The chapter newsletter for alumni and friends of the Indiana Zeta Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi | Spring 2024

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# **CHAPTER UPDATE**

The '23-'24 academic year is rapidly coming to an end for Indiana Zeta, and it has given the chapter time to reflect on some of the major accomplishments it has achieved throughout the year. Every part from formal recruitment, to philanthropy, and our brotherhood events in between has made us all proud to be Phi Psi's at Butler University.

Indiana Zeta had its most successful recruitment year since coming back on campus, recruiting eleven new members, seven of whom were from formal recruitment. At the start of March, we initiated our biggest new member class, and hit badge number 900! This success is largely due to our Chapter Advisor Ray Volpe and current Recruitment Chairman Anthony Bates. Their diligent planning and hard work have allowed Indiana Zeta to welcome many quality young men into the brotherhood.

Like with recruitment, philanthropy was highly successful as the chapter raised over \$1,000 for the SON Foundation, with our Dunk a Brother event being the most entertaining!

With each day, the bond between the members grows stronger and stronger. Whether it is studying for exams, participating in events on campus, or going on our annual trip to Victory Field to watch an Indians game, the feeling of brotherhood is present in all aspects of our lives. As the semester ends, we will be saying goodbye to our two graduating seniors, Anthony Bates and Hayden Quinn.

It is safe to say that Phi Psi has finally found its footing again at Butler, promoting a strong brotherhood, service to others, and helping shape leaders on campus.







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# **NEWS FROM INDIANA ZETA**

# **HOUSE CORPORATION NEW MEMBERS**



**BOARD MEMBER 1** 

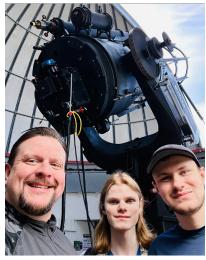
Name: Ryan Mitchell

When did you graduate from Butler? Graduated 2013, Pledge Class graduated 2011, 6-year pharmacy degree.

What do you do for work? Medical Science Liaison in the Pharmaceutical Industry

**Do you have a family?** Wife Steph, an IU alumna. 7-year old Golden Retriever Frankie.

Why did you decide to help out with Phi Psi, or what do you want to accomplish with Phi Psi? I want to find a helpful use of my time through volunteer work. I know the impact life as a Phi Psi had on me and I want to get involved in giving back, to facilitate that same positive impact for other young men.



BOARD MEMBER 2 Name: Ryan Eldridge

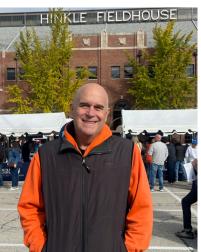
When did you graduate from Butler? I moved to Indianapolis in 1994 to attend Butler and graduated in 1998. I majored in history with a concentration in military history and foreign policy. I worked for the Butler Police as a student for four years. I patrolled the campus, helped detectives, and did computer work for them, including installing the first laptops in university squad cars in the state

of Indiana in 1997.

What do you do for work? Because of my aptitude for technology and building PCs now for 30 years, I have been an IT consultant, IT network admin, or in IT management since 1998 and have worked for small and large corporations in many vertical markets. Since 2016, I have owned an IT consulting firm called Solvonex that specializes in hardware/software sales, managed IT services, and cyber security. We work with small business to enterprise and education K-12/college. When it comes to IT infrastructure, that is our specialty: Networks, WIFI design, servers, cloud, data cabling, assessments, planning, and execution.

Do you have a family? I have three sons: Logan 22, Ian 19, and Luke 15. Logan is a graduating Creative Media Major at Butler this May. He is an aspiring author and film maker. Logan is looking to enter the creative writing graduate program at Butler but is also very adept at technology support. Ian is a freshman at Butler and is also a Creative Media Major. Ian takes flying lessons and wants to be a pilot. Guitar and cinematography are two of his interests. Ian is also the captain of the Call of Duty eSports Academy Team and will be the Varsity Team Captain next year at Butler. Logan and Ian both work with my company, Solvonex, as IT support techs now and will be working with me on a new venture for creative media and content in the days to come. We hope to bring Butler students in as interns and provide project opportunities for them in the future.

