



# The Hello

ACACIA FRATERNITY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS • WINTER 2009



## The Competitive Spirit of Acacia at Illinois

By **Art Mertes '88, President**

I am very grateful for the Award of Merit, the highest award of Acacia, bestowed upon me at our Homecoming this year. I attribute this in part to a competitive spirit that Acacia helped to foster. There was always a sometimes subtle, but more oftentimes overt, spirit of competitiveness that I experienced as a member of Acacia. As I reflect on my Acacia undergraduate experience, I vividly remember the competitive spirit our members shown day after day. We took great pride in holding a top place in the ranks of fraternities on campus. I believe if you reflect back to your Acacia days, you will agree with me. This spirit helped teach me and many others that a challenge is not something to back down from, that each of us is capable of great things and that together we can accomplish even more. It taught me not to be afraid to be your brother's keeper and a steward for Acacia. This competitive spirit has helped us push Acacia towards continued improvement, and to hold our members to the highest of standards – standards I know we are capable of meeting.

As an undergraduate member, I had love and respect for our Fraternity, but I never envisioned myself then as someone who would do great things to warrant receiving the Award of Merit. I would not have received the Award of Merit without the efforts of my other Alumni volunteer brothers committed to Acacia's success. Seeing what our group has achieved over this period should inspire each of you. Our Chapter is continuing to attract strong membership that has led it to the Malcolm Award, the highest Chapter award that Acacia bestows. Our results-oriented alumni volunteers have made an incredible

difference in the future of our Fraternity and its members. The competitive spirit lives within Acacia.

Many more of us are capable of making a meaningful difference in Acacia that will warrant awards like the Order of Pythagoras and the Award of Merit. There are many reasons why you should care. The Acacia experience helped us to aspire to go the extra mile and shaped our lives as men for the better. It fostered ideals such as loyalty and commitment. It's easy to lose touch, but it's amazing how quickly the bonds you share with fellow brothers from your era return when you are reunited, and how the bonds quickly develop with other members you did not know as an undergrad. We are members for life, unlike many other groups and organizations. Beyond simple membership is an underlying commitment we can all share – one to keep Acacia strong and continue to improve it! Isn't that what we all believed we signed up for at our initiation?

Now we face a challenge, as a long list of other fraternities position themselves to compete through investment in rebuilt housing. We are still one step ahead of many of them through our focus on mentoring, membership development and accountability - making our fraternity very investment-worthy. The challenge rests with you, our alumni, to contribute and get involved to make a difference in Acacia's future.



**Art Mertes**

Your participation will make a difference in your life too. Our goal is ownership of a Chapter House with a place for our alumni members to be proud to congregate and maintain Acacia's competitiveness for the next 100 years - a worthy mission. Others before us had a similar mission, and made it possible for competitive housing in the past. It is our turn now, and we are making solid strides towards it. The reasons to get involved and contribute now are extensive. Encourage your fellow brothers to get involved and make a difference! This is your Fraternity – be a part of it!

### Message from the Chapter President

By **Matt Schild '07, Venerable Dean**

Acacia Illinois is well on its way to another excellent year. With rush and Homecoming completed successfully, we look forward to focusing on our grades for the remainder of the semester.

The Active Chapter is committed to scholastic achievement as we realize there is no place for our fraternity at a prestigious, 4-year University such as Illinois if we are not committed to academic excellence. This commitment has been implemented in the way we recruit, the way we educate our new members and in the daily activities that we choose to participate in.

Our current cumulative Active Chapter GPA is the highest it has been in recent history at a 3.16, which is well over the All Men's Campus Average and just over the InterFraternity Council average. In fact, last semester, there were 5 juniors with perfect 4.0 GPAs. We are very proud of this scholastic achievement and are striving to improve our GPA this year as well.

As we begin 2009, we look forward to another successful semester and to further excel the chapter.

