



The Reamed

The Purdue Reamer Club's Official Alumni Newsletter

Fall, 2007

Any time is train time!

The Boilermaker Special has been as busy as ever since the last publishing of the Reamed. Last time we wrote, the Special was getting a fresh coat of paint and some body work done up at Stewart's Body Shop in Bremen, IN. The maintenance took a little longer than expected, but it was definitely worth it in the end. I am pleased to report that the Special is looking as good as ever.

Under the guidance of the Summer BMS Chairperson Kelsey Habig, we were able to update a lot of the way things have been done for the Special and eliminate a lot of "red tape" in dealing with the University. One of these changes is an actual e-mail account for the Boilermaker Special, <boilermakerspecial@gmail.com>. This has made it much easier to transition from one BMS chair to another, since everything is now in one centralized location. Another change was the making of a new Travel Planning Form that allows us to record multiple events on the same TPF. This has saved us a

lot of time, not to mention paper. Another thing that happened this summer was the welcoming of the newest pilot Jerry Korty who became Pilot # 40.

This fall semester has also gone along very smoothly. As usual, we have attended all the home and away football games, and hope to attend a bowl game. Hopefully with a Boilermaker win over the Hoosiers of Gloomington we will guarantee a bowl bid and see a lot of our alumni at the bowl game.

The Club loves to see and talk to alumni so if you are ever in town do not hesitate to come to the office, STEW G18, or contact us either by telephone, (765)494-2687, or e-mail, <boilermakerspecial@gmail.com>. We look forward to hearing from everybody and don't forget to BOILER UP!

Brian Bules
Fall 2005
BMS Chairperson Fall 2007

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Vice President- Mackenzie McNamara



X-tra/Exec- David Phillips



BMS Chair- Brian Bules



Pledge- Andrew Gillman



Secretary- Kami Edel



Treasurer- Kathryn Jester



Historian- Emily Drott



Above: The Purdue Reamer Club, Fall 2007

Words from our President

This semester could be defined as a time of growth and definition for our organization. We have challenged our constitution and the role of the executive board and have thoroughly outlined exactly what it takes and what it means to be a Reamer. I could not be more proud of our membership for persevering and remaining open-minded through business matters, and for being mature in separating what is in and outside the Club. This Club is and will remain one of the most prestigious and well respected at the University due to the immense courage and heart displayed by its members. For that, I would like to congratulate all Reamers, past, present and future.

This fall I exerted a two-tiered challenge to all officers and committee chairs. They were encouraged throughout the course of the semester to 1) write a final report for their position detailing the specifications of the job and what sort of direction they'd like to see it go in the future, and 2) to educate the pledges about their position. I also provided a list of past officers and committee chairs to use as a resource. We have a very youthful active membership and have younger members than ever before in leadership positions. This is a great thing, as we are setting ourselves up to be a very experienced, productive organization in coming years. Until that time, however, we struggle to balance learning with productivity. I hope to foster learning and speed up the experience process by pushing people to teach and educate other members about their position with this challenge.

In terms of the Presidency, I have made a concerted effort to collaborate and establish meaningful, lasting partnerships with other student and campus organizations. I am

proud to report that we have set-up a program to promote the Boilermaker Specials through the use of licensed apparel featuring the train. This was made possible through the efforts of numerous Reamers, as well as Purdue's Trademark Licensing Office. The extra benefit of that program? Free t-shirts and sweatshirts for the active membership! In addition, we have been working with Tomahawk, Purdue Student Union Board, Alpha Phi Omega and the Paint Crew on campus projects and programs to further enhance Boilermaker spirit amongst the student body.

At the President's Roundtable, I have taken on the challenge of heading up a committee to lobby in conjunction with the Athletics Department for the Big Ten Network on cable in Lafayette and regionally. I have also been serving on committees to re-visit the Boiler Advancement Program (formerly known as the Student Activity Fee) and on another that has been examining and enhancing the relationship between Purdue Athletics and the student body.

I am excited about the future of the Club, and I think every alumni member would be very proud of our active membership. Good things are happening here in West Lafayette. I look forward to seeing and talking with each one of you over the next couple semesters. Please stay in tune with our Alumni/Honorary Relations and Social Chairs about upcoming events!

FIAFW,

Kelsey M. Habig, F'04
President, F'07

Secretary's Report

Wow! This semester went by quickly! The club went through a lot of changes this semester. We endured some rough times and some great times. Before activating the new pledge class, our active membership dipped down to 34 members due to numerous members going inactive. We had a lot of fun doing various social activities like bon fires, tupperbowl (WE WON!), and foosball world cup (congrats to team Morocco comprised of Adena Gilden and Beth Smart).

As Secretary, I continued to bring candy and fun-fetti cupcakes to celebrate birthdays and holidays. I continued the tradition of creating pocket phone lists. These contain the primary phone number and email address for each member and advisor, making it easier to contact members. I personally found my pocket phone list to be extremely useful.

