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PSE Student Award Application Time is Here Again

It is hard to believe that we are approaching the quarter-century anniversary of the inception of the Phi Sigma Epsilon Student Awards program (1991-2015) next year. However, we will celebrate that time more officially when we are into the next year.

With the issuance of this Spring 2014 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, 2014.

SAVE THE DATE: June 12-14, 2015 - PSE Alumni Assn. Reunion

With this official notification, the word is out and the countdown clock has started for the celebration of the **Phi Sigma Epsilon Alumni Assn.'s 85th Anniversary Reunion**. It will be held here in Charleston, IL again, on the Fri-Sun time period and on the dates of June 12-14, 2015.

As it has been in the past, the site for next year's convocation and celebration will be the same physical structures, but the name has changed from the previous Worthington Inn and Conference Center namesake, to the newly renamed Unique Suites Hotel (or the U-Hotel) on the west side of the City. We should inform you that the PSE Board four years ago, after the PSE Reunion of 2010, summarily agreed that we would NEVER have another Reunion in the facilities that existed at that time. Not only did we have issues within many of the individual rooms, but we also had a major plumbing issue adjacent to the banquet rooms that we were occupying for our banquet and program.

Within the last 2-3 years, a local businessman bought the entire hotel complex and set about refurbishing everything, to bring it up to the standards that people expect when they are frequenting the rooms or celebrating events. That started with the excavation of the old sewer system and upgrading it qualitatively to meet new capacity and code requirements. That should not be a problem now for many years to come. The interior of the main building and all the associated rooms (banquet rooms, new restaurant, new modern-look bar, lounge area adjacent to bar and major kitchen upgrade) have all taken on the appearances of up-to-date architectural improvements, as you can see from a few enclosed pictures with this article.

Also upgraded, were most of the hotel rooms, with some of them becoming enlarged suites. To date, approximately 62 of the total 77 rooms have been upgraded with new pillow top beds, furnishings, carpeting, plumbing and



Headquarters and Entrance foyer at our hotel for the 85th PSE Reunion-June 12-14, 2015

fixtures, new paint schemes and HVAC (heat/air cond.) improvements. Some of the other 15 rooms may see some upgrades before our event, but a number of them will retain

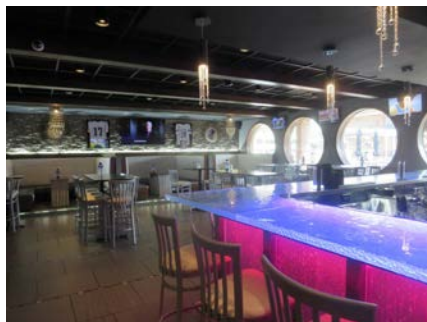


Interior of "Brickhouse" restaurant

for next year, suffice to say that we have been assured that we will qualify for a group discount price for all attendees staying at the U-Hotel. With the room rental, you are also assured of a quality breakfast each morning, in the new restaurant which is called "Brickhouse". It will consist of your choices of ham/scrambled eggs, biscuits/gravy, DIY waffles, English Muffins, homemade cinnamon rolls, oatmeal packets, fruit, yogurt, coffee, tea & juices.

The new bar (now called "Brickhouse Bar") is now reminiscent of a trendy bar that you would see in a large metropolitan downtown area (Chicago comes to mind). There was a brief picture of a seating area within it in the last Newsletter (PSE Tidbits) and there

are a couple of pictures within this article. The multi-colored bar surface changes colors periodically and research has probably shown that that will entice the patrons to wet their whistle a little more frequently. In any case, it is attractive, the new seating around the U-shaped bar is comfortable and there is seating at both scattered high tables and in lounge booths, the total capacity being about 85 people. Adjacent to the large bar area is an outdoor lounge and seating area, that can serve as an overflow for the bar or just as a choice to sit outside while dining. There are high tables and chairs with umbrellas, as well as sofa-type outdoor



Interior of "Brickhouse" bar

their current accutriments, because many companies paying for per diem expenses would prefer to pay a less expensive room rate for their traveling technicians. At this

time, I cannot give you a firm room rate



Roc's Bar-site of the Friday night Phi Sig get-together

furnishings surrounding a central elevated firepit (no, not like the kegger fires) that will accommodate about 45 patrons. In addition, all meals that are served in the

"Brickhouse" restaurant can be served both in the enclosed bar area and the adjacent outdoor lounge area. It really is a very nice addition to the hotel facility. The restaurant itself, has undergone a major transformation, beginning with the total kitchen upgrade and completed by the attractive and stylish layout of the tables and chairs (and some booths), highlighted by the new lighting above and the tile and stamped concrete flooring below.

