

The Reamed

The Purdue Reamer Club's Official Alumni Newsletter



Very Busy BMS V!!!

The Boilermaker Special V has been very busy since the last "Reamed". First of all I would like to congratulate Andrew Wolf (Pilot #33) and Kevin Collins (Pilot #34). They became the newest pilots at the end of the school year last spring. Over the summer we worked extremely hard as a club and drove many miles doing events for Purdue fans all over the state. We raised just over \$8000 for the train and the club.

This fall the train has been as busy as ever. We attended all away football games this year, making trips to the east and west extremes of the Big Ten. It was both an exciting and an up and down season for the Boilers as I'm sure all of you know. On the Iowa trip

after the Boilermaker's fourth straight loss the train had had enough and decided to overheat. We made it home and put a new radiator in, and we're undefeated since and headed to the eighth bowl game in as many years.

Currently we are planning the Bowl trip. We hope to see many of you wherever the Boilers end up this holiday season. It's always nice to see Reamer Alum and Honoraries when we are on the road with the train. Come by, get a ride, and help us spread the Spirit of Purdue. HAIL PURDUE! And GO BOILERS!!!

FIAFW,
Matt Thomas
Boilermaker Special V Chair

Replica of BMS V Cow Catcher Displayed in Dauch Alumni Center

My name is Ryan Butram, and I pledged Fall 2002. I had the wonderful opportunity to be the Traditions Chairman for this past semester. At the end of last semester we were given a check from the University in return for the Club's donation toward the Lions Fountain Renovation. The money had come from people still donating money toward the fountain. It was placed back into the Traditions account with no real plan for its use. One of our advisors, Bryan Shaffer, and I were approached this past semester by Carolyn Gery, the Vice President of Development, about the Reamer Club sponsoring a display in the Spurgeon Hall of Spirit at the New Dauch Alumni Center. Carolyn informed us that they were planning on making a replica of the cow catcher on BMS V, complete with hats of all Purdue's football victories for each season. I brought the idea to the club to donate some of the money from the Traditions account toward the display. We all agreed that since the Reamer Club started the tradition, we felt it right to be a part of this special replica and continue the tradition of celebrating Purdue victories.



The plaque located on the replica reads: **Purdue Reamer Club -- "In the fall of 1996 after a tremendous victory in Ross-Ade Stadium over the University of Michigan (9-3), Reamer Club member J.E. "Ned" Franklin (T'98) coaxed a disappointed UM fan out of his hat and proudly attached it to the cowcatcher of the Boilermaker Special V. This began a proud tradition by the Reamer Club to attach the hats of all those opponents defeated by the Purdue football team in both the regular season and bowl games. Go Boilers! "**

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Social Reamers!!!

This was the second semester I had the opportunity to be Reamer Club Social Chair. The Fall Semester proved to be an extremely eventful one! Our Family Day Picnic was on September 11, 2004 and was an incredible success. With amazing participation from our active members, we were left with less than a full package of Johnsonville Brats to take home for the next week's lunches and dinners. The other major social event this was our first Homecoming Chili Dinner. With the late game, it seemed like a Fantastic idea, and it turned out great (except for the late arriving invitations to the alumni.)

Thanks for participating in our Reamer social traditions, and hope to see you next year!

For Its Always Fairweather!
Michele Overby F'01



Mark Your Calendars

April 17, 2005 – Gala Weekend / Mother's Weekend Picnic – location to be determined

October 15th, 2005 – Homecoming – meet at the Boilermaker Special Garage

Big Shoes Filled Well!

It's hard to believe how quickly this semester has come and gone! With finals just around the corner, my fellow Reamers and I are heading down the home stretch of what has been another great semester for our club. As the new Treasurer for the club, I've had to fill some pretty big shoes left by Jeff Ksander, our last officer. It's been quite a challenge, but luckily for me I've had a great group of Reamers that have made my job much easier. Thanks to everyone for all your support! And of course – a big thank you to all our Alumni, your continuing generosity and spirit is what allows our club to thrive as we spread "The Spirit of Purdue."

FIAFW!
Mallory Trusty
Treasurer Fall 2004



Keeping Records and Taking Pictures!

This was my first semester as Reamer Club Historian. It has been a very enjoyable experience. I had very big shoes to fill, following Jeremy Cronkhite the last two semesters. I have continued taking photographs and making a scrapbook. I am also making photo CD's for everyone in the club. It was very fun looking through and organizing the pictures this past semester.

Also, over the semester I purchased five spiral index card notebooks so we could start keeping the history of the awards we are involved with. The Reamers help support, or are involved with, giving away the Noble E. Kizer, Ward Lambert, Helen B. Schleman, Flora Roberts, and G.A. Ross awards. I felt it was important to keep records of these, so that is why we are beginning to record these awards in the notebooks the club funded for me to purchase.

Finally, this semester, we are going to have a link on the website (www.purdureamerclub.org) so you can check out "The Reamed" online. We, as a club, would really like some feedback on this idea. Maybe, in the future we could send out reminder flyers and reamer alumni could check out "The Reamed" online. Thanks for any ideas and thanks for all your support.

