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UPCOMING EVENTS

Blue-White Weekend
April 19-21

Homecoming
October 12
vs. Michigan

2013 Nittany Lion Football

Aug. 31	Syracuse (at MetLife Stadium, East Rutherford, NJ)
Sept. 7	Eastern Michigan
Sept. 14	UCF
Sept. 21	Kent State
Oct. 5	at Indiana
Oct. 12	Michigan (Homecoming)
Oct. 26	at Ohio State
Nov. 2	Illinois
Nov. 9	at Minnesota
Nov. 16	Purdue
Nov. 23	Nebraska
Nov. 30	at Wisconsin
Dec. 7	Big Ten Championship

Home games in bold.

ON THE WEB

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Throughout the Year!**

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CHAPTER NEWS

Pi Kapp Earns Top Spot for Short Performance in 2012 Greek Sing

Congratulations to our active chapter for achieving the Top Short Performance in the 2012 Greek Sing. Pi Kapp partnered with Kappa Delta and Theta Delta Chi for their rendition of Green Day's "American Idiot."

The annual Greek Sing raises money for the Gayle Beyers Scholarship Fund. Scholarships

are then awarded to five individuals for their participation in Greek life.

"For me I just think [Greek Sing] is one of the most incredible things Greeks do at Penn State," said Roy Baker, director of Fraternity and Sorority Life and a fellow Pi Kapp. "It is fun, hard work and for a philanthropy."



Photo courtesy Onward State

DANCE MARATHON

Raising Money For the Kids While Making Memories to Last a Lifetime

In honor of THON this month, we asked alumni brothers to share their best memories of this annual event.

Thanks to the following brothers for responding:

Pat Fennell: I remember Kirk Pope sneaking out while dancing to order DP Dough...how did he even get a cell phone?

Kirk Pope '04: I never made a call or got DP Dough. As my pledge brother, you should be able to tell the story verbatim. By the way, it was 6 a.m. when I broke out of Rec Hall looking for the elusive Buffer Zone.

Go to www.alphamupikap.org to share your own THON memories and to see how Alpha Mu fared at this year's THON.



Pi Kapp dancers and brothers at THON 2012.

ALUMNI UPDATES

Glenn E. Busch '57

(3024 Cardinal Pl. Lynchburg, VA 24503-3302; glenn.busch@gmail.com) I have arrived in "Geezerville," but I did accomplish a few things along the way. I picked up a couple more academic degrees, became an ordained Episcopal priest, published a few books, held political office, taught at a university and married the lovely Kathleen Cooney in 1970. We have two children and two grandchildren. In 2008, I retired as Rector Emeritus of St. Mary's Episcopal Church in High Point, NC. We currently live in Lynchburg, Va., where Kathy paints. We both do civic work and travel, and I indulge my four-decades-old passion for fly fishing, which I have done throughout the US as well as Europe and Central America. It's been a great life. My best wishes to all the brothers, young and old.

Dick F. McKnight '57

(320 Old Oaks Rd., Fairfield, CT 6825; mcknightgroup@mail.com) I have continued to stay active working. After selling my staffing firm, I decided to continue executive search consulting on a limited basis, which has turned into a 13-year career specializing on search in commercial banking. I remain active in Rotary International, maintain a Board of Directors role with the Connecticut Chapter of March of Dimes and teach high school students through Junior Achievement.

On a non-business basis, I run and work out daily, ski and play golf as weather permits. I recently celebrated my 36th anniversary with my wife Judi. I was also asked to help colonize a new chapter of Pi Kappa Phi at Quinnipiac College in Hamden, Conn., but realized the time commitment was greater than I could commit.

Chris R. Garton '64

(80 Davids Way, Warrington, PA 18976-1006; cgarton@verizon.net) I am currently wintering at my condo in Arizona. I enjoy playing golf 4-5 times a week, hiking, seeing shows at the many theaters in the area, eating great Mexican food and basically living the good life!

Bruce A. Kapner '76

(31 Park St. # 2 Freeport, ME 4032; brucekapner@yahoo.com) I am currently enjoying the joys of retirement by skiing and biking as much as I can!

Gary J. Stypula '76

(487 Clover Lane Boulder, Co 80303-3107; gary_stypula@ml.com) I was fortunate to attend the Homecoming game against Northwestern this past October and reconnect with a bunch of brothers from the '70s including **Brian Lehman, Skip Mohler, John Tallone, Skip Parks, Harry Barfoot**

and many others. In fact, Harry Barfoot and I walked back to the house through campus after the game and it reminded me of old times. We got a great chance to catch up and it made me realize just how much fun we all had living together at Pi Kapp. I hadn't seen many of the brothers in over 30 years, and everyone was so welcoming that it was a testament of how close we all were. Living in the house is truly one of the great memories of my life!

Carl V. Philip '88

(8 Lorenz Dr., Valhalla, NY 10595-1224; phil.carl@aetn.com) My big update is that Chewy and family welcomed our third son to the family in October 2012. I am grooming my permanent foursome to take on the Blue Course and look forward to showing the boys what Penn State and Pi Kappa Phi pride means during trips to many future home football games!

