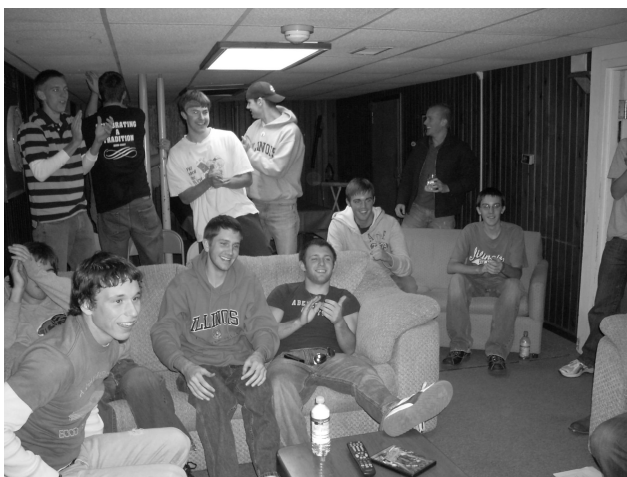


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SPRING 2008



Around the House (Clockwise from top): Fun in -1, cheering for the Illini in the basement, Nabors at the Rose Bowl, the men of Nabor House, and the '07 pledge class.



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Fraternity Board Reviews Plans

The three main issues that the Fraternity Board has been dealing with this year are the property development plans for the House, alcohol policy, and active chapter lease. The property development plans continue to take up much of our time and effort. Getting the plans drafted and making another attempt at rezoning our empty lots has taken more time than we expected. This fall we met with the local neighborhood association to present our plans and get their reactions. We were met with some resistance but we feel that with some minor changes to our plan, we will be able to address some of the neighbors' concerns and gain their support for the redevelopment of the lots. We are now in the process of making those minor changes. We will then present those plans to the City of Urbana and move forward with the rezoning attempt.



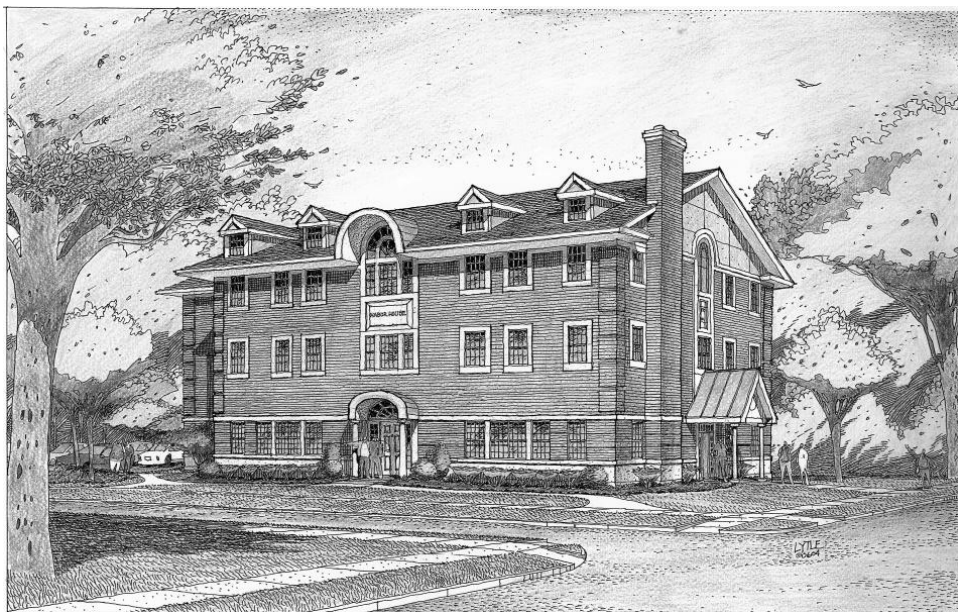
Bob Stewart '92
*President,
Nabor House
Fraternity Board*

We are reviewing the alcohol policy for the House. In reviewing the policy, the Board's primary concerns are for protecting the well being of the Active members and the assets of the Fraternity. As a Board we have often been reluctant to openly discuss the alcohol issue. By candidly discussing the issue with the Active Chapter, we have gotten a better understanding of how alcohol is being managed by the men of the House. This open dialog has helped the Board gain a better understanding of the Fraternity's exposure to alcohol related risks and manage for those risks. We are working on a revised alcohol policy to help better protect the Fraternity and the Active Chapter from alcohol related risks. The Active Chapter has drafted a policy and the Board is now working with them to refine it into a policy that we can all be satisfied with.

Finally, we are working on a written lease between the Active Chapter and the Fraternity. To our knowledge there has never been an official lease, only a verbal one. The written lease will help clarify the responsibilities of both parties.

We will provide you with an update of these and other issues at the annual meeting on June 28th. We hope to see you there. If you are interested in getting involved with the development plans for the House, please contact me or any of the other Fraternity Board members.

As always, the Board welcomes your input.



Rod Stoll '89 Named 2007 Good Nabor Award Recipient

The 2007 Good Nabor Award went to one of our most dedicated alumni who truly fits the definition of the Good Nabor.

- He is an outstanding spokesperson for the House.
- He is strong in his Christian faith.
- He is a long-time Active Chapter Advisor.
- He can recall the name and hometown of nearly every Nabor.
- He is Rod Stoll.

Rod Stoll '89 was presented with the 2007 Good Nabor Award at the NH Annual Meeting on June 30th. Rod is a native of Chestnut and is Vice President of Public Relations with Farm Credit Services of Illinois in Champaign.

Rod served as Director of Development for the Illinois 4-H Foundation and the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences (ACES) at the University of Illinois from 1996 through 2007. He spent seven years as a Marketing Representative with Monsanto's Dairy Business in Vermont, New York, and Wisconsin after graduating from the University of Illinois with a dairy science degree in 1989.

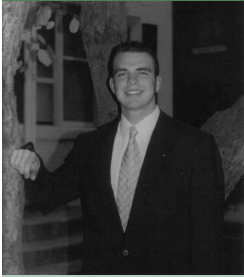
Rod is a facilitator for the LeaderShape college leadership program and is the annual moderator of the Holstein Association's National Dairy Bowl competition. He also finds time to work as a high school basketball official.

As you see Rod throughout the year, please join all of us in thanking him for his ongoing dedication and service to the House. He is truly a Good Nabor.



*Rod Stoll '89
2007 Good Nabor
Award Recipient*

Setting An I.D.E.A.L. Standard



Jay Kelley

Jay Kelley became the first repeat recipient of the active chapter's I.D.E.A.L. Nabor Award which was announced at the 2007 Annual Meeting on June 30. Each year, every Nabor House resident completes an I.D.E.A.L. Nabor scorecard for each fellow active Nabor and rates each Nabor on how well their living during the academic year exemplified the core values of Integrity, Dedication, Excellence, a positive Attitude, and servant Leadership.

Jay earned a B.S. in Agribusiness Markets and Management (with an International minor) in December. He served as the Spring 2007 Chapter President and a 2004-2005 National FFA officer. Jay currently resides in Indianapolis where he is employed with ABG, a consulting firm focused on the agriculture industry. Jay is the son of Tom and Cindy Kelley of Chillicothe; Tom '75 is a Nabor alumnus.

Lucas Martin, who succeeded Jay as active chapter president states, "I've learned a ton just by watching Jay lead Nabor House, not just as President, but by the positive example you set in your everyday life. You've really been gifted in the way you can lead and motivate others to do their best." Fellow December 2008 graduate

Michael Benjamin shares, "Jay is an excellent leader. He will step up and take the initiative to make this house and each individual the best they can be. He challenges us to improve in every aspect of our lives and sets an excellent example." Jay's pledge brother **Bob Foerder** writes, "Jay has had a profound influence on our House. He has done an amazing job of leading this House. I remember Jay telling us about the vision that he had for the House when we were pledges. And now, I can definitely see that vision being fulfilled."

Congratulations to Jay for setting the standard in living as an IDEAL Nabor!

Nabors Enjoy Beautiful Day at 2007 Annual Meeting

Nabor House alumni, actives, pledges and family members took part in a full day of "education, cooperation, and recreation" at the 2007 NH Annual Meeting and Education Foundation Golf Outing on Saturday, June 30th.

The ACES Library, Information and Alumni Center was once again the site of the Annual Meeting, as Nabors from around the state and across the country gathered to be "educated" on the latest updates from Fraternity Board President **Bob Stewart '92**.

Following the business meeting, the pledge class of 1957, 1982, and 1997 were recognized for their reunions, as well as the NH Class of 2007 and the incoming pledge class. The I.D.E.A.L. Nabor Award was presented to **Jay Kelley**, NH senior from Princeville, and the 2007 Good Nabor Award was given to **Rod Stoll '89**. The pledge classes of 1957, 1982, 1997 and the class of 2007 then used their "cooperation" skills to compete in the 6th Annual Nabor House Trivia Contest.

After a delicious lunch, those looking for some "recreation" headed to the University of Illinois Golf Course to enjoy a beautiful day of golfing for a good cause. Thanks to all who attended, and please mark your calendars for the 2008 Annual Meeting and Golf Outing, scheduled for Saturday, June 28th.

**Mark Your
Calendar!**

**2008 Annual
Meeting will be
Saturday,
June 28th**

Golf Champions Crowned in 2007

Orange Course

- Mike Benjamin, Active
- Robert Benjamin
- Roger Higgs '61
- Jim Schoonaert '62

Blue Course

- Brian Boelens '99
- Mark Ummel '02
- Ben Wendling, Active
- Jake Wendling '01
- Andy White '01

Fall I House President Recounts House Accomplishments

Reflecting back on the fall semester, it amazes me how far we have come both as individuals and as a house since I first moved into Nabor House three years ago. It truly astounds me what has been accomplished by simply allowing God to guide us in our ways.

Following **Jay Kelley's** presidency in the spring, it would have been easy to be content with the progress that had been made over the spring semester and simply put Nabor House on cruise control. Personally, I have always felt that if I was not moving forward to reach my goals and continuously raising the bar to accomplish even higher goals, I was ultimately moving backward. My attitude upon being elected as president of the active chapter has been no different. I looked forward to the semester with high expectations, knowing that with everyone in the house supporting a similar desire to strive to become even better we would continue to reach new heights.

The fall semester was full of highlights at Nabor House. From the Little Sis canoe trip and Barn Dance, to the excitement of watching our Fighting Illini football team make a run to the Rose Bowl, there was certainly no shortage of fun. Academically, Nabors continue to set the bar high in their classes. The nine young men that

make up the freshman pledge class have shown great potential as the future leaders of Nabor House.

As would be expected, this semester brought its own set of challenges. However, with a renewed sense of brotherhood and cooperation, we took on these challenges as a unified house, unwilling to allow a few small differences overshadow the cornerstone ideals that bring us all together. A new sense of accountability between members of Nabor House has helped to strengthen us all and has, in turn, reinforced those principles of Nabor House which set us apart from all other houses.

While my days at Nabor House are numbered, I will leave here with countless memories that will keep me connected to those people that made an impact on my life. The people that I have met and

the experiences that I have had while living at Nabor House will undoubtedly shape the rest of my life. I feel very blessed to have been given the opportunity to lead your house this semester, and I'm really excited about the continued forward progress that we have made in this short amount of time. We have come a long way. My challenge to the active chapter was this: Don't stop here. Keep looking for ways to improve. Because the day we settle for being *really good* is the day we miss out on being *truly great*.

May God Bless You All.



Lucas Martin
House President, Fall 2007



Fall I '07 Officers

President	Lucas Martin
Vice President	Rob Johnson
Treasurer	Josh Vonk
Asst. Treasurer	David Shier
Secretary	Lee Brokaw
Commissar	Andrew Fulton
Asst. Comm.	Brian Craine
Work	Randy Lindgren
Asst. Work	N/A
Lil Sister	Grant Hannah
Asst. Lil Sis	Tyler Helgen
Historian	Brandon Bozarth
Social	Wes Hornback
Asst. Social	Mike Perkins
Public Relations	Andy Morehouse
Dad's Day	Ben Wendling
Sports	Andy Morehouse
Scholarship	Joe Tolley
Comm. Service	Jay Kelley
Librarian/Web	Brad Nelson
Nubbins	Curt Zurliene
Homecoming	Joe Tolley
Chaplain	Curt Zurliene
Song Leader	Tyler Helgen
Rush Chairs	John Carson
	Joe Zimmerman
Exec Board	Lee Brokaw
	Wes Hornback
	Jay Kelley
	Curt Zurliene

Fall I 2007 Social Activities

Canoe Trip
Big Sis / Lil' Sis Cookouts
Barn Dance
Homecoming
Halloween Auction
Dad's Day
Brotherhood Nights
Vespers
Steak & Beans Dinner
Rush Weekend
Thanksgiving Dinner
Christmas Party

2008 Nubbins Editors

Ryan Harms '00, MS '02

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Rod Stoll '89

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Curt Zurliene

New NH President Plans Event-Filled Spring

Spring '08 Officers

President	Rob Johnson
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Secretary	Devin Bergman
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Asst. Comm.	Dave Murphy
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Asst. Work	Casey Campbell
Lil Sister	Joe Tolley
Asst. Lil Sis	N/A
Historian	Brad Nelson
Social	Wes Hornback
Asst. Social	Tyler Helgen
Public Relations	Andrew Fulton
Mom's Day	Race Higgins
	Travis Markley
Sports	John Lock
Scholarship	Andy Morehouse
Comm. Service	Randy Lindgren
	Lucas Martin
Librarian/Web	Brandon Bozarth
	Victor Johnson
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Chaplains	Grant Hannah
	Ben Plumier
Rush Chairs	John Carson
	Joe Zimmerman
Asst. Rush	Chris Francis
Exec. Board	Lee Brokaw
	Andrew Fulton
	Andy Morehouse
	Curt Zurliene

Spring 2008 is looking to be another great semester at NH. We just wrapped up an eventful fall with a lot of new faces taking big offices at house elections. However, the action is actually looking to get started before we return to school as some Nabors travel to Pasadena to cheer on Coach Zook and the Fighting Illini in the Rose Bowl while others head out to Colorado for the annual NH ski trip planned by senior **Mike Benjamin** this year. Hopefully it will be a safe and fun holiday season for everyone no matter where they are going.

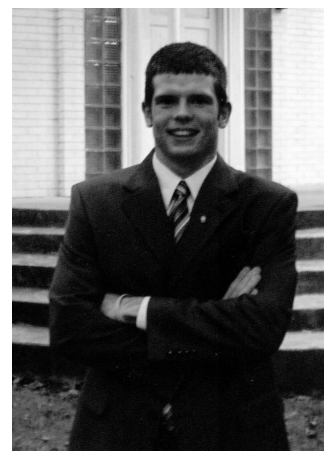
The spring will be different right from the start as seniors **Jay Kelley, Mike Perkins, and Mike Benjamin** all graduated at the end of the fall semester and will be trying out life away from NH. A big congratulations and good luck goes out to each of them.

Once we all do get back to the house, the first task will be I-week. We have nine pledges who have done a great job this fall and are very ready to activate. They are anxious to take more of an active role in the house and I know that the active chapter is anxious to have their input. We know that they will shape the house when we are gone, and I don't think there is doubt with anyone that they will do a great job.

Other things that we are definitely looking forward to include the Nabor House Formal Dance, which is being planned for St Louis this year, and our annual spring social events. Other favorites of the chapter to date include senior walkout, sledding, darts, and whatever friendly war wages between us and the women of 4-H house. If Coach Weber has the basketball team playing well towards March then that always makes for some excitement as well.

With all of these things, plus all of the other random stuff that happens (many of which have turned out to be my best memories at NH so far), the spring will without a doubt be another semester filled with tons of fun. With that said, our biggest concern as an active chapter will be recruiting. We are looking to bring in a Fall 2008 pledge class of 15. Rush Chairmen **John Carson** and **Joe Zimmerman** have their hands full, and we will need to make it a fraternity-wide effort in order to be successful. We are really banking on help and feedback from alumni in order to achieve our recruitment goal. Another thing we are hoping to be successful at as an active chapter is fundraising with the Phone-A-Thon as a new house is hopefully getting closer to a reality.

I am extremely honored and humbled by the opportunity to lead the house this spring. We have an exemplary group of men living in the house who will be essential to any and all success we have. I can also not say enough about the officers elected for the spring. I have complete confidence saying they will fill their leadership roles with great service to Nabor House. There is no doubt that this spring at Nabor House will be challenging, stressful, and still fun. It is our hope to continue Nabor House's values and excellence through education, cooperation, and recreation, steps which we firmly believe are essential to a more successful farm life.



*Rob Johnson
House President, Spring 2008*

Spring 2008 Social Activities

Initiation
Valentine's Set-up Dance
Formal
Rush Weekends
Steak & Beans Dinner
Mom's Day
Brotherhood Night

Check out NH on the Web:
www.uiuc.edu/ro/NaborHouse

Features: Nabors Helping Neighbors

Mike Stil I '66: An Adventure in Volunteering



In our country of plenty with readily available services it is easy to forget that not all people are as fortunate. Since retirement, I have had the good fortune of becoming involved with the Flying Samaritans (www.flyingsamaritans.org/Arizona/web/). This is a voluntary organization combining the skills and efforts of medical providers, interpreters and pilots in bringing medical care to remote sections of the Baja in Mexico. Founded in 1961, Flying Samaritans now consist of 11 chapters in California and Arizona, which provide health care and education to some 22 villages.

