street; Lawrence, KS RSVP to www.wheatstatealumni.com

#### 2/23/2008, Saturday

#### **NEW YORK CITY AA**

Start Time: 1:00 p.m.

Event Location: Fraunces Tavern 54 Pearl Street; New York, NY

Special Guest Speaker: Will Haskett, Director of

Alumni Services - Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information: Cocktails and a 3-course

RSVP to Nick Hsu: nickhsu@gmail.com; 650.862.673 I

#### 2/23/2008, Saturday

#### **SACRAMENTO AA**

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Event Location: Club Pheasant Restaurant

2525 Jefferson Blvd.; Sacramento, CA

Special Guest Speaker: Wade Garard, Executive Director - Phi Psi Foundation

Special Information: Cost is \$40 for alumni, \$70 for couples and \$30 per undergraduate; Dinner served at 7:00. Phi Psi Ladies are welcome!

RSVP to Travis Nagler: travisnagler@hotmail.com

#### 2/23/2008, Saturday

#### **WISCONSIN AA**

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Event Location: Madison Club 5 E. Wilson St.; Madison, WI

Special Guest Speaker: Tryon Hubbard, Treasurer - Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information: \$35 per person; dinner served at 7:00; Banquet caps off a day-long event of optional tours and ceremonies; RSVP for more information

RSVP to Rob Ulaszek: rob.ulaszek@gmail.com

#### 2/23/2008, Saturday

#### **CLEVELAND AA / OH EPSILON**

Start Time: 5:00 p.m.

Event Location: Carlton Commons

Case Western Reserve Campus; The end of Carlton Road, down from chapter house

Special Information: Dinner served at 6:00 after happy hour

RSVP to Chris Carach: christopher.carach@case.edu

2/23/2008, Saturday

#### **RUBBER CITY AA (AKRON, OH)**

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Event Location: The Tangier

532 W. Market St.; Akron, OH 44303

Special Information: Any alumnus in the

Akron/Cleveland area can join in on the fun. Cost is \$50 per person. Dinner starts at 7:15

RSVP to Steve Horgan: HorganS@nskind.com OR Tim Lynskey: tskey@maits.com

2/23/2008, Saturday

#### **NEBRASKA BETA**

Start Time: All Day

Event Location: NE Beta Chapter House

3618 Farnam; Omaha, NE 68131

Special Information: Day includes happy hour & dinner, a viewing party for the Bracketbuster basketball game, philanthropy events with Habitat for Humanity and a casino night

RSVP to Jeffrey Murnan: JeffreyMurnan@creighton.edu

2/23/2008, Saturday

#### **FLORIDA ALPHA**

Start Time: All Day

Event Location: Seminole Golf and Country Club

Tallahassee, FL

Special Information: Golf tee times throughout the day with a dinner/banquet to follow at 7:00.

RSVP to Aaron Freeman: 727-709-9262; alf06d@fsu.edu

2/23/2008, Saturday

#### **PHOENIX AA**

Start Time: TBD

Event Location: TBD

Phoenix, AZ

Special Information: More information to come

RSVP to Ted Hackman: thackman@cox.net; 602-312-7222

2/29/2008, Friday

#### **ATLANTA AA**

Start Time: 6:30 p.m.

Event Location: Petite Auberge Restaurant 2935 North Druid Hills Rd.; Atlanta, GA 30329 Special Guest Speaker: Andy Heller *NY Alpha '74*, President of Domestic Distribution - Turner

Broadcasting

Special Information: Dinner starts at 7:30 RSVP to Flynn Brantley: 404-325-0595 or flynn | 5 | @aol.com

3/1/2008, Saturday

#### **SEATTLE AA / WA ALPHA**

Start Time: 5:30 p.m.
Event Location: Seattle Yacht Club
1807 East Hamlin St.; Seattle, WA 98112
Special Guest Speaker: Jim Boyle, Chapter Advisor
- WA Alpha

Special Information: Silent Auction at 6:00 with dinner to follow at 7:00 RSVP to Bill McCallum: 206-998-1247

3/1/2008, Saturday

#### WESTERN NEW YORK AA / NY ETA

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Event Location: Pearl Street Bar and Grill 76 Pearl Street; Buffalo, NY 14202

Special Information: 3-day weekend celebration: Block of hotel rooms reserved at Hyatt Regency (2 Fountain Plaza) - 716-855-4953

RSVP to Mike Jasper: 716-512-3215; mike@softwareleads.com

3/6/2008, Thursday

#### **NORTH TEXAS AA**

Start Time: 6:30 p.m. Event Location: Maggiano's

600 I W. Park Blvd.; Plano, TX 75093

Special Guest Speaker: Shawn Collinsworth, Executive Director - Phi Kappa Psi

Special Information: Special celebration of TX

Delta's 20th anniversary

RSVP to Bill Long: iblong2@sbcglobal.net; 214-435-7839

3/8/2008, Saturday

#### **BIRMINGHAM AA / ALABAMA ALPHA**

Start Time: 12:30 p.m.

Event Location: Indian Hills Country Club 1650 McFarland Blvd N;Tuscaloosa, AL

Special Guest Speaker: Gordon Letterman, Great-Grandson of William Henry Letterman

Special Information: Banquet is \$30. Morning activities at the chapter house include a continental breakfast at 9:00, initiation at 10:00 and social hour from 11:00 - noon

RSVP to Tim Connell: tkcbama@bellsouth.net; 205-919-8073

4/12/2008, Saturday

#### **PENNSYLVANIA BETA**

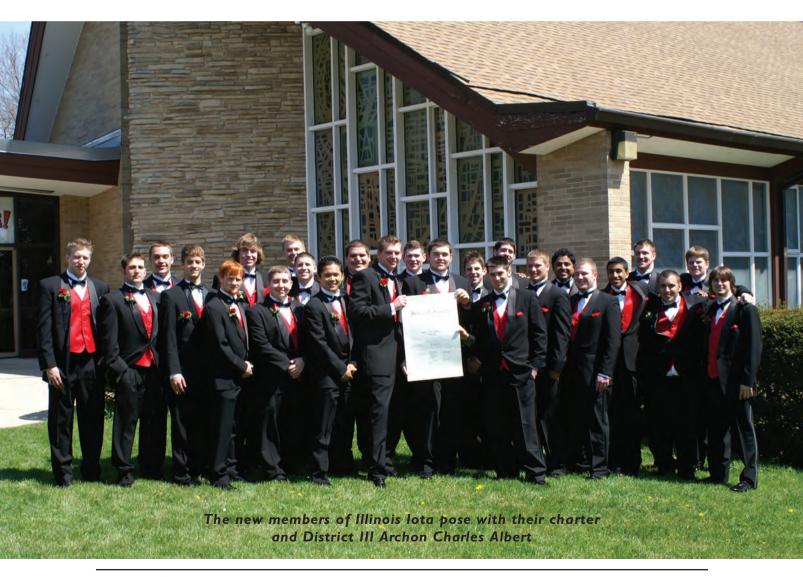
Start Time: Appetizers at 3:30 p.m., Dinner at 4:00 p.m. Event Location: Tippie Alumni Center at Allegheny College

RSVP to Eric Schonberg: schonbe@allegheny.edu

# Phi Kappa Psi Welcomes Three New Chapters

The National Fraternity is proud to highlight our newest chapters. In 2007, we brought three new groups into the bonds of our brotherhood, fitting considering our Ritual and the underlying meanings of our Fraternity. We asked representatives from Illinois lota (Northern Illinois), Maryland Gamma (Maryland) and lowa Beta (Iowa State) to share their unique experiences helping a new group

form, recruit, grow on campus and become recognized as a chapter. Though each colony faced different challenges, they share a sense of pride and accomplishment that few Phi Psis have the opportunity to be part of. Congratulations to our newest groups, and best of luck as you create new branches of Phi Psi history!





When many of us look back on chartering and the events leading up to the event, there were many highs, and many lows that our colony at the time experienced, but we would never change these experiences. The Illinois lota Chapter was a colony for about one and a half years before being installed as a chapter. Here is a brief history of the young chapter.

We were installed as a colony in January of 2006. At the time the colony had 16 members and was ready to grow the colony with spring recruitment coming up. During the spring, the colony was able to recruit three new guys to join, thus bringing our numbers up to 19 members. During the spring semester, the colony also began many annual events that continue still with the chapter. These events include attending the NIU Relay for Life, and our annual Blood Drive. Also during this time, the colony participated in the Delta Gamma annual philanthropy of Anchor

Splash. Paired with the NIU Silverettes, the colony was able to win the lip sync event and then place second overall in the entire event. Our first petition for chartering was rejected during this semester though. But even with this bad news, the colony had built a strong base for the upcoming semester.

In fall of 2006, the colony went under some hard times. People began to drop from the colony, and recruitment was not going as well as planned. Membership hit a low of 13 members, and there was not much self-esteem left in the chapter. But even with this hardship, the brothers refused to let the colony end. Recruitment ended up being a success, and nine new members came to the colony during this semester. Also during this time, the brothers began working on the petition that would ultimately help get us our charter. During the fall of 2009 the colony also continued its existing philanthropies and began a new one. The colony once again held its annual blood drive. Then



Illinois lota's members sing "Noble Fraternity" at their installation banquet as guests look on

later in the semester the colony began helping the annual YMCA Halloween party. So through all of the recruitment and petition issues, the colony still continued to work on its philanthropy work, which continued into the Christmas season with helping the Salvation Army with bell ringing around the Dekalb, Ill. area. Finally before the end of the semester, the colony sent in its petition for chartering.

Heading into the spring of 2007, the colony had many high hopes for the near future. Then at the PLA event, the colony received word that the executive council had approved our petition for chartering, and that the colony would soon become a chapter. The news overwhelmed many of its members and many felt they were dreaming, but it didn't really hit home to us until we finally set a date for the event. April 21, 2007 was the date in which the colony would become a chapter. There was much to do for chartering in preparation, but that didn't stop the recruitment and the philanthropies during the semester. Once again the colony was able to accumulate the Phi Psi 500 with its community service hours that included attending relay for life and painting the Dekalb Women's shelter. The colony also brought in two more members before the chartering ceremony. The colony also managed to place second once again in the annual Delta Gamma Anchor Splash event, this time paired with the Alpha Delta Pi sorority. This all led to our chartering ceremony on April 21, 2007.

Not many words can describe the chartering ceremony. All of our struggles and all of our highs had finally brought us to this day. Different events from the weekend included a welcome event on the Friday before chartering in which many of the colony members were able to meet alumni in Phi Kappa Psi. Saturday, the events of the day included the chartering ceremony itself, lunch with many of the alumni and undergraduates that attended the ceremony, and finally the banquet in which we were able to share the best day of our lives with our families and friends outside of the fraternity. April 21, 2007 is one day that none of the brothers in the chapter will never forget for their entire lives.

Heading into our second semester as a chapter, the Illinois lota chapter has already reaped the benefits of being a chapter. The chapter brought in eight new members bringing our total numbers to this point up to 28. We also are looking to have a house lined up on Greek Row for the fall of 2008 semester and finally are looking to create our own annual philanthropy which would be a Battle of the Bands. Needless to say, the chapter only will continue to prosper and grow.



### Maryland Gamma: University of Maryland "Fear The Turtle"

#### MICAH KLEID, PENNSYLVANIA ETA '00

Brotherhood is an intangible entity, one of those qualities that cannot be properly explained to someone who was not a member of a fraternity himself. But while brotherhood is intangible, it is very real, and it permeated the University of Maryland, College Park campus on September 29, 2007 when the University of Maryland Colony was installed as Maryland Gamma, the 149th chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

Thirty-three men were initiated as the chartering members of the new chapter that day

at Memorial Chapel on campus. First, the 21 Founding Fathers, those men who had been a part of this experience from the very beginning, were initiated, and then they watched from the pews as the other 12 men, the Alpha and Beta pledge classes, were initiated in turn. I had the unbelievably fortunate opportunity to act as the VGP that early Saturday morning, and so not only did I have the privilege of administering the oaths of brotherhood, but I was also able to stand in front of the brothers as the oaths were



administered, to see the looks on their faces as the men before me became brothers.

A year and a half before that day it had begun with a dream, a dream to create a new kind of fraternity at the University of Maryland. The men in that room during the colonization ceremony were all there for different reasons - some had rushed other fraternities but did not feel that any of them were a fit, some had never considered joining a fraternity until the opportunity to start a new one arose and some were just there to boost their resumes with leadership positions. For 18 months the men in the room changed, as some left the group to pursue other activities and new men joined in the auspicious task of turning a colony into a chapter in just one full academic year, but the work remained the same - hard, tiring, strenuous, difficult and, more often than not, fun. The other alumni advisers and I, brothers from different chapters who took time out of their busy lives to help the men become brothers, worked hard over that year and a half as well. And all of that hard



National Treasurer Tryon Hubbard and Maryland Gamma President Matthew Oster present the chapter's new charter

work, determination and dedication paid off on that beautiful Saturday morning in September when the Maryland Gamma chapter was installed and its new members initiated.

But as was stated over and over again by the many prominent Fraternity figures who attended

the banquet on Saturday night – Dud "Mr. Phi Psi" Daniel, National Treasurer Tryon Hubbard, descendent of Founder William Henry Letterman, Gordon Letterman, and staff members Shawn Collinsworth, Claude Warren, Ron Ransom, Ben Nicol and others – this was not the end, but just the beginning. Now that the Maryland Gamma chapter is established, and off and running with a full head of steam, one more goal lies in the

horizon. The brothers have Maryland Gamma have pledged that they will not rest, that they will use the same drive and determination it took to achieve chapter status, to achieve their next goal — being recognized as Grand Chapter. And given how quickly, and how well, the brothers earned chapter status, all of the other chapters in Phi Psi should heed this warning — Fear the Turtle!





### Iowa Beta: Iowa State University "Phantom Chapter" Revived

BY: BURNS DAVISON, IOWA BETA '79

The chill of an approaching winter was in the air early in the morning of Saturday, October 27, 2007. Brothers from the ages had begun to gather at the Baptist church next to the chapter house where many had the recollection of initiations years before, but this initiation was different, it was special – lowa Beta, for the second time in its history, was

returning to campus.

Several of the alumni brothers recalled the Corporation Board meeting nearly a decade before when the decision had been made to relinquish the charter to the National office. Precipitating that decision was more than four years of the undergraduate chapter coming up

significantly short on their financial responsibility to the Corporation Board, citing low membership. Despite the alumni group doing everything short of moving in and mentoring the chapter daily, the undergraduates were unable to maintain any significant recruitment. As it turns out, integral in the revival of lowa Beta was the personal dedication of alumnus Bill Good '69 who, with his wife Lindy (Delta Zeta), actually did move into the chapter house, where Lindy is the housemother:

In the early 1970s, housemothers became a historical footnote in many of the fraternity houses on the Iowa State campus, including the Phi Psi house. After more than 30 years, 2006 once again found a housemother at the Phi Psi house.

The revival of lowa Beta began several years ago as the alumni group grappled with what to do with the chapter house, which had been rented to another fraternity in the interim. Unaware of the situation, several alumni had stopped by "their house" only to find another fraternity residing there. The "old guard" found themselves without a base before and after the fall football games or for the spring Veishea parade and celebration. A critical mass of alumni came together and planned the resurgence of the chapter:

In the course of planning the revival, it was determined that the chapter house needed to be completely renovated, with a focus on the needs and expectations of today's university student. Fortunately, the structural evaluation of the 1920s vintage chapter house indicated that the house itself was structurally "sound," although a substantial amount of refurbishment was in order. A capital campaign was begun without a chapter (or even a colony) in place — only the promise of revival.

In the spring of 2004, the first attempt of recolonizing the chapter was made by the National office. Colony members were recruited, but unfortunately they were unable to generate the necessary enthusiasm to build their group much beyond their original number. Within a year, that group faltered. Curiously, this mirrored the faltering of the local group who had sought to reestablish the chapter in the 1910s; which chapter had been originally chartered in 1865\*, but in a university environment that was hostile to fraternities until after the turn of the century.

A second attempt at recolonizing the chapter was made in the summer of 2005. That effort resulted in the recruitment of who we refer to as our re-founding five: Ryan Biller, Chris Rada, Bryan Hoag, Pat Pannkuk and Umang Patel. These young men, bold and with initiative, were able to grow their numbers over the next two years to the 33 strong who were initiated into Phi Kappa Psi this fall. The initiates included legacy Peter Anderson '07, son of Dave "Andy" Anderson '73.

Our keynote speaker for the reinstallation banquet was Congressman Bruce Braley '76, who shared a poignant reflection of what "The Great Joy of Serving Others" really means. As a testament to many of the principles we talk about glibly, Bruce and his family put those principles to action by extending their family to include a young man who otherwise might have been lost to society. As Brother Braley reflected, that was the day he truly became a Phi Psi.

The weekend was marked with several other special events including a ribbon-cutting event to showcase several recently completed exterior site improvements designed to demonstrate sustainable urban water resource management measures. The project was funded in part by an Iowa Department of Natural Resources grant and incorporates several urban water management practices including a rain garden, a modular porous pavement patio and walkway, and a large dry well constructed in conjunction with the sand volleyball court. Iim Patchett '71 and Dan Canova '91 were instrumental in the concept and implementation of this project.

Another special event was the installation of a new flag pole in front of the house and the raising of the colors on the initiative of Bill Cahoon '51. Upon learning of the restoration of the chapter house, Bill decided that he wanted to make a specific contribution of a flag pole, having retired to eastern Tennessee from the aluminum industry. Bill secured a 25-foot pole, only to find that he was unable to get a common carrier to transport it. Not to be denied, he constructed his own carrier for his pick-up and personally delivered the pole which was raised on the weekend.

One of the final touches for the first floor of the chapter house will be the construction of a new

trophy case to display the various awards the chapter has acquired over the years. Jeff Kilburg, father of undergraduate Collin Kilburg '07 and an experienced woodworker, had volunteered to donate his labor to build the trophy case if we could provide the materials. Prior to the weekend we were about \$1,000 shy of the material cost, but our shortfall was covered by a contribution from our brothers from the University of Iowa (Iowa Alpha).

As our periodic email updates to our loyal alumni end, "It was a good weekend at 316 Lynn Avenue!" For more information on our restoration

project, including pictures, please follow this link to the chapter's website: http://www.stuorg. iastate.edu/phipsi/Home/main.php

Originally chartered in 1865, the Greek letter society environment at lowa State was so secretive at that time that there exists no documented history of the chapter's actual existence on campus. When a local fraternity sought to establish a Phi Psi chapter in 1913, the previous charter was discovered and the chapter retained the "Beta" designation despite several other chapters having been colonized at smaller colleges in lowa in the interim.

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# Colony Newsletters

Phi Kappa Psi continues to grow as we add new chapters and reopen those that have closed. If you would like to help one of our existing colonies, or would like to help open one in the future, please contact Ron Ransom, Director of Expansion, at RKR@PhiKappaPsi.com



The Bowling Green State University Colony (re-founding the Ohio Zeta Chapter) hit the ground running during the fall semester with big plans for recruitment. The brothers of the colony kicked the year off by assisting with the BG Move-In team on campus. They assisted incoming freshmen move into their residence hall, while at the same time talking to prospective members about Greek Life and Phi Psi. The brothers collected names and phone numbers and then invited each man to various events around campus. They started by taking the prospective members to events that introduced them to other freshmen on campus as well as other Greeks. The Bowling Green Colony has adopted the motto of "Phi Psi: Start a Legacy." It has been helpful with the brothers' goal of at least 15 members in their first recruitment class. The brothers have also been holding weekly brotherhood and recruitment activities that include attending school sports, holding poker tournaments as well as other activities that promote the bonds of Phi Psi. We have also been very active within IFC and the rest of the campus, both Greek and non-Greek. Our first community service project as a colony was volunteering for the annual ALS Charity walk held in October at the Flower Hospital in Toledo, Ohio. The colony can be contacted through our email: bgphipsi@gmail.com



#### RIVERSIDE, CALIF.

The brothers of UC Riverside successfully recruited 20 members last year. This year we hope to continue to do well in recruitment. With 28 active members, Phi Psi is the third largest fraternity on campus. We are looking forward to recruitment and hope to continue on last year's success. This fall was more difficult due to lack of a house to have nightly events. Our brotherhood remains committed to growth and we know it will take a team effort to overcome this obstacle. Our unity as a group has grown due to the many brotherhood events we had last year. Some of those events include an ice skating social, our first spring formal, fight night boxing, a brotherhood retreat to the mountains and a Route 66 road trip. This past year we also reached another milestone. For the first time since colony was founded, we made the intramural playoffs in football and basketball. For the first time ever, our community service accomplishments, growth and strong standing at the university allowed the colony to compete in Scotts Year, an annual triathlon between fraternities. This year, only four IFC fraternities qualified for participation. The UC Riverside Colony is proud to report that we are nearly finished with our petition for charter. Completing our petition has been a long and difficult process but we never lost sight of what has been the most important goal since we founded as a colony in the spring of 2005. As we prepare for recruitment and look forward to the upcoming school year, we know that we rise and fall as one.



#### INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

The brothers of the Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) Colony are very excited to mark this year as one filled with growth and accomplishments. In order to encourage this growth and maintain the same level of accomplishments that we were able to achieve last year, we have several events and goals that we hope will highlight us as leading Greek authority on campus. We look forward not only expand our presence on campus but create a set of ideals by which the brothers of the IUPUI Colony can abide and that the community can hold us to. We will use these ideals to help improve us not only as individuals and brothers, but as leaders as well.

After the culmination of last year, we were very happy to double our membership numbers, and we hope that the trend continues to this year. To begin this year off, we had our first annual Carbash. It was a very successful event that raised money for social purposes but most importantly got our name out to incoming students. This recruitment week hopes to be a milestone for us in that it will supply us with enough brothers to charter this coming spring or summer. The events vary from social gatherings like a casino night and cookout to a philanthropy outing in which we will have the chance to help those less fortunate at Wheeler Mission. We were recently visited by ALA Director Tom Pennington and Valparaiso Alumnus Ryan Hayes where they offered words encouragement and advice on how to make the most of this coming year.

Some events this fall include a Halloween mixer with a sorority, Dodgeball Tournament, intramurals and a brother retreat. This retreat will mark the first one of its kind for us as a colony and took place at the beginning of October. We hope that from this event the brothers will be able to take a better understanding of what we are trying to do and the bonds that form from it. The IUPUI

Colony hopes to make this a remarkable and memorable year in which we continue to strive for our absolute best.



# Ohio University ATHENS, OHIO

The colony at Ohio University has had an outstanding first year and a half. We have seen many exciting things happen. During the spring 2007 guarter, we won Greek Week and were able to field successful intramural softball, soccer and volleyball teams, proving to those on our campus that our members are dedicated to being successful at Ohio University. Jim Blazer, Ohio Delta '79 has accepted the position as our colony advisor. We would also like to welcome our newest faculty advisors, Todd Brokaw (Professor in Management Information Systems) and George Armann (Flight Instructor in Aviation). More importantly, our spring quarter GPA was a 3.07 which is the highest fraternity GPA on campus, and second in the Greek Community to only one sorority. We continue to stay involved in the local community. Members have volunteered around Athens on several different levels including recent work with a local elementary school. We are very proud to welcome our 13 newest members to the group who joined during the fall '07 rush period.

Our petition was submitted to the Executive Council and has been approved. We will be chartering on February 9, 2008 in Athens, Ohio. For more information, please contact Jon Miller at jm138406@ohio.edu. We welcome all Phi Psi members to join us for this very exciting occasion.



The Temple University Colony has been hard at work this past year, expanding and excelling in all its goals at Temple. Our determination toward making a difference on campus as well as within our brotherhood has never been stronger. Our colony, which had started out being a small group of friends, has now doubled in one semester

composing of 21 brothers. We have had some tough times during the formation of our brotherhood, but our resolve has never faltered.

The pinnacle of pride within our brotherhood was no doubt our colonization. February 16, 2007 was truly a crowning achievement. The colonization ceremony took place in our very own Ritter Hall at Temple University, where newly pledged brothers and alumni came together to celebrate the "refounding" of the Pennsylvania Pi Chapter. All brothers were very excited and at the same time a bit nervous of what to expect, but all went well and there was plenty of cheer to go around. As if by fate, that same night the Drexel chapter's annual formal was held, and we celebrated the inception of our colony with the entirety of all Philadelphia Chapters. It was a night that will certainly be remembered by all of our brothers.

Nevertheless, our colonization was only the beginning of our road to achieving our charter. It was followed by various events that our colony participated in and even hosted. During our university's Greek week, Phi Kappa Psi was a major success. A campus-wide fundraiser was held for Alex's Lemonade Stand, where teams of three fraternities were given 30 minutes to raise as much capital as possible. Phi Kappa Psi's team raised the most money, with numbers exceeding \$500. Among other events, Phi Kappa Psi participated in a 24-hour See Saw, a Greek wide fundraiser for St. Jude's hospital. Phi Kappa Psi was one of the few fraternities on campus that had representation at the fundraiser during its entirety. Our dedication

had made a great mark within the Greek community. We additionally had a great a Spring Fling, which here at Temple is a big celebration of Temple Pride. We had drawn huge crowds to our stand, where basketball and water ice was available for all students. Additionally, as a sign of our deep sympathy and condolence for the tragic events that occurred at Virginia Tech, we had built a wooden "VT" that was signed by all students visiting our stand.

Our greatest accomplishment though, came during the spring semester of 2007, when the event Relay for Life (a cause for the American Cancer Association) was held. The objective of the event was to raise money through a non-stop overnight walk held in one of Temple's indoor gymnasiums. Our commitment to this matter was deep, and we were very passionate about helping this cause. The fundraiser was open to participation by all campus organizations and students, with well over 100 teams in total. Within just two weeks, the Temple Colony grouped together to raise over \$1632.42 for the American Cancer Society, and were ranked 2nd place in all team donations.

Our commitment and passion has grown exponentially for Phi Kappa Psi over the past few months. Our brotherhood has come together to form an excellent group of brothers and friends. Our hope is to continue to strive to be the best colony we can be, as well as the best fraternity on Temple's campus. Our motivation will stay unbroken, and all of our goals set forth will be achieved.

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donation today, small or large. You will be making a difference and helping me to conquer a mountain: physically, emotionally and spiritually. I need your help and know that many of you personally know a family member or friend who had either had or succumbed to cancer. Here's a chance for you to help make a difference."

Donations can be made out to: American Cancer Society and sent to the attention of Matt Flanigan, American Cancer Society, 1400 N. Winton

Rd., Rochester, N.Y. 14609. On the memo line, write: Mark Biscone, Kili Climb, JOI. Additional information can be found on the website: www.journeysofinspiration.com.

Biscone is also asking anyone who makes a donation to let him (email: mark.biscone@gmail.com) or his father, Mark Biscone, executive director, Waldo County General Hospital, know the amount so Biscone can keep track of his progress and make sure it is credited to his fund drive.

#### **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, or by calling I-800-486-1852.



## University of Alabama

#### Accredited with Distinction

This semester, the Alabama Alpha Chapter has kept itself very busy with work. Whether it's philanthropy, improving Greek relations or schoolwork, it's been a busy semester. We have had several opportunities to work on philanthropy by working with the Boys and Girls Club of West Alabama, Best Buddies of Tuscaloosa, Habitat for Humanity and various other philanthropy projects around campus.

This year, Alabama Alpha has been Accredited with Distinction and is in the running for Grand Chapter. Along with being Accredited with Distinction at the National level, Alabama Alpha received the Greek Relations award by the Order of Omega for sharing our front lawn with Delta Kappa Epsilon on game days. The Order of Omega also selected former GP, James Sims as the outstanding Greek president last spring.

With the fall semester drawing to a close, we are looking forward to the spring semester. Our Founders Day will be on March 8, 2008. We are also planning our spring formal and Outback, our spring party, and hope that those will help draw in future members. We are anticipating a large spring pledge class to bring total membership numbers up, along with the fall initiation.

Adam Rudolphy



#### Accredited

With the coming of a new school year, comes another great semester for the brothers of the Alabama Beta Chapter. Now that we have completed formal rush, we have gained seven pledges to the chapter. All of the brothers feel that these seven gentlemen will be future chapter leaders. We hope to initiate them soon so that they will be able to benefit the chapter in the next calendar year. In the social arena, the brothers of Alabama Beta have been quite active. We held our semi-formal "Fall Fling" at Grayton Beach in Florida on the weekend of October 13. On November 12, the brothers participated in the annual "Reds vs. Deads Social." Participating in the social with us were Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Delta Delta Delta Sorority, and Delta Zeta Sorority. Phi Kappa Psi is still gaining more and more reputation on Auburn's campus as a premiere fraternity.

The biggest success of the fall for the brothers of Alabama Beta was our philanthropy, "Get Hands On." This is the first philanthropy that the chapter has undertaken in our short time here at Auburn. Through the event, the chapter raised \$5000 that will be donated to Susan G. Komen for the Cure. The proceeds will benefit breast cancer awareness, education and research. With the success of the event, the brothers feel that "Get Hands On" will become an annual function that the entire

university and Auburn community can participate in

On the sports fields, Alabama Beta is still charging hard. We finished 3rd in our fraternity division and are looking to move up. We competed well in football and are currently succeeding in soccer. Although we succeed on the sports fields, the brothers still know that our classes must come first. We finished in the top 15 of all fraternities at Auburn and our goal this semester is to get into the top 5.

Finally, Alabama Beta continues to work on our housing situation. We are currently in the process of establishing an Alumni and Housing Corporation. If you are interested in helping out or would like some more information, please contact Robert Berezov at berezra@auburn.edu. The brothers of Alabama Beta are very proud of what we have accomplished as a chapter at Auburn University, and we hope that the growth of the Alabama Beta Chapter continues long after we have left as undergraduate brothers.

Brett Sprouse



#### Accredited with Honors

After being re-chartered in 2000, the Arizona Alpha chapter has established itself as one of the most outgoing chapters at the University of Arizona. At the end of the spring 2006, our chapter had outgrown its current house. Last year, we finally made the move to just off campus to the biggest fraternity house at the university (and probably Arizona). The new house was not in livable conditions at the beginning of summer. By the end of summer each room had been properly fixed and is inhabitanted by brothers. All this work was very difficult on the brothers because we did most of the work ourselves. Practically every room needed some drywall work, the floors needed to be redone, the counters needed to be resealed, and every room needed to be repainted.



Members and guests enjoy Alabama Beta's formal

Every brother pitched in and fixed his room. Every brother sacrificed something to live in this new house, and it is paying off for the entire chapter.

The heat in Arizona in the summer is excruciating. Luckily our new fraternity house has a pool to relax in. When the night came and the brothers grew restless, a pick up game of basketball would start on our new basketball court. With all of the basketball that happens around here it looks like we are the front runners for the inter-Greek league. All of this hard work is really starting to pay off. Our chapter is making the transition from being the biggest medium sized fraternity to a pillar of the Greek community. These growing pains are tough on chapters but our brotherhood is flourishing under the pressure.

This semester Arizona Alpha had the pleasure of hosting our 60 year and 30 year class reunions. Alumni came from all over the country for this reunion. Since the reunion was this semester, the alumni took it upon themselves to honor "Mr. Phi Psi" Dud Daniel. The university was kind enough to give Brothers Daniel a commemorative bench on campus right next to Old Main. The alumni asked Arizona Alpha to throw a formal chapter meeting, which we were glad to do. During this chapter meeting we decided that every October 20 would be recognized as Dud Daniel day. The chapter is honored to have Brother Daniel as an alumnus and will forever celebrate his accomplishments.

Fric Rhone



# Stanford University

#### Accredited with Distinction

Despite the hurried pace of being on a quarter system, the brothers of Cal Beta have had a great start. Last year, we initiated an amazing spring pledge class of 19 Men of Excellence, one of the largest pledge classes in recent memory. Their enthusiasm for Phi Psi was evident during their pledge period, and is evident now, with many of them stepping up as committee heads and participating in our Newly Initiated Brother Orientation sessions for continuing fraternity education.

Our social events have really taken off, with brothers having great times at barbeques, movie nights and sorority mixers with the lovely ladies of Delta Delta, Chi Omega and Pi Beta Phi. Our commitment to the "Great loy of Serving Others" stays strong, with participation in habitat restoration projects, an upcoming Habitat for Humanity build and the Habitat Home Run 5K and 10K races. In addition, later this year, we are hoping to host a successful Phi Psi 500 philanthropy soccer tournament, a project that kicked off the ground (no pun intended) last year, as well as honor worthy student-initiated public service projects through our Public Service Grant. Also, we are in the midst of organizing our signature Speaker Series event. Last year's function featuring Paypal co-founder Peter Thiel filled to capacity, and we look forward to continuing this very popular and successful event.

Alumni involvement in the chapter remains solid. This year's Homecoming dinner had a great turnout. Over 100 brothers, recent graduates, and alumni from as far back as the 1930s enjoyed an evening of delicious food and good memories. We look forward to seeing even more brothers at our Founders Day dinner this coming February.

Last, but certainly not least, this past summer, three brothers of our chapter had the privilege of representing us at the Woodrow Wilson Leadership School in Nashville. Our chapter received recognition for chapter academic



California Betas pose with the Grand Chapter award at the Woodrow Wilson Leadership School in Nashville, Tenn.

excellence, but the greatest moment was when it was announced that California Beta was Grand Chapter, an honor we have now received for the third time in six years. With this amazing accomplishment, we know we have our work cut out for us this year, but as always, the brothers of California Beta are up to the challenge.

Luke Li



#### Accredited with Distinction

For its first 75 years, the California Epsilon Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi has stood as a destination for many in the area just surrounding the UCLA campus. In its 76, it continues to do so. After a crowded summer at 613 Gayley Avenue, those who spent time at home are back and ready to get the year started off right, and being back for a little over a month, they have done just that. From our packed social calendar, to our intramural sports teams, to our philanthropy, every facet of our house is alive and well.

Our philanthropy chair, Daniel Kim, has been working tirelessly to ensure that Phi Psi not only maintains its outstanding reputation at UCLA, but also with the surrounding community. Already this year, as a brotherhood, we attended a Boys and Girls Club Halloween Bash to help underprivileged children take part in Halloween festivities who otherwise would not have been able to. We are also currently planning a trip to Africa to promote higher education by constructing a computer lab in a university in the small town of Dakar, Senegal. This is still in planning stages and can hopefully take place within the next year.

Stronger than ever, The Phi Kappa Psi chapter at UCLA now boasts well over one hundred active brothers, the largest amount in its history. We are also proud to announce a successful fall recruitment in which we were able to gain 25 new pledges who will soon be able to call themselves brothers. Once again, our pledge class extends beyond the confines of the California borders as one is from London, while many others are scattered from throughout the nation.

The term active brothers takes on a double meaning here at California Epsilon, as we have brothers who are part of athletics teams (both varsity and club), G.A.M.M.A. Chairs, officers in IFC, the President of the Undergraduate Business Society, and officers (and founders) of the first Society of Leadership and Success at UCLA, to give some highlights.

Of course, academics remain a priority at UCLA as well. Our house GPA continues to surpass that of the all-UCLA average, and is in the top five of all fraternities on campus. Several brothers plan on attending medical and law school in the coming years, and we wish them the best of luck in their journey. Bravo, gentlemen.

Alumni remain an important, and central, aspect of Phi Psi and we continue to look forward to, and enjoy seeing, as many alumni as possible at our home football games. For those who have not been able to make it in recent years, we encourage you to come out and enjoy the satellite TV, couches, barbecues, cold beverages and the winning tradition of UCLA football. Go Bruins!

As the possibility of a new house in the recent future becomes more and more likely, at California Epsilon we are finding ourselves reminiscing on the good times we have shared here, and are trying to enjoy the last quarters we have left with this piece of history. We would also like to take this time to thank all of those who have donated, or who have contributed in any way, shape, or form to making this dream a reality, especially the members of the House Corporation, who have worked vigorously on this project. This year is shaping up to be one of Cal Ep's best; with the continued, exceptional alumni support, California Epsilon will easily be able to live on for another 75 years. Amici.



#### Accredited

Despite some turbulence involving other Greek organizations on campus, the brothers of Calif. Eta are pleased to report further progress

specifically involving philanthropy, membership and organization. With strong alumni support, we were able to host a large-scale philanthropy concert. Having never thrown a concert before, we learned about how to manage a successful event. We worked with the Big Brothers Big Sisters of San Luis Obispo County and they look forward to making this an annual fund-raising event.

Greek membership campus-wide was up this year and we were able to see those benefits in our own chapter. After a successful fall recruitment, we have 12 excited young pledges who are almost ready to carry on the tradition of Phi Kappa Psi and continue improving our chapter.

"I believe that I am honor bound ... to help and forgive my Brothers; to discharge promptly all just debts." On many levels this quote means different things but taken in a literal sense this quote illustrates progress. With the growth of the chapter, changes were necessary in order to sustain our membership efficiently. Our chapter has recently undergone a dramatic infrastructural change in which we are transitioning into an onlinesystem based of dues payments communication. We would like to thank the support of our alumni and would like to invite you to visit if you are ever in town. We are looking forward to the New Year. "In the noble perfection of Phi Kappa Psi, I pledge my life and my sacred honor!"

Kevin Bernotas



#### Accredited with Distinction

The UC Davis chapter of Phi Kappa Psi, under the innovative leadership of President Steven Chen and Vice-President Christopher Casas, has become one of the fastest growing national Greek organizations on campus. Our new chapter home is now fully furnished and has become a hub of hospitality at UC Davis. California lota has doubled in size since the beginning of the last fall academic quarter with a total of 23 active undergraduates. Although our recruitment for the academic fall guarter is lower than previous guarters, we are confident in the intention and character of our four man pledge class. The fall pledge class, however small, is both ambitious and enthusiastic. In hopes of emulating the fraternity aspects of courtesy and culture in Phi Kappa Psi, our pledges have prepared



California Eta's members pose in front of a chapter keepsake

to serenade all national Greek sororities on the UC Davis campus.

In coordination with Sacramento Alumni Corporation of Phi Kappa Psi, our chapter recently held a Homecoming barbeque on October 27. During the barbeque, we held an open house to showcase the progress we have made since moving in. Our hard work and dedicated effort has paid off. We are now both proudly displaying the letters and colors of Phi Kappa Psi. Special thanks to Brother Rich Naval for helping plan the dining arrangements and thanks to all alumni who participated with feedback on our progress with the Cal lota house. Despite the disappointing upset against South Dakota State, the Phi Psis of California lota came out on top with a solid turnout and mixture of both alumni and undergraduates. Our undergraduates are thankful for alumni involvement and will continue to become more involved in the university and its surrounding communities. The California lota Chapter is planning its first major philanthropy event under new leadership, which is projected to take place on our return from winter break. The event will be set up to raise awareness and donations for multiple sclerosis. Our committee chair for alumni relations will be contacting the alumni association with further and finalized details.

California lota wishes to all alumni and undergraduates a happy and safe holiday season and 2008. May we continue to pledge throughout our daily lives to uphold the spirit of fraternal love and the act of selfless service.

Matthew Vogele



### CALIFORNIA KAPPA UC-Irvine

The California Kappa chapter of Phi Kappa Psi has yet again raised the bar above all other campus organizations. With a brother as the latest Associated Student Body President – making it 7 out of the past 8 – domination in IFC sports with multiple championships including football and basketball, and bringing in the largest pledge class in UCI history with a 100% bid acceptance, Cal Kappa remains the top chapter in Orange County. Cal

Kappa continues to lead the way in philanthropy, impacting the immediate community with projects such as beach clean-ups and Boys and Girls Club partnerships, while also impacting issues abroad with our recent "Phi Psi Fight Against Poverty" to benefit The Moses Fund in Africa.

Many speculated Cal Kappa would flounder in the absence of a chapter house, but Cal Kappa has become a more united and motivated chapter in the past year. For more information on California Kappa or how you can help with their ongoing efforts to get a new house, please visit their website at www.uciphipsi.com or contact VGP Michael Sene at msene@uci.edu.

