

Reunion 2022 - A Reunion for the Ages!



Investing in the Future of the Brotherhood

The Educational Foundation, in partnership with the alumni and undergraduate e-board, has launched an exciting new program that aims to remove the financial limitations that face potential new members and allow the fraternity to adjust to changing recruitment demographics. The **Greek Affordability Fund** is the first of its kind at Cornell and will allow the fraternity to attract a broader pool of recruits whose values align with the organization, but face barriers due to finances, a lack of connection with the Greek system, or financial uncertainty due to the pandemic. This is a unique opportunity to invest in the future of the brotherhood by providing a new member with the financial opportunity to experience what the fraternity has to offer.

The idea for the fund was spearheaded by undergraduate leaders **Rob De Jesus '24**, **Emir Erkenkalkan '24**, and **Ricardo Melasecca '24**, who spoke with the alumni board and educational foundation about the increasing financial challenges that brothers are faced with today and the increase in potential recruits who have a lack of connection to the Greek system. **This past year alone, nearly 65% of incoming freshmen identify as non-white, with nearly 20% indicating that they were first-generation college students**, a number that is

predicted to increase steadily by Cornell over the next few years. As the board was presented with this data, we knew that we had to act to set the organization up for future success.

We have established a formalized process for the **Greek Affordability Fund**, including an application that potential recipients must complete and a committee to vet applicants. Brothers **Will Murphy '18**, **Brody Ehrlich '10**, **Tom Silver '81**, and **Wayne Forman '80** all offered to serve on the committee in its inaugural year. In the future, the award will be made available to potential recruits who are faced with financial restraints. Upon accepting the award, the recipient will agree to live in the house for two years, fulfill a leadership obligation to the fraternity, and must be on financial aid with Cornell.

On Dolly Day, September 9, the alumni board announced that it would be launching the **Greek Affordability Fund** and had chosen three undergraduate brothers to be the inaugural recipients. **Bradley Daly '25**, **Robert De Jesus '24**, and **Emir Erkenkalkan '24** were each chosen to receive a \$5,000 award stipend to help offset the



Congratulations to the recipients of the Greek Affordability Program Award: (l-r) Emir Erkenkalkan, Robert De Jesus, Bradley Daly

costs of the fraternity due to their leadership and academic excellence. Please join us in congratulating our brothers on their award and outstanding commitment to our Fraternity!

Fundraising continues for the **Greek Affordability Fund**. It allows a unique opportunity for members to invest directly in the brotherhood by providing aid to future brothers in need. As the community of Cornell continues to change, the alumni board must adapt. We are at the front of this initiative and have already raised close to \$60,000 with a goal of \$100,000 by the end of the fiscal year. We hope that you consider donating to the fund and investing in the future of our brotherhood.

If you have any questions regarding the fund, please contact **Joe Zanetta '75** at Josephzanetta@yahoo.com.

Sigma Pi Welcomes 11 New Members in Successful Fall Rush



Fall rush class new members (l-r): Shamus Endries '25, Lucas MacCallum '25, Brendan Royals '25, Benji Sliwka '25, Nick Alger '25, Sascha Ghobadi '25, Hunter Hammarberg '25, Aadam Faheem '25, Fardin Chowdhury '25, and Nevin Motto '25

Sage Report

By Ricardo Melasseca '24



The fall 2022 semester in the Pi House has been a process of rebuilding. With the pandemic and systemic changes in the fraternity life community at Cornell, Mu Chapter encountered many challenges, the consequences of which culminated in this semester.

Coming into August with financial and cultural struggles, we were a small brotherhood, just able to fill all the rooms in the house as singles. The pressure of the circumstances has called for immense resilience and creativity from those rallying to bring Sigma Pi back to where we all know it can be. It has been an honor to help lead the charge.

This semester's e-board, with the help of the alumni board and CSL, the newly hired collections agency, has worked tirelessly to assuage our financial troubles and create institutions to sustain the house as we move forward. This is evidenced by the success of the Greek Affordability Fund that already has and will continue to allow students from all walks of life to become Pi men. Our main focus this semester was on fall rush. A sizable fall pledge class would bring the energy we needed to propel us through the semester and beyond, giving more depth to our sophomore class. We found exactly that. The newly initiated members, led by pledge class president **Nevin Motto '25**, have already shown tremendous buy-in and a desire to discover what it means to be a Sigma Pi brother. This newfound enthusiasm has united the brotherhood, but the job is not finished.

