

FROM THE HEART

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AVC REMAINS COMMITTED TO INDIANA ALPHA CHAPTER'S COMEBACK

Alumni Involvement Essential to SigEp's Success at Purdue

Brothers,

Next year is critical for Indiana Alpha, and your Alumni Volunteer Corporation (AVC) is committed to ensuring our success through focus, improvement, and expansion in the following four areas.

1 DEVELOP AND GROW THE UNDERGRADUATE CHAPTER

We have Mentor Board volunteers in place, supplemented by National Fraternity resources to support all facets of the undergraduate chapter development. Recruitment and implementation of the Balanced Man Program are a focus for us because of the importance of expanding our membership with young men looking for the fraternity experience encapsulated in the Balanced Man Program. The challenge is that we must learn to do these things well without some of the traditional "givens": a chapter house to meet and recruit from and experienced undergraduate brothers to learn from and partner with. I am confident that we have the right support, and it is a matter of time and effort to overcome these challenges.

2 ASSESS NEXT BEST STEPS FOR 690 WALDRON

The AVC is incredibly focused on our long-term success in recruitment and development and are assessing the role of the chapter house in these areas. As we explore our options, we are grateful to have secured lease extensions with the Kappa Delta sorority through spring 2021. This partnership and income stream is important while we analyze next steps for Indiana Alpha.

3 KEEP UP ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT

It is critical that the work of many is shouldered by many. We were highly encouraged by the participation level at Homecoming and the new volunteers who have stepped up! We need those who are willing to offer their time, talents, and treasures where necessary.

4 MAINTAIN FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

Much work has been done over the last several years to improve our financial outlook. We must remain diligent in driving spending and investment into the areas that bring the most value in return.

In closing, the following men have committed to working with and for you, the alumni, as your 2019-20 AVC board members: **Daryl Martz '76**, **Norm Nabhan '71**, **Scott Swisher '79**, **Jim Mosch '79**, **Mark Napier '92**, **Chris Kelly '80**, **Ted Hazeldine '65**, and **Dave Andrews '78**.

I am excited to serve as your AVC president for another year and look forward to the work we have in front of us in 2020!



HFF,
Brian Rodell '98
AVC President
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Outstanding Outgoing Board Members Essential to Recolonization Efforts at Purdue

The AVC expresses its sincere gratitude for the time and commitment given to Indiana Alpha by three of our outgoing board directors.

Brian Todd '97 (previous board treasurer and facilities director) has dedicated a tremendous amount of time toward revitalizing the chapter facilities, updating board policy and bylaws, and overhauling finances through rigorous attention to how and where we spend and invest board money.

Mitch Salyers '93 (previous alumni relations director and Balanced Man steward) has volunteered a significant amount of time toward expanding the reach of our alumni relations program through improved communication tools and Homecoming activities, as well as working

directly with undergraduate brothers to ensure they are educated on our fraternity history, execute ritual properly, and adopt that Balanced Man Program. Because of Mitch's recent appointment as the chapter counselor, he can no longer also serve as an alumni board director.

Mike Ellis '84 (previous alumni relations director and secretary), has dedicated a fantastic amount of his time to update board policy and bylaws, lead and coordinate regular AVC and annual alumni meetings, and provide support to many undergraduate and alumni efforts.

The efforts and dedication of these men are to be commended as they were critical to the success of our recent recolonization at Purdue.



HOMECOMING 2019 BRINGS BACK GENERATIONS OF BROTHERS



Indiana Alpha brothers and spouses enjoy each other's company at dinner on Friday night during Homecoming weekend in October.



We appreciate all the alumni and family who joined us for the Homecoming activities to celebrate the rebirth of Indiana Alpha. The dinner on Friday was a great example of how brotherhood and community will serve as the foundation for which our great endeavor to recolonize will be built.

The 60-plus people in attendance spanned multiple generations, ranging from the class of 1964 (**Dave Schoeff '64** and **CJ Schoeff '64**) to several undergraduate brothers. The annual meeting on Saturday morning helped to cap off a great weekend as **Drew Feustel '89** shared his experiences in space and being an astronaut in the NASA program, and we welcomed four new directors to the alumni board: **Mark Napier '92**, **Chris Kelly '80**, **Ted Hazeldine '65**, and **Dave Andrews '78**. We understand that alumni support and engagement are critical to long-term success, and we look forward to seeing and hearing from you at Homecoming 2020!