Having said all that though, we have decided to break with past tradition for the Friday night get-together and soiree. We could have had it at the above-described bar, but we were not guaranteed any private accommodations, as the bar and lounge had to be open to the general public as well. For the last three Reunions (2000, 2005 & 2010), we have rented and utilized the private backroom at Panther Paw (previously called Stix), and for the most part that

had worked out well. However, since the last Reunion, the entrance door to the entire establishment has been moved to the previously private room and gambling machines (now legal in Illinois) line the entire west wall of the room. In addition, a substantial new bar has been built in a corner and the once-private room can no longer be rented for private parties, so we would have to compete with both a gambling and drinking populace all evening. Where does that leave us, you ask! Well, we are hopeful that you will like our new choice for the Friday night gathering. It will take place on Friday, Sept. 12th in the upstairs private party rental area at Roc's (now called "Top of the Roc"), just off the square uptown. I shouldn't have to say any more about it's location-we have all been there, I'm sure. We can start gathering at 6 PM and we will have the place to ourselves, complete with our own bar and bartender upstairs. There is plenty of room and seating, although we will finalize all those details before the event. Now, the only drawback we concerned ourselves with, is the stairway entrance from Roc's



Bar inside of "Brickhouse" bar

interior to the upper floor. There is no elevator and we discussed the ramifications of that stairway, both ascending and descending, and decided to go forward with it, because there



Outside lounge area adjacent to "Brickhouse"

are so many good memories associated with our time in school and partaking in the Roc's experience. There is a landing halfway up the stairs, where you can take a break if

necessary. Jim Luthé (PSE Board

Pres.), Boone Chaney and I inspected the facilities and felt like it was a good fit for our needs. Additionally, we can utilize the entire downstairs as much as we want (amongst the other patrons of course) and partake in the restaurant fare in the booth seating area adjacent to the long Roc's bar or in the rear booth and table seating area. And of course, you can leave the facility entirely and go get some fast food, Pagliai's pizza or a nicer sit-down meal at another restaurant. The PSE Board is in discussion as to whether we will provide any hors d'oeuvres or appetizers-too soon for that call.

The PSE Reunion Banquet and Program will take place again at the U-Hotel, in the same rooms that we have utilized in the past, although they too have been upgraded as part of the overall hotel improvement. At this time, we have not settled on anything to do with the evening meal. A more thorough hashing of that need will be discussed in the Fall 2014 Newsletter and the Spring 2015 Newsletter. Some preliminary bantering has ensued regarding the program for the evening, but again, more information will be forthcoming in these next Newsletters. Prices have not yet been established for the meals, because we need to put our heads together for final planning-again, next Newsletters.

So, save the date as soon as you see this, and plan on coming back to associate and/or commiserate with your old brothers, friends, roomies, whatever! The grains of sand are pouring through the hourglass of time at an increasing rate. None of us are promised any guarantees of longevity and I think it would be a heartfelt shame to once again miss out because your expectations are that you may not have a good time or that you will not know anybody. The memories of past years will come flooding back in fond remembrances (for the most part anyway) and hey, you may add a few years to your life. Sounds like a pretty good trade-off to me. We would love to see you all.

PSE Tidbits

The Phi Sigma Epsilon Annual Golf outing that was scheduled for the 17th of May at the Railside Golf Club in Gibson City, IL was a no-go for that day. The incessant rains in central Illinois for most of the week prior to the scheduled outing (more than 5 inches in the previous three days) left the course in a pretty much flooded state. A 4 PM circuit on the golf cart pathways pretty much confirmed what had been suspected-it would have been a muddy mess to have attempted to play Saturday morning, plus the temperature was expected to be in the 40's, with a cold wind coming in too. Because Jim Luthé, Boone Chaney and I had planned to stay overnight at Gene & Sue Everett's home on the evenings of the 16th & 17th, we helped Gene get the word out to all the signed up golfers (16 total), so they wouldn't drive considerable distance to find the event cancelled. With that completed, we settled into an evening meal of fresh fish and attendant extra food and dessert. Don't get no better than that! Thank you Gene & Sue for your hospitality. The new date for the golf outing at the Railside in Gibson City, IL is 10 AM (tee-off) on May 31, 2014.