FIAFW!
Julie Harkema F'03, Historian Fall 2004

“We got the W...” and So Much More

As is true in Reamer history, the traditions of Purdue are kept alive by the current members and incoming pledges. This year however, we also decided that starting a tradition, mocked from one of Purdue’s own, was also a challenge we were up to taking. The official ‘W’ shirt made its appearance this football season. Designed by Reamer, Burke Eizinger, our shirts are a replica of the ‘W’ flag that is flown over Ross-Ade Stadium after the Boilermakers have a home-field victory. The Reamers purchased the shirts to wear under our other game-day apparel and after winning games, we stripped down to the t-shirts to show both our pride and excitement about the game that was just won.

Seeing that we were so excited about our shirts, we decided that this tradition was worth starting in the entire student body and anyone else willing to display the same pride as we already do. We had more shirts made and decided to sell them on campus. We are lucky enough to have such wonderful honorary members and Mark Beck, maintenance crew chief at Ross-Ade Stadium, allowed us to start a great campaign for our shirts by letting us climb to the top of the Jumbotron to have our picture taken with the ‘W’ flag we were trying to replicate. As if we weren’t lucky enough, after a new flag was purchased this season, we became the new owners of the old flag for which we have deep appreciation.

We had a slight disappointment after beginning to sell the shirts, as our football team



had an unfortunate string of losses that dampened fan’s moral. However, enthusiastic and spirited as we are, we have decided that this is not a tradition we are willing to give up on. We are bowl eligible and hope to continue to spread this tradition to all Boilermaker fans. We think that this tradition is not just about football, but about all sports and activities. It represents something bigger, which is showing fellow Boilermakers that you share their pride and support in our school through thick and thin. There may be games we don’t win, but when that happens, the ‘W’ is still under your clothes, close to your chest, and signifies that Purdue will always be a winning school in every Boilermaker heart.

Whitney Heavrin and Mallory Trusty

* Money (fundraising) Co-Chairs

A Word From Your President

As another semester comes to an end for the club, it really sees itself in a position for great leadership and improvement. At the beginning of this semester the Exec board was faced in a unique situation where as President I was the only member of the new board that had previously served on an Exec board. This served as an opportunity for each of the members to really get themselves emerged in the club. I couldn’t be more pleased with the way each individuals stepped up and took care of their responsibilities. I think this lack of initial experience actually allowed the club to head in some new and exciting methods of leadership.

The Pledge class that was initiated this semester was really top notch and I think will prove to make an immediate impact within the club. The club did an amazing job of advertising the callouts. There were so many great candidates. It made our job that much more difficult when selecting the new pledge class. When it was all said and done I don’t think the club could have done a better job during this selection process.

With this experience, I have taken away many things. It was a true honor to be elected to the office of President of the Purdue Reamer Club. It really made my love of this fine university grow that much stronger. I think behind any leader there must be great support in order for an organization to remain successful. I truly believe that the Purdue Reamer Club has some of the finest individuals that can be found on this campus. I wish to thank the entire membership for making my job such a great experience. I will take a lot of things away from this experience as I graduate this coming May in Materials Engineering. I consider myself very fortunate to be associated both with the Purdue Reamer Club and Purdue University.

FIAFW,

Jeremy Cronkhite Fall ‘02

President Fall ‘04

A word from Kim...

Fall 2004 Pledge Class

The fall semester has come and gone, which means one thing...new Reamers! My name is Kimberly Stanoch and I was the Fall 2004 Pledge Class Captain. Our pledge class consisted of 9 spirited and dedicated individuals, all who are excited to become members of this club and serve Purdue in whatever way we can. We are a diverse group made up of Freshman, Sophomores and Juniors. The members of the Fall 2004 Pledge class are: Brent Bach Jr., Bret Britton, Beth Faust, Kelsey Habig, Chad Holajter, Kat Lillie, Kimberly Stanoch, Matt Steinkamp and Suzanne Vanderpohl.

Our pledge class project was approved and we will soon begin working on creating a new sign advertising free rides on the Boilermaker Special. Not only can this sign be used to promote Free Ride Fridays before every home game, but also can be taken on other various trips and events. The design is underway, and the completion date is expected to be sometime before next year's football season. Look for this sign in upcoming months!

We would like to send a huge "Thank You" to our Pledge Parents Kathleen and Katie, Pledge Buddies, and all of the fantastic actives who made pledging so much fun! We loved having the opportunity to meet honoraries and awesome Alumni that have made the Reamer Club the superb organization it is today! Go Boilers!

FIAFW,
Kimberly Stanoch F'04
Pledge Captain

A word from Kathleen...

