



Delta Delta Data

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FALL 2006

Phone-a-thon Pushes ΔΔ Campaign Past \$6,000,000 Mark

With Homecoming looming and the \$250,000 campaign challenge on the line Brothers Jeff McKean '86, Tim Maloney '74, Jim Trachtman '85 and Bob Burlas '86 stepped up and organized Delta Delta's first Building Fund Phone-a-thon. Through their efforts they pulled 25 alumni brothers together for one evening to contact as many Delta Delta brothers as possible and encourage them to contribute to the campaign. On the evening of September 19 these brothers primarily from the classes of the '70's, '80's and '90's met at the Holiday Inn in Indianapolis with their cell phones and a lot of enthusiasm to reach out to their pledge brothers.

When the phones stopped ringing Jeff, Jim, Tim, Bob and the other brothers had secured \$74,000 in new pledges. With an additional \$30,000 in pledges coming in the next day as a result of calls that evening, the total funds raised surpassed the \$100,000 mark. With these pledges in hand the \$250,000 matching fund kicked in putting the total for the campaign over the \$6 million mark.

Jeff McKean commented that "everyone in attendance had a great time and that some of us spoke with brothers that we hadn't talked to in 10, 15, or 20 years. It was a good night of brotherhood." Jeff also related a story that Jim Trachtman

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Several of Significant Sig Steve Schmidt's pledge brothers returned for his presentation. L-R: Don Palmer, Robert Haehl, Greg Saba, Steve, Greg Harbaugh, Lynn Schilling, Fred Fulmer and Bill Baker.

BROTHERS SHARE SIGNIFICANT MOMENTS AT HOMECOMING 2006

Homecoming 2006 had a different setting this year, but the enthusiasm and excitement of the day was just as in previous years as alumni from several generations returned. It was a great day of football, brotherhood and celebration for Delta Delta and the many alumni who made it up to the Annex.

The highlight of the day was the presentation of Significant Sig awards to brothers Thomas Friel '69 and Steven Schmidt '76. The undergraduate chapter also was presented the Daniel William Cooper award by Grand Consul Keith Krach for their outstanding scholarship programs in 2005- 2006.

Brother Friel received his award from Sigma Chi Grand Consul Keith Krach '79 for his highly successful business career as managing partner at Heidrick and Struggles International, one of the premier executive search firms in the country. Tom is cofounder of the firm's technology group and has led their initiatives in Asia and around the world. Pledge brother Mark Munsell '69 spoke fondly of his days at Purdue with Tom and how Tom was always an active participant in his pledge classes activities.

Brother Schmidt was presented his award by Sigma Chi Foundation

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I believe in fairness, decency, and good manners. I will endeavor to retain the spirit of youth. I will try to make my college, the Sigma Chi Fraternity, and my own chapter more honored by all men and women and more beloved and honestly respected by our own brothers. I say these words in all sincerity that Sigma Chi has given me favor and distinction: that I will endeavor to so build myself and so conduct myself that I will ever be a credit to our Fraternity.

George Ade ΔΔ '87

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Consul's Corner Chris Kutanovski '06

This fall semester has been unusual, yet exciting. With our move to the Annex located in the Acres we have been thrown some curve balls but so far we have been able to knock them out of the park. All of our events such as recruitment, pledge training, social and other chapter activities have been modified to fit our new surroundings. The place we call home may be different but the Sigma Chi spirit is higher than ever.

At this summer's Balfour Leadership Training Workshop, Delta Delta received another Peterson Significant Chapter Award, and the Daniel William Cooper Award. The Cooper Award recognizes one chapter in the country for their outstanding scholarship programming. Which reinforces that we truly "Work hard, and play hard". On campus, the chapter was recently recognized with IFC's R.B Stewart Award for the best programs in new member development, chapter management and alumni involvement.

The chapter has also welcomed back a couple of Delta Delta alumni who are now serving the undergraduates. Brett Hummer '04, former consul, is our new Balfour Fellow. Brett is in his third year of law school at IUPUI. The Balfour Fellowship Program supports graduate students who serve as educational advisors to Sigma Chi chapters. Ben Harris '04 was recently appointed the Grand Praetor for Northern Indiana. Ben visited Delta Delta on Oct. 23rd to speak with the brothers and let us know that he is our direct link and resource to headquarters. I would also like to recognize Jim Vrugink, our fairly new, faculty advisor for all the support he has shown us.

