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# Chapter News

## North American Food Drive & Greek Week

Once again, the active chapter is making preparations for this fall's North American Food Drive. This year's food drive is planned for November 1st. The great success of last year's food drive; which raised nearly 5,000 pounds, has prompted the chapter to set a goal of 10,000 lbs. for this year. Phi-Alpha Zeta can easily accomplish this goal with the implementation of the Watermelon Fest as well as some other special event planning. One idea we thought would raise poundage would be asking the alumni, that were coming down for Homecoming, to bring extra cans, a lot of cans, to the Homecoming activities. This would easily add to the cans collected with some simple effort. If any alumni would have contacts with some sponsors that would be interested in sponsoring Phi-Alpha Zeta's efforts they

### Founding Fathers - 20th Anniversary Banquet



**John Schmitt**  
ΦΑ 12

**Rick Kehoe**  
ΦΑ 4

**Don Coplea**  
ΦΑ 6

would greatly be appreciated. Please contact brother Ben Valadez (ΦΑ 460) High Beta External (217-581-6843) with any suggestions. We are planning to rent a storage unit as a holding area for the food. If you are interested in donating we are planning to collect the food in the chapter room the Saturday before and after the Homecoming parade. Any questions, concerns, or suggestions would be greatly appreciated and can be directed toward myself. Again, any help is greatly appreciated and that is why Phi-Alpha Zeta has always strived through the years to be a leader in community service in the Charleston area. ➔

# Greek Week

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Phi-Alpha Zeta had a very successful 1997 Greek Week. We were well represented with Kevin Picket (ΦΑ 388) as the Greek Week Overall Co-Chair, Ryan Anderson (ΦΑ 437) as the Awards Co-Chair, Jason Uhlmann (ΦΑ 468) as the Community Service Co-Chair, Jay Huffman (ΦΑ 415) as the Rules & Games Co-Chair, Ben Valadez (ΦΑ 460) as the Booklet and Spirit Co-Chair, and Brad Carter (ΦΑ 381) as the Philanthropy Co-Chair.

On Awards Night of that week Phi-Alpha took the spotlight receiving many awards.

We were awarded the Top Community Service Program of the Year and for the second straight year the Top Risk Management Program. As for individuals they too received many awards. Ryan Anderson and Kevin Picket were two of the "Top Ten Greek Men of the Year" for the entire Greek System. We had the "IFC Delegate of the Year" with Scott Tucker (ΦΑ 465) and the "Junior Greek Council Delegate of the Year" with Brian Wolfe (ΦΑ ???). Kevin Picket also received the "Big Brother

of the Year" award for the entire Greek System and the Charles "Tight" Carter award for outstanding contributions in IFC. Other members winning awards were Jason Uhlmann with the "IFC Cabinet Member of the Year" and Ryan Anderson being honored as the Greek Week Greek King Runner-up for 1997.

At the end of the week all our hard work paid off as we finished second overall and won the Big Wheel Race and Pyramids. We finished second in Volleyball, third in Canoes, and third in Airband. All in all it was a great week for Phi Alpha Zeta! ➔

# E-mailbag

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*The past 5 years things had been pretty hard for me and I have been struggling financial and mentally. I had a lot of bad experiences, that led to more and more pitfalls. I did not let the crescent and the cross be my guide. I let other people lead me to destruction. I have since grown up a little more and realized the teachings of Lambda Chi Alpha were not for the time (as a young kid would), but I learned that they are for a lifetime. I am proud of the accomplishments I have made and the goals I have reached and without my teachings I'm not sure I would be there today. I am now working at Baker & McKenzie in Chicago as a CC:Mail Administrator and am enjoying life to the fullest I can.*

In ZAX,  
John Jupa  
Phi-Alpha 278



*Mike, I just wanted to pass on my sincere respect for the job you and the Phi-Alpha chapter have done with your on-line alumni newsletter! As the High Rho at Alpha-Omega, I have to say that I would like to model a similar web page off of what I've seen. You guys are doing a great job!*

