

ALUMNI REPORT

More Than 60 Brothers From the Classes of 1967-1973 Renew the Bond at the Dedication of the Phipps Robbins Party Room

By Brother Joe "Weird Joe" Dorn '70

Over the off-football weekend of October 9-11, more than 60 brothers from the classes of 1967-1973 — many with their spouses — reunited in Chapel Hill to dedicate and name the newly renovated party room, now christened "The Phipps Robbins Party Room."

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On Friday evening, we gathered for cocktails and dinner at the Weathervane Restaurant at Southern Season. On Saturday, we toured the newly renovated house (which is amazing), enjoyed a barbecue lunch (kindly provided by **Chuck Robbins '69**) and assembled for the seated dedication ceremony. Saturday evening, we gathered again for cocktails and dinner, this time at the elegant Dubose House at the Rizzo Center (a few notches up from the typical Phi Delt venue). The cocktails and dinners were great fun. Everyone looked the same as in college (although the name

tags were an excellent idea for those of us with early dementia). The house looked far better than during our time there (despite the lack of a phone booth).

Stewart Wilson '68, suave as always, served as the master of ceremonies during Saturday's dedication. Stewart welcomed the assembled crowd and then asked Sam Clements, the current house president, to provide a state of the house address. Sam, along with Vice President Louis Stephens, thanked all the donors for the successful capital campaign and fantastic house renovation. They explained why the Phi Delt house remains the best on campus with nearly 90 brothers and pledges who raised over \$120,000 for the Eve Carson fund and recorded an average cumulative GPA over 3.3.

Members of the Reunion Organizing Committee then recognized and presented plaques to brothers **Randy Worth '68**, **Ronnie Bagwell '68**, and **Bob Page '52** in

appreciation for their many years of service on the NC Beta Foundation. Without the steadfast surveillance and supervision of Brother Page over the past 40 years, God only knows if the house would even exist today.

Of course, the capital campaign, house renovation and reunion weekend would never have happened without the passion and generosity of **Steve Bell '67**. Speaking for all of us, Bob Page recognized Steve for his unparalleled support of the Phi Delt house and presented him with an inscribed photograph that will hang henceforth in the main foyer of the house. Steve, many thanks from all of us! I think you need a new nickname, perhaps "The Steve" — sort of like that other real estate tycoon. Steve recently said we have raised about \$815,000 and will pay off the bank loan in December.

Next, we honored four special brothers who are no longer with us: **Mathew Mason** (remembered by Bob Page), **Andy Galyon**



More than 60 NC Beta Phi Delt and their spouses returned to the chapter house in October for a special reunion and dedication weekend. [See more photos on page 3.](#)

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OFFICERS

Congratulations to the newly elected 2016 officers of our undergraduate chapter!

Sam Clements – President

Louis Stephens – Vice President

Brian Smith – Treasurer

Seth Pinosky – Philanthropy
Chairman

Andrew Schultz – Social Chairman

Drew Foster – Social Chairman

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Riley Hall – Social Chairman

Kubi Johnson – Historian

Brian Dalton – Scholarship Chairman

Reid Farber – Alumni Chairman

Parks Robinson – House Manager

2015 PLEDGE CLASS

Robert S. Cochran – Charleston, S.C.

Robert Degolian – Atlanta, Ga.

Carter Draughton – Atlanta, Ga.

Jack Fink – Charlotte, N.C.

Alasdain Grassie – London, U.K.

Campbell Hallett – Charlotte, N.C.

Cole Haverty – Atlanta, Ga.

Grant Hedberg – Charlotte, N.C.

Austin Holmes – New Canaan, Conn.

Joseph Howe – Charlotte, N.C.

Will Jackson – Dallas, Texas

Ross Jeffries – Charlotte, N.C.

George Lindner – High Point, N.C.

Patrick Littlejohn – Charlotte, N.C.

Matt Lowe – G'Bo, N.C.

Hardin Lucas – Charlotte, N.C.

Ken Selmon – Mabelton, Ga.

Austin Schellpeffer – Charlotte, N.C.

Paddy Sheehan – Charlotte, N.C.

Stephen Smith – High Point, N.C.

Willis Underwood – Goldsboro, N.C.

Ben Walzel – Dallas, Texas

Edward Wickham – Charlotte, N.C.

Thomas Winslow – Durham, N.C.