On August 20th our fall recruitment period began. Throughout eight recruitment functions over 200 young men came through the doors. This year's alumni recommendation list exceeded over 90 men. We had a strong base to work off of, yet had to make some difficult decisions when it came to extending bids. The chapter extended 31 bids, with 28 future brothers accepting. On September 15th we inducted 28 young men into the Pledge Class of 2010. We would like to thank all our alumni for their recommendations and support.

One of the unique opportunities our new pledge class is given to help them get to know each other better is to take on the challenge of the new high ropes course at Purdue. The high ropes course is a team building activity available to Purdue students. The course was built with the donations from Purdue's Class of 1979, of which several members of Delta Delta's pledge class of 1979 were significant contributors. Thirty guys, including a few house officers, took a Sunday afternoon and completed the course. We received very positive feedback from the new pledges and our current Magister Pete Byerly.

Early in the semester 52 brothers took part in Sigma Chi's Mission 365 program. This program promotes recruitment 365 days a year. The brothers spent one Friday night and Saturday working on ways to promote the chapter, address concerns from potential brothers-to-be, and how to dig deep into their personalities in order to identify character strengths and weaknesses and to better assess their potential. Thanks must go to headquarters staff Bob Wilson and Danny Maiuri and brother Chris Springstun '09 for this program's success.

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President Greg Harbaugh '78. Steve was recognized for his leadership as President of A.C. Nielson and his involvement on the United Way Advisory Board for Chicago, and his work with Dean's Food and Steak & Shake. His pledge brother, Robert Haehl, reminded the crowd that Steve was known as "The Toe" in college. As the place kicker for the Purdue football team in 1974, Steve kicked 47-yard field goals against Notre Dame and Indiana which at the time were the longest in Purdue history. His 10 field goals in 1975 set the Purdue record at that time. Robert commented how his pledge brothers always knew Steve would make his mark someday.



Grand Consul Krach presents the Daniel William Cooper Award to Delta Delta Pro Consul Chris Horney '08.

The day was made even more special as both Tom's and Steve's wives and many pledge brothers were there for the event.



Keith Krach (center) and Mark Munsell '69 (right) present Tom Friel '69 with his Significant Sig Award.

Phone-a-thon continued

came in and worked the phones for 3 hours before excusing himself and heading home to celebrate his birthday with his family. With commitment from so many brothers like Jim there is no doubt in anyone's mind that the renovation campaign will overcome any challenges it faces and meet its goals.

At the time of publication the campaign has raised \$6,082,962 from the pledges of 722 brothers. This represents 55% of our living alumni who have contributed. With escalating construction costs and interest rate increases our campaign objective has been raised to \$6,850,000. With the support of all our alumni we can reach this goal.

Old Masters With A Special Twist

Purdue's Old Masters Program continues to be one of the most popular activities each year. Over the years Sigs have played an active role in selecting the Old Masters, the host and hostesses, and organizing the schedule of events. This year is no exception as three Delta Delta brothers are on the Old Master's Central Committee. Tom Jescke is leading this year's program with Luke Marlin handling Evening Events and Juan Garcia coordinating publicity.

A more unusual twist is that the father of A.J. Alley, a Delta Delta brother, is an Old Master this year.

Consul's Corner continued

Overall, the chapter is off to a strong start as we have adjusted to our temporary home. Living in the Annex at the Acres has proven to be an exciting and sometimes challenging time in our life at the fraternity. Many amenities have been added, yet many have been taken away as well. Moving into the Annex has taken the commitment of many, and the legwork of more people than I can take time to name. I would like to thank in particular our House Corporation for helping us stay together as a chapter because it would have been even more difficult than it is now. I truly believe this "change" has created positive adversity that has helped us all come together during this year of transition.

I personally would like to thank all our alumni for their never ending and generous support. The reciprocal bonds we all share have been an inspiration to me. My term as Consul will end soon and upon graduation I plan to attend dental school next fall. As I leave Purdue I promise to wear the White Cross worthily through life and keep ever before me my life long commitment to our fraternity. I bid you Godspeed my brothers.

Classes of 1976, 1986 Celebrate Reunions

The Classes of 1976 and 1986 celebrated their 30 and 20 year reunions respectively at special events held at Homecoming and in Chicago.

The Class of 1976 met for a reunion dinner at the Meridian Hills Country Club in Indianapolis the Friday evening preceding Homecoming. The event was arranged by Robert Haehl and 14 brothers from their class returned to share old stories and watch a slide presentation of vintage photos of their days at Purdue and Delta Delta. Many of this group convened the next day at the chapter house to see pledge brother Steve Schmidt receive his Significant Sig award. Then they were off to the football game.

