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Schreiber '86 To Lead Boilermaker Baseball Program

An official announcement was made on May 29 by Purdue's Athletic Department that Arizona State assistant coach Doug Schreiber '86 has been hired to become the 19th head baseball coach in the program's 110-year history.

Doug was offered the position while the Sun Devils were participating in the College World Series being held in Omaha, NE. "I am tremendously honored and excited to come back... and am looking forward to again being a part of the tremendous academic and athletic reputation that Purdue has nationwide, and I'm anxious to get started," Doug said. Doug's strong background, experience, recruiting ability, and affinity for Purdue were given as reasons for his selection.

During Doug's days at Delta Delta he was a four-year starter at second base and earned second team All-Big Ten honors as a senior. He is Purdue's all-time leader in walks, and ranks third with 159 runs, third in games played (220), fifth in at-bats (700) and seventh in doubles (34).

Upon leaving Purdue Doug served as an assistant for three years at Butler and Ball State, and one year at Notre Dame. When Notre Dame's head coach moved to Arizona State, Doug
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1998 Alumni Golf champions: L-R: Brad Hunter, Josh Brown, Don Fesko and Joe Wasilewski.

8th ANNUAL SUMMERTIME EXTRAVAGANZA

The 8th Annual Alumni Golf Outing held in West Lafayette on June 13 was once again a great time for the over 80 brothers in attendance. With the new Purdue course still under construction, the event was held at the local Ravines Golf Course. Jeff McKean did another outstanding job of putting together, with a little help from his friends, this summer time extravaganza of golf, a great steak dinner, and a wonderful afternoon of brotherhood.

The Classes of 1971, 1980 and 1994 turned out in force to show their class spirit and golf skills. There was also a number of undergraduate brothers who took part. The Class of '94 took home the honor of Best Class Participation. Three of their members, Brad Hunter, Josh Brown and Don Fesko, along with '95 recruit Joe Wasilewski also took

home low score honors in the Florida style scramble event. Close on their heels were Bryan Nikirk '84, Jeff Wilson '84, Kibby Brady '81 and Dick McNeelay '67 for second place, and third place honors went to the foursome of Mike Kuharic '71, Larry Nicolet '71, Dave DeHebreard '69 and Dave Poelstra '72. The day's fourth best tally was carded by Corby Thompson, Lee Sterry, Skip Clark and Tim Hull, all members of the Class of '81 with Robert "Rosco" Holloway '79 helping out as well.

Additional awards went to Jeff Wilson '84 for the longest drive; Dave DeHebreard '69 hit the longest putt; and Jeff McKean '86 and James Blankenship '88 on two designated holes were closest to the pin.

Although this event is billed as a golf outing, it always seems to turn into
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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.

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Consul's Corner Brad Nihls △△ '99

Greetings! My name is Brad Nihls and I will be Delta Delta's Consul for the upcoming school year. I am honored to be given this opportunity, and look forward to another strong year for Delta Delta.

The end of last semester was a busy one, beginning with another memorable Mom's Day. The evening began with a catered dinner served at the chapter house, followed by the annual auction. This year's auction hosts, Brandon Gough '99 and Matt Duthie '99, and assistants Josh Crawford '99, Jeff Mellinger '99 and Brian Marks '99, helped raise over \$4,400 for chapter improvements. Thanks to Josh Crawford and the Parents Club for organizing this extraordinary event.

Grand Prix followed and with alumni donations, local sponsors, and hard work from the Grand Prix cart team, Delta Delta entered this year's race with a new cart. The team led by crew chief Jeff Mellinger and driver Stephen Provost had a great start, moving into fifth place before being forced to the pits due to mechanical failure. We also had a fun and safe week of celebration leading up to the race. The ladies of Kappa Kappa Gamma were our partners for the week, and our social chairmen Trent Bonnell '99 and Scott Hubbard '00 did an incredible job of coordinating our social schedule.

Several of the brothers are currently living in the chapter house while working or attending summer school. These brothers help do needed minor house repair projects as well as help oversee the security of the property. Drew Reffett '00 has been working very hard organizing the summer efforts to improve the chapter house and grounds.

