



Delta Phi Sigma Epsilon Alumni



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PSE Student Award Application Time is Here Again

With the issuance of this Spring 2012 PSE Newsletter, the window of time to apply or reapply for the financial Student Award money is hereby open to those eligible. See more details at the end of this Newsletter, as well as a printable form for application of your EIU son or daughter. The deadline for this application is July 15, 2012.

Tim Mash - Illinois Football Coaches Hall of Fame Inductee

For all of you who remember how fierce a competitor he was on the EIU football field and then as a successful career football coach, Tim Mash was finally given his due, by being inducted into the Illinois Football Coaches Hall of Fame on April 2, 2011.

I should tell you that I messed up the telling of this accomplishment. After the electronic release of the Spring 2011 PSE Newsletter, I received an email from Tim informing me of the honor that had been bestowed on him. I told him that I would put a little story in the Fall 2011 PSE Newsletter about his achievement, but I forgot to list it right away on my story list for the upcoming newsletter. With the posting of the Fall 2011/Winter 2012 Newsletter in January, 2012, it was obvious that I had totally forgotten about Tim's award. Tim is a faithful reader of the PSE Newsletter and let me know right away of my oversight. He wrote, and I quote, "Could it be possible to get it mentioned in the next newsletter? I know that while I was President of PSE many others looked down on us as dumb jocks and I want any accomplishment of our fraternity to be highlighted." He further unselfishly stated that he wanted all the brothers to hear about any of our PSE successes in life after our school days.

Tim was blessed with an abundance of talents, both on the field and off. As a defensive safety on the EIU football team in the mid-60's, his diminutive size should not have been taken for granted, and probably wasn't for long, after a few good hits. His leadership and popularity transferred from the field of play to that of guiding the fraternity as its President and finally as a successful coach in a number of career capacities, culminating in his retirement to Las Vegas about 5 years ago.

Tim forwarded me information relative to his career, that appeared in the Murphysboro, IL, newspaper when he received the award. It stated that he was the Murphysboro head football coach during the 1976-77 football seasons that compiled a 17-5 record, winning the conference championship both years and advancing to the second round of the playoffs both years. From there he moved on to be the head football coach at schools in Topeka, KS, Downers Grove South, IL and Taft, CA. He served as a head coach for a total of 17 years, with his teams winning nine conference championships and amassing a very respectable 118-59 win-loss record. Folks, that's a 67% winning percentage! His team at Downers Grove South was defeated in the Illinois State High School Championship game by East St. Louis and his teams there also made it to the semifinal game of the state championship two other times. Tim finished his career in Taft, CA, where he took a losing program and turned it into the conference champion his first year. He went on to finish at Taft with a 27-17 win-loss record, becoming the best winning percentage in that school's history. Congratulations Tim, on both your career and a well-deserved award.

Tim also recollects some personal remembrances in his emails, fondly remembering living above Chink's Bar with Marv Randolph ("Steer") and Al Ortegren ("Little Bastard"). He and wife Nadine now live in the Las Vegas area, where he enjoys the warm weather and telling me that when it gets colder than 50 degrees, it is too cold. He laughs and points out that in the old days you guys would have called him a p_____!

If you want to get hold of Tim, you can go to the website and access his personal info (if you're a registered Phi Sig). Otherwise, you can contact me and I'll see if I can help you out.



Tim Mash with his Hall of Fame Award

Our History as Delta Lambda Sigma--Before March 4, 1930

As part of our pledgship, we learned that Phi Sigma Epsilon began on the campus of EIU on March 4, 1930. That was also verified by the original dated charter from Phi Sigma Epsilon that hung in our assorted Phi Sig Houses that was signed by Fred Schwengle, then National President of PSE from Kirksville, MO. It and an additional charter now reside, reframed, in the Charleston Phi Sig Archives.

