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FALL AT THE KAPPA HOUSE

Keep a Lookout for Virtual Homecoming Details

After considering a number of different factors, with guidance from National and input from the active brothers, we decided to open the Kappa House this fall as students are back at Penn State.

We have 25 actives living in the house, more than at any given point last year, and 17 brothers living outside the house. We have safety protocols in place to help mitigate any potential spread of COVID-19. So far, so good at the Kappa House.

While we would typically be gearing up for a busy fall full of eventsincluding Homecoming—we are in the process of working out how to make things go virtual this year. Homecoming will look quite different from the 2019 Homecoming photos included here, but we hope to provide an opportunity for our actives and alumni to connect and see the Kappa House!

Our current plan for Homecoming is to invite a few board members to join us at the Kappa House to host a Zoom meeting. Alumni will join the Zoom meeting from their homes, and the board members will host a roundtable for the actives. We would also include a walking tour of the house since there are many members who have not been able to visit the house in person in a number of years. We will close with a Q&A session. This is still a working plan and we will finalize those plans in the near future. Visit the website at www.phisigpsu. com for up-to-date plans.

We fully intend on having a successful fall with active Brothers living in the house and making the best of the virtual opportunities we have to connect with our alumni. We hope to see you (via webcam) at Homecoming!

Homecoming 2019







ALUMNI UPDATE: JOHN LLOYD '62

58 Years of Marriage, Five Children, and Four PSU Gens Later...

We received this wonderful update from Brother John Lloyd's wife, Jean, updating us on where they are now and the roads they took to get there. We encourage all Brothers to send in updates like this! We love to hear what is happening in your lives, and so do your fellow Phi Sigs. Please email us at **alumninews@ affinityconnection.com** with your alumni update. For the full story below, please visit the website **www.phisigpsu.com** and click on "News."

I am writing for my husband,

John B. Lloyd. He was a resident of the Kappa House of Phi Sigma Kappa from September 1960 to April 1962.

The Beginning

John and I went to Behrend College in Erie for our first two years of college. I went into a dorm and John followed friends he had made at Behrend into Phi Sigma Kappa and immediately pledged. We had wonderful times there almost every weekend with dinners after the games and often for breakfast on Sunday...

In early April 1962, we planned an elopement for April 14th (John's birthday). A brother, Jerry Rochin, drove to Erie and got me and my belongings on Tuesday. On Wednesday we applied for our license, got a minister, and reserved Eisenhower chapel for a Saturday evening ceremony. Afterward, we planned on going back to the fraternity for The Gravediggers Ball. Well, unknown to us, the Brothers changed that party to just the best reception for us. They got the Scottsboro Trio for music, a photographer, cake, decorations, and all the Brothers dressed up and had dates and showed up at the chapel.



They also surprised us with music and flowers at the chapel.

A brother, Al Wnuk, and his wife found us an apartment, someone got me a job in the university office starting the next Monday. Married friends supplied our apartment with the necessary items to set up our household. Erie Brothers notified friends back in Erie what was happening and some were able to come. Brother and president, Al Fusaro, even arranged for me to use a wedding dress of a recent bride. He was so excited about this and as grateful as I was, I chose to stay with the outfit I had brought. The whole weekend was so perfect and we even went back to the house the next day for the brunch. There are many side stories for this weekend that just made it all so amazingly perfect. I credit the Brotherhood of this fraternity for making it so and starting us off on a wonderful life.

Starting a Family

We went back to PSU in September 1962 and continued our college career. We lived in Graduate Circle and the fraternity was our social life. John graduated that December and

we were now pregnant, so we went back to Erie to work and support our family. John got a job and now knew that, rather than a master's degree, he would pursue a CPA degree. In September 1964 a job opened up in a major accounting firm in Jamestown, NY. By now we had a son, John, and a newborn daughter, Christy. We moved to Jamestown and it has been one of the best life choices for us. We are still there. John got his CPA, soon became a partner, and then in 1977 was made partner in charge of the firm he started with, Seidman and Seidman.

We had been surprised by twins, Jonah and Erika, in 1970 and Jessica in 1976. In 1990, John bought the local office and renamed it Lloyd and Company. In 2014, he merged his firm with another local firm so he could retire in 2017. We have a great fulfilling life. Penn State is still one of our loves, we still have season football tickets.

Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren

All five of our children went to Behrend for the first two years of their college experience. They are all married and have made us grandparents to eleven grandchildren!

Living Our Best Life

We are a fourth-generation Penn State family. John was and still is an active and productive resident of Jamestown, holding many important positions with local boards. He is credited with being a very successful, much loved, and respected human in the business world and particularly among his friends and family. We are healthy and happy.

