

# THE LION'S TALE

**FALL 2017** 

# Invisible Projects and What You Can Do to Help Show Your Support for $\Sigma AE$ Purdue Today

By now, some of you have seen firsthand the first and second phases of work are complete for the 2017 portion of renovating the house. Things are changing for the better, much better, and we look forward to September 2018 when the job will be done.

We still need significant financial support from all of you who treasure your time at  $\Sigma AE$  as I did decades ago. Some ask why we need nearly \$4.5 million, and who was it that specified the gold faucets in the bathrooms (there aren't any). The answer is that much of the needed work is invisible once the job is complete, and a lot of "invisible money" is necessary. It's easy to see the new entrance and the renovated rooms and bathrooms in the north half of the house. It's not so easy to see the new plumbing and electrical infrastructure that replaced the 1922 original systems. Additionally, a modern, whole-house Wi-Fi network costs more than \$25,000, and few alumni will tour the house and say, "Nice building, but check out those access points. Woohoo!" To the right is a photo of a fire equipment vault that WLFD required as an addon to improve their ability to respond to a fire. This is a \$75,000 photo, because that's what this

CAMPAIGN STATUS AT-A-GLANCE As of November 7, 2017

\$5 MILLION FUNDRAISING GOAL

**\$2,426,384** IN CONTRIBUTIONS

149 PLEDGES TO DATE

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element of the project cost. Now, the vault is covered over with new grass, but it represents \$75,000 of "invisible money."

We're in contract to purchase the property adjacent to the driveway, and we're working with our attorney to secure permission to raze the house for additional parking, which is woefully needed. Some have suggested renting parking for overflow cars from nearby churches, schools, or apartments, but such suggestions have been explored and aren't workable. West Lafayette authorities wanted us to have nearly 80 parking places, but we only have 25 with brothers overflowing to Quincy south of the house. The city has already attempted to ban our parking there, and it's a certainty such a parking ban will be reality. Buying this property and converting the lot to parking will cost more than \$500,000. For what it's worth, Fiji has embarked on a similar parking plan.

So, with \$2.4 million in gifts, how are we paying for the remaining \$2.1 million? The old fashioned way—a big mortgage with Purdue Federal Credit Union. We raised house bills more than \$1,000/year, and we're recruiting for a larger chapter to build a bigger financial base to fund debt service on our note.

We need your support to sustain  $\Sigma$ AE Purdue. The more you give, the less debt we have to manage. We have a thriving chapter, and it's up to us to ensure they have a safe, comfortable facility like many of us enjoyed.

Phi Alpha, **Wayne McIntyre '64** Campaign Chairman (408) 930-1438 wayne.mcintyre@yahoo.com



## THANK YOU, GENEROUS ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

## Help Finish the Chapter House with a Pledge Today!

We are very grateful to the following generous brothers and friends whose commitment to A Tradition of Excellence: The Campaign for Indiana Beta is making a difference. Your generosity demonstrates a sense of gratitude for your personal experience. We still need commitments from the rest of our alumni to reach our goal and complete this major project. All supporters of the project pledging \$5,000 and above will be recognized on a prominently displayed plaque in our renovated chapter house. We apologize if there's an error in recording your gift or your name. We're working hard to record this vital information, so please advise our campaign coordinator at (785) 843-1661 to make any corrections. Join your brothers on this list by using the enclosed pledge form and envelope to make your pledge today. Thank you for your support!

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Lion's Legacy Society (\$100,000 to \$249,999) Norman P. Blake Jr. '64 Philip Wagner '64 In memory of Tom Bauman '61 William D. Schmicker '65

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Michael B. Veon '66
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Thomas A. Irmscher '67
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In memory of
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Steve Norcross '65
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In memory of Jack Liber '60, who valued the lifelong

friendships of Charlie Kehrt '59 and Bob Butler '60

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Jim Hoskins '77 Robert M. Freeman '77

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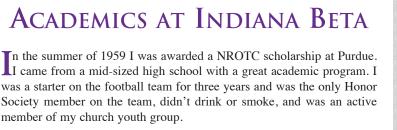
Charlie Dilts '12

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member of my church youth group.

Indiana Beta initiated 46 new members into the brotherhood this fall.



My first semester I earned a 5.43 GPA in the freshman engineering program and was selected to the freshman engineering honorary fraternity. This apparently got the attention of the brothers who had decided to emphasize academics for future new member classes, starting with spring of 1960. As it turned out my class had one of the highest GPAs of all the fraternities that spring. There was no mention of my slide rule that usually hung from my belt or the old bicycle with the extremely large basket on the front that I rode to classes.

A New Emphasis on

After a successful recruitment period, I was initiated and moved into the house in the fall of 1960. I remember my small two-man study room and the large common area dorm with continuous exhaust fans and electric blankets covered with plastic sheets to protect from the accumulating snow. In later years, I lived in the tower on the third floor.

