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Celebrating Mu Chapter's 2013 Accomplishments

By Alumni President Jim Keene '57

Much has happened since my last *Muse* message to you—all of it good!

• The **2013 Rush** produced 29 new candidates for membership, and they've already been initiated. The number indicates the desirability of becoming a member of Sigma Pi on campus. Our new member class was the largest in the Greek system this year.

• Thanks to the initiative and leadership of Kurt Rasmussen '80 and the financial support of the Mu Chapter Educational Foundation, the brothers are the founding undergraduate leaders of a new initiative called "**College Mentors For Kids**" (read more about this on page two). This initiative provides a bonding experience for our brothers to organize and launch an initiative that could have profound effects on the life of the Ithaca community and provide our men with exceptional leadership opportunities.

• In continuing efforts toward **promoting diversity** on campus and among Greek life, the undergraduate brotherhood will co-sponsor an event with Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity, bringing renowned lecturer Matt Glowacki to Cornell to speak about effective ways to engage diversity rather than just tolerating it.

• A committee comprised of three members of the alumni board, three members of the undergraduate leadership, and the chapter

adviser—known as the **Committee of Seven**—has successfully examined our new member education program and improve safeguards against hazing. This effort was in response

• Thanks to the initiative of Jarett Wait '80 and several other alumni based in New York City, eight undergraduates were able to shadow several alumni professionals in their desired career fields, while receiving insightful advice about job searching, resume building, and career advancement at Sigma Pi's **eighth undergraduate career event**.

• We have a growing number of **upperclassmen involved in the leadership** of the chapter. I am impressed that both of our immediate-past Sages elected to run for and win other offices. Our e-board is composed of our one incumbent Sage and two past Sages—I see this as a very positive thing.

• The **Centennial Committee** planning the September celebration commemorating our 100 years at Cornell has been hard at work and the details of the planned program are included as a feature article in this mailing. Study it, and make your hotel and travel plans now. The weekend will be a very appropriate one for couples. Bring your wife or girlfriend and show off Mu Chapter at its best.

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Sage Baker Expresses His Pride for Mu Chapter

By Sage Jeffrey Baker '14

The atmosphere at Mu Chapter today is one of extreme pride and excitement. While the current fraternity climate at Cornell is somewhat tenuous, Sigma Pi has emerged as a leader among Greeks, demonstrating that great success is attainable without engaging in dangerous activities. Our house set clear and realistic goals at the beginning of the semester that would improve our fraternity and, in large part, we have met or exceeded those objectives.

With one of the most successful Rush Weeks in recent history, the Pi house extended 33 bids out of an estimated 450 men who attended the house during Rush. Of those 33, 29 gentlemen chose to sign their bids with Sigma Pi, guaranteeing us the largest pledge class on campus. This wildly successful Rush Week was no surprise to me, nor was it a surprise to note the pride

of my brothers during the Rush process as they demonstrated why this was *the* house on campus worth joining. We are incredibly excited about our newest pledge class. They represent a dedicated and diverse group of young men who embody the ideals of Sigma Pi that we all cherish, and there is no question that they will contribute to the long-term strength and success of this fraternity.

This semester has already been packed with a variety of successful events that have strengthened our brotherhood and further enhanced our reputation as contributors to the Cornell and Ithaca communities. We are currently overseeing the introduction of "College Mentors for Kids," a program in which college students mentor elementary-school children on campus. Several Sigma Pi brothers will assume prominent leadership positions in that program when it commences next fall. We have also joined with Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity to bring renowned

lecturer Matt Glowacki to Cornell next fall to speak on the topic of diversity.

Our strong alumni support and involvement continues to play a huge role in our success. The career weekend in New York City, the alumni's role in revamping our pledging process to conform to university rules, and the purchase of new desks for each bedroom in the house are all prime examples of how our strong alumni base facilitates a strong undergraduate brotherhood and an even stronger fraternity. We could not be more thankful to those who came before us for their acknowledgment that being a Sigma Pi lasts forever.

