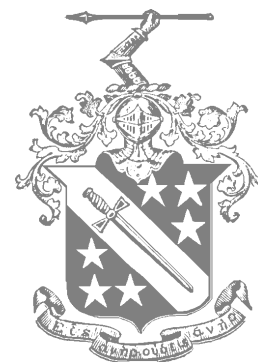


The Purdue Phi

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Computer Mania, Alcohol-Free Atmosphere, Highlight Spring Semester

By Gary Batesole '77, Housing Corporation President

The Phi Delt House will soon be a member of the Internet Super Highway. Bob Bowen '61 has issued a challenge grant to the undergraduate members to raise the money to put a computer room in the Phi Library. (See article on Page 2.) The undergraduates have included an article in this newsletter and a line has been added to the enclosed contribution form to solicit alumni support for this project. This is the first of what I hope will be an annual campaign by the undergraduates to take charge of improving 503 State Street by developing major projects to improve the educational quality of the Phi Lodge. They are in charge of the fund raising, purchasing, and design of the project and have done an impressive job of it so far. I hope we, as alumni, will support their projects every year to improve the educational aspect of fraternity living. They already do a more than adequate job of promoting the social aspect of our fraternity.

Which brings me to the next part of my article. **No alcohol in the House.** Sound different? It has now been a semester and a half with no booze around. The biggest difference I have found is that the place does not smell like stale beer, and the damage to the Phi Lodge has been incredibly minor this year compared to previous years. The undergraduates had the option this year of moving out of the house if they did not support the alcohol-free initiative. We ended up with only a little over 30 undergrads living in the house this year because so many juniors and seniors chose to live elsewhere. This means that the sophomores were mainly in charge. It sounds a little scary, but so far they are doing a pretty good job. They have recruited enough pledges and a few of the older guys are actually moving back in, so we think we may have a least 60 living in the Lodge next year. We haven't had that many in the Phi Lodge in eight years. Who says change isn't good?

We, as alumni, need to support their efforts and take a greater interest in what is happening at 503 State Street. I think you will notice a big improvement and will be proud of the effort those undergraduates who stuck it out have put forth. Their hard work and dedication should not go unacknowledged or unrewarded.

**Mark Your Calendar for Homecoming 2000
September 23 • Purdue v. Minnesota**



10th Annual Phi Delt Open

Birck Boilermaker Golf Complex
West Lafayette, Ind.
Saturday, August 12, 2000

Once again we will have a four-man scramble format with a shotgun start over the Ackerman Hills course. If more than 100 golfers sign up, we can move it to the Kampen Course. If you don't have a foursome, we will put you in one. If you would like help putting a foursome together or have any other questions, please call Andy Beasley at 317-873-0907. Phi Delt from other chapters are welcome, so feel free to invite a friend. We will again have the \$10,000 hole-in-one prize (Thank you, Gary Batesole!) as well as prizes for the lowest scores, highest scores, longest drive and pin-seekers. Hole sponsorships are \$30 per hole; any donations to help offset costs are appreciated. **See the enclosed flier for more details and to make your reservation.** We hope to see you there!

Thanks to Your Support, We are Improving Phi Delta Theta

By Anthony Rodgers '01, Chapter President

Since the beginning of this semester, we have been able to make some much-needed improvements in our house. Our plans for the future will make the house an even better place to live.

Using donations and Mothers' Club money, we purchased new couches and coffee tables for the foyer. Also, Mothers' Club money enabled us to repaint and add new lighting to Uncle Sherwin's in the basement. We are also looking into furniture for the Red Brick Room.

Thanks to the support of our alumni and Housing Corporation, we are in the process of turning the library adjacent to the foyer into a computer room. See Brian Holtz's article on page 2 for more details.

We had hoped to hold Founders' Day on Saturday, March 10, but the timing did not work out (see Page 3). Planning and sponsoring this event is one way we can show our gratitude for all of our alumni.

These are some of the improvements we are making in order to make Phi Delta Theta the best fraternity at Purdue University. We invite you to come by the house to see them firsthand.

Spring 2000 Officer List

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Alex Scott '02

Lexington, Ky.

Athletics

Mike Lowe '01
Logansport, Ind.

Redneck

Patrick McAshlan '00
Yorktown, Ind.

