

HOUSE CORPORATION WORKS ON IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SHELTER

Alumni Continue to Support Epsilon Mu

The house corporation has been making cosmetic improvements to the Shelter, including repairs to the Shelter's original grand staircase. Undergraduates have enjoyed the improvements to the property, including the updated restroom and showers, new kitchen amenities, updated weight and brotherhood rooms, and the new basketball surface. We are also trying to restore some elegance to the 1860 structure. We look forward to making additional improvements to the existing structures, both inside and out, so that we can remain competitive with campus housing.

ENHANCEMENTS TO SECURITY

Security is important to impede vandalism to the Shelter and better protect our membership and their possessions. We have installed video cameras surveilling the exterior of the building and the major points of entry. Vandalism to the exterior of the building has been greatly reduced. Additional cameras are being considered to provide additional coverage. Our key card system for our exterior doors has been implemented and all residential rooms are secured with a coded locking mechanisms. We've also replaced and enclosed the fencing around the eastern, less visible portion of the property.

EPSILON MU WELCOMES NORTHERN DIVISION DELTS

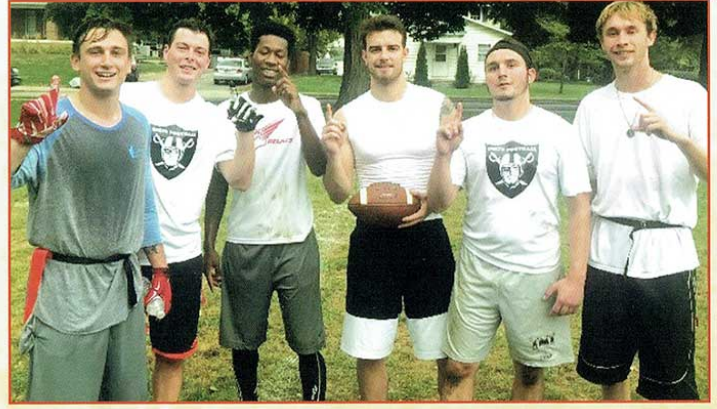
This spring, the Northern Division Conference was held in Muncie, Ind., hosted by Epsilon Mu. Many visitors commented on the excellent condition of our nearly 160-year-old structure and how the 1991 addition integrated into the older structure. Brother **Wade Baertschi '11** has taken ownership of the Klinge Lounge (Library to the younger folks) and has adorned it with past composites and memorabilia, all of which were a big hit to our Northern Division visitors and our current undergraduate membership.

Brother **Dan Peters '79** stopped in this spring (first time in 30-plus years) with his son and shared a few stories with some of the undergraduates. We encourage all alumni passing through the neighborhood to stop in, reflect upon the Shelter, and share a little time with the undergraduate membership. We would greatly appreciate you visiting the Shelter and sharing your memories of Epsilon Mu.

Fraternally,
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EM and Alpha Phi participated in a community service project at Camp Adventure.



The EM team won the Delta Tau Delta flag football tournament last fall.

CHAPTER HOSTS NORTHERN DIVISION CONFERENCE

Men Focus on Values and Legacy

The men of Epsilon Mu Chapter have continued to push to be the best versions of themselves the last couple months. After a successful fall we have spent much of the spring months planning our philanthropy as well as hosting our division conference.

MEMBERSHIP

This spring we had a pledge class of five men. This lower number is on trend due to changes across the campus, as the highest number of new members taken on campus was eight by another chapter. We are excited for these young men to join Epsilon Mu!



Brothers hosted a flag football tournament at the Shelter with eight other fraternities.



Members volunteered as valet at Rialzo.

INTRAMURALS

The university cut the fall intramurals and placed them in the spring this year. In place of that our chapter decided to host a flag football tournament in our front yard with eight out of 13 chapters on campus participating, resulting in a great turnout. Basketball season is underway and football season is right around the corner. We look forward to cheering on our brothers.

PHILANTHROPIC EFFORTS

In April, EM plans to raise money again for the Fisher House Foundation. For approximately eight years we have used Army Games to raise money, but this year we have decided to try something new. On April 6 we will host Cory Cox, a country music artist, in the front yard in honor of the veterans and their families that need aid from the Fisher House. Watermelon Bust was a success once again in the fall with the lovely ladies of Alpha Chi Omega raising over \$3,200 for JDRF. We are excited to continue to grow our philanthropic presence as a chapter.

ALUMNI CONNECTIONS

John Knox '78 continues to give us his full ability week in and week out, making sure that men are being held accountable. Our Dad's Day was held at the house in the fall and Mom's Day was on March 23. We enjoyed having the women who support us here to show them that we appreciate them. Our assistant advisor and former president, Matthew Nardini '17, played a big role in helping our executive committee complete the proper forms for this past accreditation cycle with nationals, and we thank him for that.

DIVISION CONFERENCE

This past February, we hosted the Northern



Christmas card to our families.

Division Conference. Epsilon Mu was able to show off the qualities of not only the house but our brothers as well with many chapters coming to visit during their downtime. The executive board was able to engage in insightful conversations with Division President Mark Starr and Director of Chapter Services Doug Russell regarding the current state of the chapter and what the future has in store for us. Overall, it was a great experience and we look forward to hosting here again.

I'm very excited to be the chapter president for a second term and to watch this chapter grow to be a role model for the surrounding community. The men here are tuned in and willing to buy into our values to better themselves and help each other. As we close out the year we are ready for guys to fill the spots of the seniors departing in May so that we can continue to carry our legacy and values into the fall!

Fraternally,

Jaleel Pryuer '20

Chapter President

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Q&A WITH MATTHEW NARDINI '17

Q: Why did you decide to join Delta Tau Delta?

A: When I first arrived at Ball State University as a freshman, the first friends I made were all members of Delta Tau Delta. They made me feel welcome and showed me what it was like to be a part of a brotherhood. After seeing everything the fraternity had to offer, there was no doubt in my mind that the Epsilon Mu Chapter was the perfect fit for me.

Q: What did your undergraduate experience with the Epsilon Mu chapter mean to you?

A: My experience in the fraternity, especially my time on the executive team, taught me life lessons that I will benefit from the rest of my life. Most importantly, it showed me what it was like to represent something much bigger than myself and the accountability/responsibility that comes with it.

Q: How do you think Delta Tau Delta helped prepare you for life after college?

A: During my four years at BSU, I took on several leadership roles within the fraternity.



These positions required that I develop skills that most professionals do not learn until they are well into their career. With that being said, I felt that I was significantly more prepared for corporate America than most of my peers.

Q: Was there an alumnus who made an impact on your collegiate experience?

A: Our chapter advisor at the time was **David Frye '04**. David did an excellent job at connecting with the chapter, and at the same time helping us work through all the struggles and obstacles that we

were faced with.

Q: If you could relive any memory with your fraternity brothers, what would it be?

A: Our fall philanthropy called Watermelon Bust. Every year, we host this philanthropy where every Greek organization on campus joins us in raising money and hosting events the entire week leading up to it. It is by far the largest philanthropy on campus in terms of participation and money raised for charities.

Q: What advice would you give to Epsilon Mu freshmen?

A: My advice to all members of Epsilon Mu is that the more you put into the chapter, the more you get out of it. The fraternity has much to offer, including lifelong friendships and opportunities to build yourself into a successful, young professional who is ready for the "real world" after graduation.

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