## **ALUMNI OFFICERS**

Mike Park '92 Alumni Corp. President

**Tod Miller '85** Alumni Corp. VP

William "Andy" Anderson '91 Alumni Corp. Treasurer

**Tom Less '79** Alumni Corp. Secretary

Randy Rossi '77 High Pi

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#### FALL ASSOCIATES

#### Freshman

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**Stanley Yen Wuu '12** Gaithersburg, Maryland

**Kabil Blila '12** Brooklyn, New York

**Andre Justin Freeman '12** Englewood, New Jersey

**Aaron Edward Nye '12** Meadville, Pennsylvania

#### Sophomore

Matthew James Thornton '11 Rochester, New York

**John Lawrence Hanson '11** Chicago, Illinois

Anthony Michael Perna '11 Chicago, Illinois

**Adam Daniel Cohen '11** Bethesda, Maryland

## **IN MEMORY**

Brother **Edwin Hall '95** lost his battle against cancer earlier this year.

For more info, please read the "Edwin W. Hall '95" article at www.lxa-zetazeta.org. The Zeta Zephyr

Zeta Zeta of Lambda Chi Alpha at Penn State

## **ALUMNI REPORT**

# House Corporation Meets to Discuss Finances, Scholarships and Possible Release from Probation

Homecoming Events Welcome Many Alumni, Families and Friends

By Edward H. Thuer '88 (and '09) Z1082

Homecoming this year included an Alumni Housing Corporation meeting. Present were the corporation's officers: Mike Park '92 (Alumni Corp. President), Tod Miller '85 (Alumni Corp. VP), William "Andy" Anderson '91 (Alumni Corp. Treasurer), Tom Less '79 (Alumni Corp. Secretary), Randy Rossi '77 (High Pi) and Ed Beard '75 (Board Member-at-Large). In addition, present to give their reports were undergraduate brothers High Alpha Greg Sabo, House Manager Mike Best, and High Rho Mike Stanczak. There was also a good turn out of active brothers, associates and esteemed alumni, including Ken Termini '87, Ed Stoloski '70 and Mike Bittner '80.

Some highlights of the meeting were Andy Anderson's step-by-step presentation and explanation of the corporation's Financial Statement available to all brothers on the website, (www.lxa-zetazeta.org, under "Download Center"). Among the financial matters discussed was the sharp decline in donations to the Annual Fund last year. Every dollar that came in went out in our continuing effort to maintain our beloved house.

The Alumni Corporation also presented three scholarship checks to undergraduate brothers. The corporation board added new members-at-large Ed Thuer '88 and Jason Lenox '97.

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The active chapter reported that they expect to have a full house (45 men) for the fall '09 semester. High Pi Randy Rossi reported that the active chapter could be released from probation



Brothers on the brick patio at this year's Homecoming.

by IHQ. A long series of events led to this probation and Brother Rossi reports positive change in the active chapter.

The festivities this year started appropriately enough in the Chapter Room Friday night. On the sturdy new table and benches the Alumni Housing Corporation had constructed for the house, many esteemed alumni brothers, active brothers, friends and family partook in the venerable game, Whale's Tails. Among the many celebrants were brothers Ed Stoloski, Ed Beard, Mike Park, Randy Rossi, Jan Jeffries '68, Tod Miller, Whitney Sanders '69, Happy Harrison '73 and Greg Sabo (current High Alpha). Family included Brother Bill Yerkes' '76 two kids, Andrew and Caitlin, while among the friends was a former Little Sister.

Saturday morning a group of brothers made it a point to visit all the alumni tailgates possible.

Saturday night the 40–50 something crowd quenched their thirst at Hooters, while at least one brother, **Brian Eckert '02**, performed with his band Cootie Brown at the Bar Bleu. You can find him and his band on Facebook!

#### A SPECIAL THANKS

## **Composites Are Back at the Chapter House!**

Thanks to a donation from alumnus **Ned Book** '54, the 1979 and 1980 composites have been re-framed and are going back to the chapter house before the end of the year! They will be hung up with the rest of our reclaimed memorabilia. Thanks to Ned for this generous gift to help bring back these one-of-a-kind items to the house. If anyone would

like to make a donation specifically to help bring back more items like these, please drop an officer any email or simply post a note on the website at www.lxa-zetazeta.org.

These 1979 and 1980 composites will be re-framed and back in the house thanks to a donation by Brother Ned Book '54.



### LIFETIME MEMBERS

The members recognized below have given \$1,000 gifts to become Lifetime Members. If you believe your name was mistakenly left off this list, please call our alumni relations office at 800-598-4050.

