

UPCOMING EVENTS

25th Annual Sigma Chi Golf Outing

When: June 5 – June 7

Where: State College, Pennsylvania

Details: See all details to the right

Central PA's Arts Fest

When: July 9th - July 12th, 2015

Where: Downtown
State College, PA

Details: See details at
<http://arts-festival.com>

LOST LIST

Where is **William Davis '65**?
Where is **Bruce A. Berger '70**?
Several other brothers are missing from our e-mail list! We want to make sure they get our communications. Below is a short list of brothers who aren't getting our e-letters:

David Chambers '65

William Gildersleeve '70

Thomas Mayewski '75

Ralph McClelland '80

John Zarroli '85

Darryl Delmonico '90

Gary Buck '95

Benjamin Miller '00

Jason Kelso '05

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If you want to update your own information, send your new e-mail to updatemyinfo@affinityconnection.com



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GOLF OUTING

25th Annual Golf Outing Tees Off June 5th!

Join us for Sigma Chi's Annual Golf Weekend June 5th-7th!

Event Details

Friday, June 5: Golf @ PSU White Course - Shotgun start promptly at Noon. We will have our popular Friday event at one of our favorite courses, the venerable White Course at Penn State. The Penn State Golf Courses practice facility will be open to attendees at 10:30 a.m. with range balls included; lunch is included with this event and will start at 10:45 a.m. A selection of adult and alternative beverages (pending University approval) will be available on the course. This is individual stroke play, but there will be a foursome prize for our fun and unique annual team event, as well as recognition of the individual Low Gross and Net and customary skills events for the day.

Saturday, June 6: Golf @ PSU Blue Course - Shotgun start promptly at 9:00 AM The 'granddaddy of them all' and a time-honored 'tradition unlike any other' all wrapped into

one morning. The format is handicapped team scramble, and you need to indicate your handicap and expected teammates when registering. This is generally a "fun competition," and if you don't have a team, we'll be happy to partner you with other players of equal temperament, talent and conviction. All teams will be in a position to compete and aspire to win the coveted 'Tacky Jacket' as recognition for the Low Net team champions and join a distinguished group of Past Champions. There will also be a set of inspiring Nittany Lion Statues for the Low Gross team champions. Traditional prizes for Longest Drive, Straightest Drive and Closest to the Pin, as well as second and third place in the Net and Gross flights will be awarded as well. Lunch at the Turn - a hot dog, chips and a drink are included, as well as a selection of adult and alternative beverages (pending University approval) on the course.

Saturday, June 6: Awards Ceremony and Steak Bake @ 400 E.Prospect Ave. - 5:30PM

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Photo Flashback!

Here are some awesome photos from last year's golf outing! Come back and make more memories like this in June.

Ted Junker '59 hosts a good time called "The Sig Gig"

For the past three years in the winter months, a group of Sigma Chi brothers and sweethearts met on Marco Island, Florida for something aptly named the "Sig Gig". The Sig Gig is usually well attended and is the perfect prelude to spring.

This year's Sig Gig was hosted by **Ted Junker '59**, and attended by **Jim Keith '58**, **Jay Corrigan '57**, **Dick Mohler '57**, **John Haas '58**, **Norb Connors '60**, **Dave Morrow '59**, **Dan Johnston '61**, and **Jim Faunce '57** with three former sweethearts also in attendance, **Fran Cox Nodland '57**, **Joanne "Toots" Yergey Keith '58** and **Larrian Johnston '61**. We reached out to Ted Junker for some perspective on the Sig Gig and his experiences with Sigma Chi.

The "Sig Gig," named by Fran Cox Nodland, came to fruition three years ago at Junker's Marco Island home. Many of the other attendees live around the Greater Naples Area, roughly 17 miles away. Nodland and Junker set the date back in December, well before the holiday season and made sure to include a little "save the date" when they mailed their Christmas cards this year.

During their visit, the Sig Gig attendees spent most of their time on the beautiful lanai in Junker's backyard and listened to music, a scene he calls the "ideal setting". Since there were three former sweethearts in attendance, the men ended the "Sig Gig" by serenading the women with the "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi" song!

For those needing a place to stay, Junker, Keith and Corrigan graciously opened their homes and guest bedrooms. The three live in close proximity, but there are others who come from around the area; some travel as far as 50 and 70 miles away to attend. While these alumni live relatively close together, the Sig Gig is a great place to meet up yearly.

