

THE PA PHINDINGS

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Eminent Archon Report

ANTHONY KUHN
EMINENT ARCHON

It is truly a fantastic time in the Pennsylvania Phi chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. This past year the house was recognized as the most improved of all fraternities at Carnegie Mellon University, and also the most improved of all chapters in the SAE realm. We have recently held the most successful philanthropy event of any one fraternity by raising \$5,269, more than double last year's high of \$2,500 raised by Sigma Phi Epsilon. The past two semesters have given the chapter a total of 21 dedicated new brothers. These new brothers will help to maintain our numbers and momentum as we lose 12 brothers to the dreaded real world in May. Additionally, our involvement in Greek Sing, Buggy, Booth, and other university events is at an all time high. Finally, we have completed our probation requirements and are once again in good standing with the university. While this year has been spectacular, I and the other actives expect the coming years to be even better.

Carnival Report

TORREY BRENNER
EMINENT DEPUTY ARCHON

Spring Carnival 2010 promises to be the best EVER! This year's theme for booth is "History with a Twist." The minds at SAE have devised many ways to lead history askew, such as "Stegosaurus Aren't Extinct!" and "Scotland's Amazing Experience." Furthermore, this year will be SAE's second consecutive year competing in Sweepstakes. The brothers will be fielding not only a male team, but also a female team and hopefully a second buggy with a men's B team. During Carnival we will be celebrating the chapter's 90th anniversary at the Pittsburgh Athletic Association. In addition to the activities above, there will also be an Alumni get together at Luna Bar, a B-B-Q at the chapter house and a gathering of Alumni, Actives, and friends of the chapter at Dock's Place. Below is a schedule of events for Spring Carnival 2010.

House Report

JORDAN YUHAS
EMINENT HERALD

A year and a half after renovations, the chapter house is clean, furnished, and organized. Room One has transformed from a glorified storage closet to a scholarship room. The room is used by active brothers daily, and is where our alumni academic advisor, R.F. Culbertson holds office hours. The Living Room area has gained some beautiful amenities, such as a new flat screen TV, a sea of leather coaches, and what is reportedly the nicest pool table on campus. In the basement, Negi is now a work in progress known as the Chapter Room. The room is used to hold small meetings, such as executive counsel or alumni board, and houses all ritual equipment and chapter paraphernalia. The house has received the wear and tear expected from housing 30 college aged men. However, the house still remains the cleanest, nicest fraternity house on campus, and will continue to be so for a long time.



Spring Carnival 2010 Events

Thursday April 15th

9pm – 1am Luna Bar

Friday, April 16th

6PM – 10PM 90th Anniversary Dinner
Open Bar and Dinner
75\$ per person

RSVP John Sweeney
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Saturday, April 17th

Noon - 2pm House Luncheon
7pm - ? Doc's Place

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Treasurer Report

MATTHEW KATASE
EMINENT TREASURER

First off, I would personally like to thank all the Alumni who have donated to the house in the past few years. Since paying off the loan, the house has been able to move forward and will remain financially stable for years to come. With the help of Alumni Brother Steve Onaitis I was able to pay off the last of our back taxes, appeal our delinquency status with the State, and we are now up to date with Federal, State, and City taxes. I have also switched our house over to the services of PNC Bank because Citizens Bank was not fulfilling our needs. We have also switched to a delivery service for food, which has saved us a fair amount of money and has made Chef Anthony's job much easier. Finally, we have a solid budget for the spring semester, which will allow us to participate in the big three as well as have a full social calendar. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Philanthropy

ALONZO BENAVIDES
PHILANTHROPY CHAIR

This semester we have started a tradition and defined higher standards for Sigma Alpha Epsilon Philanthropy. The First Annual CMU Donut Dash was a huge success. On the morning of October 3rd, 87 people lined up ready to sprint one mile, eat some delicious Krispy Kreme donuts, and continue running for another mile. In the weeks leading to this event, we had 29 volunteers, 35 mail-in/online donors, and raised a total of **\$5,269**. The Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh will be receiving a donation of **\$3,500** and a pledge to raise even more next fall. We hope you can join us for an even bigger showing at CMU Donut Dash 2010.

Spring Rush

JOSEPH WYNANT
RUSH CHAIR

A successful Spring rush brought in seven new members to PA Phi:

Alex Campbell	Sam Carp
Oscar Chahin	Juan Infante
Brian Duff	Archit Kumar
Lester Xue	

Finally, spring rush has laid a great foundation to build on for next Fall, and plans are already in motion to hopefully welcome a record pledge. We look forward to see these new members finish the new and improved 8 week pledging process



Seven New Members from Spring Rush 2010



Brother Covington crashes three donuts at once to save time



Batcheller Memorial Tournament 2009

ROBERT F. DAX
ALUMNI BOARD

The sixth annual Batcheller Memorial Tournament (BMT) was held in Myrtle Beach the weekend of November 5 to 9. Elliott looked down upon us this weekend, by providing perfect weather with temperatures in the 70's and cloudless skies. 24 brothers representing classes between 1968 (Jim Dankosky) and 1983 (Paul Doyle) attended. This year 3 brothers attended for the 1st time: Park Puliafico, Don Miller, and Paul Schoff. Golfing began Thursday afternoon for 6 early arriving brothers, and continued through Sunday at Arrowhead CC, Shaftesbury Glen CC, and Indigo Creek CC. On Saturday, Commissioner Don Van Ollefen and George Veltri won the Best Ball competition. While Alan Koblin won the coveted Orange Vest for the 3rd time after a 2-hole playoff with Tom Veltri. Over \$2,000 was collected this year to fund the Batcheller Memorial Scholarship to be awarded for the 1st time at Spring Carnival to the active that demonstrates the greatest proficiencies in Eliot's areas of expertise: Bowling, Beer Pong, Backgammon, Sauerkraut Eating, & Poker.

