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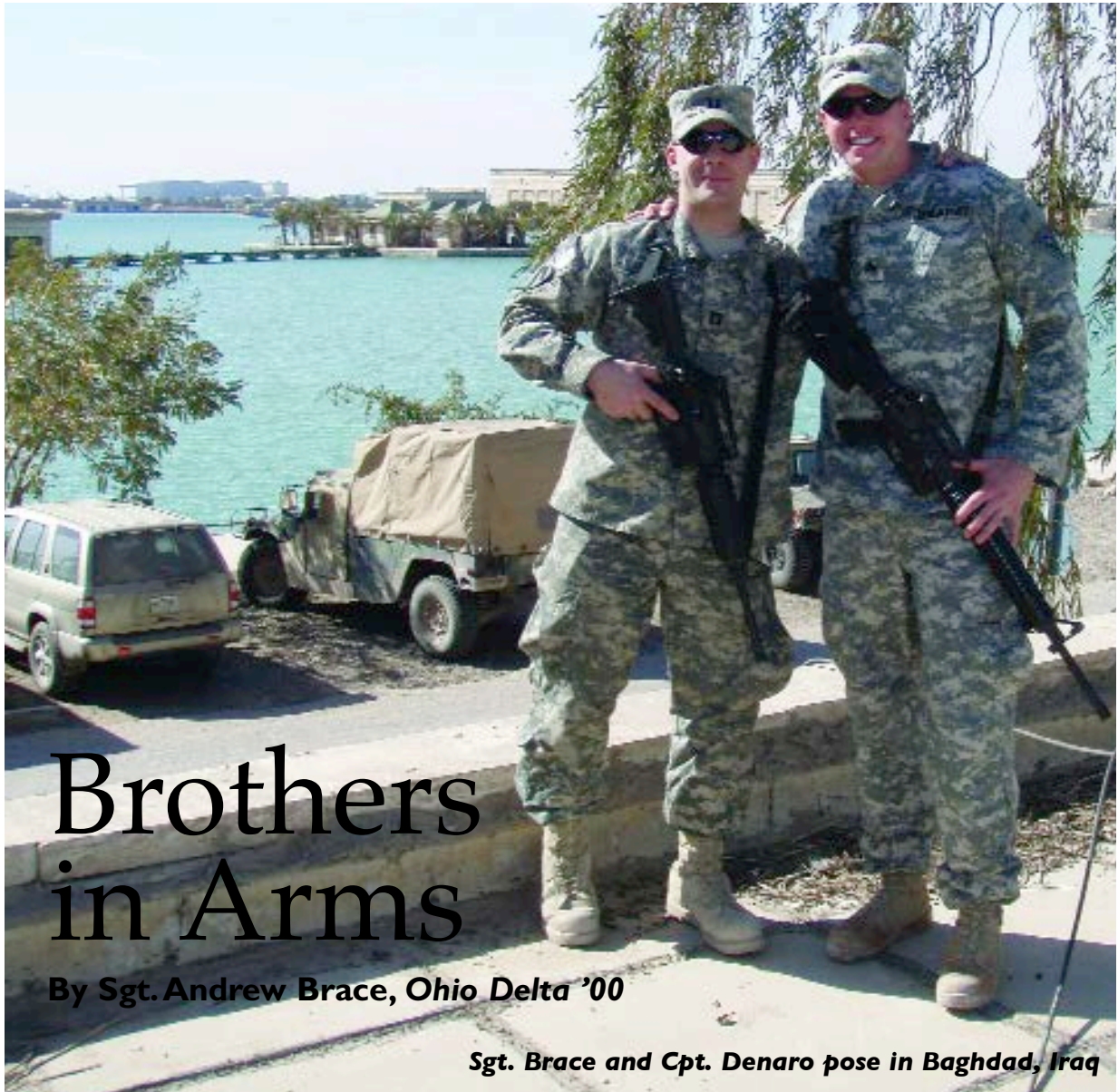
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# Brothers in Arms

By Sgt. Andrew Brace, Ohio Delta '00

**Sgt. Brace and Cpt. Denaro pose in Baghdad, Iraq**

Brotherhood can mean different things to different people. Anyone who has seen the HBO hit series "Band of Brothers" knows that members of the military, especially those deployed to combat, share a special bond. This bond is strengthened through shared experiences, good and bad. There are tough times shared during training exercises, late nights and early mornings, and those mutual experiences shared during combat only spoken of in the company of our brothers in arms. Then there are the good times, the inter-company sports competitions, shared holiday meals at the "chow hall" and some of those same late nights and early

mornings where a willing shoulder was found to cry on, and a new friendship was born.

There are many similarities shared between the brotherhood of members of the military and the brotherhood shared between members of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, whose motto is The Great Joy of Serving Others. I am fortunate to have one of my Ohio Delta fraternity brothers, Spc. Kentaro "Kenny" Nagano, right here in my own unit, the 285th ASMC (Area Support Medical Company) stationed in Baghdad, Iraq. Spc. Nagano and I work as combat medics, helping to provide level I and II health service support to supported forces. This

includes providing responsive combat health support for coalition forces, DOD civilians, contractors and local nationals in order to set favorable conditions for a secure, stable, and free society capable of self-governance.

It wasn't long after our arrival to Baghdad that I learned of another Ohio Delta brother in Iraq. Cpt. Leonardo "Lenny" Denaro had recently been re-deployed to Iraq for his second tour and was stationed at FOB (Forward Operating Base) Rustimayah. Lenny is a communications officer in 1st Battalion 8th Cavalry out of Ft. Hood, Texas. After graduating from Ohio State, Lenny was commissioned as an officer and later assigned to the 1st Cavalry Division in Texas. His primary mission in 1-8 CAV is to make sure everyone in his unit can talk to one another. He and his Communications team set up vehicle tracking systems and FM radio "comms" for calling in fire support and air medical evacuations, they also work with computer networks and battle tracking equipment.

Kenny and I recently received a welcome surprise here in the command post at the 285th in Baghdad when Lenny called to say that he would be flying by Blackhawk helicopter to a LZ (landing zone) close by to our location the following morning. It had been three years since I had last seen Lenny and it had been six years since he and Kenny had seen one another. The three of us were very excited at the opportunity for a reunion, especially in the most unlikely of places.

The next afternoon Spc. Nagano, Cpt. Denaro and I put aside our busy schedules for a few hours to meet for lunch at Camp Victory in the shadow of what were once Saddam Hussein's palaces to reminisce about the numerous memories we all shared in college. We reminisced about Buckeyes games and tailgates, theme parties with sororities on campus, date parties and Christmas formals, and of course spring break and the American Leadership Academy in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. We talked about each other's military careers and experiences here in Iraq, encouraging one another and assuring each other that it would be over before we know it.

We shared our own opinions on the war and a mutual hope for success and for building a better life for the people here in Iraq. We also shared a common



**Sgt. Andrew Brace, Cpt. Lenny Denaro and Spc. Kenny Nagano pose with the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity flag in Baghdad, Iraq**

frustration with the coverage of the war on terror in the news, and wished that more Americans could understand the importance of victory here. But at the same time we agreed that we were proud to be a part of the American military, fighting to preserve the safety and rights of Americans and those less fortunate in other parts of the world. We talked at length about what we all plan to do when we come home. Kenny and I are in the National Guard, so we will both return to Ohio. I will go back to National City Bank where I work as a financial consultant, and Kenny will return to Ohio State to finish his degree. Lenny will have fulfilled his commitment to the Army and plans to return to New York City.

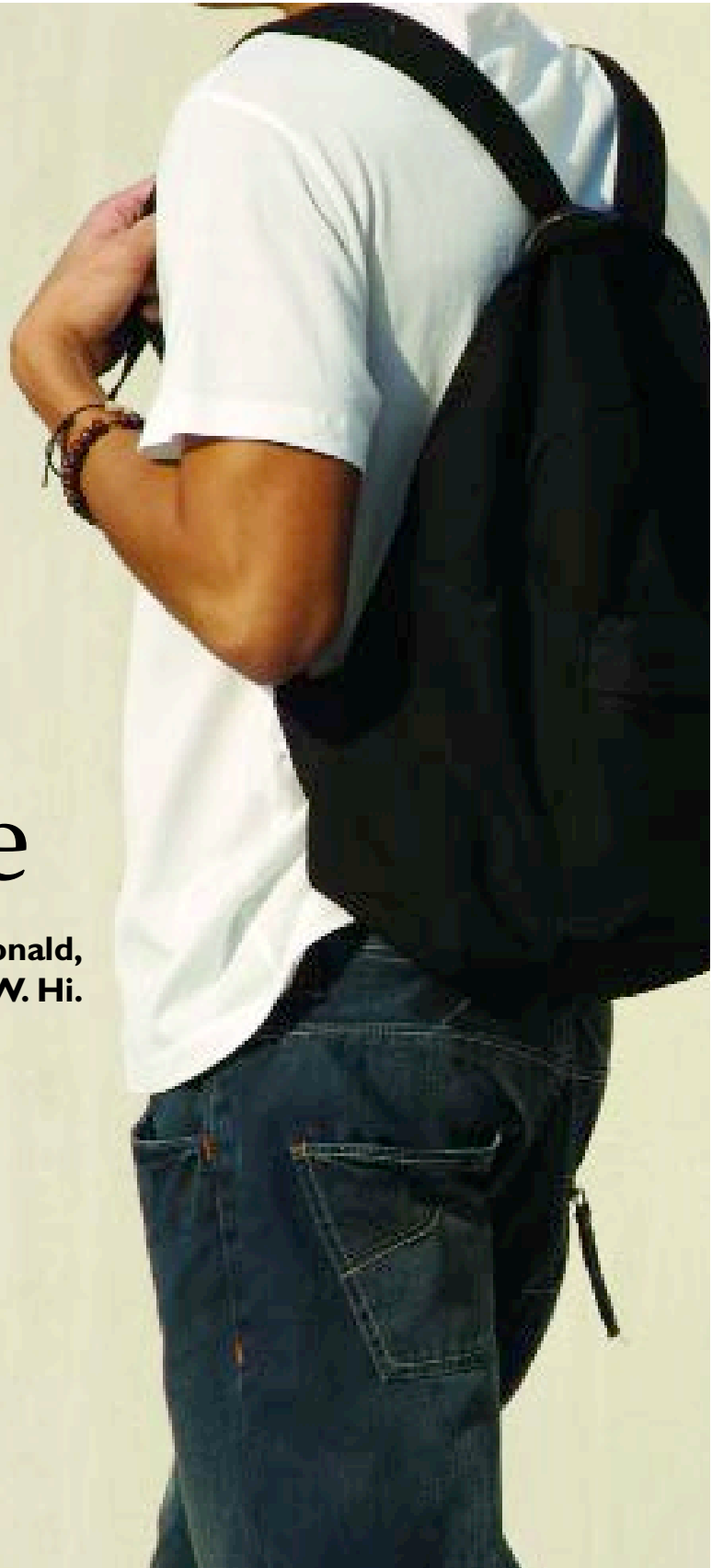
As we parted ways that evening, a promise was made to keep in better touch and to make it a priority to reunite back in the U.S. As Lenny headed out to the Blackhawk to return to Rustimayah, he yelled to me over the roar of the rotors "it has been too long since I have seen the house." I nodded and waved in agreement and imagined how nice it will be to reunite with my brothers next year at Founders Day.

Part of being a "brother," whether biological, fraternity brothers or brothers in arms, means being there for one another in good times and in bad. And in this time of war, I couldn't be more thankful for the brothers I have at home, here in the 285th and especially my Phi Psi brothers near and far. Live ever, die never Phi Kappa Psi! ■

# When the World Comes Undone

**By The Rev. David McDonald,  
Wisconsin Gamma '82, S.W. Hi.**

Our National  
Chaplain on  
tragedy and  
preparedness for  
today's generation



Coming of age – not reaching drinking age – reaching that point when the mind and the heart become aware of, and remember, critical incidents that impact upon the wider common life, can be an amazing reality. In my case, the Watergate hearings of the summer of '73 mark that moment when I knew and understood what was going on around me and what was happening in the world. For the generation preceding my own, it may have been the assassinations of the Kennedys or of Martin Luther King, Jr. or the war in Viet Nam. For their predecessors, it may have been the Korean Conflict, the death of Franklin Roosevelt, the Second World War or even the Great Depression.

For undergraduates today, those mileposts and touchstones may have been more intimately sinister in character. Most of the incoming freshmen of 2007 were born in 1989, and so were perhaps in pre-school when the Murrah bombing took place in 1995; and likely in late elementary school in the spring of 1999, when the horrific events unfolded in Columbine, Colorado; or in middle school as the 9/11 attacks blazed.

For this generation, then, it has “always” been like this: IDs in the hallways at schools and closed campuses. Civil defense practices of a bygone era have been replaced with lock down drills: stay away from windows, turn off all the lights, lock or blockade the door, drop to the ground and KEEP QUIET!

As horror once more broke out this spring in Blacksburg, on the campus of Virginia Tech, people around the country heaved a collective gasp at what was happening. Parents, no

matter their location or that of their children, sought them out. Friends and siblings wondered how to contact beloved parties at some distance. Administrators and academics, counselors and clerics sought ways to reassure worried folks that things might be alright. It was a frightening time for folks far removed from the day—I can only begin to imagine the gut-wrenching horror for those who were personally involved on the campus.

When the unimaginable happens, frantic outsiders will want to be able to access word of safety about their loved ones. In light of the changes that have taken place in the past decade, isn't it time that we begin to lay in place the necessary backup plan that will allow for loved ones, off campus, to know that individuals are safe?

Obviously, when a tragedy strikes within a chapter, or any kind of sordid news strikes, there are key policies and protocols to be followed. Contact the Fraternity's Headquarters in Indianapolis immediately, for example, in order to secure advice and assistance.

In this instance, however, I am referring to a regional emergency—perhaps weather related, or some other tragic occurrence. Does your chapter have a call tree of parents and other key outsiders? Do you know how to reach your chapter advisor? Are you able to find your host institution's contact for Greek affairs? Could you find the name of the university or college's counseling service, if needed?

Have you designated a point-person (a parent or key alumnus, for instance) outside the physical chapter, to whom every brother could report in person, by phone or by email, in order to make a headcount of all in the chapter? In times of emergency, a simple check-in point can ease the worries of folks outside the chapter, and even within it. Communications systems and cellular phones often become sadly overburdened in emergency situations. The need to get clear, concise and direct word beyond the impacted area is vital.

It used to be said that you make plans like these, in hopes that you'll never need them. Such might be said today as well. But as the events of the last decade have shown us, sadly they may be more needed than ever. ■



## ACCREDITATION UPDATES

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**ALABAMA ALPHA**

### University of Alabama

#### **Accredited with Distinction**

As usual the brothers of the Alabama Alpha Chapter have been very busy early this semester. This semester we have been working with Habitat For Humanity and are looking forward to upcoming events such as the Big Buddies program that will help push us close to the Phi Psi 500. Not only are we getting the job done with community service projects, we are also dominating Intramurals as we are currently in first place in our division and made it to the championship game in Basketball. The spring is shaping up to be a fun filled semester with our previous and upcoming events. We also have a few new names to add to our chapter with the current pledge class. Our Founders Day was a huge success as it was held March 3rd at the Alabama Alpha house with the recently renovated Ramsey room opened for all alumni to see. Formal this year was February 9-11 and was held at the recent GAC city of New Orleans. And of course Outback, our big spring party, is looking to be a huge success for our chapter as we should have a great turnout to see some great bands play.

We were recently awarded the Pi Kappa Alpha award for Greek Interrelations and our GP, James Sims, was awarded the Order of Omega Most Outstanding President Award. We also had three brothers initiated into the Order of Omega.



**ALABAMA BETA**

### Auburn University

#### **Accredited**

What another amazing semester for the Alabama Beta Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi at Auburn University. In just two short years, we have accomplished more than we could have dreamed of. On April 27th and 28th, we celebrated our second year of being reinstalled as a chapter of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. We had a reception to meet and reconnect with our alumni from our original chapter and also to see some of our recent brothers who have just graduated. It was a great weekend of brotherhood and a good time to hang out and to meet alumni who have not seen the chapter. We will also be having a Homecoming Weekend on November 3rd for Auburn's Homecoming game. All alumni are invited to attend this event.

