

UPCOMING EVENTS

Blue-White Game

April 21

Arts Fest

July 12-15

Homecoming

October 6

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ON THE WEB

Homecoming Video

Check out a great Kappa Sig Homecoming 2011 video, put together by some of our alumni brothers. It's a great piece!

You can find a link to the video at www.kappasigpsu.com.

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Alpha-Delta News



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ALUMNI REPORT

We Are STILL Penn State ... and Kappa Sig Proud! Brothers Find Comfort in Their Alpha-Delta Community

By Ed Gorkes '79

"In a cold world, you still need your friends to keep you warm," The Big Chill, 1983.

As we recover from the Sandusky scandal and say goodbye to Coach Joe Paterno, Penn Staters everywhere can take comfort in friends and in the deep sense of community that we are so fortunate to enjoy as Penn State alumni.

Looking back, Penn State played a role in the best times of our lives – and it is up to us to carry forward the legacy we have all come to know and love.

Recent events in Happy Valley have showed us what is most important in life: our lifelong connections to those who mean the most, including our Kappa Sig brothers. It is important to maintain those connections, as well as to show support to our current active brothers to

prove that we will stand together and rise above the recent scandal.

A special thanks goes out to **Warren Hartenstine '67** for agreeing to be interviewed for our alumni newsletter (see page 3). A member of Paterno's first team of offensive linemen, Warren delivers some inspiring words of wisdom to help us stay focused on our mission to support Alpha-Delta. Warren, thanks for your steadfast loyalty!

Just as Warren suggests, we can celebrate being part of the Penn State community with the friends we have met by attending an upcoming event or by simply sharing stories for others to read on our website.

Thank you for remaining an active part of our Alpha-Delta community and proving We Are *Still* Penn State ... and Kappa Sig proud!

CHAPTER REPORT

Improved Academics Land Kappa Sig in Top Three Spot for GPA

By Connor Kincheloe, Grand Master of Ceremonies

The chapter is off to a strong start this semester. We added nine new members in the fall and have a spring pledge class of four brothers. We partnered with Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority to raise money for the Fisher House Foundation at a stand-up comedy night last semester. We split the proceeds and our chapter raised \$375. This is a huge step towards getting a signature event for which Kappa Sigma is known for each year at Penn State. Through this event and our totals from THON, \$37,873.45, we have already surpassed our national dollar totals from this point last year for "A Greater Cause."

For the first time in many years, one of our brothers, Iain Grigsby, took first place in the 149 pound weight class in an IFC-wide wrestling competition. This first place victory helped our

chapter to stay in the race for a year-long top ten position among fraternities. Due to increased library hours and an overall push to improve academics, we have ranked third out of 49 fraternities for our GPA. We also received the honor of Chapter of Excellence from the Penn State IFC.

The chapter is moving forward with an increased sense of responsibility and passion for the fraternity. The Executive Committee has challenged all officers to develop them to their fullest, and to leave the position more involved and defined when they complete their term. With the passing of Joe Paterno, we have all taken to heart a quote he left behind. "You're going to get better or worse today, but you're not going to stay the same. Which one is it going to be?"

CHAPTER NEWS

Alpha-Delta Raises \$37K for 2012 THON

The Penn State IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon, or THON, was a huge success this year for the Alpha-Delta Chapter. Although the loss of one of our four canning trips due to bad weather and the Jerry Sandusky scandal posing a threat to our ability to beat our total from last year, Alpha-Delta overcame it all with a grand total of \$37,873.45 for the 2011-2012 school year! Each year we have continued to build momentum and we hope that for next year's THON we will be able to secure a sorority or club partner.

THON itself was a very moving and

emotional event. Our two dancers, **Mackenzie Neumaier** and **Michael Vough**, represented us in an outstanding fashion. Every Alpha-Delta brother was extremely proud of the way in which they exemplified the virtues of all Kappa Sigmas through 46 straight hours of dancing "For The Kids." THON is just one of the ways in which Alpha-Delta is securing its place as a prominent fraternity at Penn State.



ALUMNI UPDATES

Wayne A. Pihl '56

(5903 Lucina Ct., Shell Point Community, Ft. Myers, FL 33908-1673) Greetings to **Walt Conti '52**, **James Lovett Jr. '52**, **Henry Lozar '2**, **George Bortle '54** and any other Kappa Sigs from 1950 to 1956. Uncle Sam had me for a time during the Korean War. God bless you all!

Warren Hartenstine '67

(225 Prescott Ct., Havre de Grace, MD 21078-2566; whartenstine@gmail.com) I am currently working with two Software as a Service (SaaS) or "cloud computing" developers, one based in Germany and the other in the Netherlands, on introductions to the US market. Setlog reduces the cost and management burden of supply chain management by improving transparency and integrating its menu of 50+ modules with each client's business system. Sqills, the 44th fastest growing technology company in Europe, monitors daily sales against up

to three years of history by product category and store/channel type to insure sell through by a pre-determined date, thereby avoiding markdowns and improving profitability by 12.5% to 23.8%, depending on the product category.

