

UPCOMING EVENTS

Founders' Day

March 15

Dinners will be held in
Philadelphia and Pittsburgh

SAE Golf Outing

April 13-14

To be held in State College

Stay tuned to www.saepsu.com
for full details.

IN MEMORY

We have recently learned of
the deaths of the following
brothers:

Norman Basehore Jr.

Robert Bowman

E. Rudy Kohn Jr.

Warren Hanson

Jacom A. Timbers III

Edward Shihadeh '52

Alvin D. Modellmog '54

ON THE WEB

Do We Have Your Email Address?

If you haven't been receiving our monthly eLetters and other emails, please update your email address to make sure you're among the first to know of the latest PA-Alpha Zeta news and event details!

You can update your email address by logging in to www.saepsu.com or by sending it to our alumni office at feedback@affinityconnection.com (mention SAE PSU).

Your email address will be used solely for SAE communications.

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HOUSE CORP. REPORT

Chapter Introduces Largest Pledge Class in Recent Memory

By **Scott Pierce '83, House Corporation President**

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An enjoyable time was had by all at Homecoming 2011. SAE alumni from the '50s through recent graduates returned to The Ranch for a postgame celebration of the Lions' victory over Purdue. The actives hosted a cocktail reception and dinner prepared by their new cook.

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The House Corporation meeting was held the following morning. The highlight of the annual meeting was when the brotherhood introduced its fall pledged class of 27 men. This is one of the largest pledge classes in recent memory and is a testament to the desirability of SAE in the fraternity rush system. More than 400 students expressed a desire to rush SAE during the fall rush.

The board would like to thank the alumni who have contributed to the House Corporation in 2011. Your generosity made it possible to replace the veranda stone floor and repair the sidewalks and stone pillars along the front driveway and Pugh Street. This was a major project that was expertly supervised by board member **Joe Liberato '79**.

As any homeowner knows, the required upkeep and maintenance items for a home are seemingly endless. The age and size of YOUR Ranch make this requirement very costly. We will be replacing/repairing the walls and flooring on the second floor and replacing room doors to bring them in line with recently changed fire code.

The deteriorated condition of the houses exterior stone walls and windows needs to be addressed soon, but is currently not financially possible. Please consider making a donation to the house so that we can fund these important improvements.

NEWS & NOTES

Have You Seen Our Missing Moseley Award?

In 1970 and 1978, Pennsylvania Alpha-Zeta won the Moseley Awards for Fraternity Zeal. This is the highest award issued annually from National to an individual chapter. Rumor has it that a well-intentioned brother removed the 1970 Moseley Award from the house for safe keeping during

some turbulent times in the '90s. If you know the whereabouts of the missing Moseley, please contact me for coordination of its return.

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CHAPTER REPORT

By Michael Pierce '13, TRIBE

This year's fall pledge class, the WOLVES, is pleased to announce its pledge class project for this semester. The WOLVES and actives have been busy sanding and re-varnishing The Mid-Century Room. We also repainted the BA during Penn State football's bye weekend on November 5-6.

We would like to congratulate the new Eminent Archon, **Kevin Sunyak**, as well as our past Eminent Archon, **Vin Lizza**, who was just elected to be the new Penn State IFC President.

We encourage all alumni to stop by The Ranch whenever they are in town. With

brand new furniture in the Gentlemen's Hall, a new and larger Pierre, and the current house projects underway, the house has never looked better. Please contact me at mpp5042@psu.edu or 215-740-1014 if you are in town, as we would be happy to host you and your family.

FUNDRAISING

Why Do You Support the Annual Fund?

While we were all members of SAE during our college years, we all have our unique stories to tell from our experience, and of why we financially support the chapter in our alumni years.

Charlie Stender '62 writes "I contribute to the annual fund because I believe that the fraternity plays an important role in shaping the lives of these very special young men, who are not only the future of SAE but the future

of our society. The values and life lessons learned and friendships forged at The Ranch have had immeasurable effect on my life.

The tenets of the "True Gentleman" are as true today as when we were in school, and are unique in American college life. I urge you to support our current brothers at PA Alpha-Zeta as they continue in the proud SAE tradition of molding boys into men."

Make a Gift!

There are three ways to make your contribution to the annual fund:

- Log on to www.saepsu.com.
- Call 800-975-6699.
- Send a check payable to "Pennsylvania Alpha-Zeta Corporation of SAE" to the return address on this newsletter.