Steven Hansberry '11

(shansberry@kge.com) I graduated in December 2011 and moved to Annapolis, Md., where I got a job as a sales rep with Kelly Generator and Equipment, Inc. We design, sell, install and maintain emergency standby power generation systems for commercial, industrial and residential applications. We are based out of Owings, Md., and also have branches in Pittsburgh and West Virginia.

HONOR ROLL OF DONORS

Thank you to the following alumni for their gifts to the annual fund so far this year...

Alexander Lewis Parry Jr.	1948	Vincent Maggio	1959	John M. Rodgers	1971	Floyd J. Carl	1985
Edwin R. Yeager	1948	Charles E. Skopic	1959	Michael B. Trull	1971	Bryant P. McGuire	1986
George O. Herold	1950	Hal Miller	1961	Thomas R. James	1972	Keith W. Bornmann	1987
H. Donald White	1950	John H. Williamson	1961	Guy A. Kanak	1973	Christopher M. Campion	1987
Robert W. Boyd	1951	William H. Deihm Jr.	1962	Todd F. Kelly	1973	Timothy S. Clark	1987
Ralph W. Moyer	1951	Lester S. Fry Jr.	1962	Kenneth T. Rye	1973	Michael J. Wells	1987
Harold C. O'Connor Jr.	1952	Richard G. Vuono	1962	Lee R. Stone	1974	Timothy A. Matson	1989
Richard F. Seidel	1952	Earl B. Hoffman Jr.	1963	John M. Talone	1974	Eric G. Soller	1989
John Muench Jr.	1953	S. Gill Krepps V	1963	Robert J. Trotter	1975	Daniel G. Dwyer	1990
Theodore O. Struk	1954	William S. Simpson	1963	David A. Vensko	1976	John Volarich	1990
Robert B. Berger	1955	Thomas Edward Keen	1964	Thomas Sherry	1978	Tom Keady	1992
Robert D. Buchwald	1955	Thomas A. Burns	1966	Daniel M. Beley	1979	Jason A. Borrelli	1994
William F. Exley	1955	Douglas R. Forbes	1967	Frederick R. Kisner	1979	Edward C. Hassiepen III	1994
Richard C. Heim	1955	Jon D. Benedetti	1968	William C. Lane	1979	Matthew A. Curtin	1998
Martin R. Hornung	1955	John C. Turcek	1968	Steven D. Earhart	1981	Russell Talone	2002
James H. Baldwin Jr.	1956	Gary D. Bello	1969	Scott A. Horner	1982		
Donald L. Woodrow	1957	Stephen C. Botta	1969	Bruce R. Foster	1983	<i>Reflects gifts received as of February 11, 2013.</i>	
Herbert F. Heffner	1958	Edward Korecky	1969	Paul K. Rudoy	1983		
David B. Ferraro	1959	Donald S. Mizell	1970	Richard A. Sandala	1984		
Richard J. Kleinert	1959	Al Joseph Olah	1970	Ricky L. Speicher	1984		

ALUMNI Q&A

Richard Gibson '54 Weighs In on Finding a Marriage that Lasts, Being Coddled, and How He Left His Mark on the Pi Kapp House

Thank you to **Richard Gibson '54** for participating in this Q&A.

What is something the current actives may not know about the house from when you were in school?

In some of the early photos, generally of house parties and such, taken in the living room, there is a Pi Kapp shield over the fireplace. I painted that when I was an architecture student in my sophomore year. That would have been 1952-53.

Also, in similar photos about the same time, in the library, there is a painting of the Pi Kapp house over the mantle. This was done by my mother, Imogene Gibson, again in the 1952-53 time period. I was Archon from 1953-54.

Did you meet your spouse or significant other thanks to your Pi Kapp membership? Tell us the story.

Yes. I met Barbara Scholes (Delta Gamma) while in the House and we dated and were pinned while I was still a sophomore. They said it wouldn't last. We've been married for 57 years but the jury is still out.

What is your favorite Pi Kapp tradition? Why?

I don't know if this is a tradition, but it sure got the attention of some of the students I talked with today. When I was in the house (50 members), our housemaid Ellie made EVERY bed EVERY day and changed linen once a week. Talk about being coddled.

What do you miss most about living in State College?

Mostly the memories. Things were so much simpler and we were so naïve. Great times.

What are your recent successes since graduation?

I had a good career as an engineer and manager with General Motors. Retired in my late '50s, have good health and a great wife. Some bumps in the road, of course, but generally a good life. I credit Pi Kapp with giving me social skills and helping develop interpersonal communications. Otherwise the brothers were great drinking buddies.

Do you have question or feedback for Richard? Brothers can reach him directly at rkirkgib@sbcglobal.net.

ANNUAL FUND UPDATE

There's Strength in Numbers

Your Help Needed to Raise Donor Participation!

