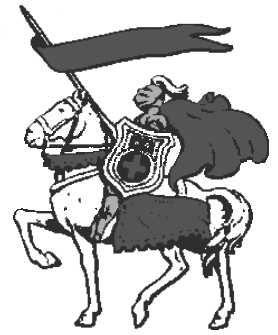




# The Traveller

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Epsilon Rho Chapter of Kappa Alpha



## Home of the 2008-2009 Ammen Award

Dave Watson your Historian here: Dieu Et Les Dames and all that but ladies are irritating most of the time. I took Ammen out for a date instead and had way more fun with less money. I told him how he has had a huge impact on who I am today and he didn't say anything. Its obviously very emotional for him too. I told him all the funny stories that my KAs and I have done. I was hoping he would tell some college stories of his own but he didn't say anything...What a Gentleman.

Stay tuned for a new website that will allow alumni and actives to update their information!

### Upcoming Events

<i>April 3- Cheesewhiz Bowlathon</i>	<i>7pm in Lafayette</i>
<i>April 10- Initiation</i>	<i>7pm in Usual Location</i>
<i>May 16- MDA Golf Outing</i>	<i>8:30am at Ravines of West Lafayette</i>
<i>TBA Summer Rush- White Sox Game</i>	<i>Chicago</i>



## Words from #1, Mike Genovese

It is my pleasure to give you a few words on the current happenings of the chapter and welcome you to the spring semester at Epsilon Rho. As you may or may not know the past few months have been very busy for the active brotherhood. Since the beginning of 2009 we have had the opportunity to bring 6 bright young men into our order, win the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ammen award in Epsilon Rho history, and raise our chapter's cumulative grade point average by over a tenth of a point.

In addition to these accomplishments the Epsilon Rho Chapter continues to pride itself in its dedication to the community and local philanthropic organizations. So far this semester, we have participated in events such as the Greek Soda Slam, Big Man on Campus, and Operation Crimson Gift. Additionally, the active chapter has begun its annual preparation for the Illiana Alumni Chapter Golf Outing to benefit MDA which is to be held on May 16th.

Lastly, I would like to thank all the alumni who continue to give guidance and support to the active chapter. Without you the active chapter could have grown into what it is today. We look forward to seeing and hearing from each and every one of you in the near future.

## Initiation to be held on Friday 4/10/09

Brothers, please join us on **April 10, 2009- 7pm** same place as always as Epsilon Rho Chapter will be initiating our Spring class. Please make it a weekend, witness dedication to the timeless KA ritual and remember what life is all about. Email Dave Watson at [dmwatson@purdue.edu](mailto:dmwatson@purdue.edu) if you plan to attend.

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Annual



Bowlathon

Join us on **Friday, April 3rd, 2009, 7pm** for our annual Bowlathon. It is so much more fun when we have alumni come! Location TBA. If you would like to be on a team or form your own then email [dmwatson@purdue.edu](mailto:dmwatson@purdue.edu) and Dave will get you involved.



## A Toast to Robert E. Lee

Former Executive Councilor David "Digger" O'Dell joined us at the Dick and Sandy Dauch Alumni Center on campus. The facility was perfect for KA Convivium and Digger's speech was the perfect tribute for Bobby Lee. A museum of Purdue sports history greeted our brothers and guests. Delicious food was catered from Sgt. Preston's but everyone seemed to only want more cheesecake. Afterwards, brothers and alumni introduced Digger to Harry's. I urge you to find time for next January's Convivium as the chapter will be inviting a KA VIP once again.

## 5th Annual MDA Golf Outing



Attend on **May 16th 2009 at 8:30am** at the Ravines Golf Club in W. Lafayette. The course is located close to campus at 8525 Division Rd. At Province Council, EP urged other chapters in the Province to hit some balls in the woods for MDA. \$80 includes golf, cart, prizes, and lunch. This event has looked great on our Ammen applications for years since it raises so much money for MDA.

RSVP to **Jim Beebe** (EP '94) at [jbeebe98@yahoo.com](mailto:jbeebe98@yahoo.com) by **May 2**.

## Homecoming 10/3/09

Purdue vs. Northwestern! Brothers mark your calendars now for this Fall's Homecoming! Alumni of all ages have already expressed interest in attending. Alumni will be on Slayter Hill for tailgating with their families. You do not need to attend the game when the KA Manor has a new TV! Sports merchandise will be up for auction after the game. If you are wanting to bring your families then RSVP to Dave at [dmwatson@purdue.edu](mailto:dmwatson@purdue.edu) and the chapter can look into entertainment for wives and children.

Thank you to the alumni who gave contributions to help support EP at last Homecoming's Illiana Alumni Auction.