I have never been more proud to call myself a Sigma Pi. Our chapter is strong, but we must continue to strive for improvement and maintain the positive momentum we have worked so hard to attain. Thank you all for your continued support, and I hope to see you at the Centennial Celebration.

Help Us With Our Mu Chapter Centennial Book

We plan on publishing a high-quality, hardcover book to commemorate the centennial of Mu Chapter, and we need your help to do it! A limited number of copies will be produced and made available at the Centennial Celebration. Brothers will have the opportunity to order copies for their personal libraries. I plan to have a member of my company compose the available stories and organize photos into a volume that tells the story of our first 100 years.

The project will only work if we have a large/sufficient quantity of high quality material to work with. Some of the information and pictures can be gleaned by research from sources such as the National Fraternity Library, Cornell's archives, and old *Muses* (to the extent available). I know there is already a project underway to collect all the chapter composites.

Most of the more interesting and fun content will have to come from you, the alumni members of the fraternity. I am asking that you look through your memorabilia and share with us photos and stories of your time with Mu Chapter. If you send a contribution, please make sure there is enough information for the book editor to work effectively with your data—details like names, locations, and context need to accompany photographs.

Please send your information to Jim Keene:
(Mailing Address) 1810 Read Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68112
(Email Address) sigmapicentennial@gmail.com

If information is sent via U.S. Postal Service, I will make every effort to return it to you. It would be great if you can send the information by electronic means. A deadline has not yet been determined, but please do not wait—do your part now!

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION MU OF SIGMA PI

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2013

Cookout at the house (in the evening). Gather on the front porch and the new Beach for great food, drinks and quality "hanging out" with the early arrivals for the weekend.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2013

Golf tournament – Organized by Procasticup expert Mike Vernick - Arrive in time Thursday for the Cookout and be ready to tee off on Friday morning.

Kickoff Dinner -The Kickoff of the Official Weekend program, cocktails, dinner, and fun at the Ramin Room at Bartles Hall on Campus. Enjoy images both printed and projected of the fun & games, and maybe a few serious moments from our 100 year history. Enjoy the impromptu program and/or be a part of it as brothers who think they have something to say take to the microphone and say it!

Hang out at the house for a nightcap after the Kickoff dinner.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2013

Cornell events that you may enjoy – There will be a listing of all public events that you can join in be they athletic events, performances, exhibits, etc. We will let you know what they are before you arrive in Ithaca and they will be listed in the Centennial Program of Events. If you need assistance undergrads will help you get from place to place.

The Centennial Lecture – (Afternoon) A lecture by Associate Professor Jeff Hancock for members of Sigma Pi and their guests.

Professor Hancock is a well known, engaging and energetic speaker whose topic is "The Future of Lying" - how people use deception in today's world of cell phones and online platforms.



This special lecture will be held in a very special place – the Lynch Room at the Johnson Art Museum – when you enter this room and look out of the floor to ceiling windows you will see vividly what is meant by "far above Cayuga's waters."

Campus tours led by undergraduate brothers (all day) – go where you want or where your guide may recommend. See what you remember and see what is new and get to know one of your younger brothers while he guides you thru the past and the present Cornell. For some it will be the first time to see the new house (now 20 years old).

Activities on your own – Visit Collegetown, downtown Ithaca, Taughannock Falls, Buttermilk Falls, Moosewood Restaurant, Treman State Park, Finger Lakes wineries, etc.



The Centennial Dinner – The big event of the weekend! Join your brothers and their guests and the undergrads in the Grand Ballroom of the Statler Hotel for Cocktails and Dinner and the Centennial Program punctuating the life of Omega Delta and Mu Chapter. A special evening of visuals, music from members of the Cornell Glee Club singing the music of Cornell and the music of Sigma Pi, remembrances and more.

The Centennial Blast – Not one after party but two. Immediately following the formal Centennial Dinner we will get informal and enjoy each other and the Bonds of Brotherhood at the house. Entertainment in the Dining Room will be a special band made up of brothers of several eras including Sandy Kraker and a few members of his great band Zoltan, Dave D'Orlando, Jay Sacco, Kevin Kruse, Brian Finneran, Howie Gordon, and others!

