

The Reamed

Words from the President











This is my fourth year with the club and I was honored to have been elected president for this fall. Another football season has gone by and thus the door closes on another busy fall for us all. This semester has no doubt been a great one for the club if not for our Boilers. We have done a huge number of events and traveled the Midwest for our Purdue road games spreading the Spirit of Purdue all the way. We have also had tons of fun in our meetings this year. We are constantly growing together as a club and as a family. We also were very excited about this fall's pledge class. Matt and Julie did a great job with a very spirited group of kids who are going to be great assets to the club in the future. We seniors spent a few fun filled nights in the office continuing the great tradition of senior cords. I personally feel my sketch of "Harry's" sign may be my best artistic work to date.

I had great fun representing the Club at various athletic functions and as a member of the president's round table. I will be leaving the club soon and I can only hope that I left it in a better condition than when I found it. In all I have given to the club it has given me so much more in return. I am proud to be a Reamer and a Boilermaker. Here's to going to the Rose Bowl as an alumni and seeing our beloved Boilermaker Special. To all our alumni, honoraries, and my friends thank you for everything and God bless.

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Zachary J. Clark F'02
President F'2005

Meet the Officers

President- Zach Clark	
Vice President-Dan Johnston	
X-tra/Exec- John Stauffer	
BMS Chair-Kevin Collins	
Pledge-Matt Thomas Julie Harkema	
Secretary-Kim Stanoch	
Treasurer- Suzanne Vanderpohl	
Historian-Kat Lillie	

Vice President's Report

What a busy semester! Looking back, it is hard to imagine all that has been accomplished this fall. Our F'05 pledge class came into the club with a bang and didn't seem to lose steam through the pledge process. With 12 new initiates who are all underclassmen, the Reamer Club is ensured a great crop of members to serve as our future leaders. The group was initiated and we had a great Inspiration Dinner on November 13th at the new Dauch Alumni Center. The Alumni Association helped sponsor the event which was catered by Sgt. Preston's. Along with some great new initiates, the club also welcomed volleyball coach Dave Shondell, cheerleading Coach Elvis Moya, and the Golden Girl as new Reamer honoraries.

For all the good times had by the club this semester, there were also some close calls and loose ends tied up at what seemed the eleventh-hour. Without the help of the pledge parents Matt & Julie, the executive council, and the club as a whole, my job would have been much more difficult. As a graduating senior, I feel honored to have been a part of this club for as long as I have and to serve as Vice President this semester. I am proud to report that the active membership is on the right track to being one of the preeminent groups on campus, as well as spreading the Spirit of Purdue across the land.

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Dan Johnston
Vice President F'2005

A Great Semester for Reamer History

Fall 2005 turned out to be a very fun semester not only for Reamer history but for Purdue history as well. Of course I'll start with the newest tradition, the Fall 2005 pledge class. They are a wonderful group of kids and I'm sure they will serve the Club well in keeping traditions and being the "Spirit of Purdue".

Another exciting event took place this semester when Purdue erected its new "Boilermaker" statue. The statue is an 18-foot, 5,400-pound bronze statue (pictured to the right) and is located on the east side of the Stadium. The Boilermaker Special took part in the dedication of the statue. Next time you're on campus I would highly recommend going to look at it.

Finally perhaps one of the most exciting things to happen this semester was over homecoming weekend when the "Elite Eleven plus One" pledge class of Spring 1964 came back for a 2005 reunion. I know I speak for the whole club when I say that we were absolutely thrilled to have them visit. They shared stories from their stays in the club and it was really neat to be able to compare the traditions of then to the traditions of now. I would again like to thank these men and their families for coming back and spending time with the Club.

So overall it was just a really great semester (and yes I say this even despite our disappointing football season). I had a lot of fun being historian and serving on Exec for the first time. It was great to witness these great events this semester and take pictures for future generations of Reamers to enjoy.

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Kat Lillie F'04
Historian Fall 2005



From the X-tra/Exec Chair...

As this semester comes to an end, the office of X-tra/Exec Chairperson has lived up to the reputation of being a challenge. This has been a challenge that I have welcomed and most of the time enjoyed. It truly has been a pleasure to have been given an opportunity to serve the club and the University as X-tra Exec Chairman.

The Chairmanship of the Executive council was enjoyable for me. The officers and committee chairs' good attendance made too many additional meetings unnecessary. Active members' great attendance and behavior allowed Executive Council business to run smoothly and constructively.

The theme of repair and upgrade was again carried this semester by BMS VI. At the beginning of the semester many small repairs and upgrades were done to the X-tra; turn lamp indicators were fabricated and mounted, wiring was simplified, the auto drop switch for the cow catcher was repaired, and the old air horn received a new compressor. All of the work was by the mechanics at Transportation Services.