I'm going to exercise my editorial liberty to toot my own horn for a little bit here (no, there are no more new grandchildren). This whole tale started almost two years ago, when I went over to EIU to request a copy of the 2012 Warbler yearbook. They are

normally given out free upon request, but were short that year for some reason. In talking to the editor of the yearbook and explaining that I collected them from over the years, he was able to find me a copy and he learned that I also collect beer advertising (collectively called breweriana). He was intrigued by that and thought it would make an interesting story in the following year's Warbler. To make a long story short, they surprisingly did contact me, did a photo shoot and interview of me and my collection, and it did appear in the 2013 Warbler. Following that, the local WEIU TV public television station in Charleston also contacted me and wanted to do a segment for a weekly show that is called "Heartland Highways". It is about local area people and their varied interests, hobbies, collections, avocations and the like. Again, long story short, they came over and filmed my collections during one session and then came over at another time and did interviews with a friend of mine in the basement collection room of my house. I have since seen the finished film production on the TV program (May 2nd) and it is also now on youtube for anybody to view once you call up the link to that story. The link to view it is: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gVXVEGdOWw8&feature=youtu.be>. And to think, this all started in Room #7 of the Phi Sig House.

The annual Homecoming Day at EIU, with the associated festivities for that whole weekend, will take place on the weekend of October 24-26, 2014, here in Charleston, IL. Given the crazy weather year we have already had so far this year, I hope there is no snow on the ground or in the air for the game against Tennessee State University, slated to begin at 1 PM.

The other big weekend for Eastern Illinois University that takes place on the weekend of September 19-21, 2014, is the assemblage of parents coming into the City to visit their sons or daughters for Family Weekend, previously called Parents Weekend. There are usually many scheduled activities to accommodate both student and parent.

Although a Saturday evening Banquet program hasn't been

officially devised yet, we are looking at a couple of different options. One of those options is a takeoff or continuation of the program from the Reunion of four years ago (2010), which was a continuous electronic loop of pictures of various subjects from differing time periods. The feedback that we received from that Reunion indicated that everyone really enjoyed looking back at all the old pictures and dredging back the associated memories from those pictures. Therefore, we would like to extend to you an invitation to send to the PSE Alumni Assn. any old pictures from any time period that reflected fraternity life and the Brothers that participated in those times. You can email them to me or tell me about them in the email address listed on the front of the Newsletter. We will continue to keep you apprised of plans for the PSE Reunion in 2015, even if we don't continue down that path for the program.

The Endgame Dilemma

You have probably seen several mentions of an endgame dilemma that the Phi Sigma Epsilon Alumni Assn. has been struggling with for some time. What is this all about, you ask? Well, to give you the short answer, it is the decision that has to be made by the PSE Alumni Assn. Board of Directors, about the near-term planning for the governance of giving or spending the money that we control in the PSE Alumni Assn. coffers.

It has been some time since there was any discussion as to how this money came to be in the first place, so I will update all of this information for you. At this time and given this medium of openness of private information on the internet though, I will **NOT** divulge factual numbers in this article, except in a roundabout way. This is nobody's business but the PSE Alumni Assn.'s, and there are too many miscreants out there seeking an opportunity to mischievously separate our funds from our control. Having said that however, let me assure you that we will provide current and correct information to any PSE Alumni (EIU-upon verification) that verbally or by email requests it from me or other Board members.

The PSE Alumni Assn., as a corporate entity within the state of Illinois, was actually started in Mattoon in 1950, by a group of PSE alumni that was headed up by H. Nolan Sims, a successful businessman in the area and Phi Sig graduate of EIU (actually EISTC) in 1930. They envisioned the need to accrue future funding, particularly for the purchase of a new fraternity house, since they had outgrown the old two-story House located at 1431 Ninth St., where they had resided since 1938. Because the fraternity membership would be direly pressed to provide the funds necessary to a bank or savings institution, without some guarantee of stability or solvency, the PSE Alumni Assn. would provide that security. Within that financial stability, a framework

was devised that would essentially relegate the PSE Alumni Assn. as the guarantor and owner of a future mortgage and the active chapter as the paymaster for those monthly mortgage payments. In 1954, that vision would come to fruition, when selected notorieties, including PSE House President Bud Sanders, ceremoniously turned the first spades of earth for construction of the new Phi Sigma Epsilon fraternity house at 1509 Second Street. Occupancy for the new House began in the Fall of 1955. Fast forward to 1970-the PSE fraternity celebrated the ceremonial burning of the mortgage during the Spring Formal. The PSE Alumni Assn. now owned the PSE fraternity house and made considerable improvements to it over the years, again with the cooperation and/or direct participation of the active chapter.