The Class of 1986 decided to get together for a guy's only weekend in Chicago this summer for dinner and a Cubs game. A large number of this class made the trip and they enjoyed an evening of brotherhood at a local restaurant and a great day at the ball park.



Class of 1976 Reunion returnees: L-R: C. Grotnes, L. Schilling, D. Palmer, R. Haehl, G. Saba, B. Frieje, J. Glunt, B. Baker, V. Petit, S. Schmidt, D. Moss, F. Fulmer, R. Haehl.



Meeting at Wrigley Field for the Class of '86 gathering were (L-R): Paul Kaminski, Rob Barkett, Bob Buerger, Jeff McKean, John Porritt, Chris Orbaugh, Steve Jones, Jim Hawkins, and Bob Burlas. Not Pictured: Drew Eddy and Bill Steins.

CHAPTER RENOVATION MAKING STEADY PROGRESS AS WINTER NEARS

Progress on the Delta Delta chapter house renovation continues to make steady progress. At this juncture the south end addition is being closed in

and the new north side addition is well under way. The goal being to have both additions enclosed prior to the winter so work on the interior

can proceed. On the inside the Great Hall fireplace has been completely rebuilt and the new dormer on the third floor is complete. The new roof shingles have also been installed. Also all new footings and new structural supports are in place. For more photos please go to www.deltadeltasigs.org.



Several of the members of the Building Committee and undergraduates recently made a trip to visit the Sigma Chi chapter at Northwestern University in Evanston, IL. It was a great opportunity to see how another older structure was being maintained. The sharing of ideas on this trip made it very worthwhile.

Delta Delta Chapter of Sigma Chi Fraternity at Purdue University
House Corporation Annual Meeting
September 23, 2006

Attendees:

Tom Leslie '68	Phil Steele '77	Dave Poelstra '72
Jim Dora '58	Bernie Sergesketter '58	Jake Henry '96
Dave Krumweide '78	Harold Force '73	Keith Krach '79
Jeff McKean '86	John Eddy '59	Taylor Phillips '96
Guy Thomas '83	Ken Kraft '59	Jim Vrugink
Tim Maloney '74	Greg Harbaugh '79	Bill Frey '62
Marc Carlson '82	Lee Schuster '56	Pete Clark '58
Steve Schmidt '76	Brad Nihls '99	Dave Westerbeck '83
Bob Burlas '86		
Undergrads:		
Chris Horney '08	Thomas Jeschke '09	Lance Dai '08

Call To Order:

House Corporation President Tom Leslie called the annual House Corporation Meeting to order and thanked all those present for taking the time to attend.

OLD BUSINESS

Reading of Minutes:

Minutes of last year's meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

House Corporation Treasurer Dave Poelstra gave a brief Treasurer's report. In summary the House Corporation's Checking Account Balance as of 9-23-06 was \$92,517. In addition the House Corporation has a cash reserve account of approximately \$19,000.

Major expenses for the past semester included our annual insurance premium of \$24,502; and expenses of \$48,000 to prepare the AOII house for occupancy. See Maintenance Report for further detail.

House Corporation Maintenance/Repairs Facility Report

Tim Maloney presented a report on maintenance and improvement projects that were completed to upgrade the AOII sorority house for occupancy by the undergraduates at the start of the 2006 school year. This included:

General Maintenance work: Cleaning, painting, plumbing, electrical and roof repairs. Total expense \$21,000.

Kitchen Equipment repairs: Dishwasher and stove. Total expense \$1,700.

Hot water Storage tank replacement: Total expense \$10,300.

Sleeping berths: *Installing 54 sleeping berths in cold air dorms.* Total expense \$15,000.

The House Corp thanked Tim Maloney for taking the lead and accomplishing all these tasks during the past year.

AOII Housing Agreement

From August 2006 through May 2007 the House Corporation will pay rent to Alpha Omicron Pi National Fraternity of \$5000/month. We are also responsible for all utilities, property taxes and insurance.

Alumni Relations Report

Phil Steele updated the group on the alumni relation's activities held during the 2005/2006 school year. These included:

- ◆ Homecoming 2005: Announced public phase of chapter house renovation campaign.

- ◆ Brotherhood Dinner: 15th Annual held in April with special guest Significant Sig Hank Suerth. 25 alumni guests attended.
- ◆ Alumni Golf Outing: 16th Annual held in June at the Purdue Golf Course in West Lafayette. 84 brothers participated.

