

UPCOMING EVENT

Homecoming 2008

November 1, 2008

Save the date!

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ALUMNI REPORT

Homecoming 2008 – Mark Your Calendars for November 1st *Your Ideas Contribute to a Successful Event*

By Steve Saltzman '85

The Homecoming 2007 post-game reception at Penn Theta was a great success. The actives did a fine job of cleaning up the Chapter House in anticipation of the promised influx of alumni and their guests. The actives not only spruced up the House, but showed that they themselves clean up nicely, too! The alumni and actives jointly sang some old favorites.

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I am still fielding requests from groups of alumni who are interested in sponsoring future post-game Homecoming receptions, specifically underwriting the food and drink. Remember, we're dealing with college students, so if we want to eat real food, we must take an active role in the preparation (and funding).



The actives went out of their way to give us a warm welcome.

We will schedule a Homecoming 2008 planning meeting in mid-June. If you would like to be a part of the solution, please e-mail me at srsaltzman@comcast.net. The meeting will be at my office at the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard Business Center in south Philadelphia, but we will have a conference line call-in number available for those who cannot be there in person. I look forward to seeing you in June!

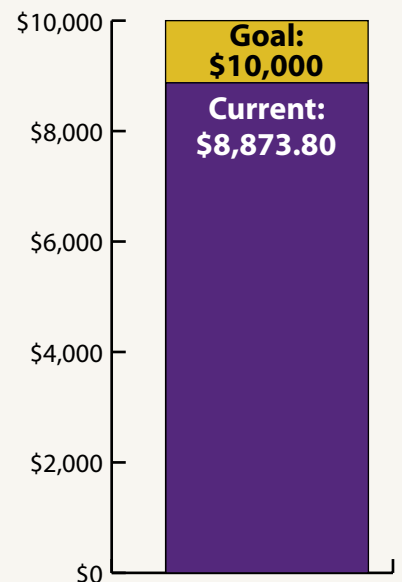
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Homecoming 2007 Proved to be One of the Most Successful Social Events of the Year

Legal Team Reviews Relationship between Penn Theta and the University before House Renovations are Planned

By The Penn Theta Reconnection Team

A group of Brothers headed by **Bonn Simon '61** organized a very successful SAE Reunion at Seabrook Island, SC on April 20-24, 2007 for the classes of 1958 - 1964. At that get-together, we decided the next major event would be Homecoming 2007. A group of us contacted **Steve Saltzman '85** and with his support, a preliminary meeting was held with other alums (**Mike Schaedle '89** and **Harry Fisher '89**) in June and in September 2007 with the house leadership to plan the event.

Homecoming 2007 was a success by every measurement. The actives went out of their way to make the alums feel welcome and all of them attended the post-game reception at the house. The house, though showing its age, looks quite respectable. The actives wore coats and ties and circulated with the alums at every occasion. Once we broke into song, they joined in and even sang one in unison that they used to close their Chapter meetings. There were some challenges (one of the younger alums challenged Jan to recite the Greek Alphabet, which he did flawlessly), and that was followed by a number of the members of the '58 - '64 classes reciting the *True Gentleman* in its entirety.

The game, as you may recall, went into a third overtime and the Quakers did themselves proud. It could have gone either way at the end.

The reception at the house was memorable for all of us. The table used for the hors d'oeuvres is the Chapter pool table. Lenora and **"Steiny" Steinkamp '63** prepared the food in Washington, transported it to Philadelphia along with linens and table décor. Everything was ready for the post-game arrivals. The house living room never looked any nicer and the food was delicious and plentiful. The

Steinkamps contributed significantly to the success of the day.

You will note a photo of Ruth Cobb and four of the actives (all four hold leadership positions) on the patio displaying pictures donated to the house

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by Ruth. Jim purchased the four prints many years ago and she wanted to donate them to the Chapter. They currently adorn the walls of 3908.

Members Eileen and **Lee Mielcarek '58** hosted those who opted to have dinner at Aronimink CC that evening and it was a wonderful conclusion to a delightful day. Eileen and Lee could not have been more hospitable, the cuisine was delicious, and the singing at the piano bar picked up where we had left off at the house. **John McConnell '62** missed his calling.

