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Class of '77 brothers returning for their 40th Reunion are greeted by John Purdue as the Sigs and guests toured campus.

Class of '77 Celebrates 40th Reunion

Nineteen pledge brothers from the Class of '77 returned to Delta Delta to celebrate their 40th reunion the weekend of September 29-30. Along with another 11 significant others, this somewhat more sedate group (when compared to their college years), had a chance to share some of their fondest memories from their Delta Delta days to the present.

Organized by pledge class president, Dave Hughes, this gathering took place on a non-football weekend which gave those returning an opportunity to "hang out" at the Sig house, tour campus in the Boilermaker Special, and enjoy a private dinner at a local restaurant.

The weekend kicked off with a catered dinner at the Sig house on Fri-

day evening. The returning brothers and guests had a great opportunity to catch up and enjoy a nice meal. Following dinner a surprise guest showed up in turn-of-the-20th-century attire. Brother George Ade (aka Steve Sturman) took this opportunity to chastise the Class of '77 for some of their undergraduate escapades which he recalled observing from his vantage

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George Ade (aka Steve Sturman)

Career Achievements Earn Schutte '68 Significant Sig Honor

Kenneth Schutte '68, throughout his life been one of the truly high achievers in the banking world. He has also represented his country as an officer in the U.S. Navy, and served in South America as a member of the Peace Corp.

At the apex of his career in 2010, Ken retired as a General Partner of the prestigious Edward Jones Company, then a \$7.4 billion asset retail securities brokerage firm operating in the U.S. and Canada with some 12,000 advisors, 7.3 million client accounts, and \$526 billion in assets. He also served as Director and Treasurer of Edward Jones Trust Company, and as treasurer of two captive insurance companies.

Upon graduating from Purdue with a degree in Industrial Engineering, Ken entered the Peace Corp. In 1969 he joined the U.S. Navy achieving the rank of Lieutenant in the Navy Civil Engineer Corps while stationed at the Naval Academy.

Ken received a MBA from Harvard in 1974. In 1995 he attended the Stanford University Graduate School of Business, Financial Management Program; and received a Certificate from the Wharton Securities Industry Institute in 2004.

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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 1887

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Consul's Corner Matt Rittman '18

It is with mixed emotions that I write to you in my final Consul's Corner. It has been an honor to serve as the Consul over the past year, and I'm extremely proud of everything our brothers have accomplished.

New Pledge Class Initiated

We wrapped up another recruitment cycle in August, and brothers JT Garnett, Nate Graber, and Seth Gutwein did a fantastic job assembling a pledge class of 29 new brothers who embody what it truly means to be a Sigma Chi. Magister Thomas Carpenter led the brothers through an 8-week pledge program that prepared the pledge class for their time as brothers. It was amazing to watch them grow over the course of the pledge process, and I was proud to see them initiated on November 11th. We will continue to work with our new brothers through our Post-Initiation program that adds to their knowledge of Delta Delta.

Philanthropy

In our philanthropy efforts this semester we partnered with Purdue Dance Marathon to host our annual Greek Olympics, raising over \$3,000 for Riley Children's Hospital. We had a number of brothers participating in the Dance Marathon, and collectively, they have raised well over \$10,000. External Philanthropy Chair Austin Foote organized a number of teams to work on projects for Lafayette Urban Ministries, and Internal Philanthropy

Chair Benji Hudson has done a great job getting us ready for our third-annual Jubilee Christmas celebration. This year, we will be hosting 18 Lafayette families who will be provided with toys, gift cards, food, and blankets for their Christmas festivities.

Dad's Weekend

Amidst a busy fall semester, we were happy to have the opportunity to host our dads at 202 for the Illinois football game on November 4th. We always cherish the opportunity to show our families our beloved fraternity. We thoroughly enjoyed great tailgates, get-togethers at the House, and watching our brother Jake Thieneman seal a win for the Boilers with his game-clinching interception.

Blue Formal

The Christmas spirit is alive and well at 202 as we begin preparations for our annual Blue Formal celebration on December 2nd. We look forward to the smell of pine trees and the sound of Christmas music in the Great Hall.



