

Alpha Chi Alpha 2017 Alumni Newsletter



From the Desk of the President

Fideli,

I am pleased to report that the house is as strong as ever. Our membership continues to grow while we maintain the exceptionally tight-knit and loyal brotherhood that makes AXA unique. The '17s left a lasting legacy in this respect, and while we are sad to watch them go, we hope to see them and the rest of the alumni back at 13 Webster soon.

Our newest class is the largest in recent memory, with 30 members of the class of 2020. They are all exceptional Dartmouth men, chosen from a pool of nearly fifty sophomores who selected AXA as their first choice. They represent the best and brightest from a diverse cross section of campus life. We took athletes from varsity hockey, rugby, waterpolo, and sailing, as well as club baseball, soccer, volleyball, and frisbee. Elsewhere on campus, our '20s are prominent members of the DOC, symphony orchestra, a capella groups, and a myriad of academic clubs.

Because of the generosity of the AXA alumni board, we are thrilled to continue to meet 100% of scholarship need. Our commitment to full financial accessibility has become a cornerstone of the house's identity. We serve as a campus role model for economic inclusivity in the Greek System, in no small part due to this robust scholarship program.

A bastion of intellectualism by day and a Rage Club by night, Alpha Chi's social presence is strong and growing stronger. Our annual Beach Party and Pigstick continue to be campus favorites, and a new house band based out of the Tube Room is known to delight crowds on Friday nights and infuriate residents of the second floor on most other nights.

Still, most of our favorite moments in the house occur when the doors are closed to the public, especially when alumni come back to visit. 13 Webster is still home to the tightest brotherhood on campus, and this year we enjoyed having an unusually large number of alumni come back, share stories of the old school and the barn, and return Slam to our pong tables.

A reporter once asked Neil Armstrong whether he was an Eagle Scout, to which he famously replied, "I *am* an Eagle Scout." The same rings true for our brotherhood: we are lifelong brothers who take pride in the legacy built by those who came before us. Don't be shy about visiting - I promise you won't be disappointed by the house we have grown together.

Fidelis et Suavis.

Will Tremml '18 William.R.Tremml.18@dartmouth.edu

Officers

Will Tremml, President Ethan Isaacson, Vice President Alex Beals, House Manager Manmeet Gujral, Treasurer Sam Colello, Social Chair Mike Ohene, Social Chair Josh Ufland, Programming Chair Dave Tramonte, Service Chair Andrew Wolff, Secretary Zach Schnell, Wellness Chair

Here's To the Seniors



This Spring, AXA said goodbye to 24 members of the class of 2017. While we're sad to see them go, we wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors and eagerly await their return to campus!

Matt Abate

Hometown: Mountain Lakes, NJ Major: Mechanical Engineering, Music

Minor: Drinking Campus Involvements:

Post-Grad Plans: Doctoral Student at the Georgia Institute

of Technology

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Michael Baicker

Hometown: Lawrenceville, NJ

Major: Engineering modified with Earth Science

Minor: Public Policy

Campus Involvements: Ledyard Canoe Club (President),

First Year Trips, Policy Research Shop

Post-Grad Plans: Pursuing BE degree at Thayer in Envi-

ronmental Engineering

Post-Grad Location: Hanover, NH

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Joby Bernstein

Hometown: Mamaroneck, New York

Major: Economics

Minor: Public Policy and Environmental Science

Campus Involvements: Varsity Swimming (captain), Dartmouth Investment and Philanthropy Program (president), Dartmouth Business Journal (president), Dart-

mouth Outing Club (CnT leader)

Post-Grad Plans: Investment Management at Dodge & Cox

Post-Grad Location: San Francisco

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Spencer Blair

Hometown: Greenwich, CT

Major: Government Minor: Spanish

Campus Involvements: Student and Presidential Committee on Sexual Assault, RWIT, Government Department

Research, DOC First-Year Trips

Post-Grad Plans: Strategy Consulting at Parthenon-EY

Post-Grad Location: Boston, MA

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Will Burger

Hometown: New Canaan Major: Math and Engineering Minor: Computer Science

Campus Involvements: Club Tennis, Research at Thayer Post-Grad Plans: Associate at Johns Hopkins APL

Post-Grad Location: Maryland

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Matt Durkin

Hometown: New York, NY Major: Engineering

Minor:

Campus Involvements: College Republicans Post-Grad Plans: Finishing up 5 year program