With the fall semester already approaching, we are looking forward to a very successful rush. Last fall, we initiated 12 great men. These men have already proved themselves as great brothers by contributing to the chapter as committee heads and various other functions. This fall we are looking to great the largest and best pledge class yet, and with the way the brothers of Alabama Beta are establishing ourselves on Auburn's campus we can reach our goals.

In the social arena, Alabama Beta continues to gain more and more reputation on Auburn's



**Alabama Betas together after the initiation ceremony**

campus. We have had many successful parties over the spring semester and hope for a better semester in the fall. During the spring, we had our annual spring formal. This year we traveled to Devil's Fork State Park in South Carolina. The brothers of Alabama Beta and our lovely dates enjoyed the trip to the fullest. We continue to work with sororities on Auburn's campus to participate in socials and swaps. The brothers of Alabama Beta are very excited about where we are heading in the social realm on Auburn's campus. On the athletic fields, Alabama Beta is going a wonderful job. We are currently forth place of all fraternities in our division. We competed in many different sports, ranging from softball to swimming. Our ultimate goal is to finish first.

Philanthropy has been a big priority for the Alabama Beta. We have already racked up close to 250 hours this semester and expect to reach and exceed the Phi Psi 500. We have participated in many philanthropies ranging from Relay for Life to the SGA sponsored "Big Event." We are currently working with Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority on a large-scale philanthropy. Our philanthropy is called "Hands On", which is modeled exactly like the philanthropy done by California Delta. I personally

want to thank Brother Elex Michaelson and Brother Willie Ebersol, from Cal. Delta, for allowing us to use their model for a great philanthropy. We are hoping that this event will become Alabama Beta's staple event on Auburn's campus. If you would like to get involved with this event contact Brett Sprouse at [sproubtr@auburn.edu](mailto:sproubtr@auburn.edu). Academically, Alabama Beta continues to excel. Right now, we are in the top 10 of all fraternities at Auburn and well above the all-men's average. We continue to make sure that Alabama Beta remains very academically sound and solid in our classes.

Finally, Alabama Beta continues to improve in our housing situation and alumni support. After a brief discussion with Brother Jerry Nelson, while in Cabo at the American Leadership Academy, the brothers that attend came back with great ideas on how to really get things going with our housing project. We are currently trying to establish an Alumni and Housing Corporation for Alabama Beta. If you are interested in helping out or would like more information on either corporation, or would just like your name and address added to our newsletter list, please contact Robert Berezov at [berezra@auburn.edu](mailto:berezra@auburn.edu). The Alabama Beta Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi seem to be getting better and

better as every semester passes. We as brothers are proud of what we have already accomplished, but even more excited about what the future holds for Phi Kappa Psi at Auburn University.

*Brett Sprouse*



## ARIZONA ALPHA University of Arizona

### **Accredited with Honors**

The brothers at Arizona Alpha have once again achieved several great successes this spring semester in all that we have strived for. The brothers this semester have planned, worked and succeeded in many activities in areas that were previously unexplored by them. Most notably was the chapter's willingness to serve the community, by giving their time and effort for several causes. In addition to the time that each brother has taken to give back to the community, many decided to lend a hand in cleaning up the yards of elderly members

of the community during a neighborhood cleanup that was scheduled during this years Founders Day celebrations, arguably the best way to celebrate Phi Kappa Psi's belief in the importance of philanthropy. This semester also saw the introduction of an Arizona Alpha campus-wide philanthropy tradition, the "Phi Psi's for G.I.s" fundraiser. Despite numerous obstacles the event, coordinated by newly initiated brothers Brett Weisberg and Zachary Ramirez, was unbelievably successful with over 3,500 dollars raised to support USO programs. In addition to Philanthropy, Arizona Alpha has continued to excel in the usual (but no less important) tasks of chapter management and campus involvement. With newly elected Chapter President Scott Kaser, the chapter has continued its development with the initiation of a nine man pledge class of outstanding gentlemen. The participation of all brothers in campus activities has led Arizona Alpha to be awarded the most improved fraternity on the University of Arizona Campus honor at the 2007 Greek Awards, a testament to the rate at



**Arizona Alphas help Gamma Phi Beta women celebrate their win in the inaugural Phi Psis for G.I.s**



**California Beta supports Habitat for Humanity with hands-on involvement**

which Arizona Alpha is gaining strength and respect at UofA.

At the conclusion of an incredibly successful semester, the undergraduate brothers look forward to UofA Homecoming from the 2nd through the 4th and hope that all Arizona Alphas will attend to launch another fruitful school year.

*Ryan Hillis*

and an array of other activities including bobbing for apples, and making candy bags. Our Phi Psi 500 was a complete success we were able to raise a large fund to donate to our charity The Boys and Girls club of America. Also we are creating new scholarships we are offering to our new members so they can make their college career successful.

*Michael Wu*



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

Here at Arizona State University we have been putting a lot of focus towards community service. We have been playing wheelchair basketball with handicap veterans. In 2006 we had a Halloween community service event. Kappa Alpha Theta and the gentlemen of Phi Kappa Psi hosted underprivileged kids from a local orphanage. They went through a decorated Theta cluster and trick or treated. We dressed up and provided candy,



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

### **Accredited with Distinction**

The sun is out, the rain is gone, and caterpillars are crawling everywhere on campus. It's spring at Stanford and that means its time for recruitment. This year we are in a great position to talk about all the great things that Cal Beta has done and plans to do. We've been working hard to keep our brothers happy, alumni proud and prospective members eager to join.

Our informal fall recruitment (upperclassmen only) was successful, bringing in six new members who pledged and initiated this past winter. Our brothers had a great time at Big Game Lunch with the alumni of Cal Gamma despite our school's performance this year in the actual game. We've got to give them something to be proud of, right? Honestly though, we are excited to hear about the new campaign by the Berkeley alumni to buy a house and re-found a chapter, and we want to offer our chapter's full support. It would be great to get even more Phi Psis in the Bay area.

This winter was a busy time for the chapter. We surpassed 1,000 hours of community service with events with the Boys and Girls Club and Habitat for Humanity. Our "Looking Ahead" speaker's series also held its big event for the year, bringing co-founder and former CEO of PayPal Peter Thiel to campus to speak about the future of start ups in the Bay Area. We packed the main conference room of the student union with over 200 people and hope to keep improving on the series to reach an even bigger audience.

Founders Day Dinner at the house had record attendance including keynote speaker Brother Paul Wineman, SWVGP. He talked about making goals and about the impact that alumni can make by taking on undergraduates to mentor. We've had great support from our alumni through our House Corporation and the Silicon Valley Alumni Association and we look forward to welcoming even more alumni back to the house in the future.

We rounded out the winter with our traditional Battle of the Bands which over the past 17 years has been bringing the best bands on campus together to compete and is regarded as one of the premier venues for campus music. Over spring break a number of our brothers went down to Cabo for the American Leadership Academy and came back with lots of great ideas to improve the chapter. We kicked off the spring quarter with our new Phi Psi Soccer Shoutout, a 3 vs. 3 soccer tournament benefiting Cure Autism Now. It was a solid first year and shows great potential for growth in coming years.

Besides all of this we continue to have social events of all sizes, be leaders in other campus groups, and have some of the best food at

Stanford. We hope you will stop by our home at 592 Mayfield Ave. next time you are in the area and see all the great aspects of Cal Beta life for yourself.

*A.J. Kumar*



## CALIFORNIA DELTA University of Southern California

The California Delta chapter started the semester strongly and hasn't slowed down. With over 500 young men coming out to this spring's rush, more than half were interested in Phi Psi, the most of any house. We ended up initiating twenty quality brothers. At the annual Greek Awards Cal Delta took home an impressive three awards including Interfraternal Spirit, Best House Appearance and Excellence in Fund Raising and Philanthropy. We were also recognized for excellence in Community Service and President's Leadership. To continue our philanthropic efforts, the chapter will hold an outstanding event with the Mary Lind Foundation, an alcohol and drug treatment, adult education, and vocational guidance service program, where the Mary Lind Foundation Choir, which is comprised of its very own residents, will be perform during our night of fellowship and fundraising. Events like this make all of us proud to be part of our California Delta chapter.

*Rob Kirkpatrick*



## CALIFORNIA EPSILON UCLA

### **Accredited with Distinction**

The California Epsilon chapter of Phi Kappa Psi, stationed in sunny Westwood, Calif., has always been revered among UCLA's many students as one of the top fraternities on campus for its handsome men with handsome personalities; however, this year served to solidify their standing as the most exemplary brotherhood at the school.

Indeed, this year it seemed Phi Kappa Psi could do no wrong. Their annual pirate-themed soiree, aptly named Yo-Ho, simply outshined any and all of

its peers, with people willingly lining up well down their sidewalks just to enjoy their company and well-known hospitality. Brothers gathered to spike their way to the hearts of many a Pi Phi at the sorority's annual volleyball philanthropy event, Arrowspike, as always wooing women by the masses with their gentlemanly conduct. They garnered an uncommonly large pledge class in the fall of 2006, and then watched as they grew together to form fine brothers. Their strong efforts and raging spirits were both unmatched and feared in the field of intramural sports.

The year of 2007 brought a big day with it: the 75th year of Phi Kappa Psi's existence at the University of California in Los Angeles. This momentous occasion was celebrated in the most grand of styles, with various brothers and alumni from Cal Ep coming together to dine on ribs of unmatched quality, courtesy of Lawry's The Prime Rib in Beverly Hills. Lips were loosened by the finest of wines, as various UCLA graduates bonded with their younger brothers over stories from their college tenure.

Having not yet sufficiently declared their love for the brotherhood, Phi Psis from around the state gathered but two days later on the Queen Mary in Long beach to once again feast and reminisce. Phi Psi celebrated the day of their erection in a big way, bringing brothers and alumni from across the state and nation to commemorate their common love for the place in which they spent their college days: Phi Kappa Psi. It was here that Cal Ep introduced to alumni and various brothers from other chapters their plans for new house valued at four million dollars; as usual, all parties present were in awe. The night concluded with a few choice alumni imparting tales of sagacious wisdom, resulting in each Phi Psi going home a little bit more enlightened.

California Epsilon has had a stellar year, and while it is by no means an easy task, they have every intention of continuing with their momentum. They have already selected a fine crop of men for their spring pledge class, and look forward to training these Phi Psi hopefuls to be the future of the house. The UCLA campus is one where Phi Kappa Psi is spoken of with only the greatest of reverence; it is a good time to be a Cal Ep.

*Ryan Williams*



## **CALIFORNIA ETA California Polytechnic**

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### **Accredited**

Our chapter is doing great; currently we are up to 32 active brothers. The chapter is on a huge upswing and everyone is pitching in to do their part. In April we had an Alumni Retreat/Golf Tournament in which we had a great turnout. Thanks to Brother Dave Vieler for helping to organize that. We have also taken part in many social activities like Greek Week and various philanthropies.

We are looking forward to fall 2008 recruitment and are encouraging all of our alumni to come out and support us. We have already contacted sponsors for the rush period and are expecting a huge turnout. In other news, we recently made a new webpage with the help of Brother Dave Kennedy. Please check it out at <http://www.phipsislacom>. Thanks to all the alumni who have helped us out in the past year, the actives all appreciate it.

*Carson Krupp*



## **CALIFORNIA IOTA UC-Davis**

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### **Accredited with Distinction**

The brothers of California Iota now personally wish to give the most gracious levels of commiseration to our fellow brothers at Virginia Tech and to the countless students and families affected by the blatant atrocities of April 16, 2007.

California Iota brothers at the annual Greek awards night in the beginning of winter quarter were awarded the UC Davis highest IFC cumulative GPA. The Davis chapter has just finished spring rush, boasting a solid and enthusiastic showing of potential brothers. Rush ended well with a total of 14 offered bids, 10 of which were accepted. Twenty-eight active brothers combined with a 10 man pledge class will carry the chapter as a prominent face throughout the Davis campus

community. A graduating class of eight will be leaving the chapter this upcoming spring, and the chapter sends with them the values of brotherhood and integrity? good luck to the graduating class of 2007!

The recent leasing of a new fraternity house located on 642 Adams St. in West Davis has given the brothers of the Cal Iota chapter reason to celebrate. After much deliberation the housing contract was finally decided and, as of April 17, the Davis Cal Iota chapter has a place to call home. The current focus of the current spring quarter and upcoming summer will be in furnishing the house to represent the personality of Phi Kappa Psi. With a new house, there are many empty spots and we would like to ask if any chapter alumni would be willing to donate materials which would help us call the place home. Without the helpful guidance and selfless involvement of our local alumni we wouldn't have made possible such a monumental achievement in our chapter history. Drive on Aggies!

*Matt Voegelé*



### **CALIFORNIA KAPPA UC-Irvine**

The status of California Kappa at UC Irvine has improved tremendously with the inauguration of the new executive board. During the 2006/2007 sports season, Cal Kappa dominated basketball, taking first place in the tournament with little competition. Cal Kappa was also the overall Greek Week points winner; an event in which all sororities and fraternities are paired together and participate in various competitions. Cal Kappa has also paired with an organization to raise \$10,000 a year to remodel or build schools for underprivileged children in Africa. We are actively searching for a new house, but due to the high Orange County prices are having difficulty finding one. Furthermore, with such a small active alumni base within Cal Kappa, we are having difficulty raising money for a new house. Thus, we ask for any financial contributions or resources that anyone can donate. Please contact chapter GP Kyle

Vanderzanden at (831)359-5659 or House Corporation President Scott Vickers at (949)554-9156. Amici...

*Andrew Morales*



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

This has been an exciting year for the Cal Lambda chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, we got back our philanthropy, participated heavily in Greek Week, and we are working very hard on a new in house philanthropy in the form of a golf tournament.

This year Cal Lambda proudly regained our philanthropy after five years without! The main beneficiary of the philanthropy was Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD). It was the intention of the chapter to choose an organization like MADD in order to set a good and responsible example amongst students and the local community on the subject of safe and responsible behavior with regard to alcohol. Cal Lambda also spent the week of our philanthropy working with children at the Boys and Girls Club.

We also have a great chance of winning all of Greek week at SDSU. Greek week is a competition between Greeks at SDSU in which different houses are paired together in teams for the purpose of benefiting local charities and building friendships between houses. It consists of many small competitions and challenges during which points are acquired based on the amount of money earned or attendance. The team with the most points wins, and our team is doing very well. This year's Greek Week beneficiary is Mama's Kitchen.

Cal Lambda alum Ryan Gaya and his family were selected by our chapter to be the beneficiaries of an annual golf tournament for a new Cal Lambda charity called "A Phi Psi Family In Need." The tournament also benefits the Make-A-Wish Foundation. The reason they were selected was Ryan's daughter Abigail Lynn Gaya. When she was born the doctors said that Abby had suffered a Grade 4 brain hemorrhage in the right side of her

brain and a Grade 3 on the left. It is at this stage when the blood actually seeps into the tissues of the brain and causes the worst possible damage. They were told that Abby would not have a very good quality of life and she would have difficulty talking and communicating. Ryan and Kelly, his wife, were also informed that Abby had hydrocephalus as a result of the brain hemorrhaging. According to the doctors, the outlook was grim for Abby, but Ryan and Kelly were not concerned with the probabilities of what may happen. She endured a very trying time at the NICU at Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC). During her 104 days there, Abby pulled the word "miracle" out of doctor's mouths time and again. Kelly and Ryan have gone through a whirlwind life experience and have come out shining. The only setback is the bills. They are both extremely grateful to be voted in as the Phi Psi Family in need for this year's Annual Golf Tournament and truly appreciate our support. For more information about the golf tournament and how to help Abigail please visit [sdpkp.golfreg.com](http://sdpkp.golfreg.com).

Cal Lambda is doing our very best to create strong brotherly ties all while trying to live up to Phi Psi's great joy of serving others.