The Reamer Club is again collaborating with Reamer Honorary, Jerry Fankouser (Purdue University Farms). Fankouser has transported the X-tra all across the state to many different events with a trailer owned by the University. This trailer served the club well but left some function to be desired. This summer Fankouser was able to collect some funds to put towards the purchase of a new trailer for the University. He first thought of the club and ordered a covered trailer that would have sufficient dimensions to transport the X-tra Special providing it protection from the weather and debris. After discussing this new tool with Fankouser, we decided it would be great to have University and Club insignia on the sides of the trailer so we can really represent the school and the club well on the way to and from events. I would ask that those of you who are able and interested in supporting this goal financially to make a note of that on your correspondence with the club.

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John Stauffer S'04
X-tra/Exec Fall 2005



John Stauffer and Ben Jones guard the X-tra before a Reamer callout.

Alumni Update



This semester I picked up the position of Alumni Relations Chair with some exciting ideas. I talked with Matt Fontaine, the Technology Chair, to get started on some technological updates in the area of alumni relations. First, we discussed setting up an e-mail list for alumni. Anyone could join if they wanted to, and they could also be taken off the list anytime. The purpose would be for alumni to communicate with each other to announce events, reunions and more, and also for the club to communicate quickly and easily with many alumni at once about club events, homecoming activities and such. Unfortunately this e-mail list will not be available this semester but Matt and I will continue to work on it next semester and hope to have it up and running by the time we send out the next Reamed. Also, look for announcements on the website on our progress and new updates.

The second item we discussed was creating an interactive database on the Reamer Club website for alumni contact information. We hope that the benefits of this interactive database will be that you can update your own information and also look up others' information with links to contact them. As with the e-mail list, this will be an ongoing project and will hopefully be up and running by the end of this school year. Also, if you have not taken a look at the alumni information form on the alumni relations page of the web

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Allison Dillon S'05
Alumni Relations Chair
Fall 2005



Senior Katie McMahon hits the Big Bass Drum!

A Look into Fall 2005!



Actives cheer at Active Walkout



Minnesota Road Trip Crew!



Wisconsin Road Trip Crew!





Traditions Continued With Your Help!!

We would like to, as always, thank all the alumni who sent us pictures and stories of their past Reamer memories. This semester we would like to extend a special thanks to Ken Robertson who sent a copy of his book *Finding A Way*. This was a book of memoirs with quite a few recollections of the Reamer Club. We really enjoyed reading these memories. This is a great way for the current Reamers to try and keep up with traditions of the past. Do you have fond memories from your days as a Reamer? We would love to hear from you! Please send any memories/stories that you would like to share with the club to our new historian Kayla Rayle.

Please send stories to:
historian@purdureamerclub.org

OR

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Treasurer's Report

Hello! My name is Suzanne Vanderpohl and I had the pleasure of serving the club as Treasurer for the Fall 2005 semester. I am currently a senior in Chemical Engineering and I will be graduating in May. I pledged the club in Fall 2004. Being treasurer was a great experience for me. I learned a lot more about how the club works and the many ways in which we are earning and spending our money.

This semester we began working Ross-Ade Stadium clean-ups after each home football game. The clean-ups turned out to be a great way to earn some extra money for the club. This semester most of the money was used to fund Reamer Prom, but in future semesters I think the club will be looking at these clean-ups as a promising alternative to football parking lots. Overall, the semester went very well. With the addition of the stadium clean-ups we had the opportunity to draw up a little larger budget and have a few more events such as Reamer Prom and grilling out for one of our prospectives.

I will be stepping down after this semester, but I truly enjoyed the experience and am very glad I had the opportunity to serve the Reamer Club as treasurer. I would like to extend a huge thank you to all of our alums who have given back so generously to the club. We truly thank you and appreciate all you help us do. Hail Purdue!

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Suzanne Vanderpohl, F'04
 Fall 2005 Treasurer



From the Fall 2005 pledge captain

Introducing the Fall 2005 Pledge Class!

Tom Adler, Brant Bowen, Joel Buchanan, Brian Bules, Kelly Collins, Jon Jena, Jerry Korty, Stephanie Mazzara, Mitch Mershon, David Phillips, Matt Steiner, and Ben Wells

Pledging was a blast, but we are all glad it is over! As Dan Johnston put it, "It's the best eight weeks we never want to do again." And it is so true. There are so many funny stories from pledging and we have grown so close as a pledge class. The pledge process would not have been so enjoyable if it wasn't for the help from our amazing pledge parents Matt Thomas and Julie Harkema. We love you! And we can't say enough good stuff about all of the active members who helped us along the way. A special thanks goes out to Ryan Butram for all the extra help you gave us.

Pledging was full of learning and fun times. Each member of the pledge class learned so much about the school we love so much. From little known facts to cheers and songs, we learned it all! On top of all the information we had to learn, we were always busy trying to get our R-boards signed. Besides the minor hitch of not having one board on a day when we got 16 sigs (cough cough, Mitch), things went smoothly. When we weren't busy taking a pledge exam or out getting sigs, F '05 was just having a good time. Whether it was hanging out in the office reading the paper and the verse of the day or making a late night run to Mike Dickey's and walking through McDonald's drive-thru, f '05 was always laughing.