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## Housing Update

KA Manor is filled to capacity for the upcoming year and KA Manor House Corporation has been laying the groundwork for some exciting changes coming in 2009. This upcoming summer, KAMHC plans to establish an affiliated Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3) tax-exempt, non-profit foundation for the benefit of the chapter's educational development. Alumni will be able to make tax-deductible contributions to the new foundation, which will in turn be utilized for scholarships, leadership development, and education-related improvements towards the chapter house (i.e. libraries, study rooms, network infrastructure, etc). Currently, tax-deductible contributions to any fraternity foundation cannot be earmarked or used for "bricks and mortar" in improving the general structure of the fraternity house. In an effort to alleviate this shortfall, legislation has been presented in Washington advocating such donations be eligible for tax deduction. Please visit [www.fraternalcaucus.org](http://www.fraternalcaucus.org) for more information on the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act.

A local foundation will set us apart from other chapters within our Order and other fraternities at Purdue, providing a tremendous educational benefit to our active brothers. Never before has Epsilon Rho been exclusively benefited by a local foundation; I for one am thrilled to take part in the development of such an organization. Keep your eyes on your mailboxes this summer as more information regarding this exciting process will be coming from the House Corporation.

Fraternally,  
Scott Clifford ('04)  
President, KA Manor House Corporation  
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## God Speed EP Graduates

Jason Ward- May 09

Jeff Eastes-May 09

Dave Watson-May 09

Isaac Jones-May 09

Nick Block-May 09

Matt Pickering-May 09

### Officers

- I Mike Genovese
- II Tom Griffith
- III Weston Hoskins
- IV Steve Barach
- V Dave Watson
- VI Brett Moore
- VII Yu Suo
- VIII Ed Gier
- IX Adam Black

## Meet your newest brothers...

### Alpha Lambda Pledge Class

Bryan Brearley- Fr.

Jung Kim-Fr.

Joel Cassler-So.

Alex Ko-Fr.

Mike Germano-Fr.

Brett Phautz-Fr.



## Endless Recruitment



Steve Barach and company would like to announce the efforts that have shaped this semester and will continue to set a standard for semesters to come. Whether it was new events such as the widely successful Hookah Night or withstanding the cold to pass out hand warmers and hot chocolate to gals and guys, the good word of KA is beginning to become louder. Poor Steve after being initiated last fall was willing to learn by doing. Even though he said he could "barely breathe" with phone calls, setting up for events, and homework, Steve appreciated the support of his brothers. Steve says when he attended his first KA rush event last fall, he knew KA would be a part of his life. The memories and hard lessons he has witnessed sure were not expected given his attitude of 6 months ago when he thought he "knew everything and had everything planned out." With that in mind, Steve is determined to share his new outlook with recruits and perform scheduled rush events after spring break. With the help of alumni, a recruitment seminar is scheduled for April 4th for the entire chapter. Brothers have already begun contacting seniors from their high schools to take to a White Sox game this summer.

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## Wish List

This past football season earned us more than \$900 cleaning up after football games. That money was unexpectedly used to purchase a new TV when our old TV broke. So thank you to the Alumni who have sent donations. Your donations gave us a new vacuum, utility rugs, salt bags, and cleaning supplies of all kinds. Gift cards to Menards, Home Depot, and Lowes have been very helpful.

Items EP could still benefit from include:

- Lumber for a bench
- New Member Paddles
- Flag Pole
- Water Softener Bags
- Plane tickets for Convivium speaker
- Old South Anyone?



## EP Alumni News

### Births

Dave Alm ('93) and his rose Stacey had their second child, Tyler David on August 28, 2008.

Jeremy Rogers ('95) and his rose Lauren had their second child, Zachary David Rogers, on July 23rd, 2008.

Edwin James Harris ('92) and his rose Kari had their second child, Katherine Marie Harris, on July 6, 2008

### Engagements and Weddings

William Todd Keating ('94) married Rachel Reymer on July 4, 2008 in Winnetka, IL. They currently live in Niles, IL.

Steve Pallotto ('04) married Elizabeth Kellogg on May 18, 2008.

### Professional

Wyatt Wollman ('94) recently completed 5 years of urologic surgery training in Birmingham, AL and moved to Pierre, South Dakota to start a practice.

Steve Pallotto ('04) accepted a new job to work with Honeywell in Arizona to work on control systems of jet engines.

Brad Schmidt ('06) 2nd Lt. in the Marines passed flight screening and moved to Pensacola, FL to begin flight school training.

Randall Reichenbach ('06) officer in the Navy will be accepting Brad as a roommate and pursue flight school as well

### Sympathy

Funeral services were held in February for EP's beloved Rosalie Clifford, Mother of former Frampton Province Commander Tim Clifford, Grandmother of EP House Corp President Scott Clifford. The Order is indebted for her interest-free loan to purchase our chapter house and the raising of 3 KAs in her family.

## Alumnus Advisory Committee

Rich Fabisiak (EP '89)  
Bobby Srivastava (EA)  
Mitch Bianchin (EP '90)  
Jeff Raker (ZA)  
Jim Beebe (EP '94)  
Jeff Love (EP '86)

*The active brothers of Epsilon Rho Chapter would like to thank those alumni who have volunteered their time, knowledge, and experience for the benefit of our chapter!*

## KA Manor Housing Corporation

Scott Clifford (EP '04)  
Jimmy Ovelgonne (EP '04)  
Chris Peck (EP '94)  
Jay Harris (EP '92)  
Jeremy Rogers (EP '95)

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