But, did you know that there is a history to Phi Sigma Epsilon that more officially started in the Spring of 1927. Sixteen students at then EISTC (Eastern Illinois State Teachers College) gathered at a Sixth St. restaurant called "Pa" Ernst's, to talk about starting a fraternal organization. Now in 1927 at EISTC, President Livingston C. Lord's stand on fraternities was well known and he had turned down several requests in the past to install one on campus. Many of the major leaders in various activities at EISTC were among the men who surreptitiously met to formulate a plan to bring a fraternity on board. Fortuitous to the time period was the presence in this group of Walter Clatfelter, a transfer student from Indiana State Teachers College in Terre Haute, IN. He happened to be a member of a local fraternity at ISTC called Delta Lambda Sigma (Alpha chapter), and because of his knowledge of fraternity practices and procedures, was invaluable in the initial organizational work for the group of sixteen. As planning went along, the efforts were relegated to sweetening the presentation to be put forth to President Lord. As stated in the book from our Phi Sig Archives, "Delta Chapter-Phi Sigma Epsilon 1928-1938 - A Decade of Progress" written by Paul Elliot Blair ('34), "a committee of members were selected to go onto the 'green carpet' who were 'lily white' in the eyes of the administration." As the appointed meeting time with President Lord approached, there was an increased "fear and intrepidation" that manifested itself in thoughts of failure. To their great surprise though, they were allowed "to prove their worth as a beneficial college function." Upon receiving that news, a charter was requested from Delta Lambda Sigma at ISTC. Sixteen men traveled to Terre Haute, IN, to be instructed and formally initiated and they returned to Charleston bringing the Beta chapter of Delta Lambda Sigma into existence. It officially came into existence on Feb. 2, 1928, when the members, their lady friends and two faculty members (Mr. Beu and Mr. Charles H. Coleman) were dined at a banquet at the College Inn, after having already secured the approval of the faculty. Mr. Coleman (Coleman Hall) later became the first faculty advisor, with meetings being held weekly for the rest of the year. The names of those members are: Wayne Isley, Maurice Sullivan, Irwin Hill, Wayne Cooper, Carleton Crispin, Marsden Grubb, Roy Ratts, Ruel Hall, Leroy Baker, Delmar Mock, Henry Kinsel, Cedric Henley, William Stone, Earl Schuyler, Leland Routledge and Maurice McCord. These men were essentially the founding members of Phi Sigma Epsilon.

Where am I going with all of this, you ask? Well, I am laying out some foundation to get us to the March 4, 1930, date that we all know about. According to the above-noted Phi Sigma Epsilon book, the new Beta chapter was able to secure a chapter House on Ninth St. in the Fall of 1928. No address was given and I was not able to substantiate that information with independent newspaper articles from the time period. So, it is what it is, at this point. However, newspaper articles did indicate the probable existence of that House, based upon the number of Houses that had been leased until we moved into the purchased 1431 Ninth St. address in 1938. Several Eastern newspaper articles from 1928 then substantiate the lease of a second House that Delta Lambda Sigma secured, this one at 1006 Tenth St. This House is right down the street from where I presently reside and is in excellent condition, being a double-entranced rental property. This House is pictured within this article and if I ever find a picture of the Ninth St. House, I will post it also. In its heyday, it was known as the Dr. Fulton residence, a large, multi-storied house set in a residential neighborhood. According to a Nov. 5, 1928 Eastern newspaper article, "Early in the fall, the boys gave the house a new coat of silver gray, re-varnished the interior woodwork and furnished the rooms in handsome style. Anyone might well be proud of such appropriate surroundings in which to enjoy a high type of fellowship--and they are."