Mentor Board Member Caleb Clement, Scott Swisher '79, and Scott's wife Tina '92



Mitch Salyers '93, Chris Kelly '80, and Chris' daughter Courtney '16 (Alpha Phi)

Alumni Update

CHAPTER ETERNAL

Michael E. Wilson '74, 66, passed on to Chapter Eternal on February 18, 2019, in Tucson, Ariz., with his wife, KLynn, and his dog, Frankie, by his side, after battling chronic illnesses for several years. After graduating from Purdue University, he served in multiple sales and management roles with Dale Skinner & Associates Insurance Agency, Certanium Alloys, Premier, Mittler, and later at Sears, Roebuck and Company where he retired in 2013. Along with his wife he is survived by his two children, Jeffrey (Krissy) Wilson and Lauren (Jedd) Smith; and three grandchildren, Josie Lynn, Elizabeth Jane, and Henry Michael Wilson; his three stepchildren, Amber Summers, Tiffany Navarette, and Josh Navarette; and 10 stepgrandchildren, Josiah, Myalynn, Noah, Monroe, Mica, Seleste, Anessa, Lielea, Diesel, and Zylas. He is also survived by two brothers, Mark (Nancy) Wilson and Matt (Lou Anne) Wilson; sister, Cheryl (Wilson) McAuley; uncle, Dan (Grace) Wilson; and multiple cousins, nieces, and nephews. Mike's parents, Eugene and Jane, preceded him in death.

David R. Olson '75 passed on to Chapter Eternal on January 24, 2019. He was the beloved husband for 34 years of Robin Olson nee Duy; loving father of Nicholas and Alexander; son of late Ramon and Doris Olson (Nelson); cherished brother of Linda (Art), Elaine (Bob), Christine, Mark (Joan) and Steve (Carmen); and fond uncle of several nieces and nephews.

Anthony E. Wood '89, 52, of Folsom, Calif., formerly of La Porte, Ind., passed on to Chapter Eternal unexpectedly Sunday, February 24, 2019. Tony was born May 29, 1966, in Elkhart, Ind., to Ernest and Sandra (Winningham) Wood. Tony was a landscape architect with Verde Design Inc., in Santa Clara, Calif. He coached the Folsom Jr. Bulldogs and La Porte Pop Warner. Tony often said he was a "husband, father of two, and coach to many." On September 27, 1991, Tony married Laura Weliver, who survives. Tony is also survived by two sons, Alexander Wood of Rapid City, S.D., and Elijah Wood of Junction City, Kan.; his mother, Sandra Wood of Elkhart, Ind.; and two brothers, Andrew Wood and

Anson (Marla) Wood, both of Elkhart, Ind. He was preceded in death by his father, Ernest.

ALUMNI NEWS

Robert F. Kroeger '58 is retired and stays busy fly-fishing, cooking gourmet meals, building model railroads, keeping the Scotch distilleries in business, visiting kids in Minnesota, California, and Hawaii, and being "a PITA to my wife of 55 years, Joyce." Bob and Joyce live in Worthington, Ohio. "P.S. Sure as hell not a Buckeye fan!" Email: rkroeger@columbus.rr.com

John R. Treat '66 retired from law in 2018, and now he and his wife, Ann, live in Boca Grande, Fla., for most of the year. "We love our 23-foot boat and hope to spend more time fishing, writing, reading, charitable work, maybe even (gulp!) golfing?" Email: jrtreat@aol.com

E. Dana Smith '66 is retired and says, "Too many miles on the car—nearly 80,000 in not quite four years." He and his wife, Maggie, visited their 50th state this summer



MEET THE NEW LEADERS OF INDIANA ALPHA



President
Jackson Smith '20
Louisville, Ky.
Major—Philosophy, Psychology,
and Russian



V.P. Recruitment
Cameron Neel '22
Simi Valley, Calif.
Major—Finance



V.P. Member Development
Franklin Yanko '21
Fort Wayne, Ind.
Major—Health Sciences:
Pre-Med



V.P. Programming
Dhruv Khanna '22
South Bend, Ind.
Major—Aerospace Engineering



**Balanced Man Scholarship
Chairman**
Nathan Watervoort '21
Denver, Colo.
Major—Biochemistry



Chaplain
Justin Postma '22
South Haven, Mich.
Major—Neurobiology and
Physiology, Minor in Chemistry



V.P. Finance
Sean Anderson '21
Catlin, Ill.
Major—Aerospace Engineering



V.P. Communications
Cory Cooper '21
Muncie, Ind.
Major—Aerospace Engineering,
Math Minor

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Submit Your Bio Update Today

We made such great progress this year with our database and making sure we're reaching as many alumni as possible. Help us keep it up and let us know if we are reaching you by returning the enclosed bio update form. Every time we hear from you it confirms that our information is current. Your submissions also help us find and create content for newsletters, so please share your stories and updates and you may see them in the next *From the Heart*!

