



# Delta Delta Data

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The Class of '81 took the Best Participation Award at the Alumni Golf Outing. L-R: Tim Hull, Lee Sterry, Mark Hermann, Rick Smith, Mike Reed, Skip Clark and Corby Thompson.

## GREAT HALL PUTT OFF HIGHLIGHTS 1995 ALUMNI GOLF OUTING

The gallery grew quite as each of the contending teams lined up their putts on the lush green carpet of the Great Hall. This first ever putt-off was required to determine the 1995 winner of the 5th Annual Delta Delta Alumni Golf Outing held June 10. The Great Hall provided the perfect backdrop to a great day of golf as the gallery lined the balcony to watch brothers Doug Hull '78, Bruce Petit '78, Van Petit '76 and Bill Baker '76 match putting skills against Dave Richter '84, Bryan Nikirk '84, Greg Klug '85 and Steve Jones '86. Both groups had finished the day at 12 under after scorching the Purdue South course. Because of the tough, sloping greens of the Great Hall several rounds were

required before the winning putt was sunk by the foursome of Richter, Nikirk, Klug and Jones.

Not only was the golf exciting, but for the almost 90 brothers in attendance the afternoon was a great mix of golf and brotherhood. Having the event for the first time at Purdue and the chapter house gave many of the brothers a chance to come back and see both the campus and the house in a more relaxed setting. The day started with all the brothers meeting at the course for some pre golf socializing. Following the 18 hole scramble everyone headed for 202 Littleton St. where a catered steak dinner was served. The day's

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## HARBAUGH JOINS MIR-ATLANTIS MISSION IN SPACE

Significant Sig Greg Harbaugh '78 just completed one of the most ambitious missions in Space Shuttle history. As a mission specialist aboard the Atlantis on STS-71, Greg was involved in the first docking and crew exchange with the Russian Space Station Mir.

On this mission the Shuttle remained docked to the Mir for five days at a distance of 245 miles above Earth and traveling at a speed of 17,500 mph. During this period the astronauts conducted joint life sciences experiments with their Russian counterparts. To prepare for this trip, Greg attended the Soyuz launch in Russia in March when an American astronaut, Norman Thagard, accompanied the Russian cosmonauts.

As Greg has done on both of his previous missions he took an item from the chapter house with him into space. Upon receiving a copy of the Norman Shield Greg wrote, "Please know that I will carry it along with pride, and return it to you at the earliest opportunity after landing." The Consul's badge and a Sigma Chi flag now framed in the chapter house have accompanied Greg on his earlier trips.

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## CONSUL'S CORNER . . . Jake Henry $\Delta\Delta$ '96



### THE SIGMA CHI CREED

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.

### NEW OFFICERS

Consul:	Jake Henry
Pro Consul:	Noah Glazov
Annotator:	Steve Cherry
Quaester:	Ryan Gillingham
Magister:	Craig Kunkle
Rush Chrm.:	John Kolsaak
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	Steve Clark

You may contact any of the officers by mail or by calling the house at (317) 743-4671.

The spring semester was certainly an exciting and eventful one for the brothers of Delta Delta. Along with our continued involvement on campus we once again hit the books hard and finished the semester ranked third among Purdue's 46 fraternities in G.P.A. Our chapter index of 2.92 compared well with the all fraternity mark of 2.575 and the all campus index of 2.765. We are very proud of our ability to blend all aspects of campus life -- social, scholarship and campus involvement -- and do each well.

In August five officers will attend Sigma Chi's Leadership Training Workshop to be held in Grand Forks, ND. Over 1300 brothers from North America will meet to exchange ideas and learn more about their chapter duties. Upon our return from workshop we hope to report that we have once again been selected to receive the Peterson Significant Chapter Award.

Although many of us are home and working at summer jobs, preparation for next semester has already begun. During the first week back we hold Derby Days which benefits the Children's Miracle Network and a local charity. We also begin immediately hosting potential new members during "preferred" rush. During this period we look at young men who have received recommendations from alumni, friends and sororities. All alumni recently received a Rush Recommendation form. We encourage anyone who knows of a freshman or sophomore interested in a fraternity to send in this form to the attention of Gavin Philipps or Jon Kolsak.

As the new consul for the '95-'96 school year I am excited about the potential I see in the chapter. Having two past consuls still living in the house and available to give me direction will be a big help as I tackle my new responsibilities. All the brothers at Delta Delta hope you and your families have a safe summer and we look forward to seeing everyone return to 202 Littleton St. this fall.

