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Save the Date!

What: Iota Delta 45th Anniversary
When: Nov. 7-9, 2003
Where: Seasons Lodge in Nashville, Ind. (800-365-7327)
Details: Minimum two-night stay, \$99/night; dinner Saturday evening; Indiana vs. Illinois game at home.

Look for more details on page 4 or on the Web site at www.indianachiphi.org!

Update

Iota Delta

Iota Delta Chapter of Chi Phi
at Indiana University • Bloomington, Ind.

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Riding Hard

by Mike Alderson '03

Gearing Up for Little 500

Over Christmas Break, Chi Phi's bike team traveled to West Palm Beach to get a head start on Little 500 spring training. Like past cycling trips, the team took it's training very seriously, cycling nearly 400 miles in seven days along A1A. The weather could not have been nicer — cloudless sunny skies greeted us every morning. A big thanks to Brother **Chris Deal '02** for allowing us to stay at his place for the week and generous donations by the **Alumni Association Board**, as well as **Ben Schmidt '02** and **John Emmetsburger '01**. See you on April 26, where it all pays off! ■



Mike Alderson, Chris Moss, and Reggie Hayes...not bad after 100 miles...



Chris Moss'04, (background) and Chris Phillips in the Chi Phi Little 500 Training Facility, a.k.a., the bike room



I think we have a winner... Reggie Hayes, show 'em what you got.



Mike Alderson '03... "Did somebody say Strong Man Competition??"

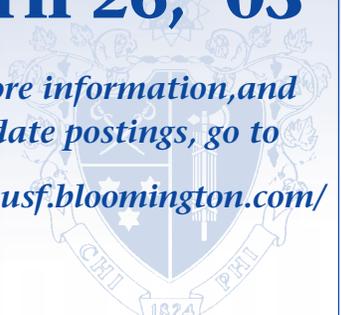


Chris Moss... "Make me an offer, I'm not riding this thing home!"

Little 500 April 26, '03

For more information, and up-to-date postings, go to

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Steering in the Right Direction

Bob Szalay Convenes 45th Anniversary Campaign Committee



Some of the men who are changing the Chi Phi Fraternity at Indiana University: Seated left to right: Bill Brockmann '66, Bob Szalay '64, and Jerry Curry '66. Standing left to right: Tom Walls '72, Bill Nuss '68, Keith Mensing '90, Tim McNelis '86, Bill Glesing '75, Dan Bowden '76, and Bill Willard '69.

Bob Szalay '64, chairman, brought the Steering Committee together for the first time in January to plan for Iota Delta's 45th anniversary campaign. Bill Willard '69 hosted the first planning session on Jan. 14 at his office in the renovated Garrison's House at Fort Benjamin Harrison.

Brother Szalay reconvened the committee on Feb. 2 at the Iota Delta Chapter House in Bloomington. The committee reviewed remodeling proposals by designer Paul Puzello of the Bloomington firm of Tabor, Bruce, Puzello Assoc. Financial and construction groundwork for the 45th anniversary campaign continued in a breakout session afterward at the office of Dave Estes '69.

To get involved with Iota Delta's Strategic Planning, contact Bob Szalay at SzalayR@aol.com. Stay tuned.... and plan on being at the 45th this fall! ■

Bill Brockmann '66

Retiring CEO Takes Helm of Indiana Chi Phi Alumni Association

When Bill Brockmann left Indiana University in May of 1966 he could not have foreseen that 36 years later he would become the president of the Indiana Chi Phi Alumni Association. Fortunately, during our 45th Anniversary Campaign year, we could not have a better man at the helm.

After serving in the Army for three years, including a tour in Vietnam, Bill found himself in Bluffton, Ind. A vigorous and active career in hospital administration followed. For 14 years until 2002, Bill served as the CEO of Bluffton Regional Medical Center, a role Bill found rewarding and challenging.

For most of Bill's career, the hospital was a not-for-profit corporation during which Bill gained valuable fundraising skills. Under Bill's leadership, the hospital later merged with another health organization and became a for-profit corporation.

Since retiring last year, Bill has moved on to other pursuits. He and wife Ellen have traveled extensively, including the East Coast and Europe. They enjoy Brown County as well. On a recent trip in Maryland, Bill and Ellen visited Brother Dennis Makielski '67 and his wife Patti. Bill and Ellen enjoy golfing with their son, Bill, and his wife Monica, as well as visiting their daughter, Becky, at IU in Bloomington, where she is studying elementary education.

