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## GREETINGS BROTHERS & FRIENDS

### Ed Hawes '76, Chapter Advisor Chair

With spring just a few weeks out, our undergraduate brothers are ready for a break. Since returning to campus in early January, 67 members are now living the house and busy as ever with classes, studying, degree-based workshops, social events and interviewing as early as sophomores, juniors and seniors for summer internships and/or jobs after graduation.

Since returning to campus last fall, the chapter has experienced two specific situations both of which were inaccurately reported in the press. This created significant stress for the undergrads trying to deal with circumstances largely outside of their control. Over the last few months, I have been working closely with the chapter, OFSL, IU Police, and the Bloomington Prosecutor's Office to make sure all is being done to bring to light the facts around a situation created by a student trespasser at one of the Chapter's social events.

The new executive team (Ty Holle (GP), Michael Luciano (VGP), Conner Skowron (VGP) and Scott Meyer (T)) and our Advisory Committee are working closely with the University to shift the narrative to the larger issue of sexual assault awareness and prevention on IU's campus in general and the chapter is looking forward to hosting its second Culture of Care workshop on how to identify and prevent sexual violence. We all firmly believe our chapter's undergraduate brotherhood are fine young men and committed to being seen as "The Gentlemen on the Hill".

Now, on to the good stuff. First, we had 14 fall Initiates move into the house as they returned for the spring semester. Second, the chapter will be initiating a new spring class this month with 31 bids being handed out including two legacies from the Indianapolis area. Lastly, the house will be at capacity (78 live-ins) coming this fall.....as we bid farewell to COVID!

I ask each class why they chose Phi Psi over many other chapters and the response remains consistent class after class – the brotherhood is more genuine, engaging and caring, the house is the cleanest on Greek row and the food is the best! Kudos to the House Corp (Kevin Gordon, Marvin Brown and Bob Kort in particular) for their continued support of the house.

In closing, our alumni advisory team continues to focus our time on helping these young men learn how to effectively lead so they can mentor future house leaders. We are in the process of recruiting new advisors to support the chapter. If you are interested in learning more, please contact me at ehawes@comcast.net.

Please also make plans to visit the chapter, beginning on Little 500 weekend in April, and meet our undergrads as they genuinely want to meet alumni and hear about your experiences and adventures!

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## **LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT**

### **Ty Holle '21, Chapter President**

The Phi Kappa Psi Indiana Beta Chapter has been doing quite well over the past several months, and now currently has 125 active members in the chapter. In the fall, we initiated 29 members, and are excited to welcome in a new member class of 31. I am very enthusiastic about our number of members rising rapidly over the past two semesters, as it is a great sign for the future of our chapter.

In our chapter, we are currently maintaining a 3.33 overall house GPA. While we have been gradually gaining members over the past couple years, we always make sure that our new members know that academics come first, and that we want all of our members to strive to reach their best academic performance. We have started to require that any struggling members meet for study tables multiple times a week to ensure that they are staying ahead on their schoolwork and making full use of all the resources available to them. On that note, we also promote academic excellence through our Scholarship Committee where we offer full reimbursements for any tutoring services used by our members. I expect our chapter GPA only to rise higher and higher in the future.

As for upcoming events in our chapter, we are all looking forward to the Little 500 race in late April. We have high expectations for the bike team, as we are projected to win the race with our roster full of returning seniors. We are looking to host an alumni event the weekend of the race as well. It should be a very fun weekend for our chapter members and alumni, with a lot of potential for new hardware at 1200 North Eagleson Ave.

We have had a great amount of engagement in our house as of recently. Members have a strong desire to fill leadership roles and give back to the members of our house as well as members of the community. We are also a chapter that is in great standing with the university, as we consistently communicate and maintain good relations with them. I am very proud of the progress we have made since being back on campus and look forward to our future success as a chapter. LEDN



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## NEWS FROM INDIANA BETA

## BIKE TEAM UPDATE

### Sites on Number Eight

Spring is in the air and that means excitement is starting to build for Little 500! With the track at Armstrong Stadium opening this week, the team is stronger than ever and ready to prove it on the track. Following our incredible performances in the last two races, where we were in commanding position to win both in the final few laps, our men are 100% committed to complete the mission of an 8th Little 500 victory for Phi Kappa Psi.

With the return of fans to the stands, and our proven leadership all returning from last year's team, confidence among the riders is strong! Under the incredible guidance of coach Dan Gaz (danielgaz@gmail.com), the team has worked their butts off over the winter following a regimented, state of the art indoor training program. In addition, our alumni donors have made it possible for our team to once again strength train twice per week with coach Tom Morris. As well, a training trip to Naples in January (also made possible by a generous donor) helped to further focus and bond the guys.

Our powerful team is lead by all-star rider Andrew LaValle, back for his 3rd race. If you watched last year's race you remember Andrew lapping the field two times—even after a wreck!! This was one of the most epic Little 5 performances ever. Only bad luck at the end kept us from crossing the line first. Also returning for his third Little 5 is Jack Warner, and for his second Carson Wentz. Along with Andrew, our men will be among the three strongest riders on the track.

All alumni are encouraged to come back to Bloomington on Saturday, April 23 and be a part of what we anticipate to be an epic Little 5! The undergrad brothers have planned an open house starting at 10 a.m. on race day—leading up to our rider send-off prior to the 2 p.m. race. Please email our alumni team advisor/manager Scott Gilreath '76 at gilreath5@gmail.com if you are planning to attend or have any race or bike team questions.

Lastly, it has taken considerable time and resources to return our bike team to its rightful standing as race contenders year in and year out. We thank all of the alumni who have made donations in support of our team the past few years. But we need your continued support to keep us on top! Accordingly, we are asking for your continued support of the team by making a gift at [pkpfoundation.org/indiana-beta](http://pkpfoundation.org/indiana-beta), by utilizing the enclosed mailing slip and prepaid envelope, or scanning the QR code to the right. Once again, all alumni that make a gift to the team of **\$100 or more** will be sent a Phi Psi race day t-shirt as our way of saying thanks!! In addition, we are also looking for **sponsors of \$1000 and up**; this includes additional benefits. Contact Scott G for more details.



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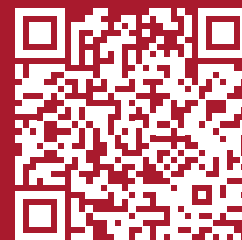
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