Michael Sene



No newsletter submitted.

# COLORADO ALPHA University of Colorado

No newsletter submitted. To find out why, contact GP Mark Phelan at MarkCPhelan@gmail.com.



The brotherhood of Phi Kappa Psi, D.C. Alpha Chapter, is immensely proud of its achievements during this semester, both the ones being planned and already completed. After another successful recruitment, the chapter has taken on 15 new pledges who will undoubtedly add to the great traditions of humanity and generosity in Phi Psi. We are currently involved in various philanthropy events as well: planting trees on campus, aiding in trick-or-treating events throughout the district and

the Phi Psi 500. The brotherhood is also doing a great job in supporting the other Greek organizations at George Washington University by participating in their events and helping with their planning and execution. Phi Kappa Psi DC Alpha has committed itself to creating a legacy of support, integrity and consideration for the greater joy of serving others both in and around the GW campus. Live Ever, Die Never!

David Levy



Florida Alpha is embarking on new and challenging times in chapter history. Florida Alpha is currently in the rebuilding phase and all the brothers are working tirelessly on rebuilding the chapter and recruiting new and exciting gentleman to become members of Florida Alpha. Phi Kappa Psi is receiving increasing alumni support from the Phi Kappa Psi Panhandle Alumni Association recently founded by Frank Taylor, Alabama Alpha '64. We our currently in the process of bringing back our famous Phi Psi 500 Philanthropy after a one year hiatus, and have been actively participating in many other Greek events. We recently concluded an enjoyable Homecoming with a win over Duke. Florida Alpha is also finalizing plans for our annual Christmas semiformal and several other events including Founders Day. Phi Psis are also very active in the Florida State community, volunteering for Habitat for Humanity and participating in other community service projects. Phi Psi brothers have been enjoying another year of intramural sports and just completed a successful season of flag football. We are also looking forward to competing for the title in softball and basketball. Florida Alpha is excited about the year to come and is looking forward to the challenges it will bring, with a strong focus on making Phi Kappa Psi Florida Alpha stronger than ever.

Aaron Freeman



#### Accredited

The chapter of Georgia Alpha has undergone a phenomenal year. The chapter has improved in numerous ways, particularly in rush, philanthropy and campus involvement. We had one of our most successful rush efforts in years, as the brotherhood signed 20 pledges, most of which pledged during summer rush. We are looking forward to expanding our brotherhood and teaching the new guys what it means to be "Men of Excellence."

Our philanthropic efforts have been improving over the past two years and we are looking forward to countless events in the future. We currently have the third largest involvement of 28 fraternities in UGA Hero. UGA Hero addresses quality of life care for kids stricken with pediatric AIDS. UGA Hero was the 2007 campus organization of the year, and we take pride in our involvement with UGA Hero. Along with our involvement in Hero, Georgia Alpha has continuously been one of the strongest supporters of Relay for Life. This past year, Georgia Alpha raised the most money of any fraternity on campus for Relay for Life.

As this year comes to a close, the Georgia Alpha chapter is looking to the future. The chapter is looking forward to Brothers Jerry Nelson and Paul Wineman's visit this December. We hope to learn a lot from two very influential Phi Psi alumni. This upcoming January, the brotherhood is planning its inaugural Keystone Weekend. The Keystone Weekend is a mountain retreat for brothers that will focus on goal setting and leadership responsibilities for the upcoming year. With these events, Georgia Alpha hopes to progress even more for the future and become an even stronger brotherhood for years to come.

Nicholas Davies

# Georgia Institute of Technology

### Accredited

In the fall semester, Georgia Beta has remained quite active at the Georgia Institute of Technology, successfully completing several philanthropic events. Recently, brothers of the chapter worked with the Institute and the Freedom Park Conservancy to remove large amounts of kudzu plaguing one of Atlanta's major parks. For the first time, our major project of the semester is to raise money for breast cancer research. Georgia Betas began selling "Phi Kappa Psi for a Cure" bracelets to the student body in October and hope to continue sales through the remainder of the semester:

In membership, the chapter has been significantly challenged to improve. The chapter currently has 16 active brothers and three pledges, well below the membership average for campus fraternities. Additionally, we still look forward to gaining a house on campus. Membership has been the biggest concern of the chapter and the brothers have been working constantly to improve it.

On campus, the brothers of the chapter recently finished our contraption entry for the homecoming parade. The contraption competition is a tradition unique to Georgia Tech. The contraption parade requires groups to build a vehicle with an indirect drive train. Georgia Betans successfully engineered a 1970's mail Jeep powered by a pressure washer through campus. The pressure washer rotated a bike wheel with paddles welded to it that was chained to the vehicle's transmission. The vehicle was one of the few to complete the course in the competition. The construction of the vehicle was completed in two nights.

Overall, the Georgia Beta chapter continues to remain active on campus despite recent struggles with membership. Georgia Beta's main focus for the next semester will be recruitment.

Christopher Pool



### ILLINOIS ALPHA Northwestern University

Illinois Alpha has had a fantastic start to the school year. There is a great sense of pride in our house, with several returning members living in, along with nearly every new sophomore member. We plan to welcome back brothers who are spending the fall quarter studying abroad in China, Scotland and Australia. New member recruitment process is well under way; we recently helped the university to establish an Interfraternity Council website to educate prospective members and parents about campus fraternities. We have a page dedicated to our chapter which can be accessed by going to www.NorthwesternIFC.org. Our philanthropy efforts are also strong as we work toward putting the finishing touches on our fall scavenger hunt for charity. This year, our philanthropic efforts will focus on the World Bicycle Relief Foundation and the Evanston Shelter for Battered Women and Children. Finally, we would like to extend thanks to all alumni who participated in homecoming festivities, along with alumnus Gary Kaufman, who did a fantastic job planning the weekend's events.

Patrick Slevin



### University of Illinois

### Accredited

The men of Illinois Delta plan on continuing the success of the 2006-2007 school year into the fall. Last year, the chapter grew substantially with the initiation of 45 brothers, including a 10 man pledge class in the spring, the largest in recent memory. At the end of the fall recruitment period we handpicked 29 individuals for the opportunity to become a part of our eternal brotherhood.

The new pledge class played a vital role in raising money for our newest philanthropy, The Blitz. Brothers and pledges alike camped on the quad for a week enduring the unpredictable

weather of the Midwest as we sold tickets and raised awareness for the need to send local children to summer camp through Illini Summer Opportunity Organization. At the end of the week, Illinois Delta partnered with Alpha Delta Pi for a two hour Blitz to sell raffle tickets before an Illini football victory. The noble efforts of our chapter helped raise \$20,000 for underprivileged children due to the extraordinary efforts of Sebastian Bohorquez, Grant Reed and Ari Franklin.

The academic year is only beginning, and Illinois Delta has its eyes set on raising the expectations of fraternity life and we can always look for help and insight from our alumni to achieve this goal. We encourage you to visit our website at www.phipsiuiuc.com to update your contact information and stay continuously updated of the hard work being put into "Old 911."

Adam Lopez



### ILLINOIS EPSILON Illinois State University

### Accredited

The brothers of Illinois Epsilon have been continuing their strides towards growth and progress these past few months. In April, we held our largest philanthropic event of the year, aimed at alcohol awareness. With personnel, equipment and squad cars from six local police departments, we were able to expand students' knowledge about the problems of alcohol. At the end of last year, not only did we further improve our GPA, we were also recognized for having the second most service hours among fraternities at Illinois State. Over the summer, we moved into a larger house, which was much anticipated. Being closer to campus and in a finer establishment, we were ready to tackle the 2007-2008 school year and continue our ambitions towards expansion and improvement.

This fall has fulfilled our expectations. Despite a decrease in the number of new members campuswide, we were still able to match last year's fall recruitment of 11 pledges. This pledge class is continuously outdoing themselves and proving that

they will be memorable brothers for years to come. With more than half of the chapter living in the house now, we are accomplishing more tasks at a faster rate than any of us could have predicted. Our weekends are filled with community service projects, school activities and Greek events.

For the rest of this semester and year we seek to further our influence. Currently, we are looking forward to our first Barndance in years, and potentially building on the huge success of last year's alcohol awareness event.

We would also like to thank our alumni. Through their continuous support and dedication, they have helped us overcome many obstacles and we are forever thankful and grateful. Thank you again.

Brendon Weidner



### DePaul University

### Accredited

The brothers of the III. Zeta Chapter have had a great year and have many things to look forward to in the coming year.

Over this past summer we were able to send our largest contingent of brothers to Woodrow Wilson Leadership School ever. At Woodrow Wilson, Ill. Zeta was notified that we became Accredited for the first time in our 14 year history.

We have also continued to be one of the largest and most active chapters on DePaul's campus. This fall we had a very successful recruitment that culminated in the initiation of a 16 man pledge class, our largest yet. We also have shown support for our fellow Greek organizations by participating in Delta Zeta's inaugural Turtle Tug tournament (tug-o-war). The brothers of III. Zeta proved to be victorious, beating all challengers in the men's bracket.

The brothers have also been working hard manning a concession stand at Soldier Field, home of the Chicago Bears. This partnership has allowed the brothers to earn money for the chapter that will be used to host fun events, sponsor philanthropy and help augment chapter scholarship programs for the spring quarter.

This spring we are also planning our 2nd annual Corn Hole for Cancer charity event, which is to be held on April 25, 2008 in partnership with our brothers at Illinois Theta at UIC. This is a bags tournament with proceeds benefiting the American Caner Society. Groups or individuals can sponsor board and bags sets, while pairs can sign up to participate in the event themselves. Look for flyers and notices with further information at the end of February 2008.

All of the undergrads would also like to thank our alumni for their support.

William Haro

Once again we won Homecoming King (congratulations Reese) and Spirit Week as well. The prize money from this we believe will be going to a new computer in our office which will be a great help to tracking member GPA.

We would like to thank our alumni and advisors as well. Those who come out to our events are always a great morale booster and make for a good time with stories from your days when you were here. It's just not the same if we don't have you guys around. To our advisors, we just wouldn't be able to do it with out you.

Robert Schmittling



Illinois Eta is a small but growing chapter. We have several major goals this year and are expecting to meet all of them.

Our first goal is to have our Phi Psi 500 services hours. At the rate we are going it looks like we will double that amount, and with only seventeen active members we feel this is a great accomplishment. We have service projects nearly every week and our members love doing them.

Our second goal is to have a cumulative GPA of 3.0. Many of us were disappointed to have missed this last semester thinking we had achieved it. After all, no fraternity on campus has ever been able to do this and we believe whole-heartedly that we will be the first.

Our third goal for this semester will be to have all debts paid off and have no fees due for anything. Since last year we have had some awesome fundraisers and are becoming much more stable financially than last year.

Another goal is to recruit 20 pledges. Looking at the potentials that have been coming out we are very confident that we will meet this goal, which would more than double our chapter size. The entire Greek system at SIUE is doing well; in fact, this may be one of the best recruitment seasons ever for the school.



Here at Illinois Theta, things are going very well. Our Fraternity Education Process is in full swing after an excellent recruitment. Pledge class Kappa consists of 12 men who we felt would be good additions to our chapter. This may not seem like many people to some chapters, but at UIC it is an excellent number considering the small size of our Greek community. This past summer we were incredibly pleased and proud when our chapter was Accredited with Distinction, and we hope to continue that level of achievement for many years to come. The summer was also a time for bonding as brothers. We held several barbecues and our annual retreat. This year's brotherhood retreat started at a ropes course in a Chicago suburb where we worked to accomplish tasks, fostering already-strong bonds of trust. We held our retreat in the Indiana dunes and discussed a myriad of issues, from gender issues to recruitment tactics. Our annual golf outing was scheduled to go off without a hitch, but nature had other ideas. Several very large storms passed through the area and flooded the course, causing us to cancel. Brother Matt Olszak attempted to relocate to another course, but he was unable to locate a proper venue in time despite his efforts. In lieu of the golf outing, we decided to have an alumni vs. actives softball game. The actives put up a very valiant

fight, but the alumni powered up to a 17-14 victory. Illinois Theta's annual Halloween party "PhiPsilum" was a good time for all involved, and was a great fundraising event for us. With the coming year, Illinois Theta is elated in celebrating our 5 year anniversary. It was at 8:21 p.m., February 21, 2003 when we became the 143rd chapter of our glorious Fraternity, and we are going to celebrate it with style. Our still-infant Alumni Corporation is sponsoring the event with Brother George Radka as the head of the planning committee. It is not all in the hands of the alumni, as several actives stepped up to help plan what will prove to be an extraordinary affair. Last year we held our first ever "Bags Against Breast Cancer" bags, or corn hole, tournament. While it went well, it was not as successful as we would have liked it to be. Therefore, in an attempt to make it a larger event, Brother Jon Clairmont has been communicating with our brothers at DePaul to make it larger and more successful, and with any luck this event should be happening this coming spring. Once again, this year we are working at Soldier Field for the Chicago Bears. This is our major source of fundraising, and in past years raised over \$20,000.

All is well here at Illinois Theta, and we look forward to the rest of the year and beyond. We wish all of our brothers across the country the best of luck with school and their spring recruitment. Always Proud To Be!

Dustin Nash



### Northern Illinois University

### Accredited with Distinction

The brothers of the Illinois lota chapter at Northern Illinois University are excited to begin their first full year as a chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. In the past year the brothers have accomplished many goals leading up to the chartering ceremony, and then following the ceremony. As a colony, Illinois lota won awards such as most congenial chapter at NIU and Honorable Mention best chapter at NIU. The brothers have



The brothers of Illinois lota

also had success in the annual Greek event Anchor Splash, placing second two consecutive years in the event. Finally, the brothers have held up the ideal of "The Great Joy of Serving Others" with a total of over 500 community service hours in the past year. After the brothers became a chapter, the successes continued to come to the brothers. First, at Woodrow Wilson Leadership School, Illinois Iota was Accredited with Distinction. Following that news, Illinois lota learned that one of their own brothers, Charles Albert, was elected to the Executive Council of Phi Kappa Psi as the Archon of District III. Now, Illinois lota looks forward to going into their first year as a chapter. The brothers have been working hard in many aspects: we have brought in 10 new pledges; we are planning a battle of the bands for an annual philanthropy along with doing different philanthropies this year such as participating in a chariot race event and working at the annual YMCA Halloween party; and we are looking to secure a bigger and more permanent house for next year. The future looks bright for one of Phi Psi's newest chapters.

Chris Champion



### Accredited with Distinction

The brothers of Indiana Alpha have been extremely busy since August. The fall semester has been nothing but excitement. From supporting the brothers on the athletic field, to raising money for various philanthropies, to hosting an honorable alumni reunion, the brothers of Indiana Alpha have made this semester one to remember.

Indiana Alpha hosted a reunion in honor of the Class of 1946 in September. The members of this pledge class were received with much enthusiasm and warmth. Active brothers mingled with the alums and greatly appreciated their participation. September also brought Indiana Alpha's annual 3 vs. 3 philanthropy basketball tournament. Here, brothers participated and hosted event which included other houses as well as members of DePauw's freshman class. The money raised went

to the chapter's philanthropy of choice and allowed for the brothers to meet prospective pledges.

Indiana Alpha warmly welcomed numerous parents for Phi Psi's annual Parent's Weekend in October. Each year the brothers, especially the new initiates, look forward in welcoming their parents to show them just what Indiana Alpha is like for them. Of course, Parent's Weekend would not be complete without the yearly live and silent auction. Here, various items could be bid on and the proceeds from the auction go towards various projects to improve the chapter house.

DePauw's Old Gold weekend brought back many alumni to campus as well as to Indiana Alpha. This weekend also means it is time for Indiana Alpha's annual Symposium observance. The chapter opened its doors to numerous alumni for a relaxing dinner and conversation. We welcomed Brother Michael Montagano '03, a congressional hopeful, to the house as well as Brother James Locke '87, who provided a speech just before all the brothers sang "Amici" to conclude the evening's ceremonies.

As with every year, the brothers at Indiana Alpha look forward to DePauw and Wabash College's annual Monon Bell football game. This year brought recent alumni back to relive old times and cheer on their alma mater.

Trent Hackett



Indiana Beta has been off to a busy but great year. Everyone is happy to be back in Bloomington and ready to start the year off. Sophomore Eric Phillips has recently become the new philanthropy chair and took the initiative to create the inaugural Phi Psi Haunted House, which benefited Hoosier Hills Food Pantry. Everyone in the house was involved in the preparation and the event itself. It was a great success with over 300 people in attendance. Earlier this fall, we had a successful rush, with a fantastic turnout of 39 pledges. On Saturday of Homecoming, the chapter hosted a pig roast for alumni at our house and attendance

exceeded 50 alumni. Once again our chapter will be participating in the Indiana University Dance Marathon, which is led by Corresponding Secretary lan Stribling. We are looking forward to a great school year as well as becoming more active on campus.

Jake Seidman



### Wabash College

### Accredited with Honors

The 2007-08 school year at Indiana Gamma had an amazing start, with all active brothers either living in our chapter house or studying abroad! We also had a very successful fall rush, leaving us with a pledge class of 17 and nearly filling the house to capacity! Both of these exciting facts are by in large due to the recent renovation of the chapter house, making this year the first full academic year living in the new house. We will never be able to fully convey the thanks to our alumni base and Wabash College enough for their generous donations and support of our chapter and Phi Kappa Psi as a whole.

We are also fortunate enough to have several of our brothers represent Phi Psi outside the borders of our nation. Brothers Steve Abbott '09, Matt Goodrich '09, Derek Lough '09, George Mavrelis '09, and Krzysztof Wojciechowski '09 are all taking part in the Off-Campus Study option offered through the college and are studying in a variety of countries (mostly European) this year. Other brothers currently in the house who also had the opportunity to study abroad are seniors Benjamin Bly, John Garrett, J. Daniel Gillespie, Joshua Harris, L. Christopher Haskell, Nicholas Leon, Luke Odom, and Brian Weil.

With over a third of the house participating in varsity level collegiate athletics, and another third participating in intramural activities, it is safe to say that Phi Psi athletes are making a large impact. Our intramural teams are leading the house in our "Return to Glory," leading in the competition of nine other fraternities and two non-Greek teams as well. Along with the athletes' impact, brotherhood involvement on campus is on the rise, especially with Junior Daniel Anglin going through the process of joining brothers Jason Gray '08 and Jake Thomas '09 in the most prestigious

leadership group on campus, the Sphinx Club. Other organizations that Phi Psi is represented in both leadership and serving roles this semester include The Bachelor (the campus newspaper), Student Senate, The Wabash (the college yearbook), Glee Club, the service group Alpha Phi Omega, The Callimachus (Division II journal), Wabash Christian Men, as well as several other campus-related groups and activities. Our current pledge class also made a large statement to the rest of the class of 2011 by winning overall in the series of Homecoming events.

It sure is great to be a Phi Psi!

Patrick Griffith



### INDIANA DELTA Purdue University

Greetings from West Lafayette! At writing, we have just finished a great Homecoming weekend, which was a success thanks to the help of our solid pledge class of 23 young gentlemen who will serve the chapter well for years to come. I am very happy to announce the creation of a spring philanthropy revolving around time trials involving tricycles, co-sponsored with the ladies of Kappa Alpha Theta. This February we will be observing Founder's Day the Sunday before with lunch at the house and a golf outing. If you don't get to take this opportunity to meet our new members, there will be a great showing in Indianapolis for GAC.

The recent updates from the undergraduates have received positive reviews and are available on the www.purdue.edu/phipsi website. If you wish to get in contact with us, please shoot an email to IndianaDelta@gmail.com which will forward perpetually to our current AG.

Robert Heeter



### Accredited with Distinction

It is time once again for our annual report. This past year has been full of changes for the



Indiana Delta's Bid Dinner is bigger than usual with 23 pledges

betterment of our chapter in many ways. First, we have inducted 18 new members in the past year alone. This is a very high number and is actually second among all the fraternities on Valparaiso University's campus. Our new members also had the highest grade point average of all the fraternities' new member classes. They bring with them a lot of potential and many of them have already undertaken higher roles in our chapter.