*Grant Garske*



## **COLORADO ALPHA University of Colorado**

Colorado Alpha is already making big plans for next year. With the guidance of our new chapter advisor Aaron Maassel, the Boulder chapter is looking towards the future with optimism and potential. We are currently preparing our calendar for next year which will include the return of our biggest philanthropy, an all Greek powder-puff tournament, Founders Day celebrations and fall rush. Congratulations to our former president Tom Stapleton, who was given the opportunity to attend Career Jump Start at Fisher Island in Florida. We would also like to congratulate our housing corporation advisor and Colorado Alpha alumnus Alex Montoya on the birth of triplets this past winter. Finally Colorado Alpha has begun preparations to celebrate our 100 year anniversary in 2014. We are collecting everything from pictures,

interesting facts and stories, to paddles and fraternity paraphernalia. If you would like to contribute please e-mail us as [COAHistory@gmail.com](mailto:COAHistory@gmail.com).

*Mark Phelan*



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

The DC Alpha Chapter had a groundbreaking academic year. In the fall, we took the largest rush class at the George Washington University. The spring rush was equally successful, as we met our goal and initiated a great group of new brothers. The brotherhood was successful in mobilizing to get Brother Brand Kroeger elected student body Vice President. On the philanthropic side, the DC Alpha Relay for life team was the top earner in the Northern Virginia, District of Columbia and Southern Maryland region. The chapter beat out many corporate and larger teams by earning over \$14,000 in donations. This year's biggest success was our first annual "Phi Psi RAINN Out Rape Week." This was a week long series of events dedicated to stopping sexual assault and rape along with raising money for the Rape Abuse and Incest National Network (RAINN).

*Allan Johnson*



## **FLORIDA ALPHA Florida State University**

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## **GEORGIA ALPHA University of Georgia**

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The chapter of Georgia Alpha is currently improving in all facets of fraternity life. Scholastically

the chapter produced a cumulative grade point average of 3.12, which ranked our chapter 12 out of 28 chapters on campus. Our brothers continuously attend study hours to improve the academic performance of the chapter, which we feel is vital in our standing at the University of Georgia. Understanding that not all learning takes place within a classroom, the brothers have interacted socially within the community. We have had some fantastic socials which introduced brothers to the vastly increasing sorority networks including sororities outside of the common Greek life.

On a philanthropic front, the brotherhood has nearly completed the Phi Psi 500. We have more than doubled our philanthropic events since the end of 2006. We have participated in events such as date auctions that benefited Relay for Life, percentage nights at local bars that contribute donations to the American Cancer Society, and are currently planning our theme for Relay for Life. We have even transformed our philanthropic events to become socials, in which brothers and the sororities involved will have a great time and donate their time and money to certain philanthropies. We are very proud of the direction that our philanthropic events are heading and are looking forward to a full schedule in the fall of 2007.

Even more exciting than our successes in the classroom and with our thriving social calendar, is that all of the brothers have become extremely excited about summer rush. We have a full schedule for summer rush, which include events such as Atlanta Braves' games, white water rafting, and lake retreats. For the first time in years, we plan to offer incoming University of Georgia freshmen a scholarship sponsored by our fraternity and named in memory of former U.S. Senator Paul Coverdale. Our enthusiasm and excitement for summer rush is due in large part to the rush chairman, Brittan Bush, who has created this wonderful schedule and has encouraged the involvement of every brother. We are looking forward to great things this summer and expanding our brotherhood to those who epitomize the Phi Psi spirit.

*Nicholas Davies*



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

### **Accredited**

In the last year, Georgia Beta certainly has been active throughout the Midtown Atlanta campus of the Georgia Institute of Technology through philanthropy, academics and campus involvement. We recently completed our second semi annual clothing drive, and managed to collect twice the amount of clothing as our winter clothing drive. At Georgia Beta, we hope to continue the tradition of our clothing drives for many years to come. We started by merely placing a bin on the main walkway through our campus, and hope to, in the future, work with other campus organizations to publicize and participate in our event. Furthermore, we recently raised money on campus towards the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Our main fundraiser for Relay for Life was a car wash we organized. Held in Lawrenceville, Ga., a northeastern suburb of Atlanta, Phi Psis washed several cars during the Atlanta commute. Additionally, Georgia Betans recently participated in Team Buzz, an event serving the Greater Atlanta Community. We cleaned much of North Peachtree Creek and removed about 25 tires deeply submerged in muck from a small section of the creek.

Academically, we held the third highest GPA on campus among 30 fraternities. Our spring 2007 pledge class continues to work towards matching our spring 2006 pledge class by having the highest pledge class GPA on campus. The Georgia Beta chapter, which has tended to have academic problems in previous years has now returned to the academic success we held back after our chapter's chartering back in the year 2000.

Georgia Beta is a relatively small chapter at the Georgia Institute of Technology, boasting about 20 active brothers at the moment. We set a recruitment goal of 10 pledges for Fall 2007. Georgia Beta faces tough competition at Tech due to being the youngest fraternity on the campus.

Having to compete with 29 other fraternities (28 of which have houses) has become quite a challenge. A few brothers live in rental homes in the Home Park neighborhood adjacent to campus. In the future, Georgia Tech through its master plan will build a few more Greek houses. However space is certainly an issue when the university is situated in downtown Atlanta.

Despite our small size, we were able to place eleventh in Greek Week, a huge accomplishment for us. Overall, Georgia Beta's involvement on campus has certainly increased in the last year with Georgia Betans holding many leadership positions in other organizations. From membership in Georgia Tech Housing, our active participation in intramurals, and top positions at WREK Atlanta 91.1 FM, Georgia Tech's student owned and operated radio station, the members of our chapter continue to immerse themselves in campus organizations.

Georgia Beta continues to improve philanthropically, academically, and through campus involvement and are prepared to confront the challenges ahead of us. We continue to work on improving our chapter size so that we can increase our campus and community involvement. At the same time, we still want to continue to recruit quality brothers who share in the chapter's commitment, "The Great Joy of Serving Others."

*Christopher Pool*



## **ILLINOIS ALPHA Northwestern University**

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As the end of the academic calendar year winds down, Illinois Alpha looks back on a highly successful year and a promising future. This year's pledge classes are extremely diverse, with new members from eight states and three countries. Academically we are proud to announce that we rank second in average GPA among Northwestern's 17 fraternities. Members continue to be involved within the university and the community. Nick Liadis and Jussi Tahtinen have been elected to serve on the Interfraternity Council executive committee next year, as vice

president of programming and treasurer, respectively. Members play key roles in various student groups and activities, including the debate team, a global health advocacy group, several musical ensembles and intramural sports teams. We continue to support the Evanston Shelter for Battered Women and Children: this May we held a campus-wide, week-long philanthropy event. Illinois Alpha credits success to our accomplished alumni and hardworking actives.

*Patrick Slevin*



## **ILLINOIS DELTA University of Illinois**

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## **ILLINOIS EPSILON Illinois State University**

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### **Accredited**

Illinois Epsilon has made tremendous growth in 2006-07. At the end of last semester, we initiated our largest fall pledge class in years. Nearly doubling our size, our 11 new brothers have proven to show what it means to be a member of Phi Kappa Psi. Through demonstrations of leadership, honor and integrity, they look to take our chapter to the next level. Our current pledge class is very dedicated to the ideals of our Fraternity. Energetic and enthusiastic, they are likely to become outstanding brothers in the near future.

With our increasing numbers, we are becoming ever more involved with the campus and community. Over the last two semesters, we have participated in numerous service projects and events including Relay for Life, helping at an elementary school, volunteer work at an animal shelter and many others. While more than doubling our service hours from last year, we have

become a leading fraternity of service on campus and will continue to do so for quite some time. Furthermore, we have been gradually more involved in campus activities this past year. Our Recruitment, Social, and Philanthropic committees have worked extremely hard to make sure Phi Kappa Psi is ever more prevalent at Illinois State University.

After many years at our current residence, we are preparing to move this summer. Due to increasing interest in our chapter here at Illinois State, we saw the need for a larger house. With a closer proximity to campus and a finer establishment, we will continue to grow for many years to come.

*Brendon Weidner*



## ILLINOIS ZETA DePaul University

### **Accredited**

The brothers of Illinois Zeta have been very busy this past fall and winter. We celebrated our 13th anniversary on October 9, 2006. The brothers thank the many alumni that came out to make this celebration a great success. Last fall we also had our inaugural "Red vs. Green" football game. In the final minutes, the green team made a 21-0 run to come back and win the game in a final second Hail Mary pass. This winter, we traveled to southern Illinois for our annual brotherhood retreat. The retreat was very successful thanks to our brotherhood chair Bill Thanoukos. We are very busy planning several philanthropy events, including relay for life and our first annual bags tournament, with proceeds going to the American Cancer Society. We would also like to congratulate our 15 newly initiated brothers from the fall and winter pledge classes.

*Geoff Markham*



## ILLINOIS ETA

## Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville

The brothers at Illinois Eta are staying diligent through the summer months. We hope to further embrace the ideals of Phi Kappa Psi by promoting brotherhood and excellence. Many of the brothers are taking classes during these months to keep their minds active, however we are also working toward making our chapter stronger as a whole by planning events ahead of time.

This summer we are continuing fundraisers by working with Planet St. Louis. Next fall will be the largest incoming freshman class at Southern Illinois Edwardsville; thus, we have taken many steps to have a successful rush. One of the events we have planned is the Phi Psi fall frenzy. Hopefully by holding this event we will receive great PR and interest toward our fraternity. We have also taken steps to do more philanthropies around the St. Louis area; thus we can fulfill our duties as brothers to help others in need.

We also would like to congratulate our newest initiates: Andrew Linder, Jack Wilson, and Nathaniel Huff. These men show strong character and loyalty toward our beloved fraternity and we hope that they are a positive force for the chapter.

Lastly, we are thankful to our alumni for their constant support through their interest, advice, and participation in our chapter meetings and other activities. You are always welcome!

*Gaurav Jethi*



## ILLINOIS THETA University of Illinois – Chicago

### **Accredited with Distinction**

We at Illinois Theta have been busy thus far this semester. We began the year by recruiting five new men. After undergoing a revamped pledge education process, all five were initiated in the beginning of April. Membership chairman Brother

Marc Kupfer is working on getting Phi Psi positions for the freshman orientation sessions over the summer. We are already signed up to participate in the organization fair that occurs during each summer orientation session. In addition, Marc has begun work on our rush schedule, which we hope to complete by the beginning of summer. Marc has set a goal of 30 men for the fall semester, a goal that would double our largest pledge class to date. Once this goal is met, we hope to continue our newest tradition and initiate our fall pledge class at Phi Psi Headquarters at Laurel Hall as we did last semester.

In February, Illinois Theta celebrated its fourth birthday. We remain the newest chapter on campus and continue to grow faster than any other fraternity at UIC. With the support and hard work of our alumni, we were able to create a housing corporation. Living in the heart of Chicago, the cost of housing has made finding the right situation to acquire a fraternity house quite difficult, however, our housing corporation president Brother David Haim continues to work tirelessly toward this goal. Furthermore, Brother Haim has begun initiative 610, which is meant to increase our scholarship fund to \$10,000. I am happy to report that this goal is well on its way to being achieved.

In other news, Illinois Theta has elected a new class of officers. This class is led by new GP Brother Adam Boersma. The officers and committee chairman have worked diligently to increase the number of both social and philanthropic events; a benchmark of Adam's presidency. Thus far, brothers have participated in philanthropic events including a blood drive, fundraising at a public television station and refurbishing a house for a senior citizen. Each brother is asked to do a minimum of 10 hours of community service per semester in order to meet the chapter's goal of completing the Phi Psi 500 each semester.

Some final notes. The social committee has done a fantastic job organizing mixers and planning formal. We have won Greek Week the last two years, and we are gearing up to defend our title.

*Matthew Johnson*



## **INDIANA ALPHA DePauw University**

### ***Accredited with Distinction***

This last spring semester has been a very exciting time for Indiana Alpha. One reason is because of the initiation of 21 new brothers. This most recent pledge class is an accumulation of different personalities and talents that mixes well with the present actives. For instance, there are a number of DePauw varsity athletes among the new class, including three baseball players, two tennis players, seven soccer players, two track and cross country runners, one golfer, and one basketball player. Even though just initiated, this new pledge class has already proven to be a beneficial addition to our chapter.

Indiana Alpha's philanthropic efforts have continued to be just as strong during this spring semester as past semesters. In February, members of Indiana Alpha took part in Alpha Phi's first annual "King of Hearts" philanthropy, which is a four-day-long competition among participating fraternities on campus. Points were awarded based on the individual house's participation at each event and each house's success in contributing money to their cause. We are proud to say that Indiana Alpha won the hearts of Alpha Phi by doing well enough in each event to take first place in the overall standings. Another large accomplishment was that we at Indiana Alpha successfully rose over \$1,000 to contribute to Greencastle's Relay for Life event. As always, several active members organized smaller philanthropies to raise money for Indiana Alpha's own philanthropy fund.

As far as other events go, Indiana Alpha had its annual Little 5 party and welcomed back several alumni who had come back to relive old times. Also, as a special gift to the seniors, our Harvest Hop informal, which usually happens in the fall, was organized during the spring since the house was unable to host it in the fall. As always, active members enjoyed our spring, riverboat formal which took place in St. Louis.

Recent news on DePauw's campus is the major changes taking place with the Greek system. Over the last few years DePauw University has strived to

better the Greek system by implementing policies regarding housing requirements and pledge education. As of now the university has only made recommendations and no concrete changes. Also, the incidence with the Delta Zeta sorority has caused major news on the national level. Without going into too much detail about the situation, the incident has left students and faculty of DePauw in sadness now that one more of its few Greek chapters is gone.

Alumni are encouraged to come back and visit Indiana Alpha during the 2007-2008 school year which is speedily approaching. Be sure to keep track of Phi Psi and DePauw University events such as Symposium, Old Gold weekend, and the Monon Bell game. Thanks to all alumni for past and present support of the chapter and feel free to stop in and visit us anytime here in Greencastle.

*Nick Dascoli*



## **INDIANA BETA** **Indiana** **University**

Two weeks before the conclusion of spring semester usually means cramming for tests, finalizing group projects, and spending time in office hours. Not at Indiana University (alumni, you know what we're talking about). Its Little 5 week in Bloomington, and studying and final projects are the furthest thought we here have in our heads. This year our bike team has done an amazing job of living up to our cycling tradition. Although the official race results aren't in yet, we have already grabbed the pole position, (for the second time in three years) senior rider Erik Styacich and Brian Adams both placed in the top ten in individual time trials, and a strong team of riders including Mike Segal, David Schweer, Adam Mercer, and Dan Brown all place in the top twenty-five for individual time trials.

*Jake Barker*



## **INDIANA GAMMA** **Wabash College**

### **Accredited with Honors**

Indiana Gamma is proud to announce that the final renovations of our chapter house built in 1970 have been completed and the brotherhood is back at home after living in a transition house for the entirety of the first semester here at Wabash College. Making the move back in the house was not an easy task to say the least, however working as a brotherhood made the transition back to our chapter house run smoothly.

As of April 20, 2007, Indiana Gamma had the great joy of bringing 13 new members into the brotherhood from the fall rush season as well as begin a spring rush class! We started with five pledges and will be initiating four of them in the very near future. We have already begun rush season for next fall's pledge class and had a delightful surprise to the brothers of the chapter, and the college as well: we have an astounding number of 22 accepted bids for next semester, all of which come from students of high caliber. With such an active response to the rush season, especially to one starting so early, we will be looking to fill the house to its capacity.



**Indiana Gamma senior Braden Pemberton performs in the production of 'Sandwich'**



***The newly remodeled Indiana Gamma chapter house***

Campus involvement from brothers in the house is increasing greatly each year. We currently have 4 brothers in the campus' highest student leadership group, the Sphinx Club. Among other organizations, there is Phi Psi representation in Student Senate, Senior Council, as well as several campus publications. Also, we have 14 varsity athletes in a variety of sports including football, cross country, basketball, swimming, indoor track, baseball, and outdoor track. Along with our athletic brothers, we have brothers who have been active in the Fine Arts as well. Three brothers have been actors in performances of Bernard Pomerance's *Elephant Man*, Sterling Carter's *Checkmate*, Warren Leight's *Sideman*, Wabash College's 15th President, Patrick E. White's *Sandwich*, and William Shakespeare's *Two Gentlemen of Verona* among several other small performances as well. Staying in the Fine Arts, we also have several brothers in musical organizations such as orchestra, glee club, brass ensemble, jazz band, and pep band. Last, but certainly not least, our art majors have been active in their studios putting their artistic abilities to

work. One of which, a senior, recently had a debut of his many works in Wabash College's senior art reception.