In addition three Delta Delta Data's were published, a Christmas card sent to all alumni and families, and the chapter received 20 alumni "rush" recommendations this fall.

2006 Alumni Support Dues Program:

The annual dues program continues to support our alumni relation's activities. The 2006 program received dues from 368 alumni totaling \$14,950. There is \$34,000 currently in the Merrill Lynch Alumni Relations reserve account.

Undergraduate Chapter Update

Pro Consul Chris Horney '08 gave an update to the alumni present on some of the highlights of the past twelve months. The chapter once again received the Peterson Significant Chapter award, and the Daniel William Cooper award for having the top Sigma Chi scholarship program. The chapter was also picked as tops in three categories in the R.B. Stewart Award given by Purdue's IFC. The chapter also climbed to 8th in the Fraternity GPA rankings. Currently there are 56 members living in the AOII house. The new pledge class has 28 members. The chapter held it's annual alumni rush function with alumni guests Gavin Philipps, Jim Vrugink, Steve Brown, Phil Steele and past Grand Consul Dick Hester.

Jim Vrugink also agreed to serve as the Chapter's Faculty Advisor. Along with providing direction to the chapter's academic activities, Jim will be assessing the use and allocation of the chapter's scholarship funds.

Former Consul Brett Hummer '04, a law student at IUPUI, is serving the chapter this year as a Balfour Fellow. His role is to support and enhance the scholastic programs of the chapter.

Renovation Campaign Update

Bernie Sergesketter, Jim Dora and Harold Force announced that the renovation fund raising had hit the \$6,000,000 mark. A great deal of time and energy by the Era and pledge class leaders can be thanked for hitting this mark. Due to increased construction, material and financing costs the costs of this project has grown to \$6,800,000. Continuing fund raising efforts are underway to reach this goal, as well pursuing additional financing options through the Constantine Capital fund. Jim Dora and Bernie Sergesketter are also arranging project financing through a Lafayette area bank.

Archiving of Chapter Memorabilia

Guy Thomas and Jim Trachtman took the lead this summer to record and archive all the chapter's historic photographs and other items that have been collected over the years. They are currently in storage and will be brought back upon moving in to the renovated house next fall.

BOARD ELECTIONS

Nominations were received and elections held for the following slate of House Corporation Directors. All were unanimously elected for a three-year term of office.

Tom Leslie	Bob Burlas	Phil Steele	Corby Thompson	Scott Brenton
Guy Thomas	David Woodruff			

We welcome new members Scott Brenton and David Woodruff and thank retiring board member Gary Thoe for his 17 years of service.

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Phil Steele '77

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'47 John O. Ross died peacefully at his home in Steamboat Springs, CO on March 8. He was 80.

John grew up in Rockford, IL and graduated from Purdue in 1947 as a Metallurgical Engineer and served as a Naval aviation cadet during World War II. John married his wife, Boo, in 1956, and spent his early career in Rockford and the Chicago area.

In 1970 John moved his family to Denver where in obtained his real estate license. John moved to Steamboat Springs where he was active in real estate sales and the community until he retired in 1995.

'71 James D. Smith has returned to the home of the Boilermakers. His new address is 304 McCutcheon Dr., Lafayette, IN 47909.

**ANNUAL SIGMA CHI
HOLIDAY GATHERING
CHAMPPS, (Keystone Crossing)
DECEMBER 21, 4:00 - 8:00
For more details contact Jeff McKean
at Jeff@McKeanLaw.com.**

'73 James P. Loop fought bipolar disorder with great courage for over thirty five years before succumbing to the deep depression it caused the last nine months on August 17.

Jim flourished academically and was salutatorian of his class of over 800 Kokomo High graduates in 1969. At Purdue he excelled and after receiving his BS in 1973, he went on to receive a Masters Degree in Purdue's first group of Environmental Engineers. He became a Licensed Professional Engineer shortly after moving to California in 1975 and began work as a pollution control engineer at the California Air Resources Board. He left briefly to earn honors at UCLA Medical School, then resumed his career at the ARB, from which he retired in 2002 after 25 years of service.

Jim will be remembered as brilliant and inquisitive and someone who never stopped reading, learning, and searching to understand the deepest questions of the universe and of communication theory.

'75 Mark Lester has a new address at 13201 High Sierra Blvd., Edmond, OK 73013. Mark gets back to Purdue often to visit his Boilermakers sons and enjoys tailgating with his Indiana pledge brothers.

'76 David Moss have moved with his family across town to 8970 Forrest Dr., Highlands Ranch, CO 80126.

