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Undergraduates and alumni members have worked hard over the last year to prepare for the awards. This year, the chapter continued its tradition of being nominated for a majority of the campus awards and was fortunate to be honored with five awards.

Chapter Earns High Marks From University

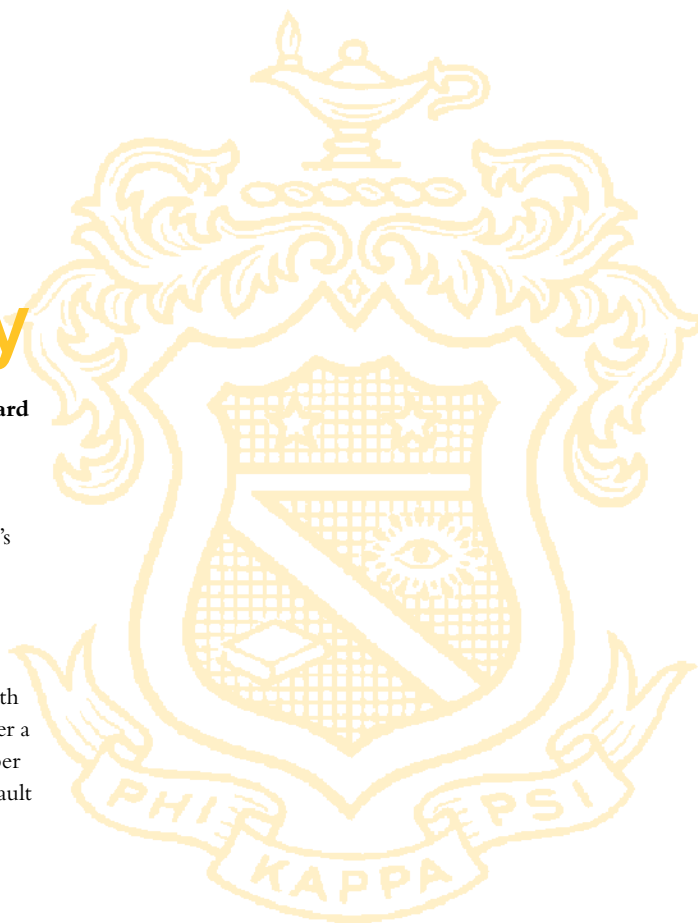
The Annual Valparaiso University Greek Awards ceremony was held on May 1, 2006. The event recognizes the contributions of Valpo's fraternities and sororities on campus and within the local community. Awards are judged by campus representatives and are based on applications and interviews.

The chapter was honored with the following:

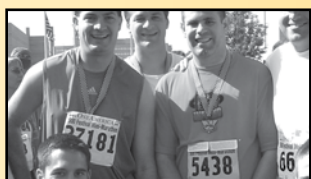
- **President's Award of Achievement**
- **Outstanding Public Relations Award**
- **Kyle Carson Greek Man of the Year Award**
Brother Peter Brock '03
- **New Member of the Year Award**
Brother Cody Shumaker '05

- **Chapter Advisor of the Year Award**
Brother Kevin Marks '92

In addition to the awards, the chapter successfully completed the University's Standards and Expectations Program and was accredited as a Sexual Assault Awareness and Facilitative Education (SAAFE) Empowerment House. One of only two fraternities on campus with the accreditation, the process takes over a year to complete and involves a number of educational programs on sexual assault prevention and gender awareness. ●



➤ NEW FACES AT 801 MOUND STREET 2



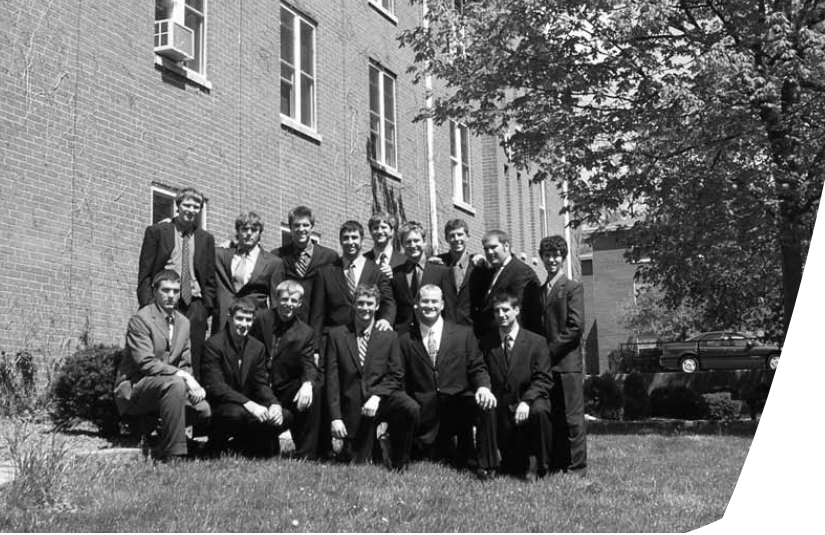
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New Faces At 801 Mound Street

