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Sept. 3:	Akron	W
Sept. 10:	Toledo	W
Sept. 17:	at Miami	L
Sept. 24:	Colorado	W
Oct. 1:	Michigan State	
Oct. 8:	at Nebraska	
Oct. 15:	at Illinois	
Oct. 29:	Wisconsin	
Nov. 5:	Indiana	
Nov. 12:	at Purdue	
Nov. 19:	Penn State	
Nov. 26:	at Michigan	

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ALUMNI REPORT

First Game of Buckeye Season is a Family Affair

By Bruce Rothermund '90, Alumni Association President

The weekly Ohio Zeta tailgate in the northwest stadium lot turned into a family affair for the opener against Akron to kick off the 2011 season. Many Phis brought their children to the game and tailgate. It is fun to watch as the children of Ohio Zeta alums have become friends over the years, just like their dads did. The general consensus was that these kids will be running the tailgate ten years from now! The youngsters have every bit as much fun as, if not more than, their parents.

The Phis in the photo, from left to right, are: **Scott Armstrong '85, Mike Hargraves '91, Dick**

Frankenberg '86, Bruce Rothermund '90, Tony Phillips '86, Glen Alban '88, Randy Gerber '90 and Shawn Harter '91.



ALUMNI EVENTS

45+ Ohio Zeta Brothers Scramble in 20th Annual Phi Delt Golf Outing

By Tim Gorman '06

On July 23rd, active and alumni members of Ohio Zeta came from near and far away to participate in the 20th annual Phi Delt golf outing. The event was a traditional scramble held at the Golf Club of Dublin and was a great success. Over 45 brothers fought through the hot weather to play a round of golf in the late afternoon. After all the scores were tallied, the winning team of



Steven Custenborder '81, Tim Wright '81, Al Mackensie and Dave Steed '81 shot an amazing round of 55 to take home the title. Congratulations to the winning team and thanks to all those who came out to play this year!

The next outing will be on a Saturday in late July 2012 as the date is being worked out with the Golf Club of Dublin. We look forward to more people joining next year as we continue to build the golf outing with both more active and alumni Phis.

IN THE WORDS OF OUR BROTHERS

What is Your Fondest Phi Delt Memory?

"The active social life."
- **David Quidort '58**

"Too many to narrow down."
- **Clayton Hall '97**

"Good times."
- **Robert Braun '76**

"The lifelong friendships."
- **Tom Oswald '71**

"The brotherhood."
- **Matthew Webster '91**

"Close friendships."
- **J. Brian Mullen '76**

"Renovating the house and making it a better place to call home."
- **Blake McMullin '06**

"The brotherhood."
- **Steven Custenborder '81**

"The pride we took in ourselves, our house, and our academic and scholastic achievement."
- **Timothy Wright '81**

Share YOUR fond fraternity memories on the message board at www.ohiozeta.com.

REMEMBERING RICHARD MAXWELL '64

OSU Graduate Spent Life Helping Disabled People

From The Columbus Dispatch

A man paralyzed during a fraternity football game who went on to pioneer accessibility

IN MEMORY

We have also recently learned of the deaths of the following brothers:

George Sargent '37
Norman Zollar '38
M. Feigert '42
Roland Miltz '42
Gordon Lanum '50
John Russell '67

for disabled students at Ohio State University died April 28, 2011.

Richard "Max" Maxwell '64 scored the winning touchdown at an OSU intramural game in November 1963, said Ken Johnson, a fraternity brother at Phi Delta Theta and a longtime friend. As he dove into the end zone, the ball slipped and ended up under his neck, helping to break it.

"There wasn't any place for a 21-year-old quadriplegic in those days," said his wife, Kathryn Maxwell.

"Max," as almost everyone knew him, spent the rest of his life changing that. He died peacefully, after a short illness, at 69 years old, his wife said.

In 1974, he helped to found Creative

Living, a nonprofit organization that provides apartments for disabled students near the OSU campus. He also became an administrator in the school's disability-services office and pushed for wheelchair ramps and other changes on campus to make it easier for disabled students to attend classes.