Among us is a sharp awareness that we cannot become complacent. With the unprecedented number of brothers looking to take advantage of Cornell's study abroad opportunities in the spring, we will begin next semester in a similar position as we did in August. Only this time, the house will have some empty rooms. My hope is that, with the looming threat of quiet halls in the Pi house, urgency will prevail. As the semester continues and we look to spring rush, we must continue to foster a true sense of brotherhood that will attract potential new members. Our spring '23 pledge class, whoever the future Pi men may be, has the opportunity to solidify this semester's growth and set us up for success in the coming years.

In other news, our current brothers continue to thrive in academics, extracurriculars, and professional development. Mu Chapter's collective involvement around campus spans many majors, project teams, business organizations, a cappella groups, and club sports teams. Additionally, our seniors are in the process of making plans for after graduation. I am confident that their hard work, prestigious degrees, and contributions to Sigma Pi will serve them exceptionally well as they enter the working world. We will cherish their remaining time with us and wish them the best in all of their endeavors.



I have learned a lot in my time as Sage so far, but what is increasingly clear is that where there is pain there is growth. Adversity is always an opportunity to learn and do better. This mentality has kept us all going in the hopes that we really can reach our potential. My goal in taking on this role has always been to leave the house better than I found it. I can confidently say that the work we have done so far has put us on the right path to achieving that. I encourage us all to look at any uncertainty as an exciting chance to rise to the occasion together. Sigma Pi will undoubtedly make do as an organization, but how can we, mainly the undergraduates, make this experience truly worthwhile? The answer will reveal itself more and more as long as we continue to invest in each other and our relationships. This rebuilding process has already proved to be incredibly fruitful, and I assure you that we will keep pushing while making sure to enjoy our time together on this journey. Thank you all for your support.

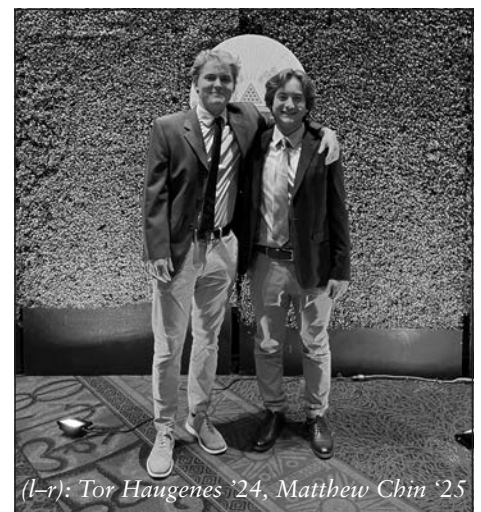
Sigma Pi International Convocation

By Matt Chin '25



This summer, from August 17 to August 20, **Tor Haugenes '24** and I attended the Sigma Pi 55th and 56th Biennial Convocation in San Antonio, Texas. The convocation was an opportunity for Tor and me to meet current brothers in Sigma Pi chapters across the country, as well as learn more about the national organization and how it operates. While at the convocation we took part in several business meetings, where we listened to speeches given by the national leaders of Sigma Pi including CEO Jonathan M. Frost and former Grand Sage Joe Palazzolo.

Toward the end of the conference, we attended the election of the next Grand Council. During our downtime, Tor and I got to network with Sigma Pi alumni from around the country and explore San Antonio's scenic riverwalk. Although Tor and I had to miss orientation week back at Cornell, from our time in San Antonio we learned much about Sigma Pi and had the opportunity to experience a beautiful city.



(l-r): Tor Haugenes '24, Matthew Chin '25

Alumni Treasurer's Report

By John Haggerty '88



It is not uncommon to see snow in upstate New York on or before Halloween. But as I sit here today in early November, the weather forecast for the weekend shows temperatures in the 70s. It has been a glorious fall in the Finger Lakes. I consider myself very lucky to call this place home.

I wanted to start on a high note because the Sigma Pi financial update is mixed. With CSL, our new "landlord" partner, fully engaged on house maintenance and improvements and on collection of brother's accounts in arrears, Jarret and I have been working to rebuild our relationship with the undergraduate brothers. These relationships suffered while we played the role of the bill collector. Just as we started to make progress in this area, we were hit with yet another surprise that put us right back in reaction mode.