Matt Davies '04 - Chapter Pledge Educator

On April 23, 2006, 15 new brothers were initiated into the chapter. Indiana Epsilon's newest members continued to add to the chapter's diversity with members hailing from all over the country. The chapter's revamped pledge program teaches new members various life and leadership skills including resume building, social networking and chapter operations. On behalf of the chapter, congratulations to Indiana Epsilon's newest members!

► **Top row (left to right):** Dan Logas, Dan Leeman, Bruce Morgan, Vince Faso, Chris Lentz, Mike Hajduk, Adam Legler, Joe Estep, A.J. Cumbo **Bottom row (left to right):** Kurt Wook, Andrew Browne, Bryan Babczak, Danny Knoll, Eric Devine, Nathan Popp

Online And Open 24 Hours

👉 www.valpophpsi.org/alumni

Interested in current news and events, past pictures of brothers or a Phi Psi family tree? Find it all at Alumni Central! The family tree tracks the lineage of Phi Psi throughout history and now boasts over 422 brothers listed and 411 out of 660 since 1978. The website is constantly changing and offers a common place for alumni to reconnect. *If you have suggestions or information you would like posted whether it be event information or old or new pictures of brothers send them to AlumniCentral@valpophpsi.org.*

Scott Rodseth '04 - Chapter President

With a new vision established, a highly involved brotherhood, improved scholarship and a newfound sense of enthusiasm, the chapter is excited about the remainder of the year.

The undergraduate brothers are earnestly working to raise funds to continue remodeling the first floor area, which over the last few months has seen a conversion from the main dining area to a new recreation area. The relocation of couches and the television, along with the addition of a pinball machine and dartboard, has greatly increased the time members spend together. In a time where computers, the internet and video games have monopolized members' time, the chapter has made a conscious effort to make sure members are active within the chapter and on campus. To this end, the chapter is also looking to build a barbeque in the back patio as well as install additional patio seating.

This semester also saw the establishment of the Excellence Bound Freshman Scholarship Program. The program is designed to promote the chapter's strong commitment to supporting, recognizing and rewarding academic achievement, leadership pursuits and community involvement among incoming students, including both freshmen and transfer students. The chapter has figured out how to find and

market to a new type of rushee – one that is concerned with grades and wants to know how affiliation with a fraternity will make him more successful in college, help him find money to pay for it and ensure he has a job waiting when he graduates. Instead of relying on subjective “meet-and-great” tactics, which usually last a week or less, the chapter has created the Excellence Bound Program, which offers sizeable scholarships to non-affiliated men – primarily entering freshmen – to help identify those with the academic and leadership skills that will help make them and the chapter successful. In effect, the scholarship applications produce the perfect rush list. You get what you advertise for. A first impression based on scholarship, leadership and service attracts men who are supportive of those priorities.

Recruitment, scholarship and pledge education were all areas the chapter saw constant improvement in throughout the semester. As the chapter looks forward to the second semester, we are poised to build on this strong foundation and are excited to finish the fall semester strong.

Climbing Back On Top

Derek Urban '05
Chapter Intramural Chair

Throughout the last semester, the Indiana Epsilon Chapter has remained devoted to competing in every intramural athletic opportunity available. Intramurals are a great opportunity to increase the bonds of brotherhood. Intramurals also provide a healthy means of competition and a nice break from the stress of daily class work.

All the undergraduate brothers have enormous pride in the chapter's history of intramural success, and we hope to return as the all-sports champions soon. We expect great things from the incoming pledge class, who have expressed excitement about contributing to the chapter's already successful intramural teams. With the combination of new talent and experienced upperclassmen, we hope to make a stronger push in the playoffs, giving us the points to put us back on top as the all-sports champions.

Phi Psi Continues To Give Back

Matthew Musial '05 - Chapter Philanthropy

Chair

Over the course of the semester, the chapter has been involved in a plethora of activities for philanthropy, ranging from hosting "make-over a Phi Psi" to sponsoring a powder-puff football tournament to participating in numerous walks and charity drives.