Do you know of a Phi Sig alum who would make a good profile subject? If so, contact our editors at alumninews@affinityconnection.com (mention "Kappa News" in the subject line).

TWO BROTHERS FEATURED ON PODCAST EPISODE

Brother Jeremy Frank '97 interviews Brother Jason Babik '96

INDUSTRIAL

TRANSFORMATION

VITH JEREMY FRANK

We love to see Phi Sig Brothers connecting professionally after graduation. As you all know, networking is a major benefit to Greek life. This podcast is a great example



of Brothers getting the opportunity to connect in their industry. Don't miss out on the opportunity to hear two PSK PSU Brothers on the new Industrial Transformation podcast, hosted by **Brother Jeremy Frank '97** with special guest **Brother Jason Babik '96**.



On the second episode of Industrial Transformation: Stories of Failure and Success from the Frontlines of American Manufacturing, KCF

Technologies' CEO Jeremy Frank talks with Jason Babik, VP of Global Strategy at Westinghouse Electric Corporation, about the drivers of innovation in the energy sector, how they apply digitization, and the future of the market overall. Listen to learn more about how we can progress to a green, economical, and stable power grid.

Podcast Summary:

What does digitization and sustainability mean for the energy industry?

Support our Brothers and gain valuable insight into the energy sector by listening to the episode on Spotify at Inkd.in/edHjpWy.

PHILANTHROPY

Join Phi Sig in Giving Back to the State College Food Bank

Brothers,

In the midst of these very uncertain times, the active Chapter has missed out on the usual philanthropic



activities that take place during the Spring semester. We have decided to set up a GoFundMe page for the State College Food Bank on behalf of Phi Sigma Kappa. We are asking all who are able to give to make a donation by visiting **bit.ly/PSKfoodbank** and also by spreading the word to other Alumni.

We have raised \$235 so far, but we hope to break our \$500 goal and do a second round of donations in which we want to include the IC and other fraternities at Penn State. We appreciate your help and participation!

Fraternally, Regis Capoferri '22 Chapter President

ALUMNI UPDATE: LEN PASQUINI '66

Thanks to Brother Len for Sending in an Update!



Brother Len Pasquini '66 and his young bride celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on February 28, 2020. In this picture, Len has his Penn State vest on with his Navy Dolphins pin. An Irish lassie with an Italian lad! We wish them all congratulations and many happy returns!



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PSK Penn State Stats

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In this edition of the Kappa News...

- Alumni Updates!
- Fall at the Kappa House During COVID-19
- Flash Report: The Vital Stats of Phi Sig Penn State

KAPPA'S VITALS

A Snapshot of Our Fraternity

We had an encouraging fiscal year for 2019– Alumni Contact Information

As you can see, we are missing some email addresses! In order to effectively communicate with you, we need to continue gathering up-to-date contact information. If you're receiving this newsletter, but do not receive our email updates, please take a moment to send your email address to **alumninews@ affinityconnection.com** and include your name and Phi Sigma Kappa graduation year.

2020-21 Fiscal Year Budget

The alumni association budget for this year is \$25,000, which includes all communication costs, events hosted by the alumni, and the scholarship fund. We invite you to participate in the 2020–21 fiscal year of giving to perpetuate the Phi Sigma Kappa legacy. To make a contribution today, use any of the following methods:

Visit www.phisigpsu.com today to make a gift online

Call our toll-free donation hotline at 1-800-975-6699

Mail a check to our processing center listed below:

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CHAPTER ETERNAL

Brother James Michael Parris '67 and Brother Harry Robbins '63

We are always mournful in our chapter eternal updates as we grieve the loss of Brothers from the Phi Sigma Kappa Penn State family. We regret to pass along the news that our Brothers, **James Michael Harris** '67 and **Harry Robbins** '63 passed away since our last newsletter was sent.



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Brother James Michael Parris '67 passed away on December 27, 2019. James ("Jim") Parris (BSC 1965/MBA 1967) peacefully passed away in Columbus, Ohio, surrounded by his family, after a long and brave fight with cancer. He was preceded in death by his wife of 39 years Judy (Kromer) Parris (2005). He is survived by his children James Jr. of Columbus and Janine of Snohomish, WA.

HARRY ROBBINS '63

Brother Harry Robbins '63 passed away on April 27, 2020 after a 21-month battle with cancer. He was an alumni of Kappa Chapter. He was a Blue Band member and an accounting major. Harry was a father of three, grandfather of four and leaves behind his wife of 56 years, Audrey.

We send our sincere condolences to the families of these fine gentleman and we honor their memories. Rest in peace, James and Harry. You will be sorely missed by family, friends and your Brothers at Phi Sigma Kappa.

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