As a result of my flying interests, I have become associated with the Tucson-based Arizona chapter serving the remote village of Laguna San Ignacio (LSI).

This is a small desert fishing village of about 100 people, located 550 miles south of California in Baja California Sur. It is on a large lagoon off the Pacific coast where great gray whales come to calve in the winter.

On my first trip in 2006 sixteen souls flew in 4 small general aviation airplanes to Guaymas, Mexico to get fuel and obtain visas, and then crossed the Sea of Cortez and landed in Mulege at sunset. Early the next morning, we flew across the Baja to the Pacific coast and LSI. At temporary facilities set up in the two room elementary school, I assisted the dental



Laguna San Ignacio



Clinic in November 2007

group in treating over 50 patients, who came from up to 200 miles away. The two dentists were fantastic in rapidly treating these patients with very few facilities. The village does not have electricity or running water. The dentists use portable dental chairs, compressed air from diving tanks to run their drills, and flashlights to illuminate the mouth. In five hours they filled or pulled over 100 teeth for patients from ages 6 to 60. From this experience, I knew that I wanted to continue to be involved with assisting this village.

This spring the Flying Samaritans started the construction of a permanent medical treatment facility at LSI. I have spent 13 days over 3 trips this year assisting in the facility. The 1500 sq. ft. building is concrete and block construction with 5 treatment rooms and two bathrooms. The building should be completed and ready for use by February 2008. This will be a greatly needed facility for the village of LSI and the lower Baja, even though it will only be used as a medical center when volunteer professionals are available.

It has been very rewarding to see the time and resources the volunteers have committed to bring about an improvement in the life of these people.



There is a destiny that makes us brother.s; none goes his way alone. All that we send into the lives of others comes back into our own. -- Edwin Markham

Bryan Wolf '91: Spreading The Word in Chile

Even though many years have passed, I can still vividly remember the days when I waited with anticipation to leave "home" and begin my college career. Nabor House played a significant role in helping me with my transition from farm life to collegiate life. Its mandatory study hours during my first semester as a pledge helped me develop good study habits that have carried through even to my postgraduate career. Many things have changed since my undergraduate days at the University of Illinois. I guess that is just one of the little things that makes life exciting and interesting.

In God's providence, you can now find our family serving as Southern Baptist Missionaries in Northern Chile. Many people ask me what it is like living in Chile. First, Chileans speak Spanish – a rapid, chop-off-the-end-of-words version. We spent our first year in country studying Spanish and Chilean culture, and in reality continue to learn daily. Second, Northern Chile is the home of the Atacama Desert, the driest desert in the world. It has rained here twice over the last year, amounting to less than 0.5 inch. Third, Chileans place a high value on relationships with little regard to time. Once you are on the inside, you are family. But their do-everything-at-the-last-minute attitude can almost drive a North American crazy, especially when most people show up 30 minutes to an hour late for your



The Wolf Family: (l to r) Hannah, Lilly Beth, Molly, Sammy, Deana, Sophia and Bryan

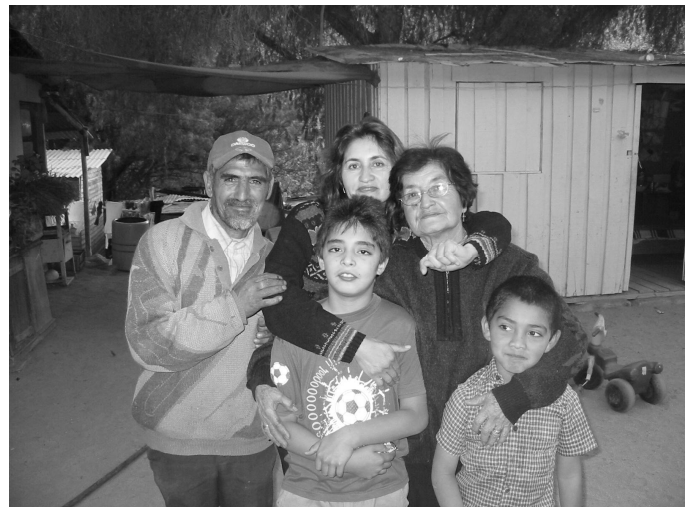


Atacama Desert set in the foot hills of the Andes Mountains

meetings. Fourth, Chileans do not eat Mexican food; their traditional dishes have more of a European influence. Fifth, while convenience and fast foods have made their entrance, quick service is a concept little understood. Much time is spent waiting in lines; and when asking when something will be done, you learn to accept the answer "tomorrow" realizing that there is always a tomorrow. They say that the key to being a missionary is "flexibility;" I guess that is just a modern day term to mean that it is God who is in control and He will work out all things for the good of those who love Him and are called according to His purpose.

One of the most exciting aspects of missionary life is seeing the results of a life changed by the gospel of Jesus Christ. We met Antonia in March of 2005 during a door-to-door evangelistic campaign in a small Andean River town called Carén. She is a mother of 6 children and grandmother to 15. After hearing the gospel, Antonia placed her faith in Christ alone for her salvation. She soon opened her home to host a Bible study which led to the conversion of two of her daughters and the start of a children's Bible Club which includes 9 of her grandchildren. Recently her daughter's father-in-law trusted in Christ through the outreach of her family. We recently celebrated Christmas with this group in Carén and were blessed to see almost 40 children and adults meeting together to celebrate Christ's birth – in a town which had no evangelical presence only 2 and a half years ago. Antonia says that her family always used to fight, but now there is peace. She says that God sent her an angel. Those of you who know me know that I am not perfect, and I am a long ways from being an angel. But in one way she is right, God did send a messenger. I believe that each one of us who is in Christ is called to be a messenger. Whether we live in a foreign country or work in our hometown, God has a special plan for us. Nabor, what message are you sharing to those around you? May each of us take time to contemplate this important question.

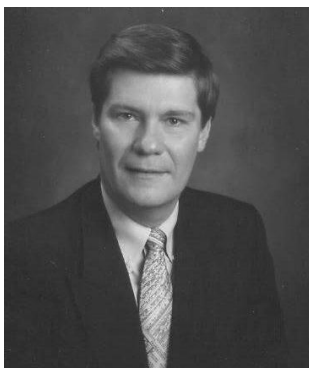
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*Outside Antonia's home:
Alberto, Katy, Antonia, Michele, Juan Pablo*



Educational Foundation: Knowledge for Nabors



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Thank you to all alumni and actives who support the Educational Foundation with your attendance and participation in the annual Nabor House Golf Outing. We encourage each of you to consider participating in this event in 2008. It is a great day of information at the Annual Meeting and relaxation that supports our foundation.

The Educational Foundation board will meet in mid-February to select the 2008 winners of the following Active Chapter scholarships:

1. A \$250 scholarship to the freshman with the highest first semester GPA;
2. \$500 to an outstanding member of each of the Sophomore, Junior and Senior classes, based upon applications and personal interview;
3. A \$250 scholarship to the first-year house member with the highest GPA funded as the Keith Kelroy Memorial Scholarship. As you know this scholarship was founded through the generosity of the Kelroy family in Keith's memory. You may make additional contributions to this fund if you wish.

I would like to thank the other members of the Educational Foundation Board. Current board members include **Jay Hageman '74**, **Greg Hart '98**, **Kevin Martin '74** and **Greg Olson '70**. Each of these men help annually in the activities of our foundation board.

Please consider making the Nabor House Foundation a part of your charitable giving goals in 2008. All gifts are accepted and we are willing to discuss long term estate planning gifts as well. The Nabor House Foundation can play a positive role in the future of our fraternity beyond the scholarship program. Together, we can assure that our fraternity continues to be the highest quality for the future generations of Nabor House men.

If you wish to have additional information on these matters please feel free to contact me, any member or the foundation board or **Larry Dallas '75**, Nabor House business manager.

2007 Scholarship Recipients

- **Josh Daugherty**, senior in Technical Systems Mgmt.
- **Jay Kelley**, senior in Agricultural Economics
- **Lucas Martin**, junior in Animal Sciences
- **Brad Nelson**, sophomore in Technical Syst. Mgmt.
- **Andrew Fulton**, freshman in Ag Engineering (Also Keith Kelroy Memorial Scholarship)

Educational Found. board members

- David Shockey, '79.5 JD '83 (Chair),
- Jay Hageman, '74
- Greg Hart, '98
- Kevin Martin, '74
- Greg Olson, '70

Giving to NHEF

Gifts to the Nabor House Educational Foundation are tax deductible as allowed by law under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service and are welcome throughout the year.

To make a gift to support students, make checks payable to the **NH Educational Foundation** and send to:

Nabor House
P.O. Box 2653
Champaign, IL
61825

Nabor Commitment Fund Summary

The Nabor Commitment Fund was established in 2000 to generate funds for future building renovations. Thanks to all who have donated over \$240,000 to the Nabor Commitment since its inception. The table below provides a summary of how the Nabor Commitment dollars have been used. Over half of the funds went towards the purchase and expenses associated with the 805 W. Iowa lots. Despite the fact that we have not yet moved forward with any building project on those lots, they remain a valuable investment. The lots provide us with flexibility as we plan for a proposed new house on the site and the market value of the lots have steadily increased since we purchase them. Another major portion of the funds were used to pay off the mortgage on the existing House. The Fraternity is currently debt-free thanks to the contributions to Nabor Commitment. The remaining funds have been used for the ongoing property development project including the architectural fees for a proposed new House at the current site.

Year	Activity	Amount
2000 - 2003	Purchase of 805 W. Iowa	\$ 113,576
2001 - 2003	Mortgage Interest -- 805 W. Iowa	\$ 4,596
2001 - 2007	Real Estate Taxes -- 805 W. Iowa	\$ 16,302
2001 - 2002	Insurance, Inspection, Utilities -- 805 W. Iowa	\$ 1,822
2002	Demolition -- 805 W. Iowa	\$ 11,096
2002	1st Rezoning Attempt	\$ 4,605
2003	Payoff 1002 S. Lincoln Mortgage	\$ 29,152
2005 - 2007	Appraisals, Architect, Master Planning	\$ 34,232
	TOTAL USED	\$ 215,381

If you have questions about how the funds have been used, please contact Fraternity President **Bob Stewart** or Business Agent **Larry Dallas**. Thank you again for your continued support of NH.

Nabor Commitment: Gifts Received in 2007

\$500 and up

Larry W. Dallas '75
Mark L. Farrell '00
Keith E. Honegger '69
Dr. J. David Huston '77
Dana M. Lewis, Jr. '49.5
Bruce A. Kramer '86

\$250 - \$499

Rodney E. Bray '88
William J. Campion '75.5
Samuel R. Eathington '90
Glen M. Hall, Jr. '89
Joseph W. Harlan '80
Ryan J. Harms '00
Dr. Brett Hoerr '95
Donald L. Moffitt '69
Gregory L. Olson '70
Donald L. Owings '69.5
Keith M. Soltwedel '91
Robert K. Stewart '92
Rodney M. Stoll '89
Charles E. Willman '57

\$100 - \$249

Dr. Charles L. Bane, M.D. '84
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Scott F. Block '91
Brian R. Boelens '99
Gary L. Borah '71
Brian T. Bounds '87
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W. Van Burgess '55
Richard L. Conn '69
Mike J. Daugherty '80
Randall R. DeSutter '79
Robert E. Drake '47
Kenneth R. Eathington '83
Nathan P. Edlefson '02
Vernon R. Eidman '58
Chris A. Elliott '88
Kendal T. Elvidge '04
Joseph D. Erlandson '81
Luke Feeney '02
David L. Grieve '67
Glen E. Gullakson '59
Merle W. Hall '79
Joseph L. Hampton '65
William L. Harmon '88
David E. Hartley '59
Randall R. Hartstirn '74
Scott D. Hawbaker '88
Craig B. Heisner '96
Roger L. Higgs '60
Michael M. Hopkins '90

Harvey J. Hortik '57
Timothy M. Hufnagel '90
Donald W. Jones '55.5
John S. Kermicle '80
Michael R. Kinate '01
E. Timothy King '85
Nathan D. Langham '82
George J. Lewis '54
Michael L. Lippincott '63.5
James Lock '06
Howard L. Malstrom '56
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Edward L. McMillan '69
Brian R. Millard '83
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Kent D. Paulus '86
Peter E. Pederson '71
Troy M. Purvis '95
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Gary R. Reiners '72
Robert H. Reiners '60
Gary A. Reynolds '66
Mark E. Ridlen '81
Samuel F. Ridlen '40
John F. Rundquist '46
John R. Rutherford '97
Jon H. Scholl '78
James H. Schoonaert '62
Ronald J. Seibel '57
David D. Shockey '79.5
Gary R. Stangland '78
Matthew D. Starr '02.5
Ronald D. Starr '76
Michael J. Still '66
Kevin D. Stoll '82
Phillip Stuepfert '96
Earl R. Swanson '43
Paul W. Taylor '94
Richard H. Taylor '68.5
John C. Traub '81
Mark A. Ummel '02
Timothy D. Urish '86
Karl B. Vandermyde '86
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Neil Wagahoff '06
Michael R. Weber '71
Jacob A. Wendling '01
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David A. Winterland '87
Kerry A. Wolff '89.5
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Wayne A. Bingham '87
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Dean C. Bossert '88
Vernon L. Brazle '60
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Lynn A. Burnett '77
Michael F. Campbell '64
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Darren J. Koehl '00
Hunt E. Lacey '01
John R. Lamoreux '69
Dirk Larson '01
Steven M. Lawless '04.5
Lucas P. Martin, Active
Errol T. Maul '01
Gerald W. Mayberry '65.5
Dr. Shawn N. McKim, DVM '96

Kenneth G. McMillan '66.5
Rusty A. Melhouse '00
Justin L. Moffitt '98.5
Mark F. Mohr '96
Andrew T. Morehouse, Active
R. Gordon Myers '82
Steven R. Myers '87
Bradley R. Nelson, Active
Howard W. Nightingale '69
Gaylord L. Olson '73
Blake Patterson '05.5
Craig A. Pessman '81
Carman Y. Potter '48
R. Craig Rice '69
Bill L. Rich '57
James D. Rincker '71
Mark G. Robert '89
William C. Robinson '68
Dale E. Ruckman '59
Barry D. Sampson '96
Stanley H. Schick '78
H. Leroy Schilt '47
David J. Schingoethe '64
David Schneider '97
Phillip N. Shaner '78
Marcus J. Shaw, Attd
David M. Shragal '77
Bradley J. Shull '75
Nick Shute '05.5
John E. Spangler '95
Greg R. Stierwalt '01
Richard A. Swearingen '84
Ben K. Taylor '05
Nicholas Tinsley '06
James L. Tolan '73
Joe D. Tolley, Active
Jason S. Tompkins '96
Douglas D. Van Hoveln '90
Joshua P. Vonk, Active
Brian D. Waibel '86
Don A. Wall '97
Jared R. Walter '07
Mark K. Weber '77
Ryan J. Widman '93
Michael L. Winterland '92
Joe D. Zimmerman, Active
Curtis G. Zurliene, Active

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- Ryan Harms '00, Chair
- Rod Stoll '89
- Jared Walter, Active

2007 Campaign Total : \$22,505

Alumni Reports: Nabors Check in From Across the Decades

1940s

Parks, Walter D. '40. 116 Apple Lane, Anna, IL 62906. (618)833-6475 [H]. *Retired.* dwdparks@verizon.net. Life goes a little slower each year, but four children, five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren keep it from being too slow. My lymphoma has been in remission four years, but damage to my bone marrow requires constant replacement chemo for red and white blood cells.

Ridlen, Sam '40. 1901 Lakeside Dr., Unit C, Champaign, IL 61821. (217)359-8102 [H]. *Professor Emeritus.* ridlen@uiuc.edu. I always enjoy and look forward to news about fellow Nabors. Thanks to those who make this possible. Helen and I are able to maintain independent living in our home with some assistance from our children. We are fortunate to still participate in family, church, and social activities.

Buchanan, Paul '42. 126 NW 95th Circle, Vancouver, WA 98665. (360)573-1628 [H]. *Retired.* Having some age related health problems. Still planning to spend 4 months in Arizona. Had two daughters and husbands home from Thanksgiving. We have been married 63 years now. Regards to all.

Swanson, Earl '43. 1907 S. Harding Dr., Urbana, IL 61801. (217)367-7372 [H]. *Retired.* erswanson@msn.com.

Mueller, Allan G. '45. 2015 Burlison Drive, Urbana, IL 61801. (217)344-6184 [H]. *Retired.* muelle-a@SBCglobal.net. Still alive and well. Gloria and I marked our 60th anniversary in November. Retirement has served us well. Go Illini!

