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STATE OF THE CHAPTER2023 Annual Report

Greetings from the Advisory Committee of Indiana Beta! As another academic year ends for Indiana Beta and we head into the summer, we wanted to provide you – our outstanding alumni – with an update on the Chapter.

The Positives

We are pleased to report that we have yet again set a record for recruitment and undergraduate engagement since the re-chartering. We will be at 100% occupancy as we enter the fall and will also have an out-brother (in good standing) roster at over 100. This will put Indiana Beta at or near a total of 200 Phi Psi undergraduate members on campus. While this can be a double-edged sword that needs to be managed/monitored, we are hoping that with the strong operational leadership of the undergraduate Executive Committee, the House and Risk Managers, our House Mom Teresa Seibert, and last but not least the tireless energy from Ed Hawes '76 – Advisory Committee Chair, the Chapter overall will demonstrate the behaviors necessary to live into the Creed and our reputation as Gentlemen on the Hill.

In terms of overall campus engagement, Indiana Beta continues its trek to get back to the "top of the heap" on campus (including the IUSF Steering Committee). Further, while you will hear more about the Bike Team later, it should be noted that our undergrads finished first among all men's teams and first overall in the Students Helping Students Fundraiser by raising funds for IU Bloomington Food Insecurity Fund benefiting the IU Crimson Cupboard. As a final effort that we will mention here and thanks to former PKP National Executive Director Shawn Collingsworth *Indiana State* '91, our undergrads spent a very meaningful day working with the Damar Foundation – an Indianapolis-based leader (led by Shawn) in helping parents, families, employers, and entire communities understand and support people with developmental and behavioral disabilities.

In terms of academics and GPA, the Chapter continues to show improvement. At the time of this report, it appears we will finish second in GPA for chapters over 100 members and fourth overall.

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Make sure you stay up-to-date on what is happening within the chapter and organization.

Complete the form on the back of this newsletter, place it in a stamped envelope and mail it to the Phi Kappa Psi Foundation. You can also use the link at the bottom of the form to submit your information electronically.

Support Indiana Beta

Gifts to the Indiana Beta Chapter OneFund can be made by check, credit card and/or appreciated securities. These gifts are 100% tax deductible through the Phi Kappa Psi Foundation and designated to the Indiana Beta Chapter OneFund.

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Checks should be made payable to the Phi Kappa Psi Foundation and note IN Beta OneFund on the memo line. State of the Chapter Continued...

The Challenges

Due to the social nature of our setting and the distractions present, academics continue to be a consistent focus for our undergraduates. They continue to make good use of the Advisory Committee's Tutoring Fund (after exhausting all free services available through IU) and this coupled with peer support in the house has helped tremendously.

As always, another major challenge is the social scene itself. Phi Psi/Indiana Beta continues to be a high-profile house. This works to our advantage ensuring fraternities and sororities want to pair and party with us, but it poses a challenge due to the target that remains on our undergrads' backs regarding both behavior and being implicated in issues – even when things may not be what they seem. This is a key priority.

Lastly, we would be remiss if we did not mention that the Advisors, the EC and our House Mom are always thinking about mental health. More to follow on this as Indiana Beta works with IU to both provide programming at the house and ensure confidential connections to mental health professionals are always available to our undergrads.

The Foreseeable Future

As outlined above, the house is full and in fact, over-syndicated. The Chapter's growth and operational leadership have led the Advisory and Executive Committees to think about management and leadership development. Consideration is being made regarding associated systems and processes (with appropriate measures) to ensure all EC members (officers and committee chairs) plan and execute effectively on goals and objectives.

These systems/processes are being finalized now with plans to deliver the first of an annual leadership retreat when the undergrads return to campus in August at which this Indiana Beta management system will be rolled out.

We are also very pleased that thanks in large part to graduating senior Timo (Timothy) Lenhard '19 and Advisory Committee member John Siebert '76, Indiana Beta's mentoring program (started many moons ago with the assistance of Wade Garard '90), is back up and running – more on this later.

Finally, our undergraduates are very much enjoying the resurgence of alumni visiting the house. We had a super alumni turnout for Little 500 – including a reunion for the class of '73. If you can, we are all hoping to see you for Homecoming – this year scheduled for Oct. 20–22. Please stay tuned for communications on programming for Homecoming weekend!

