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EPSILON MU CHAPTER

Renovating the Shelter for the Next Generation of Epsilon Mu Delts

Now Is the Time to Join Us!

This past year has proven to be monumental in Epsilon Mu's 47-year history. The chapter continues to show its dominance, recruiting 60 new members this spring and earning its thirteenth Hugh Shields Award for Chapter Excellence.

We have been working hard on *Campaign 50* to raise \$1.175 million for the renovation of the Shelter, which will leave a physical mark of excellence at Ball State University. Since the summer of 2010, 103 alumni and friends have pledged \$815,526 to the campaign.

While 103 sounds like a large number of donors, it means that more than 884 alumni have not contributed. Delta Tau Delta is a premier fraternity and remains at the heart of Greek life at Ball State University. Our alumni were leaders as undergraduates and have been successful in their careers. Those are the facts that gave us confidence as we developed an ambitious plan to renovate the Shelter.

Since the campaign announcement, we have contacted brothers via letters, e-mails, newsletter articles, and class leader calls, telling everyone our plans and how great the needs and opportunities are. Many alumni are making pledges, while others have voiced support but are waiting to make their commitments.

If you have been waiting to make a commitment, now is the time! We need your support to secure funds and execute the renovation of our home.

Several features of the renovation plan:

- Expand facility with a west wing to add needed services
- New grand entry courtyard of honor with brother recognition pavers
- New brotherhood dining hall with full caterer kitchen
- New grand foyer
- True quiet library for undergraduate studies
- Full workout and fitness room
- Fraternity Hall of Recognition: plaques, memorabilia, pledge class paddles, etc.
- Office and meeting space for chapter leadership



Chapter officers accept Epsilon Mu's 13th Hugh Shields Award for Chapter Excellence at the Northern Division Conference in Merrillville, Indiana.

Joining your brothers to help us build for the next generation of Delts is a great way to give back just a little of what the ΔΤΔ experience gave to you. Your pledge will show your continued commitment to our undergraduate brothers, fellow alumni, and the promises you made at your initiation into our beloved fraternity.

Throughout this campaign process, it has been a delight to revisit old friends, make new ones, and see how much the Epsilon Mu experience has meant to all of us. I hope you'll add your name to the list of loyal brothers who have made this journey possible.

Fraternally,
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P.S. The fifth annual EM Delt Golf Classic will take place July 19 at the Woodwind Golf Club. You don't want to miss this gathering of ΔΤΔ brothers. Please see page 6 for more details!

CAMPAIGN 50

Brotherhood. Shelter. Future.

Donate Now

Online Giving Now Available

Want an easier way to give? Visit www.emdtd.org to make your gift online today!

Thank You, Generous Alumni, for Committing \$815,526

We are deeply grateful to the brothers who have committed \$815,526 to *Campaign 50: Brotherhood. Shelter. Future.* This generosity demonstrates that these alumni and undergraduates recognize the importance of ensuring the future of Epsilon Mu. If an error has been made in recording your gift, we sincerely apologize. Please contact our campaign coordinator with corrections at (785) 843-1661.

John W. Fisher Club

(\$250,000 and up)

John W. Fisher,
University of Tennessee '38

Epsilon Mu Club

(\$100,000 to \$249,999)

Founders Club

(\$50,000 to \$99,999)

Hunsucker Family
In memory of
Terry L. Hunsucker '71
Ted Christofolis '82
Steven M. Schoenberg '90

Leadership Club

(\$30,000 to \$49,999)

Matthew K. Montgomery '83
Bryan B. Keller '90
Brian S. Hobbs '99

Delta Shelter Club

(\$20,000 to \$29,999)

Bryan S. Morrow '90
Jeff Hern '92

Crest Club

(\$10,000 to \$19,999)

Anonymous
Mark A. Burkhart '67
Joseph O. Erne '68
Edward B. Wagnon '68
Dr. Robert E. Philbert '69
Brian C. Moldt '84
Guy R. Driggers '87
R. Shane Faucett '87
T.J. Smithey '88
Jarred Bunch Consulting
Eric DeRolf '99
Scott Jarred '01

Good Delt Club

(\$5,000 to \$9,999)

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Dennis W. Hockney '65
Dan W. Guio '68
In memory of
Tom "Angie" Borshoff '69
Richard E. Goble '68
Charles Drago '72
Bill Howell '72
In memory of
Joseph Howell
Chris Pelkin '74
Thomas L. Andrews '77
John R. Knox '78
Matt J. Momper '83
A. T. Kohout '93
P. Chris Mickel '95
Gary L. Watkins '96
Michael C. Dart '97
Benson Family Gift
Sean A. Benson '95
Brett R. Benson '98
Michael Ely '13

