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Phi Sigs - Delta Chapter - The Third House

After living 5 years at the original Sixth St. House and then about 2 years at the second House on Seventh St., Phi Sigma Epsilon was notified during the first week of May 1937 that their Seventh St. residence had been sold from under them. This action precipitated a frantic search to secure another House prior to the beginning of the Fall 1937 school session. Due mainly to the efforts of Ben Edman, then PSE President, and Jim Rice, then quartermaster, Phi Sigma Epsilon negotiated a one-year lease for a larger house, owned by Miss Elsie Stiff, at 1422 Fourth St. According to a June 22, 1937 Teachers College News article "The new house will accommodate six more than were able to room at the old one and has the added advantage of greater proximity to the campus. Mr. Rice hopes to put twenty men in the seven large bedrooms. Last spring, twenty Phi Sig members signified their desire to stay at the new house." Also from the same article "It is planned that the roomy basement of the building be converted into a recreation room with a pool table. There is a large hall adaptable to house parties." A later article from the Sept. 21, 1937 Teachers College News indicates that the pool table did indeed find a spot in the large basement and that "ample dining facilities make it an ideal fraternity house." It goes on to state that "The dining service started yesterday morning, using the same cooperative plan employed before. Marvin Upton and Emmett Shipley are head cooks." Finally, in a look to the future, the article says that "According to Jim Rice, plans are being laid to buy some new furniture and



equipment through credit extended by Charleston merchants." Very little else is known about this House, except that the Phi Sigs did acquire their new furniture in December 1937, just prior to the annual Phi Sig Christmas Party.

The house at 1422 Fourth St. no longer stands. In its place is a local Bar/Restaurant called Stix. A search through the county courthouse records did not turn up a picture of the house, but a

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PHI SIGMA EPSILON-South Reunion

Hey Brothers! Are you looking for a great evening of fun, comradery and living in the past? If so, plan to attend the 3rd Annual PSE-South Reunion on Saturday, Nov. 5th, 1994. In an attempt to move this reunion around a little bit in the St. Louis area, it will be held this year in Granite City, IL., at Eddie's Lounge, which has a private upstairs for our use. Don't know the address, phone number or directions to it, but you can call Larry Carli at (314) 355-3097 for that information. Plan on attending and have a great time- just ask Joe Arro, Loren Hunsaker, Bob Durham, Bob Hilligoss, Randy Richardson, Tom Homma or any of the total 28 Brothers that attended (See article in Spring '94 Newsletter). There were also a number of wives present, who seemed to be having a good time too-probably looking and laughing at us Brothers and not completely understanding the old stories and remembrances we share. Let Larry Carli and Jim "Sac" Davis know again this year that you appreciate their efforts in keeping this reunion going. The PSE Alumni Assn. does.

REUNION 1995

In the Spring '94 newsletter, the possibility of an all PSE 65th Alumni Reunion was introduced for you to ponder. Since we have received very little response to it, we assume that you are positively in favor of it or something similar. The PSE Alumni Assn. has been talking to EIU about it, but we don't have enough details presently to offer anything final.

As soon as we can put together a package, we will discuss it and then send a special mailing if necessary, to advise you of the reunion and seek your input.

NEWSLETTERS AVAILABLE

This issue of the P.S.E. Alumni Association Newsletter represents the eighth issue since the Spring 1991 initial newsletter. The Spring Newsletter is followed by its Fall counterpart for each year. For those of you who did not receive any particular newsletter, we do have extras available and will be happy to forward a copy to you upon request - let us know.

P.S.E. TIDBITS

-Two Phi Sigs, who were former EIU athletes, were inducted into the EIU Hall of Fame on Sept. 17, 1994 in Charleston. They are C. Roger Sorenson ('49) and Darrell Brown ('75). Roger lettered 4 years and was rated as the Panthers top tennis player immediately after World War II. He was the No. 1 singles and No. 1 doubles for all 4 years at EIU and has established EIU scholarships in his name for tennis, golf and business. Roger lives in Houston, Tx., where he retired as an executive with Texaco, Inc.

Darrell Brown won the 1974 National long jump championship and still holds the EIU school record for long jump at 25'7.25", the second oldest track and field record. Darrell also ran a leg on the National 5th place 440 yd. relay team and earned eight All-America honors in 3 years. Additionally, he placed second and third in National long jump competition in 1972 and 1973 respectively, while also running a leg of the 880 yd. relay team, which still holds the school record. Darrell works for the Hoopeston area School District, where he is a Health Education teacher and directs the school transportation department.

The PSE Alumni Assn. wishes to extend its personal congratulations to these two Brothers.

