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Our fantastic new slate roof.



Brothers gather for our summer golf outing.

KEEPING BUSY

HOUSE CORPORATION UPDATES

I hope you are enjoying the fall! Your house corporation remains busy with undergraduate Chapter oversight, facility management, financial management, and alumni relations.

We completed an exciting project over the summer. As mentioned previously, our 98-year-old building with the original slate roof had been leaking beyond repair, so we made the decision to replace it with a new slate roof of similar design. The project began a week before school ended in the spring and was completed a week after the students returned this fall. It looks amazing, as you can see in the photo, and will give us security for the next 100 years! We also repaved and restriped the basketball court, as it was compromised during the roofing project and in need of repair. This was made possible through past and future investments.

Our summer golf outing did not disappoint. On May 31, a large group of alumni and

undergraduates came together for this annual event. We had brunch at the house, followed by golf at Purdue's prestigious Kampen-Cosler course. Then we returned to the house for barbecue dinner and awards. Thanks to the organizing committee and all who attended. Next summer's event is on May 30, 2026. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us.

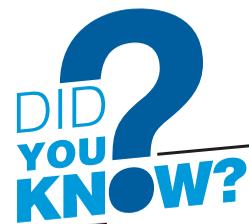
This year is the 150th anniversary of the Greek system at Purdue. To celebrate, the university has recognized the "150 Most Influential Alumni" in the history of the fraternities, sororities, and co-ops at Purdue. Six Betas were recognized in this esteemed group (should have been more in my opinion). Congratulations to **John Wooden '32**, **Stephen Bechtel Jr. '46**, **Phil Nelson '56**, **Billy Keller '72**, **Bruce White '75**, and **Bill Elmore '75**. Well deserved!

On October 25th, we celebrated Purdue's homecoming with a large tent/tailgate just

outside the stadium as is our custom. A large group of alumni came back to enjoy the brotherhood. Even cold weather and a rough football game didn't deter the group from having a great time. Thanks again to **John Laurie '86** for organizing and hosting such a great event.

As a board, we are looking for someone with finance skill to be trained to eventually take over as treasurer. If you would like to join our board in this capacity, or be an advisor, please contact me.

Yours in _kai_,
Tom Hoover '82
 Beta Mu House Corporation President
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Residential facilities are the second most important factor in the college decision-making process behind the availability of a student's intended major. This is understandable considering students spend 70% of their time within their living environment!



Carrying Forward Our Legacy

Chapter President Reflects on Beta Mu Achievements

Beta Mu is proud to reflect on a strong finish to the previous semester and an equally promising start to the new academic year! Our brothers continue to embody the values of intellect, integrity, and mutual assistance both on and off campus.

Our Chapter ranked No. 1 among all fraternities and No. 2 in the entire Fraternity, Sorority, and Cooperative Life community

great turnout as brothers, family, and friends come together to support the Tyler Trent Cancer Research Endowment.

Members collectively completed 604 hours of community service. Whether it be highway clean-ups, blood drives, or food-packaging events, our efforts highlight Beta Mu's commitment to giving back and uplifting the community around us!



Eamon Hays '25, Evan Pittmann '25, Matthew Haubry '25, and Grant Johnson '25 taking a final picture together as active members of Beta Mu before graduating!



Brothers of Beta Mu showed out big time to Wooden this summer! They appreciated the experience to grow as leaders and bond with Betas from other chapters!

for our philanthropic efforts, contributing a massive \$70,000 to charity. This outstanding achievement was largely fueled by the continued success of our annual Buzz-A-Beta campaign, which we are preparing to host once again this fall. We look forward to another

Academically, the Chapter continued to set the bar high. Beta Mu finished the spring with a 3.35 GPA, placing third among chapters with 100-plus members and eighth among all fraternities on campus. Over the summer, Beta Mu brothers remained busy across the country, completing internships at leading companies such as ExxonMobil, Lockheed Martin, Toyota, Dreyer and Reinbold Racing, Eli Lilly, and other various companies spanning 15 states. This reflects the continued dedication of our brothers to maintaining excellence across all areas!

Several of our brothers also attended the Wooden Institute. There, they developed leadership and character-building skills based on Beta's core values. This experience further prepares brothers to serve as strong role models within our Chapter.

Recruitment took place over the first two weeks of fall, and we welcomed 30 deserving members into our bond. Each of them brings unique skills, passions, and perspectives to the Chapter, and we look forward to watching them grow in our brotherhood.

Athletically, Beta Mu's Greek Basketball Association and intramural basketball teams are off to a strong start, and the Chapter looks forward to defending its championship titles.

With a successful summer behind us and exciting initiatives underway, the brothers of Beta Mu remain energized and ready to carry our legacy of excellence forward into another outstanding semester!

Yours in _kai_,
Keegan Lynch '28
President

Beta Mu Is Thriving in 2025

THANK YOU, GENEROUS DONORS

We appreciate every donor on this list who has prioritized Beta Mu Chapter. These donors represent gifts to the annual campaign and pledge payments to our former capital campaign since our last newsletter. This list is current as of November 3, 2025.



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Beta Dragon Club (Up to \$99)

Edward A. Fargo IV '83
Robert Risser '64
George A. Raub '63
Robert Billman '52



From left: John DeVries '65, Tom Hensal '63, Vince Jones '63, Jim LeSieur '63, Dave Cox '63, and Tom Gerber '63.

I became a Beta at Colorado School of Mines, so I did not have a pledge class when I transferred to Purdue and joined Beta Mu in 1960. Fran and I were honored to be included in a pledge class reunion in mid-October 2024. We had a great time being together with our memories and ladies, having a Purdue alumni association tour of the campus (it sure has grown since the early 1960s!), and enjoyed a tour of the Littleton Street Beta house (it's also changed significantly).