In ZAX,  
Shannon Bibbee  
Alpha-Omega 1094



*Lets see it has been so long since most people have heard from me. I finished college at Western State College which is in Gunnison, Colorado. Since then I have travelled throughout Europe, and the United States before settling down for another wonderful season of skiing in Crested Butte, Colorado. As of May I will be leaving CO and heading west to Lake Tahoe, where I may actually get a real job. Hope to see you on the slopes someday.*

In ZAX,  
Jason "Sonar" Sohn  
Phi-Alpha 333

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# High Rho Report

## Phi-Alpha Zeta Chapter Update

by Timothy R. Hadzima, Phi-Alpha 488



The 1997 Spring Semester was one to be very proud of for the undergraduate brothers of Phi-Alpha Zeta. The determination and enthusiasm for greatness is alive in the hearts and on the faces of each member of the active chapter. Eastern Illinois University is getting a taste of what Lambda Chi Alpha is all about, with the way the chapter has been running rampant across many facets of the campus.

Many members of Phi-Alpha Zeta are involved across EIU's campus ranging from the American Marketing Association to the Zoology Club. The wide spectrum of activities that are available at EIU are taken advantage of by many active brothers of Phi-Alpha Zeta. The chapters campus involvement is improving with the brothers being encouraged to join other parts of campus life, besides the Greek System. The chapter hopes to have every brother involved in more than just the fraternity so they can benefit from the wide spectrum of knowledge that makes up the active chapter.

Phi-Alpha Zeta had another successful semester, this past year, in almost every area that was participated in. In a span of three months the chapter won 15 awards at the campus and international level for various chapter accomplishments. Not many fraternities can say that. Lambda Chi Alpha's outstanding reputation on EIU's campus stems from the accomplishments and achievements of the past. The chapter will build off those for the future.

The chapter is looking forward to having the First Annual Watermelon Fest this Fall Semester to compliment our annual North American Food Drive. The Adopt-A-Highway program is established and has already gained a positive response from the Charleston Community. Another community service project the chapter is

involved with is Habitat for Humanity, a great community and national organization. We try to lend a helping hand wherever it is needed.

The 1998 Spring Semester will bring back the Midwest Conclave to the men of Phi-Alpha Zeta. The last time the chapter hosted this event was in 1994. The chapter is excited to run another successful Conclave. The dates for this event are March 6-7. The alumni are welcome to participate toward the success of the event.

The youth and enthusiasm the active chapter possesses can only lead to bigger and better things. The experience the younger leaders in the house have gained from the older members can only make the productivity of the active chapter heighten. With the current members in place, the success the chapter has had in the past, makes the goals and aspirations even higher for the future.

Brotherhood is what Phi-Alpha Zeta strives for and this has become one of the largest goals. Every person that shares the bond of our brotherhood should feel a closeness and friendship like none other. It doesn't matter whether you are an active or alumni member, the goals that are accomplished every day are achieved by BROTHERS, that is something everyone can be proud of. Deter-

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# E-mailbag

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Brother Mahoney, I recently received my issue of *The Lamp* (spring 1997 edition.) I was appalled to see me ... Jon Goudreau ... only mentioned once. Once for me ... Jon Goudreau ... just will not cut it. Oh, I know everyone fains interest in how the house or alum's are doing, but trust me, everyone wants to know how I ... Jon Goudreau ... am doing.



You know what I mean. What am I doing? How's my health? How's work going? Mike, people are concerned about me ... Jon Goudreau ... more than you can realize. I also enjoy reading about myself ... Jon Goudreau ... very much.

So I ... Jon Goudreau ... put it to you Mr. Mahoney to include at least three individual tidbits about me ... Jon Goudreau ... in each newsletter. You can call them "Good News", get it? Or at least one full page article on me ... Jon Goudreau ... in every issue. I, ... Jon Goudreau ... know you will take care of this oversight.