-The annual Phi Sigma Epsilon Alumni Assn. Homecoming meeting convened at the McDonalds room at the University Union on Oct. 8, 1994 in Charleston. Attendance was down this year, but it seemed as though attendance was down for the whole Homecoming weekend. Nonetheless, the Board meeting was held, a number of subjects were discussed and the required nominations for the 1994-1995 Executive Board were put forth. This year, a large number number of candidates were nominated, from which the Executive Board officers will be elected on Nov. 20, 1994. Those nominated include all of the present Executive Board (Gary Brinkmeyer, Paul Klopfenstein, Jeff Moore, Marvin Randolph, Boone Chaney, Tom Swanson, Gene Everett), plus Dick Swing, Ron Eichhorn, Lynn Neathery, Gary Kling, Phil Lindberg and Bill Robinson. With adjournment, the Brothers attended the football game or got together with old friends to catch up on the past.

-Three Brothers recently forwarded payments of their \$100 promissory notes and one also contributed a donation to be put



Hall of Fame Inductees (L to R) C. Roger Sorenson and Darrell Brown.

to direct use in the Student Awards program. Don Ackman of Rushville, Lynn Neathery of Decatur and Duayne Nyckel of Glen Ellyn paid their notes and Duayne additionally made a donation to the Alumni Assn. The PSE Alumni Assn. greatly appreciates the support exhibited by these Brothers. Thank you!

-New PSE Greek block-letter T-shirts are now available to go along with the already popular Sweatshirts (crested & block-letters) and other Phi Sig T-shirts (crested). We also have the great PSE-EIU Golf hat and Composite Address lists, both Alphabetical and by State. Sweatshirts are \$18, while T-shirts, hats and address lists are \$8, plus \$3 shipping on any order. We have sizes Small through XX-Large and they make great CHRISTMAS presents.

-Congratulations to Gene Creek ('63), who recently surpassed 900 career victories as coach of the very successful Lake Land College baseball team and is now shooting for an even thousand wins.

PSE Homecoming Meeting

(L to R) Bob Miller, Kirk Davis, Tom Swanson, Gary Brinkmeyer, Gary Kling, Don Ackman, Jeff Moore, Boone Chaney, Phil Lindberg (missing from photo Lynn Neathery).



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more successful search through the old Eastern Warblers turned up a picture, hereby reproduced, but with lesser quality than recent photos of our previous Houses. As you can see, it appears to be a very large 2-story house, with a large porch and ample upstairs windows, indicating the probable upstairs bedrooms. The one-year lease came to an end in August 1938, when the Phi Sigs became the first fraternity to buy their own House, this one located at 1431 Ninth St. Apparently they were tired of shuffling from one residence to another and not controlling their own destiny. Quite a bit is known about this House, as it still stands and many individuals who lived in it have stories to tell. Look for that House story in the Spring 1995 Phi Sig Newsletter.

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.

Paul E. Blair

Horace D. Bouslog

James A. Gray

PSE Fourth Annual Student Awards

The Fourth Annual Phi Sigma Epsilon Student Awards presentation was held on Aug. 21, 1994 at the Kiwanis Park Pavilion in Charleston. Again, for the second year, the "interest" fairy was not quite as generous as in past years, but the payment of \$100 promissory notes by three PSE Alumni, plus a donation, helped boost the individual award amounts. This year, seven EIU students were each awarded \$400 to start out the Fall semester, and of these students, four were first-time recipients. Those individuals are Ryan Hilligoss-son of Bob and Donna Hilligoss, Todd Laux-son of Austin and Margaret Opp, Steve Eichhorn-son of Ron and Lynn Eichhorn and Brooke Hood-daughter of Dick and Linda Hood. Additionally, Bradley Neathery-son of Lynn and Linda Neathery received his second year award, Christopher Perry-son of Richard and Sandy Perry received his third year award and Mari Beth Long-daughter of Roger Long received her fourth year award. Mari Beth is the first student whom we have been able to help financially for all 4 undergraduate years. It is with a great deal of pride and a sense of fulfillment, that we have been able to help out all these students and a special sense of joy that we could help a student for all 4 years. We look forward to hearing about the future of Mari Beth, as well as all the previous students that have graduated and received Student Awards from the PSE Alumni Assn.



Student Awards (L to R) Bob Hilligoss and son Ryan, Todd Laux, Christopher Perry and father Richard, Steve Eichhorn and father Ron, Lynn Neathery and son Bradley, Dick Hood, Mari Beth Long and father Roger Long (Missing from picture is Brooke Hood).