Now that pledging is over, all of the Fall 2005 pledge class is looking forward to participating with the Reamer Club. We all hope to represent both the club and Purdue University well!

For Its Always Fair Weather!

Kelly Collins Fall 2005 Pledge Captain

Words From A Proud Father...

This past semester Julie Harkema and I had the honor and privilege of passing along our knowledge and our love for the traditions of Purdue University and the Reamer Club to the Fall 2005 Pledge Class. The Fall 2005 pledge class consisted of twelve young members, nine of which were freshman and three sophomores.

This pledge class was a very special one that I feel will bring great things to the Reamer Club. The biggest strength of the pledge class was their unity. In a large and young pledge class it can be a challenge to bring them together. In the process of accomplishing the tasks of pledging the Reamer Club they developed very strong friendships that I liken to my pledge class.

I will take many fond memories away from being a pledge parent. It was quite an experience guiding a group of initially freaked out individuals into a confident family. Their Monday night group sing unities were some of the most scantily clad but funniest that I have seen in my time in the club. The way that they were able to psych themselves up and keep a high level of spirit throughout a tough eight weeks of pledging was very inspirational.

The club will soon be graduating a large number of its current leaders. The Fall 2005 pledge class will soon be called upon to be the next generation of leaders in our club. I am confident that they will do well as Reamers and more importantly leaders and make us all proud in the direction that they will guide the Reamer Club.

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Matt Thomas F'02

Fall 2005 Pledge Coordinator



Top Left: David Phillips, Brant Bowen, Mitch Mershon
 Row 2: Jerry Korty, Joel Buchanan, Kelly Collins, Tom Adler, Jon Jena
 Front : Matt Thomas, Matt Steiner, Stephanie Mazarra, Brian Bules, Julie Harkema

Busy Semester for BMS V

Greetings fellow Reamers, This semester has been another busy one for the Boilermaker Special, between football games and other events. It was nice to see many of you at the football games, whether they were at Purdue or on the road. We look forward to seeing you next season as well, and if anyone has a way of getting the BMS to Hawaii, let us know.

On the maintenance side of things, the Special has been running well, the only major problem we had was the alternator went out, but luckily it was in being checked over before the Penn State trip when we found out it went out. With the help of the local International dealer the BMS was ready for the trip to Penn State and the rest of the football season.

Although my term as BMS chairperson is up at the end of the semester, I am still planning some major maintenance projects for the BMS, that will occur in the spring. With a donation of speakers from BOSE, and some funding from the BMS account the Reamer Club will be installing a new sound system to continue to Spread "The Spirit of Purdue". Also I am in the process of getting estimates to have the BMS repainted. We are looking to completely strip the current paint off and start from scratch. As in the past Bob Vandegraf of Pyramid Sign and Design will be doing the detail painting, but we are still getting

estimates for the base black. Finally, I am looking into getting the four lanterns replaced. The lanterns are starting to show their age, so I contacted the company that built the replica of the Special in the new alumni center and they are going to build four new lanterns for the Special. As Always, GO BOILERS !

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Kevin P. Collins S'03

BMS V Pilot #34

BMS Chair Fall 2005



BMS V at Penn State's Beaver Stadium

New Ideas in Technology

Greetings from your Fall 2005 Technology Chair. The Technology Chair role is rather new, but with so many changes taking place in the world of Information Technology, the job continues to be exciting. My responsibilities are mostly to maintain both our club office computer, and our website, www.purdureamerclub.org.

One of the biggest changes for the club office has been a "new" computer. I worked with the friendly people at Purdue Surplus & Salvage to get our club a new (to us) computer. It's a Pentium II, so it's not very impressive, but it was free, and is better than what we had. It is now a common sight to see Reamers using the club computer to check e-mail, look up quick facts or answer questions, and maybe even conduct some club business.

Our website has also undergone some substantial renovations behind the scenes. A new database system has allowed much of the content to be derived from a single source. This ensures it will be more accurate and easy to update. We have also worked to get *The Reamed* published online for you to download and read from your computer (before you can get in through the mail).

One new tool for alumni and friends to take advantage of is our RSS feed. RSS stands for Really Simple Syndication, and is an easy way for you to bring news and articles from various sources all together in one place. More information about

RSS is available at the Reamer Club website, or you can get started by adding the following item to your RSS reader: <http://www.purdureamerclub.org/rss.php>.

Also, watch for a new page for the Boilermaker Specials, with more pictures of both BMS V and X-Tra Special BMS VI. Our club is becoming more and more reliant on technology every semester, and I am proud to have been a part of the team that helped bring the Reamer Club to the forefront of new technologies. We also welcome your feedback. Please visit the Reamer Club website and e-mail us using the Contact Information link.

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Matt Fontaine S'04

Technology Chair 2005



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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. 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 The Reamed. We would like to thank all of our alumni for your continued support of this fine organization.

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