Historically (and my history goes back over a dozen years now), we have generally had two or three undergraduate brothers sign up to spend a semester of their junior year abroad in an exchange program. We have always supported this activity by not charging rent to the brothers who participated in these programs. With

30+ brothers living in, the loss of a few for one semester was a financial hit we could absorb. This year (fall 2022), 11 brothers announced in October that they planned to study abroad starting in January 2023. That's 11 out of a total of 25 currently in residence (just for reference, the legal capacity of the house is 44), a number we simply cannot absorb given the financial strain we have been under since the elimination of the Cornell Bursar system. Whatever radar screen we should have been looking at to see this coming was blank. We were caught flatfooted.

Among those indicating a plan to go overseas are two members of the executive board. So, in addition to the increased financial strain, we have unexpected mid-year handoffs in critical undergraduate offices. **Liviu Rusu '98** has been working intensely to try to convince brothers that this is simply not a situation we can accept, but he has reported little progress. It appears that we will have nearly half the house and our most effective rush recruiters not present for the vital spring rush activity.

We have tried to get 10 newly initiated brothers released early from their Cornell dorm commitments, but that is not something that Cornell will allow. We may decide to hold the departing brothers accountable for their rent (our lease allows this), which

will create new and different problems. As the time ticks down to the end of the semester, we will need to consider finding boarders and rearranging the house to have non-members in residence. It's not something any of us sees as optimal but may be necessary to preserve financial stability. If nothing else we will learn from this unfortunate event and put in place rules to limit our exposure going forward.

Let me end by saying that this is an unfortunate but not an existential threat. We have a small cushion to pay expected operating expenses even at lower occupancy rates. We also have a \$300,000 line of credit should we exhaust our own funds. But we need to return soon to an average of 30-35 brothers living in every semester. A lot is riding on the upcoming spring 2023 rush.

Thank you all who have given so generously in the past to the alumni corporation. While not tax-deductible, your gift to the house goes 100% to providing a safe and attractive place to live, study, and party, just as you did in your time on the hill. As we approach the 2022 holiday season, please think about a gift to keep Sigma Pi Mu Chapter healthy as we tackle the issues that come our way! And if you come to campus, give me a heads up; I'd be delighted to meet you and go deeper into any of these issues in person.

Annual Meeting / Director Elections

The annual meeting of Mu Chapter of Sigma Pi Fraternity of the United States was held on Thursday, September 29. Once again, the alumni board made an increased effort to garner alumni proxies submitted electronically, which would provide the alumni corporation with the needed quorum to conduct the annual meeting in accordance with our bylaws. I am happy to report that we received **140** proxies, representing almost 11% of our active membership (alumni and undergraduates). Thanks to all who participated.

Elections for alumni directors were held, and by unanimous vote, the following slate of officers was elected or reelected for one-year terms: **Jarett Wait '80**, president; **Liviu Rusu '98**, vice president; **John Haggerty '78**, treasurer and faculty advisor; **Slater Goodman '18**, secretary; and **Peter Muth '74**, general counsel. **Chris Selland '86** stepped down from the board after two years of service. Thank you, Chris, for your dedication and service to Mu Chapter!"

Liviu Rusu '98 will be stepping into a revamped role of vice president. Liviu will focus on building the relationship with the undergraduate officers, serving as a liaison between the board and the undergraduate chapter. We hope that this will improve the communication with the undergraduate leaders and offer them additional support throughout the academic year. Join us in congratulating **Liviu Rusu '98** as he steps into this new role!

730 University Avenue Property Management Partnership with CSL

Since Cornell changed their policy and eliminated the bursar system in the Greek community, the alumni board has had to reassess its increasing position as the landlord while engaging the undergraduate brothers. As you can imagine, this led to new challenges not previously encountered by the board. In order to properly manage the landlord-tenant relationship with the undergraduate students, the alumni board has hired CSL Property Management to help remove any friction.

CSL will be responsible moving forward for helping maintain the chapter facility, ensuring that routine inspections are completed in a timely manner, and bringing some much-needed order to the move-in and move-out processes. They will take over the day-to-day operational support for the chapter facility, including repairs and maintenance, vendor and contract management, and direct support to the undergraduate tenants.