Ken Berk '82

(211 Bradley Ct., Holland, PA 18966-2742; kberk05@aol.com) I am a territory sales representative for Paris Business Products. I have been married 26 years with three children, one dog and four cats. We reside in beautiful Bucks County, PA and spend summers at the Jersey Shore. I have had a great deal of fun over the past 30 years and love outdoor activities. My favorites include scuba diving in Mexico, rafting down the Snake River, hiking the Grand Canyon, and parasailing at Lake Tahoe; but most of all, raising three children, Michael William, currently a Progressive Insurance agent, Ryan Joseph, currently serving his country with

the Army's elite 101st Airborne Division, and Emily Morgan, a high school student in Council Rock School District (who loves to sing and cook).

Tom Enagonio '84

(P.O. Box 839, Broussard, LA 70518-0839; tom.enagonio@halliburton.com) I am enjoying living internationally in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. I also got to spend a great year quaffing adult beverages with brother, **Paul Green '88**, when he lived here for a time.

Bryan Roth '97

(1008 Bateman Dr., Phoenixville, PA 19460-5110; psu7bmr@aol.com) Since late 2010, I've been working for Advanced AV primarily on site at our client, Shire Pharmaceuticals, managing our onsite service team and overseeing Shire's major integration projects. It's been a challenge, but the team has settled into a groove and things are moving along smoothly, with us about to wrap up the contract extension for the upcoming year. Personally, I've been coaching my son's ice hockey team and ran into Clanny when our son's teams played each other. It's been very rewarding and a lot of fun working with the kids and seeing them develop as hockey players. My family is great and along with my son, my wife and daughter are doing well.

I do get to see some brothers from time to time as family get-togethers and hunting have gotten me together with Karl, Burke, and Clint. I'm also starting a hockey team with **Brian Anderson '99**. Many of my Kappa Sig bonds are staying strong.

FROM THE ARCHIVES



Kappa Sigma brothers, along with two little sisters, prepare for a chariot race, one of the scheduled events during Spring Week in 1991. From the *La Vie*.

See many more great archived photos and share your own at www.kappasigpsu.com.

Coach Paterno's First Right Guard Was a Kappa Sig

Warren Hartenstine '67 Shares How Kappa Sig Completed His Collegiate Experience and Still Makes an Impact Today

Warren Hartenstine '67 wasn't just a member of Kappa Sigma during his undergraduate years. He was very involved in extracurricular activities as well, such as being the right guard for Joe Paterno's first football team, president of his fraternity, IFC President, a member of Lion's Paw Senior Honor Society, and a member of Skull & Bones Senior Honor Society. Even with such a vast undergraduate experience, Warren cherishes his time as a Kappa Sigma - even to this day.

Warren joined Kappa Sig because he saw it as an opportunity. He and six other football players wanted to live together, but they didn't want to live in the dorms. At the time, the Kappa Sig house was built for 60 residents, but only 20 men lived in the house. It was a way for them to define suite-style living and improve the house. That year, Kappa Sig housed 36 people.

The house proved to be a place that sparked many funny and fond memories



Warren was a member of Paterno's first team of offensive linemen

for Warren. In fact, he claims that the movie *Animal House* had nothing on the Kappa Sigma house! Some of his favorite memories weren't meant to be published, but he shared remembrances of how Kappa Sig used to have snowball fights with the lacrosse team, and how brothers would jump off the roof in their underwear onto the snowdrift in the stair tower.

"One of my favorite things about being an active brother was taking a house with 20 people and going from a lower-tier fraternity to winning 3rd place during Spring Week and becoming a leading fraternity a year later," he said.

Fun and games aside, Warren stated that one of his fondest memories was watching the impact the war had on brothers' lives. "While we were having fun, external situations in the world got worse, and we grew closer," he said. "Fraternities went from a place where you socialized as students, to a place consisting of young men dealing with real world problems."

Warren cites his membership in Kappa Sigma for his success as a business leader and for helping to develop the skills he uses today to find a vision for the projects he has been involved in.

"I also wouldn't have been associated with so many wonderful people," he said.

Today, Warren stays connected with many of the brothers through social networking and email, as well as in-person reunions at football tailgates and golf outings.

"You always lose touch with some folks, but the thrill is when you reconnect with them!" he said. "Thank goodness for social networking and e-mail. Without them I wouldn't



Brother Warren Hartenstine

have a lot of contacts with many brothers."

He also financially supports Alpha-Delta in his alumni years, because he knows fraternities typically don't have a cushion for unexpected problems and thinks alumni should help to support that.

"I don't think it is fair to burden undergraduates who are

already paying the highest tuition for a public land grant university," he said. "The alumni should be responsible for creating a reserve fund. If you don't give back financially, you should give back in time or talent."

"One of my favorite things about my alumni experience is the opportunity to give back," he added. "I have been on the board, Alumni Council, and annually support the active brothers. I have come to realize that fraternities have increasing value over time. It makes you wonder if the time makes the person or the person makes the time."