Post-Grad Location: Contact e-mail:

Michael Fitton

Hometown: Naples, FL Major: Economics Minor: NA

Campus Involvements: Website development, Drug and alcohol counseling, Political Economy Project, Dining Ser-

vices Supervisor

Post-Grad Plans: Strategy Consulting at Altman Vilandrie

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Patrick Floyd

Hometown: Annapolis, MD

Major: Economics
Minor: Theater

Campus Involvements: Sailing Team
Post-Grad Plans: Marketing at NTT Data

Post-Grad Location: DC

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Matt Girouard

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA Major: Computer Science

Minor: Statistics

Campus Involvements: Dartmouth Hacker Club Post-Grad Plans: Software Engineer at Amazon

Post-Grad Location: NYC

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Nate Greason

Hometown: Bainbridge Island, WA

Major: Government

Minor: Engineering and International Studies

Campus Involvements: Sailing Team and Club Ice Hockey

Post-Grad Plans: Consulting at Parthenon-EY

Post-Grad Location: Boston, MA

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Tyler Kelsall

Hometown: Denver, CO
Major: Mechanical Engineering

Minor: Earth Science

Campus Involvements: Club swim, Life After Disco cover

band

Post-Grad Plans: Mechanical Engineering intern at

Synapse Produce Development Post-Grad Location: Seattle, WA Contact e-mail: tkelsall3@gmail.com

Aaron Lewin

Hometown: Chevy Chase, MD Major: Engineering Sciences Minor: Applied Math

Campus Involvements: Club Golf Team, STAR Mentoring

Group

Post-Grad Plans: Consulting at Applied Predictive Tech-

nologies

Post-Grad Location: Washington, DC

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Alex Lochoff

Hometown: Westport, CT Major: Psychology Minor: Education

Campus Involvements: Dartmouth Outing Club President Whitewater Leader in Ledyard Canoe Club Volunteering

at Ledyard Charter High School in Lebanon, NH

Post-Grad Plans: I will be teaching 5th grade STEM, as a Teach For America Corps Member in Richmond, CA.

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Michael Machlin

Hometown: Los Altos, CA

Major: Computer Science modified with Environmental

Studies
Minor: N/A

Campus Involvements: Coffee Club (President), Cycling

Team

Post-Grad Plans: Product Management at Yahoo

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Chris Mever

Hometown: New Canaan, CT Major: Classical Studies; History

Minor: None

Campus Involvements: Outdoor Leadership Experience,

Aquinas House, First Year Trips

Post-Grad Plans: Analyst at PublicRelay

Post-Grad Location: Washington DC

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Josh Pearl

Hometown: North Woodmere, NY

Major: History
Minor: Government

Campus Involvements: Dartmouth Hillel, Dartmouth Viet-

nam Project, Ledyard Trip to the Sea

Post-Grad Plans: Strategy Consulting at EIU Canback

Post-Grad Location: Boston, MA

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John Robinson

Hometown: Danville, VA

Major: Classical Languages and Literature and Govern-

ment *Minor:* n/a

Campus Involvements: Dartmouth Mountaineering Club, Dartmouth Coffee Club, Council on Student Organiza-

tions

Post-Grad Plans: Management Consuling at Vantage Part-

ners

Post-Grad Location: Boston, MA Contact e-mail: jmrobins3@gmail.com

Raphael Sacks

Hometown: Chevy Chase, MD

Major: Economics

Minor: Human-centered Design

Campus Involvements: Club baseball, the BOX food truck,

Hill Winds Society, Dimensions

Post-Grad Plans: Product management at IBM

Post-Grad Location: New York City

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Ian Speers

Hometown: Wellesley, MA

Major: Anthropology and Psychology

Minor: Geography

Campus Involvements: Dartmouth EMS, Upper Valley Ambulance, Dartmouth Coalition for Global Health, First

Year Trips

Post-Grad Plans: Global Health and Emergency Response

Fellowship at Americares

Post-Grad Location: 6 months in Stamford, CT and 6

months in Liberia

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Eric Sun

Hometown: Jersey City, NJ Major: Economics / Mathematics

Minor:

Campus Involvements: Dartmouth Chess Club, Dartmouth

Business Journal *Post-Grad Plans:*

Post-Grad Location:

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Benjamin Weinstock

Hometown: St. Louis, MO

Major: History Minor: N/A

Campus Involvements: Handel Society, Dartmouth Viet-

nam Project

Post-Grad Plans: Graduate school at University of Oxford

Post-Grad Location: Oxford

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Oren Wilcox

Hometown: Hanover, NH Major: Neuroscience

Minor: N/A

Campus Involvements: Neuroscience research with faculty, Dartmouth Powerlifting Team, Dartmouth Ultimate Fris-

bee

Post-Grad Plans:
Post-Grad Location:

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Cannon Wille

Hometown: Colorado Springs

Major: Chemistry Minor: None

Campus Involvements: Ski Patrol, Chemistry Research Post-Grad Plans: Management Consulting Analyst at Bain

and Company

Post-Grad Location: Boston, MA

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Hoi W. Wong

Hometown: Diamond Bar, CA

Major: Economics Minor: Psychology

Campus Involvements: Intern at Undergraduate Admis-

sions, DOC First-Year Trips, Green Key Society

Post-Grad Plans: Strategy consulting at L.E.K Consulting

Post-Grad Location: Boston

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Outstanding Performers

We would like to congratulate the following '17's for their exemplary achievements:

Phi Beta Kappa: Joby Bernstein, Spencer Blair, Nate Greason, Tyler Kelsall, Ben Weinstock, Cannon Wille

Summa Cum Laude: Joby Bernstein, Ben Weinstock

Magna Cum Laude: Spencer Blair, Michael Fitton, Matt Girouard, Nate Greason, Tyler Kelsall, Chris Meyer, Cannon

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Cum Laude: Will Burger, Matthew Durkin, Aaron Lewin, Alexander Lochoff, Ian Speers, Hoi Wong

High Honors in the Major: Nate Greason (Government), Tyler Kelsall (Engineering Sciences), Ben Weinstock (History)

Honors in the Major: Joby Bernstein (Economics), Oren Wilcox (Neuroscience)

James O. Freedman Presidential Scholars: Joby Bernstein, Ben Weinstock

The Class of 1859 History Prize: Ben Weinstock John C. Glover '55 Swimming Trophy: Joby Bernstein

Handel Society Chorus Award: Ben Weinstock The Klinger Intercollegiate Trophy: Patrick Floyd

Walter R. Lutkus Award: Joby Bernstein

Richard B. McCornack Prize for Excellence in History: Ben Weinstock The Office of Greek Life Outstanding President Award: Aaron Lewin

The Office of Greek Life Kaiser Award: Spencer Blair

The Robert A. 1925 and Catherine L. McKennan Prize in Anthropology: Ben Weinstock

The Jeffrey L. Pressman Prize: Nate Greason

The Special Faculty Award for Engineering and Service to Humanity: Aaron Lewin

Student Center for Research, Writing, and Information Technology Leadership Award: Spencer Blair

Yachtsman's Trophy: Nate Greason

The John L. Zabriskie Jr. '61 Senior Chemistry Prize: Cannon Wille

Paul L. '83 and Neil T. McGorrian Fellowship: Ian Speers

The James B. Reynolds Scholarship for Foreign Study: Ben Weinstock

Junior Class

We wish the following '19's the best of luck as they take over in the Spring:

President: Fisher Katlin Social Chair: Dominic Arcona Secretary: Nico Turk

Wellness Chair: Charlie Johnson

Vice President: Billy Kosmidis Social Chair: Grant McCord House Manager: Matt Woodberry Programming Chair: Austin Zaelke

Treasurer: John-John Fitz-Henley Service Chair: Will Johnson

Sophomore Class

This fall, we eagerly welcomed a new class of thirty '20's to the brotherhood:

Max Goldman Tanish Raghavan E.J. Abass Sriram Bapatla Will Graber Matt Spencer Will Barth Holden Harris Kyle Sullivan Soham Basu Mitchell Tang **Graham Hazlett** Ryan Blankemeier Nat Healy Brian Tomasco Alex Waterhouse Max Bond Will Hsieh Taggart Bonham Zach Johnson Michael Wilson Max Brautigam Will Kirby Josh Zambrano

Trevor Briggs Jack McGraw
John Caramichael Conrad Meier
Nayib Elizalde Noah Piou

Officer Reports

House Manager

It has been my pleasure this year to reprise my summer role as houseman, and we have made considerable progress in the maintenance and improvement of our physical plant.

In the spring we focused the Mung: we painted the table, installed permanent dance lights throughout the basement, and installed an iPad that serves as a new permanent music station.