The alumni board is excited to enter into this new partnership with CSL Property Management. This will allow board members to spend more time directly interacting with students and alumni, instead of chasing members for rent payments or managing repairs to the facility.

Alumni Spotlight: Tim Donohue '87

CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER AT KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS



Tim is the chief investment officer of Kamehameha Schools. He and his team are responsible for managing the financial assets portion of the endowment, which invests in various asset classes globally. He oversees KS investment and operations staff in Honolulu and San Francisco.

Donohue joined KS in 2019. Prior to KS, he spent 11 years with the endowment of Columbia University, the last two of which were in the role of chief investment officer. Previously, he was partner and vice president of the management consulting firm Booz Allen Hamilton, providing strategy, organization, and operations advice to corporate clients.

Donohue holds a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from Cornell University and an MBA from Columbia University. Tim has many fond memories of life in the Pi house, from rock-n-roll tea, bowling with the Doll, and hanging out in the cave

Could you tell the brothers of Sigma Pi a little bit about how you went from being an undergrad at Cornell to the chief investment officer at Kamehameha Schools in Honolulu, Hawaii?

Well, there have certainly been a lot of steps along the way. I've been fortunate to have a bunch of different roles. I started college as an engineer, got hired by an oil company after graduation, and started my career there. After a little while, I figured this wasn't what I wanted to do long term, so I went back to business school to broaden my horizons. I had a few different roles. I was a trader in commodities for a while, and I eventually moved out to Hawaii in the '90s to take an opportunity with a new job. I had switched to management consulting, which I did for about a decade. I did a ton of travel, which really taught me how to think critically and be adaptable. I was starting to think about what I wanted to do next, by this point I had a family and was looking for something with less travel commitments. I ended up being contacted by a headhunter, who asked if I wanted to do endowment work. I said "what are endowments?"

What advice do you wish you were given before you started your career?

I've always been analytical and subscribed to the thought that if you put your head down and work hard then people will notice. I would say that, when I first started my career, I didn't realize the importance of building relationships and establishing a network of people. It took me much later in life to realize that there is an importance in doing this beyond even career opportunities. These are people that you can bounce ideas around with, people that can be empathetic to your situation and responsibilities, who understand the pressures that you face every day. I would say it's important for everyone to carve out time and space in your life for building relationships with other professionals. I would also say to take risks earlier in your career. Take the interesting opportunity when it presents itself. You can build up a lot of goodwill when you show that you're a team player, which gives you more space to take calculated risks, even in your current roles. Ask for assignments no one else wants.

Tell us a little more about the work you do today.

It has really been the best job that I've ever had. I joined the

institution about three years ago, and I had a similar role before, but I wasn't the top guy. I lead a team of about 25 people or so, and we are responsible for investing an endowment of about \$10 billion on behalf of the school system. This is a large trust in Hawaii that was set up over a 100 years ago by the royal family. The mission is to educate native Hawaiian learners and to sustain their culture. The institution has a wealth of assets and challenges; we run a system of schools, do trainings, scholarship, and manage the land holdings, which encompass a tenth of the state. All these efforts go to make sure that kids receive an education and have a support system. I figured out what the investment strategy should be and allocate capital to lead investment managers around the world.

What's your favorite aspect of your work today?

The breadth of things you get to look at is amazing. We can invest in pretty much anything or anyone in the world. I love the intellectual challenge of trying to figure out the best opportunity for the last dollar. Meeting people from all over the world has been rewarding, and we are fortunate from our capital and brand name to meet some of the best investors in the world. I always appreciate the opportunity that we have to make an impact in a mission that is meaningful to so many people.

How has your Sigma Pi experience impact you in your work, and where have you seen its effects come into play?

Going to a place like Cornell, you are always surrounded by a lot of talented and highly motivated individuals. At the Pi house, we had a lot of smart and interesting people, but we also had a group of brothers who didn't take life too seriously. We had fun, built relationships, and the fraternity taught me to learn to live and to enjoy a bunch of people from various backgrounds with different interests. The ability to balance everything as a Cornell student, between having fun, academics, and fraternal responsibilities, is a challenge. I lived in the house for a year, and that experience of living with so many different people really impacted my work. Today, I work with diverse teams and need to collaborate with people from all walks of life.