William Achenbach 1956
Timothy Ackerman 1992
John Adams 1954
William Anderson 1991
John Barnes 1989
Richard Barnhart 1980
James Beard 1975
Dean Beaumont 1984\*
David Bechtel 1953
Tinasakti Bhanubandh 1965
Michael Bittner 1980
Douglas Burrill 2002\*
Brady Caverly 1987
George Cleveland 1948
Paul Ellenberger 1951\*

Robert Ferris 1959
James Flick 1966
Gary Gentzler 1960\*
William Gingrich 1957
Daniel Good 1996\*
Robert Griggs 1956\*
Kenneth Haas Sr. 1953
Kenneth Haas Jr. 1980
H. Hartman 1958
Charles Krebs 1959
Samuel Kutz 1953
B. William Mahoney 1958
Douglas McBrearty 1973
Tod Miller 1985
Terrence Mish 1955

Michael Moore 1986 Phillip Murphy 1995\* James Myer 1990\* William Nichols 1951 Adam Nowak 1997\* Willard Phillips 1971\* Clifford Pine 1988\* Kent Pinkerton 1959 Matthew Pokorny 1996\* Richard Powl 1975\* Harold Quigley 1970 William Rae 1953 Scott Rice 1981 J. Kevin Riordan 1981\* Randall Rossi 1977 Anthony Spinelli 1981\*
Jason Stupak 1990\*
W. Luke Taiclet 1982
Kenneth Termini 1987
Edward Thuer 1988\*
Richard Ward 1990\*
George Wickstead 1933
Mark Woodward 1987
William Yerkes 1976
Charles Zendt 1958
Paul Zimmerman 1982\*

\* Currently paying

## **2008-09 HONOR ROLL**

This Honor Roll of Donors recognizes alumni who have made a contribution to the 2008-09 Annual Fund since the giving year began on September 1. Add your name to the Honor Roll by making a donation to the Annual Fund by calling our toll-free credit card hotline 800-975-6699 or online at our secure website, www.lxa-zetazeta.org.

J. Edward Rumbaugh Jr. 1936 Ralph E. Peters 1948 Robert K. Sallade 1948 George T. English Jr. 1949 F. Donald Welker 1949 Russell B. French 1950 Lowell V. Hammer 1950 William E. Keim 1950 Samuel D. Zeiders Jr. 1950 Justus Dale Campbell 1951 Edwin J. Weston 1951 Samuel Albert Kutz 1953 William E. Lindsay 1953 William C. Davis 1954 George R. Durik 1954 Carl Kingsley Lunde 1954

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Elmer E. Praul Jr. 1964 David P. Raezer 1964 Robert R. Wagstaff Jr. 1964 Timothy J. Creedon 1965 Robert J. Nedroski 1965 James R. Flick 1966 Michael J. Gilotti 1969 Charles R. Beckert 1970 Harold H. Quigley 1970 Willard B. Phillips 1971 Robert Paul Vespa Jr. 1972 Richard T. Aranowski 1973 Paul A. Taiclet 1974 Robert A. Lightner 1975 Gary M. Sich 1978 Thomas J. Less 1979

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#### **ALUMNI PROFILE**

### An Ocean Away, Friendships Remain Strong for Brother Bhanubandh

For Tim, the promise of lifelong friendships rings true. Although he lives and works in Thailand, Tim travels back to the United States often, especially since his son started attending Penn State, Berks campus. During these visits, he has reconnected with several brothers by using the LXA website at www.lxa-zetazeta.org.

"Phoning someone cold, not having contacted them in 40 odd years is pretty challenging," says Tim.

The responses to Tim's contacts have been overwhelmingly positive as brothers have welcomed his calls.

These lasting connections are the reason Tim joined LXA in the first place. Initially, it was the idea of having fun and the social life that drew him to the fraternity, but what kept him there was the sense of belonging, the permanence of having a house at Penn State and the promise of something more than a roommate – having lifelong friends.

Tim lived in the U.S. for 26 years, from 1962 to 1987. During this time he received a BS from Penn State and the University of Southern California. He then went on to receive an MBA from Louisiana State University and started to work towards a PhD at the University of Texas.

While Tim enjoyed his time at each school, attending four top football schools can have its challenges when deciding which team to cheer for on game day.

"Finally...Penn State [will] play USC

in the BCS Rose Bowl, which is pretty bewildering for me with strong connections to both...but it should be fun anyway! I wouldn't miss it for the world," says Tim.

Tim's life changed direction when his mother asked him to return to Thailand to take care of their lands. He said a quick goodbye to the life he loved in the U.S. and headed home.

Back in Thailand, Tim became a real estate developer and has since built the family real estate business into a thriving enterprise with assets over \$200 million. His current project, the Renaissance Bangkok Hotel in Central Bangkok, is set to open in mid-2009 and any LXA, PSU or USC alumnus is welcome to a complimentary stay during the Grand Opening.

Tim is also excited about the opening of the Renaissance Hotel, because he feels it will better enable him to do another kind of work that's really important to him.