Fast forward again to the early 80's. Phi Sigma Kappa (another national fraternity) sought to have National PSE merge with them-after a close vote, it actually took place at a National Conclave in 1985. Phi Sigma Epsilon was no more at EIU, now being called Phi Sigma Kappa, but a strong PSE Alumni Assn. still existed and owned the House. A big party incident at the House in 1986 (we all know the details) resulted in the loss of the charter through EIU for Phi Sigma Kappa. We, the PSE Alumni Assn., chose to not continue renting the House that we owned to students and made gestures regarding the sale of the House and lot, upon which it stood. We ascertained the value of the lot and House at that time and were offered that value by an investment group from Champaign, IL. In March of 1987, I watched and took pictures as the Phi Sig House at 1509 Second St. was razed to the ground and subsequently replaced by a four-story apartment complex that sits there to this day.

Upon receipt of the proceeds of the sale of the House, outstanding

bills were paid off, including a fairly recent upgrade, that included a new Alumni Room in the old Officers Room (double-wide entrance through living room cinder block wall) on the first floor, a new kitchen in the Housemother's old room, new flooring, new windows and more that I don't recall. We also had to pay the telephone company for the second story hallway pay phone that was vandalized (lot of memories there). When the dust settled, we were still in possession of a fair amount of change and that was promptly invested, as it still is today. The biggest drawdown in funds from our investments has been the oft-mentioned PSE Student Awards that was started in 1991, and even though we have awarded a considerable amount of money(see article), we are substantially solvent. However, the day is rapidly approaching when we will not have that avenue of giving, as we are going to run out of students (children of EIU Phi Sigs) sooner than later. We are not expanding this giving to

grandchildren of Phi Sigs either, although the inquiry has been broached several times over the years.

So now, what do we do with that money as we continue to age. It would only take the loss of a few key PSE Board members to potentially affect the investments we have in place. In the past year, PSE Board member Wally Kos has worked hard on a "Mission Statement" for the PSE Board, which elucidates a variety of proposed worthy projects that would incorporate the expenditure of varying amounts of our investment money to promote the good name of Phi Sigma Epsilon. So now, when we talk about or you hear or read about an endgame for our investments, what we are really saying is, how are we going to get the most bang for our buck, when it comes to posturing our good name in perpetuity in Charleston or within the confines of EIU.

Loss of a Brother Leaves a Legacy of Memories and Tributes

I was in the Ozarks, winding down from the July 4th week of activities with my oldest son and family, when I received word about the passing of Marvin "Steer" Randolph on July 9, 2013. It almost took my breath away-I was dumbfounded, because I didn't even know that he had been struggling mightily the last two weeks before the end. Marvin and I both lived in Charleston, and had ever since we both left EIU and found careers in the City, his being back at EIU. Like so many of us, our work and family lives take over much of our private lives and we begin to lose touch with friends from our past years. So it was with Marvin, but we did manage to see each other a half-dozen times a year in varying environments.

When I returned home on Friday, I found several urgent messages from Marvin's beloved wife Kathy (I always called her Katrina), informing me of his passing and providing details about his funeral, for which she was hoping I (we-PSE) could be a part of. After reaching out to her, I made some phone calls to Phi Sigs to inform them and made arrangements to attend the funeral on Saturday, July 13, 2013, in Oblong, IL, his hometown. Upon arriving there, Boone Chaney and I were greeted by four other Phi Sigs, Jim Luthe, Steve Houghton, Steve Woodland and Keith Gotthardt (and his wife, Kathy). After Katrina came out from a private family service, she was so grateful that we were all there for Marvin. After returning from the cemetery, we Phi Sigs decided that we needed to toast the memory of "Steer" one last time. Steve Woodland (who lives in Oblong) directed us to a local establishment and we did exactly that, as well as dredging up as many old stories about "Steer" as we could remember. It was a fitting tribute to his memory, but it also planted the seeds in my mind about doing a story about our departed Brother.

As I have told many people over the years, Marvin was one of

only a handful of Brothers for whom I have always received inquiries. Many Phi Sigs, whether over the phone or in person, wanted to know about him, how he was, what is he doing, where he lives, etc. More than a few times, I have sent guys over to his home to see him and they were certainly thrilled to have some time together again. It is in this context, that I provide to you the legacy of memories and tributes of Marvin Randolph, that were provided by a number of his Brothers and Friends.