I also helped the constitution chair with a possible amendment by organizing a list of active members and what positions they held each semester dating back to the pledge class of Spring 2004. I am really excited to see how the club continues to progress through the coming semes-

ters with the activation of this new pledge class and how the club will continue to positively impact our beloved University. Boiler Up! Hail Purdue! Keep it Classy!

FIAFW,

Kami Edel S'06
Secretary F'07



We're X-tra Special

FIAFW Reamers! My name is David Phillips (F '05), and I have had the pleasure of serving as X-tra Special and Executive Committee Chairman this semester. This has been a challenging opportunity, and one that I have enjoyed immensely.

The Executive Committee has had a challenging semester. We were faced with a difficult situation involving several members engaging in code of conduct violations on a BMS V football road trip. I can report that the Executive Committee acted with the utmost maturity and determination to arrive at the appropriate decisions in this very trying situation. I was very impressed with the approach each of the members of the Committee took, and with the personal responsibility each member assumed in coming to the decisions we reached. The Executive Committee, with several young members, has exceeded my expectations, and I look to these individuals to be strong leaders in the Club for years to come.

On the X-tra Special front, there has been an exciting addition to our beloved BMS VI. As many of you may know, we have been using a small electric horn for some time. Eric Hager (F' 06) approached me with the idea of making a significant upgrade. His hard work and ambition paid off, as he was able to find and install a 3 trumpet air powered horn system that gives a big boost to the little train's already considerable spirit. The new horn is impressively loud, and is a fantastic addition to the X-tra Special.

Thanks for reading, I hope you're still full of the spirit you spread across this campus, and that you still remember your time at the University, and with the Club fondly.

Hail Purdue!
David Phillips

Left: The Reamer Club after our 7th Tupperbowl win in a row.

Right: The Reamer Club at the Lions fountain.

Vice President

On Sunday November 11, 2007 nine new members were initiated into the Purdue Reamer Club. A semi-smaller class than most fall semesters, but these nine individuals grew to be a family over the course of the eight-week pledge program. At the beginning of the program they didn't know each other nor did they know any of the songs, cheers or traditions, but that all changed quickly. With guidance from Andrew Gillman and Kelly Collins these nine members consistently impressed the active membership week in and week out. They worked hard to get to know the actives and were constantly running around campus with their R-Boards for the honoraries to sign. These nine individuals have put many hours into studying their songs, cheers and traditions, and it has paid off.

The newest Active Members of the Purdue Reamer Club are; Jack Carney, Adena Gilden, Eric Johnson, Sam Marking, Katie Porter, Daniel Stauffer, Kim Steadham, Katherine Stocks, and Max Vande Vaarst. Along with nine active members the club brought in two new honoraries, Dr. Pamela Nave (All American Marching Band – Associate Professor of Bands) and Coach Sharon Versyp (Women's Basketball Head Coach).

The club is very happy to welcome its newest members, and is anticipating the great things that these new members will contribute to the club.

FIAFW
Mackenzie McNamara S'06
Vice President F'07



We've Got Spirit, Yes We Do!

As the Reamer Club is all about spreading school spirit, what better time to do so than during Homecoming week? This year's homecoming theme was "Through the Ages...Purdue Milestones." The Purdue Student Union Board (PSUB) planned a week full of competitions, spirit, and fun for student organizations. The first of these was a sheet banner contest. Each club had to depict their Purdue milestone on a queen size sheet to be hung from various parking garages around campus. The second was a window painting competition. All organizations were assigned a local business's window to decorate appropriately to enhance the atmosphere around the Homecoming game. Choosing the milestone for the Reamer Club was not a difficult task. As I was flipping through the pages of PSUB's booklet, I saw that they had something special for 1940; the Boilermaker Special was presented to the student body. As soon as I read it, I contacted PSUB to ask for that milestone, and it was granted to us.

Scenes ranging from me carrying a blue bucket across campus to a sheet with newspaper still plaster to the back filled the following frantic weeks. Our banner looked great, thanks to the help of Beth Smart and her train drawing skills. Our window painting looked even better. Imagine walking towards campus along State Street and looked at the

windows of University Book store. The week before Homecoming 2007 would have shown the Boilermaker Special facing off against a saddened Northwestern Wildcat on a strikingly familiar gridiron. The Reamer Club received second place in the window painting competition and we were presented with a plaque. The most exciting event of Homecoming festivities, however, was the Night Train Parade. The Boilermaker Special hosted Grand Marshall Dennis Haskins, also known as Mr. Belding from the television series "Saved by the Bell." Mr. Haskins rode in style in the light-decorated train to emcee the pep rally. We also had a crew of Reamers judge the Most Spirited Fan contest during PSUB's Homecoming Spirit Week. Overall, this semester has been full of boosting school spirit and it has been great helping to achieve this level of school spirit.