"I'm also motivated...to do things to make people feel good and excited," says Tim.

He enjoys putting on events for USC alumni in Thailand and the opening of the Renaissance Hotel will give him the opportunity to do even more. He would love to do something similar for Penn State if the opportunity arises.

Tim and his wife, Sirikarn, have two daughters, Pau and Petra, and a son Patrick. Patrick, a freshman at Penn State, Berks campus, is an excellent tennis player

> and was the 2008 NEAC Conference Player of the Year.

Tim would like to think he had a hand in Patrick's tennis skills, as Tim was number one on the table tennis team while at Penn State.

Although the University didn't officially sanction



Tim with model of the Renaissance Bangkok Hotel.

the team, they competed against other regional colleges and universities.

Tim has many other great memories from his days in LXA at Penn State. Some of his favorite times were when a group of brothers would go to the Penn State football games together.

Tim still keeps in contact with many brothers, including Jim Flick '66, Bert Prutzman '65, Dick Wade '65, Gordy Ruhf '65, Bob Thomas '66, Bill Mills '65, Ed Rosenzweig '63, Dennis McDonough '68, Randy Palm '65 and Gerry Lynam '66. Tim always looks forward to renewing a past friendship and exchanging old stories, and encourages any LXA brothers to contact him. He would especially like to hear from Len Creed, his Big Brother, who he has tried fruitlessly to track down.

In addition to keeping up with old buddies, Tim tries to make it back to the house. So far, he's has been able to visit the house and make a donation on two occasions.

Tim credits the single biggest impact LXA has had on him was the understanding of "giving consideration to your friends' feelings, rather than being an island to yourself."

So now that Tim's children are getting older and his real estate business is booming, what are his goals for the future?

"Everybody has dreams," he said. "Mine is to cash out in three or four years and retire in the United States."



Tim with wife Sirikarn, daughters Pau and Petra, and son Patrick in Bangkok.

## **ALUMNI UPDATES**

#### J. Edward Rumbaugh Jr. '36

(136 Lakeshore Dr., #911, North Palm Beach, FL 33408-3663) Could I be the oldest duespaying member? I am 93-years-old, retired and living in North Palm Beach, FL. for 30 years. I have a granddaughter, Alyssa, a senior at Penn State, who is Captain of the Lionette Dance Team. I have a grandson, Jonathan, a freshman in architectural engineering.

#### Justus Campbell '51

(759 S.W. Pebble Lane, Palm City, FL 34990-2000; easternaire@earthlink.com) On Oct. 9, 2007, The Federal Aviation Administration awarded me with "Wright Brothers Master

Pilot Award" for completing more than 50 years of flying without an accident or violation. This award had its beginning in the LXA house in 1950. I would hitchhike to the Bellefonte airport to fly Penn State Flying Club aircraft. This hobby led to a 32-year career with Eastern Air Lines as pilot and a 20-year USAFR service, retiring as a Lt. Col. I still fly a Cessna 172.

#### Samuel Kutz '53

(1001 Cadmus Rd., Pottstown, PA 19465-8638; laokutz@aol.com) Feeling great at 78!

#### George W. Kennedy Jr. '57

(P.O. Box 64, Paist Rd., Holicong, PA 18928-0064; jngkenn@verizon.net) I am a retired American Airlines captain.

#### Matthew Pokorny '96

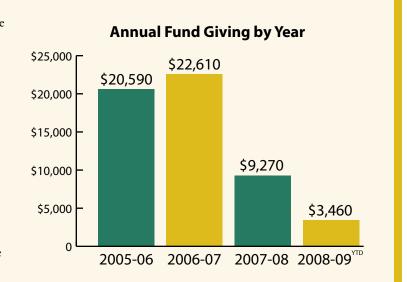
(1921 Montgomery St., Mandeville, LA 70448-5249; matt\_pokorny@yahoo.com) Our daughter, Mira, is cute as can be and wrapping me around her little finger. My wife Sarah and I are enjoying our new life as parents and living in Louisiana. We're close to family and having fun exploring what the New Orleans area has to offer.

# **ANNUAL FUND UPDATE**

The sharp decline in our annual fund giving was among the topics discussed at the recent Alumni House Corporation Meeting. It's crucial for alumni to understand that absolutely 100% of donations to our Annual Fund go directly to supporting our Chapter.

Maintaining our house, assisting the undergraduates with necessary purchases, holding events for actives and alumni as well as maintaining our communications program consisting of both our newsletter and website are all funded by the Annual Fund.

Support of the Annual Fund is critical in allowing the necessary support of alumni that our Chapter needs and deserves. Our 2008-09 giving year began on September 1. Please make a donation today by calling our toll-free credit card hotline at 800-975-6699 or online at our secure website at www.lxa-zetazeta.org.



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