A few things that we have done around the house are updating our weight room and kitchen. We have purchased many new pieces of equipment for our weight room including a new treadmill and weight bench. In our kitchen, we received a brand new stove and all new kitchen supplies. Most of these purchases were made possible through our house improvement fund, which we set up two years ago in order to help make the proper improvements to our house over the course of the school year.

This past year we have also performed many hours of community service. We have hosted many campus-wide dance parties where we accepted donations for the Boys and Girls Club of

America. We also hosted a basketball tournament this past semester, the annual Kyle Carson basketball tournament, in which we raised nearly \$250 that we also donated to the Boys and Girls Club. We have also volunteered around the community by donating time at the Valparaiso Popcorn Festival, Rebuilding Together and many other events hosted by other organizations on campus to raise money for charities. Last year, our chapter was second overall in volunteer hours of community service. This shows our dedication and devotion to our pledge to "The Great Joy of Serving Others."

This past October, we held our third annual freshman scholarship banquet, where we recognized five outstanding freshmen in four different categories. The categories were Leadership, Community Service, Physical Wellness and the Excellence Bound scholarship. After the scholarship recipients were recognized, we came back to our fraternity house and hosted our first annual presentation to our members' parents called "What Phi Psi does for your son." In this presentation, we explained many facets of our



Valpo Phi Psis gather for a dressy group photo

Fraternity, including scholarship, philanthropy, house improvements and intramurals. We also talked about what responsibilities come with joining Phi Kappa Psi. This was a very informative presentation that brought a lot of positive feedback back about our chapter. Our parents are very important to us, so we wanted to inform them of the benefits that this fraternity has brought to all of us.

The final thing to discuss is our Faculty-Phi Psi Christmas Party this upcoming December. This is a new event for all of us and we are hoping for a great turn out. We are inviting many faculty and administration members here at Valparaiso University over to our house for a social event that consists of snacks, jazz music and mocktails. This should be a great event to socialize with faculty and administration about our chapter and our perception and relations with the University as a whole. This will help to create a much stronger relation between Indiana Epsilon and the administration on campus.

As you can see, this past year has been filled with great events and we are not done there. We are continually striving for excellence and creating

new opportunities to increase our relations with the rest of the campus and community. Amici.

Dean Webb



### Accredited with Distinction

Indiana Zeta has continued to enjoy success this fall semester. One of our largest successes thus far was our Phi Psi 5k, which raised money for the American Cancer Society. This year we worked exceptionally hard to raise as much money as possible. In all, Indiana Zeta raised over \$10,000 for the American Cancer Society, and we are very proud of this accomplishment.

New this semester was our chapter's participation in Sigma Chi's chariot race. The race is the oldest tradition on Butler University's campus, but had not taken place in the last few years. This year, Sigma Chi wanted to continue the tradition and asked Indiana Zeta to compete against them.

We enthusiastically accepted the invitation and began to assemble our team. The race was held on Butler's Homecoming Day and many Indiana Zeta alumni had the opportunity to come to the race. There was a lot of excitement around campus for the race, and the streets were lined with students, faculty and alumni. The beginning of the race was fairly close, but Indiana Zeta prevailed and defeated Sigma Chi in our first chariot race.

Indiana Zeta has continued its winning tradition in other on-campus competitions as well, including Alpha Phi's Phiesta, Kappa Alpha Theta's Grill-Off, Pi Beta Phi's Arrow Spike and others. The success we have had in these events have been beneficial for our on-campus image and our brotherhood. We look forward to continuing the hard work we have put into events such as these throughout the rest of this semester and are very excited for the upcoming spring semester.

Brian Rochford



Indiana Zeta won this chariot race against Butler's Sigma Chi chapter



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### Accredited with Distinction

Here at the University of Iowa we, the men of lowa Alpha, are excited about some of the big initiatives that we are undertaking. We are extremely proud of our 34 man pledge class, which is accelerating through the pledge education process and showing signs of being promising leaders on campus. We were able to obtain 15 of these men through the Kinnick Scholarship that we offer during the summer to incoming men that represent the qualities of Iowa's only Heisman Winner and fellow Iowa Alpha brother, Nile Kinnick. Through working with the National Foundation and our housing corporation, we were able to distribute over \$6500 in scholarships to nine men of strong character and academic excellence. This year, we held the scholarship lunch in the newly renovated press box overlooking the stadium that the scholarship is named and modeled after. We look forward to expanding the scholarship next summer and appreciate the support of our alumni who continue to help guide us through the scholarship's process.

In addition to meeting our recruitment goals, the chapter has begun reevaluating our scholarship plan in an effort to continue to strengthen our position academically. We felt fortunate to obtain a chapter average of 3.17 last semester, but are striving towards more improvement in the future. We take pride in our unique ability to be a large chapter of over 100 men that can still maintain a strong focus on the importance of scholarship. Last summer many of our men spent their time working at internships in places such as Chicago, New York and even London.

Although the date is not until early April, we are currently also beginning to organize the third annual Phi Psi-Theta Hoops tournament. Last year, we were able to team up and raise over \$5,000 together. Iowa Alpha gave \$2500 to the Juvenile Diabetes Fund last year, and we are motivated to write a check for over \$3000 this year. The event is always a blast and attracts over 100 three-person

basketball teams and some of the area's elite basketball players. Partnering with Kappa Alpha Theta has enriched the tournament and we look forward to continuing the tradition for a long time to come.

After a long but important housing corporation meeting last January, we began working on some house improvements that have already began to pay off. Besides renovating both of our bathrooms and re-carpeting, the men are excited about the new patio and grill that has just been installed. With the addition of some picnic tables, the patio has been a place full of vibrant activity as we have barbecues with the different sororities on campus every week.

We look forward to continuing our growth both as a fraternity and as individuals as the year continues. Additionally, we would be happy to have any alumni who would like to see some of the house changes stop by. Lastly, we would like to congratulate the men at lowa Beta on their re-installation at lowa State and thank them for having us as their guests at their banquet in October: We wish them luck and hope to establish a strong relationship with them as we are sure they will quickly grow into a fantastic new chapter at lowa State.

Alan Cosby



### Accredited with Distinction

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### Kansas Alpha Kansas University

### Accredited with Honors

Another fall semester is going by fast as we at Kansas Alpha have had a great start to the 2007 year.

We welcomed 32 new members into our chapter that have shown promise to be great Phi Psis in the future. They have been busy with learning what it means to be a fraternity man and have enjoyed themselves.

We are extremely excited to report another semester of great academic success at Kansas Alpha. Our overall chapter GPA was a 3.19, placing second on the hill, which is one of the best spring averages in recent memory. Very soon we will be hosting our scholarship dinner in order to reward the undergraduates who achieved high academic standing this past spring. Through the unbelievable support of our endowment association, they will be receiving scholarship checks to reward their hard work and success. Around 40 undergraduates will be receiving scholarship rewards for their performance for this past spring semester.

For the 12th time out of the past 13 semesters, we won the fall campus wide blood drive for the university. As a reward for our previous success in the blood drive, we were allotted a station to be held at the chapter house, which helped shed a very positive light on our brotherhood.

Recently we held our Halloween philanthropy with the women of Kappa Alpha Theta. For this event we invite the children of the local Boys and Girls Club over to the chapter house to enjoy a haunted house along with other activities. This yearly philanthropy is hosted by our undergraduates and proves to be a very rewarding experience.

We are in the beginning stages of our recruitment process for the fall '08 school year and have already compiled a very promising list of names. It is vital to the recruitment process to have support from the alumni through recommendations in order to create as strong a pledge class as possible. Our recruitment chairmen for this year are Brandon Budd (bbudd05@ku.edu) Ricky and (Rzahner@ku.edu). Both of them are looking forward to hearing from alumni recommendations in order to carry on the legacy.

On behalf of the active chapter I would like to thank everyone who has invested time and support in Phi Kappa Psi and in particular Kansas Alpha. It is through the gracious support of our alumni that really makes the wonderful undergraduate experience of our Fraternity what it is today.

Don Wilson

## KENTUCKY BETA University of Kentucky

The brothers of Kentucky Beta are really excited about this new school year. Having recently initiated some terrific new brothers into the chapter, we are expecting great things in the coming years. We are also looking forward to our 20th Anniversary Celebration, to take place in February. This anniversary is extremely important to us, and we would like any and all brothers who wish to celebrate with us to attend.

We are continuing to send out the Kentucky Beta Quarterly, so if you are an alumnus of Kentucky Beta and didn't receive any newsletters, the chapter urges you to send us an email. Email about the KBQ can be directed to dgpick2@uky.edu. Or you can visit our chapter's web site at www.kybeta88.com.

Damian Pickering



### Louisiana State University

The Louisiana Alpha chapter is moving full speed ahead. The spring semester showed full potential with exciting events and preparation for summer recruitment. Our Annual Pig Roast was a success with Texas country singer Roger Creager playing in the backyard surrounded by 1,000 pounds of crawfish and two pigs roasting. Spring ended and summer began with recruitment heavy on our minds.

Fall recruitment went really well bringing in 12 energetic pledges. Chapter size has decreased from previous years, but the brothers are holding on strong. Several events were planned for our fall semester including our fall philanthropy, the annual Halloween Carnival, which was held on October 24, as well as several brotherhood events. Our focus is to keep our pledges active and excited about their pledge semester. And as we end off the year and semester, we look to a new slate of executive officers to continue pushing our chapter to strive at LSU.

I. Aaron Johnson



### Loyola University

### Accredited with Honors

The fall semester holds a lot of promise for our chapter. The newly elected officers of the chapter have been working diligently to continue our prominence on Loyola's campus. Further, we are enjoying the company of 12 new brothers who are already taking an active role in improving the chapter. Some have become effective committee chairs while others work for the betterment of the chapter in whatever capacity possible.

Despite being a small chapter, the effects of our presence on campus are widespread. One of our actives, Braxton Bernard, is the president of the University Programming Board, which is the most important student position on campus. In addition, we have brothers involved in residential life, student government, The Maroon student newspaper, the American Marketing Association, as well as numerous other student organizations.

As we approach our 15th anniversary as a chapter, we have begun to place a priority on developing a strong relationship with our alumni. Two of our brothers have been working diligently to create a biannual newsletter for our alumni letting them know about the goings-on of the chapter. Further, we recently concluded our second annual alumni reunion the first weekend of October. The reunion was an incredible success, with well over 40 alumni dating all the way back to our founding as a chapter in attendance.

As we come back from fall break, the chapter has a lot to look forward to. We have our signature social event, Magical Mystery Tour, coming up at the end of October. We are excited to bring back an old social event in November called Boston Tea Party which promises to be a good time. While we are excited about those social events, we will continue to place a priority on developing and fostering our brotherhood.

Andrew Dickhute



### Accredited with Honors

This semester at Johns Hopkins has been one of perseverance for Maryland Alpha. In the spring 2007 semester, a Baltimore city hearing left us without a house. Though zoning and minimal support from the university were largely to blame, our spirits are high and we have persevered. A large portion of this vitality is thanks to the dedication of newly initiated brothers that have accepted nothing less than full participation in resolving this all-consuming issue.

This recent pledge class has brought 24 outstanding minds, perspectives and personalities to the ranks of Maryland Alpha. The 2007 pledge class is the quintessential example of the eclectic grouping that is Phi Psi. Included are eight water polo players, two tennis players, two swimmers, one member of the Hopkins Jazz ensemble, both a class president and secretary, the co-founder of the Hopkins Earth Action Team, who contributed in large part to Hopkins' adoption of a Climate Change policy, and many other involved students. Furthermore, of the 24 newly initiated brothers, eight have taken leadership roles within the chapter for the 2007-2008 scholastic year.

In addition to the housing situation, a large initiative of Maryland Alpha has been to uphold the philanthropic principles upon which Phi Kappa Psi was founded. Perennial winners of the Johns Hopkins Greek Life Philanthropy award, we have spearheaded a campaign for Habitat for Humanity, raising in excess of \$1,800 for their Sandtown row house rehabilitation in Baltimore City. In addition to fundraising, brothers have participated in both Habitat for Humanity volunteering opportunities as well as SAT tutoring and, in one instance, teaching a pre-calculus class at ACCE High School, an academy for underprivileged youths in Baltimore City.

Though we wish that all brothers could commit their time to service, we recognize that a large portion of our brotherhood is consumed by athletic commitments. Having won the 2005

Division III National Championships, the Johns Hopkins water polo team, headed by Captain Sean McCreery, pledge class of 2006, is currently ranked number two in the nation for Division III water polo and looks to earn another national title in the coming weeks.

In looking forward, we are proud to say that scholarship is still at the forefront of Maryland Alpha, made evident by a recent contribution that has tripled our yearly scholarship awards. Though faced with much adversity, the enduring spirit and founding principles of Phi Kappa Psi are thriving at Maryland Alpha.

Peter Sargent



### Accredited with Distinction

On September 29, 2007 the Maryland Gamma colony of Phi Kappa Psi became a fully chartered Fraternity chapter! That morning, the founding fathers and first three pledge classes were initiated as full brothers of Phi Kappa Psi in the campus chapel. The ceremony was performed primarily by Tryon Hubbard Alabama Alpha '64, Dud "Mr. Phi Psi" Daniel Arizona Alpha '47 and our chapter advisor Micah Kleid Penn Eta '00. We were also lucky enough to have representatives from Headquarters staff (special thanks to Ron, Shawn and Claude), the District Archons (thanks Jon, Dave and Sean) and many other brothers in attendance (thanks Penn Phi). In celebration of this momentous event, the brothers hosted family, friends and Phi Psis alike for a banquet that evening, highlighted with a speech by Brother Hubbard. After working toward this day for a year and a half, the occasion, when it finally arrived, was both relieving and celebratory. The following week we were accepted by our university's Interfraternity Council, and are proud to call ourselves University of Maryland's newest fraternity chapter. With the help of National representatives, local alumni and of course the hard work of our brothers, we were able to earn our charter and are extremely proud to be brothers of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

Nathan Kassalow



### Accredited with Honors

The brothers of Massachusetts Beta have been enjoying an excellent semester so far. We kicked off the year with an extremely successful recruitment, resulting in a pledge class of 10 young gentlemen whom we look forward to initiating into our brotherhood. This will increase our brotherhood to 45 active members, a huge increase in size from even just a few years ago. Excitement over our new house, purchased for us just over a year ago by Phi Psi alumnus Jerry Nelson, has not waned as a new group of brothers has occupied the house and we continue to work on house beautification projects. For this purpose we have kept up with fundraising efforts, including a magazine drive and a joint promotion with Wendy's. Fundraising has helped us increase the size of our newly established Chapter Scholarship Fund, and we were able to give a brother a scholarship for the first time last semester.

Our brotherhood has benefited from a variety of social events, including watching the Patriots at the chapter house and holding Olympic-style competitions in which brothers team up and participate in various contents. We are looking forward to holding our semi-formal at a restaurant in Boston's North End this fall, and upcoming chapter events include a trip back to the Good Times Emporium for another contentious game of laser tag.

The chapter is continuing to work hard to uphold the philanthropic mission of Phi Kappa Psi as we have done in the past. Last year we had no trouble achieving the Phi Psi 500 and this year we plan to meet and surpass our goal again. Brothers participated in the IGC charity walk, spent Halloween collecting canned food from houses for charity and a day at the Greater Boston Food Bank.

Finally, the chapter is looking to reconnect with more alumni after a successful Founder's Day weekend last semester. We would like to invite any alumni to contact us and stop by to meet the new brothers, admire our new house and see that the spirit of fraternity is alive and well at Massachusetts Beta.

Jeremy Konar



### Accredited with Honors

The brothers of Michigan Alpha anxiously awaited our return to Ann Arbor after a long summer. Once we got back, it was business as usual. Our chapter house is hosting brothers at full capacity, 31 live-ins and 81 brothers in total. Michigan Alpha is the third largest fraternity on campus and continues to maintain the second best GPA of all fraternities in the IFC. We are currently in good standing with the University of Michigan IFC and are proud to say that we have recently been Accredited with Honors by the National Fraternity. Our fall recruitment was headed by five very enthusiastic recruitment chairmen. The increased number of chairmen almost certainly attributed to the quantity and quality of men that we hosted at the chapter house during recruitment. On October 21, our chapter formally initiated 27 outstanding young gentlemen into our fall 2007 pledge class. The brothers could not be happier with the work of the recruitment chairs and their dedication to continuously improving our chapter. "The Great Joy of Serving Others" continues to be at the forefront of our priorities, as we have our annual community service event scheduled for December 8, 2007. Our philanthropy chairmen have been hard at work corresponding with the directors of the SOS Charity in Ypsilanti, Mich. to organize transportation and gift requests of the underprivileged children that we will be hosting in our chapter house. The event will, for the fifth year in a row, be one of the largest community service events on the campus. After the most successful Founders Day in recent history last year, Michigan Alpha expects to build on this success and host a record number of alumni this year. Our 2008 Founders Day is scheduled for March 8, 2008, it is sure to be a great time for all. Socially, our

house continues to abide by the rules set forth by the IFC while improving our relations with other fraternities, sororities and social groups on campus. Things are moving very well in Ann Arbor this year. Michigan Alpha is proud to say that we continue to embody the ideals of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

Zach LaPalme



No newsletter submitted. To find out why, contact GP Chris Seeber at seeberch@msu.edu.



### Accredited with Honors

The Minnesota Beta Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi is off to a phenomenal year. We kicked off the school year with a great rush period and by initiating 20 guys this past October. This brings our total numbers up to 62, making us one of the biggest chapters on an ever-expanding Greek campus. We were also pleased to have Brother Paul Wineman here to talk to our then-pledges and the chapter as a whole about what it means to be a Phi Psi.

We had a successful homecoming week while being paired with Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and the lovely ladies of Pi Beta Phi. The house looked great and full of Gopher spirit like usual, and students and alumni together had a fantastic time.

Last spring our chapter won at our annual University of Minnesota Greek Awards. We took four awards back to the pillars for Scholarship, Recruitment and Community Service. Also, Brother Alec Catsuros took home the Greek Man of the Year award and has helped our chapter become a premier name on campus. Along with Brother Catsuros, we have two members out of possible positions on the Interfraternity Council. Clint Been serves as the Vice President of Public Relations and Josh Mortensen serves as the vice President of Programming. Overall it has been a great fall semester and we hope to continue the

good work throughout the Greek and campus community. We are planning on sending multiple brothers to the American Leadership Academy in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico this spring to experience that leadership opportunity, as Brother Joey Taralson will be one of the coordinators there.

Chris Hodge

## MINNESOTA GAMMA Minnesota State University at Mankato

### Accredited

The men of Minnesota Gamma have been keeping busy this semester with several exciting events. Recently, we successfully had our annual alumni golf tournament this past September. A number of alumni made the trip and participated in all the activities over the weekend. We offer our thanks to them for making the event a success.

We have also been very busy with recruitment this fall, and our hard work has paid off with one of our best pledge classes in years. We hope to continue our success and plan to make recruitment our number one priority in the semesters to come.

Besides our recruitment efforts, we have also been participating in some great philanthropy projects. Two of our brothers spent an entire day assisting flood victims in southern Minnesota. We also devoted time to the American Red Cross for their blood drive on campus.

We do have one member graduating this fall, Matthew Hamilton, who we would like to congratulate on completing his time here and thank for all his devotion to our chapter.

Lastly, we are extremely excited that our national Vice President Paul Wineman visited Minnesota State University, Mankato, to present a speech on negotiating. Our chapter worked hard to promote this event on campus, and we are pleased that this event was a great success for our chapter. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Paul for giving his time and energy for this event.

Patrick B. Wilson



### Accredited

The fall of 2007 has turned out to be a promising semester for the brothers of Minnesota Delta. To start off the semester right, our alumni were very helpful in putting together a rush workshop and planning session. The workshop session was held Labor Day weekend as many of the brothers were moving back into town. We are very lucky and grateful for the wonderful alumni we have that help support us. Many alumni also returned to campus for homecoming when our traditional Alumni vs. Undergrad football game took place. Even though the conditions were a bit to be desired, the undergrads prevailed.