### Upcoming and Recurring Acacia Events

Check [www.acaciaillinois.com](http://www.acaciaillinois.com) or contact a board member for more details.

- February 17, 2009** – Board Meeting (Chicago)
- March 19, 2009** – Board Meeting (Chicago)
- April 21, 2009** – Annual Board Meeting (Chicago)
- May 19, 2009** – Board Meeting (Chicago)
- Summer 2009** – Acacia Golf Outing (West Suburbs, Chicago)
- October 10, 2009** – Homecoming (Champaign)
- December 5, 2009** – Illini basketball game at the United Center (Chicago)



## Updates from the Active Chapter

### Social Calendar

By **Scott Station '08**

Our fraternity experienced a fantastic social calendar in our fall semester. With many sororities holding our actives in high esteem, we have had the opportunity to enjoy events with many great houses including: Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Gamma Phi Beta, Alpha Chi Omega, Kappa Kappa Gamma and others. Through the creativity of our Social Chairmen and Junior Dean, we have taken part in entertaining events such as roller-skating, laser tag and a sushi-dining event at an off-campus restaurant/bar. Other events this past semester included the annual barn dance, riverboat with Kappa Delta and our annual Pledge Dance and Christmas Casual events in December. All-in-all, these social events presented a great time for our members to socialize and strengthen the ties of brotherhood.

### Philanthropy

By **Pat Couture '07**

Over the past semester, Acacia philanthropy has attempted to maintain its presence at the University of Illinois while also dramatically increasing its involvement in extracurricular community service.

In late August, Acacia fraternity members began volunteering on a weekly basis at Circle of Friends Adult Day Care Center. There, we participated in a variety of activities with the elderly and mentally infirmed. Initially, active turnout to this weekly cause was low, with only two to three active members giving their time. However as the semester continued and word of the experience spread, attendance swelled to the Center's maximum volunteering capacity of ten active members.

In the future, Acacia philanthropy will provide more opportunities for involvement by adding a second, weekly volunteering event. Discussions pertaining to another weekly volunteering event indicate that next semester, Acacia philanthropy will also be involved with an organization that aids the mentally or physically disabled in everyday life or an organization that encourages helping underprivileged or disabled kids. Regardless of where its active members will be volunteering next semester, Acacia Illinois is excited with its involvement thus far as well as the opportunities for additional community service in the upcoming semester and year.

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## The Next Generation: Acacia '12's Pledge Class

By **Steve Tapas '08**

As our chapter ushers a new era into Acacia with a new house on the horizon, the chapter realized the importance and necessity of a strong pledge class to carry on the torch of our fraternity. We succeeded in rushing a diverse, intelligent and exciting new pledge class of 33 men from across the nation for our 2008 fall pledge class.

As the semester continued, the pledge educators, with the help of Phil Chapman and the Mentorship classes, strived to instill principles like balance and time management to help insure that our chapter will be represented by the best type of student. The chapter is excited to see how this pledge class changes and adapts to the prospect of being Active Acacias.



### Athletics

By **Dan Ashe '08**

This year, the men of Acacia have participated in a wide range of athletic endeavors, both through university-sanctioned intramural activities and by means of philanthropic events in the Greek Community.

In the philanthropic athletic arena, our members did quite well in Kappatat – a volleyball tournament, sponsored by the ladies of Kappa Kappa Gamma – reaching the championship game. Actives also participated in the Theta hoops basketball tournament and Alpha Chi

Omega paintball competition. The new pledges were also tested athletically as they united to reach the championship game of our very own philanthropic event, the Acacia Bowl.

Further, the men of Acacia have teamed up to form very competitive teams in intramural sports, sponsored by the university's brand-new Activities and Recreation Center (ARC). We teamed with female players in a co-rec softball tournament early this fall. Recently, we played in the competitive "frat blue" league for flag football and are just beginning another competitive season in the intense "frat blue" soccer league. Stay tuned to hear more about our wide-ranging athletic accomplishments.