Brotherhood Club

(\$2,500 to \$4,999)

Anonymous
Anonymous
Michael J. Rush '71
David W. Amick '78
John T. Savage '80
Duane W. Wimer '84
In memory of
John Fisher
Mark L. Barkley '86
Richard T. Adams '87
Todd S. Burgess '90
Shawn C. Phillips '91
Sean M. Bergman '12
Logan T. Horn '13
Sean M. Conley '14

Trey C. DesJardin '14

Derik Starling '14
Jacob Wildauer '14
Jonathan D. Wolfschlag '14

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(\$1,000 to \$2,499)

Fredric A. Strantz '67
Philip H. Rager '68
Douglas S. Siebert '68
James Sharp '68
Dave Steigerwald '72
Brent Tuttle '72
David F. Snively '76
David K. Baute '76
Kelly D. McCray '82
Alan K. Selking '84
Jon T. Rondot '85
In honor of
"DOT"

Mike Newkirk '89
J. Aaron Morrow '93
Akil A. Patel, DDS '94
Scott Swant '94
Wayne Feltman '95
Doug Brown '97
Brandon D. Clymer '12
Clayton A. Barns '12
Christopher D. Hatfield '13
Aaron Berry '14
Eric Levitt '14
Kyle McEvoy '15
Kaleb Barajas '15

Royal Purple Club

(Up to \$999)

James H. Nelson '67
Clifford E. Cochran Jr. '69
Rick Whittington '69
Thomas Golba '69
Fred Hitz '69
David W. Goodwin '70

CAMPAIGN STATUS AT-A-GLANCE

AS OF MAY 5, 2014

GOAL
\$1.175 MILLION

PLEDGES TO DATE
\$815,526

NUMBER OF
CONTRIBUTORS
103

NUMBER OF
ACTIVE ALUMNI
983

Gary E. Riggle '70
John J. Joseph '72
C. David Toth '71
John D. Parish '78
Michael Engledow '88
Eric H. Ottinger '92
William D. Lasater '93
Gary L. Johnson '93
Brian J. Haynes '96
Ryun Guthrie '96
Jeff K. Hirsch '99
Graig G. Davis '04
Evan R. Hardin '07
Taylor Mohr '15
Will Stephens '14
Dylan Whitten '14
Thomas Reese '15

Campaign 50 Brings New Energy to Chapter

Chad Folkening '95 Looks Back on His Undergraduate Experience

Every brother's Epsilon Mu experience is different, including majors, friendships, and activities. What are consistent are the values that all members share and the Shelter at 1001 W. Riverside. The undergraduates have done their part recruiting quality gentlemen year after year. Now as alumni it's time to reconnect with brothers and finish the capital campaign as strongly as we started. All of this is true and more for **Chad Folkening '95**. He fondly remembers his days in the Shelter and is impressed by how consistently Epsilon Mu works for competitive housing.

"Campaign 50 raises the bar and reinvigorates an energy of hope and a brighter future for the chapter. When you know you have a positive feature it makes you want to elevate everything else along with it."

Chad wanted to see what Greek life was like at Ball State. His decision to join Delt was based on brothers he met and the high-quality Shelter. "It was about the people. Delts had the best people from top to bottom. When I was going through recruitment they had just built a new wing, and I got to live in the new wing. Those two factors really added to my experience," Chad said.

Even though Chad didn't spend all of his college years at Ball State, he values the time he had there and the experience he gained from

Epsilon Mu. "Back then my college education meant having a good time, being around good people, and learning to grow my career. I picked the right school and major, entrepreneurship, and got the best of both. My time at Ball State in the Delt Shelter was about taking the next step, growing as a person, and enjoying it while it lasted. Today, I'm glad made those decisions and got those experiences."

Chad remembers sliding down the hallway on pillows, ongoing pranks, and the overall camaraderie of living in the Shelter. "Being in the chapter taught me about the kind of company I wanted to have someday. There was an overall looseness from all the guys, but then we tied it all together. It was like working for a great company."

Campaign 50 is a great opportunity for alumni to get back in touch. "Campaign 50 raises the bar and reinvigorates an energy of hope and a brighter future for the chapter. When you know you have a positive feature it makes you want to elevate everything else along with it."

Today, Chad works as an entrepreneur for building Internet companies. He lives in Delray Beach, Florida, with his two children. Chad enjoys keeping in touch with Delt brothers and says they are still an important part of his social circles. "Joining Delt was a good choice. Fraternities do a lot of good and, looking back on the Greek system, it's a nice feeling knowing 20 years later that I made the right choice."

