



The Wolfcall

Indiana Epsilon Honored at 70th Grand Arch Council

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By: Seth Teply '99

Earlier this summer, 435 Phi Psis gathered from across the nation at the Peabody Hotel in Memphis, Tennessee for the 70th Grand Arch Council. While Indiana Epsilon did not quite attain its ultimate goal of Grand Chapter status, the chapter has nothing to be ashamed of. Walking away with three major awards, Indiana Epsilon can easily be considered one of the top Phi Psi chapters in the nation.

With much hard work and effort by all members, the Indiana Epsilon chapter was accredited in all 11 areas of chapter excellence last year. Therefore, it was no surprise that Indiana Epsilon was one of only four chapters nationwide to receive a Chapter Excellence Award for being Accredited with Distinction. After a recently-renewed emphasis on community service projects, Indiana Epsilon also received the Hyatt "Pat" Eby Community Service Award. Finally, for the second straight G.A.C., the chapter also accepted an award for Outstanding Intramural Program.

Indiana Epsilon was represented at the G.A.C. by three active members (Kevin Jessen, Joel



GAC delegates from the Accredited with Distinction chapters including Indiana Epsilon Phi Psis Kyle Jordan, Seth Teply, Joel Boehm and Kevin Jessen.

Boehm, Seth Teply), alumni friends and contacts. Not to mention having many stories to bring home from Memphis!

The 2002 Grand Arch Council will be held in Pittsburgh, PA, celebrating the 150th anniversary of Phi Kappa Psi. Hopefully it will be another exciting G.A.C. for Indiana Epsilon - with continued hard work and dedication, Grand Chapter status is not an unreasonable goal for 2002. We hope all of you are able to attend!

We met Phi Psis from across the country, making many lasting

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Third Annual Phi Psi 500 Most Successful Yet

By Joel Boehm, '99

This year marked another successful Phi Psi 500 philanthropy event.

This was our third annual Phi Psi 500, and the biggest to date. Nine different Greek organizations participated in the week's activities, and we raised about \$1,000 for the American Cancer Society.

The week was a lot of fun, as well as purposeful. Activities

included the condom olympics, a family feud tournament, a karaoke contest, a date auction co-sponsored by the Pi Beta Phi sorority, and a tricycle race. Our week concluded with a party at the house.

The success of this year's event bodes well for future Phi Psi 500's that we hope will continue to grow and reflect well on our chapter.

Rare Phi Delta Psi Paddle Found

By Kevin Marks, '93

Recently, while surfing eBay, I stumbled across a listing for a 1941 Valparaiso University fraternity paddle. Being curious I checked it out and it happened to be a Phi Delta Psi paddle that belonged to an alumnus named Slim Denig.

After corresponding with the seller, she said she was an antique dealer and her husband bought the paddle at an estate sale in central Ohio, unfortunately she knew nothing else of Mr. Denig. I was able to win the auction and acquire the paddle and there are plans to display it in the Chapter Room for everyone to see.

Having recently visited the house, a repeated request from some of the undergraduates is to learn of more of the house history. I would encourage all of you to stop by and share your knowledge of house history with the current actives. As you get older and find that you have no use for Phi Psi related items, think about donating them to the house for display.

There has been a lot of history for the men of Phi Kappa Psi and you have all been part of it. Help

We Are The Champions!

By Dan Kuznik, '98

All-Campus Intramural Champions once again!

After last year's very close second place finish, the men of Indiana Epsilon took it upon themselves to make sure that we regained the championship this year.

Phi Psis pulled together and finished top four in many of the big events...while winning first place in volleyball. With the final results and scores in, we obtained first place by a huge 250 point margin over Sigma Phi Epsilon.

This is a great accomplishment for our fraternity. Most likely, we are set for next year since we are not losing too many of our star athletes.

Congrats Phi Psis!

the men of Indiana Epsilon learn of and remember the history so they can continue creating the future for Phi Psi's at Valparaiso.

I would like to thank Cord Nuoffer for assisting with the purchase.



All of the brothers with the new Fall 2000 pledge class spring class sporting their new letters.

