



Bill Brockmann, President
Indiana Chi Phi Alumni Association

Dear Chi Phi Brother:

Anniversaries are always a good time for reflection as well as celebration. We can be thankful that 45 years ago there were Brothers who had the courage and vision to establish a Chi Phi Colony at Indiana University.

They can be proud of their accomplishment. In the past four and a half decades, we have produced close to 1,000 Iota Delta Chapter Alumni, many of whom have gone on to distinguished careers in law, medicine, business, education and the military.

Our Alumni Association continues to support our chapter and is working hard on developing the leaders of tomorrow. We were pleased that our efforts were recognized recently when we were selected as the Chi Phi Fraternity Alumni Association of the Year. As we look to the future, we are excited about the possibilities. After 45 years, our number of dedicated Alumni has grown to a point that we can make a major impact on our future. Our goal is to not only survive but to thrive for many years to come.

Plan to join us on November 7th and 8th. Renew old friendships and help us celebrate our history and our future.

Fraternally,

Bill Brockmann, Iota Delta 1966





Bob Szalay, Chair - 45th Anniversary *Keeping the Promise* Campaign
Indiana Chi Phi Alumni Association

Dear Brother:

The Founding Brothers started the Iota Delta Chapter in 1958. Chi Phi grew rapidly and within five short years Iota Delta was over-crowded in a rented Civil War era house on Third Street. Property was purchased and the current Chapter house was built on Fraternity Row. Excitement was high because the Chapter was finally able to belong to the growing Greek population on North Jordan. Most significantly, we would own it! Forty years later, the majority of our alumni only know the present house.

Throughout these many years the alumni can be proud of their many accomplishments. With the support of the alumni, the Alumni Association dedicates itself to continue developing responsible men and to ensure a vigorous future for Iota Delta. Recently, a core group of alumni developed a strategic plan for our Chapter's long range future. The response has been very positive.

Time spent together strengthens fraternal bonds. Contribute to the future of the Chapter by strengthening old friendships and developing new ones. Join us on Nov. 7-9 for the 45th anniversary reunion. We have much to celebrate. Come share the vision and excitement for the future of your fraternity.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bob".

Bob Szalay, Iota Delta 1964



A Message from John.....

I have not been this excited about Chi Phi since my earliest days as a new initiate. I have been enormously impressed with the work, planning, energy, and re-birth I have seen in the Iota Delta Alumni Association in just the past several years. I attended the growing Little 500 bash again this year, and was astounded to see so many Alumni answering the call to come back home and visit IU, to enjoy all the best that an ongoing lifetime of Iota Delta Brotherhood can bring.

I am pleased to be serving as the Honorary Chair for our 45th Anniversary Keeping the Promise campaign. I think our goals and aspirations are as impressive as they are ambitious. Yet I also think the goals and business planning of the revitalized Alumni Association are absolutely necessary if Chi Phi is to provide an ongoing IU home for all Iota Delta men. All of us are very busy, with careers, family, and civic obligations. However, I want to urge every Chi Phi to make an effort to set aside the weekend of November 7th and 8th, in order to attend the 45th anniversary of Chi Phi's founding at Indiana University. Let your Brothers welcome you home to IU.



Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John D. Craft". The signature is written in a cursive style.

John D. Craft, Iota Delta 1960

As John said, we are all busy. But we want to urge all Brothers to set aside their tools, shut off their computers, push open their calendar books or palm pilots, and make it a priority to be a part of the 45th Anniversary celebration of Chi Phi at Indiana University. Many of us have been away for far too long. You will find a new spirit among old friends, and you will re-discover that your Chi Phi oath, your friendships, your networking, and your Brotherhood are truly “forty years, not four.” We’re sending along a few photos from the recently re-emerged and re-energized Chi Phi Alumni Association. We especially think that the photos taken on Little 500 weekend give the flavor of what Chi Phi friendship and Brotherhood can be, and should be, for all of us. We’re all, each of us, unique, but we share a bond of Brotherhood that renews itself if only the slightest effort is made.

Let Little 500 weekend and Chi Phi’s other recent gatherings give you the feel for what we hope that 45th Anniversary – and beyond - will be all about. We strongly hope you plan on being there to find out.





More than 70 Brothers from around the country gathered at the Chi Phi house on a beautiful Saturday morning to enjoy each other, to experience the chapter house welcome, and to cheer on the 2003 Chi Phi Little 500 bike team. At left are Brothers Dave Estes '69, Bill Willard '69, Mark Asmar '67, and Barry Rummel '68. Emerging from the front door at right is Brother George Hall '66. George has helped organize "Little 5" for several years from his Jacksonville, Florida home.

Dave still lives Bloomington, while Bill is in Indianapolis. Mark flew in this year from his home in West Simsbury, Connecticut. Barry came to Little 5 again this year from his home in Loudon, Tennessee.

Brothers, balloons, a buffet lunch and a welcoming banner greeted Chi Phis from across 40 years back home to the Iota Delta chapter house and to Indiana University for this year's running of the Little 500 race.



The registration table was a busy place at the chapter house on the morning of Little 500. Brothers from across the country joined to cheer on the team. Visible among the gathering crowds at left are Bill Glesing '75, Jesse Marzouk '01, Dave Estes '69, and Don Meyer '60. Jesse was Alumni Chair in his undergrad days and came from his Atlanta home again this year for Little 5. Don and Bill both live in the Indianapolis area. Don is still the Chapter Advisor.