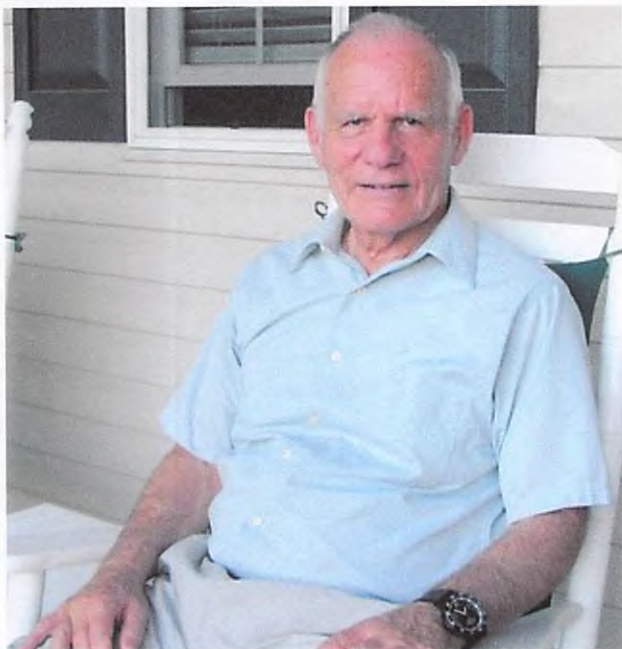
Okay, so now we have the fraternity Delta Lambda Sigma as a viable fraternity on the campus of EISTC in 1928. The PSE book states "From that point the fraternity took its place in the social life of the college." But then in the latter part of 1929, national officers from Phi Sigma Epsilon, a national teachers college fraternity founded in 1913 in Emporia, KS, were investigating the Normal schools (Eastern, Western, Northern, Southern & Illinois State) in Illinois. Their intention was to install a chapter on one of the campuses and they were looking only at four-year teachers colleges with a grade "A" rating. The PSE book goes on to state the following: "The fact that there was a local organization, high in character and purpose and soundly founded, no doubt helped to swing the sentiment to Charleston and particularly Delta Lambda Sigma as the favored group. Thus it was that the national officers extended an invitation to Beta to affiliate with the large group of fraternities, all with a common interest." On March 4, 1930, Fred Schwengle, the National President of Phi Sigma Epsilon, came to Charleston and inducted the entire chapter into Phi Sigma Epsilon. Delta chapter then became the first national teachers college fraternity in the state of Illinois. On September 1, 1930, the Phi Sigma Epsilon fraternity rented its first fraternity House, the Shortess house, at 1010 Sixth St., on the SW corner of Sixth and Polk streets in Charleston. It still stands and is still lived in as a single-family residence, surviving in remarkable condition.

So now we have come full circle and in the immortal words of Paul Harvey, "now you know.... the rest of the story."



Delta Lambda Sigma fraternity house - 1006 Tenth St. Charleston, IL

"Bud" Sanders - Prestigious Award Nominee



Bud Sanders - Relaxing at Home in Charleston

The man who led the Phi Sigma Epsilon fraternity as its President during the transition from the 1431 Ninth St. House to the 1509 Second St. House in 1955, just needs to be doing something for others. Claud "Bud" Sanders is the retired director of the EIU Counseling Center, having served 30 years there and retiring in 1996. But true retirement is probably the farthest thing from his mind.

Bud was nominated this year, along with five other individuals, to receive the prestigious "Jefferson Award", an award sponsored by the American Institute for Public Service, a foundation organized in 1972 by Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, U.S. Senator Robert Taft and Sam Beard. "Ordinary people who do extraordinary things without the expectation of recognition or reward", symbolizes the quality that most identifies the recipients endeavors. For public and community service on both the local and national levels, its recognition is considered the Nobel Prize.

Listing all the volunteer efforts that Bud is or has been involved in could markedly increase the size of this article, so I will opt for brevity, while still being concise. "Sanders has been a volunteer for the Coles County Council on Aging, Coles County Mental Health Board, Charleston Civic Association and the Eastern Illinois University Neal Welcome Center." In addition, he regularly transports individuals to medical appointments, meetings and even coffee hours. And when not busy with all those activities, he will take older friends for refreshments at the Life Span Center, formerly the local senior center in Charleston. He also volunteers for different RSVP activities and is active in the choir at his church. When life affords him some relaxation time, he is a big-time Chicago Cubs fan. Being a Cub fan myself, I know that that can be a sometimes exhaustive endeavor, but I think I can understand his devotion to them.

At least three individuals wrote separate letters of nominations for the Jefferson Award to be awarded to Bud. One stated that "Bud does all these things quietly, with modesty and an unselfish sense of helping others. He has great respect and empathy for those who are not as strong and independent as they once were." Another person wrote of Bud that "What Bud does is under the radar-done silently and anonymously. Bud does these things not to be verbally 'rewarded'-but because there is a need to have something done." The third nomination letter wrote that "Although he retired from the university, he has never retired from his dedication to helping others." It says a lot about the stature of an individual to be independently honored in such a manner. Why do people give back with such a passion? Bud thinks he might know, at least in his case. It stems from "the family tragedy that instilled in Sanders a spirit of giving back." Since the episode occurred decades ago, Bud confided that "You didn't have all the agencies you do now. So family and friends helped my family through that experience." Remembering the kindness of others to his family, led him on a journey that set his life's path, he says. For him and his family, it was a life-changing event that ingrained in him the spirit of helping others, while knowing that he may never be able to repay the kindnesses afforded his own family.

