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THE HOOSIER FIJI

Zeta Chapter of Phi Gamma Delta at Indiana University

Established 1871



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ZETA RANKS FIRST IN ACADEMICS

After a strong academic performance in the Spring of 2019, Zeta brothers earned an average chapter GPA of 3.45 in the Fall of 2019, ranking first out of 27 IFC chapters. Our new members (Pledge Class of 2023) set a new chapter record with an average GPA of a 3.62! A huge thanks to our Scholarship Chairs (**Jesse Sweet PC '21**, **Matt Cooper PC '21**, **Luke Bennett PC '22**, **Andrew Olexa PC '22**, **Zack Morrison PC '22**, and **John Gudeman PC '23**) for providing resources and support to help brothers excel in the classroom. In addition, the Scholarship Chairs would like to recognize **Luke Haag PC '20**, **Tanner Shapiro PC '21**, **Nolan Witte PC '22**, **Luke Bennett PC '22**, **Brady Metzler PC '23**, **John Gudeman PC '23**, and **Jacob Zay PC '23** for achieving a 4.0 semester GPA.



Tanner Shapiro PC '21 achieved a 4.0 GPA and was accepted into IU's Maurer School of Law through the Direct Admission Program

BIKE TEAM LOOKS FORWARD TO 2021 RACE

Despite the extraordinary circumstances that ultimately led to the cancellation of the Little 500 race, the FIJI bike team still managed to make the most out of a season that was unfortunately cut short. After having dedicated hours on both the roads and rollers, the team was in a position in which they expected to have a legitimate chance at competing for first.

Looking towards next year now, the likelihood for success seems almost inevitable with **Matt Cooper PC '21** at the helm of the team, paired with talented veterans **Nick Olsen PC '21** and **Ian Hussey PC '21**. Not to mention the rest of the team such as the rising and extremely talented **James Hastings PC '22** and the two rookies on the team **Max Raynor PC '23** and **John Gudeman PC '23** who are waiting patiently for their opportunities to help prove why FIJI cycling is once again a power house and force to be reckoned with. Ultimately, the team is extremely eager and ready to pick right back up where they left off prior to the COVID-19 outbreak.



"We have the strongest team that the house has seen in years and we have as good as chance as anyone to win."

~ Matt Cooper (Bike Team Captain & Riders Council Vice-President)

"I can't thank our graduate brothers enough for not only the donations they provide us with to succeed throughout the year but also for all the advice and guidance for myself and the rest of the team!"

~ Nick Olsen (Riders Council Member)



ZETA BRINGS HOME MANY AWARDS

At the 154th annual State Day and IU's Greek Assessment & Awards Program (GAAP), Zeta FIJI brothers watched as the chapter was mentioned time and time again. We are proud to have received a wide array of awards, and we are hungry to continue our chapter's tradition of excellence. The awards received are:

State Day 2020

- Beta Cup (Most Outstanding Chapter in State of Indiana)
- Most Outstanding Member (**Holden Jastremski PC '20**)
- Most Outstanding Recruitment
- Most Outstanding Community Service
- Most Outstanding Campus Involvement

GAAP 2020

- Chapter of Excellence (3rd Consecutive Year, Most Prestigious Award)
- Chapter President of the Year (**Chris Johnson PC '20**)
- Chapter Alumni Relations Award
- Chapter Civic Engagement Award



Holden Jastremski PC '20 (pictured on left) with the Most Outstanding Member Award and the Zeta FIJI Cabinet Board (pictured on right) with the Beta Cup and other awards from State Day

ZETA REMAINS DOMINATE IN INTRAMURALS

Over the course of the past semester, Zeta continued its excellence within sports on and off campus. After an unfortunate loss in Assembly Hall in the IM Basketball Championship in 2019, the Zeta A Team took home the trophy in 2020 in front of a massive crowd of purple and gold. On top of this success, all four FIJI handball teams met in the semi-finals with Team 3 taking the championship led by **Pete LaMagna PC '20**.

Off campus, brothers were able to win a competitive indoor soccer league at Twin Lakes Recreational Center organized by **Luke Domer PC '21**. Pursuit of the Hoosier Grail was in full force as the brothers of 431 stood in second place before COVID-19 ultimately cancelled the season; however, with strong teams in soccer, futsal, flag football, among others 431 was on track to reclaim the Hoosier Grail. The Hoosier Grail remains as one of the main goals for the chapter heading into next year as Zeta anticipates another successful run towards the trophy. A special thanks to intramural chairs **Phillip King PC '22** and **Will Schlosser PC '23**.

Pictured on right: the FIJI A Basketball Team (Jack Gleaves PC '20, Holden Jastremski PC '20, Justin Beasley PC '20, Mike Pitz PC '21, Will Pahl PC '21, Andy Sweet PC '21, Sam Dattilo PC '21, Luke Jager PC '21, Jared Kaiser PC '22, and Phil King PC '22) and Zeta brothers after winning the Basketball Championship





BROTHER SPOTLIGHT

Chris Johnson PC '20



Major: Economic Consulting; Public Policy Analysis **Minor:** Religious Studies
House Positions: Chapter President, New Member Educator, Rush Chair

Chris, a member of the Consulting Workshop, graduated from the Kelley School of Business (Honors Program) with High Distinction Academic Honors and will be an Associate Consultant with Bain & Company in Chicago. Last semester, he was awarded the IFC's Most Outstanding Chapter President by IU's Office of Sorority and Fraternity Life.