Indiana Theta Begins Fund-Raising for Computer Room

By Brian Holtz '01

We plan to begin construction of a new computer room in the Phibrary this spring, and we need your help! Bob Bowen '61 has given us a challenge grant of \$10,000 to be used to create an educational facility for the brothers in the house. ***If we raise an additional \$10,000 from our other alumni supporters, he will match your donations!***

This is a very real need for our house. With campus computer labs overcrowded, our brothers can work together in a facility in our *OWN* house. Not only will it help us academically, but it will also be a great rush tool! When a rushee comes in our front door and sees a fully functional computer lab, he will know we are serious about our studies and our future — and he will know we have the backing of a supportive group of alumni.

The renovation of the Phibrary will include the following:

- Four new, current market computers
- A network between each computer, and to a printer
- New computer furniture
- Security door and lock
- Rewiring of the room

Tax-deductible checks, payable to "**Indiana Theta Chapter of Phi Delta Theta Educational Fund,**" can be sent to: **Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, Alumni Records Office, P.O. Box 296, State College, PA 16804-0296 or use the enclosed postage-paid envelope. Be sure to earmark your check "Computer Room."** Contributions of \$100 or more will automatically make you a member of the Phi Club. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Purdue Phis Help Our Community

By Shannon DeVon '02, Philanthropy Chairman

Phi Delta Theta has been very well-represented in the philanthropic events in which we participated this semester. So far, we finished fourth in the Delta Gamma - Sigma Alpha Epsilon Anchor Splash, which benefited the Service for Sight Foundation. We have also participated in the Delta Zeta Bowl-A-Rama that benefited those with speech and hearing impairments. We took first place in spirit and fourth overall in the event. We had more brothers at the event than any other house.

We plan to participate in the Big Man On Campus event held by Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, which will benefit the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Let's hope we can do even better at this event.

In addition to our philanthropic activities, we are becoming involved in community service projects in the Lafayette area. We will be starting our Adopt-A-Highway program after we return from spring break, so if you are planning on driving around the Lafayette area, watch for our letters on an Adopt-A-Highway sign.

A.J. McAllister Memorial Scholarship Recipients Extend Thanks

Brian Holtz '01

I was awarded the A.J. McAllister Scholarship for last fall and this spring. I would like to share a little about myself and give thanks again for the generosity of the McAllisters. I am the vice president of alumni affairs this semester, and was the philanthropy chairman last semester. I am a junior majoring in industrial management, with minors in finance, economics honors, and international business. I am from Indianapolis, and enjoy living on campus at Purdue. This summer I hope to work as an intern at an investment firm where I will plan to take classes and become a licensed broker. I have shared many enjoyable and rewarding times with my brothers, and hope to continue the same until I graduate in December of 2001.

Jason Acosta '02

First of all, I am honored to be the 1999-2000 recipient of the McAllister Scholarship. Secondly, I would like to thank all of those involved in the selection process for the McAllister Scholarship. I am currently a junior, majoring in computer technology. My hometown is Waukegan, Ill., which is about 40 miles north of Chicago.

Spring 2000 Phikeias

Beau Baird '02
Greencastle, Ind.

Jovan Budzakoski '03
Valparaiso, Ind.

Steven Bush '03
Columbus, Ind.

Trent Dailey '03
Marion, Ind.

Wally Gebhardt '03
Logansport, Ind.

Josh Herring '02
Louisville, Ky.

Don Kennedy '03
Warsaw, Ind.

Kevin Mulvehill '03
Buffalo, N.Y.

David Pflum '02
Lafayette, Ind.

Josh Reed '02
West Lafayette, Ind.

Matt Theophilus '03
Mishawaka, Ind.

Matt Wilson '02
Mt. Prospect, Ill.

Active as volunteers for Ohio Presbyterian Retirement Services, **Robert S. Colquhoun '41** (169 Northbridge Dr., Willoughby, OH 44094) and his wife serve both the state organization and at Breckenridge Village where they live.

After 24 years on the California Court of Appeals, **F. Douglas McDaniel '42** (P.O. Box 3217, Blue Jay, CA 92317) retired last summer, and is now striving to become computer literate. Douglas is writing a book on his experiences as an amateur politician, "variously involved with Governors Warren and Knight, Senators Knowland, Kuchel and Murphy, and Presidents Nixon and Reagan."

William G. Baker '49 (140 S. Gray, St. Louis, MO 63119) had a good time at the house, game and get-togethers during Homecoming last fall.

James E. Hoover '49 (9373 Spring Forest Dr., Indianapolis,

IN 46260), president of the Hoover Family Foundation, is serving as chairman of the board of the Indiana Donors Alliance.

