

UPCOMING EVENTS

Blue-White Weekend
April 11-13, 2014

Homecoming 2014
September 27

Alpha Musings

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SENIOR PROFILE

As our graduating seniors make plans for the next chapter of their lives, we will be



featuring them in our communications. This month, we feature David Auciello. David, a Downingtown, Pa., major in industrial engineering is looking ahead to a position as a field industrial engineer for Lowe's. David can be reached at dave.auciello@gmail.com.

ALUMNI REPORT

Alpha Mu Welcomes National to Blue-White Pi Kappa Phi COO to Celebrate Alpha Mu Achievements

By Steve DiOrio '78, President, Pi Kappa Phi Alumni Corporation

Blue-White Weekend ... aren't you the least bit curious to see Coach Franklin in his PSU coaching debut?

Our work with the Alpha Management Group has paid off, and the national office wants to acknowledge our achievements. Here are just a few updates on our chapter's recent performance:

- Top-10 finish at THON 2014 among 46 fraternities at PSU.
- 96 active brothers including associate members and those studying abroad and in co-ops — we anticipate surpassing 100 members this fall!
- Chapter placed second within its division for IM basketball this spring after a tough overtime loss in the championship game.
- Pi Kapp house ranked #10 in the Big Ten by Total Frat Move (based on architecture, history and natural aesthetics).

We are excited that Christian Wiggins, Pi Kappa Phi's chief operating officer, will be join-

Blue-White Weekend

Saturday, April 12

1:30 p.m.: Blue-White Game Kickoff

Following Game Into Evening:

meal catered by house chef, professional bar, yard games and a chance to meet Christian Wiggins from our national office

ing us for Saturday's events. Following the game (approx. 4:30 p.m.), we will all meet at the house (under the tent) for a delicious meal prepared by our house chef, Susan Runkle, as well as a professional bar, yard games and a chance to reconnect. Please make plans to be part of the weekend's events. We appreciate your RVSP so we can plan ahead. **E-mail your RSVP to mgibson@pikapp.org with your name and the number of guests attending (but all guests will be welcome, even without an RSVP!)**

ALUMNI PROFILE

Alum Draws on Pi Kapp Experience to Write Book Bob Healy '67 Authors Textbook on Corporate Political Behavior

How does a 35-year veteran in government relations and public policy close out his career? He writes a textbook. That is exactly what Dr. **Robert "Bob" Healy '67** has been doing for the past year in preparation for a June 2014 publication by Routledge Taylor/Francis. The topic of his textbook? Why corporations do what they do in politics.

For 25 years, Healy was an officer and vice president of federal and international govern-

ment relations for ARCO. He has also previously served as chairman of the Democratic National Committee's National Finance Council and was co-director of podium, script and speeches for the DNC's conventions. More recently, Healy has taught on corporations and politics



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THON 2014 UPDATE

Alpha Mu Brings in \$193,416 FOR THE KIDS Chapter and Alpha Chi Omega Place Sixth Among Greek Fundraisers

It is a scene like none other. For those of you who have been part of THONs past, you know.

Where else can you go to experience the energy of a truly altruistic group of college students — complete with water



Alpha Chi Omega dancers joins Pi Kapp on the floor of the Bryce Jordan Center.

pistols, balloons, games, plungers, hula hoops, crazy socks, line dances, pep rallies, inspirational speeches from some of Penn State's most notable personalities, incredibly choreographed performances and 46 hours of no sleep?

And it is all ... FOR THE KIDS ... to continue Penn State's 37-year tradition of saving children from the grip of pediatric cancer.

Thanks to our chapter's yearlong canning and fundraising efforts with Alpha Chi Omega, we contributed \$193,416.86 toward

Penn State's \$13,343,517.33 total that will be given to the Four Diamonds Fund at Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital.

On Saturday afternoon, Jay Paterno — former assistant football coach and son of Joe Paterno — paid a visit to the THON dancers. He summarized the impact of pediatric cancer in a very powerful way. "A couple of weeks ago, I was in Hershey and toured the children's hospital. The woman who runs the Four Diamonds Fund was asked what the survival rate was. She said, 'We save four out of every five children here.' I couldn't bear to be without one of my five kids. Think about that. That is why you are here ... because we are going to make it five out of every five ... Every year you do this, we are knocking at the door a little more and a little more. In the very near future, Penn State students are going to kick in that damn door."

As the crowd erupted in screams and applause, parents could be seen holding tightly to those THON children who have embraced the hearts of our Greek community at Penn State. It is the power of hope ... hope for one more day, week, month or year ... that our chapter is helping to give to families across the state. We are fortunate to be part of such a life-giving

effort at Penn State that does, in fact, redefine the possibilities.

Also speaking to the dancers was Penn State's newly appointed football coach, James Franklin. "Everybody thinks that what makes us special is the football stadium or the basketball arena. That has nothing to do with what makes us special. What makes us special is the people ... the people that understand we are part of something greater than just ourselves. We can make a difference in people's lives."