Now, Bill is taking on the

challenge of leading the Iota Delta Chapter of Chi Phi. There is much planned for the 45th year including more major renovations and a house addition project. In January 2003, his first month on the job, Bill made four trips to Bloomington.

"I am committed to help make Iota Delta a strong and successful chapter for many years to come," Bill said. "I had such a great experience as a Chi Phi. The leadership experiences and relationship skills I learned at the house definitely helped me throughout my career."

We are pleased that Bill agreed to serve. If you wish to learn more or to make time for getting involved in the Chi Phi Alumni Association, please contact Bill or the other Iota Delta board members. ■

Men At Work – 45th Anniversary Campaign Committee Begins Tackling New Initiatives



First Steering Committee meeting, convened by **Bob Szalay '64**, at the office of **Bill Willard '69**.



Second meeting, Chi Phi chapter house. The Committee hears new design proposals from architect **Paul Puzello**.



First session, 45th Anniversary Steering Committee, at the Indianapolis office of **Bill Willard '69**.



Alumni discuss design proposals after the architect's presentation, Chi Phi chapter house, Bloomington.

Gather Brothers...

By **Bill Brockmann '66**



Bill Brockmann '66

A few weeks ago one of the current Actives asked me what songs we sang when I was an Active. My immediate thoughts were of singing Barnacle Bill at the *Regulator* (bar that no longer exists) or the numerous limericks sung by Brother **Jim Gath '67**, at other social occasions. I thought I better refocus and think of some Chi Phi songs. The two that came to mind were: Sons of Blue and Scarlet and Gather Brothers. After 36 years, I couldn't remember many of the words to either song so I decided to do a little research on the Internet. I found the words to Gather Brothers. As soon as I started to read the words, the tune came to mind. One verse, "Ev'ry bond to mem'ry dear brings us a pleasure," hit home.

Four or five years ago, Brother **George Hall '66** contacted me. He wanted to gather some brothers from our era. From four or five brothers and our wives, the group has expanded to upwards of 30 brothers from the 1960s at Little 500 each year. We have all enjoyed reconnecting and rekindling the friendships that were formed while we were undergraduates. The exciting news is that the '70s, '80s and '90s are also starting to form gatherings around Little 500 or Homecoming. In addition, informal events such as golf outings and dinners are taking place.

If you have been out of touch, why not give a brother a call or send him an e-mail. I am confident that once you again experience the fellowship of the brotherhood, you will be glad you made the effort. While you are at it, why not make a reservation for the 45th Anniversary celebration in November. I look forward to seeing you there. ■

Unprecedented Partnership...

By Shawn Pritchett '99

Alumni and Undergraduates Meet for Joint Planning Conference

On Jan. 11, 2003, both the newly elected Alumni Association Board of Directors and the undergraduate Executive Council met for a "joint planning conference" in Indianapolis.

This is the first time such a conference has taken place and following the meeting, Chapter President **Jeremiah White** said, "I think this is a critical piece of the puzzle for continuing to improve alumni relations over the long term. I'm definitely looking forward to working more closely with our board." Some of the day's topics included chapter house facilities, calendar/event planning and chapter operations. In addition, Iota Delta had the privilege of having Chi Phi's Associate Director of Alumni Services **Matt Merkel** in attendance, sharing a more global perspective of improving alumni/chapter relationships.

Alumni Association Director **Tom Walls** '72 summed it up best when he said, "It was great to see the enthusiasm of two groups come together. The partnership we've begun is unprecedented in Iota Delta's 45-year history." ■



Undergraduates in attendance at the joint planning conference included: Jeremiah White, Zack Heine, Dan Reese, Adam Lueken, and Andrew Hilton



Chapter President Jeremiah White '03, Chapter Treasurer Dan Reese, Alumni Assoc. Secretary Shawn Pritchett '99, Chapter Secretary Andrew Hilton, Alumni Assoc. Board Member Tom Walls, Chapter House Manager Zack Heine, Alumnus Keith Mensing '90, Alumni Assoc. President Bill Brockmann '66, Chapter Advisor Don Meyer '60, Alumni Assoc. Board Member Jerry Curry '66, Chi Phi Assoc. Director of Alumni Services Matt Merkel, Alumni Assoc. Board Member Kevin Gfell '01, Former Alumni Assoc. President Dan Bowden '76, Alumni Assoc. Treasurer Bill Montgomery '64, Chapter Social Chairman Adam Lueken '03

The 45th!