*Patrick Griffith*



## **INDIANA DELTA Purdue University**

Indiana Delta has seen continued growth and improvement in Spring 2007. One of our greatest achievements was winning Delta Gamma's Anchor Splash philanthropy, ending another fraternity's five year reign over the event. We are also proud of our brother, Eric Burns, who won the talent portion of Zeta Tau Alpha's Big Man On Campus. Indiana Delta looks forward to next year as live-in numbers will rise nearly 60% from this semester. Another success, which was due the hard work of our socials, was the addition of a Winter Formal at The W Lakeshore in Chicago. On campus, three out of the 36 Order of Omega initiates this year were Phi

Psis and our own Garrett Shaw was elected Treasurer of the Greek leadership organization. We have been keeping busy with various house improvement projects to help us prepare for another strong fall rush and looking ahead to Homecoming 2008.

*Robert Heeter*



### **Accredited with Distinction**

It is time once again to inform everyone of all the things that Indiana Epsilon has done this past semester. This semester resulted in a pledge class of 15. This is one of the largest pledge classes in the past few years! Hopefully, the strong numbers will continue through the years.

One thing that Indiana Epsilon prides itself on is philanthropy. Many of the brothers went to houses around the city to install fire alarms and carbon monoxide detectors. Many of these houses were very run down, and to do this made the citizens very happy. Many of us are also involved in "Rebuilding Together," which is a day dedicated to rebuilding run-down houses around the city. Some things that the brothers do are painting, putting up new structural framework and installing new doors.

This spring break, eight brothers went to New Orleans for a relief trip to help try to rebuild the city. It was a five day trip that involved gutting houses, playing dominoes with citizens of the community and "community beautification" of the ninth ward of New Orleans. It was a great trip that involved over fifty hours apiece from each of the brothers. It was a great trip that helped to spread the active involvement of Phi Psi in not only Valparaiso, but all around the world!

Indiana Epsilon has also become very involved on the Valparaiso University Campus. We have two brothers on the Interfraternity Council, the president and vice-president, a very active member on Student Senate, the treasurer of Hellenic Council and many brothers are active in other

organizations on the campus. This year has been a great advancement for Indiana Epsilon in terms of both campus and community involvement.

*Dean Webb*



## **INDIANA ZETA Butler University**

### **Accredited with Distinction**

The brothers of Indiana Zeta are again wrapping up another fun and exciting semester. The semester started off with the brothers welcoming 29 new pledges to our chapter. Since that time, the pledges have completed pledgeship and we are happy to announce that we have 29 new brothers. Their pledgeship had many great highlights that included a win in freshman skits and hosting several great philanthropy events. The victory in freshman skits continues tradition and brings our win streak to 10 years in a row. All the brothers were very excited about the win and are looking forward to continuing the streak in the coming years.

This semester during spring break, 11 of our brothers attended the American Leadership Academy in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. All of the brothers who attended the week long event learned a lot and are very excited to start implementing what we learned in our own chapter.

*Brett Voegle*



## **INDIANA ETA Indiana State University**

The men of Indiana Eta have been going through some growing pains lately, however, the future is looking bright. We had four brothers, Tony Vukusich, Jake Bruner, Bart Robertson and Brad Lemish attend the Cabo Leadership Experience this past spring break. They have brought back several new ideas and aspirations for the upcoming fall semester. Also, we had a successful formal at the Millennium Hotel in St. Louis.

Furthermore, the chapter fared pretty well at

Greek Awards. The chapter received three awards, which included the medium-sized Chapter of Excellence Award and the Philanthropic Chapter Award. Also, vice president Tony Vukusich received the Mark Williams Outstanding Greek Jr. of '06 Award and the Outstanding Greek Member Award, too. In addition, we plan on having another philanthropy, mud-tug, this weekend.

Finally we hope our 20th Anniversary will be a success, and we look forward to seeing all of the alumni.

*Mike Melshen*



## **IOWA ALPHA University of Iowa**

### **Accredited with Distinction**

Iowa Alpha has continued its strive for excellence at the University of Iowa during this spring semester. Whether at the library, philanthropic events or at our annual formal we want to be not only the premier fraternity on Iowa's campus but press ahead to become the best in the nation. The house is already at capacity for next year, and we plan on once again achieving the largest and most talented pledge class on campus. While we have achieved an amazing status amongst our peers, we refuse to rest on our laurels and allow our competition to catch up with us.

Our annual three-on-three basketball tournament is looking forward to its largest turnout ever. Not only do we get to pair up with the beautiful ladies of Kappa Alpha Theta for the second year in a row, but the men will raise funds to help the Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund fight the debilitating disease. Thanks to our philanthropy committee's tireless efforts, Phi Psi-Theta Hoops is looking forward to another year of fun and philanthropy.

Spring recruitment went well, bringing in seven outstanding gentlemen. With the pledge class closed for the spring we have already begun building members for our fall class. The chapter is very anxious to continue its Nile C. Kinnick Scholarship this summer and look forward to obtaining more men of fine character. Planning is already in effect too for formal rush and we are

confident that we will continue to lead the campus when it comes to attracting men that meet our standards of excellence.

The brothers have also devoted themselves to their scholarly pursuits as well as fraternal. We continued our streak of nine semesters of having the top grades on campus and have now finalized a scholarship program that demands excellence in scholarship and supports brothers who are struggling. We were also extremely proud to be the only chapter in the nation to be in the top 10 for grades and size, proving that large chapters can have continued academic success.

We have also found ways to have fun amongst all the pressures of college and fraternity life. The American Leadership Academy allowed Iowa Alpha to send 22 brothers down to Cabo this year. Those men would like to profusely thank Jerry and Florence Nelson, Paul Wineman and all the rest who make the ALA possible for men like us to better ourselves in beautiful Cabo San Lucas. The brothers also threw one of the most memorable formals to date this spring in Galena, Ill.

In closing, we would like to congratulate all of our recently graduated seniors and wish them the best of luck in all their future endeavors. The brothers would also like to extend an open invitation to any and all alumni to pay us a visit anytime. Under the leadership of our current officers the brothers of Iowa Alpha look forward to the future and the challenge of motivating the chapter to new heights of excellence.

*Stephen Duey*



## **KANSAS ALPHA Kansas University**

### **Accredited with Honors**

We here at Kansas Alpha have been through a very busy, hectic, but nonetheless fun and productive spring semester.

Over winter break, Kansas Alpha helped perpetuate a great tradition offered exclusively to the brothers of Phi Kappa Psi. Five of our undergraduate brothers attended the American Leadership Academy in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico.

We were able to send 11 newly initiated members during the spring session for another great experience full of knowledge and fun. Both groups came back with plenty of ideas to help carry the chapter to further greatness.

We are also proud to announce the initiation of thirty undergraduates into Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity on February 4, 2006, which included eight legacies. The new members were proud to post an average 3.07 GPA during their pledge semester, which is a testament to their hard work during their first semester in college.

Another major accomplishment the chapter achieved this past spring was being selected as one out of five groups to participate in Rock Chalk Review. The campus-wide philanthropy raised over 40,000 dollars for the United Way. The men all enjoyed the experience, and the privilege to share it with our partners, the women of Delta Gamma Sorority.

Our own Spring Philanthropy was held on March 31st. The chapter house was turned into an enormous carnival for the young people of the Boys and Girls Club of Douglas County. With the help of the women of Pi Beta Phi Sorority, we managed to complete the transformation with cotton candy, a moon walk, pie throwing contests, water balloon tosses, and video games as well as many more fun events. The kids left with prizes, full of sugar and plenty of smiles to go around.

On a different note, we are proud to announce to launch of Kansas Alpha's new personal website. The address is <http://www.kuphipsi.com>. We believe it represents our chapter well and will be a valuable resource to alumni, members, and potential new members.

Even though we love to work hard, we also like to have a little fun as well. In correlation with Initiation, a majority of our members traveled to St. Louis, Mo. for our Initiation Formal at the end of February. Also, on the first weekend in April we all traveled to beautiful Kauffman Stadium to watch the Kansas City Royals play for our annual Royals Date Dash. On the weekend of April 19, we welcomed our mothers up for our annual Mothers Weekend.

On April 9, 2006, we had our annual Scholarship Brunch, where we invited thirty

potential new members up for an informative assembly with their parents. The day was designed to educate the parents about the chapter with a presentation, question and answer session, and house tours. We are looking forward to a fall pledge class of between thirty and thirty five new members.

Finally, as a chapter, we would like to thank the generous alumni who have taken time out of their busy schedules to come speak with us on behalf of the Kansas Alpha Speakers Bureau, helping not only individuals, but the chapter as a whole. We are very grateful for this privilege.

*Don Wilson*



Kentucky Beta is very proud to announce our 20th anniversary coming in April of 2008. On April 23rd of 1988, Kentucky Beta was recognized as a chapter of Phi Kappa Psi. All of the brothers want to welcome home all of our alumni home for our 20th Founders Day celebration. We will be celebrating the event Saturday the 19th of April 2008. If you are interested and need more information please contact Rob Patterson at [rhpatrick@yahoo.com](mailto:rhpatrick@yahoo.com).

We would also like to take a moment to thank the countless alumni who have helped the chapter thrive in recent years. It was your hard work and determination that allowed us to reach new heights as a chapter. Thank you all very much. The chapter is looking forward to seeing all of you in 2008.

*Charles Martz*



## LOUISIANA ALPHA Louisiana State University

The fall 2006 semester kicked off really well. As a result of recruitment, we initiated 13 new members to the Louisiana Alpha Chapter on

January 20, 2007. Furthermore, Phi Psi Haunted House, our fall philanthropy, was a huge success with almost seven hundred children and adults in attendance. Also during January, we had 30 active brothers from Louisiana Alpha attend the Cabo Alpha Leadership Academy, where the traditions passed on and memories made will never be forgotten!

So far for the spring 2007 semester we helped prepare for the State Special Olympics tournament, and had a tremendous turnout for our Inaugural Phi Psi Field Day. We are also proud to say that LSU's Phi Kappa Psi and Kappa Kappa Gamma came together to win Songfest, a Greek Affairs Philanthropy, for the first time since 1992. Not only did we place first overall, but Phi Psi was awarded the best male performance.

*J. Aaron Johnson*



## **LOUISIANA GAMMA Loyola University**

### **Accredited with Honors**

This has been a very good semester for Louisiana Gamma. We just initiated a group of 12 men that all promise to be very big assets to this chapter. They all come from very different backgrounds and all contribute different things to help maintain our chapter as the strongest on campus. We are also holding elections at the end of the month and are looking forward to strong new leadership for the upcoming academic year.

We also had another very successful social event with our Prep School Paradise party that everyone really enjoyed. We will be having our formal on April 14, 2007, a much anticipated event for our chapter as it is when awards for the year are given and brothers are able to enjoy their success over the past academic year.

As far as our activities for the semester, we held a fundraiser with a March Madness bracket contest with which we made over \$300. Earlier in the semester, our chapter helped a family in Slidell gut and clean their home as they had lost everything in Hurricane Katrina. While doing so, our brothers

made such a positive impact on the family that they were helping, they were invited to a wedding the next weekend.

Our chapter continues to build relationships with organizations all around campus allowing us to have a positive impact throughout the entire Loyola community. We are currently trying to have mixers with some Tulane sororities in an effort to close the gap between the Loyola and Tulane community. Although it is only one small thing, we are hoping that it makes a small impact in Greek relations between the two campuses.

With our chapter coming upon its 15th anniversary, we are ensuring that we remain the strongest and most productive chapter on Loyola's campus.

*Jake Parvino*



## **MARYLAND ALPHA Johns Hopkins University**

### **Accredited with Honors**

This semester at Johns Hopkins has favored Phi Kappa Psi in many ways. We have been blessed with a strong and cohesive undergraduate membership. This has permitted the chapter to have a strong showing at recruitment, pledge and philanthropy events. We have also been able to manage our finances and strengthen our committee structure in ways that have reinforced the entire group. The strength of the undergraduate membership has given the chapter an unprecedented array of good news to share with all our friends and brothers.

Foremost, we have the biggest pledge class in over 20 years! With 26 pledges, Maryland Alpha is poised not only to become one of the largest chapters at Hopkins, but also one of the smartest. Our new pledge class promises to lift our overall GPA and help us attain excellence both in community service and in academics.

Secondly, this semester has brought a great deal of attention to our fraternity and the struggle to keep our house at 3906 Canterbury Road. The local news media has featured stories about the Maryland Alpha Chapter and our vigorous efforts to keep our house. By highlighting our philanthropy,

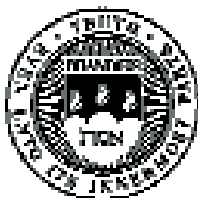
longevity and our talented students, the local news media have helped us to reinvigorate our fundraising efforts and raise our profile among the university.

Thirdly this semester our chapter has two of the largest philanthropy events ever planned. With a clothing drive in early April for needy Baltimore residents, and the exciting plans for this year's Phi Psi 500, we are once again ensured the Greek Award for Outstanding Community Service.

Lastly, the success and tenacious efforts of our water-polo team members has contributed immensely to our chapter. Their long hours at the pool during practice and throughout the season have given the entire university a team to be proud of.

While this entire year has shown the chapter how much we can accomplish when we work diligently, we are humbled by the great effort that all of our alumni have given our chapter in the past year. Their support and tireless efforts compel us to work harder to make Maryland Alpha an even better organization. As we become a larger organization, we will certainly face new and unpredictable challenges but with the help of our Alumni and with good leadership, I am confident that we can face those challenges with the utmost success.

*JR Yarbrough*



## **MASSACHUSETTS BETA Brandeis University**

### **Accredited with Honors**

We are proud to report another strong semester for Massachusetts Beta! We are well on our way towards completing the Phi Psi 500, with brothers volunteering in soup kitchens as well as tutoring in the local community. Even before the end of the semester we were well over half way to our goal. As of this semester, we have officially owned our house for a full year. Brothers continue to work on various house beautification projects and we look forward towards continuing to improve the quality of our house. As of this semester, we have increased our membership to over 30 brothers strong and we plan on continuing the trend with

more members than ever before. On campus, brothers participated in various intramural sports, for example water polo, basketball, as well as winning the intramural dodge ball championship! We also have begun to buildup our inter-Greek relations, with brothers working on the Inter Greek Council with the President being from Phi Psi. We helped to host various Greek Week activities, including organizing a charity walk around Waltham to raise money for End Poverty Now, an organization focused on ending extreme poverty by providing education and finances for poverty stricken nations. For events within the fraternity, brothers traveled to Good Times Emporium for billiards, go-carting, and laser tag. We also plan on traveling to play paintball once the weather improves. Brothers continue to look forward towards our formal at the end of April at the Sheraton Hotel. Overall, Massachusetts Beta is on the rise and we plan on continuing our momentum into next semester!

*Michael Roserblatt*



## **MICHIGAN ALPHA University of Michigan**

### **Accredited with Honors**

The Michigan Alpha chapter has been hard at work this year, maintaining our balance of recruitment, philanthropy and alumni relations. We are proud to say that we initiated 19 outstanding men in our fall '06 pledge class and 7 in the winter '07 class. In December, our chapter held our annual SOS Charity Home for the Holidays philanthropy event with great success. We hosted over 100 underprivileged children from the SOS Charity in Ypsilanti, Mich. Brothers provided holiday gifts and cheer to all who attended. The event continued to be the largest philanthropy event on the University of Michigan campus. Our 2007 Founders' Day was the most successful in recent history. We were proud to host over 30 alumni and 100 active brothers during this event. Our chapter is proud to say that we continue to embody the ideals of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

*Zach LaPalme*



***The Michigan Alpha chapter house***

## **S MICHIGAN BETA Michigan State University**

Greetings from East Lansing! Michigan Beta is still holding it down in Spartan Country. We are all looking forward to welcoming two more brothers into the house. However, with initiation week beginning also brings the close to the school year. While most of us are looking forward to a few months off from school, several of our brothers will be graduating and moving on into the "real" world. Congratulations Brothers Eric Kleiner, Nick Hugelst, and Regan Forrester!