Back in Junker's days at Penn State, there were only five fraternities on campus and the Sigma

Chi house was less than a block away from Rec Hall, right across the street from Fiji and next to Sigma Nu. Amongst other reasons, Junker found that all the guys in the fraternity, while rushing, were guys that he liked, which made it easy. On top of that, the location of the house was ideal and convenient, so it seemed like a no brainer. Today, this is where the IST building resides on campus.



The fall of 1955 was a time that changed the way Ted's time at Penn State would unfold as a brother of Sigma Chi, particularly, the day of his initiation. "The ritual leaves a lifetime impression and is one of my favorite memories," stated Junker.

Coupled with the story of his initiation, Junker also said, "I remember participating in subsequent initiations and I had a couple of little brothers. Even when I got married, my big brother **Bob Scrabis '59** was there. There were a few other Sigma Chi brothers in my wedding.

Jim Keith '58 was my roommate for two years and was also in my wedding party. Also, **Phil Reese '57** who was a pledge brother of mine was in my wedding but he unfortunately passed away at a young age. I'm very fortunate to have had many close friends to share these memorable moments in my life."

Since graduating from Penn State, Junker spent a career in banking. He ran his own bank as chairman and CEO in Erie, Pennsylvania called Marine Bank. Eventually, he sold this bank and worked for PNC as a

vice-chairman and board member of PNC, from where he retired. While working in Erie, PA Junker was very involved with the Penn State Behrend Campus. He and his late wife gave a gift to the Behrend campus and have a center that carries their name, The Junker Center, which plays host for many athletic events and training facilities for both men and women.

Junker graduated from the University Park campus and thoroughly enjoys attending alumni events there. He typically attends the Golf Outing, but was sad to say that he can't attend this year. He previously attended and formed an eight-man group referred to as the "AARP 4," named by Jim Keith.

Regardless of the golf outing, Ted is proud to say that he has kept in close contact with many of his brothers from Sigma Chi. He visits with many of them when they are in Florida and it is always a pleasure to see and speak with them. As for the Sig Gig, the plans are to continue the Sig Gig next winter and to invite those who couldn't make it this time due to scheduling conflicts.

A last note from Ted, he would like spare a few words of advice for the active chapter: Study hard and don't do anything to endanger the integrity of Sigma Chi. "I think they're doing a really good job with the house and I am happy to be able to financially support it," said Junker in reference to all of the renovations that have been done over the past few years.

We would like to thank Ted Junker for taking time to speak to us for this issue of the Penn State Sig.

If you would like to be featured or would like to nominate someone for a profile for the next e-letter or newsletter, please send your suggestions to alumninews@affinityconnection.com!

HONOR ROLL

\$9,072.50 with 71 Donors: Let's Finish This Year Strong!

Thank you to the following brothers who have supported our annual fund so far this giving year, which started on October 1, 2014. We've set a goal to reach \$22,800 and 150 donors. With just over five months left, we've raised \$9,072.50 from 71 donors, and still have a long way to go. We're counting on you to help us finish the year strong! To make your donation and join these brothers below, visit www.pennstatesig.org.

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ALUMNI UPDATES

Sigma Chi Alumni Updates From 60s, 70s, 80s and More!

Edward P Ted Junker, III '59 (1791 Devon Court, Marco Island, FL 34145; epj3@psu.edu) We had a "SIG GIG" at Ted Junker's house on March 25 at Marco Island Florida. Those in attendance included **Ted Junker '59, Jim Keith '58, Jay Corrigan '57, Dick Mohler '57, John Haas '58, Norb Connors '60, Dave Morrow '59, Dan Johnston '61, Jim Faunce '57. Also three former sweethearts Fran Cox Nodland '57 Joanne "Toots" Yergy Keith '58 and Larrian Johnston '61** A good time was had by all!!! We serenaded the sweethearts!!! **For a full exclusive interview with Ted Junker, see PAGE ONE.**

Jeffrey C. Pruner '65 (9279 Saltwater Way, Jacksonville, FL 32256-9606; JCPruner@gmail.com) My Sigma Chi Sweetheart, Sharon, and I will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on 7/9/15.