In the West Lounge you can enjoy the music of Mark Nadler. Mark sings and plays the piano in a way that will make for a memorable experience. Mark was the featured entertainer at Sardi's in New York (his caricature hangs on the wall at Sardi's)



for years. You will have a chance or two to sing along if you feel so inclined. Mark is one of the top people in the world of Cabaret in New York and nationwide.

Move back and forth from the first to the second level during the evening and take time to enjoy each other on the front porch, the Beach or the East Lounge. There will be something for everyone.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2013

Goodbye Brunch - Continental Breakfast at the house during the morning hours – come have something to eat and have one more moment or two to enjoy each other and relive the life of a Pi Man.

The Committee is working to see that there is something for everyone of whatever age – whether you prefer the Rock sound of the dining room or the American Song Book and Sing-a-long of the West Lounge (or both!) the impromptu fun of the Kickoff Dinner, the more formal enjoyment of the Centennial Dinner, organized lectures, or just doing your own thing at your Cornell – there will be something for everyone!

The Cost of the Basic Package is \$200 per person with elective additions for the Thursday Cookout (\$40), Golf (\$55), The Friday Kickoff Dinner (\$ 40), or the Goodbye Brunch (\$10). The Basic Package includes the Centennial Dinner and everything else except for the elective additions.

There are a limited number of blocked Hotel Rooms at the Statler, the Ithaca Courtyard by Marriott, and the Hilton Garden Inn.

Please reserve and pay now – there are advance payments we have to make and our planning will be better if we know how many to expect - don't wait until the summer or early fall - please respond now.

The Cost of the Weekend, while not low, is as low as it is assuming that there will be brothers who will volunteer to pay more to help facilitate the events.

We are looking for:

A sponsor for the Saturday afternoon lecture - \$1,500

A sponsor for the Saturday evening appearance of Mark Nadler - \$2,500

Patrons of the Weekend – Patrons will make a donation of \$250 in addition to the cost of Basic Package and elective additions. We are hoping that at least 20 brothers will want to help in this way. Sponsors and Patrons will be appropriately thanked in the Program of Events. If you will help financially let us know when you make your reservation.

There are two special features of the weekend. A professional photographer from the Cornell Photography Department will be taking candid shots during the weekend. All of these photos will be posted on the Cornell website after the weekend where you can browse and enjoy them and order copies of those you may want as mementos of the Centennial.

Early copies of the Centennial Book will be available for your inspection and to order a copy for yourself. The Book will cover the 100 Year History of Mu Chapter with a final chapter that will be added after the weekend covering the events of The Centennial.

To make reservations log onto our website, www.sigmapicornell.org There you can reserve and pay with a credit card online.

Don't like websites? Send a note with your check listing the events you want to attend to:

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BE A PART OF IT – ENCOURAGE YOUR CLASSMATES TO JOIN YOU.

When Senior Initiative Makes a New Member Class

By Rush Chair Felix Tabary '14

This year, Sigma Pi gave a total of 33 bids and secured 29 new members. Not only is this the most bids we've given since 2005, but it is also the highest yield we've had in a very long time with close to 88 percent of bids being signed. Although anyone reading this could potentially conclude that we gave too many bids, the reality is that we attracted and recruited some of the most desirable rushees of the 2013 Rush class. How did we do this, and what did we do differently than previous years?

The biggest difference this year was everyone's heightened personal level of caring and involvement. Brothers who typically let the Rush chairs make most decisions

concerning activities and events were giving their input and proposing intelligent alternatives. They proved how much they care about the men who will soon be their brothers. However, what really made this Rush Week so special was the unrelenting effort from the seniors to inspire the younger brothers. Every house meeting, Rush event, and voting process was guided by a single, united, senior class. These men imbued a real Sigma Pi spirit in us, and we would not have had the same success without them.