Gordon Pine '60 once again served as Treasurer/Registrar and he never missed a beat or a dollar. He kept our financials current and within budget. We may have even shown a slight surplus as a result of his efforts.

As you can tell, Homecoming 2007 was a team effort that began in June and culminated in a successful outcome. The November 6th meeting further confirmed our intention to have some type of event at the house on November 1, 2008 (mark your calendars). The details of the meeting on the 6th and since are discussed below.

It has been recommended by a number

of alums that we begin any investment in the Penn Theta Chapter House by having our legal team (**John McConnell, Todd Sloan '61** and **Steiny**) investigate the understanding that currently exists between the University and SAE as to who is responsible for the physical condition of the house and how those claims are addressed.

There are some major cosmetic projects that the actives have identified and are high priorities as far as they are concerned (improvements in the dining room and new flooring installed throughout the house). They would like to see them accomplished over the next years but based on the concerns expressed by Todd at Homecoming, the first step must be a thorough engineer's assessment of the physical plant.

There was some criticism expressed by some alums who arrived unannounced on Friday night or attended the "after hours party" on Saturday night and felt unacknowledged, but it was our clear intention from the outset to make the Saturday reception the focal point of the weekend and nothing was planned at the house either before the reception or afterward. It is unfortunate that some alums were unaware of the plans for October 20th, but those lines of communication are being refined to ensure there is no repeat next year.

We will await the report of the legal team before we recommend any next steps.

The success of the 2007 Homecoming event has resulted in our planning another Homecoming event for 2008. The success of the 2007 event was due in no small part to the involvement by **EA Matt Deitch** and Penn Theta's alumni co-chairs **Nate Bayer** and **Jotham Klein**.



Donation of Photos by Ruth Cobb

ALUMNI UPDATES

'50s

Spencer G. Pope Jr. '50

(2417 Sharp Mt. Rd., Pottsville, PA 17901-3154; spope2@comcast.net) I'd like to hear from **Jesse Thomas '49**, **Bill Morgan '50**, and any others that might remember me that are still above ground. I am retired now for 20 years. Living in Florida six months a year. I have four kids, eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

R. Drew Kistler '54

(58 Hoodridge Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15228-1802; dkistler@hefren.com) I still am employed by Hefren-Tillotson Inc, a broker/dealer and RIA in Pittsburgh. I keep in touch with **Gilbert Snow '54** and **Dick Searles '54**.

'60s

Jeffrey Lenn '62

(211 Wilkes St., Alexandria, VA 22314-3838; djlenn@gwu.edu) I was appointed Associate Vice President of Academic Operations at George Washington University on January 15,

2008. I manage a multi-million dollar budget with a broad portfolio of responsibilities and I look forward to hearing from any Brothers living in DC or traveling through town.

George Johnson '64

(3 Indian Hollow Rd., Mendham, NJ 07945-3300; grjohnson@patmedia.net) My wife, Linda, and I enjoyed getting together last month in Savannah with Sue and **Lou Off '64**.

'90s

Jon Michaels '94

(147 Mansion House Rd., Southbury, CT 06488-1255; michaelsje@gmail.com) I married Covahne Fales in September 2007. We met while in business school at Dartmouth. The wedding was over Labor Day Weekend in Newport, RI and then we had a fantastic honeymoon in Croatia. Would love to hear from everyone...contact me at michaelsje@gmail.com.

Boris Bogatin '98

(1502 Hilltop Terrace, Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006; bbogatin@gmail.com) My wife Tammy Skvirsky (College '00) and I had

a son, Aitan Bogatin (future W '29, ENG '29)... He is great and was nicknamed pretty early in his life as Triple Down to symbolize progress from his father, who was known to Double Down quite a bit :)

The best recent story is my 30th birthday in 2006. We rented out SAE Penn for the day (June 9th I think was the exact date)... All the guys, both '98 and '99 came to celebrate in a familiar setting - including **Howard Goldberg '99**, **Paras Shah '99**, **Brian Pinsky '99**, **Vijay Chattha '99**, **Michael Liptak '01**, **John Kromberg '99**, **Jeff Adler '99**, **Nate Pusey '99**, and **Ben Gettleman '99**. We had a full spread - one of the better barbecue caterers, 3 kegs of premium beer (no Beast sorry), margarita machines, an Ice Luge, with double-shot lanes, a full DJ studio, and these guys on very cool percussion / drum instruments.