### "Thank You For Calling Sigma Chi Fraternity"

The days of phone duty and tracking down brothers calling out "long distance on Line 1" while searching the house for an individual changed dramatically this spring when the House Corporation installed a new AT&T Merlin phone system. This system allows incoming calls to be directed to each brother's individual room phone or voice mail box if no one is available to take the call. Gone are the days of having to deal with a long list of individual room phone numbers. Today you are able to call one number for Sigma Chi and then have your call directed to the proper individual. For those needing general information each chapter officer has a separate mailbox where they can be reached.

After some initial training all the brothers were able to use the new phone system and the feedback has been very positive, particularly from the pledges. So when you call the house in the future our hope is that if you do not reach the brother directly you can leave a message and everyone's ability to stay in touch will be better.



## GOLF, BROTHERHOOD MIX AT 1995 ALUMNI OUTING

**Birdie.....Birdie.....Birdie.....Birdie.....Birdie.....Birdie**



## SCOTT SPERLING '79 ADDRESSES KRANNERT EXECUTIVE FORUM

Scott Sperling '79 was a featured speaker this spring at Purdue's prestigious Krannert Executive Forum. This program invites prominent individuals in a variety of business fields to speak to senior management students in the Krannert school. Scott who now works for Thomas H. Lee Co., a Boston leveraged-buyout firm, spoke about the strategies his firm takes in identifying and managing the various acquisitions his firm has made. During his visit the students had an opportunity to ask a variety of questions both in the forum and at lunch.

Also in attendance for a bit of brotherly razing were former classmates Jim MacDonald '80, Jim Rush '80, Bart Burrell '81, Jim Pierce '80 and Phil Steele '77

Many of the students were interested in knowing how Scott had gotten started in this field. According to Scott his present career was not a result of some grand plan, but more a matter of circumstance. Upon graduating from Purdue, Scott attended graduate school at Harvard. Following grad school he wanted to stay in the Boston area and began working for Harvard Management Co. handling their portfolio of higher risk investments. In 1994 he moved to Thomas H. Lee Co. as a Managing Director.

Today Scott, his wife and four children reside in the Boston area at 4 Moore Rd., Wayland, MA 01778.

## ALUMNI OUTING continued...

outstanding and not so outstanding golfers were recognized at the awards ceremony following dinner. Special recognition went to our Most Distinguished Alumni James Shelby '64. Best Class Participation to the Class of '81 and to Steve Ulbrich '79 who now resides in Florida for traveling the farthest.

Several of the brothers commented on how much they enjoyed having the event at Purdue and Delta Delta. The chapter house provided the perfect setting as the brothers had a chance to tour the house and reminisce about their undergraduate days. Watching the house come alive with 80+ alumni all back and having fun made for a great day.

Perhaps the greatest pleasure comes in seeing brothers like Tom Ford, Kirk Raymond, Scott McConnell and Tim Buckley all from the Class of '71 return every year from all parts of the country to see each other. And to see Tom Burt '85, who is recovering from a serious illness, come back to see his friends from his college days.

This opportunity for all the participants to once again share the Sigma Chi experience makes this a very special event.

As always the members of the House Corp.--Tom Leslie, Jim Andrew, Jeff McKean, George Bender, George Owen, Aaron Thomas, Jim Trachtman, Dave Westerbeck, Larry Robbins, Chris Corrigan and Phil Steele -- deserve a big round of thanks for hosting the event. Also special thanks to Alan Davenport '88 for providing the majority of the awards and gifts.

We hope to see everyone back next year for a great day of golf and brotherhood!

## HOMEcoming '95 PURDUE VS PENN STATE OCTOBER 14

Make plans now to attend this year's Homecoming festivities at Delta Delta. Reunion Classes should notify Jake Henry, Consul, so plans can be made for your return. Come join the brotherhood and fun at Purdue.



**Delta Delta Brothers in attendance at the Krannert Executive Forum. L-R: Phil Steele, Jim MacDonald, Scott Sperling, Tim Rush, Bart Burrell and John Pierce.**



## DELTA DELTA ALUMNI ON THE MOVE . . .



**Greg Harbaugh '78**

### LAUNCH continued . . .

A large contingent of Delta Delta brothers were on hand at the Kennedy Space Center to cheer on Greg for both the launch and shuttle landing. Having a chance to see a launch first hand and to know a brother is part of history is truly exciting. Greg's next launch as part of STS-82 is scheduled for February 1997.

'45 **William C. Blanks** reports he is working only part time, traveling quite a bit and spending most of the winter in Palm Beach Gardens, FL. The former captain of the Purdue track team now can be found at 2002 N. "L" St., Midland, TX 79705.

'47 **Robert M. Andersen** is currently President of the Hinsdale Golf Club and Chairman of the Hinsdale Community House. Bob and wife, Dorothy, reside at 21 Woodgate Dr., Burr Ridge, IL 60521.

