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UNDERGRADUATE UPDATE

SAE Is Keeping Busy with Philanthropy Events and Academic Achievements

The Chapter's "Preppy Games" Is Becoming an Important Event on Campus

The active chapter has had a busy year, starting off with a charity Halloween event, co-hosted with Kappa Alpha Theta sorority, at the chapter house for a West Philadelphia elementary school. Each brother donated at least four hours to the project.

Our main philanthropy event for the year was the Preppy Games on April 6, which we co-hosted with Alpha Chi Omega sorority. It began as the brainchild of then-philanthropy chair **Kyle Hutchison '14** and materialized into a great event on College Green in which students donated to teams for various events. The event was sponsored by the clothing company Jack Wills. We hope to make the SAE Preppy Games into a seminal philanthropy event that will become one of the most popular Greek philanthropy events held at Penn.

During spring break, our actives took advantage of the opportunity to visit alumni across the country, including New York, Washington D.C., and California. Having our newest members meet some of our recent alumni, including past pledge masters, helped bring in the idea that the SAE experience does not end after college and allowed some of our recent alums to interact with the new pledge class.

Academically, we are on good footing. The chapter GPA is 3.438, higher than the total undergrad average, the InterFraternity Council Average, and the all-male average. The chapter's collective GPA has risen from 20th to 10th out of thirty fraternities in the past year.



We are also pleased to announce that the chapter has been nominated for three awards from Penn this year: the Alumni Relations award, the Joseph C. Mancini Service and Philanthropy Award, and the University Relations Award. Two brothers, **Steve Carroll '13** and **Sam Ruddy '15**, competed at the Ivy League Championships for swimming recently and other brothers have received important internships and job opportunities, including summer internships at Facebook, Google, Microsoft, and Macy's. Also, this past summer we were represented at the 77th John O. Moseley Leadership School, SAE's yearly leadership school held on a Royal Caribbean Cruise.

RUSH RESULTS

SAE Welcomed the Largest Group of New Members on Campus

28-Man Group is the Largest Pledge Class in Years, Making Us the Biggest Fraternity on Campus

SAE had another successful recruitment season with more than 400 rushes coming through the door. One particularly memorable event was attending a 76ers game with tickets being provided by **Josh Harris '86**. **Steve Saltzman '85**, head of our alumni organization, was also in attendance. We also hosted a date party downtown for brothers and rushes, as well as our annual final dinner, which past Eminent Archon **Henry Litman '12** attended. Going back to the fall, we were able to show off our house via an open-registered beach party, in which we filled our courtyard with roughly seven tons of sand. By getting SAE's name out there in such a fashion early on, we were able to meet many of our future new members early on in the school year. Included in the new class is legacy Luke Ignaczak, son of **Tony Ignaczak '86**.

At the end of recruitment, we welcomed 28 new members. This is our largest pledge class in years and also the largest pledge class on campus, with the highest bid return rate. It cements SAE as the largest fraternity on

campus. Overall, it is an excellent pledge class, with new members heavily involved in various aspects of campus life (JV basketball, rugby, club soccer, Mask and Whig, individual entrepreneurship, etc). They come from all across the country, including a couple

of international kids.

We hope to continue our recruitment success in the spring. Most important is our desire to balance a large pledge class while also ensuring that the quality of the new members we bring in does not get diluted.

New Members

Alex Hasslinger, Pawtucket, R.I.
Arthur Rempel, Sao Paulo, Brazil
Blake Tonn, Phoenix, Ariz.
Brian Graziano, Los Angeles, Calif.
Chris Gajewski, Cleveland, Ohio
Chris Sener, Takoma Park, Md.
Collin McKinney, Greenwich, Conn.
Dan Eder, Cape Cod, Mass.
Daniel Miller, Washington, D.C.
Dimitri Antoniou, Milton, Maine
Glen Richardson, Naperville, Ill.
Jack Danon, Miami, Fla.
Jeremy Cohen, Los Angeles, Calif.
Joel Reubenstein, Bedford, Maine
John Hoffman, Atlanta, Ga.