# Give Back (and Get Back) Through Mentoring

By Fred Garrott '68 and Jason Dunlap '07

## Perspective from Fred Garrott '68

If you have not volunteered for the mentoring program, you owe it to yourself to give it some consideration. I am starting the second year as a mentor for **Jason Dunlap '07**, a junior in Civil Engineering. Jason is in a situation similar to the one I faced in the late 1960s. We both found that civil engineering is a pretty diverse curriculum, with numerous specialty areas and career options.

Jason and I have had several opportunities to discuss the study and practice of civil engineering. We have been able to convert some of the hypothetical to hands-on experience. His hometown is close to my employer, a construction materials engineering firm. We were able to provide Jason with a summer internship, some close-up exposure to one branch of civil engineering and a paying summer job.

This fall, I connected Jason with one of my professor acquaintances in the Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering. This will hopefully turn into some part-time work and further exposure to the practice of a civil engineer.

I also recognize that our mentoring relationship has provided us with the opportunity to share and understand our own perspectives of Acacia at Illinois. I believe that continuity is important as we work on our fraternity's second century.

From my perspective, the mentoring program is a sound idea. Relationships probably cannot be forced and mentoring is not a one-size-fits-all program. However, at the basic level, I believe any mentor will appreciate the renewed connection with the active chapter and a younger generation. On a personal level, the opportunities are endless. I appreciate the relationship that I have with Jason and the opportunity to watch him make his own career decisions.

Moreover, mentoring is one way that I can give a little back to the group that gave me so much. This is a critical time in the future of Acacia at Illinois. I encourage others to give mentoring a chance.

## Perspective from Jason Dunlap '07

As a sophomore, I decided it would be beneficial to begin the mentorship program - not only for insight while I still attend the University but also for some guidance in how to go about entering the business world. After making initial contact with my mentor, **Fred Garrott '68**, I have not looked back on my decision.

Immediately after our first phone calls and e-mails, a meeting was set up with Fred's employer. Eventually, things progressed into an interview followed by a summer internship. Due to the fact that we were paired together because of major,



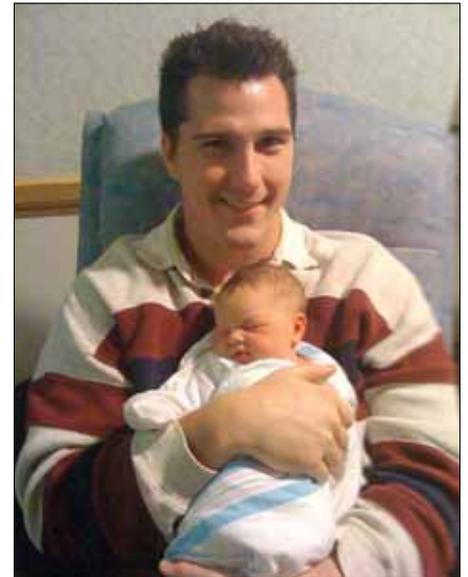
the internship proved to be a perfect entrance into the world of construction. As a result, I have selected this to be my primary focus within my major.

This was only the first benefit. Fred has assisted me with any possible question I can think of, ranging from issues here at school to resume help and professional advice. The mentorship program has been an unforgettable experience that has benefited me in more ways than I could have ever expected.

# Brother to Brother

## Board Babies Abound!

Board member **Drew Millard '98** and his wife, Marta, have a brand new daughter, Izabella Millard born Nov 16. Her birth follows that of two other Board Member June babies. These babies were born less than 24 hours and only two doors apart in the same hospital when Ava Ursala Mertes arrived June 24 to parents **Art Mertes '85** and wife Enja, and Quinn James Conniff arrived on June 25 to parents **Michael Conniff '93** and his wife Bev. "Modern Day Parenting" will now become a regular item on the agenda of all future Board meetings according to these three Board members. Congratulations to all!