I reached out to a number of Phi Sig Brothers for anecdotal stories about "Steer" and for stories about him as a legendary IM football coach (and as I also learned, IM volleyball coach). My thanks go out to the following Brothers for their contributions to this story: Tim Mash, Bill "Robo" Robinson, Steve "Darnell" Houghton, Jeff Moore and Jerry Gotthardt.

Tim Mash was certainly one of Marvin's contemporaries when it came to football. They were both members of the EIU Football team in the early-mid 60's, Marvin as a lineman and Tim as a defensive safety. Tim remembers the story of both of them being members of the EIU freshmen football team in 1963 when they played an away game at Western Illinois University in Macomb, IL. They (EIU) fed the team on the way out to Western, but upon completion of the game, showering and traveling back to EIU, they had had nothing to eat before getting back to Douglas Hall. Tim said that he and Marvin immediately ordered the largest pizza they had, and because freshmen could not have cars, they awaited delivery. When it finally arrived, they both grabbed a piece and Tim went to a vending machine for a soda. Upon his return, the rest of the pizza was GONE!!-I'd like to have been a fly on the wall then. From that point on, Tim laughingly stated that each time they ordered pizza, they would split it up before anybody took the

first piece. It was probably a good thing that Tim didn't try chasing after Marvin after that pizza incident or any other time. His email to me tells about being chased by "Steer" or "The Big Man". Although "Steer" was a pretty good size man, Tim says he was very, very QUICK. He remembered being chased by him in the PSE House, barely keeping ahead of him, through quick turns in the kitchen, TV room and the front room. He finally had to bail out the front door and run down Second St., where his speed finally overcame "Steer's" quickness. With his size and speed attributes going for him, Tim always wondered whether he could have or wanted to play at the next level of football. Indeed, I recall having heard stories about a few pro teams



EIU Intramural Champions-Fall 1975

expressing a conditional interest in him, as have other Phi Sigs I have talked to.

After Marvin and Kathy got married, they lived in an apartment above Mother's, a bar next

to Chink & Kate's and around the corner from Roc's. According to Jerry Gotthardt, who roomed with Marvin for a time, his marriage was the beginning of a very happy and fulfilling time in his life. "Steer" was already the PSE football coach and as do all good coaches, was watching out for his guys. Jeff Moore relayed to me that sometime during his playing days as quarterback in 1974-76, while he and a group of Phi Sigs were "socializing" at Mother's, a fight broke out. When "Steer" heard that Jeff was involved in it, he came bounding down the stairs "in no time, ready to help". Fortunately, cooler heads had prevailed and the fight broke up before too much had gone on. Unfortunately, Jeff had bloodied up his throwing hand, and with the concern of a distressed father, "Steer" was checking out his hand to make sure he was able to throw for the next game. After proclaiming that Jeff was fine, he probably went back to the apartment. Marvin was not much for spending a lot of time partying and/or drinking, although as a football coach, one of his traditions upon winning a championship required everyone on the team to do a shot of Wild Turkey. Instead of Champagne, that was the team's celebratory drink.

It should be noted here, that not only was "Steer" a great coach, but also a bestower of lifelong name changes. Case in point: in the mid-70's, a tall, lanky PSE pledge was anxious to play on the Phi Sig football team. Sporting a rather unique blonde afro hairstyle that was similarly reminiscent to that worn by NBA Pacer player, Darnell Hillman, "Steer" promptly nicknamed Steve Houghton, "Darnell", and the name stuck.

"Darnell" states that given some of the other nicknames at the House, he was happy to have that one. So prevalent was the use of his new moniker, that a girlfriend even introduced him to her parents as Steve Darnell, until she was embarrassingly corrected. Steve states in his email to me that even though the real Darnell was a 6'9" black athlete with a big afro, it made little difference to "Steer". As Steve succinctly notes "I was now Darnell. If Steer gave you a nickname, it was almost like being knighted-you gratefully accepted the honor without question".