Yours in _kai_,
Vince Jones '63

ALUMNI NEWS



Many brothers attending the wedding of Jeff Newell '99.

John E. Young '56 lives in Eagle, Idaho, and shares, "After being retired 32 years, I wonder how I ever had time to go to work." Email: think937@yahoo.com

George Caruso '58 and Jan continue to enjoy sunny and hot Arizona in their garden home in the Royal Oaks Life Care Community in Sun City. They are blessed with three children, three grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren and are fortunate to have good health that lets them be active. Email: meeeumc@juno.com

Bill D. Shrack '61 has been traveling around the world since he retired. Residing in Rockbridge Baths, Va., he cared for three horses until they passed on and is now busy with cats and family.

Grant H. Martin '67 lives in Monticello, Ind., and says, "Being a house board member since 2004, I couldn't be more proud of our current undergraduate brothers! Tops in philanthropy, tops in athletics, and in the top five fraternities in grades." Email: ghmart@yahoo.com

M. Stephen Huss, M.D. '70 retired from orthopedic surgery and lives in Decatur, Ill., with winters spent in Scottsdale, Ariz. He enjoys

flying his Beechcraft Bonanza, playing golf, and spending time with his grandchildren. Email: plastercast1000@gmail.com

Craig "Beckett" Whelden '73 is a luxury cruise line speaker and author of a four-time award winning book, *Leadership, The Art of Inspiring People to Be Their Best*. He resides in Bluffton, S.C. Email: wheldencraig@gmail.com

Jonathan Baumgardner '83 lives in Seattle, Wash., and has traveled to Asia, South America, Great Britain, and Portugal. Email: jon_baumgardner@hotmail.com

D. Page Hoover '91 is enjoying retirement and looking forward to his son's senior year of high school at Fort Wayne Carroll. "Lots of football and volleyball on the horizon." D. Page attended most Purdue football games and had a great time at this year's Beta golf outing. He resides in Huntertown, Ind. Email: pagehoover@comcast.net

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

A.J. Cegliehin | Westfield, Ind.
Brock Austel | Fortville, Ind.
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Gavin Bowman | Fishers, Ind.
Henry Boyd | Carmel, Ind.
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Arjun Kalath | Ashburn, Va.
Nathaniel Kazunas | Medford, N.J.
Zach LaBoyteaux | Carmel, Ind.
Nicholas Marrano | Indianapolis, Ind.
Cam Mullen | Noblesville, Ind.
Eli Nieshalla | Zionsville, Ind.
George Ostrowski | Fishers, Ind.
Gavin Rieck | Westfield, Ind.
Elliott Sato | Mercer Island, Wash.
Jackson Schwartz | Lake Bluff, Ill.
Hayden Shelly | Cincinnati, Ohio
Anderson Varner* | Zionsville, Ind.
Adam Wolf | Fishers, Ind.
 *Sophomore

The Kind of Man You'd Stand Beside

Think of the men you'd trust in your corner—the ones who...

- SHOW UP
- LEAD BY EXAMPLE
- MAKE OTHERS BETTER

That's the kind of man we're looking for to join Beta Mu.

If you know a young man who fits that description, we want to meet him! Please send his info to VP of Recruitment Garrick Addison '28 at (317) 793-9308 so we can get in touch and show him what our brotherhood is all about.

Alumni support is key to the success of **Beta Theta Pi at Purdue University!**



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Brothers who have stepped up in the past helped ensure our brotherhood and house have thrived. Join them today by becoming an annual dues member.

Find out how your donation can positively impact our Fraternity and choose your giving option at purduebeta.com.



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GIVING BACK

Ryan Yoo '21 Shares Beta's Impact and His Involvement

As someone new to the concept of Fraternity and sorority life, **Ryan Yoo '21** was drawn to the principles of Beta Theta Pi.

Because of all that Beta has given him, Ryan is devoted to giving back. He has continued his journey with Beta Mu Chapter as a member of the house corporation board.

"It's always an honor volunteering beside successful Betas and seeing the bond continue throughout the generations," he shared. "It's hard to put into words, but it's quite an amazing and rewarding experience in itself being able to interact and work together alongside the rest of the board, advisors, housing director, and undergraduate members."

Ryan finds his career as a senior manager of competitive intelligence at BioMarin similar to serving on the board, as there is a lot of

strategy involved in understanding how the company can continue to improve. "I get to work alongside some of the brightest minds to bring novel and innovative medicine to patients with rare diseases."

Ryan's family is everything to him. "My parents (first generation) and I are immigrants from South Korea. They are the hardest working people I know. I have two younger brothers who are brilliant and will be more successful than me.

When Ryan isn't working or giving back to Beta, you can find him playing golf and tennis or cooking. You can connect with him at ryoo23693@gmail.com.

"It felt right to join as a refounding father being new to the state, college, and Fraternity life," he shared. "It was an organization with rich history, great values I aligned with, and similar mindsets stepping into something new."

Ryan loved spending time with his brothers as an undergraduate. "I was able to grow alongside my brothers by making mistakes and achieving new heights and develop lifelong bonds."

Memory and Our Mystic Shrine

Phil Gorsuch '66 entered Our Mystic Shrine on August 21, 2025.

Robert W. Morris '68 entered Our Mystic Shrine on June 21, 2025.

Donald E. La Fon '72 entered Our Mystic Shrine on May 1, 2025.

Scott Attar '91 entered Our Mystic Shrine on May 30, 2025.