Top to Bottom: Izabella Millard, Ava Mertes and Quinn Conniff are new additions to Acacia families.



## Venerable Dean, Matt Schid's State of the House Address Presented to attending Alumni, Actives and Pledges at Homecoming 2008

Hello and welcome, my Acacia brothers and friends. Thank you all for coming. I am the Venerable Dean, Matt Schild, and the Active Chapter and I are honored to have such a great turnout for this, the 102<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the Heth Chapter here at the University of Illinois. I am proud to tell you all that this year we are reaching even higher pinnacles of success than ever before.

The tremendous work that was put in over the last five years brought amazing turnarounds in recruitment, financial stability, quality of members and support from the University as well as our alumni. These improvements lead to the Superior Chapter Award two years ago and finally the Malcolm Award this summer distinguishing the Heth Chapter, here at Illinois, as the best Acacia Chapter in the nation.

Winning the Malcolm Award was truly an honor for the Executive members and me. Seeing the hard work, innovation and leadership from the older members that brought us this award has truly lit a fire for us to not only follow in their footsteps, but also improve upon the great strides they have made to make Acacia at Illinois the nation's best fraternity. Moving forward, I will explain to you all the improvements we have made in this last year, building upon the improvements of the past.

Our athletic successes have continued to improve in this past year. In Intramurals, the football, softball and soccer teams have made it deep into the playoffs in the past two semester seasons. With 5 members, including myself, playing club soccer at Illinois, we are committed to bring home the competitive fraternity intramural trophy this fall with playoffs starting at the end of this month.

The Heth chapter has also brought our philanthropic efforts to new heights in the past year. For a fraternity that had zero philanthropy events five years ago, the Heth Chapter is proud to announce not one, not two, but three major philanthropy events in this past year, as well as an annual blood drive exchange with Gamma Phi Beta Sorority - and we are working on a fourth for this spring. Last week, we held our annual Acacia Bowl football tournament. Our boys fought hard to make it to the finals with wins over Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi and Delta Chi, but lost in what is seeming to become our annual grudge match against the bench-pressing Pikes. All in all though, it was a great success that not only created a fun weekend for the Greek Community, but also raised over \$1000 for Habitat for Humanity.

Additionally, this fall semester will bring two more great philanthropy events- 7 Days of Service and Acacia Claus. For 7 Days of Service, which we are holding this October, we hope to improve on the 220 hours of community service contributed last year and reach this year's

goal of 300 hours of service throughout the Champaign-Urbana area. Acacia Claus is our newest philanthropy event, created last year, in which Acacia members solicit toy donations at nearby retail stores. Last year we collected over 200 toys which were donated as Christmas gifts for less fortunate members of the community. We hope to improve on that number to 250 gifts this year. Finally for what hopefully will be our fourth philanthropy event in the spring, the philanthropy chair and I hope to use some ideas we received from our Penn State brothers at Conclave to create an event unique to the University of Illinois entitled Acacia Dance-a-Thon. All in all, the Heth chapter is proud to say that we are using our exponential growth in members to give back to our community while continuing to have the most enjoyable collegiate years of our lives.

Wrapping up, this turnaround leading to the Malcolm Award at the Heth Chapter is due to the great commitment of both our active members as well as our Corporation Board of Alumni. Thanks to the cooperation of these parties, the Heth Chapter has grown to over 140 members and are committed to staying on top with an additional 35 high-quality young men as pledges this fall. All of the great achievements are by no means all or even remotely due to the work I have put into this fraternity, I only hope to continue the legacy of excellence that has been paved by undergraduate executives including: Chris Bader, Jordan Taggart, Matt Conway, Joe Scavuzzo, Ross Dubinski, Andy Braun, Joel Grachen, and many others.