I see you have a surfboard on the wall. Have you taken up surfing since moving to Hawaii?

Not much of a surfer, but I do enjoy the great outdoors here. I cycle, play a bunch of golf, go hiking: that sort of thing. It's like a playground here; the weather is always amazing. I'm a die-hard Eagles fan, so I always wake up early in the morning to catch the games.

What advice would you give an undergraduate member who is interested in the type of work you do?

People are successful in a lot of different ways. I think it's important to develop a support system that enables you to put extra time into your career. Always remember where you came from, maintain your values, and thank you family and spouses all the time for their support. They will help give you the space that you need to pursue the things you are interested in and passionate about. Sometimes people focus too much on one thing, but having a broad skill set is invaluable. I think someone can be successful if they are curious and excited to think about the world every day. Stay humble, be comfortable making mistakes, and be resilient enough to make decisions, even after making a mistake or when you have less than perfect information.

Beach Renovations & Enhancements

By Liviu Rusu '98



The house is currently an 8 out of 10. The beach is open! After almost a year of being shut down by some 50 leaks, the beach is back and better than ever. We had to remove the old roof membrane and water-logged insulation. The new insulation is now protected by a compression

board to avoid the settling that compromised the last roof. And instead of wood decking, which needed to be replaced every five to seven years, we now have a stone paver system which comes with a 20-year warranty and also covers the membrane beneath.

In short, it's awesome. And so is the price tag. The usual summer construction confusion in Ithaca was compounded by acute supply chain problems and very painful inflation. Although I like the new stone paver roof, it was not my first choice, but it was the only one we could get supplied and scheduled. The paver cost increased by 15% from the start of negotiations to the installation and the total project cost was double what we originally expected and approved.

As bad as that sounds, it would have been worse if we had delayed. I'd like to acknowledge our contractor, Hale Roofing, for being able to source all the materials, for doing a fine job, and for working with us to finance the overage over six payments. There are lesser outstanding issues with the house that we continue to address including reinforcing parking lot stair handrails, fixing the pool table, painting the hallways, and generally having a house that we are all proud to call ours.

This ongoing process has changed significantly for us this year. Dave and Jeanne Ruff, of Ruff Maintenance, have been our "boots on the ground" for nearly two decades. They have retired due to Dave's declining health, and I am personally sad to see them go. Jeanne has been something of a "house mother" and her absence will be felt.

We have hired the team at CSL to assist us with property management going forward and hope this will alleviate some of the day-to-day work that has burdened this board over the years.

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Nick Vojnovic '81 Cancer Survivor Hall of Fame

Each year the Cancer Research & Treatment fund hosts its Cancer Survivors Hall of Fame Dinner in New York City. This year as they celebrated their 54th year of existence and 24th year hosting the donor, they choose to honor brother **Nick Vojnovic '81** with a special award as a Cancer Survivor Honoree which was presented to him by fraternity brother and President of the Board of Directors **Tom Silver '81**.

Nick is the president and majority partner of Little Greek Fresh Grill and Green Market Café, a Tampa-based chain that quickly grew from four restaurants to 46 locations across six states. Nick has always been a proud Sigma Pi brother, and his awards include the 2019 Florida Restaurateur Hall of Fame award, the University of South Florida's Entrepreneur of the Year award, a Golden Chain award from the Nation's Restaurant News, and the American Cancer Society Community Trailblazer Award. His greatest challenge came in 2016 when he was diagnosed with myelofibrosis, the most severe of the three blood cancers known as myeloproliferative neoplasms. Nick was given between one and three years to live.

Today, after undergoing a bone marrow transplant, Nick is healthy and actively involved in his industry, community, and family. He has become a

strong advocate for clinical trials, support groups, and education programs that help patients and families cope and offer new treatment options. Nick was joined at the Hall of Fame Dinner on November 17 by 25 members of the Sigma Pi house who were present at the dinner and were a vibrant part of the evening.



Above: Nick Vojnovic '81 (right) and John Alkaya '81

Below: Go Nick, Go!