Congratulations Bud, on your nomination. The leadership from your past continues to reflect on the many and varied volunteer efforts that you maintain in the present.

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Brothers Eternal

The Phi Sigma Epsilon Alumni Association is once again saddened to report to you the death of a number of Brothers of the Heart from over the years. Let us however, take solace in the fact that we are better for having known them.

No notice received of any obituaries since the last Newsletter.

PSE Tidbits

The PSE Archives continues to expand its collection of Phi Sig memorabilia, as Brothers continue to sift through the assorted memories that have been saved for forty or fifty years. At the PSE Board meeting here on April 1, 2012, Dave Carrell presented to us, his old 1970 Valentine Ball mini-paddle that had been given as a favor to those in attendance at the dance. Additionally, Marv Randolph ("Steer") decided to part with some items from his days as a pledge and some old football team pictures from the days in the '70's when he was the Phi Sig intramural football coach. The pledge items included his original signed pledge t-shirt with many interesting nicknames on it and a signed pair of women's panties. Dave Carrell commented recently that his daughter Rebecca, upon seeing some signed panties on a visit to the Archives Room, noted that there would only be enough room on the current girl's lingerie for about three signatures. Thank you for those donations, as opposed to throwing them away. My wife Sharon, had her own reunion of sorts here last Fall. Fourteen Andrews Hall "roomies" from the same floor, came from all over the country for a weekend of imbibery and debauchery (actually just having fun). While enjoying all the collected memorabilia in the Phi Sig Archives, one girl (Barb Ferrari) decided to check out the assorted women's panties displayed randomly. To her amazement, she found her signature on a pair that had been donated by Bob Brendel. You just never know where those signatures and nicknames will show up again.

An old face from the past, Tony Dunn, showed up last week for a weekend of visiting old friends and seeing all the changes that have taken place in Charleston and at Eastern. I had always thought that Tony was still out in Oklahoma, but he says that he has been living in Benld, IL, since 1984. He still does some work in steel sales

and helps out on the family farm, although he is on a partial disability. When I first heard from him a month or so ago, he had also been trying to get hold of Boone and also wanted to see Bob "Bull" Durham and Gene "Wop" Vidoni in Casey, reliving his old teaching days there with Bob and Gene. He got all of those bases covered; Tony, Boone & I had lunch on Friday at the University Union, checked out the Phi Sig engraved paver block at the EIU Commemorative Courtyard, toured the EIU campus and Charleston and went to the Moose Club for Friday night steak. On Saturday he & Boone visited Bob and Gene in Casey, we stopped in to visit with "Steer" and wife Kathy (Katrina) at their home, watched the Kentucky Derby at Chink's while enjoying one of their famous sandwiches and later went to Roc's to take in the atmosphere there. Don't get no better than that! Great to see you again, Tony. Don't be a stranger for so long from here on out.



L to R - Gene Vidoni, Bob "Bull" Durham & Tony Dunn



L to R - Tony Dunn, Gary Brinkmeyer, Marv Randolph & Boone Chaney

The annual PSE Spring Golf Outing will be held on Saturday, May 19, 2012, at the Railside Golf Course in Gibson City, IL. Gene & Sue Everett will be the official hosts for this event, with help from Dick Swing and wife Barb. If you say that this is the first notice you have seen for it, you haven't looked on the Phi Sig website (www.phisigdelta.com) for the last 6 weeks or so-it has been posted there. Anyway, you can probably still be able to get in-just contact Carrot at (217) 784-8512. Gene & Sue will serve a breakfast on Saturday morning from 8 AM - 10 AM at their home and I can guarantee you an excellent spread to get you going. They will also be having food and beverages at their house again that evening after the golf outing. Contact him if you need directions. Tee times are set to begin at 11 AM and are blocked consecutively until Noon. You will play a best-ball scramble and draw for your partners. Prizes will be awarded and there is something for everyone. The cost is \$40 per person. At least 18 are registered at this point. It is always a great time. See you there!