Why did you decide to help out with Phi Psi, or what do you want to accomplish with Phi Psi? I hope to bring my years of business, construction, budget planning, and IT experience to the House Corps to help our chapter house become the best it can be. I recognize that we have to compete with the other fraternities at Butler. That has always been the case, but I hope to learn about the chapter's needs and help the team achieve realistic goals over time. Having two college-age sons on campus continuously gives me good insight as a parent, alumni member, and Phi Psi brother. I am thrilled to bring any additional insight to the team that I can and appreciate the opportunity to serve on the board."



**BOARD MEMBER 3** 

Name: Jeff Doris

When did you graduate from Butler? I started Butler in 1982, did several other things, then graduated in 1991.

What do you do for work? Retired from a 30-year career in retail pharmacy. Trying to decide what to do when I grow up.

Do you have a family? Married to Vickie Moody (Butler '86,

Tri Delt) for 35 years 3 children: Emma, at Butler '16, also Tri Delt, Samantha, senior at IU Bloomington, Lilli, Sophomore at Butler.

Why did you decide to help out with Phi Psi, or what do you want to accomplish with Phi Psi? I want to give back to Phi Psi so that it continues to enrich others' lives, as well as my own.

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# FEASIBILITY STUDY RECAP: A FUTURE CAMPAIGN FOR IN ZETA



In January of 2023, the Indiana Zeta House Corporation formally partnered with the Phi Kappa Psi Foundation to undergo a feasibility study for a potential future fundraising campaign. This study, a crucial step towards a potential future fundraising campaign, involved interviews with 49 Indiana Zeta brothers. Their valuable feedback has paved the way for important decisions that will shape the chapter's future. The comprehensive results of this study were presented to the House Corporation in November of 2023, marking a significant milestone in our collective progress.

A special thank you to the brothers who led the effort by volunteering their time and energy to serve on the feasibility study committee. Your dedication and commitment have been instrumental in this endeavor. We also extend our thanks to the brothers who answered the call by participating in the study and sharing their feedback and insights. Your contributions have been invaluable in understanding our facility and chapter needs.

#### **COMMITTEE:**

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# HOW CAN YOU HELP?

As the House Corporation prepares for the future, the most impactful way you can help is by donating to the Indiana Zeta OneFund. These funds will directly aid the Chapter by allowing the House Corporation to 1) Bolster recruitment through recruitment scholarships, 2) Celebrate exceptional brothers with chapter scholarships or leadership training, and 3) Offset the costs of facility maintenance. Make your gift today by visiting https://www.pkpfoundation.org/make-an-impact/

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# **Update Your Information**

Make sure you stay up-to-date on what is happening at the Chapter and within the 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 Zeta**

Gifts to the Indiana Zeta 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.

You can give online using a credit card at <a href="https://pkpfoundation.org/support-indiana-zeta">pkpfoundation.org/support-indiana-zeta</a>



or by mailing a check to: Phi Kappa Psi Foundation 5395 Emerson Way Indianapolis, IN 46226

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



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# Save the Date

# Symphony on the Prairie

Friday, August 2nd

We have our Symphony on the Prairie get together on Friday, August 2nd. The concert starts at 8 but a small group of us will get there around 7pm and try to cordon off an area near the Sunset Lounge for Phi Psi's and their guests. You can get tickets at Kroger or go to indianapolissymphony.org and order them online. Bring your own: blankets, folding chairs, drinks/food.

# **Homecoming 2024**

Saturday, October 5th

Tailgate @ Hinkle Fieldhouse (East Parking Lot) | 9am–1pm \*Look for the Green & Red Phi Psi Flag

Football Game @ Sellick Bowl – 1pm Open Gathering @ Chapter House – 3pm-7:30pm

Check **butlerphipsi.org/events** for all upcoming alumni events.