"He was a wonderful man," said Lois Harris, the director of disability-services office, who worked with Maxwell for years. "He helped not only himself but so many other people."

Find a link to the full article at www.ohiozeta.com.

ALUMNI UPDATES

A. Jackson Smith '52

(3661 Rose Glenn Dr., Toledo, OH 43615; jax8@buckeye-express.com) Back in March I, along with another old Phi and our wives, cruised from L.A. to Ft. Lauderdale through



the Panama Canal. One of our stops was Cartagena, Columbia where we took the attached O-H-I-O photo in Bolivar Square. We are (L to R): Sally Koepp Smith (DG '51), me, **Bob Winzeler (PDT '54)** and Jo Call Winzeler (TriDelt '53). We aquired a few Panama Hats along the way. Curiously, all Panama hats are made in Ecuador.

Tod Roemer '59

(todmontana@yahoo.com) I joined the fraternity in the spring of 1955 and became "Bond #991," so as you might imagine, what I have done in the last 56 years would be voluminous and quite boring. There were ten of us who were initiated that spring, and I would

love to hear anything about those great guys.

I am a HUGE BUCKEYE FAN and am a life member of the OSU President's Club, the Buckeye Club and a lifetime alumni club member as well. I love Jim Tressel, STILL, and would want a son or grandson to play for him anytime. One of my granddaughters just became a fourth generation "Buckeye" this summer!

At 74 years old, I still ride snowmobiles, ATVs and even horses (not as much as I used to).

I'm also a big time boater, with a boat in Montana and Pompano Beach, FL (very small boats which wouldn't impress anybody but me).

ALUMNI UPDATES

Bob Braun '76

(4864 Aberdeen Ave., Dublin, OH 43016; buckeye-bob@sbcglobal.net) Since graduating from OSU in the fall of 1976, I have lived in the Columbus since that time. This is a nice photo of my family (spring break 2010 in Arizona). From left to right: My wife Joan, my daughters Maggie (now 15) & Bailee (now 14) and me. Via my first marriage, I also have a son Matthew who is now 30.



I have worked for WS Packaging since January 1988. WS Packaging is the largest manufacturer of pressure sensitive labels in the U.S.

Unfortunately, I haven't seen my Phi Delt buddies for decades. The exception...I just ran into **Tom Batista** (Batman) a few weeks ago. Back in the '70s, Phi Delta Theta was a premier fraternity. Let's just say that I (we) had a GREAT time during those days. It would be great if the '70s Phi Deltas could meet before an OSU football game this year.

Bill Harlow '87

(800 East 96th St., Ste. 500, Indianapolis, IN 46204; bharlow1@indy.rr.com) I am currently Director of Business Development at Katz, Sapper & Miller LLC. My favorite memory is of the beach party in the basement w/ the Pi Phis ('85?)...plenty of sand, pretty ladies and hairy buffalo!

Craig Mohre '87

(4480 Middle Aspinwall, New Albany, OH 43054; craigmohre@newalbanyfoundation.org) I'm married to Lori with two children (Sarah, 19, will be a sophomore at OSU this year) and (Rachel, 14, will be a freshman at New Albany High School). I'm President of the New Albany Community Foundation and have my own public affairs consulting business. I recently had lunch with **Dick Frankenberg** (a pledge class brother of mine), **Cal Skaates** (also our pledge class brother) and **Tim Cellars** (a few classes ahead of us).

James Emley '99

(jamesemley@yahoo.com) I always enjoy reconnecting with Phi Delta Theta, as the organization gave me some of the greatest memories throughout college. Here is a little synopsis of what I've been up to. I've been a professional musician and educator within Los Angeles, CA for the past six years. I graduated from OSU in 1999 with a Bachelor of Science in Meteorology, and I have worked in a variety of industries, interesting occupations and international destinations. One could say that I haven't had a very linear career path, but I feel that there aren't many occupations that follow a 'straight path' these days. As a musician, I have worked on Carnival Cruiseline as a piano bar entertainer, and I also performed jazz music on the international ship, MS The World of ResidenSea. It is considered to be the most environmentally friendly ship in the entire cruising industry, and I met many interesting and affluent residents during my stay on the ship. After making my musical exodus to Los Angeles, I have had the chance to work with interesting professionals in various settings.



