

CANDLELIGHT

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CHAPTER HOUSE RENOVATION TO BEGIN MAY 2014

What an exciting time for Beta Phi. Our Foundation began discussing the need to address infrastructure concerns and possible upgrades to our 50-year-old house in late 2007. Today we are finalizing details for summer construction. Much has happened during those seven years. Architects, attorneys, bankers, fundraisers, and Purdue University were all consulted before a final decision was made to proceed in 2009.

Driving the decision to move forward (even during gloomy economic conditions) was the realization that the house infrastructure was nearing or had exceeded its normal life necessitating a new heating system, updated plumbing, upgraded electrical systems, and new roof. The house has neither a sprinkler system nor air conditioning. Both are needed if we want to ensure the safety of residents and remain competitive with the new housing options offered to Purdue students in residence halls and newly remodeled fraternity houses.

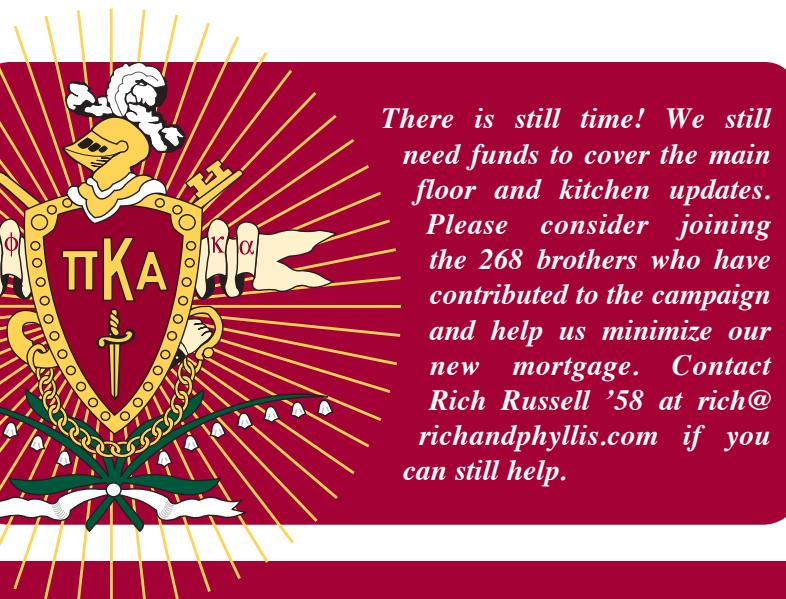
In December 2009 discussions began with Kinder Construction of Fort Wayne to explore their willingness to join us as a design-build partner. In business since 1892, **Bill Kinder '95** and **Doug Kinder '91** are fourth-generation owners of the family business. One of the areas they specialize in is building and updating college facilities, including dormitories. Customers include Taylor University, Manchester College, IPFW, Grace College, Indiana Tech, Ball State, and Ivy Tech. Members of the Foundation and Home Association worked with the Kinders and their key subcontractors to develop a cost-effective design.

In November of 2012 Sarah Schraffenberger and Terri Smith-Wright volunteered to join the team as interior designers. Terri is an interior designer for Purdue, specializing in residence halls, and Sarah is an interior design student working for Terri as an intern. Terri's husband is Brother **Doug Wright '86** and Sarah has two brothers who are Pikes. Terri and Sarah provided design concepts, recommending colors, lighting, and window and flooring upgrades. In February 2013 we added architect H2Design to formalize our drawings and submit them to the state for approval.

The final design will:

- Adjust the house capacity to 60 men. This allows six one-man rooms and four four-man suites in addition to 19 two-man rooms.
- Continue Home Association's conversion of much of the first floor to study areas by creating a new study room off the entry and a study/alumni room where the old library was. This has worked well to provide a quiet place to study in the house and helps offset the small size of our two-man rooms.
- Provide new heating and air conditioning systems, sprinkler system, and upgrade plumbing and electrical systems. The Home Association needed to and did replace the roof last summer.
- Upgrade our living areas on the first floor to a more current look, including new flooring, lighting, paint/wall coverings, and a much more attractive fireplace.
- Have a construction cost of about \$81/sq. ft. with fundraising, permits, architect, and legal fees making up 21.6% of our total costs (both significantly below initial estimates).

There is still time! We still need funds to cover the main floor and kitchen updates. Please consider joining the 268 brothers who have contributed to the campaign and help us minimize our new mortgage. Contact Rich Russell '58 at rich@richandphyllis.com if you can still help.



Actual construction will begin the week after school is out in May. The house will be completely evacuated and everything removed before construction crews move in on May 12. Construction will be completed by August 20, 2014, in time for occupancy before school starts. It is going to be an exciting and busy summer; but what a great time to be a Pike at Purdue.

We want to extend a very special invitation to our 12th Annual Pike Reunion Weekend. A major Chapter House renovation will be completed this summer and ready for the undergraduates to move in with the beginning of the Purdue fall semester.