Representation by the PSE Alumni Assn. was fairly thin this year, with many of the Board members and officers having prior commitments. As President of the PSE Alumni Assn., I would like to express my personal appreciation to PSE Vice-President Paul Klopfenstein of Morton for availing himself to emcee the awards program as well as taking pictures, and also to Board member Boone Chaney for helping "Klop" out.

What's In A Name? (Part-2)

We received some good comments about the nickname article in the last newsletter, so as promised, here is a sampling of Brothers and their associated nicknames from the latter half of the alphabetized PSE Address Composite. The names of these Phi Sigs reach all the way back to 1935 (Aubert North), dip into the 40's and 50's and are as recent as 1981. Again, as you peruse the names of these Phi Sigs to match up their nicknames, there is rhyme and reason for some obvious ones and absolutely no clues for others. If you know the individual Phi Sig, you probably know a story that links that Brother with his nickname, sometimes as a tease or "pimp" on him, and sometimes as a spontaneous outburst thrust upon him as he sat on the meeting room floor as a lowly "worm".

I'm sure most Phi Sigs were tagged with some nickname, but we have many blank spots in our directory where they are to be inserted. Help us out, please! Send us a postcard, telephone us or drop us a quick line informing us about yourselves since leaving school and send along your nickname too, or that of others you may know. We would love to hear about how you got your nickname for future stories, as we Brothers seem to be interested in this tradition.

The correct matchups appear on the back page of this newsletter.

PROPER NAMES

1. Jim Neill
2. Terry Reinbolt
3. Jerry Rankin
4. John Ostanik
5. Tad Smith
6. Pat Wesley
7. Rick Ratliff
8. Dave Panicucci
9. Ray Schaljo
10. Aubert North
11. Bob Stout
12. Don Neece
13. Paul Perkinson
14. Larry Wiggins
15. Gary Schaefer
16. Russell Pierson
17. Dave Nyberg
18. Jim Paszalek
19. Jerry Nyckel
20. Bill Weir
21. Sheridan Pulley
22. Tom Strong
23. John Simmons
24. Neil Nichols

NICKNAME

- A. Barn Owl
- B. Sluggo
- C. Tonto
- D. Wally
- E. Ollie
- F. Cinderella
- G. Cat
- H. Moose
- I. Beast
- J. The Toe
- K. Slick
- L. Chilly
- M. T-Bone
- N. Ratso
- O. Dawg
- P. Aub
- Q. Morlock
- R. Ragman
- S. Cooch
- T. Stacy
- U. Shags
- V. Tadpole
- W. Peashell
- X. Roc

Bios & Addresses

Bob Hilligoss—1707 Cordell Ct., Godfrey, IL 62035 (618) 466-8898. Graduated from EIU in 1964. Taught for a total of 12 years in Divernon and Rochester before moving to Alton in 1977 to get into the restaurant business. Bob and wife Donna still continue to operate their restaurant "The Shoe Factory" in Alton, but Bob also returned to teaching in Divernon in 1990. Bob and Donna are parents of three sons, Kevin, 29, Sean, 23 and Ryan, 20, who is a sophomore at EIU and one of this year's Student Award Recipients.

Ron Eichhorn—8317 Frost Ct., Woodridge, IL 60517 (708) 985-9234. Graduated from EIU in 1971—Worked for Best Foods in Chicago for 2 1/2 years. Ron got into the Insurance Claims Business in 1973 while reviewing files with roommate Jim Porto and finding that it looked like an interesting business. Worked for Safeco in the Chicago area for 4 years before starting with Tri-County Claims Service Inc. in 1977. Ron is now co-owner of that business. Ron and wife Lynn, who works as a teacher aide at Downers Grove South H.S., are parents of Steven, 18, Michelle, 15 and Kevin, 9. Steven is a freshman recipient of the PSE Student Award.

Larry Carli—1965 Ox Bow Lane, St. Louis MO 63138 (314) 355-3097, Graduated from EIU in 1967. Began teaching Junior High School math in Granite City, IL and has continued for 28 years. Larry has also coached wrestling for 25 years at Granite City and the last 10 years at Hazelwood East High School in Hazelwood, MO where his teams for the last 2 years have been state champions. Larry and wife Donna have two children, Patrick, 12 and Sarah, 8.

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Jeff Miller

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Answers for What's In A Name? (1) X (2) M (3) Q (4) L (5) V (6) O (7) N (8) S (9) U (10) P (11) F (12) I (13) A (14) B (15) E (16) H (17) C (18) W (19) G (20) D (21) R (22) K (23) J (24) T



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