While not without bumps, twists and turns... It is wonderful to be able to speak to a full, strong and engaged Indiana Beta; showing well on campus and beating Fiji across the finish line of Little 500.

ITB and on behalf of the entire Advisory Committee,

Brian Clarke '76 Advisor – Philanthropy

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NEWS FROM INDIANA BETA



Our 2023 Bike Team: Hunter, Carson, Albert, & Kaleb. Great effort boys! Thank you for all you do for PKP!

BIKE TEAM UPDATEAnother Exciting Little 500 for Phi Psi!

The 2023 Little 500 is officially in the books and Phi Kappa Psi finished on the lead lap for the fifth consecutive race. Phi Psi is one of only four teams to do so in the last five races (Cutters, Jet Black/Delts, & Sig Ep), with two of those teams winning. We continue to do the right things year-round and remain committed to winning #8!

Our senior, Carson Etnyre, rode a race for the ages! His incredible 125 lap-effort included making up a half-lap deficit after freshman Hunter Jones was caught in a wreck on the backstretch on lap 53. Around lap 75, Sigma Phi Epsilon made an effort to lap the pack and was able to reel our men into their sights. After being a lap down, our four riders, basically working on their own, made the incredible comeback to get us back on the lead lap with only four other teams. Carson went on the bike at lap 164 and rode the remaining 36 laps to end the race in a sprint for the finish. Phi Psi ended in a photo finish for 4th, a mere one second behind the winning Cutters team. Carson's ride was truly an amazing a performance, arguably one of the greatest single-ride efforts in Phi Psi's illustrious Little 500 history.

The future continues to look bright as Coach Dan Gaz returns three of our riders for next year: Hunter, Kaleb Cooper, and Albert Schaffer. They will continue our commitment to leave it all all on the track, never give up, and make the Little 500 exciting for Phi Kappa Psi!

The team wants to extend a huge thank you to all of their Phi Psi brothers, both undergraduate and alumni. As always, our cheering section was electric and plays a major part in motivating our team to compete at the highest level. Alumni support is for sure one of our competitive advantages and thank you to all those alums who supported the team through donations and words of encouragement. In particular, a huge shout out to the Class of '73 for having their 50th reunion at the race this year, as well as making a very generous donation to the team. LEDN PKP!!!

Do you know any great HS athletes interested in considering our bike team? Please refer them to Scott Gilreath gilreath5@gmail.com

CAREER & MENTORING PROGRAM

Our Alumni Program is Alive and Well!

Dear Phi Kappa Psi Indiana Beta Alumni,

We are so excited to announce that we will be continuing our Career and Mentoring Program with the goal of connecting undergraduate brothers with alumni in their desired career path. Networking is at the center of almost every job search and what better network than Phi Kappa Psi Indiana Beta alumni to start with. Over the past few years there have been a selection of alumni who have given back to their chapter and helped undergraduate brothers with career advice, job leads, and internship/job opportunities. It is our goal to continue this cycle of giving back to the chapter and then paying it forward once you are an alumni member of the brotherhood. Please reach out to myself, or fellow undergraduate Career and Mentoring Committee Co-Chairs Sean Farrell (farrels@iu.edu) or Darius Rezaei (drezaei@iu.edu) if you have interest in getting involved! I am looking forward to seeing many meaningful connections and the theme of giving back and paying it forward!

Best,

Timo Lenhard '19



Pre-race wisdom from one great Phi Psi rider to another: the immortal Dave Blase and Carson.



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Homecoming 4

Join Phi Kappa Psi Indiana Beta in celebrating homecoming weekend at IU!

FRIDAY-SATURDAY OCTOBER 20-22, 2023

Mark your calendar and make your hotel reservations now! Family and friends welcome!

Invitation and details to follow

Members from the class of '73 pictured on the right: Top row, left to right: Kent Holcomb, Rich Wiley, Mark Kraner, Craig Taelman Next row, left to right: Terry Angstadt, Brian Davies (partially blocked), Dan Cartwright (in blue), Brian Hawks (holding bag), Paul Holtkamp Front: David Schlemmer (holding plaque)