The events have allowed us to promote Greek unity through interaction with other Greek organizations while also raising awareness and gathering time and financial commitments from the larger Valpo community.

Phi Psi 500, an annual charity event sponsored by the chapter,

is centered on a weeklong competition, with teams competing and participating in events scheduled throughout the week. Teams are made up of members of sororities.

Phi Psi 500 chair Mark Pautsch, sophomore in the College of Business, called the event a success. "I've seen it once before and I think this year went really well," Pautsch said. "It's great to end it with a nice donation to the Boys and Girls Club."



➤ Indiana Epsilon brothers Mark Matasic '95, Michael Purse '95, Dave Adams '95, Jeffrey Carmean '96, Jeremy Swindle '96 and Greg Grossart '93 prepare for the Indianapolis 500 Festival Mini-Marathon.

Recognizing And Rewarding Excellence

During the chapter's February 12, 2006, Founders Day celebration Indiana Epsilon awarded the following six undergraduates for their outstanding scholastic achievements: Peter Brock '03; Robby Copouls '02; Nick Galac '03; Chris Kreutzer '02; Patrick O'Connell '02; Mark Pautsch '04.

These scholarships were made possible thanks to the generous brothers who contributed to the Indiana Epsilon Chapter Scholarship Fund. The following brothers and friends have contributed to the chapter's fund thus far during the 2006 giving year*.

James M. Acton '88	Benjamin S. M. Nicol '00
Neal P. Armstrong '89	Jon Gregory Rachiele '86
Gene A. Behnke '53	Edward W. Tornberg '53
Howard J. Claussen '53	Merlyn C. Vocke '53
Jason Joseph Holly '00	David Gerald Wurzbarger '00
Brad Robert Jessen '95	
Todd Andrew Lighty '87	

* Gifts made January 1, 2006-October 1, 2006

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! HOMECOMING 2007 Friday, October 5 – Sunday, October 7

Membership And Involvement Flourish

Matthew Solak '05 - Chapter Vice President

It has been an exciting time lately at Indiana Epsilon. The chapter has worked to increase both its campus and community involvement and has strengthened its committee structure in order to remain one of Valpo's premier Greek organizations. The chapter's reputation was evident, as recruitment successfully brought 23 new pledges to the chapter this year (fall and spring classes), which was the highest number for any fraternity. These new members have already had a substantial affect on the chapter. Two new members

from the fall class serve on the chapter's executive board. The chapter is also proud to announce that Cody Shumaker '05 has already become IFC president, and Phi Psis currently serve as three of the four IFC officers. The social committee has done a remarkable job with two successful campus parties that raised over \$600 for charity. The chapter also recently held the annual Phi Psi 500, our largest philanthropy event, which was well-received by the campus.

Indiana Epsilon House Corporation Plans For The Future

Mark Matasic '95 - House Corporation President

Since the last edition of the Wolfcall, the House Corporation has invested significant time and effort to develop a forecast of expected future capital expenses. This forecast provides an annual allowance that, when combined with expected annual operating expenses, allows the House Corporation to operate more efficiently to the benefit of the alumni and undergraduates. Forecasted expenses include items such as new kitchen equipment (freezers, ranges, dishwasher, etc.), asphalt parking paving, a fire suppression system, an electrical overhaul and a new roof. The House Corporation has also drafted a reserve study that will provide a detailed analysis of the anticipated expenditures over the next several years.

As a byproduct of the reserve study, the House Corporation was able to determine the minimum number of undergraduates needed to live in the chapter house in order to ensure sustainability. The House Corporation is now able

to provide financial incentives to the undergraduates with regard to recruiting and house improvement.

Although the last academic year was without significant unexpected expenditures, the chapter house operated at the minimum number of undergraduates living in the facility to maintain financial feasibility. As such, we are excited about the current academic year with a 15% increase in the number of undergraduates living in the chapter house. This increase has allowed us to begin contributing to the reserve fund.

We look forward to the reminder of 2006 and I hope you find the exciting news about Indiana Epsilon reinvigorates your interest in reconnecting with the Chapter or a local Phi Kappa Psi Alumni Association. Please feel free to contact me at IndianaEpsilonHouseCorporations@yahoo.com should you have any questions or comments about House Corporation.

Get Reacquainted With Phi Psi

Kevin Marks '92 - Chapter Advisor

Greetings from our fellow brothers throughout the country! I recently attended the Grand Arch Council in New Orleans with undergraduates Scott Rodseth and Cody Shumaker and recent alumnus Joe Bynum. If you have not had a chance to attend a GAC, I encourage you to attend the 2008 GAC in Indianapolis.