Our chapter entered into the Chi Omega softball smash. Though we have been pitted against some tough competition from around campus and have had some close calls, we remain undefeated.

Late in March we participated in several philanthropy events including the Relay for Life,

Special Olympics and Family Fun Night. All of these are great events that we get involved in every year and are able to help organizations in need and our mid-Michigan community. We all had a great time, were able to see some old friends from other fraternities and sororities that we don't get to see enough, and were grateful to realize how much our help as a philanthropic organization is appreciated.

*Erik Nielsen*



## **MINNESOTA BETA University of Minnesota**

***Accredited with Honors***

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MINNESOTA GAMMA

## Minnesota State University at Mankato

### Accredited

The brothers of Minnesota Gamma have been having a great spring semester thus far. We've had, and still do have, a lot going on this semester. One recent highlight was our alumni poker tournament. During this event, we were able to raise money for our chapter, as well as get know our alumni more closely. This was part of our goal to get more interaction between actives and alumni. We would like to extend our gratitude to those alumni who helped organize and participated in this event.

Another highlight for many of our brothers was the spring break trip to Cabo San Lucas. In total, we had nine of our members attend this noteworthy event. While there, they gained much knowledge and were inspired to improve our chapter on many different levels. They also were able to meet many other Phi Psis from around the country.

On April 29, we will be having our first annual Family Day. We are planning on hosting the event at our house, with barbecuing and games. It will be a great opportunity for our members and their families to get to know one another better. We are hoping that this becomes a staple event for many years to come.

We are also planning to do some great community service events later this month. On April 14, we will help set up for Relay for Life, and on May 6, we will be helping out with the Special Olympics. We look forward to these events and are excited to get more involved. We are also doing our semesterly highway clean-up on May 6 as well.

Finally we would like to congratulate Mike Krause, Samuel Hansen, and Terry Tauer, who are graduating this spring. They both have proven to be outstanding members of our chapter and will be missed severely. We wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors, whatever they may be.

Good luck to all the other chapters around the nation, and we look forward to next year.

*Patrick Wilson*



MINNESOTA DELTA

## University of Minnesota, Duluth

### Accredited

This year truly has been an exciting one. This is our 5th year since we were born as a chapter, and we are looking forward to an amazing five year banquet to celebrate our achievements and growth. Kyle Hatton, AJ Strom, and Kenny Iroezi are excelling in our pledge education program and we are excited to be initiating a new generation into our chapter.

We wish our graduating seniors the best of luck as they leave us as undergraduates, but join us as Alumni. Sean Booher, Kalmon Rosenblatt, and Dan Lipa will all be starting their roles as Minnesota Delta alumni and we hope that they will continue to take an active role in their chapter as we continue to grow.

Our Chapter recently participated in Relay for Life at our campus. Our team raised \$160.00 and during Relay for Life, Jake Thomason won recognition for an event where people were supposed to go around and try to collect as much money from attendees as possible. In addition, our chapter hosted the midnight poker tournament and served pancakes from 4-6am with all proceeds going to the American Cancer Society.

The decision to create a temporary committee for Public Relations was approved this semester. This is the latest step to promote our Fraternity as well as the Greek society on campus. We believe that it is our responsibility to the school, as well as the public, to promote the positive aspects associated with Greek organizations on campus. We hope it will lighten the negative stereotypes typically associated with fraternities and sororities. The PR committee's first promotional piece to gain awareness for our Chapter was "I (Heart) Phi Psi" t-shirts.

We will wrap up this year just as strong as we began, and are extremely excited to begin yet another successful year. Every year is another chapter in our story, and we have made every one

more memorable and amazing than the one before it. We can only imagine what exciting new things next year will bring.

*Greg Bartell*



## **MISSISSIPPI ALPHA University of Mississippi**

Having celebrating the chapter's sesquicentennial in February, the brothers of Mississippi Alpha spent the remainder of the spring semester working to improve the chapter for its next 150 years. Only a few weeks after Miss. Alphas entertained National Phi Psi dignitaries on Founders Day, the chapter again welcomed S.W.G.P Steven O'Rourke and his fellow Missouri Alpha brother, Ed Brandon, both of whom helped with house improvements and counseled chapter leadership on administrative improvements to help the chapter with regards to alumni and university relations and recruitment.

Based on their advice, the chapter rejuvenated The Campaign for Mississippi Alpha, a successful fund-raising tool of the past. The campaign will be centered around \$500 donations from generous alumni who will leave their name as a permanent imprint in the chapter's rich history in the form of individually-engraved bricks forming a new walkway leading to the chapter house. For more info email [lbloom@olemiss.edu](mailto:lbloom@olemiss.edu).

*Lance Bloom*



## **MISSOURI ALPHA University of Missouri**

### **Accredited**

The men of Missouri Alpha have had a fantastic semester, and have accomplished much. The Phi Psi Phreeze, a broomball tournament, was held for the first time and sororities across campus faced off to raise money for the Boys and Girls Club. Soccer season is winding down, and we look forward to not only defending our title, but winning the intramural title on campus. We have had a great

Greek Week with Phi Mu, and organized a fantastic chapter day celebration, held on April 21st. Five brothers attended the Cabo Alpha Leadership Academy and met brothers from across the nation for leadership training and a great week. As school winds down, we are looking forward to the summer and seeing everyone at Woodrow Wilson in July! If you know any men headed to Mizzou in the fall, please send their names to Rush Chairman Matt DuSold: [mhd5y3@mizzou.edu](mailto:mhd5y3@mizzou.edu).

*Christopher Hrabe*



## **NEBRASKA ALPHA University of Nebraska**

At Nebraska Alpha, we are making great strides in our effort to return to prominence at the University of Nebraska – Lincoln. Our recent projects include: revitalizing our alumni networks; planning for the creation of a new alumni advisory board; and hosting a new philanthropy concept.

With the recent successes of our annual alumni auction and barbeque, our hopes are high for our blossoming alumni network. On April 21, S.W.V.G.P Paul Wineman traveled to Lincoln to advise our chapter and give a public speech on negotiations. Our first annual "Phi Kappa Fry" was a major success. We had a blast and raised over one thousand dollars for the Lymphoma and Cancer Society. Our alumni auction also went very well. We gained enough money to help pay for some desperately needed house repairs. As Nebraska Alpha continues to grow, these recent successes will surely serve as strong motivators.

*Stephen Hassler*



## **NEBRASKA BETA Creighton University**

### **Accredited**

Nebraska Beta has had an unprecedented amount of success in the last calendar year. From our record recruitment numbers in spring 2006 to our various philanthropies, we have made

significant strides in making our fraternity better and better. Our senior class is an extremely valuable asset in mentoring the younger generations. We have 24 active senior members, our highest senior retention rate ever!

We continue to have a strong impact on Creighton's campus as well. Phi Psi members have held prominent positions such as IFC President, back to back years of Creighton Students Union President, and Inter Resident Hall Government President. We are active in the community. Our annual events include Phi Psi 500, Rolling Jays, Haunted House and UpTill Dawn, all benefiting the Boys and Girls Club.

Nebraska Beta continues to work hard to complete our ambitious goals and make our chapter the best it can possibly be.

*Jeff Murnan*



## **NEW JERSEY DELTA** **The College** **of New Jersey**

Any member of a Greek organization will tell you how much they hate the negative fraternity/sorority stereotypes that are always at the forefront in a Greek life discussion. Due to this, many freshmen coming into college have false impressions about what Greek life truly is. However, after actually seeing what fraternities and sororities do, their views always change when they see the dedication to making campus and the community a better place. While talking to freshmen as much as possible to introduce them to the positives of Greek life, N.J. Delta always does its best to participate in school-sponsored and community-sponsored events. For example, N.J. Delta has a commitment to completing 500 hours of community service each semester by volunteering at soup kitchens, schools, and any other places in need of help.

One of the main focuses of our chapter is public relations, which includes how we are perceived on The College of New Jersey campus and in the community overall. For this reason, we as a whole ensure that our image is professional and respectable at all times. It is our duty to make

sure we handle ourselves as intelligent young men in any situation that may arise.

As another school year comes to an end, New Jersey Delta continues to excel in all the major aspects of fraternity life. As a chapter, we realize the importance of recruitment and strive to do whatever possible to make sure N.J. Delta Phi Kappa Psi remains one of the largest and most successful organizations at our school. Recruitment is a constant process that begins literally the very first day of school. This year, the hard work and dedication N.J. Delta put into recruitment was evident in our accomplishments. The addition of two Alpha Epsilons in the fall of 2006 and sixteen Alpha Zetas in the spring of 2007 has helped us to not only increase our numbers, but ensure our chapter's ongoing success would continue. In fact, the Alpha Zeta class and its sixteen members happen to be the second biggest in N.J. Delta's 17-year history.

Furthermore, New Jersey Delta has always been one of the top Greek organizations at TCNJ over the years when it comes to community service, philanthropy, scholarship, fundraising, and other important Greek life activities. Our biggest philanthropy event of 2007, was a rendition of the hit NBC game show "Deal or No Deal." All proceeds went to our national philanthropy's local chapter of the Boys and Girls Club in Trenton.

As we prepare for another successful year, it is easy to see that our chapter is as strong as it ever was in all the major aspects of Greek life. The future looks promising for New Jersey Delta Phi Kappa Psi as all signs point to us becoming the largest and most dominant fraternity on The College of New Jersey's campus.

*Steve Kotarski*



## **NEW JERSEY EPSILON** **Rowan University**

The brothers of the New Jersey Epsilon Chapter at Rowan University are entering our seventh year as a chartered organization. We are delighted to report to say that our members have been working extremely hard over the past

academic year, and once again have put ourselves in the top position among Greek organizations for the annual Rowan Greek Cup. As our chapter continues to grow, we are dedicated to serving our community and fellow students. Our grade point average is strong, and our membership is on the rise. This spring ushered in eight fine gentlemen who are eager and determined to uphold our ideals and goals. At N.J. Ep, we are lucky to have supportive alumni who are always willing to guide us in our steps to becoming true Phi Psi gentlemen. We would like to extend an invitation to anyone in the New Jersey area to stop by Rowan University, and our New Jersey Epsilon Chapter.

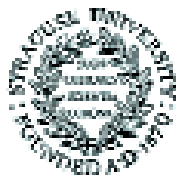
*Ricky Pearsall*



## **NEW YORK ALPHA Cornell University**

This past year has been a milestone to New York Alpha. This year we officially initiated our 2,000th brother, May Royster. In addition to this, we had two of our brothers, Brad Newman and Mike Smit, lead the Cornell swim team to an undefeated dual meet championship title. Our brothers have had the benefit this semester of being able to listen to two of our alumni, Brother Dan Meyer and Buck Briggs, who came to give the brothers an idea of our history, and how to contribute to the brotherhood for life. We had a strong recruitment with 19 new members, with many of them showing very promising signs of leadership.

*Devin DeMenno*



## **NEW YORK BETA Syracuse University**

New York Beta at Syracuse University has completed another outstanding year as a chapter. Since our refounding in 2001, we have grown to over 50 brothers and counting, and have developed in our dedication to living out the principles of our Creed and motto.

We have recently organized a campus wide philanthropy event which will help us to continue

to serve the Boys and Girls Club and work more closely with the university. The event is called "Broomball" and is a team game played on ice. We are also excited to announce that we sent over 20 brothers to Relay for Life, where we walked for a cure for cancer from 6 o'clock at night until 7 o'clock the next morning.

We have been making significant efforts this semester to try and reconnect with alumni. We had an excellent Founders Day dinner and welcomed back many of our brothers. We plan on holding many more alumni events next year and hope to see many more alumni brothers visit.

Significant new improvements have been made to our house on 500 University Place. The house has been outfitted with wireless internet, and room has been made to increase the number of brothers able to live in the house. Revisions have also been completed to the basement including repainting, minor construction, a prominently displayed drawing of our old house on 113 College Place, and a colorful drawing of the Jacqueminot Rose.

Over the past academic year we have initiated 28 new brothers, a record setting number since our refounding. Because of our growing brotherhood we have been able to participate in many campus activities and three intramural sports. Brother Luke Carnahan has established a Phi Psi football league for our chapter and led us to the semi-finals for the Kappa Alpha Theta football tournament last fall.

There are many new exciting things happening at New York Beta, and we urge you to visit or contact us. With this year coming to an end we are sad to see our graduating brothers leave, however we're happy to have shared such an outstanding final year with them. We are all looking forward to this coming academic year and hope it brings continued success for New York Beta.

*Matthew Agnello*



## **NEW YORK ETA University at Buffalo**

The assembled brothers here at NY Eta had another great semester. Our Founders weekend

was a huge success once again, as we had around 60 alumni attend this year's festivities. The alumni have proven again to be a vital asset to our chapter as they provided money for numerous repairs to the chapter house, including new doors for rooms and entrances, an entirely new hardwood floor and many projects planned for the future. We also had four brothers attend the American Leadership Academy in Cabo San Lucas. The information obtained from the individual lectures is already making waves in the chapter as to how to run it for the optimum results. The upcoming year is looking very good for our chapter and we are all extremely excited about the future possibilities.



## **NEW YORK THETA Rochester Institute of Technology**

### **Accredited**

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## **NEW YORK IOTA Binghamton University**

### **Accredited**

It's been a very productive semester for us over here at the New York Iota Chapter. On top of moving into our new house, which was very generously donated to us by Brother Jerry Nelson, we have recently initiated nine new quality brothers into our chapter. Our philanthropy work with the Boys and Girls Club still continues to go strong and we also participated as volunteers for the spring's Special Olympics at a local high school. We here at the New York Iota Chapter at SUNY Binghamton would just like to take this opportunity to say to all our fellow brothers across the nation that we will continue to conduct ourselves

according to the guidelines of the Creed and also wish everyone a happy, healthy, relaxing summer.

*John Dekan*



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

### **Accredited**

This academic year has been a busy one for our chapter. In the spring 2007 semester we brought in the largest pledge class in New York Kappa history. We have seen the installation of nine new members. This accomplishment reflects the time, dedication, and perseverance of every brother. Our chapter has also passed a milestone this semester. Because of such a large pledge class, the chapter was able to eclipse 50 members and is quickly approaching 60! Considering Phi Kappa Psi's rather short existence on the College at Oneonta campus, this accomplishment is seen as a huge success in the eyes of our brothers.

The chapter has recently elected Roger Sullivan as our new Chapter Advisor. Roger Sullivan is an extremely influential figure head on Oneonta campus. Throughout the course of his educational journey, Roger had completed his undergraduate studies at SUNY Potsdam. During his tenure there, he gained access to a fraternity which also emphasized the importance of scholarship, service and brotherhood. The compatibility between our organization and Mr. Sullivan is uncanny. Roger is eager to help. His positive outlook and attitude are contagious and continue to reassure the brotherhood that he is the perfect man for the job.

During the middle of February, Central New York saw a snow storm, the likes of which have not been seen for many years. Vehicles were buried under mammoth amounts of snow and freeing them surely would have taken quite a bit of work. The brothers Phi Psi set out to assist with this process. For several hours, brothers selflessly shoveled free dozens of cars. This proved to be a

great chance for brothers not only to lend their willing hands, but also to come together and solidify even tighter the bond of brotherhood.

Last semester, New York Kappa posted a GPA of 3.01, which ranked the highest in our Greek community. College records stated that our brotherhood has amassed over 1,700 hours of recorded services hours. With the number of projects that we have in the works for the coming year, that number is sure to increase considerably.

This May we will see the last of our remaining Founding Brothers graduate and head into "the real world." Their influence has been great, their legacy immense. I would like to wish them all continued success and prosperity in their future. The '07-'08 year looks very promising. I look forward to all the great things that, "that little chapter in New York" is capable of doing.