You are now officially on notice of the 45th reunion of the founding of Iota Delta. Mark your calendar for the weekend of Nov. 7-9, so that you can join with your brothers while we celebrate our years with Chi Phi at Indiana University.

We will be meeting at The Seasons in Nashville. You may recall a few other reunions we had there that Brother John Craft hosted. You may know it to be a great location on the edge of town with very interesting shops and Indiana's No. 1 state park nearby.

It is not too early to make your reservations with The Seasons. Phone (800) 365-7327 to make your reservation, and tell the reservation desk that you are with Chi Phi. There is a two-night minimum at \$99.00 for single, double, triple or quad occupancy. The inn requires a deposit for one night. ■

Undergraduate Report

As the snow falls upon 1400 North Jordan Ave., the undergraduate brothers of the Iota Delta Chapter are gearing up for an eventful second semester.

We recently completed the pledgship and initiation of eight new members. They are a solid group of young men, who are sure to have a positive influence on Iota Delta for years to come.

The 53rd running of the Little 5 will commence on April 26 at Bill Armstrong Stadium. Mike Alderson, Chris Moss, Reggie Hayes, and Chris Phillips will be among the top teams competing for the coveted Erickson Award. In order to take home that trophy, we must first compete in IU Sing, which will be held at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 21. This year's theme is "The Adventure Begins," so mark your calendars!

The Iota Delta Chapter has been chosen by the national office to be the host the Midwest region for the RLA Conference on April 11-13. Participating chapters will be host Iota Delta, the Iota Chapter (Ohio State), Pi Chapter (Northwestern), Alpha-Tau (Michigan), Alpha-Chi Chapter (Ohio Wesleyan) and Kappa Zeta (Purdue). This is a weekend of events, both educational and social in which a member of the national office will be conducting workshops and engulfing us in the rich tradition of Chi Phi. It is also a chance for our undergraduates and alumni to meet other Chi Phi brothers from around the region. All undergraduates and alumni are welcome to attend! We are looking forward to this lively weekend and the opportunity to share our successes with our fellow Midwestern Chi Phi brothers. ■

Chi Phi Goes to the Game: PACERS 109, CELTICS 100

More than 25 Iota Delta alumni and undergrads were on hand Sat., Feb. 2, to see the Indiana Pacers win at home over the Boston Celtics. Chi Phi brothers all enjoyed the raucous NBA night out and the great atmosphere of Conseco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. Everyone is already talking of making the alumni-undergrad NBA game an annual event. ■



The brothers came together to enjoy a game of hoops. Could this become an annual event?



Alumni UpDates

Daniel E. Purvis '69

(2819 Cliffwood Lane, Fort Wayne, IN 46825-7136) One son is in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Connecticut, and our other son is an IU graduate and working in Chicago with Merck-Medco.

Nicholas J. Vrouvas '69

(116 Redwood Ave., Corte Madera, CA 94925) Private practice in optometry in downtown San Francisco since 1973. Enjoying food, wine, and golf of northern California. I am married with a 15-year-old daughter and a 13-year-old son. Visited the Bloomington house two years ago in the summer but there was no one home.

William W. Spletzer '70

(2751 Eastport Cir., Conway, AR 72032; wwspletzer@msn.com) After a year of unemployment, I took a job with IC

Corp., the largest producer of school buses in the U.S., as director of engineering. At the end of June I moved to Conway, Ark., about 30 miles north of Little Rock. Kathy stayed in the Niles/South Bend area to sell our home, but unfortunately, the market is very slow. I travel home about every third week to see her. Living apart has been challenging. We were apart for our 23rd anniversary last November, and this is the first New Year's we were not together. We did get to spend a week of vacation together in St. Marteen, V.I., in November, and I was home for 10 days at Christmas. My compliments to the editors of the Iota Update. It is very informative and nicely done. I am looking forward to the BoBo '03 and hopefully can also make the 45th anniversary. I look forward to seeing everyone again.

Bob Walker '70

(7499 Twin Eagle Lane, Fort Myers, FL 33912; rkwalk1824@aol.com) Hello All: Just a note to say it was great to see the article on the BoBo Open Classic in the recent Iota Delta newsletter. The brothers in attendance from my era have not changed a bit....well, at least I am not as gray....(as some)! The newsletter is looking better and better. I am thrilled to hear about the excitement that has been generated recently in the alumni association, and I am confident the new chapter house construction will come to fruition.