The Great Hall awaiting the arrival of Blue Formal guests.

I will be forever grateful to have had the opportunity to serve as Consul. Thank you all for your support and on behalf of all of us at 202, have a great holiday season.

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Significant Sig continued

Brother Schutte worked for Continental Illinois National Bank & Trust of Chicago from 1974 to 1985. During this period he led their corporate banking activities in the St. Louis Federal Reserve District after being named Vice President of the Latin American Division where he oversaw all his bank's activities in Argentina, Chile, Uruguay and Paraguay.

In 1985, he joined Mercantile Bank Corporation, Inc., St Louis, achieving the position of Senior Vice President and Treasurer. His staff of 40 people managed a \$9.0 billion investment portfolio. In 2000 he joined the Edward Jones Financial Group where he retired as a General Partner.

Today Ken is an adjunct professor at Lindenwood University, St. Louis, teaching in the Master's degree pro-

gram. He currently serves on the Board of St. Louis Public Radio; and previously served on the Board of the St.



Ken Schutte '68

Louis Chamber Chorus and Thompson Foundation for Autism. Ken has also participated in the God's Child Project and Habitat for Humanity building homes in Guatemala and El Salvador.

Ken has run in several marathons, triathlons and long distance benefit bike rides. He also enjoys tennis, skiing, backpacking and fly fishing. His wife, Pat, of 48 years joins him in several of these pastimes.

Class of '62 Returns to Celebrate 55 Years of Brotherhood



Class of '62 Brothers (L-R) John Westhafer, Dick McNairy, Bill Frey, John Ester and Jim Parrish. (Not pictured: Dave Ebner) returned to 202 Littleton to celebrate their 55 Year Reunion and attend the Purdue- Minnesota football game on October 7. They saw a great game and enjoyed their time sharing fond memories.

'77 Reunion continued

point hanging on the wall in the Library. It was a fun walk through of some of Delta Delta's mid '70's misdeeds and chapter history.

The evening continued as each member of the Class of '77 took a few minutes to show off photos of their youth, family and special memories

displayed on a large video monitor. John Loop worked up to the last minute to include photos sent from almost every member of the class. Seeing and hearing about the lives of each pledge brother led to some heartwarming reflections.

On Saturday the Class of '77 split into two groups to take hour and a

half tours of campus on the Boiler-maker Special. While one group toured, the other waited patiently at Harry's. The tour highlighted 40 years of changes to the Purdue campus. Photo ops were taken at John Purdue's grave, John Wooden's statue, Ross Ade Stadium, which was flying the "DEMO" flag in honor of brother Bob DeMoss '50, and other memorable sites around campus.

That evening the brothers, wives and guests enjoyed dinner at Lafayette's La Scalla Restaurant. Following dinner this group relocated to Chumley's where the beer selection was endless and more stories were shared.

As the brothers separated that evening each left realizing just how special it was to have been selected to be part of Sigma Chi in the Fall of 1973. Through pledgship, their days at 202, and now as alumni, their 40 year bond of brotherhood has continued to contribute something extra special to their lives. Jim Arthur summed it up well when he remarked, "I'm truly honored to know and be affiliated with the best people in the world."



Class of '77 PB's (L-R) John Loop, Tom Schneider, Preston Cobb, Phil Steele, Dave Blickenstaff, Dave Hughes, Jeff Early, Brian Dawson, Bob Nussmeier and Dave Nussmeier.

Delta Delta Hosts Indiana's Young Business Leaders



Purdue President Mitch Daniels (center) with Board of Trustees President Michael Berghoff to his right, poses for a photo with the Sigs at the YPO event.

With Purdue President Mitch Daniels and Board of Trustees Chairmen Michael Berghoff in attendance, you knew it was a big deal. That's why Delta Delta was so honored to host 50 members of Indiana's Young Presidents Organization (YPO) for a casual dinner and remarks by President Daniels.