CHAPTER RECEIVES THIRTEENTH HUGH SHIELDS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

It was honored as chapter advisor to stand with 12 active members to accept the Hugh Shields Award for Chapter Excellence at its Northern Division Conference in Merrillville, Indiana on February 2, 2014. Having the chapter recognized as one of the top ten chapters of the fraternity's 130 chapters demonstrates Epsilon Mu's commitment toward distinction commensurate with that expected of its alumni, the University, its community, and especially the active membership.

Since the chapter received its charter from Supreme Court Justice and International President of Delta Tau Delta **Tom Clark** in November 1966, the chapter has been awarded the Hugh Shields Award 13 times (1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1997, 1998, and 2013). In addition, the chapter has received the Fraternity's second highest award, Court of Honor Award, 17 times denoting a top 20 chapter (all of the above dates plus 1990, 1992, 2010, and 2012). A 12-member delegation of Ball State Delts and I accepted the award for the fraternity.

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Fisher Bequest Scholarships

Four men of the chapter were awarded scholarships from the Fisher Bequest. Each award is \$100. Recipients were:

Fall 2013 New Member with Highest Term GPA

Dillon Lane '17 – 3.334

Fall 2013 Active Member with Highest Term GPA

Kyle McEvoy '15 – 3.846

Logan Stevens '15 – 3.846

Fall 2013 Active Member for Most Improved

(Spring 2013 to Fall 2013)

Bryce Kolwicz '16 – increase of 1.084

NEW ADVISORS ON VOLUNTEER ADVISING TEAM

Two members have recently accepted appointments to the VAT: **Conrad Jacobs '09**, recruitment, and **Michael Ely '13**, road advisor. Both are solid additions to the advising team.



Members of the spring pledge class. Bottom, from left: Corey Lyons '17, Colin Mudroncik '16, Samuel Stilwell '17, Scott Crilly '16, Ryan Raupp '17, and Jack Gawaluck '17. Top: Chris DeLoughery '17, Derek Belser '16, Faris Shatat '16, Matthew Nardini '17, Landon Manuel '17, and Adam Roberts '17.

DELTA TAU DELTA EXCELS ON BALL STATE CAMPUS

Epsilon Mu Boasts Largest Spring Pledge Class in Chapter History

The spring 2014 semester has been especially rewarding to the men of Epsilon Mu. The elected executive board attended a leadership retreat hosted by our chapter consultant, **Anthony Jacobsmeier**, as well as the 2014 Northern Division Conference where the chapter received its thirteenth Hugh Shields Award for chapter excellence. In addition, the board has set goals to increase recruitment efforts, chapter GPA, and community service. Further, the chapter is actively participating in numerous campus-sponsored activities, clubs, and events. With the few weeks remaining in the semester, we have a very active agenda ahead.

Innovative Academic Plan Gives Chapter Success

In fall 2013, the chapter was academically above the campus all-men's average but slightly below the campus fraternity average. We started an academic teams program in 2013 and have continued under Academic Chairman **Austin Prather '16**. Teams that perform well receive rewards and teams that perform less than the

others are required to spend additional time in study and community service. To further increase academic standing, the chapter appointed an academic advisor, Phil Bolts (non-affiliated). He works with undergraduates who perform at less than chapter expectations. With emphasis on academics, the chapter lowered third-level academic probation (highest level of probation pre-expulsion) from nine members to one. As president, I know that the members recognize the importance of academic standings and their priority within the chapter.

Philanthropy and Community Service Priority for Epsilon Mu

This spring we have increased community service hour requirements for members. Led by Community Service Chairman **Dakota Bowser '16**, the chapter has several service opportunities, including a paired event with Chi Omega at the Second Harvest Food Bank, committing more than 230 hours. The fourth annual Army Games were April 12 in the front yard of the Shelter. It has become an important spring philanthropy

and is only behind Watermelon Bust, which is still the largest philanthropy on campus. Our brothers are actively looking for sponsorships.

Largest Spring Pledge Class in Chapter History

The chapter's membership stands at 60. A focus as an executive board and as a chapter has been on recruitment. We have strived to build upon the brotherhood through various presentations on recruitment techniques, including a presentation from our chapter consultant. As a result, this spring the chapter has received its largest spring pledge class in years. Currently, we have 16 new members who have been actively engaged and dedicated. They are eagerly awaiting their initiation on April 17, at National Headquarters in Fishers, Indiana.