One of the uncontrollable factors that affected the outcome of this year's Rush Week was the change of rules from previous years. Not only was the entire process dry, the timeline for events set by the university and

IFC was very different. What's worse, there were some last-minute changes two days before Rush started. This year's Rush chairs—Bennet Heidenreich '15 and I—did our best to adapt to the changes. Nonetheless, the seniors stepped in and applied their knowledge of the Greek system and campus dynamics to the Rush process; clearly this worked in our favor.

As I'm getting ready to be a senior in the fall, I will remember what this year's seniors brought to Rush Week at Mu Chapter. I can only hope that my pledge class will inspire the younger generations of Sigma PIs during Rush Week 2014. Thanks, seniors; you continue to remind me why signing my bid to Sigma Pi was one of the best decisions I've ever made.

Alumni, Meet Our New Brothers!

GREGORY DGHEIM is a government and economics major from Suffern, New York. He is a member of the club hockey team.

ADAM GOTTLIEB is an ILR major from Great Neck, New York. He is part of the Mutual Investment Club of Cornell, Federal Reserve Challenge Team, and Cornell Board of Portfolio Managers.

MAXIMILIANO OLIVARES is an AEM major from Baja California, Mexico. He is the director of member relations, ALPFA; and part of the Cornell University Sustainable Design – Sustainable Neighborhoods Nicaragua Sub-Team 2012.

SHAYAN MCGEE is a music major from Wenham, Massachusetts. Shayan is a member of Cayuga's Waiters.

ROBBY ATTIA is from Chappaqua, New York, and undecided about his major. He participates in College Mentors for Kids.

BENNY JOHNSON is an economics major from Duluth, Georgia. He is on the club basketball team and a member of Cayuga's Watchers.

BRYAN ARISTEGA is a biological sciences major from Queens, New York. He is part of the Society for Hispanic Professional Engineers and Latin Dance Ensemble.

CONNOR RISER is a history major from Cary, North Carolina. He is a member of the Sports Business Society.

JORDAN THOMPSON is an AEM major from Kingston, Jamaica. He is a member of Meinig

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The brothers on their annual Omega Chi trip with the pledges.

Omega Chi Hiking Trip Forms Strong Bonds Between New Members

By Zach Smith '13

One of the highlights of our new member education process was Omega Chi. The hiking excursion is a beloved tradition of Mu Chapter; this spring the 29 new members and three brother guides trekked several miles along the Finger Lakes Trail. The new members spent a night camping with their pledge brothers and getting to know one another in a foreign environment. Exchanging stories around the fire, the lifelong bonds of brotherhood were formed.

Initiated brothers attended the event as well, spending their night at a separate

campsite and reminiscing on their experience years ago. They grilled food and shared stories around the fire eagerly awaiting the addendum of another generation to a storied tradition of a chapter with a history that spans the lifetimes of many Sigma PIs.

In the morning, the pledges met the brothers at their campsite, and we shared stories of our times facing a similar journey. That day, the bonds of brotherhood were tightened by the common thread of a shared experience. In the end, they left muddy and competent navigators, but what's more, they left as the next unified chapter of Sigma Pi—ready to face whatever challenges they may find down trail.

Sigma Pi Shows Initiative to Strengthen Alumni Relations

By Alumni Secretary Zach Smith '13

As another semester is underway, the undergraduate brotherhood has engaged in a number of exciting initiatives regarding alumni relations. First, in late February, 17 brothers partook in a thankathon, where we called all recent donors to Sigma Pi to simply thank them for their support of the fraternity. We recognize how important you all are to the success of the Pi house, and felt it was important for us to show how much we appreciate it. It was an incredibly successful event, as we connected with a number of alumni to share stories, talk about the current status of the house, and connect over our common bonds as Sigma Pis. All of the brothers involved had nothing but great things to say about the

experience, and we look forward to having another one soon.

One of the topics of conversation with alumni during the thankathon was the upcoming Centennial Celebration. The weekend of September 6, 2013, we are looking forward to having generations of Sigma Pis gather at the Pi house to celebrate the 100th anniversary of our fraternity. Every time we have alumni gatherings at Sigma Pi, it makes for special memories that undergraduates and alumni alike cherish. A committee of undergraduates and alumni board

members has been actively engaged in planning the centennial, and we are confident it will be a weekend we will all remember. We hope to see you there!



