### 2017 Penn State Football See You There!

4/22 – Blue/White Game – 3:00 p.m.
9/2 – Akron – TBA
9/9 – Pitt – TBA
9/16 – Georgia State – TBA
9/23 – At Iowa – TBA
9/30 – Indiana – TBA
10/7 – At Northwestern – TBA
10/21 – Michigan – TBA
10/28 – At Ohio State – TBA
10/28 – At Ohio State – TBA
11/4 – At Michigan State – TBA
11/11 – Rutgers\*\* – TBA
11/18 – Nebraska – TBA
11/25 – At Maryland – TBA
\*\*denotes Homecoming



# **Chapter Eternal**

Our thoughts are with the following Skull Brothers who have entered our Chapter Eternal:

Robert Jimeson '42 Henry Rea Jr. '49 Raymond Okamoto '56 James Wannemacher '60 Bruce Lane '66





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Spring 2017

# THON 2017 Record-Setting \$45,579.86 Raised for Skull House

Dear Phi Kappa Sigma Brothers,

On February 17–19, over 700 dancers took at stand for 46 hours of no sleeping and no sitting to defeat pediatric cancer. The Phi Kappa Sigma Brotherhood had four dancers this year for THON — **Dan Sanchez, Chris Pratt, Nate Lattig, and Jimmy Pogorzelski**. We would like to congratulate all four of these members for impacting so many lives.

In addition, we had many brothers involved as captains, committee members, and members who stood in the stands for countless hours supporting our dancers. This



year we set another record for the House and raised \$45,579.86 — all FOR THE KIDS.

We cannot thank all of you enough for your continued support in the fight against childhood cancer. The fight does not end now. In the next



couple weeks we will be transitioning into a new set of chairs for THON 2018. If you are interested in having a THON fundraiser in your area or would like to get more information about THON's company-matching program or other alumni involvement

please contact me at 717-779-7648. It has been an incredible time being the THON Chair for the Psi Chapter these past two years. I am very excited

to see the future of our THON success continue and am ready to put this in another Brother's hands. Thanks again so much for everything this year.

Fraternally For The Kids, Brady Lucas '18, Psi Chapter THON Chair



### **ALUMNI PROFILE**

## Skull Brother Gives Back to Ensure Institutions Are There to Serve Others Well



Why did you join the Skull Brotherhood? Was it the house and its majestic location along Beaver Avenue? Was it the Brothers

themselves? Whatever your reason, you joined a unique Brotherhood that undoubtedly took you to levels of achievments and professionalism that you've used throughout your entire life. We recently caught up with Skull Brother Christopher Teaf '75, who explains why life couldn't possibly be any better than it turned out.

"I initially visited PhiKap because I had a close friend, Bill Slugg '74, who became a Brother the previous year, in 1971," explained Teaf. "While I also visited a number of other houses during my first few months in State College, there was never much of a decision, as by that time I had met and very much enjoyed the company of the Penn State Skulls."

Teaf went on to add his favorite memories and who he continues to keep in touch with these days.

"The following are but a few of the new Brothers I got when I came to State College. Drifted apart over the

years, maybe, but never really gone, and definitely not forgotten. Bill Slugg 74 – could fix anything or at least take anything apart. Once watched him drink the juice from a #10 tin can of jalapenos I brought back from Mexico ... he regretted it, I can assure you. John Hellmann '77 – As many of us were, John was a 'responsible crazy-man', served as Alpha, got his Ph.D., now a Dean at PSU. John Filipos '75 - Excellent athlete, great wrestler from a family of

"... you joined a unique Brotherhood that undoubtedly took you to levels of achievments and professionalism that you've used throughout your entire life."

great wrestlers, damn sure a favorite of the ladies, and another 'responsible crazyman' who later got his law degree and practices in DC. Joe Van Leer '75 - very smart guy, remarkably responsible (served as Alpha for a term), and absolutely could make a potted plant laugh. Ron Tirabassi (Bacci) '61 – Chapter advisor during my time there, always funny, always welldressed, always ready with a sarcastic crack that was eerily on target and hilarious, a level-headed source of advice to individuals and to the House."