Of course everyone expected to party like it was 1997, so many soldiers ended up falling by the wayside very early. But it was a grand affair and everyone had a blast! I'm a big supporter of the concept - whether 30th, 35th, or whatever. We should organize a big gig like it, stringing classes along from one to the next, for a big alumni bash...

RECENT INITIATES

Adam Bloch

Hometown: Scottsdale, AZ
Year: Freshman

Cameron Smith-Rapoport

Hometown: Newburyport, MA
Year: Freshman

J.J. Fliegelman

Hometown: East Brunswick, NJ
Year: Freshman

Mike Naughton

Hometown: Andover, MA
Year: Freshman

Alan d'Escragnolle

Hometown: San Diego, CA
Year: Freshman

Cheng Li

Hometown: Bedford, MA
Year: Sophomore

Jon Mallen

Hometown: Toms River, NJ
Year: Freshman

Nick Gajewski

Hometown: Chagrin Falls, OH
Year: Freshman

Alex Czik

Hometown: Roslyn, NY
Year: Freshman

Christian Lunoe

Hometown: Las Vegas, NV
Year: Freshman

Jonathan Williams

Hometown: Houston, TX
Year: Freshman

Sim K Sims

Hometown: Oklahoma City, OK
Year: Freshman

Alex Salsman

Hometown: Dayton, OH
Year: Freshman

Greg Marvin

Hometown: Rhinebeck, NY
Year: Freshman

Kristov Paulus

Hometown: Tucson, AZ
Year: Freshman

Alex Toumayan

Hometown: Newburyport, MA
Year: Freshman

Hersh Patel

Hometown: Lexington, KY
Year: Freshman

Matt Bloch

Hometown: Philadelphia, PA
Year: Freshman

Austin Williams

Hometown: Columbia, MD
Year: Sophomore

Jelani Bektemba

Hometown: East Orange, NJ
Year: Freshman

Michael Chen

Hometown: Irvine, CA
Year: Freshman



UNDERGRADUATE REPORT

Annual Paddy Murphy Event Sends off Our Seniors with a Bang Many Brothers Look Forward to Exciting Summers

Chapter Keeps Busy with IM Sports

Brothers have been competing in numerous sporting events throughout this semester. The Chapter softball team reached the softball playoffs before eventually falling to Beta in the finals. The team accumulated many great wins including a 31-0 victory over Pi Kapp. The soccer team also had a strong showing, winning its first two playoff games before being knocked out in the semi-finals. Undergraduates also competed in both intramural football and basketball this semester.

Undergrads Host Paddy Murphy, Send off Senior Brothers

Theta Chapter held its annual end of the year party, given the name Paddy Murphy, on April 18th. Over 300 guests attended the get-together which had the student body raving for the whole next week. In addition to Paddy Murphy, the Chapter also held its annual senior dinner at a local sports

bar, Cavanaugh's. The brotherhood shared stories and laughs as Brothers honored the seniors.

Brothers Prepare for Exciting Summers

Summer internships and Co-Ops are excellent resume boosters and experiences that will last a lifetime. Quite a few undergraduates have decided to take this opportunity and spend the summer in various locations. Check out what some of the Brothers will be up to this summer:

- **Chris Pham** will be interning with A2Q2 in San Francisco.
- **Taehoon Kim** has secured a research internship at the Foreign Policy Research Institute in Philadelphia.
- **J.J. Fliegelman** will spend his summer as an intern with Moody's Investors Service in the Sovereign division.
- **Andrew Scurria** has an editorial internship with Thomson Reuters in New York City.

- **Ryan Tancer** will also be spending his summer in New York City at JP Morgan.

- **Jonathan Pines** will be interning with Delaware Investments in the fixed income department.

- **Michael Eby** plans to complete a cancer research fellowship at the University of Colorado in the Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics Department.

- **Cheng Li** will be an auditing intern with Deloitte.

- **Aaron Dornbrand-Lo** is interning with United Overseas Bank in Singapore. He will also be competing in the National Collegiate Sailing Championships.

- **Wilson Tong** will be working with Lazard Freres Private Fund Advisory Group.

- **Charlie Weinberg** will spend part of his summer leading a Youth Travel Program in Vietnam through the YMCA.



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