Joshua Richardson, East Lansing, Mich.
Luke Ignaczak, Charlottesville, Va.
Luke Peebles, Prescott, Ariz.
Matthew Dunn, Brattleboro, Vt.
Paul Marvucic, Bayonne, N.J.
Peter Jeffrey, Sonoma, Calif.
Quinn Kliman, Vancouver (Victoria), British Columbia, Canada
Rohan Waghani, Seattle, Wash.
Scott Rozen-Levy, Somerville, Maine
Steve Rybicki, Randolph, N.J.
Terrell Skipper, Philadelphia, Pa.
Tighe Costa, Manhattan, N.Y.
Tim Mason, Cranford, N.J.

ALUMNI UPDATES

'40s

Stan Mayers '49

(648 Wiltshire Drive State College, PA 16803-1450; spm1@psu.edu) I am currently co-chair of Penn State's College of Health and Human Development Faculty-Staff Fund Raising Committee for Increasing Student Support. I have also been appointed vice chair of the Centre County Hospital Commission.

'60s

Santa Claus '69

(PO Box 5592 Incline Village, NV 89450-5592; santaclaus@usa.net) I legally changed my name to Santa Claus in 2005 and serve as a child advocate and peace activist. I'm also a bishop and monk, as St. Nicholas was many centuries ago. My name, Santa Claus, is derived from a mispronunciation of the Dutch expression for St. Nicholas, Sinterklaas. I ran for president of the United States in 2008 and 2012 to discuss a variety

of children's issues at the national level and received an international peace prize for my belief that peace must begin within the heart of each and every child.

'70s

Christopher H. Raborg '73

(734 Meridian Ave. Apt. 1-A Miami Beach, FL 33139; raborg.ch@gmail.com) I received my degree from the Wharton School and started my 35-year career as an information systems analyst. I progressed to Fortune 100 CFO and CEO positions across several industries and countries.

I developed a project, which was awarded the ComputerWorld Smithsonian Awards in 1993 and became part of the permanent collection of the Smithsonian Museum. The award honors individuals and organizations whose imaginative use of information technology provides remarkable and significant contributions to society.

I am listed in Who's Who Worldwide and the Small Business Association Hall of

Fame for my work as CFO of Ruiz Foods, a California corporation.

I am also fluent in Portuguese and Spanish. My family and I reside in the U.S. and Brazil, where I grew up. I am a member of Sons of the American Revolution. In Brazil, I have been a member of the Sociedade Hipica Paulista since my childhood. I practice martial arts and equestrian sports.

'80s

Ken V. Athaide '84

(215 Danbury Ln. NW Atlanta, GA 30327-3406; ken.athaide@comcast.net) Cathi and I are now empty-nesters. Marie is a freshman at Georgia Tech in the Scheller College of Business and a sister at Alpha Delta Pi. She loves it down there and we enjoy having her close by. Katie graduates in May from the University of Virginia, where she is in the McIntire School of Commerce majoring in finance and a sister in Alpha Phi. We spent

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ANNUAL FUND UPDATE

Your Ongoing Support Provides Important Opportunities to Stay Connected

Thank you to the 55 alumni brothers who have already contributed to the 2012-2013 annual fund. Our total donations this year have totaled more than \$8,110. Please remember how important your support is,

no matter what your giving level is. The annual fund supports ongoing opportunities to reconnect at events, make needed improvements to the house, and provide communications like publication of