All of these achievements and goals for the year aside, I do not wish to dance around what truly is my main goal for my 2008-2009 term as Venerable Dean - to secure a permanent home for the Heth Chapter. Without a permanent chapter house, it will be very difficult for Acacia to achieve the same successes or even remain on campus at Illinois. As alumni of various generations of Acacia, I know all of you had different experiences at Acacia. All I ask is to remember what Acacia meant for your life and think about the active members, pledges and future students that you wish to have those same great experiences. Try to give back in any way possible whether it is monetarily, as a mentor in our mentorship program or merely to come back and speak to our new members at the alumni breakfast. Every little bit helps and I can promise that we will continue to do our part and carry on the tradition of Acacia as the best fraternity at the University of Illinois.



Leading the Chapter, Serving the Alumni

## Acacia Homecoming 2008 Hits New Highs

By Mike Conniff '93

My day started before sunrise at the Clark and Lake intersection in downtown Chicago. The bus picked our group up at 5:30AM and we headed down I-57 to Champaign - Urbana. We made great time down and chatted with old friends as we watched the sunrise over the fields of corn in central Illinois. The weather was fantastic and we were anxious to get back down to campus. Many of those on the bus had not been down for years and were curious to see how things have changed.

We arrived at the tailgate site, and geared up for the pre-game festivities. **Adam Powers '98** had the bus jam packed with every imaginable tailgate tool-- grills, tents, chairs, food, drinks, a "Welcome Acacia Alumni Sign" and bean bags, just to name a few. I have been down for several games in the past few years but I had not been at a pre-game tailgate at Illinois since I graduated. I forgot how much fun they are!

Before we knew it, we headed into newly renovated Memorial Stadium to see the Juice and the Illini head in to take on Minnesota. We had a great view of all the action thanks to Adam for scoring us great seats for our block of 75. Despite an offensive barrage, we lost a close game. When it's 78 degrees and sunny for a football game in Champaign, it's hard to be disappointed!

After the game, we headed back to the Acacia House (with a quick tour to Daniel St of course) walking past the Six Pack and recalled our days in the dorms. At the House, all of us were impressed by the welcome we received by the actives and pledges. We had drinks on the patio and then feasted on a tasty Pig Roast in a tent in Frat Park. After dinner, **Dan Bayston '80** provided an update on our successful capital campaign and house search. Our lead donor, Brother **James Wormley '60** then spoke about the campaign and why he decided to give such an incredibly generous donation to the cause. Jim's selflessness embodies the spirit of brotherhood at Acacia. Brother **Josh Schwede '94**, who travelled to the event from California, commented, "I wish everyone could have heard his speech. If they did, I think every alumnus would be taking part in this campaign".

Next, **Darold Larson**, Executive Director of Acacia, had the honor of awarding **Art Mertes '85** the Award of Merit for his years of service to Acacia, commenting "As Newton once said, 'I have seen farther standing on the shoulder of a giant'. We have all seen farther for Acacia Illinois because of Art." Words cannot express the level of gratitude all of us have for Art and his dedication and leadership he has given our organization. Congrats again to Art! We closed the dinner with a rousing song of "We are all Good Brothers" led by **Dick Erdmann '67**. And yes, we all still can remember the words.

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# ACACIA Homecoming

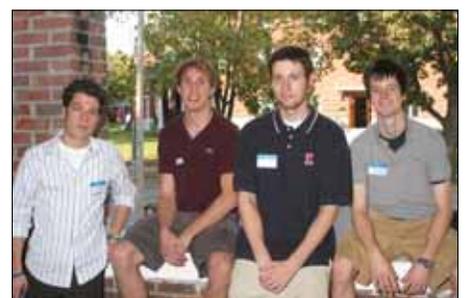
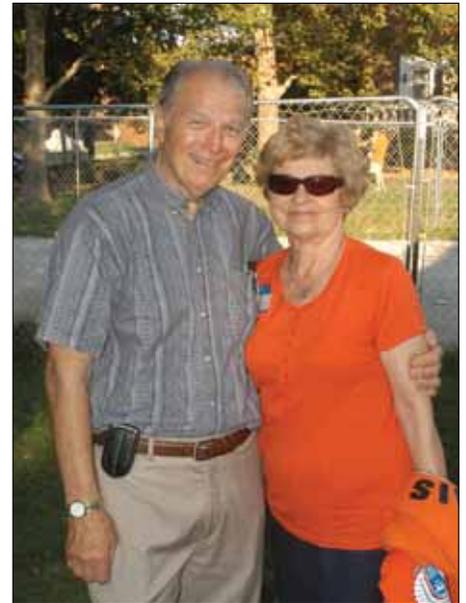
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For those who were able to attend, thank you! We again enjoyed a full day of brotherhood including a sold out block of tickets for the football game, a reception, dinner and banquet at the house, and countless opportunities to