Undergraduate brothers at their February thankaton.

Brotherhood Chairs Create New and Exciting Events

By Brotherhood Chairs Aram Shrestinian '15 and Ryan Haid '13

This semester has been a time of great change and progress for Mu Chapter. The initiation of 29 new brothers provides new opportunities, resources, and challenges for the brotherhood chairs. Over the course of the semester, we have created and implemented a range of activities for the chapter. We are currently in the midst of our annual pool tournament, which has become very intense

as the bracket shrinks. We recently had a dinner at the Pines with visiting alumni, who entertained us with stories of their own days at Mu Chapter. A group of brothers also went to see the Harlem Globetrotters play here at Cornell, which turned out to be a truly educational experience.

Plans are already in the works for our return from spring break. We will kick off the last half of the semester with a classic brotherhood Pines dinner. We are planning a day of paintball against another fraternity, and we

are confident we will achieve an overwhelming victory. Finally, Parents' Weekend is coming up the weekend of April 20. We are planning an experience that will impress and entertain Mu Chapter parents, especially the parents of our newest members.

Currently the brotherhood is in great physical and mental shape. The atmosphere at the house is positive, and overall chapter involvement continues to increase. We hope to sustain this upward trend with the continued facilitation of exciting brotherhood events.

The Desk Appeal Was a Success!

By Aaron Klein '12

Through the generous contributions of 28 alumni, spanning every decade from the 1950s to 2010s, the Mu Chapter of Sigma Pi Educational Foundation was able to raise more than \$13,000 to purchase new desks for each bedroom in the house. The desks finally arrived at 730 University Avenue on Thursday, February 28, and were installed in the bedrooms through a collaborative effort by the brotherhood. The



old desks were then donated to the Finger Lakes ReUse center, which refurbishes and sells old furniture and other items at discounted prices.

The brotherhood of Sigma Pi is striving to make the chapter house a more relaxing, comfortable environment for

academics, and this effort has shown positive results as the fraternity recently improved from 21st place to 15th in GPA rankings among fraternities. We hope the new desks will further encourage and build upon this trend.



New desk installed in room 307, The Circle Inn.

Alumni, Meet Our New Brothers!

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Family Cornell National Scholar, B.O.L.D. CCJF Leadership Team, and National Golf Team rep of Jamaica.

ZACH GILBERT is an ILR major from Charlotte, North Carolina.

SAMUEL BEHR is a hotel management major from Paris, France. He is a member of Hotelie Entrepreneurs, Sports Business Society, and Hotel Research Club.

WILLIAM ALFORD is an AEM major from Beacon, New York. He is part of the club soccer team.

MICHAEL ADELSTEIN is a hotel management major from New York City.

CHRISTIAN ZOLLNER is an applied engineering physics major from East Fishkill, New York.

GEORGE CHALHOUB is a biology major from Lexington, Kentucky. He is a member of club lacrosse, pre-medical fraternity PhiDE, Cayuga's Watchers, and Club Sports Council.

ROHUN GUPTA is an ILR major from Hinsdale, Illinois.

JAMES ALVAREZ is an economics major from Ridgefield, Connecticut. He is a member of the varsity lightweight rowing team.

NICHOLAS ORNITZ is a chemical engineering major from Old Greenwich, Connecticut. He is a Meinig Family Cornell National Scholar, and does undergraduate research at the Stocking Lab.

LORENZO DE SIMONE is a government major from London, England. He is a member of the Cornell rugby football club A team.

CHRIS LIENDO is an economics major from Queens, New York.

ANDREW WALD, from Boca Raton, Florida, is undecided about his major. He is a member of Cornell Strategic Consulting.

JOSEPH MANZI is a biology major from Staten Island, New York. He is in the Global Medical Brigades.

IAN HARRIS is a policy analysis and management major from Coral Springs, Florida. He is a member of Student Assembly.

TURKEL ANWAR is an economics major from Fairfax, Virginia. He is the general manager of Big Red Shipping & Storage, and a member of the club basketball team.