As part of the YPO Indiana Chapter's annual conference, held on August 24 – 25 at Purdue, the university arranged to hold its dinner Thursday evening at the Sigma Chi house. The idea of holding the dinner at the Sig house was initiated by Keith Krach through his connections with the Board of Trustees.

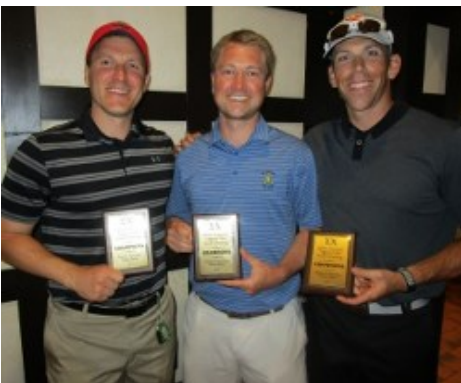
Michael Berghoff, who serves as chairman of Purdue's Board of Trustees, was the host for the evening.

With Butch Brose's able guidance and the hard work of the active brothers, the chapter house looked great. The new curtains arrived just in time and with new carpeting in the Great Hall, we were set. Purdue took care of the meal and setting up the Great Hall for a casual cocktail hour and dinner.

There were two highlights for the evening. The first was having President Daniels speak and answer the insightful questions from the audience. The second was having a large number of the brothers take part as hosts for this gathering. With over 40 brothers mingling with the group, they had a great opportunity to talk with some of Indiana's young business leaders. The guests also had fun learning more about fraternity life.

A Glorious Day for Golf at 202 Littleton

It was a perfect day for the 27th Annual Delta Delta Alumni Golf Outing held on June 11. Playing the recently remodeled Ackerman-Allen Purdue course, designed by Pete Dye, was fun and not too challenging. The over 70 brothers who returned enjoyed a great day of golf and sharing time with their pledge brothers.



Winners Chris Kutanovski '07, Jake Meyerrose '09 and Mike Talbott '06.

On the course the long ball hitters of Chris Kutanovski '07, Mike Talbott '06, Jake Meyerrose '09 and Dave Kutanovski took home top honors with a round of 11 under par. Tied for second were two teams from the class of 1977 – Steve Cosler, Mike Espenlaub, Steve Sturman and Brian Ortman; and Jim Arthur, John Emhardt, Brian Boje and Brian Dawson.

The Class of '71 team of Scott McConnell, Larry Nicolet, Tom Ford and Kirk Raymond once again was unchallenged as they claimed first place in the senior's category.

We'd like to thank Brian Griffith '95, Guenter Haines '95 and Butch Brose '09 for putting together a great event and making sure the Sig house was ready for our return.

A number of brothers helped offset the cost of this event by sponsoring a hole. They were Bob Kaley '68, Larry Nicolet '71, Harold Force '73, Philip Haehl '74, Phil Steele '77, Brian Dawson '77, Preston Cobb '77, Tom Schneider '77, Brad Muehlbauer '93, Brian Griffiths '95, Eric Morgan '95 and Craig Reed '99.



Class of '68 Bros: Stence White, Jim Chapin and Frank Hughes on their way to "50 Years of Brotherhood".

ALUMNI NEWS ... ALUMNI NEWS ... ALUMNI NEWS

Robert A. DeMoss '49, a member of the Purdue Intercollegiate Athletics Hall of Fame and the patriarch of Purdue's famed Cradle of Quarterbacks, entered Chapter Eternal on July 23 at the age of 90.



A flag flies over Ross-Ade Stadium in honor of Bob DeMoss' 49.

During Demo's career at Purdue he passed for 2,759 yards and 23 touchdowns, a record at the time. He was drafted by the NFL's NY Bulldogs.

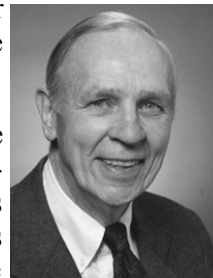
Bob returned to Purdue in 1950 where he contributed for the next 42 years as an assistant coach (1950-69), head coach (1970-72) and assistant athletics director (1973-92). Along the way, he recruited and developed many members of Purdue's Cradle of Quarterbacks: Dale Samuels, Len Dawson, Bob Griese, Mike Phipps and Gary Danielson.