reconnect, and reminisce. For those that could not join us, you were missed!

*A special thanks to Mike Burson '70 and Todd Plocher '86, who sponsored our Alumni Pre-game Tailgate outside of Memorial Stadium. More than 75 alumni stopped by our tent to enjoy the full tailgate spread and experience.*

While viewing these pictures of Homecoming 2008, do mark your calendars and make hotel reservations now for **Homecoming 2009** on **October 10, 2009**.



*Make your plans for...*

# ACACIA Homecoming

OCTOBER 10, 2009 ILLINOIS

# Scores of Brothers Step-Up to Support The Capital Campaign

The \$1.75 Million Campaign for Acacia has witnessed the generosity of 202 alumni brothers, parents and friends who have contributed to the historical fundraising drive. At the time of printing, a total of \$1,523,926 had been pledged.

According to Campaign Co-Chairman **Dan Bayston '80**, the campaign has reached 87% of the overall goal. He and the other Acacia alumni volunteers are attempting to reach out to the remaining non-donors to offer them an opportunity to participate in the most significant fundraising effort in Acacia's history.

"Besides our chapter's chartering in 1906, this is probably the most significant and important endeavor in our chapter's history", stated Bayston. He further added, "securing a permanent home for our fraternity is critical to its long-term survival. Supporting the Capital Campaign, however, is more than an investment in bricks and mortar. Importantly, it is an investment in the development of young men to become leaders in their community, church, children's schools and to excel in their own careers."

By raising \$1.75 million from alumni, parents and friends of the Fraternity, the Board of Directors will be able to secure the best, permanent housing option available in Champaign, and be left with the least amount of debt possible. The house will be reflective of Acacia's long-standing and proud legacy at the University of Illinois. It will be a place that undergraduate and alumni brothers are proud to call "home".

"I want to thank the many brothers who have already contributed to the Campaign. However, it's not quite time to celebrate yet, as we cannot fall short of the \$1.75 Million goal," stated the other Campaign Co-Chairman, **Mike Duncan '74**. "I ask that everyone who has not made a financial pledge to this campaign to seriously consider doing so – no matter the size of gift. We need donations at all levels – we need more names on the donor list," Mike further stated.

If you have not yet made a donation to the Campaign, you may do so by contacting one of the co-chairmen at: Michael Duncan, [mduncan@patcap.com](mailto:mduncan@patcap.com), (312) 953-9403 or Dan Bayston, [dan.bayston@lcbcapital.com](mailto:dan.bayston@lcbcapital.com), (312) 560-2124.

A complete list of current donors, and available giving levels, may be found at [www.AcaciaIllinois.com](http://www.AcaciaIllinois.com).