Potter, Carman '48. 1258 Potter Rd., Jacksonville, IL 62650. (217)243-2388 [H]. *Retired farmer.* All is well.

Schilt, H. Leroy '49. 2040 Osprey St., Greensboro, GA 30642. (706)453-7809 [H]. *Retired.* Keeping busy going to doctors and some traveling.

1950s

McCurdy, Jim '50. 1301 E 2nd Ave. Monmouth, IL 61462. (309)734-2638 [H]. *Retired from U of I Extension.* jmccurdy@maplecity.com. Still volunteering at Church and Hospital. Have been a host family for Monmouth College International students since 1975. They don't live with us but we have them in for meals and other activities. Have 2 girls from Nepal now and just attended a wedding in Chicago area for a girl from India who graduated in 2001. Helps keep us young doing things with them along with our 9 grandchildren.

Wright, George '52. 8229 Grey Fox Dr., West Chester, OH 45069. (513)755-1250 [H], (513)755-1250 [W]. *Consultant to the pharmaceutical industry (semi-retired).* Senator_Fox@msn.com. My wife and I spend half our time in Prescott, AZ

(3 months at a time). Enjoying the area and the weather. With today's technology, your office is wherever you are. Have four grandchildren, three have graduated from college and one of our granddaughters was married this past July. The fourth grandchild will graduate from college next year.

Gerlach, Elmer C. '53. Mt. Carroll, IL 61054. (815)244-6543 [H]. *Retired Ag Teacher.* Glad to hear that the house is continuing many of the old traditions; they should never cease. I enjoy life with travel, the yard, and the garden, along with fishing. It's good to see the football team winning!

Masters, Don '53. PO Box 82, Jacksonsville, IL 62651. (217)479-0141 [H]. *Retired.* djmasters@irtct.net. Any of you moldy oldies who have solved the E-mail may reach me at djmasters@irtc.net. I've been working around the bins watching corn run out of the truck. A twelve year old could do my job--with twenty year's experience.

Schlueter, Clarence '53. 2208 Valleybrook Dr., Champaign, IL 61802. (217)351-6991 [H]. *Retired.* schlueter@insightbb.com. Hello Nabors, all is fine at our home.

We now have nine grandchildren in five different states. What a wonderful year with crop yields and great prices! We have so much to be thankful for. We are really enjoying our retirement and planning our winter January through March traveling from Orlando to Marco Island, then cruising through the Panama Canal and finally several weeks in Costa Rica. If any Nabors are in the area drop in to see us.

Lewis, Dr. C.E. '54. 1003 1st Ave., Mendota, IL 61349. (815)539-7236 [H]. *Veterinarian.* Go Illini football, 5-1 bowl bound. Go Mendota Trojans football, 6-1 playoff bound. Granddaughter is a drum major (plays trumpet) in the high school band. Grandson runs cross-country and will play basketball starting next month. Grandson finished seven-month internship at Disneyland and is now junior in college. Granddaughter a sophomore at Augustana College.

Schertz, Cletus '54. 2579 Orchard Lane, White Bear Lake, MN 55110. (651)777-9553 [H]. *Retired.* scher002@umn.edu. Doing O.K. Things do deteriorate. I was recently diagnosed as having prostate cancer. Not treating it because the prostate cancer second opinion doctor says it is not at a severe level and is only growing slowly. Therefore he suggests watchful-waiting. Doctor thinks that if I don't treat it, I'll die "with-it" and not "from-it". Does that doctor know something? Therefore, the other doctors (cardiologist, surgeon for hernia, and hematologist) have been put on notice and are trying to be certain I don't die on their watch. Does this sound like a reverse race to the finish line?

Burgess, Van '55. 3351 W. 114th Circle, #D, Westminster, CO 80031. (303)404-962 [H].

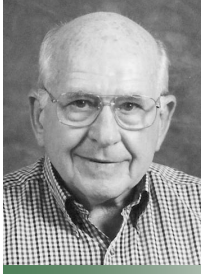
Flashback to the '40s: Allan Mueller, 1945

Allan Mueller, professor emeritus of agricultural economics, Urbana, Illinois

Tell us about your career.

Received my BS in '45, majoring in Ag Econ and An Science. Helped close down two ag co-op's during WWII, Hill Hall and ILLICO, the latter at 1002 S. Lincoln.

In summer 1945, helped re-organize NH, with Robert Harris, D. E. Becker, Jack Rundquist, and Edwin Schneider. During the 1946-47 year, I served as Grad Advisor to the newly re-organized NH, received my MS degree, and married Gloria



Filipoff. Accepted an Assistantship in June '45, and started my academic career, which ended in 1984 upon retirement as Prof. in the Dept. of Ag. Econ. Also served as NH President on two occasions, and was a "one man" building acquisition in '65, which ended with the sale of 809 W. Oregon, and the purchase of 1002 S. Lincoln, the same house I lived in during the spring of '43 as a remnant of the merged Hill Hall and ILLICO. I counted some 1200 ag men and women in my Advanced Farm Mgmt class, and 20 to 30 advisees each year plus some 25 MS students during my student teaching days.

What were the most important reasons you chose to live at Nabor House?

There were 9 graduates from the College of Agriculture in June 1945, including D. E. Becker, who later became head of the Dept of Animal Science. We felt the need to join with other farm students in an association of like minded men and the opportunity to contribute to the student life on Ag Campus.

Besides "education, cooperation, and recreation," what are three words that best describe your Nabor House experience?

Moral character, common goals, and mutual support from the men of NH.

Name one food dish from all of your NH meals that you'll always remember.

In 1945, Prof. Sleeter Bull, Meats Dept. (you young guys missed meeting a real campus tradition) offered NH some fresh pork hams from an experiment using stilbestrol to remove the "boar odor" from intact male hogs. Short answer--it didn't work. Cook duty guys drove us out of the house that night!

Share one special NH memory for you.

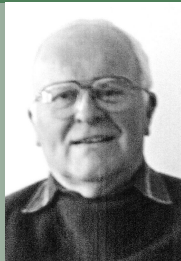
Seeing the men and women from my advisee lists and former students, many who were NH members, go to succeed in their careers and make significant contributions to the development of agriculture.

Flashback to the '50s: George Irwin, 1957

George Irwin,
retired ag economist,
Bloomington, Illinois

Tell us about your career.

MS at Iowa State and Ph.D. at Illinois. I worked 14 years as ag economist with Economic Research Service, USDA, primarily in coop appts with Univ. ag econ departments: 3 at Mich. State, 7 at Purdue, 1 in USDA-Washington, and 3 at NC State. My final 23 professional years were with Farm Credit Admin. in Washington, DC and McLean, VA (ending as Financial Analysis; Asst. to Board Member; and Director of Office of Secondary Market Oversight).



What were the most important reasons you chose to live at Nabor House?

I was "recruited" by **Bob Drake**, an NH alumnus and our neighbor when I was growing up. As the oldest of 7 on a moderate sized farm and in a class of only 14 at Beason HS, the economy of living expenses and the comfort of a small house were the key benefits of NH.

What is one piece of the NH culture or routine that you still miss today?

I underwent much socialization as a result of living at NH and of my classmates encouraging and demanding that I participate in more than just in the classroom. Yet I must admit that their success in this was less than spectacular!

What's one food dish from all of your NH meals that you'll always remember?

Rubbery corn bread that could be projected off the dining room walls without sticking.

Name two or three fellow Nabors who have been most influential on your life.

Earl Swanson, as Fraternity president when I was chapter president, as the advisor who steered me to Iowa State for my Masters, and as a thoughtful member of my Ph.D committee. **Al Mueller**, for our work together on relocating NH from 811 W. Oregon to 1002 S. Lincoln during my term as Fraternity president. **Sam Ridlen**, as chapter advisor, for his guidance in keeping everybody on the right path.

What NH memory is special to you?

As a senior on the NH softball team, I had managed several infield hits. But in one late season game, I drove a ball into right field. The guys started cheering loudly and moved me on to second, then third. At that point, my classmate **Bob Dintelmann**, who was coaching at third, signaled me to hold up. I did so, but then he began to laugh, and sent me on to home plate. The right fielder was still chasing down the ball, which had gone over his head. In that one hit, one that perhaps only I remember, I achieved immortal personal athletic stardom!

Professor (Emeritus). Van1934@msn.com. Still back and forth between our house and the Pope County farm twice a year. It isn't as much of a trek now that we are quartered in Colorado. Looking forward to hearing more about the plans for a new NH. **Duvick, Dick** '55. 8355 Fossil Dr., Sylvania, OH 43560. (419)885-2092 [H]. *Retired. duvick.1@osu.edu.* Nabor House training is coming in handy as I'm now chief cook and bottle washer. Drove to California in April and visited friends along the way. Good luck to the Illini, except when they play OSU.

Steffen, Jerry '55. PO Box 102, Goodfield, IL 61742. (309)965-2399 [H]. *Veterinarian.* Attended 50th veterinary class reunion at UI September 13th and 14th, 2007. Allene and I celebrated our 50th anniversary. All extended family stayed at the YMCA Winter Haven Colorado at Snow Mountain Ranch. 34 of us...what an amazing trip for all of us to make it. Praise the Lord.

Malstrom, Howard '56. 13519 Country Circle, Tomball, TX 77375. (281)516-2528 [H]. *Retired. hmalstrom@sbcglobal.net.* Not much changes when you are 73 and retired, except the pains move around the body. I keep busy, and last year I was co-chairman of the 55th reunion committee of my high school in October. That kept me busy on the email and Google for about 6 months. We live near our son and family so I spend much time with my grandkids, 13 and 10. They have been teaching me what little I know about computers. "How 'bout them Illini"--a Rose Bowl no less!

Schairer, Lou '56. 505 Opatry, Dr., Fox River Grove, IL 60002. (847)639-3325 [H]. *Retired. grnthumbblou@yahoo.com.* I have been retired from teaching for 14 years. Presently involved in teaching adult literacy in the Barrington area to many Hispanics. I don't speak Spanish, so they have to speak English when I am with them. Our daughters are both teachers; one at Culver City High School in CA, the other in Woodstock, GA. Our granddaughter, Michelle, and her husband Ty have a son Blake, 4½, and a daughter Bailey, 2. Our great-grandchildren! We also have a little Hispanic Goddaughter. Her parents named her Sherry Lou – after my wife and I.

Dintelmann, Bob '57. 600 Lorenz Lane, Belleville, IL 62220. (618)233-3090 [H], (618)530-3090 [C]. *Retired Nurseryman, Consultant. dintelmann@aol.com.* Joyce and I had our 50th anniversary in August. Going to the Rose Bowl to cheer on the Great ILLINI. Happy New Year to all.

Irwin, George '57. 105 Parkview Dr., Bloomington, IL 61701. (309)662-6775 [H]. *Farm real estate broker (retired). Irwin.gs@gte.net.* Wild time in farm real estate, like some urban real estate the past several years are like farm RE in 1976-84. But ag markets this time look a bit better. Expect

some hangover from excesses of optimism, though. Hello to the class of 1957!

Rich, Bill '57. RR 1 Box 257, Sullivan, IL 61951. (217)728-7808 [H]. *Retired. bcrich@moultrie.com.* My wife, Cheri has retired from Lake Land College as Vice President of Student Services. I am also retired from Lake Land College as Vice President of Academic Services. The college reached the 10,000-enrollment mark Spring 2006. We are enjoying our time together and doing things that time did not permit prior to retirement. The oldest of five grandchildren is enrolled as a freshman Architecture student Fall 2007 at the University of Kentucky.

Eidman, Vernon '58. 90 Mid Oaks Lane, Roseville, MN 55113. (651)644-5094 [H], (612)624-7253 [W]. *Retired - Professor Emeritus, Dept. of Applied Economics, Univ of Minnesota. vbeidman@comcast.net.* I retired in January after completing 42 years as a faculty member at Oklahoma State Univ. and the Univ. of Minnesota. I am finishing up my last graduate students and my final research grant, as well as doing work for the USDA. As work responsibilities slow down, I am finding plenty of other activities to fill in. Bonnie, our three children and their spouses, and our seven grandchildren are all doing well.

James, Harold '58. 2695 Allen Rd., Buncombe, IL 62912. (618)658-5678 [H]. *Vet/farmer. hjames@shawneelink.net.* Possibly most stressful year for agriculture in southern Illinois that I have experienced. Late freeze took the fruit crops and cut hay/pasture by 30%, then a drought wreaked further havoc. Still working about 1 day/week at Vet. Med. Getting ready for Christmas tree season.

Frank, Robert '59. 1221 N. 16th. St., Murphysboro, IL 62966. (618)687-1867 [H]. *Retired. franksr@intrnet.net.* Just returned from a three-week trip to Hanoi, Vietnam where our daughter-in-law is teaching English in a 6-month program at a Public Health University. Also stopped in Japan where a nephew also teaches English. Before leaving on the trip, completed supervision of the construction of a Habitat for Humanity home in Murphysboro. That was the fourth house that I have been involved in over last five years.

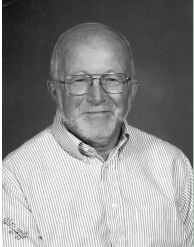
Gullakson, Glen '59. (815)434-3531 [H]. *Retired.* Went to California in Feb. to visit relatives. I especially enjoyed visiting the La Brea Tar Pits. The long delay at O'Hare due to the weather caused us to get home in the wee hours! Went to Florida to our grandson's high school graduation in May. He's a Gator now.

Hartley, David '59. 1124 Deercroft Court, Fort Collins, CO 80525. (970)225-6733 [H]. *Retired. david.hartley@colostate.edu.* Retired from Colorado State Univ. Dept. of

Continued: Alumni Reports, 1950s to 1970s

Flashback to the '60s: Vern Brazle, 1960

Vernon Brazle, Retired Asst Prof of Ag Comm, Brownstown, Illinois



Tell us about your career.

I have both a BS and MS in Ag Educ. from the UI. I planned to teach Vo-Ag upon completion of my Masters. I was working in the Ag Comm. Display Shop as an undergrad and graduate student and

enjoyed what I was doing. As I entered my last semester (Spring '65) of my MS program, the man who headed up the section resigned to take another job. The head of Ag Comm. came and asked me if I was interested in the position. I became a faculty member in Feb. '65. I did everything from help design and build major displays for the College to be exhibited at State Fairs, Farm Progress Shows, College Open House, etc. to assisting State Extension Specialists develop major instructional packages to support their work with the public -- especially those presentations delivered via the Extension Service audio conferencing network called TeleNet. In '91 the Extension Service was undergoing reorganization and downsizing and I took an early retirement offer made at that time.

What were the most important reasons you chose to live at Nabor House?

The students I met there. I pledged second semester after living across the street at 810 W. Oregon my first semester.

What is one piece of the Nabor House culture or routine that you still miss today?

The camaraderie. With our careers and busy retirements, we often fail to take time to "smell the roses."

Besides "education, cooperation, and recreation," what are three words that best describe your Nabor House experience?

Enriching, Maturing and Challenging

What's one food dish from all of your NH meals that you'll always remember?

Probably Ed Turner's possum stew! That's a story in itself!

Name two or three fellow Nabors that have been most influential on your life.

Sam Ridlen - one of the founders who was also a faculty member in the College of Ag
Ellery Knake - also a faculty member who conducted my initiation

What NH memory is special to you?

The bonding that occurred between a group of young men -- all from the same background but so varied in our goals, life styles and ultimate careers.

Hort. and Landscape Arch. in July 2006. Kay and I are enjoying traveling and five grandchildren, who are all way above average.

Stoller, Jerry '59. 11907 Churchill Ct., Houston, TX 77024. (713)468-1007 [H], (713)461-1493 [W]. *Owner, Stoller Group Inc. jstoller@stollerusa.com.* The Stoller Group, Inc. has made significant progress in their Research and Development Program. Stoller Group sales will total \$83,000,000 this year. We had over 100 replicated tests at the University of Illinois during 2007. The business has been good, due to the high commodity prices. Growers are willing to invest more money when corn and soybean prices are high. We will launch Bio Forge as a product to be used with late season fungicides on both corn and soybeans. Yield results have been very significant, when compared to control plots. I expect the good crop prices to last one or two more years. Then, ethanol from Latin America will tend to dominate U. S. consumption.

1960s

Brazle, Vernon '60. RR1 Box 50A, Brownstown, IL 62418. (618)347-2207 [H], (618)292-0285 [W]. *Retired. brazlehaus@frontiernet.net.* Judy and I are both busy with the bed & breakfast, volunteer activities, church, and grandchildren. Now have a granddaughter-in-law. Spent the month of June in Europe with Judy's sister and brother-in-law. Visited 10 countries! Age in catching up with us. Judy will have rotator cuff repair on the second shoulder and I am looking at a hip replacement.

Higgs, Roger '60. (815)492-2613 [H]. *Agronomy professor (retired). higgs@uwpplatt.edu.* I've enjoyed the recent Nabor House June business meeting and golf outing. Older alums: this is fun and well worth attending. As a board member it is discouraging to see how uncooperative the City of Urbana has been with NH zoning and building plans. I continue to do family genealogy and I spent 12 days in England in June visiting cousins with my family.