To see Tom Veltri's PhotoShow of BMT'09, visit this URL:
<http://www.photoshow.com/watch/Gc7Nd6Es> .

Commissioner Van Ollefen has started plans for BMT'10 to be held in Myrtle Beach November 4 through 7. Those interested in enjoying the fastest weekend of the year or needing more information can contact Don at dvanollefen@designcollective.com or at (919) 522-1347.



Saturday dinner at Wild Wings



Group Photo: Front Row: S. Carleton, D. Dorff, M. Puliafico, T. Veltri, G. Veltri, E. Shirley, D. Van Ollefen, D. Dougherty, H. Thompson, A. Fountain, P. Schoff. Back Row: C. Forland, A. Koblin, D. Pasternak, P. Doyle, G. Ellis, B. Nielsen, D. Miller, R. Sabol, J. Ball, J. Dankosky, B. Dax. Missing: D. McGrath and C. Pickering

IM Report

KYLE BUCHHOLZ
INTRAMURAL CHAIR

SAE has had a good start to the intramural year. We aimed to repeat our football championship from last year. However, after an injury to our starting quarterback, SAE was dispatched in the semifinals to the eventual champions, Team Old Heads. After suffering defeat in this sport, we strived to earn a win in volleyball. We crushed Phi Kappa Theta in the championship game to win our first IM T-shirts of the year. SAE looks to repeat this success in other sports, such as basketball and dodgeball. Lastly, SAE is very excited for the floor hockey season. After just finishing the regular season undefeated, including a 3-1 victory against rival Pi Kappa Alpha, SAE received the number one seed for the playoffs, which starts next week.



View from Ocean Creek Resort



Contact Us / Getting Involved

We would love to hear from you!
If you have any questions, comments, or just want to see how the house is doing, please contact Torrey Brenner at:

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Want to get involved with the house and the alumni board? Please contact Bob Dax at:
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Donations

Thank you to all of the alumni who have donated. Σ AE's donate 3 times more than other alumni. How to donate:

Contributions can be made through the school for only Σ AE in a tax-deductible manner by going to: <https://www.cmu.edu/campaign/ways/online.html> and specifying "Other" under Designation and write "Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE) House Fund" under special instructions. Please also send an email to our treasurer - mkatase@andrew.cmu.edu so that he can track the progress of the donation.

Alternatively, a check can be mailed to our treasurer at our house:

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Thank you!

The actives of Pennsylvania Phi thank you for your continued support and would like to welcome you to drop by the new chapter house whenever you find yourself near Pittsburgh. We would be happy to talk to you about the brotherhood and all that we are doing.



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Links

Our Website:

www.saepaphi.org

National's Website:

www.sae.net

www.thetruegentlemaninitiative.com

Add PA Phi Alumni Contact Information:

<http://www.saepaphi.org/alumni/new>

JOIN OUR GOOGLE GROUPS FOR CONTACTING OTHER ALUMNI:

PA Phi Alumni

<http://groups.google.com/group/paphi-alumni>

PA Phi Alumni — Announcements Only

<http://groups.google.com/group/pa-phi-announcements-only>

PA Phi Alumni in Pittsburgh:

<http://groups.google.com/group/paphi-pgh>

PA Phi Alumni in New York City:

<http://groups.google.com/group/paphi-nyc>

PA Phi Alumni in the Pacific Northwest:

<http://willbone.com/mailman/listinfo/sae>

PA Phi Alumni in Chicago:

<http://groups.google.com/group/paphi-chi>

Mark Your Calendars

Spring Carnival (see p. 1 for schedule):

Thursday, April 15th – Sunday, April 18th, 2009

PA Phi 90th Anniversary Celebration

Friday April 16th 6PM – 10PM

Open Bar and Dinner for 75\$ a person

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2010 Spring Carnival Website:

<http://www.cmu.edu/alumni/involved/events/carnival/schedule.html>

2010 Homecoming Website:

<http://www.cmu.edu/alumni/involved/events/homecoming/index.html>

House Funds

Still Needed

Dining Room Furniture
Desks for Scholarship Rm.
Party Speakers
Scholarship Fund
Water Fountain
Buzzers
Chapter Room Furniture
New Buggy to Build
Refrigerator for Parties

Recently Funded

47" Flatscreen TV
Meat Slicer
Pool Table
Leather Couches
Rug
7 Brothers to L School

Graduating Seniors

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