Gloria and **Newton H. Brown Jr. '51** (2032W 441S, Star City, IN 46985) are enjoying retirement on the Tippiecanoe River. They live just 300 feet from the swimming hole Newt frequented as a child. Newt has attended Homecoming regularly over the years and sees **Gene Bahls '51**, **Bob Holloway '48** and **Thomas Costin '48** at the annual event.

Max H. Amstutz '55 (17427 Lochner Rd., Spencerville, IN 46788) has a 5 handicap in golf. He owns homes in Minnesota and on Lake Okeechobee where he fishes for walleye and crappie. Max has four sons, eight grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

At Butler University, **William I. Ney '56** (524 Buckingham Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46208;

ney@butler.edu) has been a professor for 30 years and served as director of speech-language pathology for 20.

In October 1998, **G. Thomas Puett '59** (2208 Collett Ln., Flossmoor, IL 60422) founded Puett & Associates, manufacturers representatives for wire, cable and high-voltage and utility power products. He reports that his first year in business was successful. In recent years, Tom has had the opportunity to work with **Ed Sleight '63**, a vice president at The Kerite Co. in Connecticut.

Our condolences to **Floyd E. Allen '63** (3015 Woodcrest Way, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304; fea@daimlerchrysler.com) on the loss of his wife of 36 years, Joyce, to cancer in January 1999. Floyd has been promoted to vice president-powertrain for Daimler Chrysler. He has two young grandchildren.

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Indiana Theta Year 2000 Highlight Events

By Brian Holtz '01

On Saturday, March 10, the brothers of Indiana Theta planned to hold a Founders' Day Banquet at which the 25 and 50 Year Silver and Golden Legion Phi Alumni would be honored. The timing did not work out this year, but we hope to schedule this event next year. In the meantime, we welcome the return of alumni at other special gatherings this year, starting with Gala Week the last weekend in April (unfortunately, final exams start the day after), the 10th Annual Phi Delt Golf Outing on the Purdue Course August 12, and on September 23 at pregame and postgame activities when Purdue plays Minnesota on the gridiron in the Homecoming contest.

We have undergone many changes here at Indiana Theta in the past year. We have gone alcohol free, we have redone the first-floor bathroom, and are beginning construction of a new computer room. We are proud of this progress, and hope our alumni will come back and see our efforts to keep Phi Delta Theta one of the top houses at Purdue. We hope to make the Silver and Gold Legion Ceremonies an annual event here at Purdue. We also hope to provide more activities in future years so that we may enjoy the company and support of our many alumni.

The Best Decision I Ever Made

By Patrick K. McAshlan '00

When looking back at the past 23 years of my life, I realized I have experienced more things than the average guy. Yet there is one thing that I have experienced that has changed my life forever. That would be joining the brotherhood of the Indiana Theta chapter of Phi Delta Theta. The men I have met over the last four years have been the best of friends to me and have allowed me the best of times. Whether it is lounging on the couches of room five or cheering for the Boilers at Ross Ade, if it were not for my brothers at Phi Delta Theta, it would have just been another Sunday, and another football game.

It is because of Phi Delta Theta that I am going to Houston, Texas, where I have already served two internships and made plans to start work in June for Raytheon Aircraft. A brother in our chapter set up an interview with his father, who is the general manager, and the rest is pretty much history. It is this close brotherhood that we all share that allows us to do this for each other. I hope that I can do the same for someone else down the road.

Now as graduation approaches, I am realizing that my time at Purdue University and the days of living in the house are coming to a close. But I know that as an alumnus, I am always welcome back at my home here in West Lafayette.

More News

R. J. Hausman '64 is now retired and living the good life at 15 Overbrook Dr., Green Valley Lakes, East Lyme, CT 06333. Brothers on the Internet can contact him at rhausman@snet.net.

At Sealco Air Controls, **Ralph A. Lindgren Jr. '65** (5229 E. Desert Park Ln., Paradise Valley, AZ 85253; lind5229@aol.com) serves as vice president of engineering. In 1999, more than five years after he applied, he finally received golf membership at Paradise Valley Country Club.

Douglas A. Joyce '67 (30 Stratham Green, Stratham, NH 03885; joyce@dwc.edu) is director of flight operations at Daniel Webster College, a small school with an excellent professional aviation program. Previously, Doug was in the Air Force for more than 27 years. During his military career, he served two combat tours in Vietnam and over 20 years as a test pilot.

James A. Gage '69 (7845 Kyles Station Rd., Middletown, OH 45044; jagage1@aol.com), a national accounts manager at Southern Standard Cartons, would like to hear from **Steve Ross '69**, **Mike Wilcox '68** and **Ron King '68**.