Brother **Dave Rumler ('65)** was the best man at our wedding! Attached is a picture of me and Brother **Dave Wilbert ('67)** taken at a Charity Golf Tournament held at Fleming Island. We both live in the same 55+ community in Jacksonville (Sweetwater), and play golf regularly. Now that I am over 70, I can move to the senior tees so I can keep up with Dave's Long drives. Dave has to wait a little longer to join me closer to the pin. Our foursome came in 3rd in the Tournament and we were rewarded with a lot more golf balls than we lost to the wilds of Florida. If any of you ever travel to the area of Jacksonville, be sure to pay us a visit. Golf is cheap here...

David J. Hilty '78 (1509 King Charles Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15237-1527; djhilty@comcast.net) I am currently living in Pittsburgh, PA. My wife and I became grandparents when our daughter delivered a baby boy (Eddie) in August 2014. My grandson was named after my father who also was a Sigma Chi (University of Pittsburgh, class of 1949).

Michael T. Gleixner '80 (1261 Mayberry Lane, State College, PA 16801-6955 United States; mgleixner@resistor.com) I am retiring as Quality Systems Manager at State of the Art, Inc., State College, PA,

where I have been employed for the past 35 years. I started there when I was 22, and I'm now looking forward to getting plenty of hunting, fishing, trap shooting and trumpet playing in.

Jeffrey W. Hamilton '86 (2735 Hartzell Street, Evanston, IL 60201-1331; jwhamilton6@comcast.net) I got married on June 6th, first and last.

Steven Carson Skaggs '03 (260 Corona Cir., Mooresville, NC 28117-4380; stevenskaggs@yahoo.com) I started a new job with the same employer, Lowe's Companies. We moved into a new house in the Charlotte, NC area. I have two children, Carson and Anna, who are three and one respectively.

Michael A. Curto '12 (10021 Carmelita Dr, Potomac, MD 20854; mac5518@gmail.com) I am in Law School at the University of Maryland School of Law. I am going on vacation with

Jason Levy '08, Brock Krawczun '09,

Nick Barone '07, Garret Shuster '10 and

Anthony Piciacchio '08 to Miami.

GOLF OUTING STORY (CONT.)

Golfer or not, please join us at our Chapter House for cocktails and dinner. This offers a chance for Brothers and friends of all ages to socialize and recount the events of the weekend. The always emotional, sometimes controversial, but highly anticipated Awards Ceremony kicks off at approximately 6:30pm. Dinner will be at 7:15pm. A top-shelf bar will be provided, along with hearty appetizers, culminating with a gourmet steak dinner. Past Champions are reminded to wear their 'Tacky Jackets' this evening, as part of our tradition.

Sunday, June 7: Alumni Meeting @ 400 E. Prospect Ave. - 9:00AM

Before you head home, please set aside an hour and join us at the Chapter House for coffee, donuts, and an update from the House Corporation leadership on the "State of the Chapter."

Tournament Fees for 2015:

Friday, June 5, 2015 - Golf, Cart Fees, Range Balls, Prize Pool and Buffet Lunch and Beverages at PSU White - \$100

Saturday, June 6, 2015 - Golf, Cart Fees, Range Balls, Prize Pool, a commemorative Tournament Keepsake, and Lunch and Beverages at PSU Blue - \$120

Saturday, June 6, 2015 - Appetizers, Open Bar and Famous Steak Bake - \$65

Total Fees for Full Weekend - \$285; Saturday Golf and Dinner - \$185

Lodging Details:

Two blocks of rooms have been reserved at the Atherton Hotel (814) 231-2200 and the Days Inn (814) 238-8454 Thursday, June 4 through

Saturday, June 6 check-in. Special room rates have been negotiated and will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please specify Days Inn promo code "CGSCGO" or Atherton promo code "SIGMA CHI GOLF OUTING" when making reservations.

How to Sign Up:

<http://tinyurl.com/SigChiReg>

E-mail any questions or comments to: psusigchigolfclassic@gmail.com

THON RE-CAP

Be Proud Of The Actives: We Cracked The Top 10!



This year, Sigma Chi once again participated in many THON activities and then, THON itself. The alumni have something to be very proud of this year, other than the grand total of \$13,026,653.23. (The amount of money that the actives raised themselves with their partner group, Alpha Omicron Pi). The actives cracked the top ten of Greek donations this year! They came in third place! They've done a splendid job fundraising and they've worked very hard to achieve the results that they've gotten! Congratulations gentlemen and ladies!

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