In late September, we hosted a Phi Psi Paintball outing open to all students. Students received discounted rates for rental and field fees at Superior Fire Power. About 50 people attended, the weather was beautiful and a great time was had by all. In the works right now is another Phi Psi Texas Hold'em Tournament. Aside from holding campus wide events and events with other Greek organizations on campus, we were able to induct six great gentlemen into the pledge process and will hopefully be initiating them later on in the semester. Looking ahead to spring our brothers are excited for a few brotherhood trips that are getting planned and a trip to ALA over spring break.

Matt Slinger



### MISSISSIPPI ALPHA University of Mississippi

No newsletter submitted. To find out why, contact GP Brad Sweet at bssweet@olemiss.edu.

# MISSOURI ALPHA University of Missouri

### Accredited

The men of Missouri Alpha started off the year on the right foot with a Fall Alpha pledge class of 14 young men. Currently, the chapter is recruiting for the winter and spring pledge classes. The brothers set an ambitious goal to make the 2007-2008 school year one of the largest recruiting classes in the chapter's history and are on pace to achieve it!

The oldest and most hallowed tradition at Mizzou is Homecoming. The chapter performed well in the competition against the other campus Greek houses this year, placing in the skit and blood donation categories. We also captured first place in intramural football. Now that Homecoming is over, planning is beginning for Greek Week in the spring.

Missouri Alpha participated in many philanthropies and service events this fall. The house's golfers participated in Kappa Kappa Gamma's "Kappa Klassic." The golf tournament benefits the Boys and Girls club of Columbia. Next up was Delta Delta Delta's "Triple Play." The charity softball tournament raised money for St. Jude's Children's hospital. Brothers and pledges also participated in the "Trick or Treat So Kids Can Eat" door-to-door food drive this October.

As the Missouri Alpha chapter continues to grow and become more prominent at the University of Missouri, we strive to improve the brotherhood by recruiting quality young men and focusing on academics and balanced living.

Brandon Laughridge



### NEBRASKA ALPHA University of Nebraska

Remarkable strides were made over the past few months. First of all, our membership chairmen recruited a top class on campus, numbering 30. This group, the largest in many years, is active and diverse. Many of them come to UNL as distinguished prep scholars and athletes or with other noteworthy accomplishments.

Alumni participation is also rising. Our annual alumni/scholarship banquet was well attended. One particular individual, Tom Henrion, deserves high praise. Mr. Henrion, whose father actively participated in chapter affairs for decades, has followed suit and helped assemble a new alumni board. The role models on this board will undoubtedly share their wisdom and help guide us to future successes.

This fall we conducted a philanthropic event, the "Phi Kappa Fry." The event was more successful than last year's, which raised over \$1,000 for charitable causes. It's a great time to be a Nebraska Phi Psi.

Stephen Hassler



## NEBRASKA BETA Creighton University

### **Accredited**

The greatest thing about our chapter is strong leadership. Our commitment to excellence is evident by our recent Accreditation along with our regional honors in academics at the GAC counsel. The record pledge class of 2006 is now playing a key role in shaping our chapter for the better. Athletically our group has swept the Greek Olympics competition in basketball, flag football and soccer. Our diverse group will undoubtedly go on to become very successful businessmen, doctors and lawyers partially because of the great leadership experiences we have been afforded through brotherhood in Phi Kappa Psi.

One of the most important things to our



Nebraska Beta celebrates their intramural soccer championship

chapter is our house. The brothers living here now are more determined than ever to make it the best symbol of Nebraska Beta possible. Brothers, alumni, parents and friends who stop by our house now are amazed at the continuous improvement of our property. Our recent Halloween philanthropy event transformed our home into a haunted house for the Omaha Boys and Girls Club to enjoy free of charge. Actives dressed up in costumes while the kids went through a dark maze in the basement of our house. The kids then had their faces painted and enjoyed bags of candy.

The brothers of Nebraska Beta are excited to push ourselves even further and bring in record numbers for the crucial spring recruitment season. We are proud to be debt free (other than the mortgage) and are committed to continually uphold the ideals that this great fraternity holds dear. For those alumni who have not been to the house or attended Founders Day celebrations recently, we encourage you to stop by the chapter house at 36th and Farnam and put February 23, 2007 on your calendar for Founders Day. Questions can be directed to Nick Kohlmeyer, 402-981-3955. We encourage all of you to remind yourself what you loved about Phi Psi and to know that those same things exist right here in our active chapter. Live Ever Die Never!

Jeff Murnan



### NEW JERSEY DELTA The College of New Jersey

The New Jersey Delta Chapter is currently on the top its game in all aspects of fraternity life. We started the year off with a bang by holding well-executed recruitment events, and combined with hard work from the brotherhood we were able to recruit a five man pledge class, the largest fall class we have had in over five years. Also, just recently we participated in our school's Homecoming, where we placed in the top two for all Greek organizations. One of our brothers, Purak Parikh, also won Homecoming King. We have the highest GPA for all social fraternities on campus and looking further into the semester, we have a

philanthropy event in the form of a Belly Flop Competition planned in the coming weeks. New Jersey Delta is enjoying its current success and plans on doing everything possible to maintain and build upon it.

Ryan Kent



### NEW JERSEY EPSILON Rowan University

The brothers of N.I. Epsilon are excited for another year of exemplifying the values of Phi Kappa Psi at Rowan University. The Greek Cup trophy was the award for the best fraternity on Rowan's campus, and though the university decided to replace it with a new award last March and did not issue a 2006-2007 Greek Cup winner, when scoring ended our chapter was significantly ahead of everyone else and on the verge of a repeat award, meaning not only are we living the philanthropic and academic values of Phi Psi, which were the two biggest contributors in scoring, but also living by the values of Rowan University. This has helped garner us a very positive image with nearly everyone at Rowan, and they are values we are still looking for everyday as our still young chapter is prepared to reach our 100th member this fall with our Xi pledge class.

Steven Hanson



## NEW YORK ALPHA Cornell University

No newsletter submitted. To find out why, contact GP Devin DeMenno at did35@cornell.edu.



### NEW YORK BETA Syracuse University

Since our refounding in 2001, we have grown significantly to a total of 51 brothers. With an average of 14 new initiates each semester, our



New Jersey Epsilon welcomes its Xi pledge class, including the chapter's 100th initiate

future is looking bright. Our house is one of the most beautiful properties along Syracuse University's fraternity row. While we are already a step above other houses, we continually strive to improve upon our house in both a physical and theoretical manner. Our latest improvements have included repainting of the basement and porch, minor construction of house doors, a prominent drawing in the basement of our old house, and a colorful drawing of the Jacqueminot Rose. One of our New York Beta alumni, Rich Klink, has done an amazing job as our housing corporation president to help us ensure the continued success of our chapter. Rich's time commitment demonstrates the Phi Psi mentality of brotherhood before self.

Matthew Agnello



### NEW YORK ETA University at Buffalo

No newsletter submitted. To find out why, contact GP George Bochenek at grb3@buffalo.edu.



**NEW YORK THETA** 

### Rochester Institute of Technology

### Accredited

No newsletter submitted. To find out why, contact GPThomas Read at tpr9555@rit.edu.



### NEW YORK IOTA Binghamton University

It has been another amazing semester for us over here in Binghamton. Our numbers continue to grow and recruitment for next semester already looks like it is going to be one of the most promising yet. Along with rising numbers, our reputation on campus is also growing at a rapid rate after our GP brought us one more step closer

to winning the annual body building and skit competition held every fall. What made the event really memorable was seeing the majority of our alumni come back to help support and celebrate this special time with us. Philanthropy efforts are also going very strong, with our participation at the Boys and Girls Club every week, the CHOW Walk and a Halloween event at the local zoo where we had the esteemed honor of running the Dracula exhibit. With such strong and positive momentum built up behind us, the sky is the limit and we are ready for the ride.

John Dekan

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

### Accredited

Greetings, from the brothers of New York Kappa!

I would like to start off by passing along congratulations to our recently initiated Kappa class. We are extremely excited to have seven new and dedicated brothers in our chapter. With the induction of these gentlemen, our numbers are increasing at a noticeable rate and we are actively anticipating bringing in our largest pledge class in the spring. We continually hold recruitment as one of our highest priorities and it is because of this emphasis that N.Y. Kappa will soon be approaching its one- hundred member mark.

The fall 2007 semester has brought with it a plethora of many great philanthropic opportunities. Perhaps the one that sticks out most in the minds of our brothers is when we lent our hands (and feet) to the local Punt, Pass and Kick competition. This was an event in which we helped to facilitate a competition in which young adolescents participated in a multifaceted football contest. Those of us who are a bit more football savvy enjoyed the chance to coach the youngsters in a particular event; others were able to apply their time to other aspects of the day, such as preparing the field for competition and manning the

registration area. At the end of the day, this event provided to be an extremely fulfilling opportunity for the brotherhood to serve our community.

The weekend of October 12-14 was family weekend at the College at Oneonta. Many of our parents and family members were able to join the brothers for a barbeque held at the chapter house. It offered an occasion for us to bond not only with each other but also with brothers' family members, an occasion that is very rare. It was also great to have our advisor Roger Sullivan and his wife spend the day at our house.

Over the summer, one of our brothers' nieces was stricken with a very debilitating skin disease that will make it very difficult for the young girl to take of herself. We are diligently planning a music festival, with all proceeds going to the girl's family to help defer medical costs and other expenses. The College at Oneonta is very musically oriented and overflowing with talented acts, many of which have volunteered their talents to perform in the benefit. The festival is aptly named "Save Our Grace."

Our chapter continues to prove itself academically, as Phi Psi has again posted the highest cumulative GPA of all fraternities on campus. Also, this summer at the Woodrow Wilson Leaderships School, N.Y. Kappa was honored to receive the Dr. Thomas D. Myers Scholarship award.

We are looking forward to the rest of the year and the many opportunities that lay ahead. If you If would like to plan an event or visit NY Kappa, contact Brooks Rahmer, Corresponding Secretary, at brooksrahmer@gmail.com.

Brooks Rahmer



### Accredited

The North Carolina Beta Chapter welcomes three new pledges to our chapter. Tom Wall, Andrew Paul and Michael Hoover are the newest members as the Alpha Zeta pledge class. This semester we are striving to get our GPA up and win Best Fraternity on Campus at East Carolina.

Our community service projects this semester is with the Humane Society of Greenville and also the Boys and Girls Club of Greenville. We are still a small chapter but we are growing and learning. Live Ever. Die Never.

Joshua Burns



### Ohio Wesleyan University

No newsletter submitted. To find out why, contact GP Nicholas Wagner at ndwagner@owu.edu.



### OHIO BETA Wittenberg University

No newsletter submitted.



### Accredited with Distinction

Fall guarter has been a very bountiful time for the Ohio Delta Chapter. Once again with the largest fraternal membership at Ohio State University, we are the premier fraternity on campus. In regards to athletics, we have continued our dominance in all fall guarter intramurals. Ohio Delta are champions in flag football, outdoor soccer and 200-meter relay in swimming for fall quarter 2007. We have also donated a large amount of time and funding to community service this fall. We have assisted the greater Columbus area in constructing light poles for increased safety. We have also been greatly involved in inner city recreation, setting up multiple soccer and flag football leagues for underprivileged children. Innercity street cleanups have also been a weekly event for the brothers of Phi Kappa Psi. Though we have been involved in several philanthropy events for the city of Columbus, our crown jewel of achievement was during the week of Thanksgiving,

when we hosted a benefit dinner for single parents and their children. In regards to academics, our chapter GPA ranks amongst the best the Greek system at Ohio State University has ever seen. Coming in at an average just above 3.7 compared to an average of 2.6 for all fraternities, Phi Kappa Psi is a beacon for academic excellence on campus. This fall has also been a record for members of the Ohio Delta Chapter in regards to scholarships received. Eighty percent of Phi Kappa Psi members have received a scholarship. As a brotherhood, we look forward to having the best year yet. We have many hopes and dreams for the entirety of the year to follow. With the strong foundation we have created, may Ohio Delta Live Ever. Die Never!



### Accredited with Honors

I am proud to report that Ohio Epsilon has become a force on campus at Case Western. We are now the second largest fraternity here and initiated 13 new members on November 17, 2007.

There are many other upcoming events for alumni to interact with their peers and the active First, we just finished celebrating homecoming weekend with an Oktoberfest gathering at our new house at 11915 Carlton Road. Alumni from different eras visited to enjoy German food, an oompah band of active brothers, and each other's company. On November 10, we held a charity 3-on-3 indoor soccer tournament at the Veale Center on the CWRU campus. Proceeds went to Tomorrow's Stars, an organization that helps provide education in Ghana. Ohio Epsilon alumnus George Weir '67 works closely with and provides funding for the charity, so we are especially proud to hold this event. We will celebrate Founders Day on Saturday, February 23, 2008 most likely on Case's campus, so expect an invitation in our next newsletter.

Over the last couple of years, the chapter has taken many strides towards reaching alumni, but we would like to go further. Thus, we would like to

encourage alumni to join our email list, phipsi-alumni@case.edu. By joining, you will receive about two updates a month about chapter events, and can connect with over 200 other alumni. We also created an online chapter directory at https://phipsi.case.edu/directory/. Here, nearly 300 alumni are registered. Alumni can add a picture, their badge number and any little brothers they had. It even has a huge family tree of the chapter, and we would like to keep it growing. If you would like to get on the email list or join the directory, want more information about event details, or just want to contact the chapter, don't hesitate to email alumni chair Chris Carach at christopher.carach@case.edu.

Lastly, there are also other chances to interact with alumni in Cleveland. The Cleveland Alumni Association is gaining momentum under the leadership of Ohio Epsilon alumnus David Matteson '02. Everyone from Ohio Epsilon will receive an email detailing future activities within the next few months. Additionally, if you know any non-Ohio Epsilon brothers living in the Cleveland area, have any suggestions or want more information, please contact Brother Matteson at dtm6@alumni.case.edu.

Joseph M. Friedman



### Accredited with Distinction

The Ohio Eta chapter of Phi Kappa Psi has been very busy so far this school year participating in sports, community service, social events and philanthropy. The chapter has more events planned for the immediate future and for next semester. Our semi-annual quesadilla dinner was held in the beginning of November with all of the proceeds donated to The University of Toledo's Dance Marathon, which benefits the Children's Miracle Network. The dinner was held at the chapter house and was prepared and served completely by the brothers. Guests were treated with unlimited cheese quesadillas and nachos.

We are a chapter that is committed to continuous improvement and growth. We strive to

improve ourselves and build on what we've accomplished in the past. We were recognized at the end of last year by the university for being the most improved chapter on campus, an achievement all of us are very proud of. We are going build off our successes of last year and strive to make Phi Psi the elite chapter on campus. Some of our goals for this year include continuing to raise our chapter grade point average, get all of our members in at least one other campus organization, and reach the chapter goal of 500 community service hours.

Phi Psi volunteered its time setting up water stations, distributing water and tearing down during The Race for the Cure which was held in downtown Toledo. Race for the cure is a 5k run that benefits victims of breast cancer. Brother Matt Ginsburg ran in the event and successfully completed the 5k. We will also be raising money and sponsoring a team to participate in the annual Relay for Life, which benefits the American Cancer Society. We also have planned to set up events working with the Boys and Girls club of greater Toledo, thus leaving our chapter well prepared to reach our goal of the Phi Psi 500. At our recent Greek recognition night, the ladies of the Delta Delta Delta sorority recognized our chapter with a beautiful plaque honoring us for our outstanding fundraising last spring. The ladies of Tri-Delta host an annual golf tournament that benefits the victims of multiple scleroses, and we raised more money than any other organization that participated.

The Homecoming festivities have recently taken place with Phi Psi being highly involved in the celebration. We were paired with the ladies of Alpha Xi Delta and our combined effort resulted in a great float and a very fun week. The float we entered into the parade turned out amazing and an alumnus commented that it was the best he had seen in seven years. We were very proud of the effort put in by both chapters and were satisfied by the end result.

We are coming off a successful fall recruitment, where we signed a group of quality men who we believe can all have a positive impact on the Fraternity. The pledges are enjoying the process thus far and are excited to become active brothers. We as a chapter have high expectations for our

new members and for the rest of this school year. We wish all other chapters the best and may they have continued success.

Alton Lynum



### Accredited with Distinction

Ohio Theta is proud to once again achieve Accredited with Distinction honors within the Phi Kappa Psi National Fraternity. News of this award set the tone for the fall 2007 semester, pushing the brotherhood to accomplish amazing things barely halfway through the semester. Greek Recruitment at Ashland University went well under the direction of IFC President Brother Dave White '03, with over 33% more students interested in Greek Life than last year. A strong recruitment effort under Brother Kyle Malone '06 saw ten outstanding gentlemen pledge themselves to our chapter: Ryan Augustitus, Daniel Ball, Jose Barreiro, Ron Brooks, Tyler Gatton, Joe Pelasky, Ben Wheeler, Garrett Wienecke, Eric Wooddell and Adam

Wright. This is one of the most enthusiastic pledge classes in years, and the brotherhood is excited to have these fine men as part of our organization.

The 2006-2007 academic year saw Ohio Theta net more than 2,000 hours of community service. Keeping true to the motto "The Great loy of Serving Others," the brotherhood began the fall semester by raising money with the Alpha Phi sorority for Madeline Ellingworth, a young girl from Findlay suffering from ataxia telangiectasia, a rare degenerative disease. Alpha Phi and Ohio Theta planned on raising \$1,000 dorm storming, but were able to present Madeline and her family a check for \$1,561.64. In early October we hosted a Root Beer Pong Tournament to raise money for Boys and Girls Clubs of America. In addition to raising money for these causes, the Brotherhood has been helping to clean up and paint the Mansfield Playhouse, where our new Faculty Advisor, Dr. John Moser, performs in various theatrical events.

Homecoming 2007 was a weekend to remember for Ohio Theta. We welcomed home the most alumni since our 40th Anniversary Founders' Day in April 2006. Several of our alumni



Ohio Theta continues to set the bar for excellence at Ashland University

came in from as far away as California to attend our Housing Corporation meeting and mingle at the All-Greek Cookout sponsored by Greek Life in Fraternity Circle. Plans were made to increase alumni participation in our semi-annual newsletter, The Voice of Psimon. The weekend following Homecoming, 25 of our brothers ventured up to Cedar Point Amusement Park in Sandusky, Ohio to work merchandising as a fundraiser for the chapter. We earned over \$4,000 dollars to benefit ongoing chapter activities including philanthropy, social events and alumni outreach.

Never a chapter to sit back while others take the glory, Ohio Theta's intramural program has been on a roll this year. Lead by Brothers Cody Granneman, Ittle Adams and Josh Braun '05, and Tony Glessner '06, we have brought home the men's, women's and co-rec sand volleyball, men's doubles tennis, men's whiffle ball, and men's and corec flag football championships. We currently lead in all-sports points as well. Brother Jeremy Horton '07 has contacted Guinness World Records about the longest basketball game ever played, and at the end of November twenty-four brothers will be playing to break the world record by playing for over 70 hours. Sponsorship money will go toward charity.

Continuing a tradition of being leaders on campus: I I brothers and pledges hold positions in Student Senate, including the Presidency, Vice-Presidency, two executive officer positions, and two class presidencies; three brothers serve on the Campus Activities Board; seven brothers participate in the AU Club Soccer Team, including holding the Presidency and Vice-Presidency; a Phi Psi holds the Inter-Fraternity Council Presidency; and five brothers are members of the Honor Society. We look forward to a great year of making a difference at Ashland University.

Ben Kepple



The Ohio Lambda Chapter is off to another great year. We are in the midst of making many structural changes and additions to our aging house. We are revamping our chapter room and hoping to turn it into a nice lounge where brothers can do work as well as socialize. We are also getting ready for open house. We hope to continue to draw a large number of new members who will continue our strong tradition on Miami's campus. We finished 3rd in Greek Week earlier this year and were awarded the spirit award for most supportive fraternity on campus. We are looking forward to our annual Mud Volleyball philanthropy coming up soon. We are raising money for fire safety on Miami's campus in lieu of a house fire tragedy that occurred a few years ago. We look forward to seeing other brothers in Cabo and to another great year.

