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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Chapter Advisory Board is in the Works to Improve Risk Management Procedures

Undergrads Doing Their Part to Keep Indiana Theta Strong

Risk management is always top of mind for any fraternity, and Indiana Theta is no different. Therefore, we have begun exploring the establishment of a Chapter Advisory Board, made up of PDT alumni who are willing to meet with and advise the Actives. We see many potential benefits beyond minimizing the chapter's liability, including closer relationships between alumni and undergraduates. What we'll need, of course, are volunteers. I'd like to encourage any Brothers who are interested to please contact **Mark Kappes '77** at markap@ix.netcom.com.

I am pleased to announce some big news from the chapter: this year's recruiting

class stands at 45 pledges for the year! Our undergraduates have done a great job with rush in the past couple of years, and I can't over-emphasize how important this is. Our chapter is only as strong as the men who make it up, so it's gratifying to see such positive results.

The undergrads also deserve a tip of the hat for beginning the process of replacing the locks on the outside doors with a new keyless entry system. This will improve the security of the House and reduce the hassles of lost keys. The Actives are kicking in one fourth of the cost from their Mother's Day Auction, the Housing Board is paying a fourth, we received a generous donation from **Bob Holloway '48** for another fourth and **Terry King '76** donated materials for the final fourth.

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will see an article on the 16th Annual Phi Open scheduled for August 12 at Purdue. Last year we had over 100 Phis on the course. Some of us actually played golf! I strongly encourage all Phi Deltas to join us for this day of fun. In addition to some golf on a great course, it's a great

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Mom's Day Tradition Continues with a Day of Fun Money Raised from Auction Goes Toward House Improvements

By Patrick Miller, Vice President of Indiana Theta

Indiana Theta's Mom's Day was very successful this year thanks to the introduction of a few new ideas into the mix. All active brothers were encouraged to invite their parents, grandparents or any members of their family to come join us here at our house. We started with a luncheon at 11AM, which was nicely prepared by our cooks, who came in extra early and made fresh vegetable trays, fruit trays, chicken salad sandwiches and desert trays. We also had a few brothers help out and grill up some fresh hamburgers and hot dogs.

This year was different from other years because we also invited the Phi Mu sorority to join us. Following the luncheon, brothers gave their family members a tour of the house.

The main event of Mom's Day is the auction. The auction is made possible by the family members of the brothers. The family members donate items to the fraternity and then other family members bid on the items for their sons. The money we make from Mom's Day is then used to make small improvements on the house.

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The money we made from the last year's Mom's Day was spent on multiple projects around the house, including improving the game room in our basement. We added 12 padded bar stools to our high-top tables, two dart boards and a poker table. The other project was getting a juice machine for our cafeteria. One of the projects that we plan to spend this year's Mom's Day money on is large, light up florescent letters for the front of the house.

16th Annual Phi Open

Birck Boilermaker Golf Complex

Saturday, August 12, 2006 - 11:00 a.m.



Please join us for another day of fun! Once again this will be a four-man scramble with a shotgun start on the Ackerman Hills course.

Please call **Andy Beasley '91** at 720-235-5535 with any questions or to be assigned to a foursome.

This from chapters other than Purdue are welcome, so please invite your friends.

We will again have the \$10,000 hole-in-one prize, as well as prizes for the low scorers, high scorers, long-drivers and pin-seekers.

Hole sponsorships are \$35 per hole. Any donations to help offset costs are appreciated.

Schedule of Activities

11 a.m.: Lunch at the Birck Boilermaker Golf Complex Pavilion

1:00 p.m.: Shotgun Start

5:30 p.m.: Harry's Chocolate Shop for Awards and 19th Hole

Cost: \$75 per person if received before July 1, 2006
or \$85 per person after July 1st (including the day of the event)

- Cost includes greens fee, cart, lunch and prizes.

Make checks payable to: *Phi Delta Theta*

Lodging:

The Purdue Union Club is no longer allowing groups to reserve a block of rooms in August, but we do have a block reserved at the University Inn until July 1, 2005. Call the University Inn at 1-800-777-9808 before July 1, 2005 and ask about the Phi Open reserved block.