'48 **Thomas S. Dreisbach** who has been a long time resident of the state of Michigan writes that his oldest grandson, Scott Dreisbach, has a strong chance of being the starting quarterback for the University of Michigan Wolverines. Incidentally, Tom's grandson's main competitor for the starting job is Bob Griesse's '69 son. If either of them want to transfer to Purdue, the Boilermakers and Delta Delta would welcome them. Tom and his family now live at 2966 Orchard Pl., Orchard Lake, MI 48324.

'62 **John Ester** as of May 1 joined the law firm of Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith in Farmington Hills, MI. Home for John is 457 Bryn Mawr, Birmingham, MI 48009.

'63 **David P. Dewitt** has been named a Fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

'77 **Robert Nussmeier** is currently North American Manager for the L.M. Scofield Co. Bob and Katie, who reside at 2120 Wilshire Dr., Marietta, GA 30064, are offering to put folks up for the 1996 Olympics. Just bring a sleeping bag.

'80 **John Pierce** and wife, Roxana, pulled up stakes and moved cross country from San Diego to Washington, D.C. John is now with the prosecutor's office in Washington. Their new address is 4701 Willard Ave. Apt. 713, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

'84 **Jeffrey K. Wilson** has formed a private practice as a family doctor in Kokomo, IN. "Willy". Robin, and their two year old daughter, Hannah, live at 6137 Cloverdale Dr., Greentown, IN 46936.

'86 **Jeffery A. Witmer** recently joined Stryker Medical as their Central-SW Region Territory Manager for the Patient Handling Div. Jeff is looking forward to Homecoming '95, but anyone near 3503 Hillsboro Rd., Louisville, KY 40207, should look him up.

**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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**ALUMNI NEWS NOTES continued...**

'86 **Bret G. Baker** has a new address. It's 16 Tulip Lane, Rockville, IN 47872.

'89 **Tony D'Eramo** after a five year stint as a Quality Engineer and Project Manager has been promoted to the Sales and Marketing team for Worthington Industries. His wife, Rena, and Tony reside at 8005 Winters Lane, Mason, OH 45040.

'91 **Ronald J. Carpinella II** has been promoted to Office Manager/Account Representative for the Tulsa office of J. Walter Thompson Advertising.

'93 **Stephen E. Burt** has a new address -- 3326 Four Mile Canyon, Boulder, CO 80302.

**CHAPER ETERNAL**

.... All honor to their names.

'33 **Russel M. Shafer**, Anderson, IN --2-3-95

'37 **William W. Hodgdon**, Ingomar, PA -- 3-22-95

'38 **David O. Thompson**, Indianapolis, IN --1-5-95

'46 **Robert A. Esch**, Cleveland, OH -- 5-95

'53 **John R. Nebe**, Redwood City, CA -- 2-6-95

## SPRING BRINGS BASEBALL, MOM'S DAY AND GRAND PRIX FINALE

The warm weather of late spring found the men of Delta Delta thinking of baseball, mom and no, not apple pie, but the ladies of Phi Mu sorority.

On the baseball diamond we joined the supporters of Purdue's baseball team as they fought to win a spot in the Big Ten Tournament. Led by our own Todd Jensen '95, a pitcher, with a 6-1 record and a 2.50 ERA, was a first team All Big Ten selection. The only Purdue player to be so honored.

The Mom's Day Auction, Luncheon and Party took place on April 8. This year's auction which raises money for the Parent's Club set an all time record. It was led by Jake Henry "Letterman" and Brian Griffiths "McMahon". The evening party of country line dancing was once again a big hit as all the Moms, Dads and brothers learned to two step and promenade throughout the Great Hall.

One of the brothers parents sent a letter noting how for them "it was an absolutely perfect weekend, the camaraderie, the auction, the lunch

and country line dancing were all great times spent together. Again, thank you for letting us be a part of this great Fraternity of truly outstanding young men."

We finished the year's social calendar with our week long Grand Prix festivities which we shared with Phi Mu sorority. The parties, special events and race all made for a great end to a great semester.

**SOME PURDUE STATS**

- \* Purdue's West Lafayette campus spring enrollment totaled 31,824. 14,413 (58%) men, 10,772 (42%) women.
- \* 46 Fraternities are on campus with total membership of 3,043. This is 20.8% of undergraduate men.
- \* 24 Sororities are represented on campus with membership totaling 1,940. 17.8 % of undergraduate women belong to a sorority.
- \* Fraternity pledge classes totaled 1131 new members in 1994-95. This is a 4.5% increase over '93-'94.

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