Chapter Scholarship Fund Continues Strong Growth

By Eric Sampson -NEED TO BE REWRITTEN TO REFLECT THIS YEAR'S MATCHING GIFT DRIVE!! THANKS!

As you may remember, at the 1998 Grand Arch Council in Scottsdale, Arizona it was announced that a generous alumnus had pledged \$500,000 to match contributions made to a Chapter Scholarship Fund. The matching offer stipulated that a minimum of \$5,000 be raised to become eligible for matching funds, and that these funds be received between 7/31/98 and 12/31/98. The maximum total contributions matched would be \$25,000.

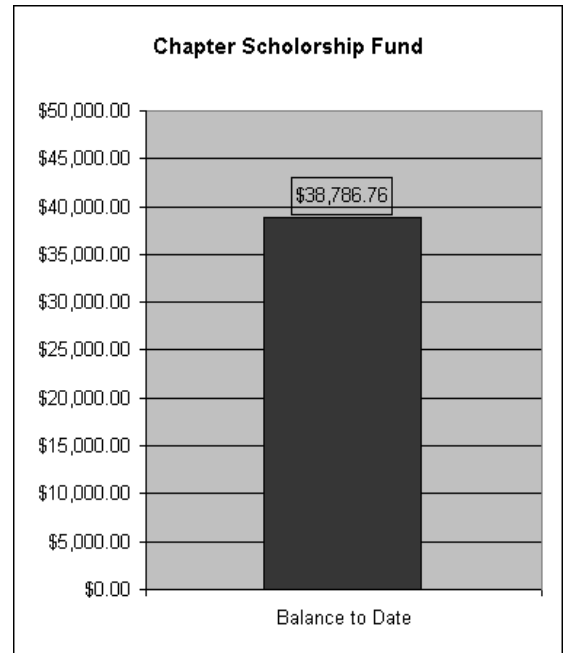
The Housing Corporation undertook a campaign using direct mail, personal appeal and articles in the *Wolfcall* to begin building the Indiana Epsilon Scholarship Fund. The Housing Corporation "seeded" the campaign with a \$5,000 contribution and pledged to match

contributions made by Indiana Epsilon members dollar for dollar up to another \$5,000. We set a goal of a \$50,000 balance.

Finally, polo shirts were awarded to those contributing over \$100 and a new award, "The 1953 Award" was announced to commemorate the pledge class with the highest participation for a donor year.

As you can see by the chart to the right, the results were impressive. Although we fell short of our original \$50,000 goal, these funds will allow the Housing Corporation to award valuable scholarships to deserving undergraduates for many years to come.

Thank you for your support.



House Technology Ready for 21st Century

By Chris Baird, '99

The past few months have been an exciting time for those of us who spend any time on the Internet (and in this day and age that is almost everyone!). Beginning last September, I have spearheaded, planned, and primarily installed a computer network throughout the entire house. The network is providing access to other brothers' files and printers, as well as a high-speed gateway to the Internet through a DSL connection, thus freeing up phone lines.

The DSL or "Digital Service Line" is a high-speed "always-on" connection that utilizes a standard phone line for simultaneous voice and data transmission. Each room has two or three ports, depending on the size of the room.

Early feedback from the brothers has been excellent, as house files and documents are now made available to all brothers in real time.

Recruitment has also seen a boost, as the



Joe Wursburger working at his computer connected to the new network.

chapter has now proven its commitment to upgrading technology in the house to keep up with on-campus residence halls.

We are confident that this change will help keep Phi Kappa Psi strong into the high-tech 21st Century!

President's Notes: Indiana Epsilon on a Role

By Kevin Jessen, '98

The spring semester was the most successful semester since before I pledged in spring '98. Here are just some of the highlights.

With our sanctions ending last January, and alcohol returning to the house, we took many steps to ensure that we continue moving in the right direction rather than taking steps back. You saw the alcohol policy that we implemented in the last issue of the *Wolfcall*. This policy has worked out amazingly.