In the fall, our productivity was bolstered by the added manpower of an enthusiastic class of new members. Together we retrofitted the trunk room, rendering that space clean and usable for the first time in years. A team lead by Alex Waterhouse '20 increased the size of the bathroom stall on the second floor so as to accommodate regular-sized humans. We also added privacy guards to the third floor stall bathrooms, addressing concerns voiced previously by female guests. Finally, four members of the house (Mike Ohene '18, Austin Zaelke '19, Alex Waterhouse '20, and John Caramichael '20) christened a new table for our collection.

Over the winter interim period, the college is planning substantial renovations. The front room and staircases will be repainted, and our kitchen will receive a significant facelift in the form of new flooring and resurfaced countertops. The college will also be installing card readers to get into the house, which will help stop the problem of brothers giving out the door code to their sailing friends. In the winter term, I look forward to finishing a few in-progress projects, which include installing an ice machine in the new kitchen, continuing to update the bathrooms on every floor, and getting new furniture for many of the rooms in the house.

Overall, the house has rarely been in better shape, and will continue to improve. If you're in the area, stop by!

Service Chair

Alpha Chi remains a leader among Dartmouth fraternities in its commitment to giving back. Volunteer events over the past year have helped effect positive change alongside local and national organizations, and have strengthened the brotherhood in the process.

Alpha Chi had a proud moment last spring as the host of Sausagefest, an annual cookout and benefit concert for the Prostate Cancer Foundation. We attracted a large crowd to the Magic Green Cottage, and raised enough money to be featured in the Prostate Cancer Foundation's annual report. We also hosted a successful Halloween cookie-decorating event for trick-or-treaters with the help of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. This cause proved meaningful to the brotherhood, who turned out in unprecedented numbers.

Outside of our own physical plant, Alpha Chi is a mainstay in service efforts across campus. We fielded the winning team in the Winter Carnival Chili Cook-Off to benefit veterans, as well as one of the largest teams for the Memorial Challenge to benefit youth leadership and community development. We continue to volunteer regularly at Students Fighting Hunger, where we cook warm meals at a local church for community-members in need.

We are proud to uphold our record of volunteering and fundraising for organizations that work towards positive change in the Upper Valley and across the country. We are also happy to report that our dedication to service is only growing stronger, as our newest class of brothers has come out in full force to all of our service events in the past term.



Chili Champions

Social Chair

Social life at 13 Webster is better than ever. Spring, of course, is for Pigstick. Despite early morning threats both meteorological and administrative in nature, by midday last May the sun shone brightly and the event kicked off seamlessly. Several hours and thousands of pounds of beer and pork later, the brothers of Alpha Chi and the rest of campus went home happy. After a brief period of recovery, the gentlemen of 13 Webster put on their busting pants and rallied for Room to Room Tails, Formal, and a generally fantastic rest of the spring.

There's no time like fall in Hanover, and there's no better way to experience it than as a brother of Alpha Chi. In addition to the usual social fare, the brotherhood started some hosting bigger parties more regularly, all of which attracted large crowds to the house. The new members brought plenty of energy with them, which was palpable during an incredible homecoming weekend. Also new to the Alpha Chi social scene was the presence of a couple of bands based out of the house, which have been a big hit on campus.

Home for winter break, we're dreaming of taking shelter from the New Hampshire winter in the safety of the Alpha Chi basement.



Five brothers attend Kappa Krush



IM softball champions



Mike Wilson '20 provides some helpful pointers for the freshman class

Programming Chair

In the past two terms as programming chair, it has been my honor to put together a busty docket for the brother-hood. During the spring, we hosted frequent barbeques in the back yard, made pizzas with sororities, and went for a tour of the Harpoon Brewery in Windsor, VT. We also held shows with the Cords, Decibelles, Dodecs and DStyle. But most importantly, the War Eagles stormed to an IM Softball championship led by Aaron Lewin '17 and Raph Sacks '17 in their final seasons representing Alpha Chi

Following a successful summer of programming organized by summer programming chair Dom Arcona '19, we kicked off the fall with a couple of well-attended shows. On the sports field, injuries sadly forced us to defer our dreams of IM soccer glory to next year, but flag football proved a more successful endeavor. Though we suffered a crushing defeat in the finals, next year is looking promising, with pundits already counting the War Eagles as heavy favorites to win it all. This term we also decided to reclaim the proud tradition of wearing sirens in public, skirting new member term rules by establishing a day in which all brothers would wear sirens. The day was a resounding success (no stolen sirens and no

injuries).