If you would like to plan an event or visit NY Kappa, contact Brooks Rahmer, Corresponding Secretary, at [brooksrhmer@gmail.com](mailto:brooksrhmer@gmail.com).

*Brooks Rahmer*



**NORTH CAROLINA  
BETA**

## **East Carolina University**

### **Accredited**

Greetings from North Carolina Beta! Our chapter elected a new GP and VGP this semester, and they are continuing to learn their roles to the best of their abilities as they will be serving their respected positions again in the fall. We had a great time participating in intramurals. Being together like that really strengthened our brotherhood bond. We assisted the Humane Society with various projects of theirs, such as cleaning dog cages and the cat house. We also volunteered our time at their Canine Crawl, helping them to set up the event. We welcome William Stoudt, the lone member of the Alpha Epsilon class. We are looking forward to the passion and dedication he showed while pledging. We are also looking forward to the fall, when we will strive for our largest pledge class in 4 years. We wish all the chapters future success.

*Sean Peterson*



**OHIO ALPHA  
Ohio Wesleyan  
University**

No newsletter submitted. Find out why by contacting GP Todd Taylor at 937-725-3648.



**OHIO BETA  
Wittenberg University**

Phi Kappa Psi is an organization deeply rooted in venerated tradition. We at the Ohio Beta chapter of Phi Kappa Psi from Wittenberg University have seriously reflected on this tradition lately. The legacy of Phi Kappa Psi that we as members enjoy was built, piece by piece, by those who proudly wore the letters before us. This is why we are eagerly striving to strengthen the bond between undergraduates and our alumni. We hope to plan many events that will help to fortify this relationship, including a golf outing, and we look forward to future interaction with our alumni. We have also been working very hard to honorably build onto the rich Phi Kappa Psi legacy at Wittenberg that we inherited. We have been active in philanthropy events, including our annual Sit With Wally Witt and a recent Lesotho, Africa benefit. Our most recent contribution to the legacy was initiating 8 new and promising members.

*Peter Seiley*



**OHIO DELTA  
The Ohio State  
University**

### **Accredited with Distinction**

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

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

*Gregory Kester*



## **OHIO EPSILON Case Western Reserve**

### **Accredited with Honors**

Phi Kappa Psi is flourishing at Case Western. Over the summer, we celebrated our Centennial. Alumni came from around the country for events such as a family barbeque, a campus tour and a gala dinner.

This semester the chapter initiated 12 brothers, all of excellent character, making a total of 21 new brothers this year. This accounts for nearly 20% of all new Greeks at CWRU. To accommodate our growing chapter, we will be moving into a bigger house next year; the former SAE house, located at 11915 Carlton Road, will lodge 30 brothers.

We urge Ohio Epsilon alumni to visit our website, <http://phipsi.case.edu> and to notice the new directory located there; please email Joseph Friedman ([jmf40@case.edu](mailto:jmf40@case.edu)) for more information.

Lastly, we'd love to hear what's new in your life or the lives of you pledge brothers, so feel free to send an update for our chapter newsletter:

*Joseph Friedman*



## **OHIO ETA University of Toledo**

### **Accredited with Distinction**

The Ohio Eta chapter of Phi Kappa was active last semester in philanthropy, community service, athletics and socially and looks to do even more this semester. The biggest philanthropy event of the previous semester was a quesadilla dinner the Fraternity hosted at the chapter house. The dinner was prepared and served completely by the brothers and patrons were entitled to unlimited quesadillas and nachos with the purchase of a ticket. The event raised over \$600 and the proceeds benefited Dance Marathon.

In the university's annual homecoming parade, the chapter spent many days and nights constructing a float that turned out to look fantastic. Leaders were born out of homecoming as a handful of brothers stepped up and took charge of the organization and actual building of the float. The chapter won the spirit award for their effort in building and enthusiasm during the parade. The chapter has had success on the athletic field so far this year. The chapter has already captured an outdoor soccer championship in the fall. The softball team had a successful run into the playoffs and advanced to the semi-final round of the tournament.

**Congratulations  
to Ohio Epsilon  
on 100 years as  
a chapter**



The fall semester saw the chapter add nine new members, all of whom are capable of making positive contributions to the chapter. Several of the new members have already taken active roles in the Fraternity such as heading several committees and being very active in events such as homecoming and songfest. The fall pledge class had the unique experience of being initiated at Laurel Hall, the National Headquarters, in Indianapolis, Ind.

A new executive board has taken over that is full of new and innovative ideas for chapter improvement and there are already a variety of community service projects in the works. The chapter is participating in a 5 mile walk and doing another philanthropy dinner to benefit victims of multiple sclerosis. We have also just placed 2nd in the annual songfest, singing and dancing to Michael Jackson. The brothers plan to work with the Boys and Girls club of greater Toledo and involve themselves in a variety of other community service projects to reach the Phi Psi 500. The brothers are also looking forward to help out the colony at Bowling Green State University in hopes of them becoming a chapter by 2008. The brothers of Ohio Eta would also like to congratulate the NIU chapter; Phi Psi's newest.

Andrew Sinner



## OHIO THETA Ashland University

### **Accredited with Distinction**

Once again Ohio Theta is glad to report another successful semester as the pre-eminent fraternity at Ashland University. We were once again honored to have the highest GPA in Fraternity Circle, besting the All-Campus Men's Average for the sixth consecutive semester. Continuing a tradition of quality over quantity, five gentlemen have decided to pledge themselves to Phi Kappa Psi and join our brotherhood. They are Stephen Ciacchi, Tony Glessner, Jeremy Horton, Patrick O'Keefe, and Chris Smith. We are very happy to have them with us and are confident that they will make excellent brothers upon initiation.

The 2006-2007 year has been one of realignment and growth in new areas for Ohio

Theta. Our technology committee has devoted itself to revamping ohiotheta.net, our local domain, adding a new forum and eventually hoping to expand it as an alumni relations and communications hub for the chapter. Our annual Founders Day celebration was held on March 31 with several alumni returning for a meal and presentation of a new scholarship by Brother Eric Wiedenmann, Spring '70. The recipient was a member of Fall '05, Mitch Mikoletic.

Several of our brothers had the opportunity to attend Cabo Alpha during Spring Break this year. They returned full of ideas for the continued growth and improvement of our chapter. With so much interest in Cabo, we hope to be able to send even more people next year. Back in the States, Brother Dave White, Fall '03, was elected President of the Inter-Fraternity Council. His experience and guidance have opened new opportunities for Ohio Theta both with the other Greek organizations on campus, and with the University Administration. His efforts have furnished us with a renovated house façade and plans for future investment in our house by the University.

Our shining gem continues to be our dedication to philanthropy. We ended the fall semester with 1,055 hours of community service, and are well on our way to completing another 1,000. Over \$1,400 was raised for various organizations, including the Salvation Army and Give Kids the World. We are currently raising money for a memorial fund in honor of David Betts, a victim of the Bluffton Baseball team bus crash. The brothers continue to show initiative in community service above and beyond the call of duty. We look forward to continued excellence in the coming year.

Ben Kepple



## OHIO LAMBDA Miami University

Greetings from the brothers of Ohio Lambda at Miami University! As always, we write this letter in the midst of another busy, exciting year. This school year of 2006-2007 has been very exciting

for our chapter and has provided many lasting memories and events that will not be forgotten.

One of the major highlights of the year was the 35th Anniversary Celebration Weekend during March 30-31. The weekend was dedicated to celebrating Ohio Lambda's 35th year as a chapter on the Miami campus. As many alumni came back to the fraternity house they once resided, so too did the memories. The weekend was highlighted by a beautiful dinner banquet at the Shriver Center with speeches given by alumni and current Brothers, and a slide show of both old and new pictures.

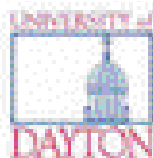
Our hard work, time and dedication paid off as we once again had a very successful rush process during the first two weeks of spring semester. 38 new brothers were initiated into Phi Kappa Psi on March 4, 2007. With the new members, the Ohio Lambda chapter currently now has 140 active Brothers, making us one of the biggest fraternities on campus.

With 140 Brothers, Phi Kappa Psi is involved in numerous organizations all across Miami University. Some of these activities include the Business Student Advisory Council, Venture Fund, Relay for Life, Campus Activities Council, Interfraternity Council, Oxford International Film Festival, Student Court, Pi Sigma Epsilon, Varsity Football Team, Edun Live and the Marines. We pride ourselves on diversity between brothers, and as you can see, we are involved in a number of diverse organizations.

A number of house improvements/additions have tremendously helped the physical structure of the fraternity house. These improvements include new walls in the apartments, a new boiler and heating system, a new fire safety system with sprinklers, and wireless Internet. Furthermore, we have acquired a new pool table, furniture for the game room, and updated the library with a new computer. We plan on continuing to improve the house through summer work sessions and landscaping projects.

As the year comes to an end, we want to thank our graduating seniors for all they have done for Ohio Lambda. We cherish the memories and friendships we have built with them, and wish them the best of luck in the future.

*Chris Lewis*



OHIO MU

## University of Dayton

**Accredited with Distinction**

**Accredited with Distinction**

It has been another busy but exciting and productive semester for the brothers of Ohio Mu.

One of this semester's goals was to increase the number of hours spent doing service as individuals and as a chapter. To do this, Ohio Mus participated in various activities including a local river clean-up and some volunteering for the local Boys and Girls Club, with whom we are trying to create a stronger relationship. Our biggest service activities, though, have been helping the Cincinnati chapter of the American Heart Association prepare for the Heart Mini-Marathon. To help them, Ohio Mu stuffed 4,500 prize bags in four hours, and most helped set up for the event, take-down after its conclusion, or both.

Several brothers participated in the Heart-Mini Marathon in other ways as well. A band of all Phi Psis performed on the course as runners went by. Four brothers also ran the 15k, one of whom also ran the 5k event earlier in the day.

The large philanthropy event of second semester for Ohio Mu was the University of Dayton's Relay for Life. This was an incredibly successful event for the chapter. The team rose over \$8,500 by 9:00 a.m. at the conclusion of the all-night walk, beating our \$6,000 goal, has now raised about \$9,000 and is continuing to bring in donations. Even at the conclusion of the actual Relay for Life event, Phi Psi raised the most money by about \$4,000 and accounted for over 1/10 of the total amount raised by 65 teams.

The Dayton chapter has also been busy in every other area of fraternity and college life. As a whole and as individuals, we are working on raising our GPA. The scholarship committee has been keeping tabs on our progress, encouraging and motivating the brothers to achieve academic success and even reserved our own room in the library. This committee, along with many other brothers, has also worked on our distinguished

speaker series. This semester, one speaker a month was heard and spoke on topics such as personal motivation, successful life and business strategies, investment practices and alcohol and drug abuse. As always, the Membership committee is planning and evaluating recruitment strategies. The chapter is excited for "300"-themed advertising for fall rush, based on the recent movie.

All members of the chapter have been excited for the new wave of brotherhood events. Each week consists of a movie, a dinner and bowling. One big brotherhood event a month has also been planned such as a local ski trip, a brothers-only scavenger hunt on campus and a weekend trip to Camp Nuhop, which involved a high ropes course and a brother-appreciation exercise. The chapter is also working to reformat the pledge education program to emphasize the morals and values of Phi Kappa Psi in both thought and practice.

The end of this semester is bittersweet. Graduating brothers are excited to begin their lives beyond college, but it will be sad to see them go. This is especially true this year with several of the original 14 members of Ohio Mu graduating. This

includes Tim Harbage, the brother who spearheaded the effort to establish a colony and then chapter at UD, and was also Ohio Mu's first GP. All brothers recognize the importance of the leaving seniors and they will all be dearly missed.

As always, brothers from all chapters are welcome and encouraged to contact us and/or stop by. We will welcome any brothers on campus and hope you can stop by 106 Lawnview Avenue to see us.

*Kevin Timms*



Oklahoma Alpha had another fantastic spring. We had a great turnout this year for Founders Day. The chapter would like to thank Brother Tony Say for hosting the festivities. We would also like to thank our guest speaker Brother Rob Nagel for coming all the way from Indianapolis. The chapter attended the North Texas Alumni Association's



**Oklahoma Alphas at the Big Event**

Founders Day again this year and thanks Brother Bill Long for the invite. Our members were treated to quite an experience as the guest speaker was none other than Kent Christopher Owen. Brother Sean Luchs was named an Outstanding Senior and Big Man on Campus this year. On a different note Brother Michael Huber was given the title of Ugliest Man on Campus in an effort to raise money for charity. This spring Oklahoma Alpha co-sponsored a carnival for kids with muscular dystrophy with two other Greek organizations and the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Football season is just around the corner and I would like to encourage the alumni to once again come out and visit the house.

*Kyle Ray*



## **OREGON BETA** **Oregon State University**

Spring is bringing exciting times to Oregon Beta. We're working hard on fixing up the chapter house to make it a more desirable place to live, which in turn will help with recruitment. We are also excited about our philanthropy event Phi Psicle, which benefits the Lance Armstrong Foundation. Our final event of the school year will be our Alumni Appreciation Weekend during the first weekend of June. Spring term is a busy one, but we're looking forward to it. If you find yourself in Corvallis, swing by the chapter house to check out the progress we've made and maybe get a chance to watch some national championship baseball. Live ever, die never and GO BEAVS!

*Robert Cady*



## **PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA** **Washington & Jefferson College**

Since the last newsletter, there have been numerous developments in the chapter. First and foremost, congratulations to everyone for the hard work that has paid off. The college has finally, and not without a fight, awarded us a new house on

Chestnut Street. Getting into this house was of paramount importance because the alternative presented by the college was giving us a chapter room with no house. Thankfully, that is no longer a concern of the chapter – it is time for us to thrive.

Also, the chapter would like to recognize the huge contribution that Lorenzo Inglese has made. Lorenzo, a Phi Kappa Psi Pennsylvania Alpha graduate of 2006, has agreed to pay for our entire formal in exchange for 30 hours of community service from each brother. This is an outstanding show of alumni support: the community service hours will look excellent for the Fraternity, and the money saved from the formal can be used towards dues. Everyone in the chapter appreciates and is thankful for this unprecedented show of support.

*Ryan Borchik*



## **PENNSYLVANIA BETA** **Allegheny College**

### **Accredited**

This past year, the Penn Beta Chapter ([www.MoreDudes.com](http://www.MoreDudes.com)) has made great strides in almost every walk of fraternity life. This year we gained 11 new members, raising our current active total to 32. Academically, our chapter is starting to distinguish itself. Our cumulative GPA is currently the second-highest of any fraternity on campus, and it is the highest jump from one semester to the next that Allegheny College has on record for any Greek organization. By the end of the first semester we had already completed the Phi Psi 500 for community service hours, and we are currently hosting a volleyball tournament at our house with the Alpha Chi Omega sorority with all proceeds going to local community organizations. In addition, our chapter is currently working on developing a scholarship for incoming freshman men. We look forward to the fall semester and replenishing the graduating seniors we will be losing.

*Eric Schonberg*



**PENNSYLVANIA  
GAMMA**

## **Bucknell University**

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### **Accredited with Honors**

The spring of 2007 has been an especially successful one for the brothers of the Pennsylvania Gamma Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi. Our chapter has been very active socially, scholastically and in service to the community. Recently members of the chapter participated in both the Relay for Life and Light the Night Walks, raising several thousand dollars to help fund cancer research. Penn Gamma brothers have been active in the surrounding community as well. Several of our brothers have taken on the responsibility of coaching a youth basketball team for the local YMCA league.

Additionally brothers have been active in other areas of community service, helping out with various cleanups in downtown Lewisburg and volunteering at a local homeless shelter.

Pennsylvania Gamma has been active in the social sphere as well. The traditional festivities of House Party Weekend were an unqualified success, and many of our recent alumni joined in the fun. Founders Day saw the transfer of power to a new executive

board, and under the leadership of GP Jack Bierwirth and VGP Dean Parmiter the chapter is primed for future success. We look forward to a successful rush in the fall and welcome the opportunity to pass on the Phi Psi traditions of brotherhood and service to a new group of men.