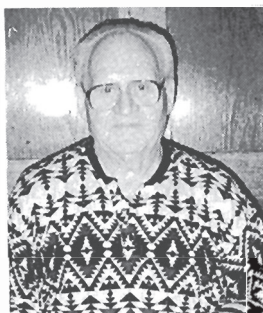
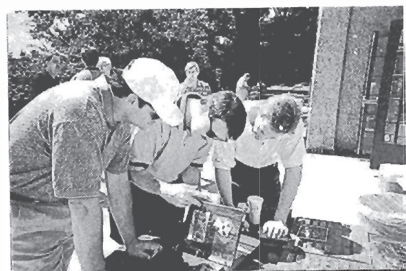
The first of August will find the officers of Delta Delta journeying to Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond, KY to attend the 51st Leadership Training Workshop. Our goal is to bring back valuable ideas to improve our chapter operations while sharing brotherhood with Sigma Chi's from all of North America.

We are all looking forward to the start of the new school year with our Derby Days events and Boilermaker football. We will be rooting on brothers Jim Neidrach '99 and Drew Breeze '01 with the help of the ladies of Kappa Alpha Theta.

On behalf of the chapter, I would like to thank Brian Craig, our outgoing Consul, for his dedication to our chapter. He served as a superior leader and role model throughout the year. I would also like to congratulate our recent Delta Delta graduates, and offer an invitation to all alumni to visit as often as possible.

The 1998-99 school year will undoubtedly bring new challenges to the entire Greek system. Facing increasingly stringent rules geared to managing the use of alcohol on campus by both the Interfraternity Council and the University, we must remember to keep our focus on the ideals of Sigma Chi when making decisions as individuals and as a chapter. We also recently learned that our academic performance had fallen to ninth amongst the 44 fraternities. We will renew our efforts to move back into the top scholastic ranks on campus. I am confident that we will continue to uphold the standards set by our alumni and strive to strengthen the Delta Delta chapter.

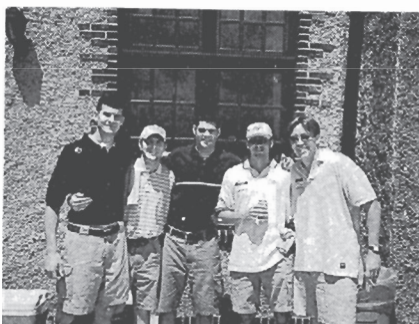
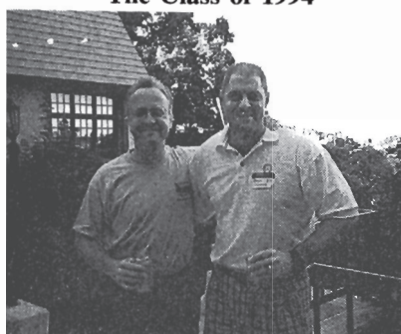
1998 ALUMNI GOLF SUMMERTIME EXTRAVAGANZA



Paul Hoffman
Most Distinguished Alumnus



The Class of 1994



Alumni Support Key to 1998 Grand Prix Success



Grand Prix team members: L-R: J. Mellinger, S. Provost (driver), J. Crawford, A.J. Anderson and B. Voigts.

Grand Prix '98 brought about many exciting times and several subtle disappointments. This year's Grand Prix racing team was stronger than ever. Helped by the generosity of alumnus Keith Krach '79 the chapter was able to buy a new chassis and engine which helped make the Delta Delta entry one of the most competitive in this year's field. Along with the new equipment having an experienced crew and driver added to our competitiveness. The crew team was comprised of A.J. Anderson, Josh Crawford, Busch Voigts, Jeff Mellinger, and Andy Wesdorp. Each contributed their expertise and long hours to the cause.