Spotted chatting here at the Chapter house on Little 500 Saturday are Brothers spanning over 25 years of Chi Phi bonds and memories at Indiana University. From left to right are Brothers Jerry Curry '66, Dan Bowden '76, Keith Mensing '90, and Dave Fosnough '64. Jerry lives in Columbus, Indiana, while Dan and Keith both live in the metropolitan Indianapolis area. Dave now calls Valley Park, Missouri his home.

Brothers Tom Rupert '67 and John Miller '64 took time out from catching up to give a look toward the camera. They joined 70 other Chi Phi Alumni on Little 500 weekend to enjoy the Iota Delta "homecoming." Both Tom and John are Ohio "Buckeyes" now, with Tom living in Van Wert, Ohio and John currently making his home in Cincinnati.



Chi Phi Alumnus Scott Morrison is seen here with his wife Megan and their new baby, enjoying the welcoming comfort of the Chi Phi formal reading room on Little 500 morning. Scott and his family came down for Little 500 from their current home in Elkhart, Indiana.





Enjoying the camaraderie and friendship of the moment in this photo are Denny Ryan '67 and Denny Makielski '67. During lunch, Alumni traded dining room memories of formal dinners, parties, and their dreaded pledge class line-ups long gone by. (Pledgeship itself has matured in the past 45 years.) Brother Ryan attended again this year from his hometown of Prattville, Alabama. Brother Makielski was attending Little 500 from his home in Annapolis, Maryland.

The buffet luncheon was made bountiful thanks to the house cook with considerable undergraduate assistance. Visible enjoying a munch together in the Chi Phi dining room, against the background buffet line clamor, are Brothers Dave Fosnough '64, Barry Rummel '68, and Jerry Curry '66.



Record Little 500 return crowds included Alumni and parents alike. Even Chi Phi "moms" were spotted wearing this year's bright yellow Little 500 t-shirts. The undergraduate Chi Phi's, in partnership with the Alumni Association, made an extra effort this year to welcome all Alumni back to the chapter house and to IU, for both a warm homecoming and great food before everyone went to Bill Armstrong stadium for the classic annual race.



Excitement grew again this year as the 2003 Chi Phi bike team prepared for what has become a ritual every year – the ceremonial rider's departure from the Chi Phi house for the track. Crowds of Alumni, parents, and undergrads were ready outside the chapter house to cheer them on.



The tossing of the “ceremonial” eggs behind the riders may not be the most dignified part of the departure ritual, but it’s certainly the messiest and most fun. Excited young Chi Phis passed around the eggs as they waited for the team. Dignity was helped by the presence of a number of former riders, including Indy men Tim McNelis '86 and Ken Aull '87, plus younger riders like Ben Schmidt '01, now living in Chicago, and John Emmetsberger '02, who now calls Stamford, Connecticut his home.

Alumni Denny Ryan and Mark Asmar took time out from the gathering outside the house after lunch to enjoy a little horseplay. Brothers Dan Bowden and Bill Willard ignore the spectacle while Brother Barry Rummel looks on. Some things never really change.



In the past year, the new Alumni Board and 45th Anniversary Committee have been meeting with Brothers across the nation to talk about Chi Phi's future. The largest recent gathering was on May 20th, when Brother Scott Curry '83, hosted a reception for 26 mostly Indianapolis Chi Phi's at the Broadmoor Country Club. Brothers from across 40 years enjoyed great food, renewal, and "adult beverages." Despite his busy schedule as a medical doctor, Scott has emerged as one of Chi Phi's new Alumni leaders. Brother Curry was joined by 45th Anniversary Campaign Chair Bob Szalay and Alumni President Bill Brockmann to talk about recent Alumni initiatives.



Enjoying a light moment at the May 20th Indianapolis reception are (Left to Right) Dave Estes '69, Doug Horton '68, Bill Nuss '68, Bill Willard '69, and Ron Richards '70.



Chapter Alpha Jeremiah White '03 talks with Alumni Pledge Brothers John Sullivan '76 and Dan Bowden '76 at the Indy reception.



Chatting at the Indy reception are (L-R) Tim McNelis '86, Kevin Johnson '81, consultant Wade Garard, and Iota Delta property manager Tim Pitcher, Kappa Zeta (Purdue)'89. Brother McNelis serves on the 45th Anniversary Steering Committee. Brother Pitcher manages the chapter house under a contract. Tim reports to the Alumni Board at each meeting and he oversaw all the major Chi Phi chapter house improvements in the past year.



Still around for this parting photo were, standing left - right: Tim McNelis '86, Bob Szalay '64, Tim Pitcher, Iota Delta Property Manager - Kappa Zeta (Purdue) '89, Don Meyer '60, Bill Brockmann, '66, John Sullivan '76, Keith Mensing '90, Tom Walls '72, Eric Pierle '02, Dan Bowden '76, Ian Yost '02, Dave Estes '69, Doug Horton '68, David VanRooy '00, Bill Nuss '68, Jeremiah White, Chapter Alpha '03.

Kneeling, left - right: Scott Curry '83, Kevin Johnson '81, Pat West '04, Kevin Gfell '01, Bill Willard '69, Ron Richards '70.