All of his former IM football players give "Steer" a lot of credit for molding their lives into the person that they are today. They all talk about the discipline that was instilled in them if they wanted to be winners. To quote Bill Robinson, "In many ways, Steer was some of the only real discipline many of the brothers had while on campus, he forced us to do things that made us better people and allowed us to be champions in many sports. I for one am one PHI SIG that Steer helped make a better person!" That discipline started by always scheduling a practice on Friday afternoons, when they would rather be at the four o'clock club goings-on. Besides the daily practices, there was the practice that started weeks before the season started and the mantra that if you desire success, you have to work harder than anyone else. "Steer" also believed that discipline extended to making sure that there was no cheap-talk going on, since many other teams were flapping their gums about how good they were. One of his remedies was the Flag-Football Ratings, a weekly rankings posting that invariably ranked the Phi Sigs in the #20 basement position, while their hated nemesis was ranked #1 and a fictitious grouping of other made up teams were ranked higher than PSE. These might include the likes of Thomas Hall Custodial Staff, The Pink Panthers or the Glee Club and were purely contrived to get the IM Football juices flowing. By the end of the football season however, Marvin's Phi Sigs would eventually work their way up, most often as University Champions.

Included with the kind words about Marvin were some actual stories about some of the plays and trickery that defined "Steer" as an "offensive wizard", but as "Robo" would go on to say, "In reality Steer was both a defensive wizard, and offensive wizard, as our defenses rarely allowed a score, especially in the playoffs". These "Steer" stories include his infamous tackle eligible play made famous by Tom "Smokey" Huber, who invariably scored 5-6 times per year, even though he was hardly inconspicuous on the line and "lit up like a lighthouse in the fog" when the play was called. Another "Robo"-told "Steer" story had running back "Robo" faking a knee injury right in front of the PIKES bench during warmups for the 1974 University championships. "Steer" concocted a planned play that would use that ruse to get an unknown Tony Huber going up the middle unnoticed to receive a pass from Jeff Moore rather than the faked pass to Gary Kling. "The game started, Steer ran the

play exactly like Steer drew it up. Another example of the legend of Steer". "Robo" returned to the game on the next play, much to the PIKES surprise and PSE went on to win the championship.

"Darnell" talks about still having his mimeographed playbook that "Steer" made for everybody during those football years and can still recall a few plays from memory (wide-slot right, reverse pass X), which was a winning play. I think "Darnell" speaks most eloquently for all of "Marvin's" players when he says "Part of who I am as a person and what I've become as a coach and teacher, was in some way shaped by playing for Marvin. Even though he is gone - a little bit of him lives on in all of us who played for and knew him".

Although he loved coaching, Marvin was not a one-dimensional man. He had other varied interests and exercised them regularly. When he was still in school and rooming with Jerry Gotthardt, they really enjoyed going camping together in southern Illinois. After moving from the apartment above Mother's, he & Kathy bought a modest little house in town, with a fairly large fenced-in backyard. He took a real interest in yard work, flowers and birds and what he could see in his backyard. He and Kathy loved to travel, eventually seeing most of the states in the United States and most of the Canadian provinces, much of that while driving his truck fitted with a large truck-bed camper and later his bigger truck hauling a fifth-wheel trailer behind him. He visited friends in Michigan every year and for many winters, he spent increasing amounts of time in the Orlando area, near Disney World. When Marvin and I would run into each other in the store or elsewhere here in Charleston, we would visit for 10-15 minutes. He would ask about different people and I would catch him up as much as I could, we'd discuss travel plans, some financial odds & ends (I was amazed at how much he was money and investment savvy) and since he was a PSE Board member, I kept him informed about Phi Sig goings-on and invited to PSE Board meetings.

Unfortunately, in his later years, the ravages of diabetes began to have some effects on him, with Marvin eventually losing a lower leg, but gaining a customized Chicago Bears prosthetic leg that he was very proud of. And instead of feeling sorry for himself, he turned those proverbial lemons into lemonade and worked hard to achieve the ability to get around on that prosthetic just as well as on the other good leg. After all, he needed that confidence to root on his Chicago Bears (da Bears!), thank you. In many ways, Marvin exhibited all the traits and strengths that he imposed on his Phi Sig athletes and we should take solace in that fact, for it served him well in his waning days.

Rest in peace, Brother!!

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.

Nicholas Balodimas
David D. Cohrs
Carroll W. Dukes

Rex F. Hunter
Russell M. Pierson
Bernard L. Waren

Twenty-Fourth 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 over \$50,000 during the past 23 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 2014 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, 2014. 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 24, 2014, in Charleston. Only one monetary award will be granted per family per year. 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 201, Charleston, IL 61920, or you may email me at the email address noted on the front page of the Newsletter, between the crests.

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