David Cooley



### **University of Dayton**

### Accredited with Distinction

The past summer and fall have been times of excitement, growth, and accomplishment for Ohio Mu. Having graduated many of our founding fathers in the spring of 2007, the younger brothers of our chapter have stepped up to fill many leadership Our success, illustrated by numerous accomplishments, awards, and distinctions, has been exceptional.

Our accomplishments became evident at Woodrow Wilson Leadership School as Ohio Mu was once again Accredited with Distinction. Big news about our accomplishments arrived in August when the Greek Annual Report was released for the University of Dayton. Ohio Mu achieved the highest average GPA, most service hours, and raised the most money for philanthropies out of all fraternities on campus. Once arriving back on campus the chapter began feverishly planning Phi Psi 500 and recruitment among many other events this semester.

The 2nd annual Phi Psi 500 at Dayton proved to be even more successful then last year's inaugural 500. During the week we had many events to raise money for our philanthropy - the American Heart Association. These events included a volleyball tournament and a sweetheart competition. We raised over \$2,000 and had a great time while bringing the campus together.

The scholarship committee will be awarding a \$1,000 and a \$500 scholarship to incoming freshmen who demonstrate that they are Men of Excellence. This has no doubt piqued the interest of many applicants and we expect that a number of them will be rushing in the fall.

Our athletic program continues to improve this year. Our athletics committee has set a goal to win the Fraternity Cup this year. Ohio Mu is off to a good start so far, progressing deep into the playoffs in all of the fall sports we participated in.

Recruitment this semester included a chipotle rush event and a stogies and hoagies event, which turned out to be a great event and attracted many of potential pledges. As a result of deferred recruitment, we were able to sign five upperclassmen as pledges. We now look forward to initiating four of these individuals at Headquarters in Indianapolis. These individuals have proven to be outstanding, passionate gentlemen.

The first Greek Week in eight years returned to UD this year, including events such as Greek God and Goddess, a torch race, a toga competition, a dance competition called Putting On The Hits (look for it on YouTube), a weeklong service project benefiting troops overseas and finally Greek Olympics. Ohio Mu actively participated in all events, placing in many of them. Overall we finished 3rd in a tight race.

A few improvements have been made to Ohio Mu's house as well. The summer saw the installation of a new state of the art fire alarm system as well as some new tile at the entrance to the house. Also, the finance committee planned and built a recycling box where cans are stored for recycling as a fundraiser for the chapter.

Other events that the chapter has planned this semester are a local alumni barbeque, a parent's weekend cookout and ziti dinner, capture the flag, and serenading all of the sororities on campus. The future for Ohio Mu is bright as every brother continues to strive for mental, physical and spiritual excellence.

Greg Marconi



As the year began, we said farewell to our former alumni advisor Andy Ferguson and welcomed John Laudermilk. This semester, Brother Laudermilk has already accomplished many great tasks in shaping the future of the chapter. The Homecoming game against Miami this fall reunited many alumni from across the country, and was also the groundbreaking weekend for many renovation projects on the house. We would like to thank the many alumni who have donated time and money to make these repairs possible. This past August, we released our first chapter alumni newsletter and have heard nothing but positive feedback. If anyone would like to be placed on our mailing list, please contact the chapter. Phi Psi recently competed in Gamma Phi Beta's annual chili cookoff, placing first in spiciest chili for the third time within the past four years. The brothers of Oklahoma Alpha are continuing to work hard as the semester comes to a close and are excited for the New Year.

Kyle Ray



### Oregon State University

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### PENNSYLVANIA BETA Allegheny College

### Accredited

The start of the 2007-2008 school year has marked one of the most exciting times in recent history for Penn Beta. With a total of almost 30 current brothers, we are beginning to distance ourselves from the other fraternities on campus in almost all areas. Athletically, our brothers could not be more accomplished. We have four brothers on the nationally ranked Allegheny Golf team, which has competed in a number of tournaments this autumn alone. A number of brothers are also members of the Allegheny Men's Rugby team, which this past April went to the Division III National Championships at Wake Forest University. As always, the beach volleyball court outside our house has been put to good use with the beautiful weather on campus the past few months.

Recruitment has been very successful so far this year. With 23 new initiates the past two years and 2 current upperclassman pledges, we are confident that fall recruitment will be a tremendous success as well. Philanthropically, our chapter has continued to honor its commitment to serving others in the community. We have already completed three major projects this year and are well on our way to reaching the Phi Psi 500 before semester's end. In addition, our brothers continue to excel in the classroom. Last fall, the chapter's GPA saw the highest increase from one semester to the next that Allegheny College has on record for any organization ever, and we look forward to building on that this year.

As you can see, we are all very proud of what has been accomplished so far this year, and look forward to all that remains to be done. Please visit our website at www.moredudes.com to find out more about the successes of the oldest uninterrupted chapter of any fraternity in the nation.

Eric Schonberg



### Accredited with Honors

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The fall 2007 semester has been filled with its share of ups and downs, but the overcoming of adversity has helped strengthen our brotherhood even more. At the start of the semester, a sizeable debt was thrown upon us. However, our brotherhood rallied around this obstacle, raising money and, with the generous aid of alumni, we have since paid off this substantial sum of money. Last spring we had some very successful events, including Relay for Life, where Phi Kappa Psi brotherhood had the largest turnout of any fraternity on campus, as well as the King of Wings competition, where we were able to raise money for the family of a cancer patient. We have some philanthropy events that we are very excited about coming up, including a charity kick ball tournament and Thanksgiving baskets. We hope for this positive trend to continue as we head into our spring semester.

Kyle Healy



### Franklin & Marshall College

### Accredited

Pennsylvania Eta is current experiencing a renewal at Franklin and Marshall. Recruitment has surged in the past two semesters, bringing 13 new brothers into the Fraternity. The past two pledge classes have brought a lot of new energy, reinvigorating the chapter's presence on campus. Equally impressive is the relationship built and



Pennsylvania Eta's members show up in droves for Homecoming

sustained with the alumni community. Homecoming weekend was well attended by Phi Psi graduates of all ages. Among the topics discussed were plans for fraternity housing next year, preparation for the chapter's 150 anniversary in 2010 and continuing to build upon the strides Phi Kappa Psi has made at Franklin and Marshall in the recent past.

Of particular importance is the chapter's continual commitment to community service. The brothers have become increasingly involved in philanthropic events, ranging from our ongoing work with the local Boys and Girls club to helping bring I in 4 to F&M, a men's group dedicated to ending sexual assault. In addition to aiding those outside the college, a large number of brothers remain engaged with the campus, leading clubs, social organizations and acting as advisors to underclassmen in the dormitories.

While we continue to look towards the future of Pennsylvania Eta, the current state of the chapter is commendable. When speaking to alumni during Homecoming weekend, Dean Kent Trachte gave a flattering speech on how the Fraternity is a model to others in the community. With the help of the alumni community, current brothers and the continuing trend of attracting highly committed pledges, Phi Kappa Psi can only continue to grow at Franklin and Marshall College.

Craig Harris



This past August, our brotherhood moved back into our house after a year of renovation. Thanks to our alumni, we are now living in the nicest and newest living quarters on campus. There were complete renovations to the upper two levels, which consist of the bedrooms. From walls to furniture, it's all brand new. Our basement was also redone along with our brothers' room. The first floor in our house was restored to preserve the 100 year old architecture. The renovation also included the installation of the HVAC air conditioning units. These units are state of the art and energy efficient - a great added bonus to the house. Outside the house was the addition of two side porches. The return of the side porches now makes our house resemble its original layout. Our house is a big hit on campus, with everyone who enters complimenting on it and wishing they were living there.

At a school with a relatively small Greek life, our chapter initiated 19 new brothers this past fall semester. This is after we initiated 19 new brothers last fall semester and four more in the spring. In the past two years, we have more than doubled the number of undergraduate brothers from three

years ago. A larger number of brothers means more campus awareness about our Fraternity and enables us to become active leaders on campus. We hope this is part of a current pattern for our house and we continue to grow in size and in leadership.

All in all, our chapter is has been renovated, both in our house and brotherhood. We look forward to this year and next with our new presence on campus and continue this upward trend.

James Castelluccio



### Accredited

The Pennsylvania lota Chapter is proud to announce the fruits of another successful year for our beloved Fraternity. We had a very successful recruitment last spring, pledging 19 new members, which brought our chapter size up to 39 active brothers, the largest we've been since the late 1990s. Our alumni also came out in full force over Homecoming weekend. We had a great time catching up, and many alumni felt compelled to generously give back to the house. Further, this coming year marks the 30th anniversary of our recolonization. We look to make our Founders Day celebration in the spring nothing short of spectacular, in commemoration of this special year.

Our other committees have also worked hard towards keeping the brotherhood positively active. Last semester, we conducted a toy drive for the Children's Hospital of Pennsylvania. The success of this fund-raising encouraged us to make it an annual event. The brothers have also volunteered a significant portion of their time through two trips to a local soup kitchen this semester.

Our annual Gentleman, Leader, Innovator freshman scholarship has continued to produce great results. We are fortunate to be able to award \$850, split amongst three outstanding new students, and this year's applicants have been nothing short of stellar. We are happy to not only promote academics within the university, but also

garner a positive reputation for the chapter. Our current house manager has also done a marvelous job with maintenance and renovations of the chapter house. Most alumni commented that the house has never looked so good.

Looking ahead to the following year, we hope to continue to ride our positive momentum. We look to initiate another strong class of new members and, as previously mentioned, focus on generating robust alumni interest. Live ever, die never!

Matt Wang



As we once again start a new school year, the brothers of Phi Kappa Psi at Penn Lambda continue to look forward with high hopes and aspirations. For the first time in several years our house is filled almost to capacity with 27 people filling out our 18 rooms, and we have eight new men who are currently going through the pledge process. We are again participating in every intramural sport that we can sign up for. Our house floor hockey team is currently undefeated and vying for its third straight championship. The dance marathon THON is also fast approaching and we have paired up with the sisters of Phi Mu and began to raise money for the Four Diamonds Foundation for kids with cancer. We are continuing to mould leaders at the Penn Lambda chapter and we are excited to be sending 12 of our members to Cabo this coming spring break to learn even more about becoming a leader. Peter Bradley

# PENNSYLVANIA NU Indiana University of Pennsylvania

The Pennsylvania Nu Chapter has had one of its most productive semesters since its founding in 1970. We recently had Brother Paul Wineman Washington Alpha '55, and Brother Jerry Nelson California Epsilon '48 visit our campus here at the Indiana University of Pennsylvania on October 2,

2007. Our chapter has seen a great boost in morale since their visit. We are all fortunate to have such great alumni. With plans being in the works since the untimely fire in the last chapter house in spring 2003, we here at Pa. Nu finally have construction beginning soon. We have also constructed a new website, www.phipsipanu.com to help improve alumni relations. Additionally, we have a strong pledge class that we are looking forward to becoming the future leaders of Phi Kappa Psi.

Brian Horvath



The brothers of Pennsylvania Xi have had a great start to this fall semester. Homecoming was great this year, especially with the big alumni turnout. Thanks to all those brothers and families that came! We have a nice-sized pledge class with many of them showing promising signs of leadership. Keep up the hard work guys! In sight right now we are looking forward to a car wash fundraiser, and lots of brotherhood events such as weekly football games. Also, the brothers are excited to be able to participate in the Toys for Tots program in the Erie area, which provides toys for the less fortunate families of the surrounding areas. We are already looking forward to the spring the continued success of semester and Pennsylvania Xi.

David Knight



### York College

Accredited

Salutations brothers!

Here at York College, the school year is in full swing. The brothers here have been enjoying the weather with our Friday football games, community service projects for the York Art Association, and barbequing in the warm weather. Our in high spirits started when we went to the Woodrow Wilson Leadership Academy in July and came home being

Accredited and with an award for scholastic improvement from National.

Pa. Rho has the highest GPA of all fraternities on campus, we are third in overall membership, and currently do more philanthropy than any other Greek organization. We continue to keep our Adopt-A-Block tradition alive once a month, but have also expanded to mentor programs, volunteering at the ASPCA and walked to help support those with asthma. We are certainly out in the community breaking the stereotype of the typical "Frat Boy."

I would like to congratulate those brothers graduating in December and wish them lots of luck in their future careers. Always remember the great times you had with your brothers and never be a stranger: we are brothers of Phi Kappa Psi forever. As I am graduating also, I would like to say thank you for everything Phi Psi has done for me.

In closing, I would like to invite all alumni to this years Founders Day celebration. As we always want to see as many alumni as possible, this year is more important than most because it is the 15-year anniversary of the installation of Phi Psi at York College. The undergraduates are eagerly inviting all alumni to come share stories and offer advice from those who came before us. We hope everyone can attend and all alumni will be receiving a gift from the undergrads as a token of thanks for what you started for us to be apart of in college.

Daniel Tyler

# PENNSYLVANIA SIGMA University of the Sciences in Philadelphia

### Accredited with Honors

We have had great success in our philanthropic events during this fall semester. One of the events that we organized was our annual "Hoops for Humanity" 3-on-3 basketball tournament. We successfully had eight teams sign up and participate. We not only raised funds for the Go for the Goal Foundation, but we all had fun doing so. Each of the teams was able to play three games and those with

the best records advanced to the playoffs. Playoff games were single elimination, so the competition was fierce. At the end, we crowned the winning team champions and thanked all teams for participating and supporting a very good cause.

Another event that we sponsored was the annual Clothing Drive. In this event, we collected used clothes, coats, shoes and items that could be donated to the St. Vincent's Church for those in need. We received a very positive result as many students and faculty donated their belongings throughout the week. At the week's end, brothers collected all the bags and sorted out all items. With help from our excellent advisor, we loaded up the bags and shipped them out to the church.

In terms of the future, we are planning to go and give assistance to Philabundance, a foundation that helps fight hunger in the Delaware Valley and reduces food waste. We will be assisting in making care packages containing different assortments of food items for the hungry. It promises to be a very successful event and we are eager as a chapter to get involved.

Another highlight this semester was the Alumni Barbeque Event that our alumni relations committee planned and put together. All alumni of the Pennsylvania Sigma Chapter were asked to come back for a fun-filled day of softball, a tour of the school campus and an outside barbeque cookout. It was a great experience, especially for our newer brothers to get to meet our alumni and listen to experiences and funny stories alumni had while they were active. It was certainly an amazing day.

As the school year continues, we are continuing to plan and participate in programs and events that will increase our participation in the community. Things have been great so far, but we expect things in the nearby future to be amazing. Amici.



Pennsylvania Upsilon began the fall 2007 term strong. We hope to continue this momentum into our winter and spring terms. We had strong a very

strong recruitment period and recently pinned our largest pledge class in the history of our chapter. We hope to see them become brothers of Phi Kappa Psi and help boost the speed at which our chapter is growing.

Our Thanksgiving philanthropy is our biggest philanthropy event of the year. We hope for that to be a great success. Aside from our philanthropy, we also have plans for our chapter's alumni Homecoming and Winter Formal well underway.

Over the last two terms Pennsylvania Upsilon has picked up a lot of steam and we hope to continue that in the near future with our current pledge class.

Freddy Padilla



### Accredited

The brothers of Penn Phi have been busy as always, but are celebrating numerous successes. We have been a great asset to the Williamsport thanks to our community service committee. Some of our projects include working a pumpkin patch for a local church, as well as setting up a haunted house for the children of the faculty and the Big Brothers, Big Sisters organization.

We are also working on setting up an academic debate with the political science department. Lycoming College has never had an academic debate organized by a Greek organization, and we are proud to put our name on it.

We have elected two new advisors for our chapter. First is our new faculty advisor, Dr Donald Kurtz. Dr. Kurtz has been a great asset to the chapter. He always makes himself available to talk to us, whatever the reason or occasion may be. We thank him every day for his dedication, advice, and service. Second is our new chapter advisor and brother, Ryan Michael Bolig '04. Brother Bolig has always been an important part of our chapter, and we are extremely lucky to have him working with us. We believe his alumni status will help the chapter in an extraordinary way, because he can offer advice from experience.



Pennsylvania Phi's haunted house was a hit with Williamsport children

Also, we have started working on an alumni newsletter. With this, we hope to keep alumni in contact with not only the chapter, but with each other. Each brother has chosen to write an article about a few alumni about what they are doing post-college. We hope to keep writing newsletters each semester.

Sadly, we will be graduating seven brothers this year. They will be sorely missed, but they can leave our college proud, knowing that the leadership, morals and work ethic that they have instilled in us will never ever leave.

Joseph Falchek



Rhode Island Alpha has had a great start to fall semester. Our newly initiated class joins a brotherhood with members involved in a wide variety of activities. Brothers are currently abroad in various locations such as Denmark, Brazil and South Africa. Additionally, Brother Benjamin

Friedman is currently taking the year off to attend paramedic school.

Around campus, we've been host to a range of events. In addition to our weekly projections of Monday Night Football onto the side of our house, we also decorated our campus pink in support of Breast Cancer Awareness, and sold pink ribbons to wear all week, in hope that progress continues and a cure is found sooner rather than later. In the spirit of Halloween, we hosted events and games for 200 local Providence elementary school children, in conjunction with the other Greek chapters at Brown University, which was a huge success.

Also planned is our 2nd annual Afrobeat event, hosted along with the Darfur Action Network. The Superpowers (formerly known as the Boston Afrobeat Society), currently a 2007 Boston Music Award nominee, will be joining our groups to support an end to the genocide in Darfur.

Finally, we'd like to thank all of our alumni for their continued support. R.I. Alpha would not be where it is today without your help, and we always look forward to hearing from all of you, or better yet seeing all of you back at the house.

Jeffrey Lian



### RHODE ISLAND BETA University of Rhode Island



### Vanderbilt University

The members of Tennessee Delta have been focusing on recruitment and fundraising in the first few months of this school year. Led by senior Sam Neel, the chapter recently organized a philanthropy golf tournament which drew brothers, rushees and other members of the Vanderbilt Greek community. In total, the event raised \$2,100 for The ALS Foundation of Tennessee. Currently just under 60 brothers in size, the chapter looks forward to increasing its membership with another strong pledge class next semester.

We would all like to thank our alumni who helped make this year's Homecoming such a success. More than 50 brothers returned this October, including numerous members of the classes of 1967, 1987 and 1997. The chapter plans to host a Founders Day celebration in February and invites all of our alumni to return to Nashville.

Andrew Malgieri

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### TENNESSEE EPSILON University of Tennessee

The fall semester has been an eventful one for Tennessee Epsilon. Over the summer at the Woodrow Wilson Leadership School, the chapter was recognized for having an increasingly improved GPA and we look forward to perpetuating this trend in the coming semesters. Fall recruitment was an extreme success for our chapter and we look forward to initiating our Alpha Phi pledge class shortly. We paired with Sigma Kappa sorority for Homecoming and hope to continue our trend of placing highly in those events. We look forward to seeing our alumni during the Homecoming game

and would like to encourage all alumni to get more involved in the newly reestablished East Tennessee Alumni Association. Our annual alumni golf tournament is planned for the spring, and we would love to see a lot of alumni participate. We hope everyone will keep up-to-date with what is going on with the chapter through our website at www.utkphipsi.com and as always, if you are ever in Knoxville, make sure you stop by the Phi Psi house! Luke Gustafson

### TEXAS ALPHA University of Texas

With the initiation a strong spring 2007 pledge class, Texas Alpha celebrates another year of success. Our chapter now boasts over 140 active brothers. Combining our size with our social strength, Texas Alpha has maintained its steady climb to "top dog" status within the UT Greek community. As always, recruitment is one of our strengths at Texas Alpha. We enjoyed a solid summer recruitment this year, yielding a top caliber pledge class that is comparable in size to the other large fraternities on campus at UT. Our active social calendar has seen the repeat of Bermuda, this year featuring Paul Wall and Corey Morrow. This event among others benefited our philanthropy partner, the Bastrop Food Bank, which received another large donation from Texas Alpha's perennial Field Day canned food drive. We look forward to continuing Texas Alpha's tradition of excellence in 2008.