Reiners, Robert '60. 142 E 300 N RD, Gibson City, IL 60936. (217)784-4543 [H]. *Farmer. reiners@prairieinet.net.* Still farming. Had an average year this year. Four grandchildren and holding. Three girls, one boy, all under six years old. Great times when we all get together. Both Donna and I seem to be on the go all the time. We are trying to slow down but find it hard. Stop by or give us a call when in our area.

Christopherson, Dave '61. 11990 S.W. 103rd St., Miami, FL 33156. (305)989-3444 [H]. *Owner General, International Fertilizer Businesses. fertiliz@bellsouth.net.* Between multiple businesses to marriage and significant ministries in the Miami Catholic Diocese, I keep very busy. Retirement plans are now seven years in the future.

Higgs, L. Arlen '61. 316 Ingersoll Blvd., Canton, IL 61520. (309)647-0837 [H], (309)647-3429 [W]. *Real Estate Appraisals and Sales Associate.* 2007 was our pledge class's 50th anniversary. It was good to talk on the phone, received letters or exchanged emails with all the Nabors in the pledge class of '57. It was good to renew acquaintances with many Nabors at the June 30 luncheon and get updated on plans and house affairs. NH is alive and well.

Beitz, Donald C. '62. 2010 Indian Grass Ct., Ames, IA 50014. (515)292-4127 [H], (515)294-5626 [W]. *Professor. dbeitz@iastate.edu.* I can hardly believe I began my 40th year of teaching biochemistry to freshmen veterinary medicine students at Iowa State University. Judy and I had a wonderful two-week trip through former East Germany, including the ancestor tour of the Beitz family. Go Illini!

Close, David '62. (309)537-3209 [H], (309)372-4227 [W]. Mostly retired; write a little Insurance and Partner with son in farming operation. Trying to finish harvest of largest corn and soybean crop ever. Carol is doing well and grandkids are growing. Life is good.

Schoonaert, Jim '62. (317)733-3560 [H]. *jschoons@sbcglobal.net.* It's hard to believe that the 1958 pledge class will celebrate 50th anniversary in 2008. Where does the time go? Hope to see all of the pledge class of '58 at the NH annual meeting on June 28, 2008. Marcia and I are spending the winter in The Villages, FL again and enjoy playing the 24 executive golf courses for free almost every day. Great walking exercise and beats the cold, snowy winters in Indianapolis. We enjoyed 2 weeks in Germany, Hungary and Switzerland visiting our oldest son who now lives in Zurich. David works for EuroTech Global Sports and is a member of a team of 12 who design and coordinate all computer systems for the World Soccer Cup which will be held in S. Africa in 2010. He has been a contract employee of EuroTech since 2000 and also worked on the 1998 World Cup when he worked for Electronic Data Systems. Our youngest son, Brian, and his family moved to Plover, WI in late 2006 where his wife is on the faculty at UW-Stevens Point. Brian is in the process of completing his M.S. and should reenter the work force soon now that both grandkids are in school.

Zimmerman, Mark D. '62. 2816 Thayer Dr., St. Joseph, MI 49085. (269)983-4900 [H]. *Retired.* Enduring thanks to Nabor House for "the nurturing cocoon" it provided during 1957-60. So much kindness and support from you pledgemates, and such great wisdom from the actives. Two Fall '57 omens: the first essay I penned on campus became my first published work, and the USSR orbited its Sputnik spheroid. Years later I was paid to write about Apollo lunar

missions, the Space Shuttle program (from Enterprise construction through the Challenger disaster), Viking and Voyager spacecraft, and other engineering topics. A college-disclosed knack for writing thus led to an accidental first career. Thank you, Nabor House, for helping to launch my life!

Broom, Glen '62.5. 6405 Wandermere Dr., San Diego, CA 92120. (619)589-6007 [H]. *Professor Emeritus, San Diego State Univ. School of Journalism & Media Studies.* *gbroom@mail.sdsu.edu.* After teaching four spring semesters in the early retirement program at SDSU, I finally fully retired. The real impetus was pressure from my publisher to finish the manuscript for the 10th edition of *Effective Public Relations* in March 2008. So I "retired" to work full-time on the book! Also after four years visiting professor in Australia during parts of Aug. and Sept., we decided to take a real vacation this year (will return next year). We spent three weeks in Italy during Oct.--hiking between the villages of Cinque Terre, visiting the Uffizi and Academia galleries in Florence, and exploring by car the hill villages of Tuscany and Umbria. Best wishes for a great 2008! Back to work on the book....

Brookhart, Jerry '63. 155 Emmy Rd., Macomb, IL 61455. (309)833-4842 [H]. *Insurance & investment sales.* *jbrookhart@macombinsurance.com.* It has been a difficult year with the loss of Mary's 27 year old son early this year. John had graduated from U of I vet school and worked as vet in Canton, IL for 8 months before passing away totally unexpected. Otherwise, Mary and I are enjoying good health and still working. We both enjoy our sales jobs. We may go "part-time" soon, but have no immediate plans for a "complete" retirement. For example, I am responding to this email from the beach in Naples while Mary is taking an order with her cell phone and PDA. She will transmit her order into the office when I get done with this email. Thank you to modern technology!

Lippincott, Mike '63. 1035 Evergreen Rd., Prescott, AZ 86303. (928)778-5177 [H], (928)713-7935 [W]. *Retired.* *mike@advantaent.com.* Hi all. Jean and I retired from the LA area in 1999 – I had a great career as an IT service provider, Jean was a marriage and family therapist – and moved to Prescott, AZ. We spent two or three years traveling in our RV and I then started a small real estate development company. Still working at that – have a 40 lot country subdivision near Springfield, MO and also about 50 acres of commercial land. Now trying to liquidate and shut down the company. I was diagnosed with metastatic melanoma in May, had a large chunk taken out of my leg in September, and expect to begin an experimental drug treatment in January. Feeling fine and fully expect to recover. Wishing you all a happy holiday and a healthy 2008.

Munton, Jim '63. (702)568-9428 [H]. *Delta Airlines Capt. (Retired), Construction Business.* *jwmunton@hotmail.com.*

Manhart, Fred '64. 701 West Main St., Stewardson, IL 62463. (217)682-3851 [H], (309)838-6580 [C]. *Retired.* *fmanhart@mchsi.com.* Corn harvest best ever! I help brother Paul plant and harvest corn and beans. Still buying and selling investment grade farm toys and trucks. I attend 15 toy shows a year and a lot of auctions. Playing golf when time allows. Wife Jan is fine and enjoying retirement in Stewardson (hometown to both us).

Schingoethe, Dave '64. 1606 Calumet Rd., Brookings, SD 57006. (605)692-9560 [H], (605)688-5483 [W]. *Professor of Dairy Science at South Dakota State University.* *schingoethe@mchsi.com.* I have made essentially complete recovery after my heart bypass surgery last Feb. I was recognized as a Fellow by the American Dairy Science Assoc. last summer. I'm still teaching and doing research at SDSU, still a lot of research with feeding distillers grains products to dairy cattle. Like Don Beitz, I don't know when to quit - having too much fun.

Schingoethe, R.E. '65. 1741 Canterbury Ln., Palatine, IL 60074. (847)934-9810 [H]. *Marketing Communications, Author, Lyricist.* *resltd@comcast.net.*

Still, Michael '66. 1771 E Sagittarius Pl., Chandler, AZ 85249. (480)654-5335 [H]. *Retired Country Insurance & Fin. Services.* *msstill@cox.net.* Enjoying retirement by flying and working on aircraft. Also, working with the Flying Samaritans in building a new medical clinic in the lower Baja of Mexico.

Traub, Jim '68. 15 Oakview Dr., Monticello, IL 61856. (217)762-9968 [H], (217)417-9900 [W]. *Grain Merchant.* *jtraub@nuchsi.com.* Still trading specialty grains...transportation is the largest challenge. Family in northern IL and in Seattle. Linda is still teaching. We enjoy travel, both for work and private.

Conn, Richard '69. 6713 Catskill Rd., Lorton, VA 22079. (703)339-4199 [H], (703)339-4199 [W]. *Regulatory Consultant.* *rconn@ix.netcom.com.* Still enjoying pesticide regulatory work with my wife, Cindy Smith, here in the Washington, DC area. Our 2-person pesticide consulting company (Conn & Smith, Inc.) is one of the most experienced, giving us the enviable ability to select the best projects and clients. We're also doing more FIFRA training than before. This past August my 81-year old mother moved from Arkansas to a very good Lakeland, FL retirement home less than 10 miles from my sister's new home. My son Jeremy runs a successful real estate appraisal business in Raleigh, NC with his wife Diana. Our home is always available to Nabor's visiting the DC area. Retirement is still a few years away, but I admit to thinking about it often.

Hendrickson, Bob '69. 48 Mishawaka, Rochester, IL 62563. (217)498-8265 [H], (217)971-0776 [W]. *Real Estate.* Real estate market is good in Springfield; Linda and I now have two granddaughters. I am retired twice and still working (German heritage I guess.) Come visit if in Springfield.

McMillan, Ed '69. All is well! Still living on Gov. Bond Lake north of Greenville. Doing M&A consulting and serving on several corporate boards. Still chair the Research Park LLC for the UI at Champaign and Chicago. Judy is now a regional coordinator for Christian Women's Org. in southern half of Illinois and is busier than I am! Son Kyle is national sales mgr for ExSeed Genetics (division of BASF) living with wife, Jodi and our only granddaughter, Lauren near Princeton, IL. Daughter Kelly is now a brand manager for Jenni-O/Turkey Store (division of Hormel) living with husband Brian (a vet for Jenni-O) near Willmar, MN. Life continues to be good for the McMillan family!

O'Rourke, Patrick '69. 1317 Hanson Dr., Normal, IL 61761. (309)452-3566 [H], (309)438-3492 [W]. *Professor - Agribusiness Mgmt.* *porourke@ilstu.edu.* Helen and I are doing fine. We have six grandchildren in IL and California [Fresno]. I'm not sure how we got to this point while remaining so young -- but, it sure is fun. Hope all doing well.

Rice, Craig '69. 9981 Duffy Rd., Waterman, IL 60556. (815)264-3521 [H]. *Farmer/Writer.* *prrice620@verizon.net.* My wife, Pam, is bookkeeper for two libraries and an aide at both. She is chairman of her local HEA (Homemakers Extension Association) unit. Also, she leads a book discussion group. Last month they read "On the Road" by Jack Kerouac, and this month Bradbury's "Fahrenheit 451." I farm a few acres and write a few words as editor of the local Lions Club newsletter. I'm sexton for the township cemetery maintenance district and chairman of the staff/parish relations committee for the local United Methodist Church. Our two children are grown, married and employed. Our oldest, Janelle, a UI graduate, is a nutritionist at DeKalb County Extension Service. Our youngest, Nathan, a Bradley Univ. grad works in human resources at Panduit Corporate Headquarters in Tinley Park.

Zwicker, David '69. 1444 McCloud Rd., Aledo, IL 61231. (309)582-5435 [H], (309)582-5162 [W]. *Attorney.* *zwicker-law@mcics.com.* Many of my high school classmates are either deceased or retired, so I decided to work as little as possible and live off Norm's third grade teacher salary and can a lot of vegetables from the garden. To all you Cubs fans, next year is the year!

1970s

Manhart, Michael '70. 515 N Shelby, Moweaqua, IL 62550. (217)768-3546 [H], (217)855-8365 [C]. *Air Evac pilot.* *manhart@*

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Flashback to the '70s: Jon Scholl, 1978

Jon Scholl, EPA counselor, Cooksville, Illinois



Tell us about your career.

Spent 25 years with the Illinois Farm Bureau in government relations and the President's Office. I have been at USEPA in Washington, DC four years advising the Administrator on agricultural issues and

serving as an Agency liaison with agricultural organizations, businesses and agencies.

What were the most important reasons you chose to live at Nabor House?

Had a number of friends in the house, largely from FFA. I had also been well exposed to the house by virtue of the fact my brother had lived there. It was a good place to help me transition from my small school, rural background to the large university campus.

What is one piece of the Nabor House culture or routine that you still miss today?

Playing basketball and having good political discussions with friends.

Besides "education, cooperation, and recreation," what are three words that best describe your Nabor House experience?

Friends, for the people I met and remain in contact with today. Growth, for the change you experience from being on your own for the first time in your life. And challenge, for the high bar the house and the UI set for me to complete my education successfully.

What's one food dish from all of your NH meals that you'll always remember?

Hamburger gravy. I haven't eaten anything else quite like it since I left the house.

Name two or three fellow Nabors that have been most influential on your life.

Ken McMillan for showing the Scholl family FFA and NH. My brother for leading the trail to the UI and NH. And Tom Kelley, my NH Big Brother, for his terrific sense of humor and his able guidance in helping me through a challenging transition from home and high school to the large UI atmosphere.

What NH memory is special to you?

The night I ran into Tom Scheider (a.k.a. Bird Dog) when he asked me if I wanted to take his sister, who was going to be visiting 4-H House, on a blind date to the Pledge Dance. After thoroughly checking her out and getting the green light from mutual friends, I said yes. That chance encounter led to 30 years of marriage. Always wondered what would have happened if Bird Dog ran into someone else before me that fateful night!

frontiernet.net. Son, Zach got his aviators wings in May and is stationed at Ft. Irwin, CA. He is the only child not married. Audra has 2 children and lives in Little Rock. She's a pharmacist. Nichole has 2 boys and lives in Skiatook, OK and is a court reporter. Holly is about 3 miles from us and has 2 small boys. She is a teacher but not working outside the home right now. Katy (one of the twins) is working in Decatur at Cat and has 1 daughter and stepson. Beth is a sales associate in Champaign. She and husband Rob Collins have one son. Linda is loving retirement by visiting grandkids and I'm working as much overtime as I can! Love my job and the people I work with. Give us a call or come by anytime.

Olson, Greg '70. 324 Rowntree Rd., Sycamore, IL 60178. (815)895-3485 [H], (815)751-2309 [W]. Retired. Golson3@comcast.net. Same town, same house, same wife, same kids, same grandkids. Life is good!

Slayton, Paul '71. 2272 Dibert Road, Bedford, PA 15522. (717)939-7000 [W], (717)805-1376 [C]. Executive Director Pennsylvania Beef Council; Cattleman/ Seedstock Producer. pslayton@pabeef.org. American Hereford Association Director. Wife Bette.

Mealiff, Dave '72. 410 N. Hersey Ave., Beloit, KS 67420. (785)738-5159 [H], (785)738-3071 [W], (785)738-0039 [C]. Associate Pastor of Caring for First Christian Church in Beloit. dmealiff@nckcn.com, dmealiff@beloitfcc.org. My wife, Linda, and I entered a new stage of life as grandparents when our oldest daughter, Julie Koontz and husband Mark had Anna Lorraine in Aug. '07 in New York City. Daughter Pam is working in Wichita as a dietitian for the WIC. Third daughter Sarah Jean Coughlan and her husband Richard are in college at Kansas. Our son, Daniel, is a soph. at Manhattan Christian College in Manhattan, KS. Our daughter, Katie is a senior at Beloit HS focusing on violin and saxophone. Daughter Kim is a freshman in high school focusing on cello and sports. Our daughter, Elsie, is in 8th grade focusing on viola and percussion in the band. Our youngest child, Heidi, is in 3rd grade having a grand time in life. I encourage all Nabors to share your blessings daily with those around you. We have experienced the sudden unexpected passing of several people in our community and it is a reminder that life is sometimes shorter than we think. Give them the flowers now and let your love show. God bless you.

Rieker, Keith '72. 8100 N Radnor Rd., Peoria, IL 61615. (309)688-3085 [H], (309)688-9700 [W]. Hardware Mgmt. nenadib@sbcglobal.net. New address after 20+ years.

Spilker, Gaylord '72. 205 N. Campbell St., P.O.Box 259, Edinburg, IL 62531. (217)623-4215 [H], (217)623-5549 [W]. Minister. gspilker@onemain.com. Have been a pastor now at Trinity Lutheran Church at Edinburg for six years and am thoroughly enjoying it. Blessing to each of you.

Dye, Rod '75. PO Box 616, Erie, IL 61250. (309)659-2189 [H], (309)659-2541 [W], (815)266-9594 [C]. Pastor. b.dye@mchsi.com. Feb. 29, 2008 Brenda & I will celebrate 28th anniversary. Sons & daughters-in-law Nick & Patty and Ben & Jena are doing well. We plan to take 2 weeks off after Easter to visit them in Texas & New Mexico.

Starr, Ron '76. 1996 N County Rd 1000, Nauvoo, IL 62354. (217)453-2768 [H]. Farmer/pork producer. rpstarr2@hotmail.com. 2007 brought the best crop of my career, son Matthew home to farm and another daughter (Kathleen) to give away in marriage this coming June. Magen to finish her PhD in corn genetics next year. Patti and I are enjoying this no kids stage again but she thinks we should travel more. Maybe now that we have a son home we can do that.