16th Annual NYC Career Event

After a three-year hiatus, Mu Chapter held the 16th annual NYC Sigma Pi career event on November 3. The event consisted of a Thursday–night dinner at the Cornell Club, courtesy of **Joe Zanetta '75** and the educational foundation, and office visits with various alumni on Friday.

Networking sessions hosts: **Sean MacGregor '07**, JP Morgan Headquarters; **Seth Mosner '10**, Mosner Family Brands; **Donald Motschwiller '80**, First New York Securities; **Michael Adelstein '16**, Taconic Partners; **Frank Sposato '84**, Lazard; and **Felix Tabary '14**, Troop.

Thank you to all Sigma Pi alumni who attended the dinner, hosted undergraduates, and continue to provide a framework for the future success of our undergraduate brothers!



Resident Advisor Report

By **Alex Kokka '24**



I am happy to report that life is back to normal at Sigma Pi. Classes are in-person and masks and surveillance COVID-19 testing are no longer required, although we are still vigilant in our efforts to stay healthy at the house. Following a successful house inspection, the brothers have been able to resume holding social events. We have also

been able to host alumni visits, which has helped strengthen the bonds between the different generations. We all look forward to hosting reunions and parents' events at the house in the near future.

Although we are facing financial challenges at the house, the brothers are working hard in collaboration with the alumni board to come up with effective solutions. We are meeting regularly to check in and evaluate our progress to find areas for improvement. I want to thank the alumni board for their active involvement and support; their help is greatly appreciated.

Finally, we are all excited to be welcoming our fall 2022 pledge class. Having spoken with the brothers throughout the recruiting process, it was clear that they were all very excited about the new brothers who will be joining. We all have high hopes that the fall 2022 pledge class will be a great addition to Mu Chapter and promote its core values and ideals.

Top left: Brothers at Taconic Career Event; (l-r)

Benji Sliwka '25, Emir Erkenkalkan '24, Michael Adelstein '16, Fardin Chowdhury '25

Middle left: Brothers at JP Morgan Career Event; (l-r)

Lev Katrezcko '23, Rob De Jesus '24, Emir Erkenkalkan '24, Thiago Hammes '24

Bottom: 16th Annual NYC Career Dinner

Mu Brothers' News & Notes

Winthrop Cody '56: It's sad to see my Cornell fraternity brothers passing on. **Fred Jensen '54** was my roommate, and **Jim Keene '57** talked me into being UGC, and now they are gone; I'm a normally active 89. I had to temporarily turn in my golf clubs for a cave in May as I recovered from a knee replacement. I expect to be back on the course this fall. It's too hot for golf in Florida during the summer anyway. My wife of 61 happy-marriage years passed away three years ago, but I recently partnered with a wonderful lady. She is a vigorous 93 and really keeps me socially hopping. Never say us old folks can't have fun. My personal goal is to attend my 70th Cornell Reunion in 2025. I hope to see some of my old fraternity brothers there. We can race down the library slope on our walkers. To you young guys, retirement is a great period in your life, so prepare for it.

VanNess Robinson '57 is suffering from Alzheimer's and is in a memory care unit. It was his honor to be a part of this fraternity.

Christopher Hoerber '69: Hi Everyone. First, I want to comment that I am impressed with your diversity and inclusion statements and the growing diversity of the brotherhood since I was in Ithaca (class of '68). At the time, I was proud that the membership included what I believe were the first Jewish brothers, the first black brother, and a couple of Asian brothers. But, that seems so quaint and a long time ago in hindsight.

I officially retired in 2015 at 68 years old, but I have been consulting since then (communications satellite industry), and the last two years have actually been my busiest. Most of my work is for the company that is the successor to my old company, Maxar, which is a name you have all seen in the news. I am enormously proud of the contribution to transparency that Maxar has made in the war in Ukraine. The war is very personal to me, because I spent a lot of time in Russia in the '90s and was responsible for the first US-Russian space hardware Joint Venture (electric propulsion). The JV continued to flourish until February of this year, when it came to a sudden end. I am sick for what this all must mean to my many Russian friends—we have lost track of each other over the years. My travels included two trips to Dnipro, Ukraine (now Dnipro), and with

20/20 hindsight, I saw the seeds of what is happening now; I have a much greater appreciation for history than I did when I was young.