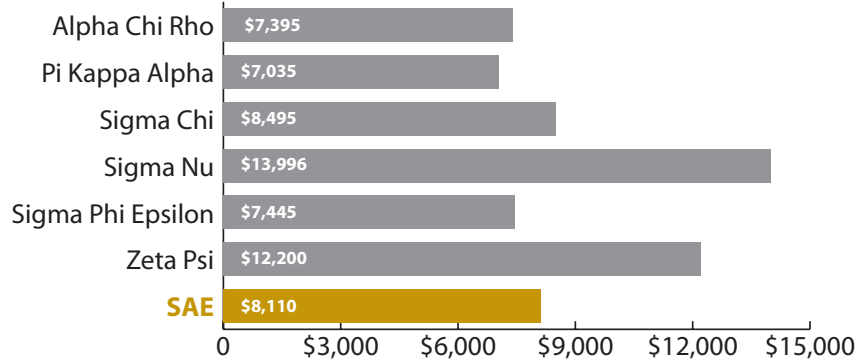
The Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Make your gift today by visiting www.saepath.org, calling 800-975-6699, or mailing a check payable to "SAE of Penn" to the return address on this newsletter.

Capital Campaign

The Penn Theta Capital Campaign has received pledges in excess of \$175,000 and is on target to reach its goal of \$500,000. Numerous brothers have made big and small donations and initial House renovations have already begun, starting with the butler pantry. To find out more about this exciting initiative and/or make a donation, please contact Brother Hero **Steve Saltzman '85** at srsaltzman@comcast.net.

Penn Fraternity Alumni Fundraising



Current 2012-13 annual giving results for Penn alumni associations. Data compiled by our alumni relations firm, Affinity Connection. Your annual donation is critical to our position on campus to keep our house and active chapter competitive with other fraternities!

2013 HONOR ROLL OF DONORS

The following brothers have donated to the SAE annual fund for 2012-2013. Thank you for your support.

Penn Theta Legacy Society (\$500 - \$999)

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| R. Drew Kistler | 1954 |
| William C. Winder | 1956 |
| James J. Waters | 1986 |
| Paul McCaffery | 1996 |

3908 Spruce Street Society (\$390.80)

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|--------------------|------|
| Jack D. Neal, Jr. | 1962 |
| Kenneth V. Athaide | 1984 |

Phi Alpha Club (\$250 - \$390.79)

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|---------------------|------|
| Byron E. Tobin, Jr. | 1960 |
| John Vander Wiele | 1963 |
| Steven R. Sloan | 1977 |
| William J. Lohr | 1985 |

Royal Purple & Old Gold Society (\$150 - \$249.99)

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| Richard C. Pisano | 1956 |
| Robert E. Lamb | 1958 |
| Lloyd B. Swaim Jr. | 1958 |
| Ronald M. Bond | 1959 |

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| Michael D. Kelly | 1959 |
| James L. Tito | 1959 |
| James C. Warner | 1959 |
| Jan A. van Amerongen | 1960 |
| Richard D. Sawyer | 1961 |
| John J. Vosmek, Jr. | 1961 |
| William P. Whitaker | 1961 |
| B. Franklin Reinauer III | 1965 |
| Andrew J. White | 1965 |
| Paul Reed Maurer III | 1990 |

Minerva's Circle (\$100 - \$149.99)

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| William D. Bain, Jr. | 1947 |
| Stanley P. Mayers, Jr. | 1949 |
| John D. Meier | 1959 |
| Charles H. Bolton III | 1961 |
| Cavett Robert, Jr. | 1962 |
| Dudley H. Moeckel | 1965 |
| Kevin J. O'Malley | 1982 |
| Daniel B. Schlager | 1986 |
| Eric H. Berger | 1987 |
| Jeffrey M. Karp | 1988 |
| David Kaplan | 1992 |

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|-----------------|------|
| Randall Kessler | 2003 |
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Penn Theta Supporter (\$50 - \$99.99)

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| Emery W. "Heeler Wheeler" | |
| Wheeler | 1944 |
| Paul D. Griesmer, MD | 1946 |
| David E. Jones | 1946 |
| George C. Balbach | 1953 |
| George William Cole | 1954 |
| James B. Johnson, Jr. | 1959 |
| Jere Blackwelder | 1963 |
| Leslie G. Callahan III | 1972 |
| Andrew J. Donnally | 1981 |
| Patrick E. Belardi | 1982 |
| William E. Dingus | 1984 |
| Christopher N. Pericles | 1984 |