Warren wants to instill those values in the future generations of Kappa Sigs. He has this advice for future brothers: "Remember that subordination doesn't make better brothers. We can't train brothers to not maintain the house by passing it off to people learning to become brothers. Pledging is a time of learning and brotherhood is a time of responsibility. Remember AEKBD. It personifies so much of what we are about and who we are. Fraternities are a collegiate experience, but that's only a part of the story."

Today, Warren is married and has three kids, two of whom are Greek. He lives in Havre de Grace, Md. After graduation, Warren worked in higher education and eventually got involved in the international fashion business. He is now working with two companies on cloud computing solutions targeting fashion retail.

Reconnect with Warren at whartenstine@gmail.com.

IN THE WORDS OF OUR BROTHERS...

Do you have any interesting stories from a spring break trip with brothers?

"Spring 1965, Israelian, **Dave Ludwig '65** and I borrowed Tafton's sports car on a trip to Washington DC for the Preakness Horserace. The car blew up 90 miles from DC. Four shady guys picked us up and took us to a bar. We were hiding money in our socks thinking we were going to get robbed. It turned out okay and they took us on to DC. We each bet our last \$5 on Kauwie King to place, which it did, paying \$25 at the race."

Bob Filo '65

What's your most memorable moment as a Kappa Sig undergrad?

"There are too many to list just one: Friday happy hours at The Saloon, our many great parties at the house, wiffle ball, Atari football at Playland, and great

times with **Eric DeZubay, Bob Wojciak** and **Pat Gordon."**

Ken Berk '82

How did your experience as a Kappa Sig benefit or shape your life?

"I can honestly say it has made me who I am today, for better or worse! Seriously, it showed me how to balance priorities, work across a big group of people with different opinions, how to laugh and cry together as a family and accomplish things while having fun. There are so many parallels between fraternity life and the workplace. But overall, it took a naive teenager and prepared me for the real world."

John Ashbaugh '65

What's your most memorable moment as a Kappa Sig undergrad?

"In the late 50's, the pledge class had to take a trip before they could be brotherized. No money or car (we stashed away a little cash), just a last minute itinerary and off you go thumbing rides. **Gene 'Gooney Bird' Duhnoski, Hank 'Stud' Norment** and I took off. Our itinerary was as follows: Washington to get the signature of the officers at Kappa Sig at one of the universities, Baltimore to get the signature of Johnny Unitas, and get the signature of a famous stripper of the time, Irma the Body. Unitas was out of town, we did get the brothers' signatures, and we did visit Irma backstage at the Gayety Theatre where she was very nice and gave us a signed pair of her panties. Needless to say, it was the highlight of the trip with the brothers when we got back, and we were brother-ized!"

Ed Schmidt '61

Share your responses to these questions on the message boards at www.kappasigpsu.com.

ALUMNI Q&A

"I Wouldn't Change the Kappa Sig Experience"

Thank you to **Steve Uzupis '77** for participating in this Q&A.

What is the funniest memory from your Kappa Sig days?

I've thought about this question a lot. Honestly, 31 years later, I can't say any one event qualifies as the funniest. There were so many, as I think most brothers probably say. They are great memories and if I had to do college all over again, it was one part of the college experience I wouldn't change. As for who were the funniest brothers, Moose, Swerbo and Squirrel come to mind quickly.

How do you stay connected with your brothers as an alumnus?

For 10 years, I had season tickets in the row behind **Ed Gorkes '79** so I saw many brothers as I went back for football games. I just gave the tickets up as I got tired of the cost. I go back for a game or two a season now. I also stay in touch on email with a few of the brothers and have skied with **Mark Breedlove**

'78 and Ed Gorkes in Jackson Hole. Finally, I am on the alumni board so I obviously stay in touch with fellow board members.

What about your membership in Kappa Sig makes you the most proud?

We had 40+ brothers living in the house during my years there. Overall, I think we did a very good job of coming together and making it work. We had a few good leaders that kept us on track, not an easy thing to do. As anyone who has been there can attest, having that many individuals with different backgrounds and different attitudes coming together in any type of organization work together for a common goal does not happen automatically. But again, I think we did a pretty good job of it.

How would your life be different today if you had never joined Kappa Sig?

Living in the house helped me mature and gain confidence in myself, much more so than if I hadn't ever joined Kappa Sig.

Where has life taken you since graduation?

Shortly after graduation I married, started a family and moved across the country. I moved to Williamsport, Pa. in 1987 and worked as an executive for a privately held company. I divorced in 1994. In 2007 I got engaged in Uzupis, Lithuania to a wonderful lady from California. We married later that year and I retired in 2008. I still live in the Williamsport area on 116 acres with a great view. I have a son who is a research chemist in Edison, NJ, a daughter who is an elementary school teacher in North Chevy Chase, Md., and a stepson in Hughesville High School.

What is the best thing about your alumni experience?

Seeing the new chapter's success.

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