We've lived in the San Francisco Bay area near Stanford (aka Cornell West—check out the history on Google if you are not familiar with it) since 1975, but are making plans to move to a retirement community in Oregon sometime this year. Something I never anticipated doing, but it provides a path should either my wife, Mary, or I need a higher level of care someday. We both have seen relatives who had dementia who were not prepared, and their children had to make tough decisions for which they were not prepared. Our kids both live in the Bay Area. Brian is a labor lawyer for the SEIU in Oakland, and Caitlin is designing and manufacturing custom DNA, a necessary step in the development of vaccines. She lives in San Francisco. Every once in a while, I play poker with **Steve Hochhauser '68**, who lives nearby, and last year I visited **Nick Long '68** in Rhode Island. Nick and I hadn't seen each other for 50 years, and it was a lot of fun for me to catch up and to see the twists and turns in our lives since Cornell.

William J. Strusz '73: We have embraced the "to the reunion every year" philosophy. Encourage all to consider it. A great renewal. Next chance next year to join the 3s and 8s. Hey '73s, where are you? Come on! In other news, Carol Sue, Ruby, and me wander the country periodically in the Black Rabbit van. If you'd like a visit from some free-loading but entertaining old friends, hit me with an email. Sigma Pi DNA crosses well over the years. wjstrusz@gmail.com

Glenn Mazzamaro '77: Our daughter, Stephanie, was married on August 7 to a great guy from Wisconsin named Alex Morrell. They bought a house and are living in Brooklyn, New York. Our oldest daughter, Ashley, a Cornell hotelier in the class of 2008, is still single and looking for the right guy. Our son, Justin, is engaged to a sweet biomedical engineer, Jordyn Nally, from the Jersey Shore. They will get married in Spring Lake in June 2022. I'm still working for Vanderbilt Chemicals, having fun running their petroleum-additives business and planning retirement by the end of 2025. My wife, Janice, is counting down the days....1,230 days to go!

Deceased

Richard H. Cooper '54

June 4, 2017

Frans M. Djorup '52

November 25, 2021

Theodore A. Marciniak '55

July 26, 2022

Kenneth P. Piester '51

April 6, 2021

Briton K. Smith '61

January 4, 2022

*Honor a deceased brother with
a memorial plaque; visit*

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Congratulations to **Paul Brenner '78** on retirement.

Brad Cook '813 started a new position as director of financial planning and analysis at Aspen Publishing.

Steven Gunby '81 retired after 30 years at Boston Consulting Group (BCG) and moved into a new role as CEO of FTI Consulting

Dennis Ehrenberger '83 started a new position as senior consultant at Sedlak Supply Chain Consultants.

Michael Vernick '83, PhD, was selected as a judge for this year's SportsPro OTT Awards.

Gordon Adelsberg '90 started a new position as managing director at Argo Capital Advisors.

Tim Camuti '90 started a new position as director of design and user experience at tick42.

Andrew Sorkin '99 was honored as an Emmy nominee for outstanding live interview for his discussion with Adam Neumann.

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Adil Ahamed '04 was named the winner of the Canadian Automobile Dealers Association (CADA) Laureate Award for Business Innovation.

Josh Katcher '06 departed from the Arlington Commonwealth's Attorney's Office after 11 years.

Josh Benamaram '14 successfully completed an acquisition of his company with IBM.

Jacob Laufer '15 was promoted to head of expansion at Ohl

Michelangelo Lieberman '16 is putting together a board of directors for a new non-profit focused on working with groups of people to reduce their carbon emissions and ecological footprint.

Connor Riser '16: I graduated from New York University of Law in May. I will be remaining in New York City to work in the labor and employment department of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher, & Flan.

David DellaPelle '17 started a new position as senior manager of strategy at AT-Bay.

Clouse Lee '19 started a new position as product operations manager at Portable.

Joshua Even '19 celebrated one year at Bloomberg LP.

Jonah Hutchinson '20 started a new position as an investment analyst at London & Regional Properties.

Jacob Wigdor '21 started a new position as an acquisitions and development analyst at Rebel Hospitality Management.

Mikhael Macallister '22 started a new position as investment analyst at PGIM Real Estate.

Kyle Neputy '23 began his career in the Technical Management Development Program with E. & J. Gallo in South Carolina

We love hearing from our alumni!