Driver Steve's qualifying run of 47.8, for two laps, placed Sigma Chi in 13th position at the start of the race. Midway into the race Steve had improved his position by eight spots and was moving up from his fifth place position when misfortune struck and his clutch went out on

the cart giving him no choice but to pit. The pit crew worked feverishly to replace the clutch, but by the time Steve was back in the race the lost laps were too much to make up. When the race concluded the Sigs were in 22nd place. Although it wasn't to be our day, it was a great effort by both Steve and the crew and we look forward to next year's competition.

Each year Delta Delta invests a great deal of energy and resources in competing in Grand Prix. Not only does it give the chapter a chance to demonstrate mechanical ability and teamwork, but also carries on a long standing Sigma Chi tradition.

Gateway To The West Hosts "Old Gold" Spring Formal

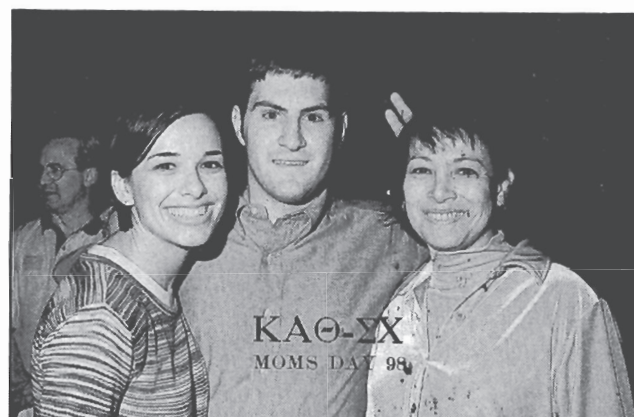
The spring formal, named the "Old Gold Formal" by dance organizers Stephen Provost and Brad Nihls, was a success not in terms of attendance, but in terms of fun and brotherhood. Only 16 couples attended the dance, held in St. Louis in late March, but all had a great time both at the dance and touring the city. Some people went to the City Zoo, others to the botanical gardens, and one group decided to go to the world's largest brewery, the "campus" of Anheuser Busch. We were sorely disappointed to find out that they didn't offer tours on Sundays. The event was held at a hotel located on the Mississippi River with access to the Arch, and other attractions, including the world's only floating McDonalds. The interior of the hotel had fountains, ponds, trees, fish and an incredible complimentary breakfast.

Plans are already in the works for next year's. Our hope is that this event will become an annual tradition that will give us one more opportunity to have a formal event at a special location.

Moms, Parents Enjoy Special Day

Once again the annual Mothers' Day auction was a great success. This year's Moms' Day festivities took a new approach which centered around a sit down dinner catered by C-Ray's Restaurant. The day began with coffee and donuts at the Sigma Chi house. The afternoon was spent supporting our Grand Prix racing team. And later in the afternoon a cocktail party was in order along with a silent auction, another new addition this year. Dinner was served at 5:30, and for the finale, we conducted the best ever live auction,

earning almost \$4400. We would like to thank Josh Crawford, this year's Moms' Day chairman, and to give a special thanks to Jan Wolff Benedict, Laura Andrew, Betsy Crawford, Ellen Mellinger, and Linda Gough for all their efforts for Mom's Day.



Rory Gaunt, Mom (right) and friend enjoy another fun-filled Mom's Day, which the Chapter hosted in April.

ALUMNI IN THE NEWS...ALUMNI IN THE NEWS...ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

'23 **Frederic W. Taylor**, MD, died February 15, 1997. He was professor emeritus at IU's School of Medicine. He also was an Eagle Scout and served in the Navy during World War II. Brother Taylor is survived by his wife, Anne, three children and ten grand children.

'43 **Ben R. Howe** succumbed to cancer in April 1997 at his home in Asheville, NC. He is survived by his wife, Gina, two daughters and one grandson.

'48 **Henry "Hank" Stram** has been one of Delta Delta's most honored members. His stellar coaching and broadcasting careers continue to garner him recognition. Over the years Hank has been inducted into the KC Walk of Stars, the Missouri Hall of Fame, Indiana Hall of Fame, Gary Indiana Hall of Fame, Steel City Hall of Fame, KC Cradle of Champions Award, Vanity Fair Radio Hall of Fame, National Polish Hall of Fame, Purdue Hall of Fame and finally he was inducted into the Bishop Museum Hall of Fame in Ilono, Hawaii. All of the brothers wish Hank continued success.