Gregory S. Bruce '72 (1357 52nd Ave., Greeley, CO 80634; gbruce@athletics.unco.edu), head coach of women's basketball at the University of Northern Colorado, has been coaching for 34 years.

Working in investment sales, **F. Lawrence Jones '74** (447 Wilson Hall Rd., Sumter, SC 29150; fljones4@juno.com) is a registered representative with John Hancock/Signator Investors Inc. Larry has three children; son Colin scored a

perfect 1600 on his SAT, and twins Kelly and Kevin are ranked first in their junior class.

Kenneth S. Correll '77 (27628 Whirlaway Trl., Evergreen, CO 80439) is president of his company, Correll Consulting, a recruiting firm that specializes in the placement of sales engineering professionals. Ken can also be reached there at kencorrell@correllconsulting.com.

As a pilot for Continental Airlines, **Mark W. Kappes '77** (8775 Spring Mill Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46260; markap@ix.netcom.com) has been upgraded to captain and is flying Boeing 737 aircraft from Newark, N.J., to all the States, Canada, Mexico and Central and South America. After 20 years away, he's happy to be back home in the Hoosier State and looking forward to renewing old Phi friendships.

Jeffrey N. Reising '77 (7179 Waterview Pl., Noblesville, IN 46060; jnrmr@aol.com) is now a manager at The Brickman Group Ltd., a landscape management company. He welcomed the arrival of a son in September 1999.

Robert H. Thompson '77 has moved to another part of the world. You can write to him at P.O. Box 29-318, Christchurch, New Zealand; botanical@xtra.co.nz.

David R. Vinzant '79 and Helen Paras were married this past January and now reside at 1535 W. Fourth Pl., Hobart, IN 46342.

Last year, **John W. Rogan '83** (10651 Margate Ter., Cincinnati, OH 45241; jrogan@usa.capgemini.com) graduated from the International Business School in Paris. He is a branch manager for Cap Gemini. John

is looking forward to "taking money from brothers" at the Phi Delta Theta golf outing in August.

Attorney **Stephen L. Foutty '86** (8553 Ardenes Dr., Fishers, IN 46038; stephen@hartmanandfoutty.com) is practicing law with his father and brother at Hartman & Foutty, a small family firm. He is married to Leah.

John S. Haering '87 (1170 Adrian Way, San Rafael, CA 94939) announces the birth in December 1999 of his son, Nicholas. John has a new position as Rocky Mountain regional sales manager for Con Agra Inc.

In January 2000, attorney **Gregory G. Balos '88** (449 Noah Green St., #1-N, Chicago, IL 60622) joined the law firm of Loutos & Leventis Ltd. as a partner. He also serves on the board of directors of Fazel Enterprises Inc.

Jason W. Carlson '93 (1521 Funston St., Hollywood, FL 33020; jwc98@aol.com) is manager of the Hard Rock Cafe in Miami. He and Lillie McKay married in April 1999. Jason reports that **Matt Peterson '92** wed this past November and that **Erik Bakk-**

Hansen '93 spent much of 1999 traveling in Europe.

As a senior project engineer at Rudolph & Sletten Inc., **D. Brandon Weddle '95** (1664 Larkin St., #10, San Francisco, CA 94109; brandon_weddle@rsconst.com) completed a seismic retrofit of a historic Frank Lloyd Wright building, The Hanna House, in 1999. He and Megan McNamara are planning an August 2000 wedding.

Jason M. Gustafson '96 (5803 Ashvale Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46250; jason_gustafson@ingerrand.com) is a purchasing agent with Ingersoll-Rand. He is planning to be married this June and has asked **Chad McDonald '96** to serve as best man and **Brad Orris '96**, **Brad Sive '96** and **Ryan O'Connell '94** to be in the wedding party. (Ryan is on our "lost" list. If you have an address for him, please send it our way.)

Since publication of our last issue, we have learned of the death of **James R. Beck '36** (11/6/99) and **Robert A. Katz '37** (11/15/99). Phi Delta Theta mourns their passing and extends condolences to their families and friends.



When **Keith A. Carlson '98** (721 Par Dr., Algonquin, IL 60102; century@avenew.com) and Angie were married in June 1999, the wedding party included several brothers. Pictured L-R are: **Andy Vaughan '98**, **Matt Cope '98**, **Brian Kehrer '96**, Angie, Keith, Keith's brother Scott, **Rush Akin '98** and **Anthony Sebastiani '98**.