Schick, Stan '78. 4226 Akron Rd., Edelstein, IL 61526. (309)243-9281 [H], (309)337-8331 [C]. John Deere Sales & Farming. sschick@kleine-eq.com. 2007 was quite the year. In Jan., Margie and I celebrated our 25th with a cruise around several Hawaii islands. In March we returned to Biloxi, MS for a week to build houses. Based on the amount of change from the year before, it'll be 15 years before that job is done. Andy moved to Greenville, SC with Caterpillar in April. We really miss him. Kevin is a senior at Bradley taking Economics and lives at home. Hard to believe that we will have two out of college next spring. Heidi hopes to start at Bradley next fall in Music. At \$21K/yr tuition, you'd think there would be a sibling discount somewhere! Katie is the next one in line to help with Tom Kelley's retirement fund as she will get her driver's license in May. (I did get a small portion of it back last summer when Tom bought an 8100 tractor). Hannah enjoys her new dog and likes 6th grade. We went to Hilton Head Island the week of Thanksgiving. It was great; 75-80 and sunny. For several months Margie talked about how nice it was going to be not having to cook a turkey for the first time in 25 years. However, when I was loading the van, there was a big cooler already in there. Yep, the turkey came with us! (A real one, not Randy). You can take Margie out of the kitchen, but you can't get the kitchen out of Margie! Corn crop was 20 bushels better than previous high and beans mid-fifties. December was the busiest I have ever had selling equipment. We are thankful for the Lord's continual provision and underserved blessings. We serve an awesome God. Hey pledge class of 74! Let's get together next summer for a Saturday cookout at our place. Sam, Bruce, Randy, Joe, Norman, Tom, Gene, Phil, Gary, and Kurt – send me an email or call for when would work best.

Schwarm, Gene '78. R.R.2 Box 162, Loogootee, IL 62838. (618)349-8844 [H]. Circuit Judge. sgsfourth@swetlandcom.com. Ann and I enjoy the empty nest. Andy is a grad

student at London School of Econ. Alex is a junior at Northwestern. I'm still a Chief Judge of Circuit and Chairman of Chief Judges in state (and p-t Angus breeder).

Stangland, Gary '78. 3061 Falcon Ct. NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402. (319)393-7391 [H], (319)330-5830 [W]. *Commercial Corn Breeder for Monsanto at Williamsburg, Iowa.* gijks04@mchsi.com. Still an Illini fan in the middle of Hawkeye country, although why couldn't they win that game? Work is the best ever with Monsanto corn genetics and traits continuing to grow in market share and being a part of that great research organization that includes fellow Nabor Sam Eathington. Family is doing fine, Jan is in the finance IT team at Rockwell Collins, Jenna (22) is a senior in Biology at the U of Minn. and Keil (15) is a freshman in HS. Keil has taken up my enjoyment of golf and was on the high school team this year. Jan, Jenna and I also enjoy running and they ran in the Nike Women's Half Marathon this fall in San Fran. I was having too much fun walking cornfields looking for new elite hybrids. Class of '78 - 30 years next year, we need to get together at an Illini football game!

DeSutter, Randy '79. 2947 Knox Hwy 6. (309)334-2605 [H], (304)368-4802 [W]. *Farmer.* rsmkdesutter@winco.net. I think I must be dreaming because we had great crops, high prices, and the Illini football team beat Ohio State. Matthew is a sophomore at Lincoln College and Kristin is a senior in HS. Yeah, it must be a dream...I can't be this old.

1980s

Conlin, Dave '80. 1511 Sleepy Hollow Lane, DeKalb, IL 60115. (815)756-5377 [H], (815)758-2411 [W]. *Banker.* dconlin@castlebank.com.

Damery, Rod '80.5. 14929 Middleborough Dr., Matthews, NC 28104. (704)882-0583 [H], (704)516-7596 [W]. *Retired/Self employed.* rdamery@yahoo.com. After 21 years as a federal law enforcement agent and 28 years with the US Postal Service, I retired in May of 2007. Spent six months traveling, fishing, relaxing and spending time with my family before taking a part time job as a contract investigator with the postal service. Now work 3-4 days a week doing investigations across North and South Carolina. Beth and I celebrated our 24th wedding anniversary this year. Beth works part time in the office at our church. Oldest son, Andy, graduated from technical school in March and works in the automotive industry for Mercedes-Benz. Middle son, Zachary, is a soph. in high school and youngest, Logan, is a seventh grader. Both keep us active with sports, music, etc.

Walker, Rodney '81. 3210 Monterey Rd., Bloomington, IL 61704. (309)826-3392 [H], (309)664-2814 [W]. *US Bank.*

rodney.walker@usbank.com. The Lord continues to bless me beyond my understanding. Married Mysty 5/07 and gained two-step sons. Leslie had first baby 9/07. Chet engaged and planning his wedding 7/08. Lee Ann is a freshman at ICC. Continue to battle significant blood disorder, however, I have been blessed with wonderful doctors at Loyola in Chicago. Great to see Illini FB winning again!

Glaser, Ed '82. Lacon, IL. (309)246-5812 [H], (309)246-2571 [W]. *Country Insurance and Financial Services agent.* Multi-line insurance agent in small rural Illinois town: challenging. Oldest daughter has BS and moved out with good job: priceless. My son and I toured the house last spring and I enjoyed talking with sons of my contemporaries. You guys can be very proud. Side note: business took me to the house where a Bradley soccer player died in Oct. as the result of a roman candle prank. Very sobering. I know we had fun at NH over the years but were level-headed enough to know the difference between fun and just-plain-stupid.

Eathington, Kenny '83. 11715 Strathmoore Ct., Dunlap, IL 61525. (309)243-7045 [H], (309)637-4900 [W]. *Attorney.* kenny.eathington@husch.com. Enjoying the success of this year's Illini football team. Still practicing law in Peoria; Amy is a nurse at Bradley Univ., Adam is a junior at UI and Tyler is a junior at Dunlap HS.

Millard, Brian '83. PO Box 303, Arenzville, IL 62611. (217)997-2195 [H], 217-997-5817 [W]. *Farm real estate lender for Metlife Ag Investments.* millardbr@frontiernet.net. Enjoyed tailgating and going to UI football games this fall with friends and family (daughter Jessica is a soph. at UI). Jacob is a junior at Concord Triopia High and Joshua is a 7th grader at Triopia. They have kept Cara and I busy with football, basketball, and baseball games this fall. Cara is still teaching at Beardstown HS and looking forward to the day she can retire. I have been with Metlife for nearly two years and thoroughly enjoy traveling West Central Illinois making farm loans.

Beaty, Kelly '84. 1235 Fremont Ave., Morris, IL 60450. (815)942-3772 [W]. *President of Standard Bank and Trust Co.*

Bimes, Randy '84. 2250 Old Bethlehem Pike, Quakertown, PA 18951. (215)538-7718 [H], (215)536-2726 [W]. *Veterinarian.* randy.bimes@comcast.net.

Gates, Harold '84. 102 Pebble Lane, Jacksonville, IL 62650. (217)243-2456 [H], (217)742-3134 [W], (217)371-0506 [C]. hgates@irtc.net. haroldga@fsbwin.com. Work for The First State Bank

Flashback to the '80s: Mark Ridlen, 1981

Mark Ridlen,
bank examiner,
Carmel, Indiana



Tell us about your career.

After stints with a bank in Clinton, Citicorp Savings in Champaign, & Farm Credit Services, I spent the better part of the last 18 years with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (a division of the U.S. Treasury). The OCC regulates and supervises nationally chartered banks. After several years directly supervising banks, I entered into my current role as analyst; where I coordinate the supervision of over 30 banks in Indiana and central IL.

What were the most important reasons you chose to live at Nabor House?

My initial interest was due to my father – **Sam Ridlen**. I really hadn't thought much about where to live. Thankfully, my parents felt it was very important for me to live on campus to truly experience college life.

What is one piece of the NH culture or routine that you still miss today?

The interaction with good friends. You truly get to know a person when you live with them. My closest friends from NH were in my wedding. Two of them are godparents to my sons.

Besides "education, cooperation, and recreation," what are three words that best describe your Nabor House experience?

Friends, maturing, and values. I developed friendships for life. Maturing is a big part of the process. I learned a lot by being around others and growing together through common experiences. I believe the core values of NH are the real bond that holds it all together and has made it successful over the years.

Name two or three fellow Nabors who have been most influential on your life.

The most obvious one would be my father. I also learned a lot from my roommates **Joe Erlandson, Jack Campion, Kenny Eathington** and **Mark Ringhouse**. I should definitely give credit to **Jim DeSutter**, who helped me find my current job with the OCC.

What NH memory is special to you?

It was an honor to be able to serve as president of the Frat Board and see how far NH had come during the 50th anniversary. To see the turnout of alumni was gratifying. Also, at the 60th year celebration I spoke on behalf of my father as he and the other founders were honored. It was humbling to recount his experiences in coming to school and helping organize a group that would become vibrant and successful. Most significant was to see the positive influence he had on so many of the individuals at NH.

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of Winchester as a Loan Officer and Investment Executive. Wife Jeanne and I are doing well. We now have three grandchildren, Shannon and Aaron have a son Aydin (5) and a daughter Maekinz (17 months), and Kelly has a son Tysyn (4). My mother Evelyn celebrated her 80th b-day this year and all her children and spouses were able to get together. She is still able to live on the farm and take care of herself. Has been fun being at the Illini FB games this fall. Looks like the b-ball season will be exciting, but what a tough schedule.

Ray, Douglas D. '84. 226 Prairie Lane W., Princeton, IL 61356. (815)875-8815 [H], (815)872-3276 [W]. *Farm Manager and farm realtor. rayfarm@insightbb.com.*

Swearingen, Rick '84. 260 Deerview Drive, Hainesville, IL 60030. (847)548-9892 [H], (847)918-4088 [W]. *P.E./Civil Engineer. rick.swearingen@westonsolutions.com.* Four children (Ashleigh-So/UofI, Stephani-Jr/GCHS, Brooke-Fr/GCHS, Jacob-6th) still active in sports and activities. Providing guardianship of HS Senior (Haley) so she would not have to move out Grayslake and help to establish normal household. Helping Haley find college with her interest in nursing. Koryn (DVM 1987/UofI) opened up new clinic (2006) in Grayslake so commute is 5 min or less, but very hectic. Kept busy this past year w/management of several construction projects requiring 1 and 2 day travel. Thank God for TIVO since most games (UofI) conflict with the all of the above.

King, Tim '85. 2037 N Shady Rest Rd., Monticello, IL 61856. (217)762-5464 [H], (217)762-4578 [W]. *Investment banker for Griffin, Kubik, Stephens & Thompson, Inc. kings@monticellopro.net.* Caleb is a freshman at UI this year - our first of many tuition payments in the coming years. Will have our third teenage driver in January when Rachel gets her license - not looking forward to the insurance premiums! Work, school, etc. all going well. Our family band performed at Silver Dollar City in Branson this past Memorial Day, traveled to Colorado for a week of performances in June, and played at the Sears Tower over Thanksgiving weekend. Stop and say hi when in the area.

Farley, Jim '85. 17221 K St., Omaha, NE 68135. (402)896-9519 [H], (402)498-5585 [W]. *Ag Processing, Inc Sales Manager Veg Oils. jfarley@tconl.com.* All is well in Omaha. Sarah senior & Joe freshman HS. Carla still Teaching. Always glad to connect w/Nabors.

Bossert, Dan '86. *District manager with Stine Seed Company. dbossert@sbcglobal.net.* I also farm 320 acres in my spare time. I'm a full time single dad of 2 girls, Quinn 10 and Brooke 9. We are getting along very well, maintaining our little corner of the world.

Masters, Frank '86. 2411 Lombard Ave., Jamesville, WI 53545. (608)754-9094 [H]. *Territory mgr, Twin State Inc. fmasters@*

tds.net. Elaine works as teacher's aide at elementary level. Derek is 13 and in 8th grade; Adam is 10 and in 5th grade.

Nelson, Darald '86. 6 W Taylor, Newark, IL 60541. (815)695-5342 [H], (815)228-2380 [C]. *Commercial Lender, First National Bank Ottawa-Yorkville. dnelson@uti.com.* Changed jobs in May 07. Working in Yorkville at First National Bank.

Urish, Tim '86. 20544 E CR 1100 N, Kilbourne, IL 62655. (309)562-7337 [H], (309)360-8563 [W]. *Farmer. teamurish@yahoo.com.* Life is busy. Nick is a senior in high school. Gavin is in 8th grade; Eileen is in 4th grade. Debbie and I are going strong to keep up with all that is going on. We send greeting out to all our fellow Nabors.

Vandermyde, Karl '86. The Old School, Southorpe, United Kingdom, PE9 3BX. *Caterpillar. Vandermyde_Karl_B@cat.com.* Tina is now a breast cancer survivor. Contact us for support if you find yourself in a similar situation. Moved to England on assignment from Cat to lead sales for Industrial Engines.

Waibel, Brian '86. 901 Sunrise Circle, Mahomet, IL 61853. (217)586-3275 [H], (217)351-2757 [W]. *Farm manager/broker, Busey Ag Services. bww1188@mchsi.com.* Campaign Main Street Bank & Trust merged with Busey Bank in Nov. 2007. Same position. Enjoy farming part time with brother, Dad, and son Seth. Our family is finishing up an addition to our home. Thankful for very good crop.

Weber, Joe '86. 11318 Magnolia Pl., Smithfield, VA 23430. (757)357-1789 [H], (757)620-9438 [W]. *joeweber@smithfield.com.*

Bingham, Wayne '87. 30671 455th Lane, Griggsville, IL 62340. (217)833-2887 [H]. *Farmer. bingham6@adams.net.* After 11 years of AgChem sales, I resigned from Logan Ag and am farming full-time with Kristine's dad. Everyone is doing well. Jacqueline 13, Allyson 11, Daniel 8 and Jennifer is 5. Go ILLINI!!

Winterland, Dave '87. Nice to enjoy Illini football in the combine again. Record yields in Southern Livingston County. Braden - 8 and Katelind - 4.

Bossert, Dean '88. 6144 Terry St., Port Arthur, TX 77640. (409)736-3677 [H], (409)971-2909 [W]. *Refuge Mgr. dean8115@excite.com.* Only hurricane to hit the US this year came right over my house. Very little damage. Otherwise, we're all doing fine.

Bray, Rod '88. (615)692-6564 [H]. *rod.bray.cdod@statefarm.com.*

Harmon, Bill '88. 549 East, 500 North Rd., Morrisonville, IL 62546. (217)526-3569 [H], (217)786-2573 [W]. *Professor, Agriculture Dept., Lincoln Land CC. bill.harmon@llcc.edu.* After years of watching lousy Illini FB, I swore off them this year and refused to buy season tix, while Dave Foulke and Jeff Smith were faithful. Good luck to them in Pasadena.

Hawbaker, Scott '88. 6584 W. Duroc Rd., Maroa, IL 61756. (217)794-2431 [H], (217)424-5110 [W]. *Owner - Greendell Publishing/ Executive Director National Association of County Agricultural Agents. greenpub1@aol.com.* Business and family have all been great. Son Spencer is in 2nd grade, and daughter Mallory is in pre-school and will be in kindergarten in the fall. Enjoyed this past year attending Maroa HS State Champion Basketball and Football games (yes, we won in both sports) - and are hoping to repeat in both (if possible). After 13 years with the United Way, Melinda decided it was time for a career change and is now Finance Director for the Community Health Improvement Center in Decatur. She loves her new job. I'm considering moving my business from downtown Decatur to an office on our land in the country. I'm getting tired of commuting every day into Decatur and can easily handle my office responsibilities at home so I'm looking at the costs of building new. If you're in the area, please give me a call or stop by to catch up on "old times".

Hall, Glen '89. 9019 Mayflower Dr., Plymouth, MI 48170. (734)454-1508 [H], (734)751-0791 [C]. *Auto Industry Supplier. glen.hall@gmail.com.* Hello all. Sons Trey and Will are 6 and 4.5 yrs old. Michelle and I are blessed. I have a new job with Arvin-Meritor as Director of Ops. We are moving work to Mexico and other locations. Life in the auto biz is challenging. Go Illini.

Masters, Carl '89. RR#2, Box 198, Greenfield, IL 62044. (217)368-2122 [H], (217)370-9550 [W]. *Sales Manager, Lewis Hybrids. cmasters@lewisshybrids.com.* Getting used to being a member of corporate America after our little seed company was purchased by Monsanto this summer. It's working really well so far. I am a little concerned about having to ask 5 lawyers if it ok to go to the outhouse. Isaac is 11. Hunter is 8. I am 40?? Debbie is 39. Oops...wasn't supposed to do that was I? She'll get over it. Hit my first ace on the golf course this summer. Man, was that guy (Ace) mad. Also hit a hole in one in August. What a stupid game.