While at GAC, I had the opportunity to meet several other chapter advisors and am looking forward to implementing many new ideas to assist the chapter. Just as the House Corporation has been fully restocked in the last year and is working as well as ever, the growth

of the Chapter Advisory Board is going to be a personal point of emphasis this year. If anyone is interested in getting involved with the chapter, there are several positions that could use some help, and it is a great opportunity to give something back to the chapter and become reacquainted with the outstanding undergraduates that Indiana Epsilon continues to attract. If you are not looking for a full time commitment, there are opportunities to assist with specific events or tasks. Contact me directly at kevinjohnmarks@yahoo.com and we will see what we can do to get you involved.

THAT DATE PARTY?

REMEMBER THOSE GUYS?



THAT ONE DAY?

PLEDGESHIP?



THAT MOMENT?



Recognize these Phi Psis? Write to us and tell us who they are and the stories behind these moments. Or send us some of your own.

Email to:
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THAT GAME?

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Vacant

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Vacant

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Kevin Jessen '98
Chicago, Illinois

Fundraising Counselor

Michael Purse '95
Swanton, Ohio

Currently, the committee is in need of a faculty advisor and finance counselor. If you have any expertise in these areas or just want to lend a hand, please contact Kevin Marks, the current Chapter Advisor, at kevinjohnmarks@yahoo.com.

ALUMNI UPDATES

1994

Marriage: Joel T. May to Anne Marie Mueller, July 1, 2006, Valparaiso, Indiana.

1995

Birth: To Brad Jessen and wife Jessica of Arvada, Colo.: Ainsley Joy, born March 2006.

1999

Joel C. Boehm has accepted an offer to attend law school at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas, beginning in Fall 2006.

RECRUITMENT RECOMMENDATION



Prospect's Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Parent(s): _____

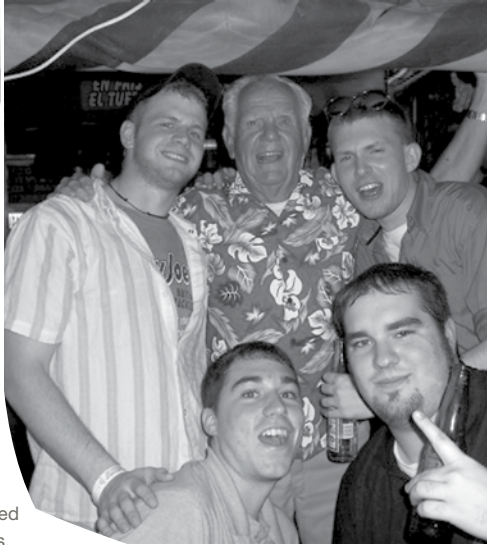
High School Attended: _____

Reference Submitted By: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Does prospect have a Phi Psi relative? If so, give name, relationship and chapter:

SEND RECOMMENDATION TO PO BOX 80095 INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46280.



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FACTS AND FIGURES

➤ The brothers that attended the American Leadership Academy included Scott Rodseth, Ryan Steigerwald, Zhi Yee, Nathan Smith, Zach Albers, Will Hartwell, Ben Radke, Mark Pautsch, Bill Failey and Joe Estep.

- 61 undergraduate members
- 20 juniors
- 448 philanthropy hours completed this semester
- 3.025 chapter GPA
- 36 undergraduate members are a member of another on-campus organization
- \$1,616.40 donated to charities during this semester
- 7 engineering majors
- 13 business majors
- 28 undergraduate members with part-time jobs

An Educational Spring Break

Benjamin Radke '05 - Chapter Historian

This spring break, 10 chapter members traveled to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, during spring break to take part in the American Leadership Academy.

For over a week, we spent four hours per day listening to speakers talk about topics such as character development, interpersonal communications, career development, negotiation and sales skills, business ethics, team dynamics, global perspectives and free enterprise. Although only a week long, we all learned a lot of

useful information that will be helpful in the future.

One of the speakers, Steve Hegele, discussed the “cycle of change” and how it is necessary for both groups and individuals to change and adapt. Already, the chapter has used several of the lessons learned while in Mexico.

NEWS AND NOTES

The Wolfcall is published by the Indiana Epsilon House Corporation. We are always interested in hearing your latest news, stories and event announcements. Pictures and news are welcome at all times. Communications should be directed to **The Wolfcall, PO Box 80095 Indianapolis, IN 46280** or emailed to jhambrock1062@hotmail.com and bsn@pkpfoundation.org.