The following year the emphasis on academics was to be continued and I was elected to be the new member trainer for the next class. It was a great year and we all coexisted as members of a family. This was a great class with grades almost as high as my own class.

Since my discharge from the U.S. Navy in 1969, I have received and read The Lion's Tale on a regular basis. In the last few issues I have started to realize that I do miss the experience of my college fraternity years and the brothers I was close to: Wayne (McIntyre '64) and his late meals in the kitchen where I was often cleaning up, Sals (Larry Salsbury '62) and our chess and heart games, food fights in the dish washing areas, the old potato peeler, the "stolen" orange sherbets and grape juice floats, sledding down the front hill in the large stainless steel salad bowl and getting caught by the housemother, class actions with my blessing to resist being thrown in the river and, instead, throwing in some of the actives. I even miss the choir practices for Mother's Day that I disliked and often skipped.

As I read the list of donors for our house remodel, I see many names of the two classes I was part of and realize I need to be on that list. A pledge is being forwarded from me with this writing. It is not very big and will need to be stretched out over the years due to the bad timing of the purchase of Pacific Seacraft the week before the stock market crashed. Finally things are looking good for us as we are building a 44' "go fast" sailboat for Jimmy Buffett that was launched earlier this summer.

To all the brothers in the classes of 1960 and 1961, I challenge you to make our two classes the first to have 100% donor participation. To Wayne, a special thank you for all your work. Anyone receiving this note is offered a tour of the Pacific Seacraft factory in Washington, N.C. We are only an hour from the Outer Banks.

Now that I am past 75, I would like to be with any of you anywhere in the not-too-distant future.

Happy sailing, Reid Brodie '63 rbrodie3@gmail.com



## Indiana Beta Sees Increase IN GPA, MEMBERSHIP, AND OVERALL MORALE

hope this message finds our distinguished alumni in good spirits. As another semester at 406 Littleton draws to an end, it is time for a bit of reflection on how far we have come since school began in August.

#### CAMPAIGN BOOSTS MORALE

First and foremost, with phases 1 and 2 of our multimillion-dollar renovation being completed, morale at the Lodge has not seen levels this high in years, and we have our excellent alumni support to thank for this. Phase 3 is expected to be completed by September 2018 and we will complete the largest chapter house overhaul that Indiana Beta has ever seen. With all the excitement over the renovation, it is important to not forget the intangibles of what makes Indiana Beta one of the premier chapters in the nation.

#### ACADEMICS AND ACTIVITIES

The active brothers of Indiana Beta have a lot to be proud of, and we hope you feel the same as we do. We currently boast a 3.1 cumulative chapter GPA (top five on campus!) with goals of improving to 3.2 by the end of the semester. We also recently celebrated our biannual Paddy Murphy Week of philanthropy where we hosted a petting zoo on Memorial Mall and a bubble soccer tournament at the co-rec



Congratulations to Indiana Beta for bringing home a third-straight intramural football championship.

fields. It was a tremendous success. We plan to fundraise dollars through the winter months into the spring with all proceeds going to the

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## Chapter Eternal

Scott M. Brownlee '66 entered Chapter Eternal on August 11, 2016. He worked at the family business, Tipp Novelty, for several decades. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War, having served in the U.S. Army, South Vietnamese Army, and the CIA. Scott was a glass decorator by vocation but a tinkerer by passion. He was Tipp City's go-to guy for advice on building or repairing anything and everything-hovercrafts in particular. He was involved with the World Hovercraft Federation and Hoverclub of America for almost 40 years and was instrumental in bringing the world championships to Troy in 1989. It was common to see him hovering around his property wearing his trademark coverall. Scott is preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Sylvia; and his beloved lab, Angus. He is survived by his wife, Eva; his three children, Christina, Elizabeth, and Tyler; and six grandchildren.

### Indiana Beta Sees Increase

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Indianapolis Veterans Affairs Medical Center (please contact our philanthropy chairman for donation inquiries). In addition to chapter activities, our intramural football team won our third-straight championship season over the span of a year.

With the brotherhood hitting strides in multiple areas, we are just as proud to present our new member class of 41 bright and charismatic individuals, many of whom we expect to usher in a new era of  $\Sigma$ AE dominance on Purdue's campus. Overall, we are extremely excited with the steps we have taken, and we hope to build upon each achievement in the pursuit of creating True Gentlemen for generations to come.

Phi Alpha,
Matt "Jaws" Jaworowski '18
Eminent Archon
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Several brothers of Indiana Beta attended the John O. Moseley Leadership School in Phoenix in August.



Chapter President Matt "Jaws" Jaworowski '18 with Irwin, an American alligator, at the Paddy Murphy Petting Zoo.



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