Significant Sig and Order of Constantine Sig **Allen C. Menke '43** entered Chapter Eternal at the age of 95.

Brother Menke had a distinguished business career serving as Executive Vice President for Trane, Group Vice President for Borg-Warner, and then CEO and Owner of Artesian Industries.

Al served on the Board of Governors of the Sigma Chi Foundation for ten years and was Treasurer of the Foundation for four years.

For his accomplishments during his Indiana high school and Purdue basketball careers, Al was inducted into the Indiana State Basketball Hall of Fame and Purdue's Athletic Hall of Fame.



Al Menke '43

and finishing processes in the cabinet industry.

Stanley was active in several local charitable and religious groups.

Stanley Krempp '49 entered Chapter Eternal on Dec. 14, 2016 at the age of 89. Brother Krempp was a significant contributor during his career to improvements to standards

Chapter Eternal
"All honor to their names"

Montieth Bilkert '44,
North Canton, OH June 2017

R. Stanley Craig '46,
West Lafayette, IN June 2017

George Gaskell '47,
Tampa, FL August 2, 2016

Frederick Graf '47,
El Cajon, CA March 19, 2017

Irwin Ulrich '47
Milwaukee, WI January 21, 2013

Jack Kerns '48, Sylva, NC June 2016

Robert DeMoss '49
West Lafayette, IN July 23, 2017

Stanley Krempp '49
Jasper, IN December 14, 2016

John Burgeson '50
Columbus, IN July 23, 2017

Richard Siefert '54
Pasadena, CA June 2017

Douglas Trudeau '66
West Lafayette, IN May 1, 2009

Larry Hummel '69
Largo, FL January 24, 2014

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30 Years Later and It Seems Like Yesterday Class of '87

The Class of '87 held their 30th reunion over Homecoming weekend with twelve brothers returning for all or part of the reunion. A great showing! Patrick Burke '87 commented, "The Class of '87 was incredibly grateful to the active brothers who showed us a warm welcome." The group enjoyed a cookout at the house Friday night as brothers and spouses arrived in West Lafayette.

Benji Hudson, Sam Coffey and a ton of brothers enjoyed some 80's tunes and funny stories to make for a great Friday night. Huge thanks to Frank

Jones and Patrick Burke who did their best to make sure the returning class was fed well!

Saturday, following breakfast at Route 66, this group joined in on an enormous Sigma Chi tailgate hosted by Bob Burlas '86, Dan Rittman '88, Joe Garnett '87 and Jeff McKean '85.

Huge thanks to these guys, their wives and all who provided great food and beverages to fight off the 90+ degree heat. While everyone wanted to see a win, the Boilers showed a strong first half and the '87 bro's enjoyed being back in Ross Ade stadium.

The Class of '87 concluded their reunion with dinner at Pablano's on the Levy. All in all, it was a fantastic weekend of memories, and those who returned vowed to gather more of their pledge brothers for their 35th reunion ... just five short years away.



Group photo: (Front row l-r) Joe Garnett, Mike Sauer, Patrick Burke (Back row l-r) Frank Jones, Bill Clark, Chris Coffey, Kent Thrasher, Tim Hudson, Kevin Dhonau, Brent Stevens (not shown: Andy Heglin, Mike Peirce)

2018 SW Florida Delta Delta Luncheon

Saturday, February 24th
Kensington Club, Naples, FL

Our guest speaker will be Dick Hall '57. In 1977 Dick was held hostage at gunpoint for 63 hours. Come hear this fascinating story of courage.

Please contact Bernie Sergesketter at bfs@sergesketter.com to confirm your attendance.

Bob Burlas '86 Receives Krannert Service Award

Bob Burlas '86 received the 2017 Krannert Distinguished Service Award for his ongoing involvement and contributions to Purdue's Krannert School of Management.



Bob Burlas

Bob is Regional VP and General Manager at Pomeroy IT Solutions.