Other options for individual reservations:

- Purdue Union Club 1-800-320-6291
- Hilton Garden Inn - Wabash Landing
1-765-743-2100

Mail the bottom portion of this form and your check to: 2006 Phi Open, c/o Andy Beasley, 16352 W. 66th Circle, Arvada, CO 80007
Questions? Call Andy Beasley at 720-235-5535 or email at beasgolf@gmail.com

16th Annual Phi Open Registration Form

Saturday, August 12, 2006

Name _____ Grad Yr. _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Please return this form and your check payable to "**Phi Delta Theta**" to:

2006 Phi Open
c/o Andy Beasley
16352 West 66th Circle
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Yes, I will be attending this year's Phi Open (\$75/person if before July 1, 2006 or \$85/person after July 1, 2006)

Please put me in a foursome with these brothers:

Please assign me to a foursome

I would like to be a hole sponsor (\$35/per hole).
Individual or Company name for your sign on the hole

Are You One of These People?

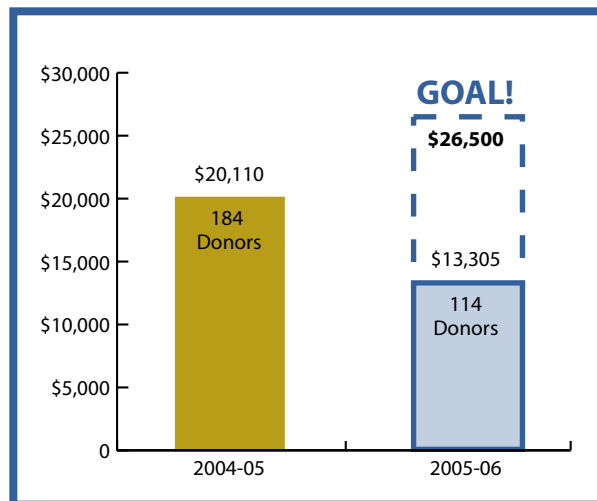
We hope that you enjoy this issue of *The Purdue Phi*. This newsletter, along with our other annual alumni communications and our website, are funded solely by the contributions of our readers. If you're one of the brothers on the honor roll on our website, www.purdue-phi.net, please accept our appreciation. **It is because of you that all of our brothers can keep up-to-date on the latest news!**

If you have not donated, please consider

making a gift to Phi Delta Theta, so that we can ensure that publication of our Chapter's news continues.

This chart shows the progress of Indiana Theta's annual giving over the years. You can make a donation through our secure website www.purdue-phi.net or by filling out and returning the enclosed form. **The success of Phi Delt depends on YOU!**

These charts show the progress of Indiana Theta's Alumni Chapter annual giving over the past 2 years.



ALUMNI UPDATES

50s

Robert Marlowe '52

(513 Somerset Rd, Akron, OH) In late 2005, I advised of the passing of **Gene "Wog" Wogan '52**. I have never seen anything published. I note that when his name is entered into the alumni link it shows that he is deceased. Wog was a close personal friend of mine and many others in the "Lodge" during 1949-1952. The Chapter Grand was awarded a CHAMPION! YITB.

60s

Barclay Gano '61

(527 Burg Street, Granville, OH 43023, BGano@aol.com) I retired in 2000. Holly

and I enjoy traveling—Russia in 2004, France in 2005 and India in 2006.

Michael Paugh '64

(16715 Carey Rd., Westfield, IN 46074; michaeljpaugh@aol.com) Retirement, Florida sunshine, and saltwater fishing are fabulous.

90s

Brandon Weddle '95

(2774 Barbano Court, Westfield, IN) We have moved back to the Indianapolis area (Carmel) to be closer to family. Our daughter, Delaney, turned 4 in March, and our son Drew, turned 2 on February 6. I work as a PM for Geupel DeMars Hagerman. I am also in school obtaining my MBA from the Indiana Kelley School of Business (so I'll have a Purdue degree and an IU degree, kinda scary!)