Stoll, Rod '89. 406 West Tomaras Ave., Savoy, IL 61874. (217)649-4312 [C], (217)378-9974 [W]. *Farm Credit Services of IL - Public Relations. Rod.Stoll@FCSIllinois.com.* Accepted an invitation to "pledge" Farm Credit Services of Illinois as their VP of PR this past summer. Having fun and learning lots. It's great to be affiliated directly with production agriculture again. Oskee-Wow-Wow on our "Rosy" Illini football season.

Vandenburg, Steve '89. 547 W. State St., Sycamore, IL 60178. (815)895-4576 [H], (815)762-4920 [W]. *Farming and AgReliant Genetics Research Associate. svandenburg@hotmail.com.* We have moved into Sycamore - a change of only 3.5 miles east but into an entirely different world. The family and I are

adjusting from farm life to town life with open arms and enjoying it.

Wolff, Kerry '89.5. 7605 Franklin Parke Woods, Indianapolis, IN 46259. (317)403-6190 [W]. *Farm Marketer, Cargill.* kwolff1@comcast.net. Hello from Indy. Gina, Kadence (2 yrs) and I welcomed Adam Kerry into our lives. He was born 11/23/07. Gina and Adam are both doing great. Kadee and I are both adjusting.

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Cannon, Jerry '90. 2703 5th Ave SW, Austin, MN 55912. (507)434-7751 [H], (507)437-5595 [W]. *Research Scientist Hormel Foods Corporation.* jecannon@hormel.com. Wife Macey and sons Cole 4½, Carson 3. Cheering on the Illini from the land of 10,000 lakes. Attended Iowa and Minnesota football games. Great to see Rod Stoll and Jeff Smith in Iowa City. Pheasant hunting is big fall passion, trained my first Yellow Lab for use this season. Anyone is Minnesota stop by and see us in SPAMtownUSA.

Lenz, Tim '90. RR1 Box 98, Strasburg, IL 62465. (217)644-2427 [H], (217)825-6048 [W]. *Farmer.* lenz95@consolidated.net. Delreen and I are doing well and keeping busy. Feel free to stop by and visit if you're in the Strasburg area.

Van Hoveln, Doug '90. 1883 E 1200 North Rd., Milford, IL 60953. (815)473-4380 [H], (815)473-4466 [W]. *Farmer, Farm Manager, Appraiser.* vhf@dtinspeed.net. Jeanne and I are doing well. Busy with twin boys Caleb and Seth (4) and daughter Monica (7). Had another good harvest with good prices lends itself to be another good year in agriculture.

Soltwedel, Keith '91. 9605 W. 161st Terrace, Overland Park, KS 66085. (913)499-1072 [H], (912)310-8504 [W]. *Mgr, Strategic Marketing at Deere & Co.* SoltwedelKeithM@JohnDeere.com. We were blessed with the birth of Cole Michael on 14 September. I forgot what sleepless nights were like and I feel like I'm back in college (i.e. - staying up all night preparing for an exam). It's great to see the Illini FB team winning some games. All is well with John Deere. We'd welcome any Nabors if you are in the KC area.

Wolf, Bryan '91. 20798 E. US Rt. 24, Lewistown, IL 61542. (309)668-2134 [H]. *Missionary/Nutritionist.* thewolfs91@yahoo.com. We are months away from completing our first 4-year term as missionaries to Chile and look forward to spending time with family and friends state-side. Deana and I received our fifth blessing in Feb. 2007; Sophia Kate was born in La Serena, Chile. The Wolf pack continues to do well, and we thank the Lord for the grace He gives us.

Fischer, Troy '92. 6779 E. Bluegrass Trail, Stillman Valley, IL 61084. (815)234-2600 [H], (815)494-4349 [W]. *MetLife Agricultural Investments.* tfischer@metlife.com. I can't believe I've been out of college for 15 years now. Also can't believe our oldest daughter is in Jr. High. We keep busy trying to keep up with our three daughters and all the activities they participate in as they get older! Best wishes to all.

Stewart, Bob '92. 7482 Audrey Ave., Yorkville, IL 60560. (630)553-5053 [H], (630)606-0689 [W]. *Farmer.* bob@stewart-farms.com. We are finishing up a very good year for us on the farm. Corn yields were better than expected. My brother Brad and I entered into a farming partnership and we significantly increased our acreage. We are farming over 100 miles from home now in the Farmer City area and we are slowly figuring out how to make it work. The family is doing well but the long farm season does take its toll on family time. Hope to get some more time in with Sarah and the kids over the winter. Sarah keeps busy doing the bookwork for the farm and taking care of the kids. Kristine (10), Karoline (7), and Keith (4) are all growing up fast. I welcome any input from you on what we have been dealing with on the Fraternity Board. The property development efforts have been a challenge but I think we are still on track.

Winterland, Mike '92. 501 W Pine St., Fairbury, IL 61739. (815)692-2241 [H], (815)848-2201 [W]. *Farmer.* michael.winterland@verizon.net. Still farming and crop adjusting. Emma is 5, Carson is 3, and Dylan, 20 months. Val and I just try to keep up!

Thornton, Jesse '93. 9921 Brier Oak Pl., Apt 104, Raleigh, NC 27617. (919)334-3708 [H]. *Project Manager AT&T.* jessebt@hotmail.com. Everything in Raleigh is going well. AT&T has been treating me well. My 2 kids are 8 and 4 and growing up fast. I meet the Triangle Illini club for football and basketball whenever I can, and always root against Carolina.

Widman, Ryan '93. 1539 E 29th Rd., Ransom, IL 60470. (815)586-4492 [H], (815)941-4511 [W]. *Quality Controls Construction Co. & Farming.* widman@fairpoint.net.

Engel, Keith '94. 430 Cherry Hill Dr., Madison, WI 53717. (608)829-2099 [H], (630)640-3665 [W]. *ProMilk Sales Specialist/Manager, Milk Quality Specialist—WestfaliaSurge.* engel.keith@westfaliasurge.com. Things are going fast and furious, but great! I have had a chance to travel more this year to some places that I had never been. I went to Puerto Vallarta this past April from a vacation that I earned through work... that was interesting and a lot of fun. I went to Vancouver, B.C. in September and spoke at the AABP conference (American Association of Bovine Practitioners). Just before Thanksgiving I am traveling to Germany. In Jan. I am speaking at the NMC (National Mastitis Council) in New Orleans and the day after I get back I am going to Jamaica for a company meeting. When I was in college, I had no idea that I would get an opportunity to see places like this working the dairy industry...its pretty dang cool!

Ray, Jeff '94. 401 Menominee Ln., Naperville, IL 60563. (630)699-5024 [H], (630)829-4678 [W]. *Asset Manager.* rayj26@juno.com. Marriage is fast approaching to Carrie! We're having a destination wedding in Florida on Dec. 28th, then we will be off to Disney World for a day with her five year old son, Ben.

Flashback to the '90s: Paul Taylor, 1994

**Paul Taylor, Environmental Solutions,
Champaign, Illinois**

Tell us about your career.

After NH, I worked for one of my professors in a start-up company called American Technology Products. We had limited financial resources, lofty goals, and a plan that required everything to fall into place perfectly in order to succeed. Needless to say, after nine months, the company was broke. So, after being married for three months, I was broke and unemployed (great way to impress the new wife!)

In Oct. '95, I started Environmental Solutions & Services, Inc. with a partner. After two years we split, and I took over the company. We provide janitorial contracting with an emphasis on improved working conditions and safety. I never thought the NH toilet cleaning experience would be so valuable! We currently serve over 150 customers daily in a 100 mile radius around C-U. We clean 4,000,000 square feet of office buildings, banks, schools, clinics and factories daily (that's 92 acres for you farm boys). We have over 200 people on our team with offices in Urbana, Effingham and Bloomington.

What were the most important reasons you chose to live at NH?

1) I was asked. This was a big deal considering I am a nerd and I wore my HS letter jacket to rush weekend. 2) I felt like I fit in. I really liked the guys at the house and the atmosphere. They were honest, hard working guys. 3) It was inexpensive.

What is one piece of the Nabor House culture or routine that you still miss today?
Playing pool with Duane Otto after lunch.

Besides "education, cooperation, and recreation", what are three words that best describe your Nabor House experience?
Fun, Frugal, Friendship

What's one food dish from all of your NH meals that you'll always remember?

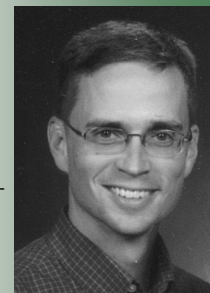
The most memorable dish is burnt chili. I will never forget the taste — like cigarettes dipped in ketchup.

Name two or three fellow Nabors who have been most influential on your life.

Mike "Grizz" Sleight, Duane Otto, Paul Sheriff

Which NH memory is most special to you?

Dad's Day. Paul Sheriff let his dad sleep on the bottom bunk. Paul was not used to



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Soltwedel, Kevin '94. 5425 Greenbriar Ave., Quincy, IL 62305. (217)223-7432 [H], (217)357-2811 [W]. *Director of Nutrition, Professional Swine Mgmt.* ksoltwedel@hogvet.com. I finally got the family moved to Quincy almost a year after starting my job with PSM. Family continues to grow as we are expecting #5 in May. Needless to say there is never a dull moment. Congrats to Ron Zook for bringing football back to the Illini Nation!

Taylor, Paul '94. 50 Chestnut Ct., Champaign, IL 61822. (217)355-2031 [H], (217)337-6701 [W]. *President, Environmental Solutions & Services, Inc.* Paul@ESSclean.com. Three girls: Grace 8, Olivia 4, Laura 2. Andrea is still working 10 hours/week at UI and presenting her research at Universities all over the place. I'm trying retain a shred of masculinity in a house full of girls. I survived the Chicago Marathon this fall (barely).

Vandeburg, Jay W. '94. 4397 E. S.R. 218, Walton, IN 46994. (574)626-2307 [H], (765)432-2706 [W]. *Hog farm manager.* Jen and I married eleven years. Ben is six, Josh is two. Getting out of sheep business. Ben is wearing glasses, playing soccer, and a happy boy. Josh appears to have inherited his mom's brains.

England, Max '95. 239 Kodiak Ct., Kechi, KS 67219. (316)706-0336 [H]. *Research Director, Cargill Pork.* max.england@hotmail.com.

Robert, Matt '95. 3309 B Halifax Dr., Champaign, IL 61822. (217)355-9669 [H], (217)898-8168 [W]. *Ag Engineer.* mjr2104@msn.com. Received PE license. Enjoying life in Champaign-Urbana area. Go Illini!

Spangler, John '95. 3369 E Cucumber Hollow Rd., Marietta, IL 61459. (309)926-6145 [H], (309)368-6674 [W]. *Farmer.* spangler@winco.net. We were amazed at the corn crop we had this year with very little rain. Holly still works part-time for Prairie Farmer. Jenna is 5 and Nathan is 3.

Birnbaum, Keith '96. 1860 1550th Ave., Lincoln, IL 62656. (217)735-5173 [H], (217)735-4488 [W]. *Corn Production Manager, Remington Hybrid Seed Company.* keith.birnbaum@remingtonseeds.com. Avery (9) and Samuel (8) keep us busy and are growing fast. Lori is teaching Title I in Lincoln's elementary school district. Go Illini!

Carlson, Brian '96. 24396 1900 North Ave., Princeton, IL 61356. (815)878-2084 [H]. *RTK / Field Specialist.* brian_carlson@trimble.com. Back living on the farm and traveling with my job at Trimble Navigation. Had a very good harvest with impressive corn yields in Northern IL. Kellogg – did you ever get your Autoguidance system figured out???

Heisner, Craig '96. 243 Longview Blvd., Kirkwood, MO 63122. (314)821-7970 [H]. *Brewing Engineer at Anheuser-Busch.* Anheuser-Busch transferred me to St. Louis in July '07. My lovely wife Katie and I sold our house in Tarzana, CA and moved back to the Midwest. I am now working at corporate in the process development group.

McKim, Shawn '96. 165 W. Twyman, Bushnell, IL 61422. (309)772-9924 [H], 772-2411 [W]. *Veterinarian.* mckim@logonix.net. Ethan Andrew born March 6, 2007. Growing like a weed and lots of fun, but what happened to all of our free time?

Mohr, Mark '96. 14119 350th St., Lindstrom, MN 55045. (651)213-6798 [H], (651)766-6322 [W]. *Spray Tech. Product Mgr, Hypro, LLC.* Blessed to welcome a healthy happy hungry daughter, Rachel, in June. She joins brother Joseph, who is growing, learning, and exploring at a good clip. He is 3 in Nov. Carrie is home full time with the kids. Time flies...we celebrated our 10th anniversary in July. I'm still at the Hypro H.Q. in Minnesota, now as the Spray Technology Product Mgr overseeing spray tip and application technology. Another blessing: I did happen to cross the 35W bridge going to the airport the day it collapsed, though it's not my regular route. I was safe by a wide margin of 12 hours so it's not much to talk about. I hear seat belt use is up.

Propst, Jason '96. 887 Co. Rd. 500E, Toledo, IL 62468. (217)895-2563 [H]. *Swine Enterprise Specialist.* jpropst@effclay-fs.com. It has been a year of changes as Matthew Anders Propst was born on June 26, 2007 and Jen became the elementary & junior high principal for Stewardson-Strasburg School District 5 weeks later. I'm now officially the low man on the totem pole! We've been blessed with a great child, but they say he looks like his father – poor kid!

Stuepfert, Phil '96. 330 Emily Court, Yorkville, IL 60560. *Land Planner.* pstuepfert@secplanning.com. Carrissa and I will be expecting our fourth child in April of 2008. All is well in Yorkville, IL (except I run into Bob Stewart once in awhile). Kidding Bob!

Tompkins, Jason '96. 1202 W. Highland Dr., Mahomet, IL 61853. (217)590-2533 [H], (217)877-2345 [W]. *Marketing Manager.* jtompkins@bendsensigns.com. 2007 has been a great year, but gone by very quickly. Jill and I are very busy raising two wonderful daughters. Elise is now 4 and Elena will be 2 in January. How about that Illini FB team? I am sure there will be a Winterland bus of some type headed to Pasadena! To all who were a part of the waterslide construction in '95, email me. I have a video of what could have been!

Anderson, Adam '97. *Sales Manager/Farmer.* Working for Syngenta and farming a little. Ian is almost two years old and we will have a daughter by the time the next Nubbins is published...or at least my wife hopes she has had the baby by then!

Gerstenecker, David '97. 1804 Autumn Rdg, Urbana, IL 61802. (217)344-8251 [H], (217)265-8235 [W]. *Team Leader / Sr. Network Analyst.* david@gerstenecker.net. Not a lot new here; I received a promotion at the UI, so I now have Senior in front of one of my titles. My girls are wonderful children and my wife continues to take care of them. We are play-

ing volleyball right now and will continue to play softball in the summer. I continue to enjoy computers and like watching my daughters' proficiency with the mouse and keyboard to play games. I am hopeful that the Illinois FB team will get some more wins and have a great showing at their bowl game!

McCormick, Heath '97. RR1 Box 188, Shumway, IL 62461. (217)868-2366 [H], (217)728-2582 ext 131 [W]. *Sales Mgr for Hydro-Gear.* All is well in Shumway. Expecting our second child in the spring. Claire turned 2 this fall and is entertaining us everyday. Some times pushing the limits of what mom and dad can handle! The farming season went really well this year. God really took care of us! Still traveling a lot more than I would like with work. Autumn is working at the hospital. Not missing school but the people I do miss!

Schneider, David '97. 333 West Madison St., Rushville, IL 62681. (217)322-2815 [H], (217)322-6029 [W]. *County Engineer/farmer.* dschneid@frontiernet.net. All is well is Schuyler County, harvest has passed us quickly. Natalie and I are expecting our first child on December 27th. A Christmas baby!

Wall, Don '97. 272 Singer Trail, Sorento, IL 62086. (217)272-4408 [H], (618)585-6734 [W]. *Loan officer and Farmer.* My wife Laura and I welcomed our third child on July 11, 2007. Aubrey Anne joins big brothers Cole (6) and Jack (3). Laura is very glad to now have a girl in this house full of guys! I switched banks I work for just over a year ago. I now work for United Community Bank in the big town of Bunker Hill, population 1,800. Still farm with my parents whenever I'm not at the bank. Laura's surprised we had time to make kid #3!

Wilson, Ryan '97. 1161 Kasting Ln, Mundelein, IL 60060. (847)949-4093 [H]. *Director, Customer Mktg & Sales Strategy at Johnson & Johnson.* rwilson8@mccusjnj.com. Enjoying being in Chicago for the 3rd time in my career. Happy to report all is well on the home front, loving life with my three girls -- wife Christina and daughters Tess (2.5 yrs) and Rowan (1 yr). Happy to see the Illini piecing together a respectable FB season. Hail to the Chief!

Aaltonen, Jonathan '98. 172 Bancroft Plaza, Omaha, NE 68108. (540)551-2855 [H]. *Reproductive Physiology Lab Mgr at Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo.* jonafin76@yahoo.com. I am back from Hawaii and in the Midwest.

