

INDIANA EPSILON

# THE WOLFCALL

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## CHAPTER HOPES TO STRENGTHEN BOND BETWEEN ALUMNI AND UNDERGRADUATES

*House Corporation Calls for Support from Alumni*

The Indiana Epsilon House Corporation is alive and well and continues to serve the Chapter and provide 801 Mound Street as a home to our brothers. We have been in the building for 42 years. Some things have changed and some have stayed the same. Just like the over-40 brothers that gather in Wisconsin for broomball each year, she shows some wear, but the Chapter has been doing a good job of keeping things up.

The House Corporation recently shuffled some officers around and added a few new faces. A big goal of the House Corporation is increased communication with our alumni. We are working to produce a regular, biannual newsletter and are in the final stages of completely redeveloping our Chapter website and social media presence.

As we develop regular communication with our alumni, we look to foster better relationships between our alumni and undergraduates. We hope to help revive some of the friendships our members may have lost after their days at 801 Mound Street.

As a member of the Fraternity headquarters staff, I am involved with our national initiatives on a daily basis. As seen in the winter issue of the *Shield*,

Phi Psi's theme of Share the Vision is prominent as the Fraternity looks toward the future. I encourage all Indiana Epsilon alumni to join the Chapter in fulfilling this goal.

Indiana Epsilon is in the midst of developing a new strategic plan as we look toward the future. If you are interested in helping us develop and Share the Vision for our Chapter, make a move to get involved. We can always use new volunteers on the House Corporation, the Chapter Advisory Committee, or just to serve as mentors for our undergraduates. If you have been away and have the urge to give back, I encourage you to reach out to me and the House Corporation officers will find a way to get you involved.



Fraternally,

*Kevin J. Marks*

**Kevin Marks '92**

House Corporation President

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## INDIANA EPSILONS BALANCE WORK AND PLAY

Brothers Continue to Improve All Aspects of Chapter

It's a great time to be a Phi Psi at Valparaiso University. Our brothers have been working diligently to improve all facets of the Chapter, including scholarship, philanthropy, intramurals, and academics. Through our many social and philanthropic activities, our brothers experienced a busy and exciting fall semester.

Our belief in the Great Joy of Serving Others is strong and exemplified by both the service and philanthropy activities we do as a Chapter, as well as the individual efforts of many of the brothers. The Chapter has continued its relationship with the Boys and Girls Club and supported the local organization through multiple activities, including making Valentine's Day cards with the ladies of Kappa Delta, donating money from our dance parties and house-

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*Tim Brown '09, Mike Nicola '10, Ben Friedman '09, Jake Odell '09, Evan Bentley '08, Jake Steuer '09, and Jesse Fosheim '10 paint their bodies in support of Valpo during the team's victory against Butler.*



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*Preston Currie '11 adds a fresh coat of paint to the weight room.*

hold dues, and raising money through the annual Kyle Carson 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament.

Individually, brothers also donate their time through a variety of programs such as College Mentors for Kids, Habitat for Humanity, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and Café Manna, the local soup kitchen operated through the student Catholic center. **Eric Mozynski '10** has taken over for **Austin Hook '08**, a recent graduate, as the student coordinator of Café Manna.

“Volunteering at Café Manna has made me thankful for everything that I have and it has made me more aware of the need all around each of us,” Eric said. “This experience has made me want to continue volunteering long after I graduate from college.”

But it's not all work and no play for the brothers. The Chapter was very busy participating in various brotherhood events and social activities. We traveled to watch the Valpo vs. Butler basketball game, road tripped to a Chicago Wolves hockey game, and went out to eat for all-you-can-eat wings at a local restaurant, which included an eating competition won by **John Beyer '10** after he consumed 47 wings. We have also had multiple dances and events with sororities, including a karaoke mixer with Gamma Phi Beta and hosting the Chapter's annual country club-themed dance party.

We are proud of where we are today, but we know that none of it would be possible without the help and support of our families, alumni, and headquarters staff. I would like to thank those people who have done so much for our Chapter. I welcome alumni to drop by the house next time you are visiting the University or feel free to reach out to me personally.



Fraternally,

*Jesse Fosheim*

**Jesse Fosheim '10**

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## RECRUITMENT RECOMMENDATION

Alumni, we appreciate your input during our recruitment efforts. If you have a recommendation, please submit it to our Recruitment Chairmen

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## Alumnus Gained Confidence and Leadership Skills as an Indiana Epsilon

*Spotlight on Larry Mowry '97*

*"You will never have a time in your life with so many close friends right there with you. These friends will be with you for the rest of your life."*

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**L**arry Mowry '97 joined Phi Kappa Psi at Valparaiso University his sophomore year with the intention of becoming more involved on campus and within the community. Through Indiana Epsilon events and philanthropy, Larry did just that. However, he also gained something unexpected: a new sense of confidence he didn't have before. "I realized that I had value as a person and that other people were there to support me," Larry said.

As vice president of the Chapter, Larry had the opportunity to let his newfound confidence shine through. He proved he could effectively lead a group of his peers and work with others to solve difficult problems. "I had to bring different ideas and personalities together to work toward what was best for the Chapter," he said.

The leadership skills Larry gained as an undergraduate continue to help him today. As chief meteorologist for CBS 11 in Dallas/Fort Worth, Larry is responsible for leading his team and providing up-to-date information to his viewers. For the past two years, he has received the Emmy for Best Weathercaster in Texas. He can be seen every Monday through Friday on the 5 p.m., 6 p.m., and 10 p.m. newscasts.