'53 **James L. Davis** has served for the past 16 years in the Indiana House of Representatives. In May he resigned from the Statehouse to accept a governor's appointment to the Alcohol Beverage Commission. Jim is a resident of Frankfort, IN and is a retired farmer and an active real estate broker. Jim, a Republican, fills one of four spots on this commission which by law must be divided equally between the Democratic and Republican Parties. Jim in a recent interview stated, "I'm quite certain I'll miss some aspects of it because I've always enjoyed it. It's a change of pace, and an opportunity to do something different." We wish the former president of the Delta Delta fall pledge class of 1948 the best of luck in his new role.

'63 **James R. Ritchie** reports that he now resides at 175 Sycamore, Mill Valley, CA 94941.

'79 **Jeffrey C. Randa** has relocated to Chicagoland with wife, Nancy, and children, Katie, 13, Beth, 12, and John, 10. Jeff is now employed by Ernst & Young and helping to build

a management consulting practice. The Randa's new address is 1135 Hobson Mill Dr., Naperville, IL 60540.

'95 **Ben Bertram** and wife, Candice have relocated to 3901 Rapid Run Dr., Apt 1125, Lexington, KY 40515. Any brothers passing through are invited to stop by and say hi.

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HOMEcoming 1998 OCTOBER 24

Plan now to attend the festivities at 202 Littleton St. Come cheer on the Boilermakers and share in the brotherhood.

Anyone making Reunion Plans should contact the Alumni Relations Chairman.

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Four Delta Delta Sigs — Tom Busch '48, Savannah, GA; Ed Crook '49, Tulsa, OK; Bob Leinberger '49, St. Louis, MO; and Art Strathman '48, St. Louis, MO (pictured above) — took top honors at the 22nd Annual Mollenkopf Golf Classic in Naples, FL last January. Jane Beering, Purdue President Stephen Beering's wife, noted that it was a special time with so many Purdue family present.

Golf continued . . .

much more than that. With our Most Distinguished Alumnus Paul Hoffman '47 in attendance there was a range of over 50 years of Delta Delta history present. With the pre and post golf activities taking place at 202 Littleton Street there is ample opportunity to renew old friendships and make new ones. This is truly the greatest reward for coming back. Just ask Gregg Westerbeck, who makes his home in Los Gatos, CA, and was recognized for traveling the greatest distance, if the trip was worth it.

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followed. He has spent the last four years as an assistant for the Sun Devils where he established himself as one of finest recruiters and coaches in the nation according to Arizona State head coach Pat Murphy. These skills will play an important role as Doug seeks to build a winning program at Purdue.

In a recent conversation with pledge brother, Chris Orbaugh, Doug indicated he was looking for a pitching and bench coach for Purdue.

Chapter Eternal

All Honor To Their Names . . .

Charles C. Holloway, Big Pine Key, FL, 1997

Russell C. Weise, Cincinnati, OH, 1997

'23 Frederic W. Taylor, Indianapolis, IN, Feb. 1997

'33 Frederic H. Craven, Tempe, AZ, Nov. 1997

'36 Edmund J. Skoronski, South Holland, IL, 1997

'38 Edwin D. Wilder, Columbus, OH, Oct. 1997

'43 Ben R. Howe, Asheville, NC, April 1997

'46 Randolph Mitchell, Jr., Mercer Island, WA, April 1998

'47 Alexander M. McDermott, Manhattan Beach, CA, May 1998

'51 James O. Campbell, Trumann, AZ, Feb. 1998

'54 William E. Chambers, Indianapolis, IN, Dec. 1997

Doug stated, "He was considering pledge brother Jim Hawkins as a candidate for the bench coaching position." According to Doug, "that way Hawk would have a place to hide the cooler."

Even after all these years some things never change. Welcome back to Purdue Doug, and we all wish you the best of luck.

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