Other

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|------------------------|------|
| Walter H. Gebhart, Jr. | 1949 |
| Charles J. Tornetta | 1953 |
| Leonard E. Anderson | 1954 |
| Steven F. Morris | 1986 |

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the fall traveling to football games and other events around the south, including the UVA vs. Maryland game in Charlottesville. While there, we had a chance to see **Tony Ignaczak '86** and his wife. I hadn't seen him in 20-plus years, but he still looks the same. If you're ever in Atlanta, give me a call and I'll buy you a beverage!

'90s

Christopher D. Roman '91

(3726 Planters Creek Circle West Jacksonville, FL 32224-7660; chrisroman@comcast.net)

I have been fortunate to be getting back in touch with folks bit by bit outside of my busy life schedule as a radiologist and father of two girls, Carson age 11 and Maddox age 7.

In 2004, I decided to get my "running health" back by training for and running a marathon while in Nashville at Vanderbilt. I eventually qualified for Boston and then hit the ultramarathon scene. I have since run some of the most difficult 100 mile races in the country and am a two time finisher of what most believe to be the most difficult footrace on the planet, the Badwater 135. My guess is I may be the only Penn grad to have done so.

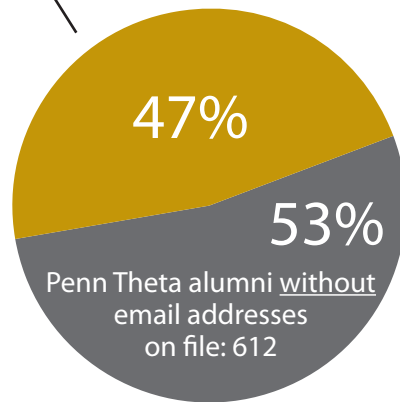
In 2010, I ran the length of the Erie Canal (344m in 6 days) and am the only one to have done that. Along with two others, I also successfully ran Brazil's Caminho da Fe (Path of Faith) in 2011 (344m in 7 days, 14 hours), the only trio to have ever done so. We also competed in the Brazil 135 along the way. I run to support several non- profits, CAF and Impossible2Possible, and have been doing some inspirational speaking including our local Penn Club. My message is to teach folks to redefine and explore their possibilities as I believe we are capable of anything we allow ourselves to believe as possible.

ON THE WEB

Searching for Nearly 600 Alumni

We need your help! There are currently more than 600 Penn Theta brothers on our lost email list, meaning we don't have valid email addresses on file for them to receive our eLetters and other electronic communications. Please help us to reach more alumni brothers more frequently and cost effectively by reviewing our lost email list at www.saepath.org. If you recognize any of the names on the list (or see your own name!), simply click them to send an email to our alumni relations firm with updated contact information. Our email database is used solely for chapter communications. Thank you for your help!

Penn Theta alumni with email addresses on file: 547



ALUMNI WEEKEND

May 10-11

Mark your calendar for Alumni Day on Saturday, May 11, 2013! The Class of 1963 will be joining the Old Guard. **Steve Saltzman '85** is in the process of obtaining a rare (and expensive!) bottle of vintage 1963 Macallan. On Alumni Day 2013 he will share a taste with every brother who has participated in the Capital Campaign.

There will also be open houses at the Chapter House for brothers on Friday, May 10, at 8:00pm, and brothers and guests on Saturday, May 11, at 3:30pm. Contact Aaron Campbell at aaronj.campbell4@gmail.com for more information.

- SAE is the Largest Fraternity on Campus!
- House Renovations Begin Thanks to Strong Capital Campaign Start!
- Make Plans for the Upcoming Alumni Weekend!

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