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**IN MEMORY**

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

**Robert P. MacKinzie Jr. '49**  
**William Smith '49**  
**William Crump '49**

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# The Epsilon Owl



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**GRADUATE REPORT****Every Year ... We Need You!**

*By David Batten '79, Graduate President, Phi Gamma Delta Graduates*

Another spring is almost here, meaning it's time once again for the *Epsilon Owl* to hit mailboxes. As a new season begins, I am reminded of the continued legacy that Phi Gam carries forth each and every year. In order to ensure our continued success for generations to come, we need your participation every year too.

Our Phi Gam experience wasn't just for the four years we spent at UNC. Rather, it is a lifelong experience that continues to grow in our graduate years. Every year, we fulfill our mission to keep you connected with Phi Gam through our newsletter, our web site and our monthly eLetters. And every year, we are counting on you to remain an active participant in our graduate relations program.

**Here's how you can get involved:**

- Become a registered, active user at [www.epsilonpgd.com](http://www.epsilonpgd.com).
- Submit a story, memory, update or photo to share in an upcoming publication.
- Ensure we have your email address on file to communicate more frequently and cost-effectively (send your email address to [feedback@affinityconnection.com](mailto:feedback@affinityconnection.com)).
- Call an old Phi Gam friend to reminisce and share old stories.

I look forward to reconnecting with you this year... and every year.

**CHAPTER RECRUITMENT****Rush Efforts are Underway, and You Can Help!**

*By Sam Duckett*

I am one of five rush chairs for Phi Gam this upcoming fall semester. I am writing you today on behalf of our fraternity to help Phi Gam get a jump start on recruitment as the incoming freshmen are starting to enroll. We have begun to compile a rush list with names of siblings and friends from home that may be interested. If you know of any incoming freshmen that you would like to recommend to us, please send their contact information to one of the addresses listed to the right. We plan to send our annual rush letter after Easter break, inviting the incoming freshmen to a spring party at the house and the Phi Gam beach weekend in Wilmington, NC.

If you'd like to help us in this effort by contributing names, ideas or support, please feel free to contact any of the brothers listed below. Thank you for all your continued help and support!

**Rush Chairs**

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## Phi Gam - A No-Brainer for John Marriott '82

### What's your most memorable moment as an Epsilon undergrad?

It would be hard to come up with a most memorable moment, but one that sticks is remembering a very naïve and not so worldly freshman pledge. I was essentially kidnapped by my Big Brother, **John Gates '79**, and some other upperclassmen. I have no idea where we went or whether there was any plan, but we spent a number of hours just riding around, talking (probably drinking a good deal) and having a great time. It was very special to me to be treated so well by a bunch of guys that I really respected.

### Why did you pick/join Phi Gam over other

### fraternities?

It was a no-brainer for me. I bonded easily with many of the brothers as well as the other guys going through rush that appeared to be leaning towards the Phi Gams. Even though I went to high school in Virginia, my family was from Rocky Mount and I really liked the eastern North Carolina ties that existed as well.

### What was your nickname (if any) and how did you earn it during your undergrad years?

BT named me Mario, based on my last name, which soon became Mario Carrelli, who was a character on an old soap opera. Some of the brothers called me Mario and others Carelli,

but they both stuck and to this day, I am still called by one of those whenever I run into an old Phi Gam.

### How did you and your Epsilon buddies celebrate Spring Break?

Every one of them was memorable, but all of them seemed to involve **Greg McDonald '83** convincing me to go somewhere like Aspen or Key West or the Bahamas. I remember one trip ending up at the same place as a bunch of Pi Phis and we all had a blast.

Reconnect with John at [john.marriott@fairviewinvest.com](mailto:john.marriott@fairviewinvest.com).

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## John Coffman '81 is Thankful for Connections Formed at the House

### *Why did you join Phi Gam as an undergraduate?*

I knew I wanted to join a fraternity and Phi Gam seemed like a good fit for me at the time.

### *What is the funniest memory from your Phi Gam days?*

The water monster was always a good one. There are a lot of other ones but they are not suitable for print.

### *How do you stay connected with your brothers as a graduate?*

I see a lot of them in Greenville as well as at the beach.

### *Have you visited Chapel Hill since graduation? Why or why not?*

Yes, quite often; mainly for football and basketball games.

### *How would your life be different today if you had never joined Phi Gam?*

I certainly would not have a lot of the relationships and connections that were developed through the house.

*If you could go back and relive one moment from your Phi Gam years, what would it be and why?*

I probably would not steal the Dannon yogurt truck during the early morning mixer with the Tri-Delts.

### *Where has life taken you since graduation? What's new in your life today?*

I live in Greenville, NC with my wife Pam. We have two children, Sydnor (19) and Harrison (16). I am co-president of Coffman's Mens Wear and also do a little commercial real estate.

### *Who do you stay connected with in your graduate years? Are there any brothers you've lost touch with whom you'd like to reconnect?*

I stay connected with a lot of the Greenville guys as well as a great group from Raleigh.

*Reconnect with John at [jcoffman@coffmansmenswear.com](mailto:jcoffman@coffmansmenswear.com).*

## GRADUATE UPDATES

### **Willie Hobson '64**

(225 Cottage Place, Charlotte, NC 28207-2211; [whobson1@carolina.rr.com](mailto:whobson1@carolina.rr.com)) I'm a retired lawyer. My wife Dorothy and I live in Charlotte with seven grandchildren (all in Charlotte). I sleep with my wife and four Yorkies and play alto and tenor saxophones in a local Big Band Jazz Ensemble.