In ZAX,  
Jon Goudreau  
Phi-Alpha 158 in your playbill,  
but #1 in your heart



## Alumni - 20th Anniversary Banquet



Randy Steinkamp  
ΦA 175

Joe Flynn  
ΦA 199

Todd Hasty  
ΦA 271

Dear Michael, As one of the Brothers who attended the Twentieth Anniversary Chartering Banquet, I very much appreciate all you, John Schmitt, and other brothers' efforts on putting this celebration together.

In ZAX,  
Don Coplea  
Phi-Alpha 6



First of all, I wanted to thank Mr. Mike Mahoney for putting the newsletter together and for keeping track of all of the brothers. It is great to see the dedication and hard work, not to mention time, he has put forth.

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## Programming

### Goals & Ideas

by Brian P. Van Vooren, PA 296

One of the goals of the Vice-President of Programming is to coordinate year round activities for Phi-Alpha alumni and their families, as an opportunity to socialize and further our education beyond the college walls. Wanted:

### Assistance:

St. Louis and Peoria (maybe even Springfield) area activities coordinators to assist me in the planning of events for Phi-Alpha alumni and their families in their areas. Responsibilities would include, but are not limited to:

- Coordinating with Vice-President of Publications (Mike Mahoney) to inform alumni member of activities.
- Setting a meeting place for event.
- Coordinating the activity itself.
- Taking pictures of events for Mahoney. This can be done through the Publications Committee.

### Ideas:

In addition to Homecoming, alumni event IDEAS include (and are open for suggestion)

- Air and Water Show - Chicago
- Cubs / Cards or Sox games - (Chicago)
- Cards / Cubs game - (St. Louis)
- Chiefs / Riverman game - (Peoria)
- A Ravinia concert - (Chicago)
- Mardi Gras - (St. Louis)
- Ritual at EIU - Fall and Spring
- Spring Semester Alumni Day - EIU
- Area Investors clubs and finance workshops

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## In Rare Form Again

It was nice seeing you all and I definitely need to get back for homecoming. Restoring relations with the ladies of Sigma Kappa is at the top of my priority list. They were one of four sororities that didn't have a No-Malloy in House rule. Hope to see you soon and if I offended anyone I am sorry. I just got swept up in the excitement. It was nice seeing the Brothers!!! ➔

## Grab Bag

### The Alan G. Dorward

#### Commemorative "Chops"

#### Stencil



Originally, this logo was designed by Mike Mahoney and used to cut a 4x8 sheet of plywood into a giant stencil. This wooden art making tool, the brain child of one Al Dorward (chapter president 1985), was used to make everlasting (at least a week) impressions on the parking lots of EIU's sorority community. Al Dorward, Chris Lindauer, Mike Mahoney and Mark Dillon not only got to spend a Friday evening making art, but as a bonus they also got to spend a Saturday morning making suds...soap suds.

The stencil was retired and the design found its way onto surfaces a little more docile...T-shirts.

### "Midnight Chicken"

#### Legends & Lore

Coming soon to a newsletter near you...the complete untold stories of the legends and glory. Never before has this phenomenon of feathers been expounded upon for print. Hear the distant echoes of "Boom Chuga-luga." Feel the chilling cold December nights. Taste the tangy cocktail of Hinze catsup. Remember the commands of Jim Rowely and Mike Skinner. Anticipate the grandeur...as if the chicken would be presented to you. Plus, excerpts from "The Chicken Romances" and "Fouls of the Round Table."

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## High Rho Report

mination and perseverance has gotten the chapter to where it is today and that is what will guide the chapter into the future. ➔

## E-mailbag

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The email list Mike has compiled is a great way for all brothers with email to keep in touch. It is also a new way for me to bug Ty Mead and Brian VanVooren. watch out guys...email coming soon from yours truly.