Faller, Chad '98. 109 Lakewood Dr., Hillsboro, IL 62049. (217)532-2478 [H]. *Vice President – Farmers & Merchants State Bank.* cfaller@fmstatebank.com.

Flournoy, Corey '98. 712 Yalow Dr., Champaign, IL 61822. (773)704-7523 [C]. *Creative Outreach Consulting.* CoreyDF@aol.com.

Hart, Greg '98. 1526 Grand Dr., Unit #4, DeKalb, IL 60115. (815)758-2327 [H]. *Trooper, Illinois State Police.* Mandi and I celebrated the birth of our second daughter Hannah Nicole on May 10th. Hannah and Jenna (3 1/2 yrs old) are both growing at an

Flashback to the '00s: Nick Webb, 2002

Nick Webb,
attorney,
Grand Junction, Colorado



Tell us about your career.

I am currently working in a 2-attorney law office in Grand Junction. We have expanded to open another office in Colorado Springs and it's looking like I am going to be moving there in the spring to head that office up. I am looking forward to the move and being a little closer to Illinois!

What were the most important reasons you chose to live at Nabor House?

Coming from a town of 5,000 people, it was intimidating to imagine making the transition to a campus with 30,000+ students. NH was a good fit for me because I was able to make that transition with guys from similar backgrounds, which definitely made it easier.

What is one piece of the Nabor House culture or routine that you still miss today?

Game day! Whether it was b-ball or football, the whole house was usually pumped up for the game. For basketball, a group of us were usually holding a pre-game and post-game celebration at a local establishments. Football, I tried to make it to the game by the 2nd quarter...those 11am starts can be rough.

Besides "education, cooperation, and recreation", what are three words that best describe your NH experience?

Unforgettable, Short-lived, Rewarding

Name one food dish from all of your Nabor House meals that you'll always remember.

Teriyaki chicken. Jeff Egan and Blake Patterson used to give me the business for picking out my water chestnuts.

Name two or three fellow Nabors who have been most influential on your life.

I'd say Chris Kirschner and Anthony McCullough, although a lot of guys have impacted my life in a positive way. Chris and I still talk on the phone about once a week and I'm actually meeting him in Vegas in a couple of days. Anthony actually lives about four hours from me, so we've met up several times; plus, he introduced me to my girlfriend.

What NH memory is most special to you?

Walk-out. It was where our pledge class bonded as a group and where we really started to know each other. We crammed about as much as you could into a weekend: Six Flags, Hooters, a night club in St. Louis, a stopover in Springfield. That is all I am at liberty to talk about. Also, some pretty good nicknames came out of that weekend, such as Huck, Slick T and Bing.

alarming rate. Jenna is starting preschool and Hannah is popping out her first teeth. Hope to see a few Nabors at the Rose Bowl.

Jahraus, Jared '98. 110 S. 2nd St. Apt B, Fairbury, IL 61739. (217)493-6292 [H]. *HS Science Teacher.* jahraus@hotmail.com.

Engaged to Megan Swearingen at U of I Homecoming this year. Wedding Summer '08.

Kellogg, Matt '98. 9750 Schlapp Rd., Yorkville, IL 60560. (630)554-5458 [H]. *Farmer.* mkellogg@cin.net. Not much happening in northern Illinois. My daughter, Kamryn, will be 3 in Dec. She is a blast--loves the farm and told me she wants to be a vet when she is a "big girl". I told her to call Dr. McKim in Bushnell for guidance in life...then I stopped myself. She likes cats more than Shawn ever will.

Moffitt, Justin '98.5. 1040 Knox Hwy 17, Gilson, IL 61436. (309)221-9496 [H]. *Galesburg Fire, Air National Guard, & farmer.* justinrmoffitt@yahoo.com. Life's good.

Boelens, Brian '99. 12774 E. 1900 St., Atkinson, IL 61235. (309)945-6421 [H], (309)748-2146 [W]. *John Deere Harvester product support rep. / farmer.* brianbrb@nbson.com. Transferred to JD Harvester Works in Nov. of '06. Spent much of the summer out west supporting custom harvesters on the wheat run and truck pulling with Moffitt when I was home. All is well with the family and farm.

Windish, Ryan '99. 1144 Downing St Apt 5, Denver, CO 80213. *Emergency Physician.* ryan.windish@uchsc.edu. Seven months & counting until I'm done with my residency. Going to New Zealand in Jan. to interview for a job, and planning on moving down there in July '08 to start work at one of the hospitals. Ski season is starting and I plan on hitting the slopes around Winter Park and Copper soon.

Barto, Kevin '99.5. 14855 Meadow Ln., Plainfield, IL 60544. (815)474-3465 [H], (708)235-7458 [W]. *Supt. of Grounds, Governors State University.* kbarto42@hotmail.com.

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Farrell, Mark '00. 19 Cambridge Ct., Fairbury, IL 61739. (815)692-2464 [H], (815)867-2150 [W]. *Sales Mgr. - Pontiac RV.* mlfarrel@hotmail.com. Status quo. We are doing well. Tyler is in 2-year-old mode and is a lot of fun.

Harms, Ryan '00. 5626 Brownridge Dr., Shawnee, KS 66218. (785)259-4049 [C], (785)832-7476 [W]. *Director of Development, KU Endowment.* rjharms@illinoisalumni.org. Brea and I are expecting #2 in Feb. '08. Young Carter is 20 months and enjoys all sports and playing outside. He is also fascinated with watching a DVR of Chief Illiniwek's last dance.

Jordan, David '00. 824 N Center St., Clinton, IL 61727. (414)708-2289 [H], (217)935-7573 [W]. *Marketing Consultant.* nabor520@hotmail.com. Enjoying life back in Central IL -- going on a year and a half now. Spending a lot of free time restoring a turn-of-the-century Victorian home, the rest of the time is spent on the road for work or at the farm milking

some outstanding Jersey cattle.

Melhouse, Rusty '00. 84 Oakview Dr., Macomb, IL. (309)333-0095 [H]. *Investment Representative.* After seven and a half years, I will be leaving Macomb and moving closer to home, near Canton. I have accepted a position with Edward Jones and will be starting an office in Canton.

Olson, John '00. 115 E. Franklin, Naperville, IL 60540. (630)689-6912 [H], (630)794-5760 [W]. *Sr. Technical Support - Products and Application for The New York Blower Co.* jgolson22@hotmail.com. Same ole for me... still livin' the high life in the western suburbs.

Vaughan, David '00. 205 W. Main, PO Box 265, Elmwood, IL 61529. (309)712-3575 [H], (309)742-3302 [W]. *Production supervisor.* nabor517@illinoisalumni.org. I decided to take the plunge and get married. On Sept. 1st, I said "I do" to Katie Bowles of Peoria. We made it through our first harvest together and are finally getting settled into married life. We'll be heading to the island of Antigua over Christmas for our honeymoon.

Kinate, Michael '01. 32 Briarwood Ave., Apt. 3, Normal, IL 61761. (309)452-7634 [H], (309)662-444 ext. 390 [W]. *Credit analyst, Heartland Bank.* mrkinate33@yahoo.com. In my third semester at ISU working towards my master's in accounting. Hope to be done by May '09. Work half-time at the bank and spend the other half in class or studying.

Lacey, Hunt '01. 4420 Old Wells Rd., Eau Claire, WI 54703. (715)456-7476 [H]. *Territory Manager.* hlacey23@yahoo.com.

Larson, Dirk '01. 4213 Landing Drive, #2B, Aurora, IL 60504. (630)542-2667 [H]. *Compliance Auditor.* dirk522@hotmail.com. I still live with Andy White '01. I have been with Aimco (apartment mgmt) for almost 4 years, and have moved into the role of Compliance Auditor for the Midwest Division. Soon, I will be traveling weekly between Columbus, Indianapolis, Minneapolis, and Chicago reviewing various aspects of our apartment communities. Go Illini!!!

Maul, Errol '01. 644 County Rd. 700N, Tolono, IL 61880. (217)370-8788 [H]. *Ag sales.* errolmaul@hotmail.com. My wife, Ashley, and I have moved back to the Champaign area as she is now a Vet. Med. student at the U of I. I have taken a job selling Case IH equipment with Central IL Ag out of Farmer City, IL. We are enjoying life back in the C/U area.

Nightingale, Brett '01. 14119 Stowbridge Ave., Tampa, FL 33626. (813)855-7205 [H], (813)672-6451 [W]. *Fertilizer Product Manager.* Brett.nightingale@mosaicco.com.

Riewerts, Jack '01. 11711 317th St N, Hillsdale, IL 61257. (309)658-8291 [H], (309)658-2203 [W]. *Loan Officer.* jriewert@hotmail.com. Things have been going well for me. Another great year, and I'm getting married to a beautiful girl in March.

Soltwedel, Kraig '01. 1756 County Road 2275 E., St. Joseph, IL 61873. (217)821-9992 [H],

(217)841-2568 [W]. *Seed Specialist at Illini FS. Soltwedel@illinoisalumni.org*. We are in the process of moving back to the C-U area. I recently took a job with Illini FS as a seed specialist and Jodie is with CVS as a pharmacist. We stay busier than ever with our 20-month-old Alivia and our 8-month-old Addyson.

Wendling, Jake '01. 914 Shiloh Ave., Effingham, IL 62401. (217)347-0618 [H], (217)857-6444 [W]. *General Manager. jake@directlinesinc.com*. My wife Erin and I are expecting our first child in April.

White, Andrew '01. 4213 Landing Drive #2b, Aurora, IL 60504. (217)371-0287 [H], (630)859-3300 [W]. *Attorney. andrewgwhite2@yahoo.com*. This New Year's Day smells like roses! Hoping for a good game to quiet the Big Ten bashers. Congrats to Jack Riewerts on his recent engagement, I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the wedding. As for me, I'm still up in Aurora living the bachelor life.

Edlefson, Nate '02. 620 S. Chestnut St., Princeton, IL 61356. (815)875-4050 [H], (309)286-2811 [W]. *FBFM field staff. edlefson@hotmail.com*. Left Cargill & began w/FBFM in July '07. Sara & Josie doing great!

Feeney, Luke '02. 610 W. Main, Monticello, IL 61856. (217)714-1626 [H], (217)762-9416 [W]. *Attorney. lfeeney@millertracy.com*. Working at Miller, Tracy, Braun, Funk and Miller, Ltd. in Monticello, primarily in litigation, real estate and education law. Got engaged to Hayley Smith in Sept. Looking forward to hosting pledge brothers and other alums when back in the C-U area. GO ILLINI!

McCormick, Nick '02. RR 1 Box 334, Windsor, IL 61957. (217)254-4167 [H], (217)682-3339 [W]. *Mechanic/Farmer. nmccormick@consolidated.net*. Finally got moved out to the country, celebrated Kelly and my 2nd anniversary, all is going well.

Starr, Matthew '02. 1026 N Co Rd 1900, Nauvoo, IL 62354. (217)653-4668 [H]. *Farmer. uofistarr@hotmail.com*. The big transition is finally complete. Out of the corporate world and back to farming. What a great season to start out with. Trying to finish up getting the house built – should be in before Thanksgiving. Go Illini.

Kinate, Steven '03. 3652 N. Paulina, Chicago, IL 60613. (217)377-2380 [H], (847)918-0111 [W]. *Sales Engineer. stevenkinate@gmail.com*. Working at an engineering and sales company in suburban Chicago.

Leary, Aaron '03. R.R 1 Box 42, Little York, IL 61453. (309)729-5282 [H], (309)371-9675 [W]. *District 1 FCAE Agriculture Education Program Advisor. learyswinefarm@yahoo.com or aleary@agriculturaleducation.org*. Baby #2 arrived Sept. 27th. Rose Elaine joined Rachel Ann (2 yrs old) and is doing great. Much more relaxed personality than Rachel, which is a blessing for Sara. Sara is staying home with the girls and has started a quilting business (www.frontporchpatterns.com). I am still raising show pigs and have expanded my market to PA, TX and GA. Work with ag education is going well. I serve all of Northwestern IL HS ag

programs and county Ag Literacy programs.

Leonard, Matt '03. 599 Timber Creek Trail, O'Fallon, MO 63368. *Chiropractic Physician. mleo6@yahoo.com*. Head clinician at a private practice in O'Fallon, MO, the epitome of suburbia. Celebrated first anniversary with wife Melissa in July. Can no longer see Busch Stadium out my window with our move west, but am looking forward to watching the Illini in Pasadena. Greetings to all Nobs.

Elvidge, Kendal '04. 114 Faye St., Farmersville, IL 62533. (217)227-3303 [H]. *Ag Teacher. elvidge82@yahoo.com*. There isn't a whole lot of news from the MC (Montgomery County) better known as God's Country, where we can go two months without rain and still put out a decent crop. Enjoying Illini FB, been a long time since I could say that. Really enjoyed the company of fellow Nabors at the Elf tailgate before the Michigan game.

Lawless, Steve '04.5. 894 Buckingham Ln., Sycamore, IL 60178. (309)838-2812 [H], (630)406-3421 [W]. *Product Mgr, Application Equipment – AGCO Parts. steve.lawless@agcocorp.com or lawless@illinoisalumni.org*.

McCullough, Anthony '04.5. 10962 S Maple Forest Way, South Jordan, UT 84095. (630)715-3958 [C]. *anmccull@illinoisalumni.org or anthony.mccullough@agcocorp.com*.

Bauman, Craig '05. 203 E. Franklin St., Nokomis, IL 62075. (217)825-8551 [H], (217)562-5011 [W]. *Crop Sales. craig_ui05@hotmail.com*. Married July 14.

Knapp, Kevin '05. 21 Village Dr., Leola, PA 17540. (717)725-0885 [H], (717)725-0885 [W]. *Test Engineer for Case New Holland. kevinknapp@illinoisalumni.org*. I just finished up a successful North American harvest. I was testing big red combines in the midwest so I made it home to Knapp Farms several week-ends and even squeezed in a few Illini games. It was great to meet up with a bunch of Nobs in Las Vegas Thanksgiving weekend as we celebrated Blake Wagahoff's last few weeks as a single man. A trip to a bowl game with a victory would get 2008 off to a great start!

Taylor, Ben '05. 3822 Thornhill Circle, Champaign, IL 61822. (217)714-3555 [C], (217)244-5045 [W]. *Assistant Sports Info Director. bktaylor@uiuc.edu*. Full-time with UI Athletic PR after finishing two-year graduate assistantship in July '07. Working primarily with Illini baseball, wrestling and FB teams. Enjoying a great FB season!! Living in SW Champaign and active in First Christian Church.

Wagahoff, Blake '05. 1204 S Benton Ave, Marshall, MO 65340. (217)891-9979 [H], (660)886-9645 [W]. *Operations Supervisor for Monsanto Seed Production. blwagah@monsanto.com*. 2007 was a big year for me. In June, I accepted a new position with Monsanto in Marshall, MO and now live in Tiger Country (sure glad there is a Big Ten Network). I am overseeing distribution of Asgrow soybean seed out of Marshall. Laura and I are getting married December 15th, then off to Jamaica for the honeymoon, back to IL for Christmas, then hopefully heading to another warm

weather location for an Illini Bowl Game!

Waldeck, Jarrod '05. 705 W. Queen Creek Rd. #2072, Chandler, AZ 85248. (217)971-7499 [H]. *Process Engineer, Intel Corporation. waldo22183@hotmail.com*. My wife & I just celebrated our first anniversary. No kids on the way that I know of. Been working at Intel for ~ 1.5 years now. Work is challenging and (usually) rewarding. Educate, cooperate & recreate to make Semiconductor life the best life of all...wasn't that the motto...I never was much good at pledge material. We have been traveling as much as possible trying to see the world before we have a family - figure it's cheaper that way :) Just took a trip in Sept. to help finish up the harvest. God's country (Montgomery Co.) was blessed with a great crop. Been working on my M.S. in Computer Science online from UIS. We've been missing Chambana a lot lately - we're both looking forward to seeing everyone at Homecoming.

Lock, Jim '06. P.O. Box 501, Nauvoo, IL 62354. (309)333-5612 [H]. *Jr./Sr. High Social Studies Teacher. jlock@illinoisalumni.org*.

Rowley, Anthony '06. 3143 Bevin St., Camp Lejeune, NC 28547. (815)757-1212 [H]. *Marine Combat Engineer Officer – Bridge Platoon Commander. adrowley@gmail.com*.

Tinsley, Nick '06. 904 N. Broadway Ave., Apt. 209, Urbana, IL 61801. (217)304-3319 [H]. *Graduate Student. tinsley@uiuc.edu*.

Wagahoff, Neil '06. P.O. Box 121, Raymond, IL 62560. (217)565-3665 [H], (217)229-3213 [W]. *Fuel Salesman. neil_wagahoff@illinoisalumni.org*. Working for parents at Home Oil Co. in Raymond, not too bad of a gig. Bought a short bus with B. Wagahoff, Elvidge, Helgen and a couple friends from home for tailgating at the Illini games. Pretty sweet rig, if you see it stop by and say "hi".