Last summer I cleaned out some wild bamboo in my back yard. It reminded me of the Fiji Island "boo raids." So I took several pictures.

### **Jim Moye '66**

(1713 Rosewood Drive, Greenville, NC 27858-4447; [jimmoye@suddenlink.net](mailto:jimmoye@suddenlink.net)) I

am semi-retired in Greenville, NC. I've been married to Barbara for 44 years, play golf with **Charles Vincent** and **Charles Gaskins**, and am a proud grandfather of (almost) two-year-old Rose.

### **Thomas Higgins '68**

([thiggins@hfgmlaw.com](mailto:thiggins@hfgmlaw.com)) I have just retired and moved to 1811 Front Street in Beaufort, North Carolina.

### **Bob Wright '68**

(200 S Biscayne Blvd., Miami, FL 33131; [rtwjrl@yahoo.com](mailto:rtwjrl@yahoo.com)) Diana and I sold our house and moved to South Beach about three years ago. We moved back to the mainland last year. It's just us now; Sarah lives in Austin, TX; Nicole lives in Palm Beach Gardens with her husband Michael and our two (to date) grandchildren, Henry and Elizabeth; Jon is an airline pilot and lives in Doha, Qatar with his wife Kelly; and Rick, our youngest, will graduate from medical school in Tel Aviv this June. We continue to cover the globe.

Professionally, I am a partner with Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP, a 350-lawyer firm having offices in New York, LA, and of course, Miami.

### **Reid Rhodes '76**

(2909 Greystone Dr., Rocky Mountain, NC 27804; [rrhodes@jharm.com](mailto:rrhodes@jharm.com)) I am married to Margaret Ann (35 years). My kids are Dr. Suzanne Rhodes Sharpton, San Francisco, and Thomas Rhodes, Charlotte, NC, a 2010 Phi Gam!

### **Scott Hazelgrove '06**

(1002 Harvey Circle, Kinston, NC 28501-3643; [scotthazelgrove@gmail.com](mailto:scotthazelgrove@gmail.com)) I am now practicing antitrust law with Hunton & Williams in DC.

### **Churchill Bunn '06**

(503 Pritchard Ave, Chapel Hill, NC 27516-2137; [cbunn1584@gmail.com](mailto:cbunn1584@gmail.com)) Over the past two years I've been in the full-time MBA program back in Chapel Hill. While certainly a different experience, it has been great to be back at UNC for another run. Upon graduation I am moving to southern California to develop hotels for OTO Development.

*What's new with you? Share your news and updates online at [www.epsilonpgd.com](http://www.epsilonpgd.com).*

## CHAPTER REPORT

### Chapter Brings in New Brothers and Says Goodbye to Graduating Seniors

Epsilon initiated 11 new Phi Gams in the fall: **Will Hathaway, Carter Helling, Patrick Lamb, Kegan Lowe, Vance Matthews, George Moore, Will Newton, Bennett Sprinkle, Emerson Statham, Ryan Wallace,** and **Thomas Webster.**

These men round out our freshman class. All but Will Hathaway, who is from Washington D.C., are North Carolinians.

We have begun planning for rush in the 2012 Fall Semester and our **Annual Beach Weekend** will be held in Wrightsville Beach, NC this summer. **The Harper Williams Benefit Concert** will be held on Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at Pantana Bob's in Chapel Hill. We will also be hosting an **IFC Barbeque Cook-off** during exams which will put fraternity chefs against one another in a whole pig barbeque judged by the firefighters of the Chapel Hill Fire Department. All proceeds from the cook-off will go to the CHFD.

At the end of the current semester, we will be graduating 15 seniors:

- **Reed Barton** of Richmond will gradu-

ate with degrees in History and Business Administration.

- **Charles Duckett** of High Point will graduate with a degree in Communication Studies.
- **William Ellis** of Greenville will graduate with degrees in Management & Society and Political Science.
- **Will Futrell** of Jackson will graduate with a degree in Journalism & Mass Communication.
- **Matthew Green** of Greenville will graduate with a degree in Management & Society.
- **Gray Goley** of Greensboro will graduate with a degree in Business.
- **Will Hand** of New Bern will graduate with a degree in English.
- **Corey LaPrade** of Greenville will graduate with degrees in History and Political Science.
- **John Nash** of Raleigh will graduate with a degree in Journalism & Mass Communication.
- **Matt Nemetz** of Cary will graduate with a degree in Economics.

- **William Nicholson** of Raleigh will graduate with a degree in Biology.
- **Tillman Sneed** of New Bern will graduate with a degree in Business Administration.
- **William White** of Raleigh will graduate with a degree in History.
- **Hill Winstead** of Sanford will graduate with a degree in History.
- **Drew Yates** of High Point will graduate with a degree in Business.

We are very proud of our seniors and wish them the best of luck in their careers. Those of us who will not be graduating are involved in a number of university and community activities. **Wilkins Zollicoffer** of Durham, **Kevin DePopas** of Greensboro, and **John Dobson** of San Antonio, all sophomores, are members of the UNC club lacrosse team. **Kegan Lowe**, a freshman from Greensboro, is the manager of the varsity baseball team. Junior **Justin Combs** of Tanzania, junior **Ross Bell** of Statesville, and senior **Reed Barton** spend their weekends coaching a little league soccer team.

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