Be sure to send in your alumni news using the enclosed form. You can also submit alumni news to alumnirecords@sigmapiccornell.org or login and submit online at:

sigmapiccornell.org/submitnews.asp

2022: A Reunion for the Ages!

After three years, Mu Chapter was able to celebrate a Reunion for the ages! It was one of the chapter's highest turnouts, with over 100 alumni in attendance, 33 of which were young alumni from recent grad years. "It was one of the chapter's highest turnouts, with over 100 alumni in attendance, 35 of whom were young alumni from recent grad years. Our chapter has embraced an attend-every-year philosophy (think annual reunion), which transcends all grad years! The house was completely occupied this year by young alumni. As a result, we had by far the largest gathering of alumni of any Greek or affiliated organization.

Festivities kicked off on Thursday with a gathering at the Pi House. On Friday, several alumni participated in the annual Golf outing, followed by a happy hour and pig roast. Band of Brothers held their reunion tour throughout the weekend, playing two sets packed full of rock and roll blues, including classics from the Stones, David Bowie, Pink Floyd, and Tom Petty. The lineup included **Brian "FinDog" Finneran '81**: vocals, bass; **Jac "Sac" Sacco '77**: guitar; **Kevin "Kruiseomatic" Kruse '79**: guitar; **Dave "D'O" D'Orlando '79**: vocals, guitar, harmonica; **Sandy Kraker**: vocals, keyboard, flute, harmonica; **Howie Gordon '81**: vocals, drums, percussion; **Tom Garr '76**: drums, percussion; **William "Biff" Strusz '73**: vocals, guitar. We are happy to announce that the Band of Brothers will perform at Reunion 2023 June 8-11! More information to follow soon.

List of attendees:

William Nuga '22	Michael Vernick '83	John Haggerty '78
Francisco Wagner '21	Alexa Bosshardt '82	Peter Cady '77
Josh Even '19	Ford Fay '82	Dick Cahoon '77
Matthew Blakley '18	James Garr '82	John Christoforo '77
Justin Bredahl '17	Timothy Hawes '82	Matt Petti '77
Fernando Cevallos '17	Gerald Leape '82	Steve Ryan '77
David DellaPelle '17	Rick Rego '82	Mark Sullivan '77
Danny Janeczko '17	John Roche '82	Victor Sung '77
David Kogan '17	John Altmeyer '81	David Williamson '77
Agustin Martinez '17	Ed Berlin '81	Tom Garr '76
Steven Siegel '17	Brad Crooke '81	John Morrison '75
Sam Strang '17	Gary Derck '81	Gary Wicks '75
Andrew Walsh '17	Brian Finneran '81	Sandy Kraker '74
Jon Wu '17	Howard Gordan '81	Peter Muth '74
Alexander Yablonovich '17	Guy Pettee '81	Jim Boland '73
Michael Adelstein '16	Mike Rantz '81	William Strusz '73
James Alvares '16	Joseph Ruocco '81	Rick Fish '72
Brandon Choi '16	Thomas Silver '81	Ken Yurgelun '72
Lorenzo De Simone '16	Nick Vojnovic '81	
Zachary Gilbert '16	Richard Bosshardt '80	
Rohun Gupta '16	Jeff Brown '80	
Benaiah Johnson '16	Tom Cherner '80	
Andrew Joseph '16	Joe Dervay '80	
Jisoo Kim '16	Jon Fordin '80	
Mark Luzzi '16	Wayne Forman '80	
Joe Manzi '16	Steven Hobbs '80	
Zane Mokhiber '16	Lawrence Kantor '80	
Nicholas Ornitz '16	Stephen Pirozzi '80	
Connor Riser '16	Kurt Rasmussen '80	
Andrew Wald '16	Jay Sacco '80	
Turkel Anwar '15	Doug Uyeno '80	
Nick Wint '15	Jarett Wait '80	
Jeremy Kraker '07	Larry Barstow '79	
Daniel Emerson '93	Steve Bergh '79	
Lloyd Robinson '87	Dave D'Orlando '79	
George Rocklein '87	Andy Kantor '79	
Dennis McNamara '83	Kevin Kruse '79	
Steve Novak '83	Christopher Olie '79	
Tom Owens '83	Gordon Pugh '79	
John Stewart '83	Curtiz Quantz '79	



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