Favorite FIJI Memory: Tailgating in the infield during the 2019 Indy 500 with pledge brothers and younger/older pledge classes

JP Schimpf PC '21

Major: Economic Consulting; Business Analytics
House Positions: Rush Chair, Intramural Chair

This summer JP is looking forward to his Consulting Internship with Protiviti in Chicago. On campus, he was named to the Executive Board of Habitat for Humanity Bloomington and placed 1st in the ODT Supply Chain Case Competition. He is looking forward to having his siblings join him in Bloomington next fall, as his younger brother (recently accepted his bid to join FIJI) and sister have committed to IU. JP has developed a passion for running during quarantine and recently completed his first half-marathon!

Favorite FIJI Memory: Fall 2019 Nashville Formal



JP Schimpf (pictured on left) with his siblings, Matthew and Lauren

William Johnson PC '22



William Johnson (pictured on left) with his dad, Steve Johnson PC '94

Major: Public Affairs Management
House Positions: New Member Educator, Brotherhood Chair

From Huntsville, Alabama, William has excelled in his roles as New Member Educator and Brotherhood Chair. Last semester, he organized the 1st Annual Phi Gam Invitational (a mini-golf competition in the house) where brothers from all pledge classes compete for the *purple jacket*. In addition, he is a member of the Dean's List and will be interning at JMO Advisory Services this summer in Indianapolis.

Favorite FIJI Memory: Helping PC '23 grow as a New Member Educator and watching the 2019 Little 500 Race with the purple haze

Sam Huston PC '23

Major: Management; Human Organization
House Positions: Mental Health Chair; New Member Educator

Sam is on an academic full-ride scholarship as a Cox Scholar where he conducted research focused on Indiana's opioid crisis. In addition to his time spent researching, Sam is involved with the Riley Development Committee for IUDM and a member of the IFC Judicial Board. Along with our other Mental Health Chairs, he organizes and leads bi-weekly mental health circles for Zeta brothers.

Favorite FIJI Memory: Hanging out with brothers from Pledge Class of 2020 on their last night in the house before being sent home due to COVID-19





MESSAGE FROM HOUSE CORPORATION

Dear Zeta Brother:

We hope that you and your families are well, safe and healthy. The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in uncertainty throughout all of our lives, including the impact on the 2020/21 school year at Zeta Chapter. President McRobbie recently released an update outlining the plans to bring our brothers back on campus. The House Corporation remains supportive of the University as it navigates these uncertain times. With that said, we are actively preparing for all possible 2020/21 scenarios. A detailed description of our work can be found below.


On April 23, 2020, I convened a working group of members of the undergraduate Cabinet and graduate brothers consisting of Brother Patrick Lindley, Brother Peter Krusing, Brother Kenny Sechrist, Brother Jim Troutman, Brother Todd Richardson, Brother Ronak Patel, and Brother Will Pahl, to assess all scenarios involving the 2020/21 school year. This group is meeting weekly until a final strategy has been developed and executed. We are working diligently to be prepared to safely and effectively house the brothers when campus is ultimately re-opened. The health and safety of the brothers is what is most important here and we are working tirelessly to account for this in every strategy being prepared.

This year has been an outstanding year for Zeta Chapter. Zeta Chapter is the home of the 2020 Beta Cup, for the second year running, which honors the most outstanding Fiji chapter in the state of Indiana. Zeta chapter won several awards at the University's Greek Assessment & Awards Program, including Chapter of Excellence Award (the most prestigious award), the Chapter Alumni Relations Award, and the Chapter Civic Engagement Award.

As this semester ends, we congratulate our Senior brothers who will leave Zeta as undergraduates and venture into the world. The Class of 2020 will forever remain as a 'bridge class' that experienced Zeta Chapter at 631 E. Third and the move to Zeta Chapter at 431 N. Woodlawn in January of 2017. We have been well served by this group of senior brothers who have helped Zeta navigate its way from 631 to 431 bringing with them the rich heritage and strong tradition of excellence from 631 Beechwood. The entire Zeta family thanks you and wishes you well. We know they will always honor Zeta Chapter in their contributions to our society going forward. To our Senior brothers we know that Zeta Chapter will be with them for the rest of their lives and that Friendship is the Sweetest Influence.

I want to thank the graduate brothers who have agreed to serve Zeta on the House Corporation for the coming year. These brothers include: Patrick Lindley, Vice President; Adam Gemmer, Secretary; James R. Troutman, Treasurer; Tom Froehle; Ryan Kitchell; Cory Lewis; Brett Merritt; William R. Miller; Greg Moheban; Todd Richardson; John Ryan; Ken Sechrist, House Director; and Peter Krusing, Purple Legionnaire. Along with the outstanding undergraduate brothers, these graduate brothers have contributed greatly through their time, energy, and commitment to the outstanding chapter that resides at 431 N. Woodlawn.