This winter we look forward to getting out for some pond hockey, a great term of shows, and most certainly bringing home championships in IM hockey and baskethall



Will Graber '20 and Ryan Blankenmeier '20 upholding the old traditions

Treasurer

First and foremost, we would like to thank all the alumni who have contributed to Alpha Chi in the past year. We have made numerous additions and improvements to the house, which would not have been possible without your help. Funds have gone toward substantial maintenance on the physical plant, to service programs, and to a variety of events open to campus. Additionally, thanks to your generous support, Alpha Chi continues to host house staples ranging from Tuesday Night Nachos to Pigstick.

Alpha Chi prides itself on creating a financially accessible environment in which dues prevent nobody from sharing equally in what the house has to offer. In the past year, with the help of the alumni board, we have further grown our scholarship program to accommodate an increasingly financially diverse brotherhood.

As we wrap up our time as house officers, our objectives are to continue to grow the scholarship fund for future classes, help fund great alumni events, and to invest in house improvements. Funds collected by the Alumni Association will go directly to helping achieve these goals. Donations, no matter what size, can make a tremendous difference. Any contribution is greatly appreciated.



Carter Noordsij '18 and Josh Ufland '18 take Zack Johnson '20 and Brian Tomasco '20 on an adventure to Boston

The brotherhood expresses some feelings in President Hanlon's general direction on Pigstick morning

Vice President

Happy Holidays from Alpha Chi! I'd like to start by congratulating the '17s on completing their time at Dartmouth and joining the alumni community. You've been missed in Hanover.

I am excited to report that alumni engagement has grown considerably over the past year. The alumni board, now a little over a year in age, is already making substantial contributions to the brotherhood. On behalf of Will, myself, and the entire house, I want to express our deep gratitude for the commitment and generosity that our alumni have demonstrated. Not only have their contributions improved the operations of the house in meaningful ways, but they have also provided a refreshing reminder that the brotherhood extends beyond our four years in Hanover.

Other exciting developments include the addition of Gail Gentes, wife of Phil Hanlon, as our second alumni advisor. Credit for this coup goes to the '17s class, especially Aaron Lewin and Spencer Blair. We continue to nurture a relationship of mutual respect with the administration, which has proved valuable in the past and will hopefully continue smoothly into the future.

We love seeing and hearing from alumni, so please swing by the house if you're in town, or reach out at any time to eai.18@dartmouth.edu.



Here's to the Seniors

Message From The Alumni Board

Today the AXA Alumni Association is asking for your support so that we can continue to fund student scholar-ships and sponsor events that that foster connections and camaraderie among alumni. The Alumni Association has taken on the role of fundraising to relieve the brothers of that responsibility. Thanks to your generosity, the Association provided \$1,950 in scholarship support for Fall term house dues. In order to meet scholarship needs for the upcoming Winter, Spring, and Summer terms, we will need to raise an additional \$4,000. A donation of \$150 covers one termly scholarship.

Our ultimate goal is to provide more comprehensive support for those with demonstrated need in order to completely remove any financial barrier from being a member of Alpha Chi Alpha. One scholar recipient wrote: "As inclusive as we strive to be, the reality is that there is a significant economic cost that must be overcome in order to maintain membership in our fraternity. In order to uphold our integrity as an inclusive institution, it is essential that we continue to expand the scholarship program to benefit current and future brothers of the Chi." Please consider a donation to support AXA!

In terms of Alumni outreach, the Alumni Association sponsored multiple reunion open houses in June as well as a BBQ over homecoming. We've also been working on a revamped website and new alumni directory system that we'll be rolling out early next year. We hope that these platforms will keep alumni up-to-date and well connected in the future.

In other Association news, we elected three new members to the Association Board: Derek Chow '84, Enrique Colbert '96 and Kevin Francfort '15 at our annual meeting this fall. As always, we encourage alums to contribute their time by joining the board or one of our committees, Alumni Relations and Finance. Please contact us if you are interested. The president of the alumni board is Peter Gibson '86 (pgibson@princetonol.com).

Thank you again for supporting the AXA Alumni Association and the thriving current brotherhood.

How To Donate

You can donate online at axa.elodyn.com/donate

Alternatively, checks can be made out to "Alpha Chi Alpha Alumni Association" and sent to

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Thank you for your generosity!