"I was Chapter Tau during my

senior year 1974-75, Teaf added. My life now couldn't possibly be any better than it ultimately turned out."

"I went on to earn a Masters degree in Biological Science at Florida State University (Tallahassee, FL) and a Ph.D. in Toxicology at the University of Arkansas College of Medicine. I have served on the faculty at Florida State for 38 years, and have owned a successful environmental consulting firm in Tallahassee for 32 years. I met

> my wife in Tallahassee, and we will celebrate our 36th anniversary in April 2017. We have two sons, Drew (29, Tampa) and Sandy (26, Orlando). We own a second home on an island 3 miles off the coast of Carrabelle, FL to

which there are no roads or bridges. A unique paradise, as you may imagine. I have stayed variably in touch over the years with Slugg, Filipos, Hellmann, Bob Benson '73, John Warnack '74, Mike Friel '77, the Hatton brothers -Bruce and Russell '78, and the Hadden brothers, along with many others. To the unpracticed eye, they all appear to be doing well and loving life, as am I.

To the extent possible, I think it is useful to make sure that the institutions that served me well are still there to serve others well.

### Brother Steve Rowe, I Presume?



We recently received a submission from Skull Brother Terry McDevitt '76, who shared his favorite memory of the Fraternity, which involved a fellow Brother, a football game, and a very late night.

"Probably my best Phi Kap memory is leaving Steve Rowe at the football game, passed out, long after the game was over. He made it back that evening very, very late. Staying in touch with Tom Hebel '77, Steve Rowe '78, Mark Denkowski '77, John Hellman '77, Dave Caramenico '75, Jon Apple '77, and a few more is the real highlight. Great friends - greater Brothers!

In my career, I spent the majority of my time as a Financial Advisor at Merrill Lynch and JP Morgan Chase. The highlight of my life is having three grandchildren that I can send home. WE ARE!

On the Web: Stay connected throughout the year at www.psuskull.com

### HONOR ROLL

# **Thank You Donors!**

Below are the Skull Brothers who have helped us continue our legacy in 2016 and 2017. Will you be the next to join them? Donating is easy, simply visit us at www.psuskull.com and click the donations tab, where you can make your contribution in one of three ways. Thank you for your support of Psi Chapter.

1890 Club (\$890 + ) Michael C. Friel	1977
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(\$500 - \$889.99)	
Fred W. Montanari	1956
Mark C. Bokelman	1982
Michael P. Rycheck	1987
Richard James Cassidy	1989

PSI Club (\$250 - \$49	9.99)
John S. Wylie	1952
Graham Bill Hume	1955
Anthony Perricel	1967

#### 1890 Club (\$890 + )

Fred W. Montanari	1956
Thomas L. Hebel	1977
Christopher J. McKown	1977

#### Stellis Aequos Durando Club (\$500 - \$889.99)

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Thomas A. Merkel Sr.	1974
Russell C. Hatton	1978
Mark C. Bokelman	1982
Michael P. Rycheck	1987
Christopher C. McCurdy	1991
David R. Sieling	1993

#### Psi Club (\$250 - \$499.99)

Otto Grupp III	1951
John S. Wylie	1952
Graham Bill Hume	1955
Harold E. Pellow	1958
James S. Broadhurst	1965
Don F. Marshall	1968
John DiDonato	1983
William R. Turner Jr.	1986
Daniel Dygert	1988

### 2017 Honor Roll

Don F. Marshall 1968 John DiDonato 1983 Andrija A. Silich 1985

### Club Skull (\$100 - \$249.99)

Jennifer Silvoy Capezzuti	
Richardson B. Farley	1952
Frederick P. LeVan	1955
Jacob C. Shook	1958
Noel B. DeCavalcante	1959
Nicholas S. Molloy	1959
Henry J. Oppermann Jr.	1961
Robert L. Peace	1963
Jon P. Hoffman	1964