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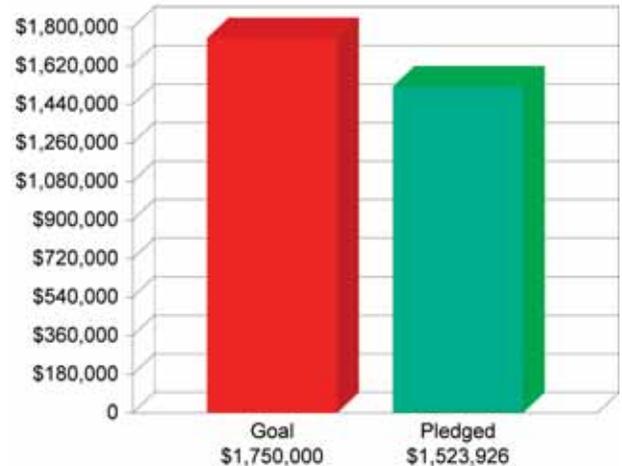
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Securing a Future for the Illinois Chapter



Progress Made to Date: \$1,523,926 Raised



## Standards of Giving

Types of gifts generally required to raise \$1,750,000

Pledges payable over 5 years

\$1,750,000 Goal

| Number of Gifts Needed | Amount    | Total              | Actual Gifts Received | Gifts/Donors Still Needed |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1                      | \$500,000 | \$500,000          | 1                     | 0                         |
| 2                      | \$100,000 | \$200,000          | 1                     | 1                         |
| 4                      | \$50,000  | \$200,000          | 2                     | 2                         |
| 9                      | \$25,000  | \$225,000          | 6                     | 3                         |
| 25                     | \$10,000  | \$250,000          | 21                    | 4                         |
| 24                     | \$6,000   | \$144,000          | 8                     | 16                        |
| 50                     | \$3,000   | \$150,000          | 42                    | 8                         |
| 54                     | \$1,500   | \$81,000           | 44                    | 10                        |
| <b>169</b>             |           | <b>\$1,750,000</b> | <b>125</b>            | <b>44</b>                 |

## House Search Update

By Mike Duncan '74

The search committee of the Board has toured and analyzed eight properties during the last two years and submitted formal purchase offers on two. Diligence and seller's remorse resulted in deciding not to go forward with the purchase on the first offer. Diligence discovered items that would make the developed property costs exceed our capital constraints and resulted in the withdrawal of our offer. In the second situation, the owner of the house we are renting (SAE National) initiated ten new actives and has made the decision not to sell the property to us or anyone else.

We are intensifying our search and hope to have a property identified in the near future. We thank all of our alumni who have so generously contributed to our future and to the active chapter for their continued success and on winning the Malcolm Award for excellence this summer at conclave. We have much momentum and are working hard to secure our new permanent home.

## Acacia Homecoming

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After a short trip to the old Gulleys on Green St, the bus picked us up and we were headed back to Chicago. I am proud we have come so far as a house but there is still much more to accomplish. We have an enthusiastic chapter and alumni base. To those of you who have not seen the transformation, I ask you to attend an event or call an old brother to say "Hello". Join in our historic campaign. Together we CAN accomplish great things. Be a part of it!

## Obituaries

The Hello has been advised of the death of **Robert Keene '50**, Carbondale, Illinois, on Jan 24, 2008 and the death of **Dean Sears '56**, Bloomington, Illinois, on November 27, 2008. We extend our sincere regards to the members of both of their families, and welcome them into the ranks of Acacia Eternal.

