

PHI KAPPA

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ϕ The action here at Phi Kappa hasn't slowed any in the past few months. Celebration of our 1000th Council was by far the most memorable of our recent events. Attended by Brothers and Alumni, the occasion marked another milestone in the Fraternity's and the Chapter's histories. Unfortunately, the institution of our newest Chapter, Phi Iota Chi at Central Michigan University, fell on the same day as the Council and prevented some of our national officers from attending. The letters we received, however, were read at the Council, and their words of congratulations and encouragement were greatly appreciated. Council was concluded by having all who attended sign a commemorative plaque, which now hangs in a prominent place at the Chapter House.

Phi Kappa Crows managed to stay together over winter break. Three Crows—Jim Sperelakis, Chris Carpenter, and Bill McDermott—winged it up to Michigan for some skiing over Christmas break. Brothers John and Jeff Simpson hosted a Crow party at their home in Joliet over the break. Not being known for missing parties, the Phi Kaps attended en masse, and everyone had a great time.

Our program of having prominent guests over for dinner has been going great; one of the most interesting speakers of recent months was University of Illinois Professor Richard Scanlon. Known nationwide for his exciting methods of teaching the classics, Professor Scanlon was a prized dinner speaker.

Even more recently, Phi Kappa was paid an unexpected but much enjoyed visit from one of our alumni, Brother Jim Bail '70. Brother Bail was visiting the university as part of a pre-recruitment program for General Foods.

Our latest guest, and one of the more interesting guests we've had, was Brother Jocko Litras. Jocko entertained everyone with a dazzling display of aeronautical engineering. It took two men an hour to clean off the ceiling, Jocko. Seriously, Phi Kappa appreciates all of its dinner guests and hopes to get as interesting speakers in the future.