This year, on Sept. 21-23, 2012, the Phi Sigma Epsilon Camp-In will celebrate its 40th Anniversary. The Camp-In will be located where it has been for the last number of years, that is, the Whitetail Crossing Cabins Village outside of Shelbyville, IL. We have the same number of buildings and rooms reserved as we have had in the past, therefore 13 separate bedrooms on a first-come, first-served basis. We may be able to rent an adjacent building if we have a larger group than normal (We hope so!). Because this is a special-time anniversary, we have some special amenities planned to highlight this time together. Anybody that has ever been to one of these Camp-Ins (formerly Camp-Outs) can attest to the fact that we do know how to have a good time. As you may well remember from past years, the PSE Camp-In started out as an attempt at a get-together for members of the Winter '67 PSE Pledge Class on the bluffs of Lake Michigan, near South Haven, MI. Because there was not a great initial turnout expected, it was opened up to additional Phi Sigs and now there is literally representation from many ages and time periods. Hey, we're all equal, Right? The first group of Phi Sig campers was Charlie Henry, Jim Porter, Ken Gazda (those 3 are PB's), along with Dave Carrell, Gene Everett and me, Gary Brinkmeyer, along with our respective spouses at the time. On Saturday morning, there is typically a golf outing for those who choose to play 9 or 18 holes at a reasonable price. It is at the old Eagle Creek course, now called "The National", and it will get you primed for the evening meal. The highlight of our time together is the Saturday evening Fish-Fry with all the assorted "goodies" that go with that -- sweet corn-on-the-cob, garden tomatoes and cucumbers, fresh-made cole slaw, assorted melons and fruits, a myriad of desserts and more of Gene Everett's fresh fish filets. Most of us now in attendance bring along all the pictures of our grandkids (and kids too!), as well as pictures of the past camping adventures and all our different travel adventures outside of this group or in travels together. So come on down to East-Central Illinois and enjoy a great weekend of fun and frivolity and help us celebrate 40 years of good times together.

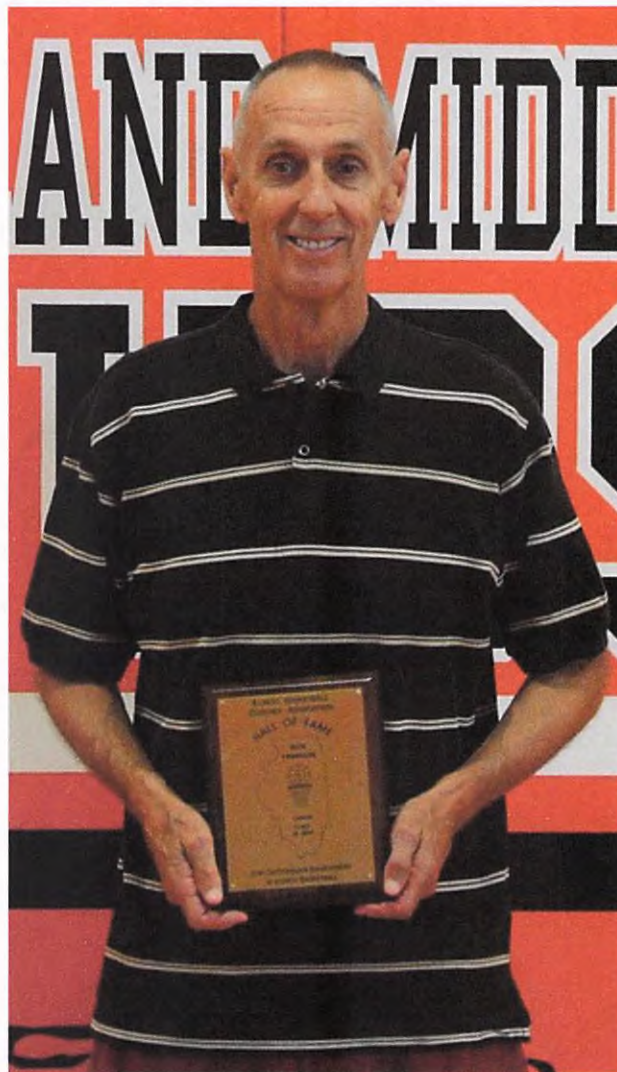
Rick Franklin - Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame Inductee