The brothers of Penn Gamma also took a great deal of pleasure in meeting many of our alumni brothers at the Bucknell University Reunion Weekend earlier this summer. It is always a pleasure to meet the brothers who built the legacy of Pennsylvania Gamma and share stories of the fraternity, past and present. We would like to extend an open invitation to all our alumni and their families to stop by the house any time you happen to be in the Lewisburg area.

*Andrew Shea*



**PENNSYLVANIA  
EPSILON**

## **Gettysburg College**

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No newsletter submitted. Find out why by contacting GP Daniel Keefer at keefda01@gettysburg.edu or 717-357-1486.



**PENNSYLVANIA ZETA**

## **Dickinson College**

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It has been another busy semester for the Penn Zeta chapter of Phi Kappa Psi, especially in the area of philanthropy. Five of our sophomore brothers have been tutoring younger students in the surrounding Carlisle community. Also we have co-sponsored a barbeque with a flag football tournament in order to benefit people suffering from Marfan disease.

Athletics has been another bright spot for the chapter. Senior brothers Bernie Nolan and Brian Mohler, as well as juniors Scott Sporn, Nick Marshall and Harry Kline are all contributing to the varsity lacrosse team who recently earned a victory over highly ranked Roanoke. Also juniors Mike Procelli and Dave Donahoo are contributing members on the baseball team, Jon Crocker is competing with the track team. Also junior Tyler Young was named to the second team all conference as a goalie for the hockey team.

We are also excited to welcome eight new members to our brotherhood and we expect nothing but big things from them as well as the returning brothers.

*Pat Threadgill*



**PENNSYLVANIA ETA**

## **Franklin & Marshall College**

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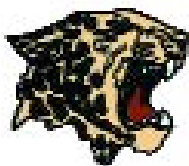
Penn Eta has really enjoyed an amazing spring semester. On March 31, we drove to Gettysburg

and initiated eight new brothers into the Fraternity at Miller Hall, Phi Psi's first chapter house. With five brothers graduating and eight enthusiastic new brothers coming in, the future looks bright. Recently, we celebrated Founders Day, where our alumni, undergraduates and pledges got together to celebrate the founding of our great Fraternity. As a project, the pledges put together information about every single active brother's lines, compiling a detailed history of the active lines in Penn Eta.

Currently, Penn Eta has been working again on the community service aspect, renewing our commitment to the Boys & Girls Club, as well as participating in various other activities. On March 24, we took part in the Relay for Life, a new initiative on the F&M Campus as a fundraiser for cancer research, and on April 22 we will take part in the MS walk for multiple sclerosis, which we are helping organize our campus' involvement with the event. Also, on Easter weekend, the brothers of Virginia Zeta took a road trip up to visit us. We enjoyed each other's company and had a great exchange of ideas.

Jason Gloe, a senior brother, was recently inducted into the Order of Omega Greek Honors Society. We are hoping for more of our brothers to be inducted by the end of the year. Recognition has been going great at F&M, and we can only hope for better opportunities. The Greek system as a whole has been widely recognized as being an integral part of the campus community, and faculty who once voted against the re-establishment are currently changing their minds about the Greek system. It could not be a better time to be a Phi Kappa Psi at Franklin and Marshall College.

*Akhil Bery*



**PENNSYLVANIA  
THETA**

**Lafayette College**

Coming off of its superior achievements in the fall (such as doubling membership), Pennsylvania Theta entered 2007 strong and continued to distinguish itself on campus. We initiated a fine

group of four new brothers and continue striving hard for future member recruitment.

One of the standout achievements of Penn Theta this semester has been in our service endeavors. Our philanthropy committee has truly done an outstanding job in getting our members involved with the philanthropic groups on campus as well as local and national charitable foundations. Early in the semester we began what is to be a two year commitment with the Adopt-a-Highway foundation. We then assisted Lafayette's Alternative School Break in their pancake breakfast to raise money. This however was only one of several joint efforts with campus clubs as we also participated in the catholic Newman Association's annual Frisbee golf tournament which benefited the Third Street Alliance in Easton and Amnesty International's Dance for Darfur which helped raise money and awareness about the genocide. We also joined our fellow Greek members in fundraising. Near Easter we participated in Alpha Gamma Delta's Eggstravaganza which benefited children in Easton and Delta Gamma's date auction where several brave members allowed themselves to be auctioned off to the highest bidder in support of Service for Sight.

Besides Penn Theta's commitment to service, another point of interest is our house which has been under construction since last semester. This effort to revitalize the Old Grey Barn include the renovation of the basement, kitchen, second and third floor as well as upgrading the plumbing, electrical and mechanical systems, among other things. The work began to take shape this semester as the porches were finished and restored to the original design of the chapter house before it was moved in 1971. Brothers and alumni got their first chance to view the house since construction began at our founders' day celebration. A few weeks later, brothers were allowed to tour the house again with more of the work completed. This served as a great way to create interest in the house and its completion as all members of Lafayette's campus were invited to tour as well as perspective members. To say the brothers are excited about the new house is a definite understatement, clearly evident by all the brothers' strong desire to get into the house next year shown at this semester's

housing selections. Excitement for the house's completion has been growing steadily throughout the semester. We have already done some preliminary projects on the house such as painting and plan to do much more in the future. Brothers are looking forward to the possibility of living in the house over the summer in exchange for a fee and housing projects. Keys to the finished house are expected to be handed off to brothers on May 16th and the culmination of all the exhaustive work by the alumni and undergraduates is scheduled to be Reunion weekend on the second of June when there is to be a ribbon cutting ceremony at noon. It is truly a great time to be a Phi Psi at the Pennsylvania Theta chapter. Information on the Pennsylvania Theta Chapter can be found at [www.penntheta.com](http://www.penntheta.com) and we encourage all alumni and friends to visit our campaign website [www.oldgreybarn.com](http://www.oldgreybarn.com) for information on the housing project and how you can help. As always we extend our great thanks to our supportive and generous alumni. I know we all look forward to the great future that the Pennsylvania Theta Chapter will have in its new house.

*Joey Haymaker*



#### **Accredited**

It's been a really great year for us here at Pennsylvania Iota, with successful a successful recruitment, increased brotherhood participation and activities, and continued alumni interaction. In February, we celebrated Founders Day with delicious food and festivities downtown with near one hundred percent participation and several alumni attendees. We also had several alumni come celebrate the initiation of our new members, which is always wonderful. The brotherhood is growing in numbers and we are making a name for ourselves on campus. Overall, the year has been great and prospects for the future are bright.

This year's recruitment was one of our most successful years since our re-colonization in 1978. Throughout the two weeks that the University of Pennsylvania designates formal rush, we had countless young men walk through our doors. We knew that this was a very important year for us,



***Pennsylvania Thetas pose as the Old Grey Barn is renovated***

since our numbers had been dwindling and approaching the lowest levels in the last four years. As a chapter, we tackled rush with various events such as downtown dinners, capture the flag and date parties, and it proved to be effective. We collected 22 outstanding young men to sign our formal bids. After all was said and done, 19 of these men became brothers during this spring semester and have been great additions to our family.

The brotherhood of the Pennsylvania Iota chapter is coming out of new member education as strong as it has been at any point in recent years. With the Brotherhood, New Member Initiation and Social Chairs all working closely together throughout the semester, we initiated 20 new brothers and held exciting events for the entire chapter. New events such as "Phi Psi Goes to the Movies" and "Medieval Times Fried Chicken Celebration" were coupled with old classics as the majority of the brotherhood actively participated in fraternity life all semester long. A highlight came at our recent "Spring Fling BBQ." Every brother was in attendance, including our newly initiated members, giving us the chance to celebrate together, meet each others friends and enjoy one of the first days of warm weather this year. Although eight active seniors will be graduating this spring, the Iota Chapter is poised accomplish great things next semester.

As the year draws to a close, the brothers of Phi Psi can look back with a sense of accomplishment on what has proven to be a year of remarkable success in terms of community service. This winter, the Penn Iotas collected contributions from the Penn community on Locust Walk to help purchase gifts and necessities for needy children at the Children's Hospital of Pennsylvania (CHoP). Thanks to the generosity the alumni brothers have shown the fraternity in the form of monetary donations, the chapter opted to match the donations received from the Penn community. To our surprise and delight, we ultimately ended up contributing over \$650 worth of toys, clothing, and other gifts to CHoP. This spring, the new brothers spearheaded a community service project of their own. Wittily dubbed "Nuts for Nuts," the then-pledges sold peanuts on Locust Walk to raise money for the

Live Strong foundation. Their project as well proved to be quite successful and, coupled with the fraternity's presence at Penn's annual Relay for Life, proved that the Pennsylvanian Iotas truly are committed to the Great Joy of Serving Others.

*Brandon Alcorn*



**PENNSYLVANIA  
LAMBDA**

## **Penn State University**

The spring semester has been another prosperous and eventful semester thus far for the brothers at the Penn Lambda chapter. We initiated nine pledges from the fall and we also had three new members complete the pledge program in the spring. This February we again participated in the annual fundraiser, THON, in which representatives from all groups stay awake and dancing for two full days to help raise money for kids with cancer. This year we teamed up with the sisters of Phi Mu and we were proud to add over \$60,000 to the grand total of \$5,240,385.17 raised by all of Penn State. We also participated in various sports and events during Greek Week with the sisters of Kappa Kappa Gamma. We look forward to enjoying summer and returning to Happy Valley in the fall to continue rushing and expand our membership by recruiting new men that will help the Phi Psi community continue to thrive.

*Peter Bradley*



**PENNSYLVANIA NU**

## **Indiana University of Pennsylvania**

Spring 2007 is upon us and it is time for us to get to work! We are breaking ground for our new chapter house in the fall. We have been without a chapter house since our previous house burned down on during homecoming 2004. We have had numerous problems securing the proper financing to enable us to build a new house until now. If you are interested in helping the brothers of Pennsylvania Nu, our Housing Corporation President is Joseph P. Soltis, 518 Apple Lane,

Blairsville, PA 15717, 724-459-0508.

Penn. Nu is looking forward to dominating Greek Week again at IUP. We took all major events in last years' games. We continually strive for greatness at our university both inside and outside of the classroom.

As always, at Penn. Nu we focus on serving others. This semester we are going to work even harder for our philanthropy and various other youth-based organizations. Similarly, we will continue our most cherished community service project at the Indiana County Humane Society walking and bathing our furry friends.

*Brian Horvath*



## **PENNSYLVANIA XI Edinboro University**

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## **PENNSYLVANIA RHO York College**

### **Accredited**

Brothers! Things at Pennsylvania Rho have been moving along so fast this year and did not slow down with the end of the year in sight. This semester we had the biggest pledge class in recent years, and it was the GPA leader among Greeks at York. We expect great things from the new guys and know they will bring prosperity to the chapter. Founders Day was great; thank you to all the alumni who attended – it was great to see you all. Adopt-a Block was a great success as always, plus we built shelving units for the York Art Association which the school and community loved, plus fun was had by all. Finally we would like to congratulate those graduating and offer open arms as always to come back and remember those time you walked these streets. Phi Kappa Psi... old and new forever.

*Daniel Tyler*



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

### **Accredited with Honors**

The brothers of the Pennsylvania Sigma Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi have had another eventful and busy semester of Brotherhood, Service, and Excellence. The chapter was able to give our time to the local Ronald McDonald House, cooking a dinner for a very worthy cause. The meal and work came together with the help of many brothers. We have been holding our usual block cleanups to keep the neighborhood around our house beautiful. We are also in the process of working along with a local women's shelter to help with their worthwhile cause. At the Pennsylvania Sigma Chapter we take pride in the time we take out of our busy schedules to give back to the community and help make the area a better place.

This past semester, we also completed the process of educating a new member class of eight to become what we consider quintessential brothers. They proved themselves to be worthy and were able to complete the process of becoming a brother with great pride, patience, and perseverance. The new brothers enjoyed the camaraderie since they began to rush and have come to understand what it takes and means to be a brother of Phi Kappa Psi. We hope these men will prove to be the brothers their potential shows they can be, and with our help, we believe they can fulfill this potential.

We also hosted our annual Philly's Finest Phemale, which is a great fundraiser, as well as a fun event for the campus community. The contest showcased over 20 girls who competed in contests and answered questions to find out our campus' finest female. During the event, we will also be holding a raffle for a chance to win a Nintendo Wii. We do our best to make the campus at USP more exciting and promote the outstanding work and dedication of our brotherhood.

Our Annual Dinner Dance took place and provided us with a great night of fun, relaxation, and Brotherhood. The following Sunday, a softball game

was played in order to generate spirit and get away from the everyday stress and workload of college life. We also had our First Annual Alumni BBQ on June 5, inviting alumni and active brothers to join in an event to celebrate end of the semester; our alumni and our constant dedication to the chapter.

At the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia, our Fraternity provides one of the few extracurricular activities available to us, which has allowed us to put forth a tremendous amount of time and energy into making our chapter the best it can be.

*David Kulich*



**PENNSYLVANIA  
UPSILON**

## **Drexel University**

This year has been quite eventful for the brothers of Pennsylvania Upsilon. In our last newsletter, we foretold of our annual Thanksgiving Philanthropy event. This year we had literally doubled all proportions of years past, serving eleven 20+ pound turkeys, over 80 pounds of whipped potatoes (from scratch!) and enough of the other sides to feed roughly 100 homeless and needy individuals 3 times over! Our momentum has not stopped there.

In February we went on to host our inaugural Rose Ball formal with smashing success other area chapters such as New Jersey Epsilon and Temple University also attended the ball to get jiggy with it. Our best news came from April 14, 2007 as we just pledged 11 great men. As we continue in our philanthropic quest we were able to strengthen our bonds on the campus of Drexel University by incorporating the Epsilon Zeta Chapter of Delta Zeta to a community service event where together we improved the horticulture of the Philadelphia urban area. Hopefully in our next newsletter we will be able to mention Pennsylvania Upsilon as 2007 Greek Week champions of Drexel University. Pennsylvania Upsilon wishes to let every chapter know that we always welcome any chapter that would like to come by and support in our continued success!

*Jonathan Egbosimbah*



## **PENNSYLVANIA PHI Lycoming College**

### **Accredited**

The Penn Phi chapter of Phi Kappa Psi is celebrating its third year as a nationally recognized chapter. As always, we have been very busy. Our current faculty advisor and Brother Dr. Timothy Carter will be leaving his position at the end of this year. Brother Carter gave us much support during his time with us; he was always there to help us through a rough period. He will be greatly missed, and we wish him the best in his future. We have selected Dr. Donald Kurtz to replace Brother Carter after his retirement. Dr. Kurtz has already begun to offer us his support.

We have been working closely with the AIDS resource charity and will be participating in their annual AIDS walk, which we will be donating over 1,000 to AIDS research. In addition, our chapter also participated in the annual Relay for Life event. Our future projects include several fundraising projects, such as a spaghetti dinner, and continuing to perform "odd jobs" for the faculty and Williamsport community. Also, several of our members have been nominated for campus Greek awards, such as Greek Man of the Year and Community Service Man of the Year. We also had an extremely successful recruitment period; initiating 10 new Phi Psi's into our chapter. We look forward to the continued success of our chapter, both in service and academics.

We here at Penn Phi recently initiated 10 new members. They are a worthy group of young men. They've already begun to help the chapter, actively participating in all of the activities of the chapter. We are extremely proud to call them our brothers and trust our future with them.

In local news, Brother Metz is thoroughly enjoying his study abroad in Perth, Australia. Both President Paul Laue and Vice-President Nick Reed have stepped up their game in a big way in assuming their respective positions. We will sorely miss our graduating seniors. Brothers Mark Yost,

Randy Rumburger, and Jason Schoonover have been integral parts of his chapter since the beginning.

*Joseph Falchek*



## **RHODE ISLAND ALPHA Brown University**

### **Accredited**

Rhode Island Alpha has ushered in 13 new pledges into the class of 2007 and we are pleased to expand our brotherhood to these gentlemen. The 15 brothers from the fall class of 2006 have done a fantastic job strengthening the brotherhood and have become quite involved in our various committees. We have changed hands with our leadership positions, and we would like to welcome Johnathon Rollo as our new chapter president. Other new executive officers include Jeffrey Spiegel, Robert McCartney and Benjamin Wolpaw. With the new staff comes a great deal of energy, which we used to seek accreditation for the first time in the chapter's history.