We have continued to move towards a better overall household and brotherhood. The Spring 2000 semester brought many accomplishments including a successful pledge class in which we got 11 great guys, the 3rd annual Phi Psi 500 during which we raised over \$1000 for the American Cancer

Society, songfest champions for the 3rd year in a row, and a tremendous Greek Awards Banquet.

The 4th Annual Greek Awards Banquet showed the campus that we are the strongest and most prosperous Greek organization on campus. We received every award possible including the following: Intramural All Sport Champion, Outstanding Greek Volunteer Award, Advisor of the Year went to our faculty advisor Eric Johnson '86, New Member of the Year went to Ben Nicol '00, Greek Man of the Year went to Stefan Bjes '97, and we also received the President's Award of Excellence which goes to the chapter in recognition of excellence in all areas of chapter operations.

The awards continued to pour in at G.A.C. in June (see cover article

for more info).

This Fall Semester has continued to follow the path of last spring. We have just initiated 11 new upperclassmen all of whom are excellent brothers. We are also continuing to hold leadership positions in the Greek community with the outgoing and incoming IFC presidents, Scott Wood and Ben Nicol, respectively. Seth Teply is also the current Hellenic President. I am very proud to have lead this house through the last year and to have received many awards on the brothers behalf. It feels great to be a part of the strongest Greek organization on this campus that is continually setting the standard in every area possible.

Homecoming 2000 Recap

By Brad Jessen, '95

Homecoming 2000 proved to be another successful reunion weekend for Phi Psis from all across the nation. Over 50 Indiana Epsilon alumni descended on 801 Mound St. and the popular Valpo establishments to celebrate and reminisce.

Current actives and members of the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority pulled an all-nighter to complete another first-place float (a streak that is believed to have reached 10 years in a row). Creatively reflecting the theme of "A Show to Remember", the brothers recreated a memorable scene from *Ghostbusters* by building a 12-foot Stay-Puff Marshmallow Man, complete with movable arms.

Saturday's events continued after the parade as actives, alumni and families convened at the house for a

sub sandwich lunch. The Crusaders then defeated the Butler Bulldogs at Brown Field. A BBQ Chicken dinner drew everyone back to the house, and the evening was capped off by a very successful party.

The undergraduate brothers should be commended for an excellent weekend of events. I hope to see more alumni return for



Here is a look at the float being pulled by Cam Plew in his jeep during the parade.



Undergraduate News and Alumni Notes

Spring & Fall 2000 Graduates:

Craig Benecke - Management
Stefan Bjes - Psychology/Sociology
Dennis Johnson - Physics/Math
Kyle Jordan - Political Science/
German
David Kelch - Theater & Television
Arts
Larry Mowry - Meteorology
Ehren Plew - Mechanical Engineering
Andrew Thomas - Business
Management
Sven Zimdahl - Civil Engineering
Jeremy Linke - Civil Engineering

Mark your calendars for February 2nd and 3rd! Alumni Weekend is here again. Be ready for some snow football Saturday afternoon and the band Big Deal (formerly known as Dirt Poets) will be performing at the house Saturday night.

Also be ready for Spring Weekend 2001 April 27th and 28th.

Newly Initiated Members – Pledge Class of Spring 2000

Bob Dysert - South Bend, IN
Andrew Engfehr - Collinsville, IL
Scott Hendrickson - Mendon, IL
Mike Heuser - Cincinnati, OH
Nic Katona - Nashotah, WI
Josh Klein - Olmsted, OH
Matt McReynolds - Chestertown, NY
Ben Nicol - Fleetwood, PN
Cam Plew - Warsaw, IN
Owen Stamm - Bettendorf, IA
Dave Wurzbarger - New Lenox, IL

Pledge Class of Fall 2000:

Chris Beebe - Ft. Wayne, IN
Evan Corpuz - Honolulu, HW
Jacob Christian - Watertown, WI
James Hambrock - Ft. Wayne, IN
Jason Holly - Downers Grove, IL
Jonathan Loose - Prior Lake, MN
Jim Murray - New Lenox, IL
Patrick Petersen - Livonia, MI
John Polanshek - Morris, IL
Luke Seddelmeyer - Warren, MI
Brett Stubblefield - DeMotte, IN



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