Next, I wanted to express my gratitude to John Schmitt for his diligence in organizing the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary weekend early this past spring. John did an outstanding job that I know everyone appreciated. The weekend was something I will not forget, especially after seeing Dillon playing golf in the wind and cold rain...even if it was from the road while I was in my nice warm car.

I also wanted to thank the active chapter for the anniversary weekend as well. Their efforts in organizing and hospitality were appreciated. They made the weekend fun and I hope they continue to put events like the anniversary together. (with John's help of course).

One last person I want to thank is Konrad Brown. I wanted to thank him for finding Brad Gathard and I a place to sleep the Friday night before the anniversary dinner. After finding us place to crash, and after Konrad's fourth Jaeger Meister shot, he proceeded to puke on my shoes and in my glass of beer at the same time in the middle of Stix. He definitely knows how to clear an area of a crowded bar so his brothers have a place to stand. Thanks Konrad. I owe you one!

In ZAX,  
Aaron Small  
Phi-Alpha 303



Mike, I am the proud father of a 1 year old boy, Collin James, and have another on the way!

Hope all is going well! Keep up the fantastic job you are doing on the alumni newsletter.

In ZAX,  
Don Bawolek  
Phi-Alpha 210

# Lambda Chi's at Large

Brian & Amy Van Vooren's Wedding

November 9, 1996



Back: Gene Murray (ΦΘ 106), C.A.M. Wagner (AX 1117), Jason Pearce (ΔΠ 44), Eric Anderson (ΦΑ 348), John Schmitt (ΦΑ 12), Rich Miller (ΦΑ 270), Ed Hopkins (ΦΑ 336) Front: Bob Cohn (ΦΑ 285), Amy Van Vooren, Brian Van Vooren (ΦΑ 296), Brad Gathard (ΦΑ 300), Ty Mead (ΦΑ 340)

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## 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

### Chartering Banquet Roll Call

May 3rd, 1997 - Charleston Illinois

*Lambda Chi Alpha Attendees Answering Formal Roll Call  
20th Anniversary Chartering Banquet of Phi-Alpha Zeta  
Worthington Inn-Charleston, IL - May 3, 1997*

*Rick Kehoe (ΦA 4)  
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Jeff Craig (ΦA 94)  
Bob Varner (ΦA 95)  
Tim Reitzell (ΦA 99)  
Al Dorward (ΦA 112)  
Danny Miller (ΦA 117)  
Dennis Grannan (ΦA 129)  
Mark Aherns (ΦA 146)  
Mike Bentle (ΦA 154)  
Mike Bradle (ΦA 156)  
Jon Goudreau (ΦA 158)  
Mike Mahoney (ΦA 161)  
Scott Perry (ΦA 162)  
Gary Kerr (ΦA 167)  
Randy Steinkamp (ΦA 175)  
Scott Biermann (ΦA 178)  
Joe Flynn (ΦA 199)  
Kevin Wisher (ΦA 201)  
Mark Dillon (ΦA 207)  
John Zumski (ΦA 213)  
T. John Vilardo (ΦA 228)  
Konrad Brown (ΦA 251)  
Kurt Hurelbrink (ΦA 257)  
Brad Mitchell (ΦA 268)*

*Rich Miller (ΦA 270)  
Todd Hasty (ΦA 271)  
Mique Malloy (ΦA 274)  
Bob Cohn (ΦA 285)  
Kolin Brown (ΦA 286)  
Brian VanVooren (ΦA 296)  
Brad Gathard (ΦA 300)  
Aaron Small (ΦA 303)  
Paul Dempsey (ΦA 323)  
Robert Rebernak (ΦA 332)  
Dan Drews (ΦA 337)  
Ty Mead (ΦA 340)  
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Eric Gill (ΦA 425)  
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Sean Thiel (ΦA 433)  
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Jim Corrigan (ΦA 438)  
Craig Parmele (ΦA 439)  
Mike Butterbach (ΦA 441)  
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