Help Us Identify Who is in this Picture!

Brothers, one of the most enduring and certainly iconic pieces of history of the SAE PA-AZ chapter house is the large picture of the barn and SAE brothers that hangs in the dining room. This past homecoming, I had a brief conversation with one of the brothers in the photo. We didn't have much time to talk as he was passing through. However, I do believe he said the photo was taken 40 years ago in 1971!

So, it's about time we researched the photo and identify each of the brothers. The house would like to properly protect and frame the picture with appropriate credits of all the brothers shown. If you are in the photo or know the young men (or dog) pictured, help us fill in the history and any "behind the scenes" stories. We also want to know who the photographer was and where the photo was taken. To get a closer look, visit saepsu.com for more detailed photos.

Also, feel free to send in a current photo and any contact information for those in the photo. We'd appreciate hearing from you!

Phi Alpha,

Tom Chaffee '81



Pete Carpenter '62 Credits Life's Successes to Membership in SAE

Pete Carpenter '62 served in the US Navy in the Cuban Crisis, the Bay of Pigs operation and the early stages of our country's involvement in the Vietnam War. Throughout his 37-year involvement in Kiwanis, Pete has earned the position of Distinguished Lieutenant Governor and three times Legion of Honor/Life Member Status. His professional and civic involvement has led to his inclusion in "Marquis Who's Who in America." According to Pete, however, none of this would have been possible without his involvement in SAE.

"I have had the honor to meet SAEs all my life and been extremely proud to be part of the Fraternity."

Pete has often claimed that at least 75% of his "education" came from living in "The Ranch" with his SAE brothers. During his time, he learned the importance of being a good and responsible citizen, providing service to his community, fellowman and family and being a trusted and true friend (A True Gentleman).

Pete was initiated into SAE on November 15, 1959. His two older brothers were also members of SAE, but Pete never felt like he was invited to membership as "a legacy." Part of the reason for this was the upper classmen providing guidance, such as his Big Brother **Jack Ehmann '60** and **James Beggs** (Pete recited the True Gentleman to

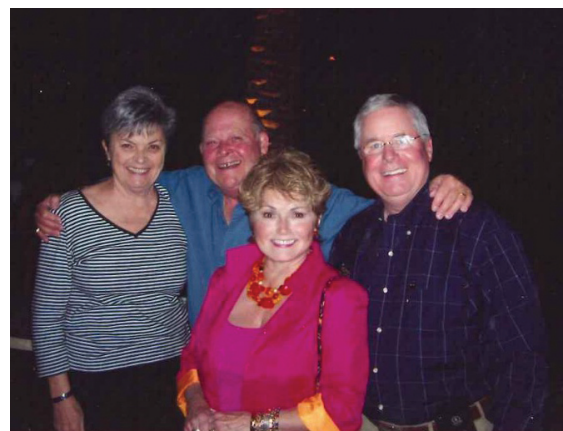
him). He served as Pledge Master in 1961-1962 in order to ensure more pledges shared the pleasant experiences that he had.

One of Pete's favorite memories was attending the 27th Leadership School at the Levere Memorial Temple with **Robert "Kit" Carson '63** and **Charlie Stender '62** in August 1961. They traveled all the way from Pennsylvania to Illinois in Kit's Austin Healey and had quite an interesting trip.

At The Ranch, Pete's favorite party was the Annual Christmas Party. He recalls everyone looking especially sharp and the house looking beautiful with Christmas decorations. These parties personified SAE for Pete; he said it brought out the best in everybody and that they were all True Gentlemen.

When he wasn't at The Ranch, Pete spent a lot of time across the street at "The Cave," a cellar bar that has since been shut down. While there, he spent a lot of time listening to popular music like Perry Como, Nat King Cole and Chubby Checker as well as talking to Ed, the owner and bartender at "The Cave" and the man they anointed their Father Confessor.

Graduating from Penn State is one of the proudest moments in Pete's life, as is marrying his wife, Janet Buck '62, a Kappa Kappa Gamma sister at Penn State. They are both proud to be Greek and attend SAE



(L to R): Janet Buck Carpenter (KKG '62), Robin Brooks Carson (KAT '62), Robert "Kit" Carson (SAE '63) and Peter R. Carpenter (SAE '62). This photo was taken in March 2009 in Scottsdale, Arizona

and KKG events in the Phoenix/Scottsdale area. He would love to go back and relive all of his experiences at PSU and SAE, if only to regain the health and strength of a 20 year old.