Curtis Rand '97

(14317 Howe Drive, Leawood, KS) My family and I have moved for the 4th time in three years, and we now reside in Leawood, KS (suburban Kansas City). Lisa, Stuart (4), Cole (2), and Carter (2) are doing well and enjoying our neighborhood and church community. I am now the Region Manager for Terminix in the Plains Region (Central US). I hope to hear from any brothers from 1993-1997. YITB.

Derek Lenard '99

Moved into our second house in Naperville. Gotta love the 'burbs... Also, took a promotion to Lead Research Analyst for OfficeMax. Been with the company for almost a year and a half now. Drop me a line at derek@BigDGuitars.com. Now taking orders for custom guitars.

To The Moon and Back

After 37 Years, Brother Neil Armstrong Receives His Piece of History

Nearly 37 years after being the first man to walk on the moon, **Neil Armstrong '55** was presented with a piece of the moon rock he brought back to Earth in 1969. The presentation was part of NASA's Ambassadors of Exploration award, created in commemoration of the 35th anniversary of the astronaut's walk on the moon.

Neil accepted the award on April 18, 2006 during a small ceremony at the Cincinnati Museum Center.

The award, which includes a piece of the moon rock weighing only about two grams, is presented to recognize the successful efforts of those involved in the Mercury, Gemini and Apollo aeronautical programs. It celebrates John F. Kennedy's 1961 vision to greatly enhance the nation's space program by expanding humankind further into the galaxy.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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opportunity to get together with your Brothers, both on the golf course and at Harry's afterwards. For more information, contact **Andy Beasley '91** at 720-235-5535 or beasgolf@gmail.com.

Finally, we've begun planning for the work we want to accomplish on the House this summer. First priority is going to be the renovation of the hallways, which are showing significant wear and tear. We are upgrading the hallways to become "student-proof" in a similar manner as we did to the bathrooms a few years ago. The money for the upgrades will come from the rent the Actives paid us

this year and will not require a fundraiser. (You can breathe easier now). Our goal is to spend at least \$50,000 per year from rent payments to continually renovate and repair the Phi Lodge without asking for money from the Alumni.

Last but not least, a quick reminder to visit our Web site at www.purdue-phi.net. You might be surprised what—or who!—you can find there!

Yours in the Bond,

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Undergraduate President's Report

Making Strides in All Areas: Recruitment, Philanthropy, Academics and Athletics

*By Anthony DeCarlo,
President of Indiana Theta*

This year was one of the most successful recruitment classes Indiana Theta has had in some time. Combining fall and spring rush, we were able to bring in 45 new members, which raised our active member total to 130 on the Purdue campus. These numbers make us the 5th largest house on campus.

With our numbers rising, we have been able to make more improvements to the house and participate in more activities on campus. We placed in the top ten of 30 houses in Zeta Tau Alpha's philanthropy, Big Man on Campus, which helps fight breast cancer. It is the largest

philanthropy on the Purdue campus. We also participated in the AGD cup and Hunger Hike.

Indiana Theta has done well in intramural sports this year, placing in the top ten of all houses on campus. We are currently in the playoffs for outdoor soccer, hoping to repeat our title from last year.

We are currently in the process of replacing the locks on the outside doors with key cards. We thank our Alumni for underwriting this project!

Despite how busy we've been in all these activities, we have also managed to improve our house grade point average! At 2.757, our members' GPA was above both the all-fraternity average and the all-men's average.

In the last few months we have been focusing on remodeling parts of the house and adding new technology to the

house. We'd also like to redo the doors and hallways over the next couple of summers. We are currently in the process of replacing the locks on the outside doors with key cards. We thank our Alumni for underwriting this project!

We hope to be able to do more renovation projects in the future, like continuing the retaining wall all the way around the front of the house, installing new tile in the foyer and getting the parking lot refinished.

Over all, this has been one of the most productive years we have had in some time. We are already working and planning and recruiting for another large class for the fall. With this year's numbers, we will have the house at maximum capacity next fall. We'll continue our push to participate in even more activities and at same time try to increase our grades and athletics even higher.



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