CHAPTER REPORT

Actives' Focus on Philanthropy Earns Them Top Honors

By Sam Clements '17, President, North Carolina Beta Chapter

In the past few months, we have been very active as rush started in August. With the hard work of our rush chairs, we recruited 24 freshmen (more than any other fraternity at UNC), many from Texas, Connecticut, North Carolina, Georgia and South Carolina. One hails from London, England. (See list below and to the left.) Our recruitment efforts continue to keep our total active membership above 80, which means we are at capacity for our chapter house.

In the fall, we held our 8th Annual Eve Carson Memorial 5k. We are pleased to announce that 1600 racers registered and more than \$120,000 was raised to benefit the Eve Carson Memorial Scholarship, the Pi Beta Phi Literacy and CEO4Teens (co-founded by **Kenny Haisfield '12** — see page 3).

This past summer, we again won the Paul Beam Philanthropy Award from our National headquarters, which means that we have had the best philanthropy event in the country among all Phi Delta Theta chapters. We have won this award, either first or second in the country, for the last eight years. As one of the best-run chapters in the Phi Delt system, we also won several minor awards. Last spring, we were tied for third in the IFC ratings of 23 UNC fraternities in scholarship. We hope to keep this momentum into next spring.

In the fall, we elected new officers. (See list above and to the left.) These officers will guide us through the two semesters of 2016.

Our 15th Annual Parents Weekend was held during the weekend of the Miami-UNC football game. This tradition started by **Steve Bell '67** is a favorite amongst the chapter members, dates and families. This past year, we have been blessed by having three reunion



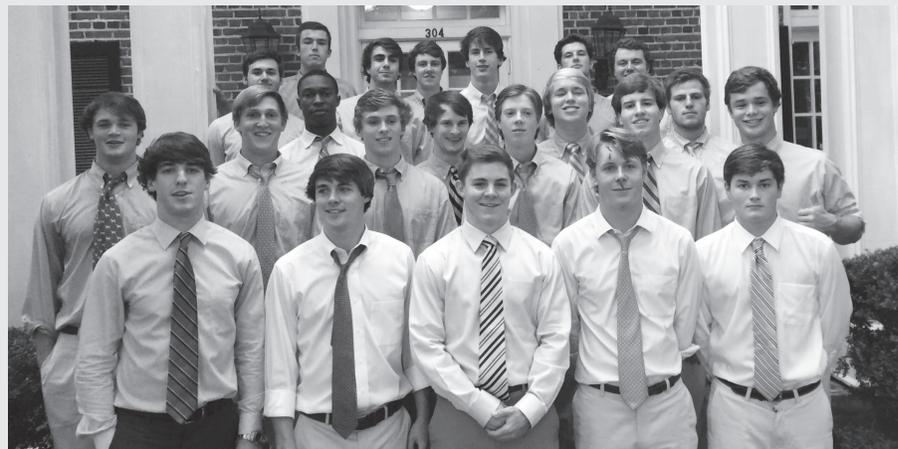
Our undergraduates received the top Phi Delta Theta philanthropy for their Annual Eve Carson Memorial 5k.

classes meet at the house for brunch. We encourage other alumni classes to do the same as we are proud of the house.

Our cook and house custodian, Tim Galliher, is doing a great job with regard to our food. He has an able assistant in Lourdes Alvarez. In addition, Lourdes' sister-in-law works on the second and third floors, cleaning the house from 9:00 a.m. to 2 p.m., and we have enjoyed having the house clean on a daily basis.

We take this opportunity to thank you for your support of our chapter. In honor of all alumni who continue this support, it is our goal to continue the tradition of the Phi Delta Theta Chapter at UNC for the past 130 years as one of the best fraternities at UNC.

Welcome, 2015 Pledge Class!



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Hawaiinot ... Alum Turns Love for Dad's Hand-Me-Downs Into a Successful Apparel Business With a Philanthropic Spin (to Benefit NC Beta)

If you read the Chapter Report on page 2, or if you attended this fall's 8th Annual Eve Carson Memorial 5k, then you know that Brother **Kenny Haisfield '12** was actively involved in helping the chapter raise more than \$120,000 for several philanthropic efforts. Through his apparel company, Kenny Flowers, Kenny offered a fundraising option to help boost this year's results. We invite you to read this short introduction to his story and to go to www.uncphidelt.com to read the full story. Thanks, Kenny!

A 2012 UNC graduate in economics and global studies, this Boulder, Colo., native co-founded CEO4Teens in 2007. This organization "aims to create educational opportunities for financially disadvantaged teenagers and young adults around the world." Their program in Indonesia has helped more than 100 teenagers continue their education beyond high school and into English and computer training.