Larry graduated with his bachelor's degree in meteorology in 2000. Some of his favorite memories as an undergraduate include working on special projects such as landscaping the front yard of the house, attending get-togethers, and hanging out with his brothers. "It was great to learn from friends who grew up in different parts of the country," he said.

Larry's advice to undergraduates is to get involved in as many different activities as possible and to enjoy the time you spend with your brothers. "You will never have a time in your life with so many close friends right there with you," Larry said. "These friends will be with you for the rest of your life."

Larry and his wife, Lisa, reside in Keller, Texas, with their daughters, Reagan, 4, and Parker, 2. In his spare time, Larry enjoys spending time with his daughters and working out.

Larry also enjoys volunteering for various charities and events, something he feels passionate about. In 2011, he hosted the Muscular Dystrophy Association Labor Day Telethon. "I'm a big supporter of the organization," he said. He and his wife also support Lutheran Social Services in Texas.

Larry can be reached at [lrnowry@ktvt.com](mailto:lrnowry@ktvt.com).

## HELP WANTED

### Attention Alumni

**Help Needed:** Indiana Epsilon is looking for at least four alumni who are interested in forming a Chapter Advisory Committee (CAC).

**Purpose:** The CAC is intended to replace and enhance the role of Chapter Advisor.

**Duties:** The anticipated time commitment would be attendance at one Chapter meeting per month and a committee conference call of 30 minutes once a month.

**Benefits:** Satisfaction of knowing that you're repaying your debt to those who went before you and made your Indiana Epsilon experience possible.

**Why:** Your Chapter needs you. You can make a difference and enhance Chapter members' Phi Psi experience.

For more information, please contact:

**Kevin Marks '92**, retiring Chapter Advisor, at [KJM@PhiKappaPsi.com](mailto:KJM@PhiKappaPsi.com)

**Jesse Fosheim '10**, Chapter President, at [jesse.fosheim@valpo.edu](mailto:jesse.fosheim@valpo.edu)



## Upcoming Events

April 1:  
Spring Initiation

April 14:  
Undergraduate Formal

April 16-20:  
Phi Psi 500 Philanthropy

May 5:  
Annual Amici Golf Outing



Members volunteer for the Girl Scouts at Camp Butternut for Valparaiso's Day of Caring.

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**Attention:** This newsletter is intended for alumni and parents. If your son is attending Valparaiso University, he will receive a copy at the Chapter House. If he has graduated, please send us his permanent address to update our records. Thank you.

## ALUMNI UPDATE

**Duane R. Oelschlaeger '53** lives in Andover, Minn., with his wife, Sue. They have four adult children: John, David, Karen, and Kathy. Duane is enjoying retirement after working for 37 years as an engineer and manager in flight controls at the Aerospace Division of Honeywell Inc. E-mail: sueorslugger@gmail.com

**Richard A. Vollmer '54** retired in 1991 but has worked in the hospitality industry for the Walt Disney Resort in Hilton Head, S.C., since 1992. In his free time, Richard enjoys golfing and going to the beach. He says he is living the good life, but he will never forget the good old days he spent at 801 Mound St. "I pledged with a great bunch of guys, joined a vibrant and exciting fraternity at Valpo, and never regretted a minute of it."

**David J. Kilgore '64** retired from dentistry after 38 years of working with wonderful patients and staff. He lives in Indianapolis, Ind. E-mail: djkilgore@sbcglobal.net

**Ronald M. Wolf '65** lives in St. Louis, Mo., with his wife, Sheila. They have three adult children. In

2005, Ron retired from Towers Watson, a global consulting firm. E-mail: ronald.wolf@att.net

**Paul A. Lohmiller '72** and his wife, Carolyn, live in West Bend, Wis. They have one son, Michael, who is married and successfully employed in the IT industry. Paul is semi-retired and works from home as the executive director of Wisconsin Concrete Pipe Association. E-mail: plohmiller@charter.net

**Stephen M. Oien '79** is an insurance agent for State Farm. He and his wife, Julie, live in Weldon Spring, Mo. E-mail: oienism@gmail.com

**Michael F. Specca '81** and his wife, Jennifer, have three children: Lauren, Carolyn, and Marcus. They live in Minnetonka, Minn. Michael is a manufacturing engineer for MTS Systems in Eden Prairie. E-mail: mjspecca@msn.com

**Dean G. Butzow '88** is a geography professor for Lincoln Land Community College in Springfield, Ill. He and his wife, Lisa, live in Chatham with their children, Gregor and Lily. E-mail: dean.butzow@llcc.edu

**Kevin J. Marks '92** lives in Indianapolis, Ind., where he is the Director of Alumni Services for Phi Kappa Psi. He purchased a house last fall and stays busy by traveling the country for work. E-mail: KJM@PhiKappPsi.com

**Cody S. Shumaker '05** lives in Cleveland, Miss. He is a member of Teach for America and worked as a high school teacher from 2008 to 2011. Cody completed his master's degree in secondary education from Delta State University in May 2011. He will begin his specialist degree in school leadership at the University of Mississippi and plans to finish in the summer of 2012. Upon completion, he will be a school administrator in the Mississippi Delta. E-mail: cs.shumaker@gmail.com

**Kenneth D. Knuppel '08** was invited to serve as a community economic development promoter in the Peace Corps in Paraguay in November. He will return from the Peace Corps to finish his master's degree in August 2014. E-mail: ken.knuppel@gmail.com