This major renovation has been seven years in the planning and fundraising.

We sincerely appreciate the Beta Phi brothers who have contributed to this project and encourage all Purdue Pikes to come back for this special weekend. We will provide special tours of the Chapter House since the renovation includes all the floors of the house. Under separate cover all alumni will receive promotion flyers detailing all the weekend events and a reservation form. A block of tickets will be

Pike Reunion and Renovation Dedication Open House Save the Date: November 7-9, 2014

purchased for the Purdue versus Wisconsin game that weekend.

As Beta Phi Pikes have enjoyed a great brotherhood experience at our Purdue Chapter House,

please plan to attend the special events being planned for Friday evening and before and after the game on Saturday. We have tried to capture our past history in our new alumni room. Come back November 7-9 to connect and reminisce with your brothers and see all the improvements in our chapter house.

In the Bonds,
Rich Russell '58
President
Beta Phi Foundation

PIKE ACTIVES FOCUS ON PHILANTHROPY, LOOK FORWARD TO CONSTRUCTION THIS SUMMER

This has been a great year so far for the Beta Phi Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha! We started in the fall with a completely full house with 64 members living in and a new member class of 27.

We continue working very closely with the Boys and Girls Club of Lafayette. At least once a month the Chapter makes our way over to hangout with the kids for a few hours. We make crafts, play games, and give the kids an older brother to look up to. Last semester we were proud to host our second annual Pikes for Strikes bowling philanthropy. Seven sororities and four fraternities competed in a bowling tournament and helped us raise just under \$1,000, which we donated to the Boys and Girls Club to help improve their facility. This semester we plan on returning for an Easter egg hunt much like we did last year.

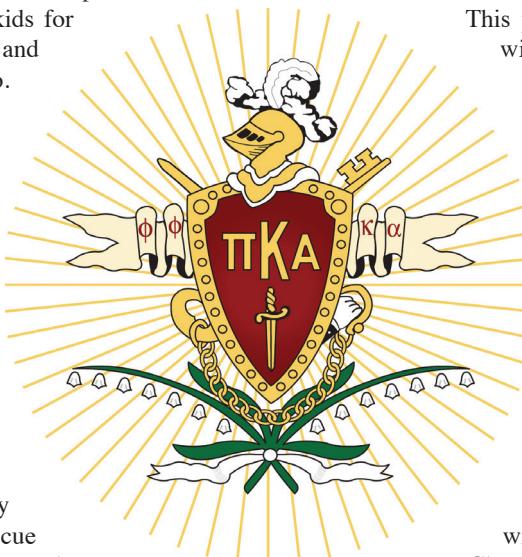
Another big event we have coming up is our second annual Pikes Fireman's Challenge. We have been working very closely with the Purdue Fire and Rescue Department and hope to double our proceeds donated to the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation.

We are working very hard to make this philanthropy become the biggest on campus and I cannot wait to give you an update on how it turns out.

Another big event Beta Phi was pleased to be a part of was Purdue University's Dance Marathon which raised over \$1,000,000 for Riley Children's Hospital. We are pleased to announce Pi Kappa Alpha was the highest contributor from all fraternities on campus donating almost \$17,000!

This past semester we did very well in athletics, winning a few intramural championships, including intertube water polo and both indoor and outdoor volleyball. They no longer do a point system, but we feel confident that our athletics will be top three if not the best. Our grades unfortunately fell to a 2.68 this past semester. We are looking to see what can be changed or focused on so that we can improve next semester.

If you ever want to relive your memories at 629 University, feel free to stop by and meet the brothers. We are always happy to see alumni come back to the house and hear stories. Please contact me anytime with any questions or ideas you have for our Chapter. It's a great day to be a Pike!



In the Bonds,
Greg Dyer '13
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Brothers at the national leadership conference in Chicago, Illinois, in February.



Greg Dyer '13 and Katie Jackson of Kappa Alpha Theta at Pikes for Strikes bowling philanthropy.



Members help the Boys and Girls Club of Lafayette paint pumpkins for Halloween.

BETA PHI IS BUZZING

House Renovation and Events Keep Brothers Excited

This semester started off well with our alumni advisory board meeting in between the holidays and getting the new executive board and committee heads settled. **Greg Dyer '13** took over as the new SMC and is doing a great job so far. The Chapter has positive momentum in social, athletics, philanthropy, and morale. We still look to raise our G.P.A. above the fraternity and all-men's averages on campus. Many mechanisms have been put into place to set up a Smythe run in the near future.

The buzz around the house renovations has brought the Chapter together and the undergraduates are looking forward to its completion. There is a lot of work to be done and all of us need to do our part for Beta Phi. Whether it be continuing your pledge, volunteering on a committee, or helping with recruitment, every bit helps.