Following graduation from UNC, Kenny spent his

first three years out of college as a customer experience consultant at IBM while continuing his efforts with CEO4Teens.

Chasing his entrepreneurial spirit, Kenny left IBM in 2015 and started a new business. "My love for Aloha shirts is deep-rooted, stemming from the good times I had whenever I wore my dad's hand-me-down Tommy Bahama. In January, I felt it was the right time to apply everything I had learned in the corporate world towards something I'm truly passionate about and would love doing. The money I had saved up to travel South America became the money I would use to move to Bali and make the first few hundred shirts — later referred to as "The Hawaiinot Collection." And the rest is history.

This past fall, in anticipation of his release of the Carolina Bloom shirt, Kenny contributed \$10 from each Carolina Bloom shirt sale to the Eve Carson event. Read more at www.uncphidelt.com.



Kenny Haisfield '12 breathes new life into the 1960s Aloha shirts.

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'68 (remembered by Stewart Wilson), **John Barber '68** (remembered by Randy Worth) and **Emmett Stoval '70** (remembered by **Bill Spry '68**, reading with embellishment the written remarks of **Bert Bahnson '68**, unable to attend).

We then turned to the dedication. Stewart began by welcoming and recognizing former Phi Delt Sweetheart Pam Phipps and Melanie Robbins along with their children and grandchildren. **Garnett Smith '69** did a wonderful job memorializing his classmate **Gene Phipps '69**, and **Juno Brantley '70** did an equally great job memorializing his classmate **Bill Robbins '70**. Gene, Bill and Juno had grown up in the same neighborhood in Rocky Mount, and Garnett had never heard of Rocky Mount when he joined the Phi Delt house. Juno recounted his serial post-midnight kitchen break-ins and pantry thefts with Bill and how they were finally caught by "Clean Gene," who was the house president. Garnett recalled how Gene showed leadership early by "volunteering" to take the top bunk and leave Dr. **Robert Steele '69** on the bottom. What appeared to be a "nice gesture" was really Gene knowing that

on the top bunk, he would escape the leathery hand of the "human alarm clock" (Reeter Skeeter), who would have a difficult time reaching Gene on the top bunk. All kidding aside, Gene and Bill were great brothers and longtime friends of many of us. We miss them both, and we hope that the dedication of the party room in their names caused their souls to smile.

In the words of **Harry Bryant '70**, "What a well planned, meaningful and eventful weekend. I'm so proud to be a Phi for all these years. Right Boy!" That captures it for me. If you graduated in the classes of 1967-1973 and missed this one, you might want to contact **Pokey Adams '70** (radams@autotec.com) to get a copy of the slideshow he created that will remind you of the crazy, jejune and fun life we experienced among a special group of people. As Juno remarked, we took it all for granted at the time. Little did we know that the phrase "Yours in the Bond" would grow in meaning as our lives progressed. If you are not class of 1967-1973, follow our example. Organize a reunion, remember your lost brothers and celebrate your Phi Delt friends. You will love it.



The Classes of 1967-1973 honored brothers who have entered The Chapter Grand.

Thanks, Steve, for all you have done over the years for the Phi Delt House



Special thanks was given to Brother Steve Bell '67 for his support of the capital campaign and must-see house renovations.



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Thank you to the 59 alumni listed below who have stepped forward to make a gift this 2015-16 giving year.
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William G. Hobbs '58

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ALUMNI PROFILE

Brother Mike "Shark" Kelly '74 ... From Athlete to Doc to Survivor

Those who remember Brother "Shark" Kelly most likely remember him as an athlete. A Washington, D.C., native, Mike was a three-sport athlete. He could have easily had a basketball scholarship somewhere. Instead, he decided on UNC at Chapel Hill, Phi Delta Theta and what would be a highly successful "blue team" intramural career — one in which the Phi Deltas never lost a regular-season basketball game and were IM champs his senior year.

Following his UNC graduation with a degree in religion, Mike enrolled in Georgetown School of Medicine and completed his orthopaedic training

at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York City. Mike soon became one of the premier orthopaedic surgeons in the U.S. and is a founding member of the Scott Kelly Institute for Orthopaedics and Sports Medicines in New York. Mike also served as the head team physician of the New Jersey Nets of the National Basketball Association.

Mike is also a survivor. He has fought his own fight against prostate and metastatic colon cancer for the past 17 years.

Please take time to read Brother Kelly's full story at www.uncphidelt.com.



Brother (and Dr.) Mike "Shark" Kelly '74