DeWerff, Eric '07. 4820 Tree Summit Pkwy., Duluth, GA 30096. (678)215-7355 [H]. *Sales Distribution Coordinator AGCO. illiniball_05@msn.com or edewerff@illinoisalumni.org*.

Foerder, Bob '07. 1807 Parkway Ct #10, Normal, IL 61761. *bob.foerder@gmail.com*. Upon graduation I moved to Bloomington, IL to work for 1st Farm Credit Services as an Associate Lending Services Officer.

Ganschow, Michael '07. 216 Walnut Grove Dr., Walnut, IL 61376. (815)878-7642 [H], (815)872-9501 ext. 246. *Precision Farm Integrator. mganschow@agviewFS.com*. Lindsey and I got married on July 7. I am currently working on Ag View FS in the Precision Farming Dept. I am also helping my dad farm as well.

Shaner, Nicholas '07. 30337 N. Manley Rd., Avon, IL 61415. (309)397-3736 [H]. *Ag Teacher. nshaner@avonschools.us*.

Walter, Jared '07. P.O. Box 192, Illiopolis, IL 62539. (815)848-8228 [C]. *Seed Quality Supervisor – Monsanto Seed Production in Illiopolis. jwalter@uiuc.edu*. Nothing much new here. Going on NH Ski Trip this January!

Wessel, Scott '07. 16542 Baumann Rd., Pocahontas, IL 62275. (618)654-4227 [H], (618)654-6400 [W]. *Syngenta Seeds Soybean Research. sjwessel@gmail.com*.

Planning For The Future With The Nabor House Seniors

Lee Brokaw, Stronghurst

Major: Ag Econ - Markets and Management

Graduates: May 2008

Career path: "I have accepted a Field Sales Trainee job with Monsanto in Eastern Iowa which would provide a transition into an Account Mgr role after a year. Since August I have also been exploring the possibility of entering the Seminary to pursue a vocation in the Priesthood, so the future is ultimately in the Lord's hands. If I choose to pursue a career with Monsanto, I plan to get married and stay involved with the family farm in West-Central Illinois."

5-year plan: "Either pursuing a career in Ag Business while farming part time, or finishing my education at the Seminary with my final year of theology school."

25-year plan: "Along the same lines as my 5 year plans, it will depend on which route I opt to take over the next year that will ultimately define my future plans and goals. I will strive, no matter what career or vocation path I take, to serve the Lord and to do his will."

Grant Hannah, Varna

Major: Ag Econ - Markets and Management

Graduates: May 2008

Career path: "In my daily walk with Jesus Christ, I have been recently learning about the importance of my vocation in a way that goes beyond food in my mouth and clothes on my back. Through my college days and work with Campus Crusade for Christ, God has taught me more than I expected about the joy that is found in His will and living for His purposes. If He really means what He says about going and making disciples, then I trust I will be most joyful in doing that. Therefore, my career path has turned into more of a calling. This means I could be doing a number of things, but all for the same reason. I may start as a full-time missionary for Crusade here on campus or abroad. I am also considering a few

positions, pending some interviews) in the realm of Ag business while working on the family farm with my pay checks and time being used for eternal purposes. Either way, I intend to be walking with Jesus Christ."

5-year plan: "I hope to be married, but no kids by that point. If I choose the Crusade route, I would probably be either just returning home or heading to the East Asian mission field. If I choose an Ag business career, I would be taking steps to expand the family farm."

25-year plan: "I hope to have some kids by that point with my wife. I'm not sure where a missionary career would have me 25 years from now. If I were to farm, I would hope to be doing it full time by that point. I'll either be in the mission field or the corn field, but Jesus Christ will have the glory."

Jay Kelley, Princeville

Major: AgEcon - Markets and Management

Graduates: December 2007

Career path: ABG Inc, a small consulting firm specializing in the ag industry

5-year plan: "By 2012, I hope to be working hard at my career in agriculture. If I am not already, I will be looking forward to returning to the Midwest. I will be married, with a goal to start a family soon."

25-year plan: "I hope to be solidified in a leadership position within our company, or have started my own entrepreneurial venture. I will begin purchasing the family farm from my father, with the goal of passing it down to my own children. By 2032, my oldest children will be preparing for college, with orange and blue on their minds."

Randy Lindgren, Loda

Major: Crop Science

Graduates: May 2008



Career path: Sales Agronomy, Crop Consulting

5-year plan: "Hopefully have advanced in career position, my family?"

25-year plan: "Worked into top position or ownership of company and have a hobby farm."

Lucas Martin, Biggsville

Major: Animal Sciences

Graduates: May 2008

Career path: Feedlot management with Cargill Cattle Feeders in one of five feedlots in Texas, Kansas, or Colorado.

5-year plan: "Raising a strong Catholic family while working in the beef industry."

25-year plan: "I hope to be spending time with the people that I love, working at a job that I enjoy, and traveling around the world. Whatever this may entail, I'll be living my life for the glory of God."

Mike Perkins, Lacon

Major: Political Science

Graduates: December 2007

Career path: Law?

5-year plan: "UIUC master's program, then law school?"

25-year plan: "Have a job that does more than earn a paycheck."

Nabor House Welcomes 11 Fall Pl Edges

Listed below are each new member's name, hometown (county), major, and a couple interesting facts:

- **Devin Bergman**, Paxton (Ford County), Aerospace Engineering, High School Valedictorian & Member of the Marching ILLINI
- **Casey Campbell**, Ewing (Franklin County), Ag Engineering, High School Salutatorian & Placed 8th in a statewide wrestling competition
- **Chris Francis**, Wilmington (Will County), Animal Sciences, On 1st Place Team at Nat'l 4-H Forestry Invitational & Introduced Miss America to 1200 people
- **Race Higgins**, Morris (Grundy County), Crop Science, Earned a 4.0 during first semester & Hopes to one day work for Monsanto
- **Victor Johnson**, Paxton (Ford County), Crop Science, Two-time FFA State Proficiency Winner (Landscape Mgmt and Home & Community Dev.) & Career goal is to be an Ag Business Mgr
- **John Lock**, Avon (Fulton County), Ag Communication, Hopes to have career as Sports Writer & Brother to NH Alumnus **Jim Lock '06**
- **Travis Markley**, Avon (Fulton County), Music Education, High School Class Salutatorian & Has aspirations to be a College Music Professor
- **David Murphy**, Tiskilwa (Bureau County), Farm Mgmt, Two-year Captain of High School Football Team & Son of NH Alum **Tom Murphy '76**
- **Ben Plumier**, Tremont (Tazewell County), Ag Engineering, HS Class Valedictorian & Earned a 4.0 during first semester



Buzz Chart: Busier Than Ever

Room -1

Andrew Fulton, Sophomore

This semester turned out to be quite taxing. My school work picked up a lot and being commissar certainly added to the stresses of school and extracurricular activities. -1 never has a dull moment with Mr. Morehouse and never being dull sums up my Fall 2007 semester.

Victor Johnson, Freshman

My first semester at NH has certainly passed by very quickly. It seems like just yesterday I was moving into room 00 with Randy and Brandon. These guys helped make the transition to college a lot easier. It really helps knowing someone else has gone through the same experience as you. For the second half of the semester I lived in -1 with Andrew, Andy, and Shier. This made for quite a fun time, and one that I certainly enjoy. I hope these experiences continue through my remaining semesters at NH.

Andy Morehouse, Junior

Living in -1 was truly a diversifying experience for me this semester. I enjoyed getting to know the freshmen in the house and hanging out with my pledge brothers was also a fun time. It was also good to have a relaxing office, such as PR, compared to my commissary position last semester. Overall, good times had by all!

David Shier, Sophomore

I had a good but very trying semester. I joined the Marching Illini and was never around. I still tried my best to educate, recreate, and cooperate even though I was never there; I know I will be able to give more to the house this spring.

Room 00

Brandon Bozarth, Senior

This semester has been strange because I am starting to see my age and those close to me are more and more rapidly out of the house. However, I have never seen the house marching to the beat of a single drummer as I have this past semester. I credit this movement to God and His constant Presence in this house. May He be the first advisor in our minds and the image we continue to portray for everyone else.

Randy Lindgren, Senior

This semester, being my second to last, has flown by way too fast. It seems like



only yesterday I was in my pledge semester learning the ways of college life, and now I'm watching the third class to come in under me become the future of NH. I feel this has been one of the best semesters since I've been here and look forward to what the future has to offer.

John Lock, Freshman

I've had a great pledge semester in my two rooms, 4 and 00. I am looking forward to activating into the house next semester. Hopefully, the Barn Dance and Walk-Out are just the beginning of four great years here for me.

Room 2

Brad Nelson, Junior

This fall semester at NH was, as usual, a very fun one. I enjoyed guiding a new group of young men into the ideas and lifestyles of being a Nabor. While my classes were a chore at times, the men and environment that NH provides guided me through them. From working on homework to taking a break with some videogames or movies, this fall semester was once again a great one.

Ben Plumier, Freshman

Moving into the house was a big change for me, as I am not used to living with so many people and so many responsibilities. The most valuable aspect of the house for me this semester has been the many friendships I was able to form with members of the house and the Christian fellowship that those relationships have provided. Living in this house has taught me many spiritual lessons, as well as responsibility and teamwork.

Joe Zimmerman, Sophomore

This semester has been full of excitement and productivity. I've seen very positive changes in the house. Also, it has been great to see the Illini football team surge forward. It's been different watching the pledging process as an active. Classes are going well.

Room 3

Race Higgins, Freshman

The highlight for me this semester was pledge Walk-Out to Avon, IL to two of our pledge brothers' houses, John Lock and Travis Markley. I learned more about my pledge brothers and had a fun time eating great meals and water-tubing on the lake. The weekend went by too fast, but the effort that went into it was worth it.

Rob Johnson, Junior

This has been another great semester at NH. As always, it has seemed to fly by. Being an upper classman and moving into different responsibilities for the house has definitely been enjoyable and challenging. I have been able to spend a lot of my time with my pledge brothers along with getting to know the new guys. We will need to be frugal in the spring, but I am excited to have the pledges activate and have another great semester.

Curt Zurliene, Junior

Having a little bit of a more low-key office this semester gave me the opportunity to get involved more outside of NH. The opportunities have been great, and I find myself constantly using the cooperative and leadership skills I learned at the house to help me get along in the groups I am now involved in. The room is great; it has been great rooming with Rob for another semester, and also getting to know Race and Dave better as roommates. There are plans to revamp 3 even further in the spring semester, and I am definitely looking forward to that. I can't believe I only have three semesters left.

Room 4

Devin Bergman, Freshman

A word summing up my first semester at NH would undoubtedly be "busy". The past four months have been the busiest of my life. Though I often feel overwhelmed, I've loved every second of both living at NH and being involved in everything. I've made a ton of new friends since moving to C-U. So far, the college life has been a positive experience.

Tyler Helgen, Sophomore

This semester has been interesting! Living in room 4 has been a great experience and there is never a dull moment. This semester has lived up to my expectations and it just keeps getting better.

Wes Hornback, Junior

This semester went really well. I think as a house we made some good steps toward a better place to live. It was a great time and I can't wait till next semester.

Ben Wendling, Sophomore

This semester has really been a lot of fun living in room 4 with Tyler and Wes. Also I have most of my classes with other Nabors and it has made things much easier and more fun.

Room 5**Lee Brokaw, Senior**

The fall semester has been yet another great one at NH and at the U of I. Illini football is showing its presence in the Big Ten again, and breaking into the national scene which has brought much excitement. Oskee-wow-wow! The semester has flown by quickly and it has been great getting to know the new pledges and see them grow throughout the semester. As I go into my final semester at the U of I, I am reminded of the great opportunity it has been to live at NH and attend this great university. I am very grateful for the brotherhood I have shared with many great friends and for the countless opportunities on campus.

Brian Craine, Sophomore

It was a good feeling to make it through the pledging successfully. Getting one year of college finished up was also a great accomplishment. This was a good semester and year but it seems that time is flying by. I realize I need to take advantage of all my time at NH and the U of I.

Lucas Martin, Senior

It hardly seems possible that I'm down to just one more semester in the house. Making a point to enjoy every moment that we have here makes me appreciate how blessed I've been to spend these past four years with my best friends at Nabor House. It's been awesome watching our pledge class make a difference and seeing the younger guys step up.

Room 6**Chris Francis, Freshman**

My first semester at NH has been an experience that has challenged me to grow as a person, grow in faith, and have fun with a great group of guys. When I decided to live here last spring, I had no idea just how right of a decision it would

prove to be. It was great to get to know Devin, Perkins, and Mike B. in room 8 for the first 8 weeks. Then I moved here to 6 with Tolley, Vonk, and Jay and it has been a blast too. There is never a lack of something to do at the house and there is always someone to hang out with in my free time. I am really looking forward to the next 7 semesters here.

Jay Kelley, Senior

My final semester at NH went by quickly. I had fun living with a new group of guys in room 6, and enjoyed both of the pledges we had in the room. It's been fun to watch the pledge class grow together as a group, knowing that the next leaders of NH will come from them. I've had a great run at the house, and will miss living with the guys in the spring.

Joe Tolley, Sophomore

Living with Vonk and Jay in room 6 has been a real treat. It has been great not having the duties associated with being a freshman. In terms of classes, this has been my favorite semester because I am beginning to get into some of the classes that are interesting and seem useful (ex. ACE 161 and CPSC 112).

Josh Vonk, Junior

This semester was a good one; I was back living on the second floor amidst the majority of the commotion at the house. My semester has gone relatively smooth; I officially changed my major to Agricultural Engineering at the end of last semester. I am also looking forward to the upcoming spring.

Room 7**John Carson, Sophomore**

This semester was interesting. It was different to be on the other side of the pledging process this year. I thought this semester went really well and was a lot of fun. It would have been even more fun if most of my classes didn't stink.

Dave Murphy, Freshman

What a year for Illini Football! I began my first with Curt and Rob in room 3, and finished with Grant and John C. in room 7. I enjoyed both rooms. Classes, house duties, and study hours kept me very busy. I really enjoyed NH flag football, as well as many pickup games with the guys. Looking forward to a great spring. 1 semester down, 7 to go!

Room 8**Casey Campbell, Freshman**

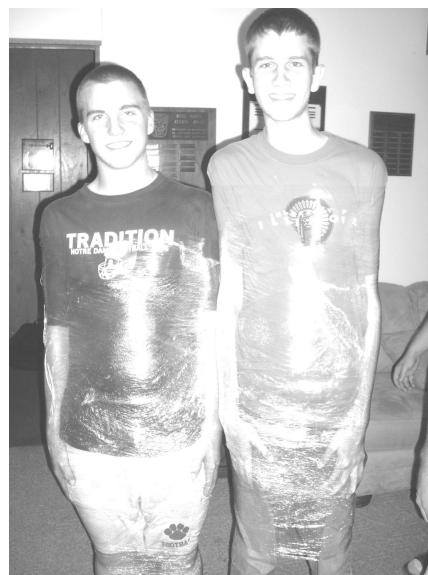
Aside from the whole going to classes and doing homework, the college life is pretty sweet. The guys at the house get along really well and are fun to be around. The benefits of living in a fraternity are pretty numerous. Being a Nabor has really helped me in my first year at the University of Illinois.

Travis Markley, Freshman

For the first semester I lived in room 2 with Joe Z. and Brad. I then switched to room 8 with Mike B., Perkins, and Casey. Both rooms were unique and let me experience the house in different ways. The home atmosphere and the people make NH a place unlike any other. It is a great place to live and I couldn't imagine being anywhere else.

Mike Perkins, Senior

This semester has been far and away my busiest yet at the University. Not exactly the way you want to spend your last semester but I've still managed to have a lot of fun and hopefully all the work will serve to better prepare me for the work ahead. This January I will begin an internship in Chicago at the World Trade Center Illinois and am excited to see what that experience will bring. As I get set to graduate in a few weeks, I can't help but reflect on the progress the House has made since I arrived as a pledge. I am very pleased with the direction the House is heading and look forward to seeing that progress continue.



Can You Hear Me Now!

The 2007 Nabor Commitment Phone-a-thon continued its streak! For the fourth consecutive year, the total amount pledged by NH alumni and actives reached a record amount.

Pledges were made by 198 alumni and actives totaling a record \$18,370. A quick look at the totals from past phone-a-thons:



If you see this license plate, say "Hi" to **Kevin Knapp '05**.

Save The Date!

The 2008 Annual Meeting Is June 28

WHO: All Nabor alumni and actives.

WHAT: 2008 Nabor House Annual Meeting and NH Educational Foundation Golf Outing

WHEN: Saturday, June 28th at 9am

WHERE: ACES Library and the U of I Orange & Blue Golf Course

WHY: Don't miss catching up with old friends, hearing the latest Nabor House news, and supporting scholarships for Nabors at the golf outing. Members of the **NH Pledge Class of 1958, 1983, and 1997** will want to make special plans to attend, as you'll be featured for your 50th, 25th, and 10th respective anniversaries. Watch your mail for registration information in May.

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