Don't forget, homecoming next year is October 25, 2008!

FIAFW
Lauren Cervellere, S'07
Spirit Chair, Fall 2007

Talking It Up

It has been my greatest pleasure this year to hear the stories and meet the people behind the rich history of the Purdue Reamer Club. We have changed considerably in the past decades. Thank you so much for speaking with me at the Alumni picnic, around campus, and at away games. I especially enjoyed hearing about the treasured jar and Reamer Punch. Next year will be the 85th anniversary of the club. I'm hoping that all Reamer Alumni who are able will attend the celebration. Bring your stories, your pictures, and your pots to share with the current Reamers. The details are still being worked out but look for updates in the mail and on the website. Write to the club if you have ideas, stories, or anything else to contribute to the 85th anniversary. History, tradition, and pride make up the fabric of the club but Alumni and actives are the thread that stitches it all together.

"There is an awful lot of difference between reading something and actually seeing it, for you can never tell, till you see it, just how big a liar History is." –Will Rogers

Reamer Love, FIAFW,
Sara Conn Fall 2006
Publicity Chair Fall 2007

Historian's Report

This semester has been a whirlwind of activity, but a lot of fun. Holding the position of Historian during my first active semester meant that I was not only learning about a new side of the club, but taking pictures of all those things as well!

I started out the semester going through some of the Reamer memorabilia that have been sitting in the office, and I have made some headway into the eventual process of having a nice archive of the club history. We have acquired a scanner thanks to Lincoln McCord (F'07), so soon we will be able to put some of our old photos and our history online for more alumni to experience. It is amazing all of the things I have learned about the club looking through our archives.

I wanted to also say thank you to all the alumni who have sent us letters, especially regarding the honorary lists that we sent out last year. Also, thank you for stopping by the trains and talking to us while working parking lots. I personally love hearing all of the stories of how the club used to be and I know other Reamers feel the same way. So next time you are in West Lafayette or see the BMS, come say hi!

FIAFW,
Emily Drott S'07
Historian F'07

Do You Know Your Traditions?

As a pledge, you are required to learn more about Purdue than you thought you needed to know. Yet as your time as a Reamer continues, you forget all of those little, interesting facts. So now is a time to test your knowledge and see how much you remember from being one of the few, the proud, the Reamer Club pledges.

1. The tank scrap ran during which years?
 - A. 1878-1905
 - B. 1898-1913
 - C. 1894-1917
 - D. 1886-1903
 2. The Boilermaker Special V was dedicated in:
 - A. 1991
 - B. 1993
 - C. 1995
 - D. 1997
 3. Which Reamer alum currently recites "I am an American" during the pre-game show?
 - A. Roy Johnson
 - B. Jack Carroll
 - C. Al Wright
 - D. Jack Scott
 4. Who recommended building a mascot which would show off Purdue's rich engineering heritage?
 - A. Larry Brumbaugh
 - B. David Ross
 - C. Len Dawson
 - D. Izzy Selkowitz
- BONUS: What was the original suggestion?
5. When did Purdue Pete first appear in the Debris year-book?
 - A. 1939
 - B. 1940
 - C. 1944
 - D. 1958
 6. What is the best spirit organization on campus?
 - A. The Gimlets
 - B. Purdue Alumni Association
 - C. The Glee Club
 - D. The Purdue Reamer Club

I hope you had fun trying to remember what you learned as pledges to the Reamer Club. And just in case you forgot something, the answers are on page 7. Hail Purdue!

FIAFW,
Emily Drott

Pictures

Top: The BMS crew after our defeat of Notre Dame
Middle: The Reamer's award-winning window painting
Bottom: The Reamer Club's football section



Words from Proud Parents

Kelly and I had the privilege of introducing 9 new members to the traditions, songs, and spirit of Purdue University. As everyone knows, the work load that goes along with pledging the Reamer Club is equivalent to taking another class. As I found out, the same can be said for the pledge parents. We put a lot of time and thought into the pledge program. We made sure to spend time this summer talking about how we thought the pledge process should run. Our personalities complemented each other well. We relied on each other to always make sure the pledges were being told the information they needed to know. We truly developed into a small Reamer family. When selecting pledges, we are always looking for students who we think will make a good Reamer; however we never really know how this group of individuals will function as a team. I am proud of the way this group has worked together. They

made their experience fun and memorable. I am proud that I can truly call them good friends and am already starting to miss spending time with them during pledge meetings every week.

I would like to introduce you to the nine newest members of the Purdue Reamer Club. This semester's pledge class consisted of two juniors, 1 sophomore, and 6 freshman. Kelly and I truly believe these newest members are a diverse group of leaders who have a lot to offer the Purdue Reamer Club. I look forward to seeing them contribute their time and thoughts to Purdue University.