BRYSON GRAVES is a biological engineering major from Zionsville, Indiana. He is a Ryan's Scholar, and member of CU Empower and club lacrosse.

IAN LEGGETT is a biological engineering major with a minor in biomedical engineering from Lima, Peru. He is a member of the Cornell Thai boxing club.

ALEC CHARBONNEAU, from Powell, Ohio, is currently undecided about his major, but leaning toward engineering. He is also a member of the club basketball team.

ANDREW JOSEPH is a hotel management major from Bethesda, Maryland. He is in the Sports Business Society and a member of Cayuga's Watchers.

BRANDON CHOI, from Simsbury, Connecticut, is undecided about his major, but leaning toward engineering.

Desk Appeal Honor Roll

The Educational Foundation would like to thank the following alumni whose gracious contributions have financed the purchase of a new desk for each of the bedrooms at Sigma Pi.

Steven L. Bergh '79
Edward Berlin '81
Richard Bosshardt '80
Richard L. Cahoon '77
Luc G. Chabot '80
Douglas Cohen '92
Jonathan Coll '01
David Colville '84
David C. D'Orlando '79
Ford Fay '82
Richard Fisher '55
Wayne F. Forman '80
Steven A. Hobbs '80
James H. Keene III '57
Lyndon Kreisel '59
Lawrence D. MacLennan '79
Kwan-Tai Mao '63
Anthony McManus '80
Randall Ottinger '80
Matthew Petti '77
Kurt Rasmussen '80
VanNess D. Robinson '57
Rob Ruhlman '78
Kent Sheng '78
Frank Sposato '84
Jarett F. Wait '80
David Williamson '77
Nate Winans '15

Mu Chapter's Eighth-Annual NYC Career Event

By Undergraduate President Jeffrey Baker '14

Earlier this February, seven undergraduate brothers had the privilege of attending Mu Chapter's eighth-annual career workshop in New York City. In a packed weekend of career-development activities sponsored by Sigma Pi alumni, the undergraduates were able to experience a variety of activities ranging from resume critiques and interview preparation to shadowing alumni in each of their desired fields. Each undergraduate brother left with several tangible ways to differentiate himself in the hiring process, as well as how to succeed and excel in a firm once a job is obtained.

The highlight of the week was dinner at the New York Athletic Club, where the undergraduates were given the opportunity to meet and talk with several alumni on a personal basis, spurring conversation about the

Pi house, as well as their respective career paths. Attending the event was Andrew Ross Sorkin '98, CNBC host and *New York Times* reporter, who shared his insights with the undergraduate brothers. In an intimate setup, students were able to ask questions and receive insightful advice on how to succeed in the workplace from achieved alumni.

The next day, the undergraduates were given the opportunity to shadow an alumnus of their choice, in several different paths, including careers in finance, consulting, and law. The students were able to witness exactly what a day in the life of that person was like and see if that would be something they would be interested in, a unique experience that very few Cornell students are able to receive.

Overall, the eighth-annual career weekend in New York City was a major success. On behalf of the entire brotherhood, we would

like to extend a huge thank you to Jarett Wait '80 for his work in organizing the event, along with all other alumni in attendance, for providing us with an incredibly valuable experience that will help us to succeed in the future. Our fraternity's strong alumni presence has impacted our brotherhood in such a positive way, and we look forward to events like this continuing next year.

Alumni and undergraduates who participated in the career event were Jarett Wait '80, Dennis McNamara '83, Steve Hobbs '80, Don Motschwiller '80, Andrew R. Sorkin '99, Michael Vernick '83, Aron Minken '80, Steve Pirozzi '80, Joshua Goldman '07, Sean MacGregor '86, Michael Anderson '77, Aram Shrestinian '15, Bennet Heidenreich '15, Harry Choi '13, Jeff Baker '14, Josh Benamram '14, Ryan Haid '13, and Tareq Ali '13. Jeff Hanson, an alumni of the Cornell S. C. Johnson Graduate School of Management, was the moderator for the Interview Skills and Resume writing session.