# 2016 Honor Poll

2016 Honor R	loll	
Brett R. Wenger	1988	
James Mullarkey	1990	
Club Skull (\$100 - \$249.99) JJennifer Silvoy Capezzuti		
Edward W. Horn	1949	
Malcolm R. Fisher	1950	
Paul W. Thayer	1950	
Vance Genzlinger	1951	
Frederick P. LeVan	1955	
LeRoy W. Toddes	1957	
Charles J. Yarbrough	1957	
Challen O. Bonar III	1959	
Noel B DeCavalcante	1959	
Alan J. Davidson J.D.	1960	
Richard C Solt	1960	
Kenneth C. Louis	1961	
Henry J. Oppermann Jr.	1961	
Samuel B. Curry Jr.	1962	
John B. Haberlen	1962	
Lester W. Carl	1963	
Dave W. Curry	1964	
Donald M. Barnes	1965	
John A. Lapinski	1969	
Jon - D'Amico	1971	



Anthony J. Pesavento Christopher M. Teaf Joseph W. Ulsh Jon P. Apple John A. Davids Rand R. Ruland Stephen T. Cramer Richard M. Fencel Donald John Pohland	1967 1975 1975 1977 1977 1981 1982 1982 1982
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#### Dues Giver (Up to \$99.99)

Jeffrey J. Gary	1984
Anthony L. Nardini	2002

Jack R. Beighley	1973
John C Bender	1978
James M. Kerrigan	1978
Charles Vern Rabolli	1978
Eric P. Johnston	1981
Stephen T. Cramer	1982
Eric L. Meuschke	1985
Christopher Wandling	1987
Lou Matlow	1988
Matthew Brown	1989
Thomas T Beckett	1991
Gavin T. Haney	1993
Ryan P. Woodring	1994
Ryan King	2014

#### Dues Giver (Up to \$99.99)

Ronald T. Coder	1951
William Otto Rother	1955
Robert E. Brown	1969
Steven L. Smith	1976
Stephen B. Rowe	1978
Thomas J. Paradiso	1980
Anthony L. Nardini	2002
Ray Realdine Jr.	2002



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## ALUMNI PERSPECTIVE

## Brothers Hanging and Having Fun

### by Lincoln M. Taylor '93



"My favorite memory of Skull House is coming back to the house after class. Turning the corner onto Beaver Ave. from the alley by the Brewery and seeing the front porch of Skull packed with Brothers hanging and having fun. It would always put a smile on my face.

I have done a bunch of traveling with **Jim Kweder '91**, **Chris Zuniga '91**, and **Mike**  **Rycheck '87**. One of the best trips was going to Dublin, Ireland a few years back when Penn State played there on opening day.

Today I am Regional Sales Director for a Biopharmaceutical company called Shire. I built a new home in December of 2015 which has kept me busy along with sports and my kid's activities."

## BlueWhiteTV

#### No Matter Where You Are...WE ARE!

For those of us who no longer live in Happy Valley, but have the desire to keep up with the happenings around town, there's never been an easier outlet for all things Penn State.

CEO of BlueWhiteTV and Skull Brother Mike Hendrickson '96 is at the hub of it all and business is booming.

"It's easy to sign up, said Hendrickson." "You just log on to our website,

www.bluewhitetv.com, click "welcome," and provide your email. We also have a mobile app, which is available on the App Store as well as the Google Play Store."

Hendrickson added that the Penn State Obligatory Pre-Game Show will kick off at 10:00 a.m. on Blue-White Weekend, April 22. Those wishing to view the show can do so on the PCN Network, which is available on all major

> cable providers. It is also available on PCN select, which is a mobile app, and also on Roku and very soon, Amazon Fire TV.

"Right now, we employ about 10 students, who develop authentic content under our management that students love to consume," said Hendrickson.

"It's a way for fans to get a window into student life and for alumni to keep up with everything going on in State College."

The company also offers additional benefits, such as discounts to businesses who sign up on BlueWhiteTV.com. They also have a partnership with Juice Box, which offers mobile charging stations around town.

The Skull Brother is always looking for undergraduates from Psi Chapter who are interested in paid internships with his company.

"I haven't gotten any so far," he said. "I would love to get over there to the House and talk to those guys."

BlueWhiteTV is currently seeking additional sponsors and advertisers for its fall edition of the Obligatory Pre-Game Show. Anyone interested in details should contact Mike Hendrickson directly at mike@bluewhitetv.com or 814.441.6780. You can also check them out on their YouTube channel, as well as social media giants Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, and Instagram.