James Emley '99 with Buzz Aldrin

Musically, I have taught piano to children of various celebrities, recorded on various albums and movie scores, and had the chance to work with various groups such as Corey Feldman's Truth Movement, AURA, and Andre Comeau's River Rouge. When I'm not producing music, I am working on my own personal educational music program called, "Rocker Science." As a result of my professional endeavors in the educational system, I was awarded the LAUSD "Silver Apple Award." Recently, I have had the chance to attend a Suborbital Aeronautical Teacher Workshop in the Mojave Desert. There, I was able to fly in a glider with Rick Searfoss, had a meeting with Buzz Aldrin to discuss the future

of aeronautical education, and had a chance to tour aerospace industries that are developing the next generation of spacecraft.

I can honestly thank Phi Delta Theta for the values that the brothers have taught me in the realm of discipline, social skills, and determination. Tenacity is the name of the game in attaining one's full potential, and I would like to think that every Phi Delt alum possesses each of these traits.

Steve Gleditsch '04

(7001 Grandee Cliffs Drive, Dublin, OH 43016; gleditsch.1@osu.edu) I recently served as a Supervisory Transportation Security Officer with DHS/TSA at Port Columbus International Airport, and just started a new position as a Transportation Security Inspector-Aviation at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport. No weddings; however, I have a steady girlfriend of three years: Ms. Jennifer Lloyd. I did just attend the wedding of a fellow Phi in Irvine, Ca. when **Christopher Rugh** tied the knot. This in attendance included: **Teddy Jenkins**, **Ryan Klayman** and **Blake McMullin**. I spent a week in Utah with Rugh hitting the powder! My favorite memory is of a trip to Amsterdam with Chris Rugh. Other favorite moments would offend rational people and will be reminisced about over a pint at a local pub.

Michael Darwal '05

(1777 Pine St. #210, San Francisco, CA 94109; michael.darwal@gmail.com) I moved to San Francisco in 2005, and married my wife Kaitlin in 2008. I'm currently serving as VP of Finance & Operations for Ampush Media, Inc., a 2009 start-up specializing in Performance Marketing in the areas of for-profit education lead generation and social platform advertising. I occasionally hear from **Ryan (Disco) Elmer**, **Matt McQuade** and **Jeff Benzenberg**.

Find more updates, including full-length versions of some of these brothers' and their photos, and share your own at www.ohiozeta.com.

FROM THE ARCHIVES



This great photo is of Ohio Zeta brothers from the 1896 yearbook, back when it was called the *Scarlet & Gray*. The university is in the process of digitizing many historical documents, including yearbooks. Find a link to this effort at www.ohiozeta.com.

Do you have great pictures from your era to share? Send them to our editors at content@affinityconnection.com (mention Phi Delt OSU).

CHAPTER NEWS

Ohio Zeta Phi Raise \$1,500 for Brother in Hospital

Last spring, Ohio Zeta brothers hosted “Bowling for Mikey” to show support and collect donations for their brother in need. Ohio Zeta Phi **Mikey Hirsch** had been bedridden at a hospital in Cleveland because of a severe case of pancreatitis that spread throughout his body resulting in the removal and complications of some of his organs. Mikey was in the hospital for several months undergoing multiple surgeries.

On Saturday, May 14, over 150 people came out to a local Columbus bowling center to show their support and donate to

the cause. Philanthropy Chairman **Michael Haddock** said the event brought in a total of \$1,500, which is the most successful philanthropic event for Ohio Zeta in the past three years. The money benefited Mikey and his family in this time of need.

For the men of Ohio Zeta, planning this event was just another part of exemplifying the principles of friendship and brotherhood. “In the words of Founding Father Robert Morrison, ‘To do what ought to be done but would not have been done

unless I did it myself—I thought to be my duty,” Michael said.



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