'78 JB Carson has taken a job move to upstate New York. JB, wife Julie, and his family would welcome any visitors in the area to 6990 Gillis Rd., Victor, NY 14564. Email: jbc1874@frontiernet.net.

'78 Michael Burgamy is still in Texas but has a new place at 2727 Nasa Pkwy, Apt. 808, Seabrook, TX 77586.

'79 Guy Marr has packed his military bags and moved to 927 Seddon Cove Way, Tampa, FL 33602.

'86 James Everett has a new office at 555 N. El Camino Real, Ste A, San Clemente, CA 92672.

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YOUR CLASSMATES WANT NEWS FROM YOU! Please use this form to pass along current news about yourself, your family, or other chapter members you have seen or heard from. Feel free to include a photo. What's News? Engagements, Weddings, Births, Deaths, New Jobs, New Homes, Promotions, Fraternity functions.

NAME: _____ Class Year: _____

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'87 Kent Thrasher has come home again to Indiana and calls home 1738 S. Woodfield Trl, Warsaw, IN 46580.

'91 Aaron Thomas has returned from several years in France for Parker Industries. Aaron and his family are now residing at 1187 Brynmar Ln., Medina, OH 44256. Email: adthomas@parker.com.

'94 Wes Dillingham is enjoying his new life in Denver. He says he'll miss attending the Purdue football games but looks forward to having visitors at 3312 Navajo St., Denver, CO 80211. Or email Wes at wesdilly@yahoo.com.

'94 Scott Hutton has moved across town to 918 Harbor Bend Rd., Memphis, TN 38103.

'96 Brian Schultz has recently accepted a new position as Director of Elementary Education for the Cabarrus County School System in Concord, NC. Brian, wife Victoria, and Allie can be reached at 6040 Village Dr. Concord, NC 28027 or bschultz@cabarrus.K12.nc.us.

'96 David Winn is still serving his country and is now stationed at 2501

Calvert St. N.W., #107, Washington, D.C. 20008. Email: dwinn1@hotmail.com.

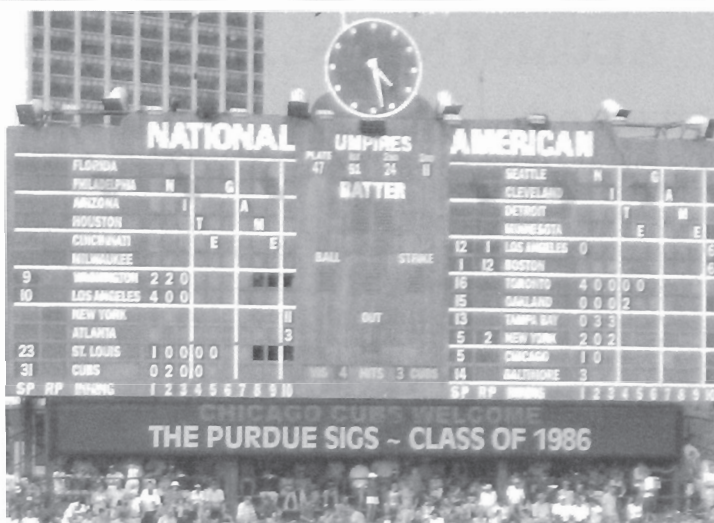
'98 Andrew Keene has a new place to call home at 544 E. 58th St., Indianapolis, IN 46220.

'98 Patrick Dreyer has moved to the big city and can be located at 5730 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis, IN 46220.

'03 John Glon has a new place at 8750 Pisa Dr., Apt. 334, Orlando, FL 32810. John would enjoy having any of his pledge brothers come down and check out his new home in Florida.

'03 Trey McFarland now calls home 409 N. Garfield Ave., North Judson, IN 46366.

'04 Benjamin Harris our chapter's new Grand Praetor has moved and can be reached at 61 W. 15th St., Apt. 403, Chicago, IL 60605.



The Class of 1986 receives special recognition at a recent Cubs baseball game.

Alumni NewsNotes Needed

Send in news on new jobs, births, moves, promotions, vacations by filling in the form on Page 5.

Chapter Eternal

All Honor To Their Names

Gordon Fairbanks '39, Indianapolis, IN 8-06.

Robert Bieber '46, Larkspur, CO, 6-19-06.

John O. Ross '47, Steamboat Springs, CO, 3-08-06.

Hugh H. "Mike" Huntington '48, Pacific Palisades, CA 8-27-06.

James P. Loop '73, Sacramento, CA, 8-17-06.

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