What's Next for the Class of 2013?

Tareq Ali is graduating from the hotel school with a minor in real estate and finance. He will be joining the Marriott Corporation as manager of development planning and feasibility for the Middle East and Africa region based in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

Ben Andrew is graduating with a degree in nutritional sciences and is applying to medical school with the intent to become a celebrity nutritionist.

Harry Choi is graduating with a degree in operations research and information, but will be remaining at Cornell to pursue his Master's of Engineering in engineering management.

Matt Davis is graduating with a degree in city and regional planning, and will be going to Washington, D.C., to work for JBG Companies in development. He will be specializing in Feng Shui interior design.

Ryan Haid is graduating with a degree in information science and will be dedicating his life to banking at Citi Bank in NYC.

Ethan Joseph is graduating from the School of Hotel Administration and is pursuing a career in entrepreneurship and travel.

Xuan Ky Le is graduating with a degree in policy analysis and management, and will be pursuing a career at Citi Bank.

Alex Rawitz is graduating with a degree in history and is currently seeking employment in entrepreneurship and business development. He is experiencing paranoid fear at the

prospect of not living in the Pi house for the first time in three years.

Zach Smith is graduating from the ILR school and will be working in human resources for Barclays in NYC.

Ante Kendes is graduating with a degree in biology and will be applying to medical school to become a gynecologist.

Adam Cherubini is graduating with a degree in applied economics and management, and will be working at Duetsche Bank until he can one day open his own aquarium.

John Cuchural is graduating with a degree in mathematics and will be taking his talents to J.P. Morgan, where he hopes to master the art of spreadsheets.

Jake Sion is graduating with a degree in city and regional planning and will be taking a job in transportation services until he can found his own Hebrew school.

Sam Hendrickson is graduating with a degree in statistics, and he will be putting his talents to work for RevTrax in New York City while he continues to perfect his sports betting algorithms.

Mike Sones is graduating with a degree in sociology and hopes to get back out to Los Angeles to enter the sports industry. He is particularly interested in field-turf technology, development, and testing.

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Brothers Take Philanthropy to New Heights

By Alvaro Galan '15

Sigma Pi is taking a great turn in its philanthropy initiatives. This year, we've participated in many events such as an "Anchor Jam" in which fraternities submit to a dance competition where all the money raised goes to Service for Sight. We're also coordinating an event in which lecturer Matt Glowacki will come to speak to us and other Cornell students. Matt Glowacki has developed revolutionary interactive programs that give his audiences the "inside track" on diversity and help them feel comfortable when interacting with others regardless of their differences. We will also be hosting the book buy back on campus.

Additionally, Sigma Pi will be pioneering the beginning of "College Mentors for Kids" on campus. This is an extremely successful organization on campuses nationwide. Sophomore Jacob Laufer '15 is the elected president of the organization, with Bennet Heidenreich '15 as the elected VP of activities, and Nick Ornitz as the elected the VP of fundraising.

mu alumni send their news & notes

Douglas M. Parker '56 is working with his daughter, Heather, who is an independent associate of LegalShield, a company that, for a modest monthly fee, provides legal assistance and identity theft protection (look for their ad in the *Cornell Alumni Magazine* or visit hlparker.legalshield.com). Get in touch with Doug at 410 Church Rd., No. 46, Ojai, CA 93023; dmparker74@gmail.com.

Kenneth R. Rand Jr. '60 is enjoying retirement at the Landings on Skidaway Island. He plays golf and tennis, and races sailboat all winter. Reconnect with him by writing to 5 Marsh Elder Ln., Savannah, GA 31411; or by sending email to kenandlois@bellsouth.net.

"Rather than being retired, I started a new company, R&R Data Services," reports **John R. Rumble Jr. '64**. "We are going strong and keeping busy. We concentrate on scientific data, including nano materials—lots of fun!" Catch up with John at 11 Montgomery Ave., Gaithersburg, MD 20877; jumbleusa@earthlink.net.