On April 30, 2011, at the Hall of Fame induction ceremony in the ISU Bone Student Center in Normal, IL, Rick Franklin was inducted into the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame. Within the same group of honorees that day was Monte Nohren of Stewardson-Strasburg High School, whom I wrote about in the Spring 2011 PSE Newsletter. Rick was probably not aware of Monte being a Phi Sig from Eastern and visa versa, and I was not aware of Rick being part of that induction ceremony until just recently. Rick was honored for his coaching prowess over a 43-year career at East Richland Middle School in Olney, IL, having compiled a 552-417 record during his time there. He still intends to spend a few more years there coaching before finally retiring. He joins his real brother Larry (Nashville Middle School), as the second member of his family to be inducted into the I.B.C.A. Hall of Fame.

Rick graduated from E.I.U. in 1968, after pitching his way through college for three years on the EIU Baseball team. Upon graduation at age 22, he took a job and began coaching at a small Elkhart High School in Central Illinois, followed by a one-year teacher-coach position in Windsor, IL. In 1971, he returned home to Olney, IL, to coach boys basketball and teach P.E. at the old Olney Jr. High School. After East Richland Middle School opened in 1976, Rick moved to that building and has been there ever since. He presently serves as a physical education teacher and athletic director, as well as coaching boys basketball, cross country and track-and-field. That is a busy schedule!

When it comes to favorite memories of his time at ERMS, he will tell you that in 2006 his Olney team placed second in the SIJHSAA Class L State Tournament, a team that featured a future high school all-state player. That player, Brandon Berry, helped guide the Olney Tigers to a 2008 Class 2A Final Four appearance against the likes of perennial power Peoria Manual and Pinckneyville, and return home with a third-place finish. Aside from that "Franklin can often be found in his chair-back seat at Ron Herrin Gym rooting on the Tigers or at the Dungeon watching the Olney Central College Blue Knights in action." He adds that he has been around athletics his whole life, and that being a competitive person, coaching has kept him physically and mentally in shape.

Congratulations Rick, on a long and successful career!



Rick Franklin with his Hall of Fame Award

Twenty-Second Annual Student Awards

As you may well know by now, the Phi Sigma Epsilon Alumni Assn. has embarked on an annual Student Awards program to financially assist identified children of former Phi Sigs (P.S.E., that is), Delta Chapter at Eastern Illinois University. The Alumni Assn. has been able to award grants totaling more than \$49,000 over the past 21 years.

With the online receipt of this Newsletter, eligibility is open to you to submit to the PSE Alumni Assn., the names of children who will be attending EIU in Fall 2012 or those already in school as full-time undergraduates.

The cutoff date for submission of the Student Award Information questionnaire form in this Newsletter is July 15, 2012. Upon receipt and verification of children attending or about to attend EIU, notification will be forwarded to you regarding the Student Award. These awards will be presented on Sunday, August 19, 2012, in Charleston. Only one monetary award will be granted per family. This monetary grant is free of all payback and has no provisions as to how it must be used. Additionally, it is restricted by age to those 25 or younger and the PSE Board also reserves the right to make discretionary exceptions to the above-noted guidelines on a case-by-case basis.

Further inquiry may be addressed to the attention of the PSE Alumni Assn., P.O. Box 931, Charleston, IL 61920 or you may email me at the email address noted on the front page of the Newsletter between the crests.

STUDENT AWARDS INFORMATION

Alumnus	Name _____
Info.	Address _____
	City _____ State _____ Zip _____
	Telephone () _____ Email _____
	EIU Graduation _____ Years Attended EIU – 19__ to 19__
	Pledge Class Year _____ Active Member – 19__ to 19__
Student	Name _____
Info.	Address _____
	City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone () _____ EIU I.D. Number

Projected EIU Start Date (Semester) _____

Projected EIU Graduation _____

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