Ever since I pledged, my interest in being a pledge parent has continued to grow. Luckily, I was given the opportunity to hold the position of pledge parent this fall. A week after I was elected, Katie McMahon (F'02) was chosen as my co-pledge parent. From the get-go, Katie's and I's personalities clicked and we continued to work together in a team effort to raise wonderful children. Membership was a little low, so publicity was kicked into high gear. The club decided on taking 14 pledges, but when all was said and done, 9 pledges were left standing. The 9 outstanding individuals include: Brent Bach, Bret Britton, Beth Faust, Kelsey Habig, Chad Holajter, Kat Lillie, Kim Stanoch (captain), Matt Steinkamp, and Suzanne Vanderpohl. The most rewarding part of being a pledge parent was watching these 9 very different individuals come together, help each other through personal and pledging issues, and work hard as a team to get through the pledging process. Unfortunately, I will only be around for another semester to watch them assimilate into the club, but I see great potential in these new initiates. I have no doubt that they will do great things for the future of the Purdue Reamer Club.

FIAFW
Kathleen Carmosin (S'03)
Pledge Coordinator (F'04)

Introducing Fall 2004

(From Left) First Row: Katie McMahon (mom), Kelsey Habig, Kathleen Carmosin (mom). Second Row: Kat Lillie, Beth Faust, Kim Stanoch, Matt Steinkamp Third Row: Chad Holajter, Bret Britton, Suzanne Vanderpohl, Brent Bach



Lots to do on such a Little Train!

The semester began with Andrew Wolf continuing as X-tra/Exec Chairperson, but because of his obligations to his RA position, I was elected to try and fill the shoes. I have tried to continue the accomplishments that Andrew started, I have tried to carry those from where he left off. First, the new turn signals were shipped this semester, and with the help of many, we successfully installed them to the X-tra. The back turn signals are connected to the tail lights, while there are four marker lights on the front to serve as the front head lights. Those lights will also be used as four way hazards. We feel that these new turn signals will help aid in the safety of the pilot and co-pilot while around campus.

Another advancement that we are looking to make is to replace the power train. About three quarters of the way through the semester, Club Cart donated to us a brand new power train. Currently, a committee is set up to find out the best possible way to make use of the new power train to suit the club.

On the flip side of my position, the Executive duties are going very smoothly. Everyone is following the active requirements for this semester, which were set up at the beginning of the semester like always. All the actives have taken a great role

in continuing to make the Reamer Club a strong organization and leading the club in the right direction.

This being my second full semester in the club, I look forward to serving the club in the best way I can. Though this semester has been challenging, it has been fun nonetheless. I have enjoyed every second of my position, although not everything always goes according to plan. I just can not wait for the future semesters to continue to make the club better.

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Matt Martin F'03
X-tra/Exec Chairperson



Vice Presidents Report

Though just the second-youngest member of the club, I worked very hard this semester to show I was worthy of being the second-highest ranking officer. One of my primary goals was to establish a stronger connection with our honoraries than there had been in the recent past. Since I pledged just last fall, it was fresh in my mind that many of my most exciting memories from my first semester at Purdue included meeting all the distinguished Reamer Honoraries. I wanted to let them know that we still value their presence in our club very much, and I also felt it important to parlay that excitement to the incoming pledge class from the earliest stages.

In September, I sent out a mail merge to each of the honoraries to update their contact information and also to invite them to the Inspiration Lunch at the end of the semester. I then utilized some of my connections as an intern in Athletics Promotions to get Reamer Honoraries Joe Tiller and Morgan Burke to speak at our two callouts. Though Morgan came down with a case of laryngitis before the second callout, his right-hand woman, senior associate athletics director Nancy Cross, was able to step in. I believe that having two of our most recognizable honoraries come to speak a few encouraging words about

the club made a very strong impression on the prospective pledges.



Matt Martin, top, (Extra/Exec F'04), with big brother Dan Clemons, bottom, (Vice President F'04)

After seven weeks of chasing down those busy honoraries—not to mention some very hard-to-find actives—to get sigs, the nine members of the Fall 2004 Pledge Class were presented with their paddles and R-boards at the aforementioned Inspiration Lunch at The Trails Banquet Facility November 14. Our two new honoraries, assistant dean of students Bridget Golden and head men's tennis coach Tim Madden, were also recognized. The day was bittersweet, however, as the club said goodbye to graduating seniors David Brose, Nancy Damhauser, and Jeff Novota.

All in all, the Fall 2004 semester was a very successful one for the Purdue Reamer Club. I was lucky to work with seven great officers as well as each of the committee chairs and other active members. I see great things ahead from the new initiates and I look forward to welcoming the Spring 2005 pledge class soon!

Dan Clemons F'03
Fall 2004 Vice President

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Dear Alumni,

With the Purdue Reamer Clubs dedication to preserve the great traditions of Purdue University, it is crucial that the club has firm financial support. On our past bowl trip, in Orlando, Fl, it was brought to our attention by some past alumni that there was no straight forward way for them to give back to the club in the form of a donation. It was because of this that we decided to create this donation form and distribute it in this edition of The Reamed. We would like to thank all of our alumni for your continued support of this fine organization.

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