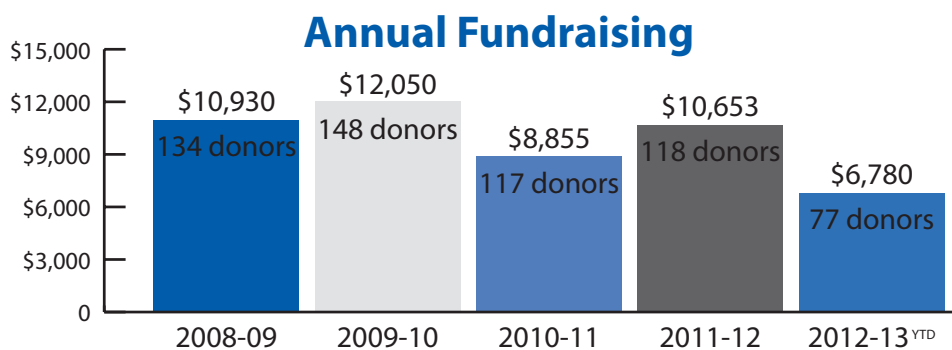
They say there's strength in numbers. And we'd like to thank the alumni brothers who have enabled us to perpetuate our legacy at Penn State – both at the active and alumni levels. It is because of brothers like you that we have been able to:

- Partner with a property management firm to assist us with managing our facility and finances, and to build a better culture.
- Appoint a chapter advisor to focus solely on strengthening our active chapter—not just on campus and with our national office, but the relationship with our alumni as well.
- Make an impact at the chapter level and in

house operations by freeing up the board to act like a board.

As you can see from this chart, our donor participation rate has been on the decline the past few years. As we work hard to implement these new initiatives for our chapter, we need your participation now more than ever to ensure our legacy lives on at Penn State for generations to come.

You can make your gift online at www.alphamupikap.org, by returning the form you recently received in the mail, or by calling 800-975-6699. Thank you for your continued support!



PSU Alumni Fundraising, By the Numbers

Final 2011-12 annual giving results for Penn State fraternity 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!

SAE - \$14,163
Phi Sig - \$11,715
Phi Tau - \$31,464
Sigma Pi - \$13,185
Theta Delta Chi - \$25,683
Sigma Chi - \$19,632
Pi Kappa Phi - \$10,653

ON THE WEB

Email Crisis! We're Missing Email Addresses for Nearly a Third of Our Brothers

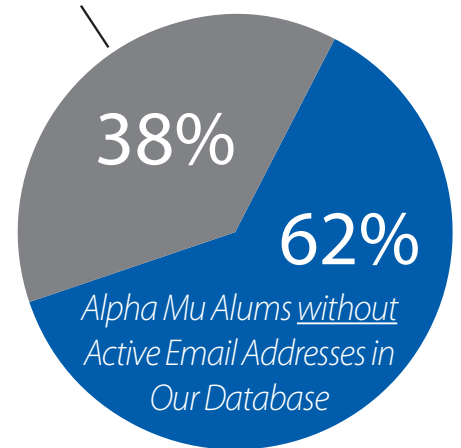
You may be missing out on important Pi Kapp communications! Each month, Alpha Mu sends an eLetter with the latest chapter news, information and event details to all alumni on our distribution list. Ensure you're receiving your copy of these emails by verifying your email address today!

We currently have active email addresses for just 38% of our living alumni. If your email address is one of the 62% we're missing, please update it online at www.alphamupikap.org or by emailing our alumni relations office with your full name, grad year and "Pi Kapp PSU" to feedback@affinityconnection.com.

The more email addresses we have, the more money we can save on paper and postage to keep you in the loop throughout the year. Thanks for helping us to stay connected with you more frequently and cost effectively!

Total living alumni: 1,110

Alpha Mu Alums with Active Email Addresses in Our Database

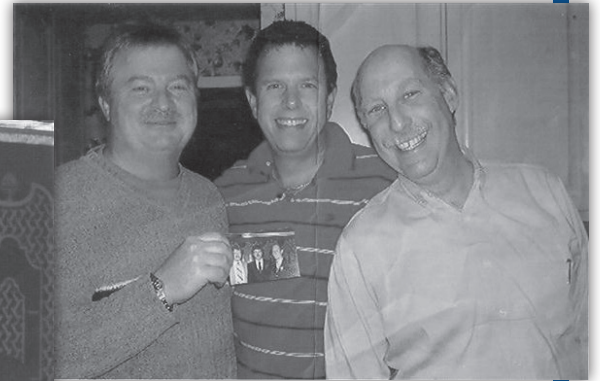


OLD PHOTO ALBUM

THEN AND NOW

My how times have changed. Thank you to **Michael Brezina '76** for sharing these then & now photos of Breeze, Derf and Hersh in the online albums of our web site.

One thing that hasn't changed is the strength in our bonds of brotherhood. Share your own best fraternity photos from days of yore, or from a more recent reunion, at www.alphamupikap.org.



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