Stephen A. Mongeau '78 wrote, "Funny to be back in the office products industry after leaving Staples in 2006. I'm having a great time and enjoying the commute to Chicago. Best to all!" Keep in touch with Stephen at 11 Danforth Ln., Chelmsford, MA 01824; s.mongeau@comcast.net.

"It was great to see **Mike Vernick '83** and his lovely daughter, Anna, stopping by my establishment for dinner," reports **James M. Horn '79**. "Mike's an invaluable Pi man who helped organize Dolly's 90th birthday bash ... I'm glad as a departing senior back in March 1979, I had an indirect hand in steering Mike, a high-school senior at the time, into the wild world of our Mu Chapter by way of the Noyes Center Pub ... long story ... you can ask him!" Write to James via postal mail at 265 Prospect Ave., West Orange, NJ 07052; or via email at jameshorn79@yahoo.com.

"I've gotten to see **Randy 'Otter' Ottinger '80** quite a bit this past year as he also lives in Seattle," writes **Lawrence J. "Larry" Kantor '80**. "**Steve Kern '83** is about to join the ranks of Pi men in Seattle. 'Otter' and I are hoping he'll bring sunshine with him!" Drop Larry a line if you're ever in Seattle at larrykantor771@gmail.com.

Ford B. Fay '82 and his wife, Kathleen, are still loving Colorado after 16 years. They managed to send two of their kids back east for college. Sean is a sophomore at Dickinson College and Cassie is a freshman at Denison University. Stay in touch with Ford by writing to 9879 S. Clairton Ct., Highlands Ranch, CO 80126; fordfay14@aol.com.

What's Next for the Class of 2013?

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John Kennedy is graduating with a degree in biological engineering and is currently applying to medical school. He plans to continue "ballin' hard" and farming harder until then.

Omar Nijem is graduating with a degree in biology. He is planning to apply to dental school and work on his own various business proposals in his spare time.

Joseph Kussin is graduating with a degree in applied economics and management. He will be moving to New Hampshire to work for a regional supply chain company and generally remain on top of everything.

Brian Umanoff is graduating with a degree in government and will be entering

law school following graduation. He hopes to eventually establish a practice in Los Angeles where he can wear shorts and sandals to work.

Karan Bhatia is graduating with a degree in computer science and will be moving to Chicago to work for Belvedere Trading. He loves Chicago, and plans to integrate himself into its vibrant post-modern deep house scene.

David Ashley is graduating with a degree in government and is exploring future options, including graduate school, a law degree, and teaching. He wants nothing more than to go back to his hometown of Chappaqua.

Tahir Dosset is graduating with a degree in sociology and is planning to go back to California. He is exploring career options on the West Coast.

Deceased

Earle R. Elmer Jr. '35

January 23, 2012

Michael Rudolph Sfat '42

October 16, 2012

Richard B. Brundage '50

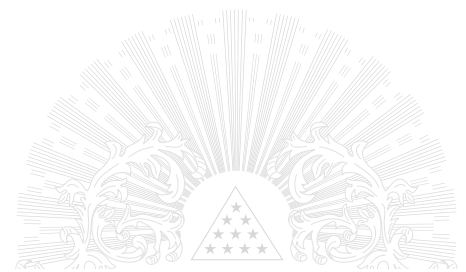
November 21, 2012

Ernest S. Mathews '50

December 30, 2013

Carl E. Fabian '56

December 24, 2012



Sigma Pi Thrives in Intramurals

Sigma Pi is currently working on winning the intramural championship for the second year in a row. Our newly initiated members are extremely athletic. We now have three club basketball players, a varsity rower, a new member who will most likely make the varsity basketball team next semester, and a sophomore who transferred from Tufts University where he was on the varsity tennis team.

We thrive as a house to be great sportsmen and value the importance given to intramural fraternity sports.

With regards to the sports taking place in the spring semester, we are currently ranked fourth in intramural bowling (overall seed) and second in basketball (overall seed). At the time of this writing, the playoffs will be starting for both of these sports.

I am confident as a house we will continue to work hard for the rest of the season to bring back another trophy to our collection.