In brotherhood news, we want to congratulate brother and alum Alexander Boutelle for receiving an off-shore position with his company Goldman Sachs to move to India, where he will be for at least the next three months. As for the whole brotherhood, we're continuing to get involved with the community with our Thayer Street Discount card to raise money for the chapter as well as for local charities. We hope we are able to tell of even more great fortune next semester for our graduating senior class.

*Adam Conrad*



## **RHODE ISLAND BETA University of Rhode Island**

Rhode Island Beta is running the campus! The chapter is prospering with the largest chapter at URI with almost 100 brothers and a GPA above the all men's and all university average. As far as

leadership, we are second to none with the newly elected student body president and IFC president under one roof – Phi Psi is setting the precedent at URI. Our Housing Corporation now has three new members and the fresh look is impressing already. A committee has been formed between three undergraduates and four alumni to re-build the deck that was taken down this past summer. The deck as we know is a staple of fraternity circle with an undeniable sentimental attachment for every brother who has experienced it. Visit our website at [PhiPsiDeck.org](http://PhiPsiDeck.org) to post pictures of your favorite deck moments and to make an investment in the future of our beloved deck. Alumni relations have been great this year, but I am asking that even more come back this fall. We have our annual golf tournament this summer and I encourage everyone to make the trip out here. For more information on the golf tournament, e-mail [Neil.Leston@gmail.com](mailto:Neil.Leston@gmail.com). Also, we had a great reunion this year at a URI basketball game and I thank Brothers Guglietta and Bowers for their planning that lead to a great event. Live Ever, Die Never!

*Neil Leston*



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## **TENNESSEE EPSILON University of Tennessee**

The brothers of the Tennessee Epsilon Chapter celebrated their 40th Anniversary on the campus of University of Tennessee on April 22. The occasion was marked by a Founders Day celebration where undergraduates and alumni commemorated 40 years of brotherhood, tradition, service and excellence.

We continued our dominance of the Greek System by finishing 2nd in the Homecoming week festivities and by winning the annual Greek Week competition. The chapter's tradition of athletic excellence continued as we were finalists in various intramural sports, putting ourselves in an excellent position to once again win the Interfraternity Greek Athletic Cup. Tennessee Epsilon's local community philanthropy included the initiation of Operation Christmas Child, as well as our long standing practice of service and mentoring to the local chapter of the Boys and Girls Club of America.

The brotherhood and the future of Tennessee Epsilon continues to grow and remain strong.

*Bryan Black*



## **TEXAS ALPHA** **University of Texas**

Texas Alpha enjoyed another fantastic semester. The biggest accomplishment of the spring was rejoining IFC as an affiliate member. After another year, Texas Alpha will become a full member once again. Texas Alpha, through a solid recruitment effort, was able to initiate 46 young men throughout the semester. The chapter also has made a concerted effort to repair an outdated alumni database. The effort is still ongoing. Each active was given 20 alumni to contact and update their info. The chapter was very active socially during the spring semester. While the semester began slowly, it certainly ended in a bang with Bermuda. This year Bermuda was not just a one day but a weekend. On the evening of April 27th, the chapter had the privilege of hosting rap artist Paul Wall. If his performance wasn't enough for the large crowd in the back yard, the following afternoon country artist Cory Morrow performed at the crawfish boil. Chapter Social, Kevin Ream, deserves a lot of credit for both bringing in the artists and ensuring the weekend ran smoothly. Texas Alpha is currently working hard with rush and preparing for what will hopefully be another successful semester.

*Paul Molof*



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## **VIRGINIA ALPHA** **University of** **Virginia**

Greetings from the Virginia Alpha chapter at the University of Virginia. It has been a very busy spring season for us! Working with the U.V.A. alumni association, we have created a newsletter to send out to alumni. With this newsletter, we have renewed alumni support, securing enough donations for major renovations on our house. In addition, carrying on our success in intramural sports, two of our basketball teams made it to the final four in intramural basketball.

Virginia Alpha continues to strength bonds within our family, as we currently had our first



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**WISCONSIN GAMMA  
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Wisconsin Gamma's spring semester has been a time of constant progress and triumph for the chapter. We are beginning to see our efforts for improvement pay off greatly. We have once again

completed more philanthropy hours than any other Greek organization at Beloit, we took in 12 new brothers, we secured a stable income for next semester, and our reputation as gentlemen has gained us recognition with administration, faculty, and students.

During spring 2007, Wisconsin Gamma orchestrated a campus-wide blood drive, and worked with Girls and Women in Science, Habitat for Humanity, as well as many other charitable organizations.

Our chapter celebrated Founders Day at the Madison Club in Madison, Wisc. thanks to our Wisconsin Alumni Association. We are very grateful to have had the opportunity to celebrate with our alumni.

Looking to the future, Wisconsin Gamma will continue to grow and uphold the values of Phi Kappa Psi.

Will Brownson ■

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# Parents Group Supports Washington Alpha

**By: Stan Kohagen, Washington Alpha '55**

Throughout the history of Washington Alpha, there has always been a Mothers' Club that supported the chapter in many ways, particularly in decorating the house. It was a social organization for the mothers.

Times have changed. Now, few of the mothers are stay-at-home housewives. So, the alumni formed a Parents' Group which involves both the mothers and their husbands. They do many things that enhance their sons' fraternity lives, and also let them share in the experience.

About six years ago, the parents started the Christmas stockings tradition that happens on the day of the chapter Christmas party, just before Christmas break. All the parents and some alums contribute goodies, or money for buying the stocking stuffers.

Each undergraduate has a specially made stocking with his name on it, filled to the brim with handy items and candy, with overflow items filling a

large bag under each stocking. The stockings are hung on the three-story spiral staircase of the chapter house – a very colorful sight of purple & gold stockings on the red staircase. Each year, the stockings event gets better, and it is currently organized by mom Kathy Katzen, and her husband Barry, Washington Alpha '64.

Another tradition is organizing Sunday dinners. Since the kitchen is closed on that day, the undergraduates appreciate a home-cooked meal. Most recently, it was a spaghetti feed, prepared by Kathy and Barry, and Bev and Steve Fissel (parents of Brian, Washington Alpha '05). Everybody pitches in to prepare the meal, including the kids.

Parents have helped decorate rooms in the chapter house. They help in rushing by talking to the parents of prospective pledges. A representative group also attends the chapter Founders Day in February.

Parents are also invited to join their sons, the other undergraduates and alumni at the annual chapter retreat in September at the American Leadership Academy in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. Washington Alpha was the first chapter to include parents, and now other chapters are also doing it. They participate in the seminar program, and last year, mom Marge Segal made a presentation on "Community Service – Gaining People Skills & Connections." Parent and alum couples joined together to prepare an impromptu dinner to cap off the end of the retreat week.

The retreats have helped bring the involved alumni together with the parents and their sons as a united group supporting the chapter.

Parents should share in their sons' college experience. Involvement in the Parents' Group is a enriching experience for both the parents and their sons, and a great help to Washington Alpha.

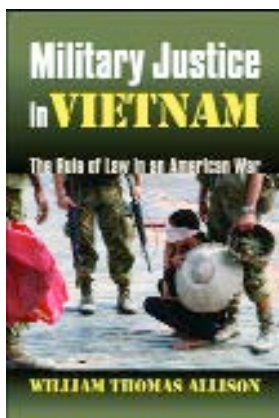


**The spaghetti cooks: Kathy & Barry Katzen '64, and Bev & Steve Fissel**

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### **WILLIAM T. ALLISON, TEXAS ALPHA '86** **MILITARY JUSTICE IN VIETNAM:** **THE RULE OF LAW IN AN AMERICAN WAR**



The My Lai Massacre was the most publicized incident subjected to military law during the Vietnam War, but military lawyers in all the service branches had their hands full with less-publicized desertions, drug use, rapes, fraggings, black marketeering and even small claims. In Military Justice in Vietnam: The Rule of Law in an American War, Allison, professor of history at Weber State University, reveals how the military justice system responded to crimes and infractions both inside and outside the combat zone and how it adapted to an unconventional political, military and social climate as American involvement escalated. Available at [www.Amazon.com](http://www.Amazon.com).

### **RICHARD W. BIMLER, INDIANA EPSILON '59** **LAUGHTER! HOW GOOD HUMOR CAN HELP YOU** **LIGHTEN YOUR CARES AND THE CARES OF OTHERS** **AS WE CELEBRATE JOY IN THE LORD!**

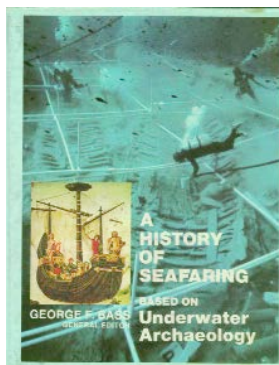
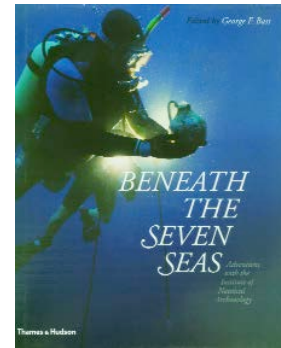
The central message of Bimler's Laughter! is "use good words to lift people up." Co-authored by his son Robert, the book implores the reader to believe that he needs Jesus Christ in his life to celebrate life as holy. Many examples of bringing humor into daily life, such as putting up a "laugh wall" to let family members post humorous stories, to funny t-shirts, are espoused by the authors.

### **TED DINSMORE, PENNSYLVANIA NU '85** **PARTNERING WITH MICROSOFT:** **HOW TO MAKE MONEY IN TRUSTED PARTNERSHIP** **WITH THE GLOBAL SOFTWARE POWERHOUSE**

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## GEORGE F. BASS, MARYLAND ALPHA '51 **BENEATH THE SEVEN SEAS: ADVENTURES WITH THE INSTITUTE OF NAUTICAL ARCHAEOLOGY**

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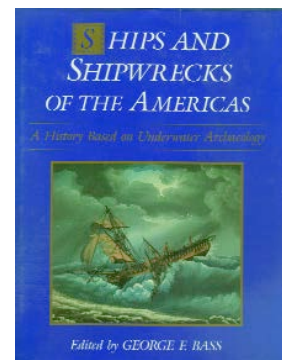


## **A HISTORY OF SEAFARING BASED ON UNDERWATER ARCHAEOLOGY**

Published in 1972, A History of Seafaring was the first collection of seafaring history viewed from an archaeological standpoint. This exhaustive work chronicles the earliest seafarers of the Mediterranean and Near East, on through the Vikings, to the influence of British naval strategy on ship design and finally how the New World was opened by waterways. With hundreds of photographs and illustrations, this book was the first of its kind to show how culture was shaped by the development of water craft.

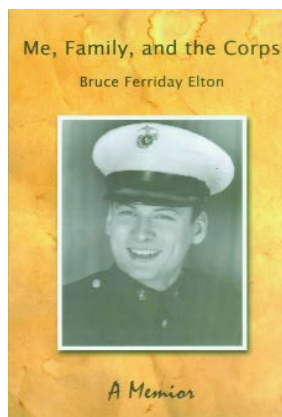
## **SHIPS AND SHIPWRECKS OF THE AMERICAS: A HISTORY BASED ON UNDERWATER ARCHAEOLOGY**

Ships and Shipwrecks chronicles seafaring in the Americas, a departure from the 1972 work A History of Seafaring which dealt largely with Europe and the Mediterranean. Here, Bass represents each phase of American history, from native dugouts and balsa rafts up through the *Titanic* and the *Arizona* at Pearl Harbor. While some of the excavations involved space age technology and hair raising dives, others took place on dry land, like the gold rush ship *Niantic*, found buried beneath San Francisco. The research described in Ships and Shipwrecks casts new light on life below decks and on the sometimes tragic last hours of the sailors and captains whose ships opened up the waterways of the New World. Available at [www.Amazon.com](http://www.Amazon.com).



## HAL BURTON, WASHINGTON ALPHA '53 **VOICES FROM THE MOUNTAIN**

Burton's third novel Voices from the Mountain is a mystery set in Washington state's Olympic Mountains. A young hiker is discovered near death in the back country by a mysterious mountain man, and must piece together what happened, and who he really is. Deception, survival and discovery are at every turn. Available at [www.halburtonbooks.com](http://www.halburtonbooks.com).



### **BRUCE FERRIDAY ELTON, PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON '57** **ME, FAMILY, AND THE CORPS: A MEMOIR**

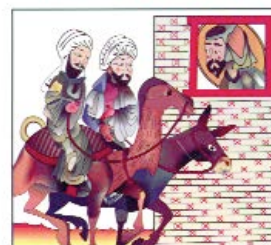
Elton's memoir of his Marine Corps experience: "In 1957, I left Gettysburg College and went into the Marine Corps. In 1959, I left the Marine Corps and returned to Gettysburg College. Between the time I left college and returned, I faced 17 weeks in Paris Island, visited 15 cities around the Mediterranean Sea, played war games in North Africa, swam in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, got lost in Paris and did some real crazy things." Available at [www.Amazon.com](http://www.Amazon.com).

### **ROBERT M. FRAKES, CALIFORNIA BETA '83** **RELIGIOUS IDENTITY IN LATE ANTIQUITY**

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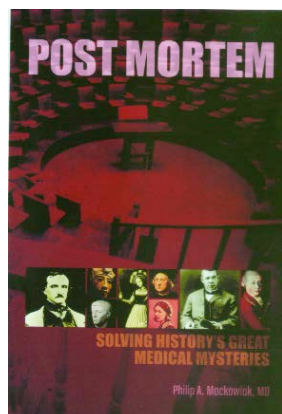
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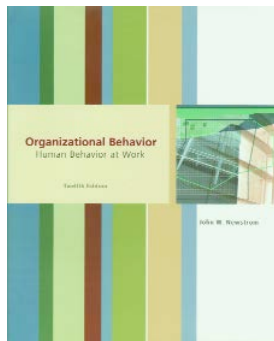
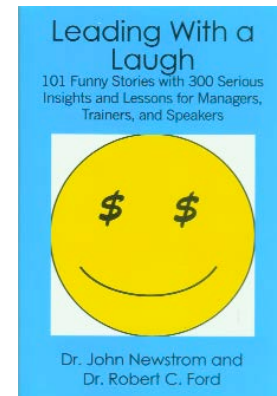
In Post Mortem, Mackowiak endeavors to solve once and for all the greatest medical mysteries of all time. He investigates Alexander the Great's death (West Nile virus?), Christopher Columbus' crippling arthritis, Booker T. Washington's precipitous decline and many more. This work traces 3,500 years worth of medical practice and knowledge from the perspective of what contemporary physicians thought about disease and how they might have treated these patients. Available at [www.Amazon.com](http://www.Amazon.com).

## JOSEPH M. O'CONNELL, TEXAS GAMMA '79 EVACUATION PLAN

Joe O'Connell drew upon his experiences at Hospice Austin's Christopher House to write Evacuation Plan, a novel about young screenwriter Matt looking for a story by volunteering at a hospice. Matt meets the people who work, die and mourn in a world of final moments and discovers forgiveness, joy and insight into making the final leap. Available at [www.Amazon.com](http://www.Amazon.com).

## JOHN W. NEWSTROM, ILLINOIS BETA '61 LEADING WITH A LAUGH

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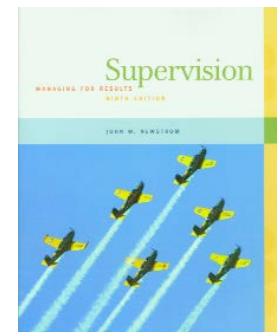


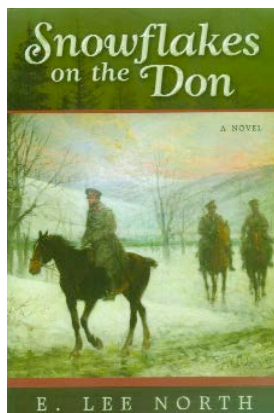
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