Fraternally and with persistence,
HOUSE CORPORATION OF ZETA
CHAPTER OF PHI GAMMA DELTA, INC.



Peter Campbell King
House Corporation President



ZETA RUSH ADJUSTS DUE TO COVID-19

Amidst the circumstances that have kept our chapter off-campus, we have kept the rush process as similar as possible given these new terms. When Indiana cancelled the rest of its semester, our Rush Chairs, **Nolan Witte PC '22**, **Isaiah Phillips PC '22**, and **Roderick Jones PC '22**, spent some time speaking with Cabinet and Nationals to try and figure out a way to keep our traditions and plan intact.

What came about from these meetings was a Rush Steering Committee. Selected from numerous applications, our Rush Chairs handpicked 15 brothers encompassing every current pledge class, including five former Rush Chairs, to help conduct interviews using Zoom Virtual meetings and to give a more thorough and varying look at each potential bid. The committee works Monday through Friday interviewing kids, averaging about 4 interviews per day, 20 per week.

Although these circumstances are not ideal, our committee, Cabinet, and Nationals has worked tirelessly to uphold the tradition of excellence within this house for the next class of Zeta brothers. In addition, our Rush Chairs and undergraduate brothers plan to incorporate more in-person rush events as Indiana opens back up. We encourage graduate brothers to reach out to the Rush Chairs with recommendations, as they will continue to work at building up the class of 2024.

With the future of the university uncertain at the moment, we will continue to work hard and excel as we push forward into a new year.

ZETA FIJI RUSH

SEND IN YOUR RECCOMENDATIONS

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Members of the 2020 Intramural Handball Championship Team



Brothers from Pledge Class 2023 in Fort Lauderdale, Florida

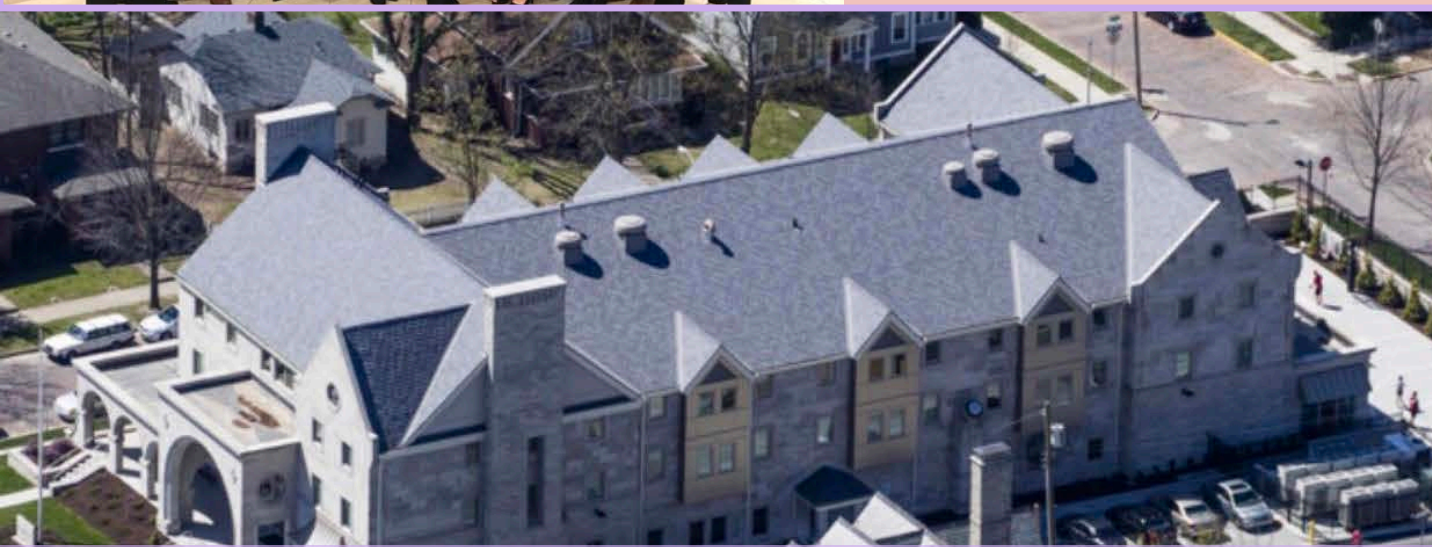


PIG DINNER 2020

Thank you to all the brothers who attended Pig Dinner this year. Undergraduate brothers were happy to share a feast with graduate brothers in attendance. We would like to give a special thank you to our keynote speaker, Brother **Ted Dickman PC '83**. The speech given by Brother Dickman gave a glimpse into 631 E Third St. and provided wisdom and guidance for our undergraduate members. We take great pride in the continued love for the chapter and connection with the house shown by our graduate members and look forward to more events like this one.



Thank you to our
Zeta FIJI Mom's Club
for organizing Mom's
Weekend 2020!



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