Pi Kapp brothers (l-r) Mike Duffner, Joe Forcina, Matt Maser, Dave Auciello and Jordan Klemko support their dancers at THON 2014.

So, thank you to our dancers, brothers who stood by the dancers, captains, parents who attended, alumni who stopped by and to the entire THON organization for its incredible support. This is why ... WE ARE.

ALUMNI UPDATES

'50s

Richard F. "Dick" McKnight '57



Running in the morning and spending time with nonprofit activities.

(320 Old Oaks Rd., Fairfield, CT 06825; mcknightgroup@mail.com) Still involved in executive recruiting in the banking industry.

'70s

Bruce A. Berwager '79

(335 N. Sierra Vista Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93108-1745; baberwager@cox.net) Still living the dream in Southern California. I

am a managing partner for B&H Energy Partners, LLC, which specializes in oil



and gas exploration/development projects. Unfortunately, due to the tax and regulation overkill in the Golden State, I am working in Houston where I commute every couple of weeks. If any brothers are in the Houston area, please let me know where I can get a free beer! My daughter is a junior at Arizona State University.

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'80s

Steven D. Earhart '81



Dame and is currently looking at colleges. My financial planning business, Devon Financial Partners, LLC, is approaching its fifth anniversary and has grown to 25 associates.

(7 Trotter Way, Collegeville, PA 19426-2858; seat7tr@comcast.net) My son is a freshman at Franklin and Marshall. My daughter is a junior at The Academy of Notre

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FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Making an Investment in Our Impressive Undergraduates ...

Can We Count on You?

As you have read throughout this newsletter, Alpha Mu has an impressive group of active brothers. Stop for a moment and think about those alumni who supported our journey as undergraduates. They saw something in us worth their time and donations — an investment worth making to ensure the development of new leaders, teachers,



innovators, thinkers, husbands and fathers. Where do you stand today on your support of the next generation to step into the halls of 409 E. Fairmount?

During our 2012-2013 giving year, our alumni corporation brought in \$12,945 from 116 alumni. Thank you to the 86 brothers listed below who have given \$9,765 this year. With less than six months to go in our giving year, we still have

work to go to reach our \$15,000 goal. Can we count on you to make a gift this year?

Please remember how important your support is, no matter what your giving level. To make a gift, go to www.alphamupikap.org and click "Donate" in the upper right-hand corner of the home page. You can also send a check to Pi Kappa Phi Penn State, Alumni Relations Processing Center, P.O. Box 7007, Albert Lea, MN 56007-8007. Or you can call (800) 975-6699.

We look forward to hearing from you.

2013-14 HONOR ROLL OF DONORS

Thank you to the following alumni who have made financial contributions to kick off our 2013-14 giving year, which began September 1...

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David B. Ferraro	1959	James C. Murdough	1969	Scott A. Horner	1982		

(Gifts received as of March 21, 2014.)

ALUMNI PROFILE ... CONT.

as an adjunct professor of political science at American University.

As he recalls his days at Pi Kappa, Brothers **Tom Burns '66**, **John Gulley '66**, **Tom Pollack '68**, **Gary Bello '69** and **Butch Ferraro '68** come to mind. "I am very proud to be associated with these brothers," he says. "For me, the decision to pledge Pi Kappa came down to comfort and being

welcome. We had great times — kidnapping Gulley, the trip to D.C., studying in the library, dinner with the guys, the pinning "ceremony" and just having a place that we could call home."

Recently, Healy and wife Jann moved from Washington, D.C., to Scottsdale, Ariz., to be near their five grandchildren. Once his textbook is completed, he will consider his

next step ... possibly retirement.

"I would like to say that being a Pi Kappa was good training for writing this book," he suggests. "There were a lot of late nights and multiple editors (brothers and a housemother). But Pi Kappas have nothing to fear. It will never be a bestseller. And no one will have to worry about a screenplay." Alumni can reach Brother Healy at healy@wexlerwalker.com.

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What Are You Missing?

Are you receiving our monthly e-letters and other e-mail communications about events? If not, you may not know what you are missing. Here are just a few ways you may be missing out on the benefits within your fraternity community:

- Alumni events at the house
- Chances to network and discover career and business opportunities
- An outlet to promote what you are doing (family, job, hobbies, etc.)
- Ways to give back to an organization that supported you in many ways

We are missing e-mail addresses for many of our alumni. In the coming weeks, you will be contacted by one of your brothers to make sure we have your most up-to-date contact information. In the meantime, please feel free to go to the home page of our website, www.alphamupikap.org. Scroll to the bottom where you can find Lost Lists. Click on these links to make sure you are not considered a "lost" member. If you are, please send an e-mail to updatemyinfo@affinityconnection.com with your correct contact information. Be sure to include your grad year and PKP PSU.

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