Jeremiah Bickham



### Texas Beta Texas Tech University

### Accredited

Texas Beta is moving up, exceeding the expectations of all by having one of the largest pledge classes in a decade. Thanks to the generous donation from Brother Scott Noble of Texas Alpha, we held several recruitment events that brought us 20 outstanding young men who demonstrate what

Phi Psi believes. Over the summer, a small group of brothers revamped the inside of the chapter lodge with new furniture, a fresh coat of paint and a thorough cleaning. This helped lead to our recent success. In November, we hosted a croquet philanthropy tournament from which all donations went to the Boys and Girls Club of America. Under the direction of Brother leff Cook, we have raised over \$4,000 with the assistance of Texas Tech Sororities and various local sponsors. Once again, our gracious alumni have shown their support for us in making sure that Texas Beta has everything we need to continue our success in the future. Several alumni have kindly donated the funds for a new addition to our lodge. We hope to break ground in the not too distant future. An additional donation we received was for a backyard putting green from Brother Chuck Strehli, and after much anticipation it is being put to good use by all brothers. We would like to thank all of our alumni that were able to travel to Lubbock to partake in our Homecoming festivities. This proved to be a great opportunity for our alumni to view the improvements to the lodge, reconnect with current members and meet the new pledges. Thanks to the involvement of our alumni, current members, pledges and leadership by President Kyle Keltz, Texas Beta is excited about the future because from here anything is possible. Brent Kirbo

### TEXAS STATE TEXAS GAMMA **Texas State University** at San Marcos

Fall recruitment went extremely well as we pulled in a great group of pledges. With the addition of our latest initiated Kappa pledge class, we have climbed into position as one of the three largest fraternities on campus. Our chapter recently celebrated homecoming with several of our illustrious alumni, followed by a social with the sisters of Alpha Xi Delta. The Texas Gamma Chapter looks forward to continuing our local philanthropy projects. We are especially excited about our inaugural "Phill Up the Truck" philanthropy event. This event consisted of the brothers collecting non-perishable food items along with hot or cold clothing for the needy families of San Marcos, Texas. Our intramural teams have performed valiantly as we placed in the top three in basketball, softball and flag football. The brothers of Texas Gamma encourage all alumni to visit our website at http://www.pkptxgamma.com.

Marshall Dixon



The Texas Beta Chapter members in front of the chapter lodge

# TEXAS EPSILON Stephen F. Austin University

The Texas Epsilon Chapter has started the year strong. We were asked to work a concession stand for the college after being highly recommended by several UPD officers. This November was our 5th annual Phi Psi Phast to raise money for breast cancer. The chapter is having a Halloween bash sponsored by our alumni with a live band performing. For homecoming the chapter will construct a float for the parade themed "Beach Party" put on by the Student Activities Association on campus. Between weekly Monday Night Football, study hours, bowling and athletics, the chapter is always finding ways to stay busy.

We had two brothers, Christopher Stanaland and Josef White, attend the Woodrow Wilson Leadership School this previous summer. Interacting with brothers around the nation opened new ideas and expanded our networking with other chapters. We look forward to future events and having a successful year:

Christopher Stanaland



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The Virginia Beta Chapter recently entertained W&L parents during the school's Parents

Weekend, which took place October 26-28. Friday night, the chapter hosted a cocktail party and Saturday night featured the regional Motown band Another Level, a huge hit with both parents and students alike. Both events were extremely successful, and this year's recruitment efforts should benefit from it once again.

The highlight of the weekend, however, was a pancake breakfast on Saturday morning. Va. Beta co-hosted the event with the sorority Kappa Alpha Theta. All proceeds are going to Court Appointed Special Advocates, a nonprofit group that advocates in court for children who are the victims of abuse and/or neglect. The breakfast, which was held at the Phi Psi house, was immensely popular. Although the final amount of the donation is not yet known, both Theta and Va. Beta were very pleased with the turnout.

Charles McCoy



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### Accredited

After spending the summer between recruitment, school and relaxing, about 20 brothers and their parents enjoyed a week down in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico attending the American Leadership Academy. There, several chapter alumni spoke as well as Jerry Nelson, who kindly extended his hospitality to everyone who attended. Shortly after returning, the house began its fall work week, in which the brothers repaired and fixed up the house for the coming school year:



Members of Washington Alpha take a swim break during the American Leadership Academy in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico

The school year started off with the initiation of two members from last year. From there it has been a steady diet of social activities and school. The brothers continue to dedicate themselves to service by volunteering at one of the nearby elementary schools and food banks and involving themselves in other service projects such as Adopt-A-Highway. We are also planning on trying something new this spring by hosting a Greek-wide philanthropy event, and hope to raise money for a charitable organization.

Almost all the parents of the brothers attended our annual parent's brunch in mid-October, where we welcomed our chapter alumnus and current National SWVGP Paul Wineman. Thanks to all the parents who came over early, we were able to have food. Our cook from last year was diagnosed with a serious illness and had to quit shortly after school started. So after a few weeks without a cook, we were pleased to find a new cook who so far is doing a great job. Our chapter continues to see increased alumni involvement and we only hope that this trend will continue. For more information email fisselbm@u.washington.edu.

Blake Thomas



### Accredited with Honors

Here marks another exciting year here at WVU, with the house at full capacity and our numbers higher than they have been in years — the chapter is strong as ever! We continue to have a great relationship with our house corporation and we can not say enough about the help and support they have provided to our chapter and officers.

After having another successful philanthropy in which we held a beach volleyball tournament, we ended the spring semester with a great event that benefits the WVU Children's Hospital.

The fall semester proved to be another great opportunity for our chapter to flourish and shine on campus. Since the start of the semester, we participated in many extra-curricular activities including sorority philanthropies, various intramural sports and inter-fraternal activities. As for recruitment, we pledged 16 potential new members. It includes young men from several states, including Penn., Ohio, Md., N.J. and N.Y.This

pledge class is a strong group of guys that has a lot to offer to the chapter.

Our winter/spring semester (2008) will begin with our annual formal in Toronto, Canada. This is our biggest event of the year, with chapter participation at over 90%.

Founders Day will be held on Saturday, February 9, 2008. Plans have been in the works for some time. We cordially invite all alumni and spouses to "come back" for the weekend and enjoy the festivities. Our alumni relations chair has been working with local alumni to make this event the best it has been in years. The keynote speaker will be Bob Reynolds '71, former CEO of Fidelity Investments. In addition, there will be a special ceremony at our Memorial Chapel honoring all brothers who have served our country in our nations' wars.

With the support from alumni, exciting events planned, and the chapter being as strong as ever this should be a year for the record books for West Virginia Alpha. And as always, proud to be a Phi Psi! *Justin Heydon* 



### Accredited with Honors

It has been a semester of success for Wisconsin Gamma. This summer's Woodrow Wilson awarded our chapter the status Accredited with Honors, accepted by our attending members Nachiket Karnik, William Brownson and Andrew Roth. The conference also marked the campaign of Brother Karnik to become the next Archon of District III. Though his campaign did not bring victory, the experience taught him much about the importance of quality leadership.

Homecoming brought the welcome return of many of our brothers from both Beloit and nearby chapters demonstrating the continued support and success of the Wisconsin Alumni Association. Though the game ended in defeat, Wisconsin Gamma came out with corn, brats, burgers and

cheer, in enthusiastic support for its fellow Beloiters. After the game, both the Phi Kappa Psi Association of Beloit College and the Chapter Advisory Committee met for their annual gatherings, with the Advisory Committee welcoming Brother Ryan Fischer, Past Archon of District III, as its newest member.

After a successful Fall Rush culminating the day of Homecoming, we pledged four outstanding men (Timothy McCalister, Matthew Reed, James Shea and Joshua Wilson) with several alumni present to help us kick off the pledge process. The energy and enthusiasm of Fall Alpha 2007 is unmistakable and the enduring quality of these young gentlemen will serve them well. Meanwhile, our deferred Spring Rush is already in the works with dozens of prospective freshmen excited to pledge our Noble Fraternity.

With the stabilization of our financial health, we've regained fiscal self-reliance which has led to several improvements to our house and given us the capability to expand both material and membership horizons much further and with more secure confidence.

We continue to strive for philanthropic idealism, with programs like a Frisbee Golf Tournament, with proceeds donated to Play for Peace (coordinated by Brothers Andrew Bartles and Connor Donahue), sponsoring the Annual Buck-an-Ear Homecoming Corn-Roast with proceeds donated to the Stateline Boy's and Girl's Club (organized by Brother Andrew Roth) and working with our Campus Community Outreach Center to supervise blood drives on campus in support of the Beloit area blood bank. Last semester, Wisconsin Gamma doubled the goal of 500 community service hours and is already on its way to again surpassing that mark.

Finally, in future news, for this coming Founders Day Wisconsin Gamma looks forward to hosting National SWP Tryon Hubbard for a celebration in Madison with the chapter's current and past members.

Travis Barrett

**Retraction:** The fall 2007 issue of *The Shield* mistakenly listed Richard A. Knudsen, *Nebraska Alpha '43*, as deceased. Brother Knudsen contacted us to say that he is alive and well. *The Shield* regrets this error. Additionally, the obituary for William A. Henderson, *Missouri Alpha '47*, inadvertently omitted Brother Henderson's tenure as Editor of *The Shield* from 1962-64.

### Arizona Alpha, University of Arizona

Walter M Vreeland '53 R. Scott Hitt '77

### California Beta, Stanford University

William K. Kelley '46

### California Delta, University of Southern California

Eric S. Godfrey '63

### California Epsilon, University of California, Los Angeles

Carl L. Hostrup '47

### California Gamma, University of California, Berkeley

William B. Hehir '53

### Colorado Alpha, University of Colorado

Wayne A. McAninch '47

### Illinois Alpha, Northwestern University

Winfield S. Fisher Jr. '42 Lloyd P. Stoik '45

### Illinois Beta, University of Chicago

George P. Williams Jr. '39

### Illinois Delta, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Richard Edward Hayes '85

### Indiana Alpha, DePauw University

Edward J. Lee '28 Ray H. Montgomery '37

### Indiana Beta, Indiana University

John D. Leslie '44 Jeffry A. Mauk '69

### Indiana Delta, Purdue University

William N. Rider Jr. '40 Jerry L. McMillin '54

### Indiana Zeta, Butler University

Bruce Graf Schram '77

### Iowa Alpha, University of Iowa

David H. Steinle '43

### Iowa Beta, Iowa State University

Peter K. Carrell '39 George L. Friedl '47

### Kansas Alpha, Kansas University

Thomas S. Cadden '42

### Kentucky Beta, University of Kentucky

John Michael Haughton '92

### Michigan Beta, Michigan State University

Kenneth L. Leib '57

### Minnesota Beta, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Frederick W. Putnam Ir. '36

### Missouri Alpha, University of Missouri

Dale E.Thorp '50 Joseph P. Greco '69

### Missouri Beta, Westminster College

Craig P. Kayser '65

### New Jersey Gamma, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

Timothy Thomas Sarkisian '89

### New York Alpha, Cornell University

John D. Hull Jr. '36

#### New York Gamma, Columbia University

Graham S McConnell '33

#### Ohio Alpha, Ohio Wesleyan University

Robert D. Diehl '49 Robert J. Notar '55 Wilbur R. Korengel Jr. '57 Wesley W. Nichols Jr. '57 John H. Opdycke '58 Barry L. Holcomb '60

## Ohio Epsilon, Case Western Reserve University

Duncan Robert Lowne '97

#### Oklahoma Alpha, University of Oklahoma

James J. Wantland '47

#### Oregon Alpha, University of Oregon

Justin M. Smith '53 Ronald L. Foster '90

#### Pennsylvania Epsilon, Gettysburg College

J. Duncan Campbell '34 Russell H. Oursler '55

#### Pennsylvania Gamma, Bucknell University

Joseph T. Quick '35 Eugene B. Nicolait Jr. '39 Richard J. Roush '39

#### Pennsylvania Kappa, Swarthmore College

Robert L. Roemer '45

## Pennsylvania Lambda, Pennsylvania State University

George N. Wendt '41

#### Pennsylvania Zeta, Dickinson College

Jerry Mitchell Johnston '52

#### Texas Beta, Texas Tech University

William H. Richmond '56 Joseph D. Joiner '63

### Texas Gamma, Texas State University, San Marcos

Dennis R. Zavadil '69

#### Virginia Alpha, University of Virginia

Charles B. Walden Jr. '49

#### Washington Alpha, University of Washington

Carl R. Anderson '40 Walter W. Baz '41 Robert E. Sayles '43 Roderick V. Williams '55

#### West Virginia Alpha, West Virginia University

Robert Peck Sibley '87



#### JAMES DUNCAN CAMPBELL PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON '34

The passing of Phi Kappa Psi's Historian Emeritus was noted by many prominent Phi Psis. Current National Historian Michael McCoy, *Indiana Beta* '58, compiled these thoughts for *The Shield* to bid J. Duncan Campbell a fond farewell and to remember his years of loyal service to Our Strong Bandl.

It was a story J. Duncan Campbell told on himself with some amusement. About 35 years ago in Harrisburg, Pa., where he lived, "I went for my car at a local parking lot, walked up to the tiny shed to pay my bill and get car keys, when the attendant greeted me. He spoke with such a burr I asked him if he were Scottish."

"'Aye', he said.

"I drew up my 6'I" frame, inhaled, and proudly told him: 'My name is Duncan Campbell.'

"He looked me over and responded: Tis a name not highly regarded in the heelands"."

"The heelands" must have been a rare spot where the name did not command respect. And surely it commanded respect nowhere more than in the Fraternity he loved and served for so many years. J. Duncan Campbell, Pennsylvania Epsilon 1934, had been a Phi Psi pledge or brother for just over 74 years when he died at age 91 Nov. 8 at Harrisburg's Community General Hospital. His association with us had spanned nearly half of Phi Psi's existence and, as Historian Emeritus of the Fraternity, no one still living knew the other half as well as he. After all, it was "Dunc" who wrote the first volume of the Centennial History of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, covering the first 50 years, through 1902. Along the way, he served a two-year term as a member of the Executive Council as our national Secretary and as editor of *The Shield* for seven years (from 1954-61).

"Among the prominent Phi Psis of his generation Dunc Campbell stood out as the schoolmaster – more properly, the masterly and disciplined teacher who encouraged his brothers, younger and older alike, with his vital love of learning," Phi Psi's Mystagogue Kent C. Owen, *Indiana Beta 1958*, said after learning of Campbell's death.

"He was truly a man of parts, each of which he seemed to cultivate to high competence and distinction. But for all his diligently earned knowledge, Dunc never appeared distantly academic. Whether the subject was military insignia, early Army aviation, excavations of Revolutionary War encampments, or — most fascinating for his fraternity brothers — the personages and significant events of Phi Psi history, Dunc could engage practically anyone with his focused enthusiasm and command of telling details. Dunc was ever a congenial companion, easy to engage in conversation and generous in sentiment.

"Throughout his years of active service to the Fraternity he bestowed his impressive talents: authorship of the Centennial History Volume I, numerous articles and editorial projects for *The Shield*, and his appointed and elected tenure on the Executive Council. All in all, he exemplified what Robert Greenleaf described as 'servant leadership' in his constant willingness to strive for the better interests and greater good of others. Surely, it was a rare privilege to know Dunc Campbell as a man, a gentleman, and our brother."

Dunc was born May 17, 1916, in Harrisburg, the son of Dr. J. Moore Campbell and Rose (White) Campbell, at a time when a Phi Psi, Woodrow

Wilson, occupied the White House. A still-young Rose Campbell would die in one of the very early automobile collisions in central Pennsylvania, as J. Duncan was in his teens.

It was after her death and in the depth of the Great Depression when he went off to college. He always was reluctant, for reasons of modesty, to recount his early encounter with Phi Kappa Psi and the importance those first years of membership had for him, but when he did he would note he was not able to share that happy event with his mother.

"The older Phi Psis who knew it are now gone, but once in a while the story pops out when I want it to," he said in recent years. "However, I never have wanted it published."

Here is that account, in his own words in 2002, presumably published for the first time and with the permission of his family.

"In May 1933 I became 17 years old. In June I was a high school graduate, and in September this motherless child entered Gettysburg College. I was not bewildered or unprepared scholastically, but I knew I had been thrust into an environment for young adults – and I was not one. The only 'asset' I had was size: 6'1", 195, and mildly athletic. During fraternity rushing I was most comfortable with Phi Psis. They were quieter, but had a firm, subtle enthusiasm for their fraternity."

While the college gave him a fine academic background, he added: "Phi Kappa Psi came into my life at the hour of my greatest need, gave me guidance, molded my character, taught me social graces, and made a gentleman out of the 17-year-old motherless child."

He later told former National President John C. Ciccarelli, in a 2004 phone interview: "It was in Phi Psi that my philosophies and all my values in life were formed." Noting that "our greatest critics of the concept of 'fraternity' are made by those who know the least about us," J. Duncan suggested to Ciccarelli that critics be asked: "Why, in fact, are there so many Phi Psi legacies today, including sons, grandsons, nephews, if the purpose wasn't important?"

His own Phi Psi experience was one he hoped his own legacies – eventually a son and grandson –

would have an opportunity to share. "Fathers want the best for their sons when they cut home ties and enter college," he said in a 2002 letter to the Rev. David McDonald, *Wisconsin Gamma 1982*. "When my son, and grandson, entered Cornell and became Phi Psis, I had high hopes that the Fraternity would do for them what it had done for me. It did."

But it was his son's decision whether to pick a fraternity to pledge, notes that son, James D. Campbell Jr., New York Alpha 1959. "When I left for college, he strongly urged me to join a good national fraternity, but there was never any pressure that it had to be Phi Psi. My son Duncan tells the same story. But I know (J. Duncan) was proud, and he did say so, that I reached the office of (President) at New York Alpha, and my son followed in my footsteps some 30 years later."

Yet J. Duncan was modest here, too, about his similar achievement at Pennsylvania Epsilon. "(He) was always proud, although he never told me in so many words, that he attained the office of (President) in his chapter," his son said. It was just an early example of how Phi Psi "had a huge impact upon his entire life."

Something else that may have attracted J.

Duncan to Phi Kappa Psi at Gettysburg was its ethnic diversity. "When I arrived on Gettysburg's campus, the Phi Psis were called 'The League of nations,' with Turk Azur, Tony Kozma, Johnny Visco, Bob McMillan, Joe Bredbenner, to name a few." In 1936, he added, the Chapter initiated a young Hawaiian whose cousins soon also were initiated at the Chapter, in 1939 and 1942. "Phi Kappa Psi historically has shown many times a liberal stance concerning members' backgrounds."

"My favorite true story that tells much about Phi Psis and their character happened while I was an undergraduate," he recalled in the letter to McDonald. ("Duncan was a real treasure," Dave recalls. "We carried on correspondence after the Pittsburgh GAC, always greeting each other as Brothers" – and adding with tongue in cheek – "despite the animosity between the Campbells and the MacDonalds.")

"A college junior was approached by at least two fraternities and told one of them he had to decline because he couldn't afford the cost, adding that were he able, he would try to become a Phi Psi. The word got back to Phi Psi. The chapter figures up all the costs for two years: initiation, pin, dues, and miscellaneous assessments, then divided



Three generations of Phi Psi Historians posed during the 2002 GAC.

L-R Phil Davidson, Arizona Alpha '59,

J. Duncan Campbell, Pennsylvania Epsilon '34,

Hal Dick, Ohio Zeta '55

it by the number of members. The assessed cost to each brother was announced, followed by a unanimous vote to make an offer to the prospect.

"He became an outstanding, grateful brother. He began his career as a high school teacher, later a principal. Throughout his entire career he was a prime 'rusher', telling those he selected to tell that they should look carefully at Phi Kappa Psi when they entered college, and if offered a bid, 'by all means take it!' None of those young men knew that he also had sent letters to different Phi Psi chapters, giving their names and his recommendations."

His interest in the Fraternity's history began as an undergraduate, he noted is his preface to his volume of the Centennial History. "The Chapter archives in Miller Hall on the Gettysburg campus "aroused my interest in Phi Kappa Psi history and formed the framework of this volume."

Working on the Centennial History, he said, "was sheer delight....To relive those days with men now immortal was, indeed, like strolling with them down hallowed halls."

Dunc was a graduate of John Harris High School and Gettysburg College, class of 1937.