Leadership in Campus Organizations

This spring, our members have been very active in campus organizations. **Sterling Zweigel '16** was elected as IFC vice president of administration; **Eric Andonian '15** was elected president in the

CHAPTER ADVISORS

Chapter Advisor
David Frye '04

Risk Management Advisor
Evan Hardin '07

Honor Board and
House/Grounds Advisor
John Knox '78

Vice President-Internal Advisor
Kevin Daviduke '06

Membership Education Advisor
Jake Walden '12

Executive Dinners Advisor
Marianne Benson

Vice President-External Advisor
Aaron Stevens '06

Alumni Advisor
Dan Hockney '65

Recruitment Advisor
Conrad Jacobs '09

Financial Advisor
Andrew Fiega '01

Ritual Advisor
Jordan Knox '10

Road Advisor
Michael Ely '13

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

Derek Belser '16 ★ *Indianapolis, Ind.*

Scott Crilly '16 ★ *Munster, Ind.*

Chris DeLoughery '17 ★ *Fishers, Ind.*

Ryan Fletcher '17 ★ *North Judson, Ind.*

Jack Gawaluck '17 ★ *Noblesville, Ind.*

Mason Irbe '17 ★ *Greenfield, Ind.*

Jadon Landis '17 ★ *Noblesville, Ind.*

Corey Lyons '17 ★ *New Palestine, Ind.*

Alec Macchione '17 ★ *Fishers, Ind.*

Landon Manuel '17 ★ *South Bend, Ind.*

Colin Mudroncik '16 ★ *Munster, Ind.*

Matthew Nardini '17 ★ *Martinsville, Ind.*

Ryan Raup '17 ★ *Greencastle, Ind.*

Adam Roberts '17 ★ *Warsaw, Ind.*

Faris Shatat '16 ★ *St. John, Ind.*

Sam Stilwell '17 ★ *Indianapolis, Ind.*

School of Nursing; and past president **Ryan Williams '14** was elected president of the legal studies student association and vice president of Gamma Sigma Alpha (national Greek academic honor society). All of our members maintain participation in at least one outside organization. Many of our brothers are involved in the Student Government Association; we are actively pursuing the recruitment of quality members from this organization.

Congratulations, David Frye '04

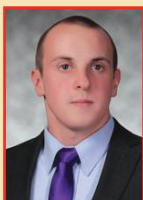
At the Ball State Annual Grand Chapter, a collaborative gathering of the university fraternities and sororities, **David Frye '04** received the Chapter Advisor of the Year award. The award is given to one who "has gone above and beyond to assist the organization he/she advises... demonstrating leadership, commitment...to the organization." Congratulations, Dave. We are proud to call you our chapter advisor.

Last, I want to thank all alumni and parents for your tremendous support. I am proud to see the endless dedication that some of these men provide for the undergraduates and the Shelter. I appreciate the support that I have received from the alumni, as I know the rest of the executive board and the chapter has. If you have any questions pertaining to anything Delt related,



The Delt basketball team won first place. Front row, from left: "Coach" Joe Hejl '15, Sean McCloskey '13, Jonathan Wolfshlag '14, Will Stephens '14, Dan Ullrich '16, and "Coach" Brian Barnas '15. Second Row: Tyler Brown '15, Sterling Zweigel '16, Patrick Kuhn '16, John Geller '17, and Zachary McManus '16.

please feel free to contact me. Thanks again for your continued commitment and dedication. I am proud to consider myself a Delt and most of all an Epsilon Mu Delt.



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Mitchell Rumer '16

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Ritualist
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Sergeant-at-Arms
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Jake Davis '15

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Zachary McManus '16

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SAVE THE DATE

FIFTH ANNUAL EM DELT GOLF CLASSIC SATURDAY, JULY 19, 2014

11 a.m. Check-in
12 p.m. Start time
4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Dinner,
Awards Ceremony,
and Silent Auction

Woodwind Golf Club
2302 W 161st St
Westfield, IN 46074
www.woodwindgolf.com

Team Pre-Registration \$285
(Paid in full before July 1)

Individual Pre-Registration \$75
(Paid in full before July 1)

*Pre-registrations not paid in full
by July 1 will be as follows:*
Team Day of \$300
Individual Day of \$85

Price includes green fee, cart,
lunch, and driving range.

To register send the names of
your foursome and a check made out to:
Delta Tau Delta Association of Muncie
PO Box 6261
Fishers, IN 46038-6261

Or pay using PayPal by
e-mailing bshobbs@hotmail.com.

Prizes awarded for:
First, Second, and Third place overall
Best Class Foursome by Decade
50/50 Raffle
contest holes:
longest drive
longest putt
closest to the pin
and "beat the pro"
(former Ball State Golfer
Andrew Rhodes)

Brotherhood gathering afterward.

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Attention: This newsletter is intended for alumni and parents. If your son is still attending Ball State University, he will receive a copy at the chapter house. If he has graduated, please send us his permanent address to update our records. Thank you.

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Check Out Our Facebook Group

Search for "BSU Delts Alumni" and click "Like" to view photos, receive event announcements, and connect with your Epsilon Mu brothers.



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Alumni Site: www.emdtd.org



Epsilon Mu Chapter:
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