Please check in with your brothers and Pike network as there are some great events that are happening in the coming months. The Grand Prix team has two cars in the race this year and **Doug Wright '86** has done a great job positioning us to bring home some hardware. The annual golf outing is June 21. It is always a great event and we look forward to another great year. If you attend regularly or are thinking of coming this year, pick up the phone and call a pledge brother (or three) to make a weekend out of it!

Thank you all for your effort and support in these great times in Beta Phi. We have great times in front of us!

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Thank You, Generous Alumni and Friends, for Supporting the Honoring Our Legacy, Securing Our Future Campaign

We are deeply grateful to the following 268 Beta Phi brothers and friends for committing \$1,238,603 to the *Honoring Our Legacy, Securing Our Future* capital campaign, which came to a close on December 31, 2013. These brothers recognize the importance of continuing the legacy created at 629 University and have demonstrated a sense of gratitude for their personal experience.

If an error has been made in recording your gift, or your name has been mistakenly omitted or listed improperly, we sincerely apologize. Please advise our campaign coordinator at (785) 843-1661, so that we may make a correction. Thank you to our loyal alumni!

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In memory of Robert S. Kirk '82

Steve Mathy '81
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In honor of Richard L. Russell '58

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In memory of Roger Lantz '70, Wes Brown '71, Wren Hillman '72, and Mike Neely '73
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Campaign Status At-a-Glance

As of March 13, 2014

\$1.2 million campaign goal

\$1,238,603 in total contributions

268 loyal donors

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BROTHERS MAKE RENOVATION PLANS REALITY

Attending Purdue University, **Bill Kinder '95** was already familiar with Pi Kappa Alpha as his brother, **Doug '91**, was a member. "I had a relationship with many of the brothers and was very impressed with the enthusiasm of the brotherhood to be the most reputable fraternity on Purdue's campus."

Bill took pride in being a member of the Beta Phi Chapter and served as the house manager, recruitment chairman, vice president, and president. "We were always very highly respected as one of the top three fraternities on campus. I lived in the house for three and a half years in the early '90s and was able to experience firsthand the impact a newly remodeled house had on recruiting top men into the fraternity."

Bill earned his bachelor's degree in building construction technology in 1995 and is now the owner of Michael Kinder and Sons Inc., a fourth-generation family business serving the design and construction industry, with his partner and brother Doug. "I got started in construction at a very young age through the family business. Through many internships and employment at a couple of premier Chicago companies, I truly developed a love for my career and must say it was my dream job when I was a kid, and still today I feel like I am living my dream."

Bill and Doug began working with the Chapter in the early stages, prior to fundraising, to provide programming and budgeting to reflect the necessities and the desires to set fundraising goals. Their firm donated the work to install the new columns on the front of the house and set a goal to continue the improvements once fundraising goals were achieved. "Over the past two years our firm began design work in accord with funds donated and continue today to refine as brothers step up and make their donation to allow for additional upgrades. It is not too late to make your



Bill Kinder '95



Doug Kinder '91

donation as we still have many other upgrades we can incorporate if funds become available."

Bill said he is most looking forward to "seeing the years of hard work by such a dedicated Foundation board, Home Association, and generous brothers come to fruition for all, and most importantly to see our fraternity maintain its upper echelon status in the Purdue community."

For Bill, supporting the campaign is rooted in his undergraduate experience. "My commitment to the capital campaign stems directly from my days at the house when I personally had the opportunity to enjoy the renovations and updates completed in the early '90s. Over the years, I learned that stewardship is not just giving of your treasure but also your time. I have watched too many of the same brothers' names being posted in Pike newsletters as the same guys doing all the work, and simply felt it was my turn to get involved. We don't look back often enough to realize where we came from and how we got to where we are today. Simply in looking back during my time at the house, I met my wife, received my career degree, and made many of my lifelong friends. Where else are three of the most important aspects of your life going to be molded?"

Bill and his wife, Lisa, a former Purdue Silver Twin, live in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and have two children, Brook and Billy.

"In closing, I would like to challenge every brother to look back and reflect on your time spent at Pi Kappa Alpha and the impact the fraternity and Purdue had on your life. I am sure reminiscing will bring back many great memories. I then challenge you to think about how you can get involved to give back, whether it be volunteering time or donating funds to allow others to have the same opportunity."

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If your Pi Kappa Alpha son is still attending Purdue 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.

SAVE THE DATE

11th Annual Pike Golf Outing *Saturday, June 21*

Scramble format; member-guest or father-son

Due to the renovation construction the entire event
will be held at the Golf Complex.

RSVP to jconti@landstar.net or
glouis@nicholasdesigngroup.com

12th Annual Pike Reunion Weekend *November 7-9*

Purdue vs. Wisconsin

Events planned Friday evening and Saturday
before and after the game.

Flyer with more information coming soon.

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