# Thank You to the 202 Generous Donors Who Have Contributed To the \$1.75 Million Campaign for Acacia Illinois

Donor list as of January 14, 2009

## ACACIA LEGENDS

**\$500,000 - \$1,000,000**

James T. Wormley - 1960

## ACACIA GUARDIANS

**\$100,000 - \$499,999**

Anonymous

## ACACIA BENEFACTORS

**\$50,000 - \$99,999**

John M. Lundsten - 1960

Mel W. Rapp - 1949

## ACACIA MENTORS

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Daniel D. Bayston - 1980

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Arthur E. Mertes - 1985

Timothy J. Sullivan - 1977

Daryl J. Woodard - 1975

## LEGACY SOCIETY

**\$10,000 - \$24,999**

Scott Aberle - 1983

Michael A. Burson - 1970

R. Gene Fickel - 1956

Neal R. Frankel - 1974

Fredrick C. Garrott - 1968

Steven P. Hoffner - 1972

Douglas E. Klaus - 1974

Jeffrey J. Lee - 1989

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Robert A. Lincicome - 1950

Marshall "Lew" Mabie - 1957

Robert "Joe" Main - 1973

Todd R. Plocher - 1986

Michael A. Ray - 1986

Christopher D. Reinbold - 1987

John R. Revell - 1957

Michael A. Rutkowski - 1986

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Charles E. Yale - 1943

Michael K. Yates - 1959

## LOYALTY SOCIETY

**\$6,000 - \$9,999**

Richard D. Conlin - 1964

Dana R. Drysdale - 1976

David R. Goodman - 1956

Richard Kent Price - 1966

Charles E. Rockwood - 1952

Robert M. Shaw - 1982

Robert E. Walberg - 1965

Max Brooks Whitney - 1960

## HERITAGE SOCIETY

**\$3,000 - \$5,999**

George R. Armstrong - 1962

Kenneth J. Betts - 1986

George R. Biderman - 1966

Christopher A. Brown - 1986

Jason L. Busboom - 1994

Joel W. Busboom - 1994

Roger M. Cagann - 1983

Brian L. Carpizo - 1987

Michael A. Conniff - 1993

Scott M. Cummings - 1992

Andrew Ekblaw - 1952

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Clive A. Follmer - 1950

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Ronald M. Hamelberg - 1957

Shawn R. Hill - 1992

Devin S. Huber - 1995

Eric J. Kuehl - 1989

In Memory of Craig R. Webber

Joseph L. Long - 1955

Morgan J. Lyngre - 1961

David L. Mari - 1964

Ronald H. Maurer - 1954

Michael R. Melendrez - 1992

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Jan A. Morel - 1994

Brian J. O'Brien - 1987

Michael Brian Owens - 1985

Samuel A. Peak - 1952

Howard G. Pratt - 1951

Paul E. Ruby - 1972

Marcus J. Samaan - 1995

William M. Sarbaugh - 1971

Max N. Schmidt - 1957

Joshua A. Schwede - 1994

Mio M. Stojkovich - 1986

David A. Tillema - 1955

Curtis W. Voges - 1977

Robert D. Walker - 1949

Bruce E. Warren - 1974

Ben Younger - 1994

## BROTHERHOOD SOCIETY

**\$1,500 - \$2,999**

Mark L. Barba - 1982

Eric V. Boeckmann - 1981

Kenneth N. Brosh - 1975

Matthew F. Carmody - 1994

Graham B. Cherrington - 1981

Gary L. Cogswell - 1961

Roger L. Cogswell - 1963

Albert J. Day - 1957

Richard O. Erdmann - 1967

Jack Farritor - 1997

Mack R. Follmer - 1949

Joseph A. Franz, III - 1966

Chad William Freund - 1998

George C. Haenisch - 1994

Patrick M. Hardiman - 1980

Gregory S. Hennenfent - 1982

Paul S. Herbert - 1982

Christopher B. Kaczynski - 1988

Michael R. Kastholm - 1975

David L. Kuhn - 1959

L. Scott Lewis - 1980

Robert J. Mertes - 1993

Andrew J. Millard - 1998

David C. O'Bryant - 1954

David Leo O'Sadnick - 1974

Benjamin R. Onken - 1996

Dean A. Preston - 1946

Mark S. Read - 1973

Leigh D. Roadman - 1978

Edward W. Saloga - 1986

James H. Slamp - 1973

Jeffrey R. Smith - 1980

Robert B. Smith - 1955

Jeffrey W. Sons - 1994

Charles P. Spelman - 1973

Gregory J. Svoboda - 1989

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Douglas D. Traxler - 1980

Kenneth A. Wagner - 1955

Michael John Walsh - 1994

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