Upon graduation he was commissioned as an Army Second Lieutenant, served as an infantry officer, and subsequently earned his wings as an Army Aviator and served in the Army Air Corps. He was teaching Military Science at Lehigh University when Pearl Harbor was bombed Dec. 7, 1941.

Following active duty during World War II, Duncan was on the faculty of the Harrisburg Academy for many years, and subsequently served as the Secretary of the Phi Kappa Psi from 1962-64, the 12th person to hold that office, following his election at the Ashville, N.C., Grand Arch Council.

Phil Davidson, *Arizona Alpha 1959*, recalls J. Duncan's election by acclamation and "how Dunc was talented in assisting other EC members in getting their points across during the meeting. Dunc's 'Yes, that is a good idea AND not only that...' proved to be helpful in facilitating the passing of motions."

He also was a member of the Order of the S.C., having been initiated in 1960 at his seventh Grand Arch Council in a series that began in 1936 and which included consecutive appearances from

1950-1966. His eleventh and last, given his health, was at the Sesquicentennial GAC in Pittsburgh in 2002, his first in 36 years and which also was marked by the presence of his son and grandson.

"With Dunc's passing, Phi Kappa Psi has lost an outstanding Historian Emeritus, strong Pennsylvania Epsilon supporter and a true friend to many of its members," Davidson says.

J. Duncan served for several years as the first Director of the William Penn Museum in Harrisburg, where he worked until his retirement. He was also retired from the U.S. Army Reserve, having attained the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

He held a life long interest in U.S. military history, insignia and uniforms. He also was a highly skilled archeologist and served as a consultant to the Smithsonian Institution and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Among the sites he was retained to excavate and study were the Revolutionary War encampments at Valley Forge and Morristown, N.J., as well as Fort Ticonderoga and Sackets Harbor, N.Y.; Fort Atkinson, Neb.; and Fort Adams, Miss. He was a Founding Director of the Company of Military Historians.

An accomplished author, he published, among other books, a standard reference work on American Military Insignia 1800-1851 (Smithsonian Publications, 1951) and another on Aviation Badges of the United States Army, 1913-1946. His final book, covering American Military Headgear Insignia, was published at age 88 in 2004.

He was a widower with the passing in March 2004 of Margaret H. Campbell, to whom he was married for 63 years.

He is survived by two sons, James D., N.Y. Alpha '59, of Camp Hill, Pa., and John W. of High Point, N.C., five grandchildren (including James Duncan Campbell III, N.Y. Alpha '90) and two greatgrandsons. Also surviving is a sister, Virginia R. Campbell, of Trinity, N.C.; and many nieces and nephews. A brother, Dr. J. Moore Campbell, III, of Oklahoma City, preceded him in death.

The Phi Psi grandson, James Duncan III, and wife have a son born in early 2007 who also bears J. Duncan's name. "Dad had trouble smiling because of a muscular weakness due to his Myasthenia," said James D. Jr., "but there is an unmistakable smile in our photo of the four

generations together, three wearing our Campbell plaid ties and the baby wrapped in a Campbell plaid blanket. Perhaps little James will one day be a Phi Psi, too."

Hardly a day has gone by since I assumed responsibilities for Phi Psi's historical activities during both the Sesquicentennial and as Historian that I haven't said a silent thanks to J. Duncan for his love of Phi Kappa Psi, its history, and his documenting so much of our past. That account now is the only documentation we have of parts of our history. Whenever I'm at work at my desk, the Centennial History is never more than a reach away.

His thoughts of Phi Kappa Psi were always within reach, as well, and I believe he died secure in the knowledge that the Fraternity today was still the one he had known. He had said in recent years that he was "comfortable with the outlook of our young leaders, and I believe a majority of today's Phi Psis compare most favorably with all other generations."

As we mark his passing, we perhaps can best honor him by recalling the words he left with us in his Centennial History preface. "Irresistible faith, devotion to an ideal, unceasing efforts, and spirit in the face of defeat, all characterize these men who 'builded better than they knew'. The strength manifested by Phi Kappa Psi during its first 50 years

clearly illustrates that a foundation built on Honor, Virtue, Conscience, and Truth will support a mighty structure."

National President Stephen R. O'Rourke issued a resolution memorializing J. Duncan's death and proclaiming a 15-day period of mourning from November 15-30 with a request that "Fraternity badges, charters and shields should be draped in mourning in accordance with custom and regulation outlined in the Ritual of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity." Copies were sent to the family.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Endowment Fund of Phi Kappa Psi, 5395 Emerson Way, Indianapolis, IN 46226-1415; the Doriane Heather Campbell Fund, Eastern North Carolina Chapter, 3101 Industrial Drive, Suite 210, Raleigh, NC 27609; or the Vista School, 1249 Cocoa Avenue, Hershev, PA 17033.

Michael H. McCoy, Indiana Beta '58, currently is the Historian of Phi Kappa Psi. Timothy Tangen, Minnesota Delta '03 and the Fraternity's Archivist, also helped in the research for this article. Many of the quotations attributed to J. Duncan Campbell are from a three-page handwritten letter of Aug. 19, 2002, which just has been donated by David McDonald to the Archives of the Fraternity. We welcome any other donations about J. Duncan Campbell. Send them to: Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, Attn: Archives, 5395 Emerson Way, Indianapolis, IN 46226.



A dear friend to many passed quietly Sept 10, 2007 after a month-long illness. Walter was born in Camas, Wash. on Jan. 23, 1920. He graduated from Camas High School in 1939 and in 1940, as one of our "Greatest Generation," entered the U.S. Army Air Force and served until the end of hostilities in 1945. Following the war, he joined the Civil Service and worked with the U.S. Military Forces in Japan until 1950. During this period he became acquainted with and enjoyed the Japanese culture, particularly the Kabuki Theatre. Walter returned to the Northwest and the University of Washington, where he graduated with a degree in political

science in 1953. Graduation led to employment with the Bon Marche (Macy's) Interior Design Department. After several years, he joined McBreen's Design Firm where he spent 18 years as an interior designer. Later, he opened his own firm to continue serving his far flung clients up and down the West Coast and Hawaii. He remained active in design until very recently and was a longtime member of the American Society of Interior Designers, in which he was awarded a life time membership. Walter was an avid skier into his 70s, enjoyed tennis and was an inveterate traveler. A lively participant in Seattle's arts community, he loved theater, art and especially music, from opera to jazz. He particularly enjoyed the swing music of the 1930s and 40s and organized two singing groups that met frequently, accompanied by a

pianist, to sing together and solo. He had many friends throughout the world. Until he fell ill, he retained a keen interest and curiosity in the world around him. He was a gentleman and in many ways a Renaissance man. To encourage education and the study of interior design, he founded and endowed the Walter Baz Interior Design Scholarship Fund at Bellevue Community College. Walter was predeceased by his brother, Paul. He is survived by his sister Virginia, sister-in-law Belva and niece Penny.

## ERIC STEPHEN GODFREY CALIFORNIA DELTA '63

Eric Stephen Godfrey died on August 11, 2007. Eric lived his life with a love of the outdoors, friends and fraternity and, most importantly, sports of all kinds! Born in Hollywood, Calif., raised in Arcadia, Calif., and educated at the University of Southern California, he never left those roots. In Arcadia, he played on the most interesting Little League baseball team started by Babe Dahlgren (who took Lou Gehrig's spot at the end of his spectacular career), and Eric's father. They built the first Little League baseball stadium in Arcadia. Eric went on to play stellar baseball at Arcadia High School and Glendale |r. College before transferring to USC. Eric was a huge inspiration to future Phi Kappa Psi at USC and other universities. His nephew, little Eric, as he is called, formed the first colony of Phi Psis at UCI, now California Kappa. What a legacy! Eric leaves behind his loving sister, Mary Ann; cousin Phil; niece Kelley; nephew Eric; Dominick and Jake Buscaglio, and Morgan, Brynne and Nicholas Norquist.

#### JOSEPH P. GRECO MISSOURI ALPHA '69

Joseph P. Greco, 59, born in St. Louis, Mo. on May 5, 1948 passed away on November 8, 2007 at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus, Ohio after a strong, courageous and honorable 27 month battle with brain cancer. Joe obtained his undergraduate graduate degree from his alma mater, University of Missouri, and graduate degrees from both St. Louis University and Roosevelt University. He was a proud brother in the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity and truly appreciated their

love, support and lifelong friendships. Joe was employed by IPMorgan Chase & Co. in Columbus. Joe is survived by the love of his life, Julia Hansley; her daughter Ashley; brother Paul; sister Angela; favorite nephew Paul; and favorite niece leannette. He was preceded in death by his parents, Paul T. and Helen A. Greco, and sister-in-law Rose Mary Greco. Joe is also survived by a host of close friends, neighbors and angels. Joe was a huge fan of the St. Louis Cardinals and the Mizzou Tigers football team. He loved running, reading and military history, and likened his cancer journey to a war. He will be remembered for his big heart, constant smile and will never be forgotten. Joe and his family deeply appreciate the love, support and the friendships he made through the Brain Tumor Support group and the care received from his entire medical team whom he considered his allies in his battle.



## CARL L. HOSTRUP CALIFORNIA EPSILON '47

Carl Louis Hostrup, 83, passed away peacefully at Saint John's Health Center in Santa Monica, Calif. on August 22, 2007. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Betty, the love of his life, whom he met while attending UCLA; their three children, Christian, Alan and Diane, and their spouses, Beverly, Margaret and Randall; his sister Millicent; and five grandchildren Michelle, Alison, Daniel, Melissa and Eric. He was born in Ann Arbor, Mich. July 7, 1924 the son of Christian and Ester and loving brother to sisters Millicent and Marilyn. Carl is a 1942 graduate of Santa Monica High School where he was student body president and captain of the baseball team. After serving his country in WWII, he attended UCLA earning a degree in Mechanical Engineering, and was a member of the Psi Kappa Psi Fraternity where he was Chapter President, prior to graduating in 1949. He retired in 1984 from LAUSD as Director of Construction Branch and was a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers. He began his career working with his father as a principle of C.F. Hostrup and Associates Civil Engineers in Santa Monica. Extremely active in his community as a volunteer with the Westside Family YMCA, UCLA,

and Westwood United Methodist Church, Carl was most involved supporting his family and enjoying his beautiful home with Betty in Westwood. A strong leader and highly principled individual in every sense of the word, Carl's impact on his family, his business associates, and his friends will be forever remembered. He adored his five grandchildren and had a special relationship with each as they felt his passion for life and deep sense of responsibility and fun loving ways.



Joseph Joiner, born March 3, 1944 in Washington, D.C. to J.B and Mildred, passed away unexpectedly Aug. 14, 2007 at his home in Santa Fe, N.M. Joe grew up in Lubbock, Texas, where he graduated from Texas Tech University in May 1966. He was commissioned in the U.S. Marine Corps and served in Vietnam from 1967-68 as a rifle platoon commander. After completing his military service, loe attended law school at USC, receiving a I.D. in 1972. He practiced law in San Francisco for many years before relocating to Santa Fe in 2000. His work as pro bono counsel to the Northern New Mexico Radio Foundation helped keep Santa Fe's public radio station on the air, and his work on behalf of the Santa Fe Farmers Market helped secure the market a permanent home. Joe also served on the Board of Directors of the Northern New Mexico Chapter of the ACLU and as a chairperson for the Santa Fe County Corrections Advisory Committee. His acute intellect, along with a passion for law and the Constitution, were partnered with a terrific sense of humor. He will be greatly missed by his family and numerous friends. He is survived by his son Scott; parents I.B and Mildred; brother Steve and niece Casey.



Craig Kayser passed away on March 26, 2007 of conjunctive heart failure. He was 61. Craig graduated from Westminster College in 1968, where he served 3 terms as GP of the Missouri Beta Chapter. Following graduation, he served with

distinction in the 2nd Armored Division, Ft. Hood Texas, as a Platoon Leader, Company Executive Officer and later at Divisional Headquarters as part of their journalism unit. His career including working in sales for Proctor and Gamble, Smith Corolla, Akvo-Novell, the International Salt Co., and later in real estate. He is survived by his daughter Samantha, his step-mother; step-sister and two step-brothers.



Kenneth L. Leib, 73, departed this life on August 13, 2007, following a brief but courageous battle with cancer. Born November 8, 1933, in Detroit, he was a kind and gentle man who will be missed by family and friends. Ken graduated from Michigan State University in 1958 with a degree in horticulture. He was president of the Floriculture Forum and a member of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. Ken maintained a lifelong love of MSU and his fraternity. He was also past master of Logan Elm Lodge 624 F & A.M., Kingston, Ohio. He is survived by his wife Carole, whom he married on September 16, 1961; four sons, Gregg, Eric, Kurt and Daryl; and grandchildren Michael, Katie, Meagan, Connor, Bailey, Sydney, Alexis, Sam, Audrey, Austin, Alyson and Taylor. Ken was preceded in death by his parents, Homer and Florence Leib. Active in the Boy Scouts as a youth and parent, Ken served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He enjoyed telling stories, jokes and gardening. Ken had a long career in sales in the lawn and garden industry, including serving as national sales manager for the former Cole Nursery, Circleville, Ohio. Following retirement, he located to the Upper Peninsula of Michigan where he worked part-time at Wal-Mart in Houghton.

#### JEFFRY A. MAUK INDIANA BETA '69

Jeffry A. Mauk, 57, died Aug. 30, 2007 in his Cumming, Ga.residence after a nine year battle with cancer. He was born in Marion, Ind. to Jacqulin and the late Ray G. Mauk. He lived in Marion until 1986 when he moved to Cumming, Ga. He married Pamela Gatewood on Oct. 18, 1975. Jeff

retired as the plant manager at the International Paper plant in Atlanta, Ga. In 2004, prior to his move to Georgia, leff was employed at the Bell Fibre plant in Marion. Jeff was a member of the Indiana Football Hall of Fame. He graduated from Oak Hill High School in 1968 and Indiana University in 1972. Jeff was a member of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, and a Volunteer Fireman in Converse. He attended the First Friends church, and was a member of the First Redeemer Church in Cumming, Ga. leff enjoyed boating, traveling, woodworking and was a fan of all sports. But, most of all he enjoyed his family. Survivors include his wife Pam; son Michael; daughters Karri and Melissa; grandchildren Samantha, Jonathan, Justin, Keeley and Sofia; brothers Brett and Chris; and sister Laurie.

## RAY HENRY MONTGOMERY INDIANA ALPHA '37

The Reverend Ray Henry Montgomery died October 19, 2007, at his home in Bloomington, Ind. Born on February 24, 1917, in Martinsville, Ind. he was the son of Ray and Evelyn. He graduated from DePauw University in 1939 and received a Master of Divinity from Yale University in 1941. In 1955, Vincennes University honored him with a Doctor of Divinity. He was ordained into the ministry of The Disciples of Christ in 1941 and served the Central Christian Church in Connersville, Indiana, and the Speedway Christian Church in Speedway, Indiana. He retired from the ministry in 1979. He was a humble, gracious and gentle man of strong faith and conviction. His devotion to family, friends. church and the communities where he lived serve as an inspiration to many. He enjoyed wearing Harris Tweed jackets, masterfully telling stories and spending summers at his home on Crooked Lake in Oden, Mich. with his family. During his undergraduate years at DePauw University, he was a three-year varsity football player and a member of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. While a graduate student at Yale, he served on the freshman football coaching staff. He served as Protestant Chaplain of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway from 1957 until 1978. He was a past president of the Indianapolis Day Nursery, a member of the Marion County Human Rights Commission, a member of the Speedway Hall of Fame and a member of the Development Board of the National Training Center of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He was a Sagamore of the Wabash. In 1963, he was named to the Silver Anniversary Sports Illustrated All-American Hall of Fame. He was a member of the Bloomington Rotary and the First Christian Church in Bloomington. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Billie; his daughter and son-in-law Brenda and Ken; daughter Beth; grandchildren Annie, Margaret, Emily and Henry; and greatgrandchildren Charlie, Henry, Samuel and Jacob. He was preceded in death by his sister Dorris and a son-in-law, William.

## LLOYD PALMER STOIK ILLINOIS ALPHA '45

Called "Pat" by all who knew him, he led a full and active life with wife Mary Lee after retiring 20 years ago from a successful career as a property casualty insurance executive. During his retirement, Pat was an avid trainer of Labrador retrievers and a frequent competitor in field trials all over the country. To all who knew him - his wife, children, grandchildren, friends, colleagues and employees he was a pillar of quiet strength, a great mix of easygoing leadership, fairness, wisdom and humor who had a positive influence that will keep his memory vivid in the minds of a great many for many years to come. Born and raised in Clinton, Iowa, Pat was a top athlete as a youth: all-state football player in Clinton; UP All America, football team captain and later hall of fame inductee at his alma mater, Western Illinois University. After graduating from high school, Pat attended Northwestern University for his freshman year before serving in the Army occupation forces in Japan for two years following World War II before finishing his studies at Western Illinois University on the G.I. Bill.



George P. Williams, Jr., age 87, World War II Veteran, died in his home in Lisle, III. on Aug. 7, 2007. In recent years he also lived in Scottsdale,

Ariz. and Wheaton and Glen Ellyn, III. Born May 18, 1920, he attended Hyde Park High School and the University of Chicago. He started law school, but was drafted in September, 1941. After basic training he went to Signal Corps Officer Candidate School in 1942. He married the late Mary Alice Hyde in January of 1943. He was assigned as the commanding officer of the 1104th Signal Company. His unit crossed the Atlantic on a Liberty Ship in late 1943 and was stationed at various locations in India until late 1945. Among other assignments, he participated in the establishment and operation of the Command Headquarters of the newly formed Twentieth Air Force in Kharagpur. His oldest son, Skip, was born while he was overseas. When George returned from the war he began working for Illinois Bell Telephone Company and attending night school. He received his Master's in Business Administration from the University of Chicago. As a financial analyst, George was a pioneer in the use of index funds for pension fund assets. He supervised the banks and investment advisors that were managing pension fund holdings for Illinois Bell, retiring from there after 35 years. He thoroughly enjoyed good music of various kinds. Very bright, with an often impish sense of humor, George was a man who exemplified integrity. He was a devoted caregiver to Mary, his dear wife of 62 years, through her struggle with Parkinson's Disease, to which she succumbed in 2005. He is survived by his children Skip, Mimi, John and Tom; and seven grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Isabell Nafe and George P. Williams Sr.; and by a sister, Isabell.

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Chapter leaders are exposed to our stance on hazing during our National leadership conferences. In addition to letting chapter officers know that they may be held liable for their chapter's actions while they're in charge, we give positive alternatives to hazing and show examples of what a non-hazing chapter will look like in terms of motivation, participation in chapter life and alumni response.

Our alumni volunteers play a vital role in helping to ensure that chapters are fulfilling their duty to continue the Fraternity in a safe manner while passing along the best ideals of Phi Kappa Psi to new members. Chapter advisory committees and housing corporation boards have far more contact with chapter members than the National possibly can, and are often in a position to tell a chapter not to make a bad decision before they have to find out the potentially tragic consequences of hazing.

Our National staff can also provide chapters with lists and descriptions of team building exercises and other activities that are safe and productive. We use many of these activities at National leadership events, and all of them can be used with pledges or as brotherhood building

experiences when chapters don't have a pledge class.

We've also partnered with over 21 other national fraternities and sororities to establish the Greek Anti-Hazing Hotline at 1-888-NOT-HAZE (1-888-668-4293). This line is available to those who believe they or others they know are or may become victims of hazing. Callers may remain anonymous or can provide personal information so their concerns can be addressed directly. This hotline connects to a dedicated voice mailbox at Cincinnati law firm Manley Burke, publishers of Fraternal Law.

As the Executive Council's edict against hazing begins, "The fraternity experience is shaped largely, often decisively, by pledgeship." We believe that, between proactively working to stamp out hazing where it may exist, educating chapters on how to run a responsible fraternity education program, and appropriately punishing chapters that still choose to ignore our rules, state laws and good conscience, we will continue the long tradition of Phi Psis enjoying our fraternal bonds throughout life. We hope to never again be forced to make this most difficult decision.

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