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Indiana Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon at Purdue University Alumni Records Update Request - Fall 2019	
In an effort to update our alumni records so we can better serve our members, Indiana Alpha is asking you to review the contact information listed below. Please correct or add information on this form. If you are unable to provide a current address, please indicate your current address and the "Indiana Alpha" delivery address is on the front, place a stamp on it, and drop it in the mail. Thank you for helping update our records.	
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We would like to hear from you! Let us know what is happening in your life. Look for news from about you and your Indiana Alpha brothers in the "Alumni News" section of <i>From the Heart</i> .	
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with an Alaskan cruise. They live in West Lafayette, Ind., and have two children. Email: danasmith1501@yahoo.com

Craig K. Davidson '69 says he is "CEO of Retirement Folly." He and his wife, Lisa, live in Park City, Utah. He is "happy to learn our SigEp house is beginning to live again. Hopefully room #9 hasn't been lost!" Email: kd-ut@comcast.net

E. Allen Nuss '69 reports that after a stint in Vietnam, flying night reconnaissance over the Ho Chi Minh trail, and 12 years of flying for the Air Force, his aero/astro engineering degree paid off. He was assigned to the electronic warfare test and evaluation at Fort Walton Beach and later Tinker AFB. Then he went to work for TRW and assignments included the unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) Hunter program, before being offered the directorship of the UAS Integration Lab. Al retired in 2012 and lives in Athens, Ala. He says, "Six kids and eight grandkids keeps this old fighter pilot/engineer busy." Email: nussa@bellsouth.net

Marc P. George '74 retired this year from RR Donnelley to "the beautiful Whidbey Island, in the middle of Puget Sound, after weekend commuting here for the past 20 years." Marc and his wife, Christine, have two children, Simon and John. Email: marcpglorge@gmail.com

Richard C. Schroeder '82 began what "is hopefully my last job" in April 2019 with Globe Asphalt. He also recently became certified as a John Maxwell team coach, speaker, and trainer. Rich lives in Fishers, Ind., with his wife, Angie. They have two daughters, Lindsay and Emily. Email: schroeders0@comcast.net

Peter N. Peregrine '85 is a professor of anthropology at Lawrence University and lives in Appleton, Wis., with his wife Anne. They have two daughters, Alison and Katherine. "Right now I am in Kiel, Germany, at a workshop, using archaeological and paleoclimate data to determine how ancient societies survived dramatic incidences in climate change." Email: peter.n.peregrine@lawrence.edu

Eric D. Dodd '91 is a senior manager, quality compliance with Takeda Pharmaceuticals. He and his wife, Kay, live in Pleasant Prairie, Wis. Their daughter, Sarah, is a student athlete for the Wisconsin Badger women's volleyball team. "Spending time on B10 campuses brings me back to my days at Indiana Alpha. Thanks for so many memories!" Email: edodd02@yahoo.com

John M. Guidos '01 is chief operating officer at Slynshot Health. Prior to this role, John was co-founder and chief operating officer of TurboAppeal Inc., a big-data and machine learning resource to all homeowners in an effort to efficiently ensure that all customers only pay their fair share of property taxes. TurboAppeal achieved various nominations and awards, such as BuiltIn Chicago's List of 50 Startups to Watch, Tech.Co National Startup of the Year Finalist, and it was a Moxie Awards Nominee for the Best Consumer Web Startup. John is also a licensed attorney, having obtained his juris doctorate from DePaul University College of Law in 2005. He lives in Granger, Ind. Email: john.guidos@gmail.com

BALANCED MAN PROGRAM FUNDAMENTAL TO SIGEP EXPERIENCE

What Is Its Role?

SigEp is a social fraternity. From “social,” we derive, “society,” and therefore, the SigEp experience should give brothers the opportunity to grow and thrive in multiple aspects of society. Through the Balanced Man Program, we seek to create that opportunity.

The Balanced Man Program has a foundation that thrives in a culture of equal rights and responsibilities, continuous development, accountability, values-based actions, and mentorship. From the moment someone accepts an invitation to join SigEp, he is welcomed as a full brother with the same expectations as all members of our fraternity. Brothers immediately engage in a growth model that will last the duration of their time in college with peers to hold them accountable, ritual rites of passage to shape their moral compass, and mentors to push them further than they could have imagined.

To build a true sense of balance, we focus growth in five areas within the Balanced Man Program: SigEp development, intellectual development, physical health and wellness development, leadership development, and professional development. With the added pursuit and maintenance of a Sound Mind and Sound Body, our members collectively strive to become the best version of themselves.

You can read more about the Balanced Man Program and other resources offered to members at our chapter website, purduesigep.org.



The full Indiana Alpha Chapter and two SigEp headquarters representatives following the Sigma Rite of Passage during Grand Chapter Conclave 2019.

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SigEp Brothers in Action



Jackson Smith '20, Franklin Yanko '21, Justin Postma '22, Nathan Watervoort '21, Kevin Homan '22, Kyle Carpenter '22, Cameron Neel '22, Tyler Stejskal '21, and Adam Crowe '22 at France Park this fall.



Sam Siwy '22, Dhruv Khanna '22, and Sean Anderson '21 at Turkey Run State Park this fall.



Tyler Stejskal '21 and Cory Cooper '21 at the Grand Chapter Conclave July 2019.