FIAFW,
A proud Father and Mother
Andrew Gillman Spring 06 and Kelly Collins Fall 05

Jack Carney	Noblesville, IN	FR	Business Management
Adena Gilden	Barrington, IL	FR	Hospitality Tourism and Management
Eric Johnson	Domestic, IN	FR	Agribusiness Management
Samuel Marking	Floyds Knobs, IN	FR	Natural Resources and Environmental Studies
Katie Porter	Henryville, IN	FR	Animal Science
Daniel Stauffer	Domestic, IN	JR	Agribusiness Management
Kimberly Steadham	Plainfield, IN	SO	Public Relations
Katherine Stocks	Duluth, GA	JR	Electrical Engineering Technology
Max Vande Vaarst	Wayne, NJ	FR	History



Top: Samuel Marking, Eric Johnson, Daniel Stauffer
Middle: Andrew Gillman S06, Kimberly Steadham, Jack Carney, Adena Gilden, Kelly Collins F05
Bottom: Max Vande Vaarst, Katherine Stocks, Katie Porter

Presenting the Fall 2007 Pledge Class

It is amazing how quickly the past eight weeks have come and gone for the Fall 2007 Pledge Class. We came to the callouts and perspectives meetings unsure of what was in store for us but we were excited to begin. It was stressful at times, learning all the traditions, songs, cheers, and names of actives, but it was well worth the time and effort put into it. We are all very excited to see what the club has to offer, but more importantly, what we have to offer the club.

Our pledge class is a very well rounded class featuring freshmen, a sophomore, and two juniors. We all bring many different talents, backgrounds, and experiences to the table. I would say we are a very diverse group, but through the past eight weeks we have brought together our differences to come together as one. We each played a key role and picked up the slack for each other, working as a well oiled machine. We had a great time with all of our unities including Big Ten schools, 101 Dalmatians, and Nerds. Also, composing our pledge class song entitled "Gettin' All

Those Sigs" to the tune of 'Livin' on a Prayer.'

We would like to give a huge thank you to our Pledge Mother and Father, Ms. Kelly Collins and Mr. Andrew Gillman. They have been such a great help to us every step of the way. They have helped make our experience more enjoyable and less stressful. They are two people who truly love the club and are some of the finest Reamers you could ever meet. We as a pledge class would like to thank them for that. Also, thank you to the officers of the club as well as all of the actives for your support throughout the pledging process. We look forward to getting more involved with all the club has to offer.

FIAFW,
Daniel Stauffer
Pledge Class Captain
Fall 2007

High Tech Reamers

Let's face it, the world is going tech! and the Reamer Club is trying. This past summer and semester we have made a few changes to the website. First of all we removed the Alumni portal due to spamming issues. But do not fear, myself and Lincoln McCord, S07, are working on bringing the Alumni portal back. We are also working on bringing back the online Boilermaker Special V renting form. Again we had to take it off due to spamming issues. Please check the website often for updates about current members, what we are doing as a club, and our alumni!

I would like to invite all of our alumni to join our alumni emailing list. The directions for this can be found at www.purduereamerclub.org/alumni I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Matt Fontaine S05 for all his help over the summer with fixing the website and for building the website we know and love. I would also like to thank SixFeetUp and Calvin Parker for donating the web space for our website. For suggestions, comments, or questions please contact info@purduereamerclub.org

Kathryn Jester, F06
Technology Chair
www.purduereamerclub.org

Treasurer's Report

A day in the life of a treasurer is a day of chaos. But even with all the chaos at the end of the day the satisfaction the Purdue Reamer Club gives truly the best feeling. It became obvious this semester that the Business Offices of Students Organizations (BOSO) favors the Reamer Club. Thanks to the work of Kelsey Habig and Jon Jena (Summer BMS Chair and Treasurer) we have less paper work to do when it comes to traveling with the Boilermaker Special V making jobs easier for everyone. BOSO has also given our club the opportunity to participate in selling the new class rings for the university.

There are new and exciting changes happening with the treasury of the Reamer Club. As current treasurer I am working on evaluating BMS events and payments in hopes of writing a better contract for our clients. These new ideas should present a better way of organization for the treasurer thus making the job easier. A change that was made during this semester was the definition of our traditions account. As a club we felt that we should be using the traditions account more and we decided to support club traditions as well as the university traditions with the account.

As the semester ends and as requested by our President Kelsey Habig, I am writing a formal treasurer report that will include a formal definition as well as guidelines for how each position in the club is to go about asking for, spending, and using club money. Again, in hopes of better organizing the club and its funds.

Kathryn Jester, F06
Treasurer

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The Reamer club does maintain an Alumni List .

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.

PURDUE REAMER CLUB DONATION FORM

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Donation: (Check One)

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