He would like to say, "I have had the honor to meet SAEs all my life and been extremely proud to be part of the Fraternity. I must state, too, that to this day I think of my SAE pledge brothers. I love them and even though I have not seen some for almost 50 years, I think of the time we spent together then. I am grateful to them for sharing their lives with me at that time. God Bless them and Phi Alpha to them one and all."

Reconnect with Carp at petejan@cox.net.

PENN STATE PRIDE

SAE Alum Forms Organization to Fight Against Sexual Child Abuse

In light of the tragic events recently befallen our Alma Mater, Brother **Jerry Needel '98** saw an opportunity to turn tragedy into hope and founded Proud to be a Penn Stater, an organization determined to resurrect Penn State's image by doing something positive. In that vein, Proud to be a Penn Stater partnered with RAINN, the nation's largest anti-sexual violence organization with the goal of raising \$1 from each of Penn State's 557,000 alumni.

What started with a small group of passionate alumni has exploded into a

national display of Penn State pride, as thousands of Penn Staters have joined together to help victims of sexual assault. Using social media, these supporters have not only raised over \$463,000 in just 11 days for RAINN, but raised awareness of sexual abuse leading to an outpouring of volunteers and a dramatic spike on RAINN's hotline.

Now, as fraternity brothers, we need your help in continuing this progress. We know what Penn State stands for. We know what we as a chapter can accomplish. Let us continue

to work together to better the world in which we live. Join me. To donate, please visit: <http://rainn.org/ProudPSUforRAINN> and for more information or to get involved email info@proudtobeapennster.com.

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ALUMNI UPDATES

'50s

Steven A. Jordan '57

(160 Connemara Rd., Roswell, GA 30075-4883; jordansa@mindspring.com) Our pledge class has been having a reunion every five years on a non-football weekend in the fall. When we have our reunions, we invite the pledge class right before us and right after us as we lived in the house with those brothers the longest.

'60s

Thomas W. Landes '62

(736 Corlies Ave, West Allenhurst, NJ 07711; tomlandes@comcast.net) It is really great to go back and see the house and all the brothers at PSU. I couldn't help but be inspired by the reunion of the class of 1960 with **Jack Ehmann, Jim Bebbs, Larry Hartzell** and the rest of the gang back at The Ranch last year. All these guys were very influential in my days at PSU and my life.

I sincerely hope our class can do the same thing next year. Time to get started. I have

not seen anyone in my class for a very long time. A Creamery ice cream cone would be great.

I recently finished a 1000-mile bicycle ride from Orlando to Atlantic City, NJ - totally unsupported with a bike loaded with about 50 pounds of stuff including a camping tent, sleeping bag, etc. I can't believe I did it. I hope to see the Wranglers of the Class of 1962 next year.

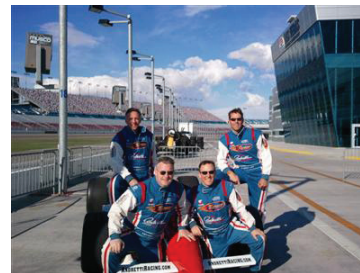
'80s

Doug N. Corbett '80

(902 Lafayette Blvd, Brigantine, NJ 08203-2614; doug.corbett@marriott.com) I recently drove by a house I recognized as the childhood home of my pledge brother, **Jeff Rosenwieg**. I found his number in Atlanta and called. It was the first time we talked in over 25 years! It was like we never skipped a day. All the memories came flooding back and we're planning to get together soon. I would like to do the same with the other FOTO's I've lost touch with and have a pledge class reunion.

Scott Frautschi '83

BROS (1983) rides again at the Las Vegas Speedway. Pictured are me, **Steve Lucas '83, Kevin Bressler** and **Jeff Malehorn '83**. Team BROS turns Indy laps over 150mph.



'90s

Joe Witte '95

(107 Overlook Avenue, Washington Crossing, PA 18977-1203; joe@logodesignguru.com)

Sig Behrens '93 threw a great tailgate in DC, which included appearances by **Steve Boyd, Jim Calvanele** and even the Nittany Lion. Thanks Sig!

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