As for us, Cindy and I continue to operate the printing business here in Fort Myers, and after owning it for 18 years, I guess one could say we have made a success of it. Our daughter is

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Alumni UpDates... continued

junior at Northwestern, where she is a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. She was just elected vice president judicial of Panhellenic.

I retired in 2001 from Chi Phi's Grand Council after 12 years, during that time I also served as dean of faculty for the Chi Phi College of Excellence (COE) for two years and was on the faculty for seven years... Thinking I was retired from all National involvement was an idle thought.

I have just assumed the role of dean of faculty for this year's COE which will be held at Vanderbilt University in July. I would urge the alumni association to send an alumni delegate(s) to the COE. COE is truly one of the great things Chi Phi does and it has been consistently considered one of the best leadership seminars conducted by any fraternity.

Speaking of Chi Phi, I have in the past 12 years visited 25 of our chapters. The one thing that stands out during all of those visits is how really good Iota Delta is in a national comparison; it is just too bad that not all of our alumni and undergrads know how good our chapter is and what additional potential they have.

I hope all is well with you and yours, and everyone — please keep in touch!

Michael G. Brown '82

(5255 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis, IN 46220-3044; tmmn@mibor.net) I have been busy these days with three active kids, taking care of mortgage loan customers and attempting to train on the bike. I joined First Republic Mortgage in March 2002 after many years in mortgage lending related positions. I originate purchase and refinance loans, and with low rates recently, things have been pretty busy. Cindy and I are just starting the "club sport" routine with a budding volleyball star, and two other kids active in other sports. Even though my resume is approaching three pages, wife Cindy (Chi Omega IU '81) has been with the Internal Revenue Service for 22 years — recently promoted to analyst. My mid-life passion is cycling, after many years of running, and I have completed a century ride and the Hilly Hundred this last year. With kids, most of my riding is done at 5:30 a.m. and when I can, catch up with club rides and races around town. We have lived in the Meridian Kessler neighborhood for nearly 10 years, and I serve on the school commission at St. Thomas School. I

can be reached at First Republic at (317) 294-4673.

Keith E. Wester '85

(10100 Tuscany Ct., Portage, MI 49024; wester5@hotmail.com) We are living in Portage, Mich., only a few minutes from Ken Lampos '86. Denise and I have three children, Nick, 13, Paige, 10, and Leigh, 4. Although I see a few of the old Chi Phi alumni from '84, '85, and '86, if anyone ever gets up into southwest Michigan give us a call.

James E. McHie '95

(7039 Jackson Ave., Hammond, IN 46324-4108; jmchie@attbi.com) Amy and I are expecting our first child in early May 2003.

Mike T. Reedy '96

(P. O. Box 832295, Richardson, TX 75083; tmreedy@msn.com) Hope all is well with everyone. I am back living in Dallas after two years of living in Chicago. I live here with my fiancée, Deirdre. We are getting married this May in Berea, Ky. After being the regional sales manager at Alta Vista, I have recently left to help start an interactive (online) advertising agency called Big Splash Media. Take care and feel free to e-mail me at tmreedy@msn.com.

Steven M. Auslander '99

(4853 Cordell Ave., Apt. 412, Bethesda, MD 20814) Married to Caryl Berman on Aug. 11, 2002.



Colonel Rick Rankin with wife Jessica

Rick Rankin '78

(17481 Glenville Dr., Dumfries, VA 22026; rankinra@js.pentagon.mil) Here are some family photos: My three daughters, Allison, Tiffany and Ashley and I at Tiffany's graduation from DePauw

University, summer 2002; and my wife, Jessica and I in my office at the Pentagon in December 2002.



Colonel Rick Rankin '78 with his three daughters Allison, Tiffany and Ashley

Little 500: Mark Your Calendars

Friday and Saturday, April 25-26, 2003

We have already scheduled some events for the upcoming Little 500.

Alumni from the '60s era are once again invited back to Jerry S. Curry's ('66) house in Columbus on April 25th and 26th.

Brother Kim P. Scherschel '76 has volunteered to host a gathering of the '70s era alumni at his residence in Bedford, Ind., on Little 500 weekend.

More details will follow on the Web site at www.indianachipi.org.

Thanks to your generosity, Chi Phi continues to thrive at Indiana University! Your contributions go directly toward improving the physical structure of the chapter house and toward providing services such as the Iota Delta Update. Address changes, news items, photos and contributions are always welcome and may be sent in the enclosed envelope or mailed to Indiana Chi Phi Alumni Association, Alumni Records Office, P.O. Box 88, Carmel, IN 46032-0088.