COLONIAL CLUB

Fall Newsletter



November 2014

A Letter from the President of the Graduate Board

Fellow Members,



The state of our Club is very good. I am please to report, once again, that membership numbers are strong, we have an excellent, diverse group of undergraduate officers, and an outstanding management team.

There are a number of exciting improvements to see when next you visit Colonial. One that is

worthy of note is the restoration of our three fireplaces—one in the Red (Dining) Room, one in the Green (Elk) Room, and one in the Library. It has been many years since the fires were lit at Colonial, and it is very gratifying to walk in on a cold fall evening and see members once again gathered around a cheerful fire (or three).

Working fireplaces require more than wood and flame: a good deal of money, chimney repairs, testing, permitting and inspections, and building planning and care were necessary. Another requirement is trust in the good sense of our undergraduate officers and members. Colonial has a long history of placing more responsibility in the hands of its officers than any other club; those members from my own era in the late 70's/early 80's will recall that the Club was entirely run by the undergraduates—no manager, only a chef and an assistant in the kitchen. While we have thankfully moved beyond the need for that approach, the Club still gives its officers a larger budget and more responsibility than their peers at other clubs. Trust, mutual respect, and genuine ties of friendship are the bonds that give Colonial meaning, and are what keep





the metaphorical, as well as the actual, fires burning for many generations after they were first lit.

On your tour of Colonial, you may also notice a handsome new clock in the Dining Room. Colonial is unique in that we trust and mentor a group of our talented undergraduates to direct the investments of a portion of the Club's reserve funds. The program is overseen by the Finance Committee of the Board: Mr. Genetti, Mr. Vehslage, and Mr. Ritter and has proven to be a great way to connect undergraduate interest and talent with professional investment practices. The new clock is a gift to the Club from our investment group and was purchased with a portion of their returns on investment. Congratulations are due to all for a successful venture in the grand tradition and spirit of Colonial—bold plans, brilliantly executed, celebrated with loot and beverages around a roaring fire.

For Colonial,

Joe Studholme '84

President, Graduate Board of Directors, Colonial Club of Princeton University

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Colonial Club History Highlights from Houseparties



Each year after the final week of spring classes, Colonial hosts its annual Houseparties: a grandiose three-day festival involving a formal night and a semi-formal night, followed by Sunday's Lawnparties. To many it is the highlight of the social calendar. Here are some highlights from this grand tradition:

1908

Lewis M. Mudge '51 described these early houseparties as "prim, correct affairs"

1939

Colonial throws its wildest-ever Houseparties. The parties were so excessive that there were complaints from the university administration and faculty, local girls schools, and parents



1920

Fires break out on campus during Houseparties.
Colonial members and guests watch in shock as Dickinson Hall and the Marquand Chapel burn down

Famous Psychologist Assails Houseparties

1948

19 women from Smith College arrive as guests via hot air balloon



1930

Despite frequent
alleged violations of
prohibition at Colonial,
the club distributes strict
rules for Houseparties,
including an alcohol
ban, curfews for
women, and restrictions
on driving and visiting
other clubs

Applying directly to the conduct of houseparties, the following rules are to be observed this week-end under penalty of action by the Inter-Club Committee. There shall be no drinking in any of the clubs, and all girls must be in by 2 Sunday morning. No undergraduate may visit any club save his own, except by special invitation, nor may cars be driven outside the Borough of Princeton after 7.

1970

Colonial members call for Houseparties cancellation in solidarity with anti-Vietnam student protesters





Lawnparties 1956





A Visit to Colonial Club Today!



Bound together by genuine ties of friendship

Undergraduate President's Address

To our Esteemed Members,

We're almost halfway through fall semester here on campus, and I'm proud to report that Colonial Club is in good health. Thanks to the tireless efforts of our sophomore representatives, social team, and our



officer corps, we have successfully retained the vast majority (~80%) of the sophomores who signed in last semester, and have recruited several new members this past semester. We finished the semester with 176 members before we closed fall sign-ins on October 15.

Colonial Club's social events are alive and well. In September, we kicked off the year with a memorable Lawnparties, as both members and students enjoyed hip-hop/R&B singer Ray J's performance under Colonial Club's soaring white pillars. We are also pleased to report that our newest Friday night membership event series,VIP Nights, has met with remarkable success from both our own membership and the campus at-large. This members +1 event has featured comedians, student dance groups, and a slam poetry perfomance is in the pipeline.

Our legendary semiformals are as vibrant and lively as ever. This fall, a live jazz band performed the night away during Double-0 Semi (007), our James Bondthemed semiformal, as members played roulette, poker, and sampled Chef Gil's shrimp cocktails, petit fours, and other hors d'oeuvres.

Finally, a word for our seniors. Many of our seniors are in the midst of the job hunt now, and if you or your company is interested in hiring, we strongly urge you to send the information to me (spak@princeton.edu) so we can post them on the jobs board in our club.

Warm regards, Sarah S. Pak '15, Undergraduate President



As part of the on-going Colonial history project, the President's Plaque, showing the names of every Club President since its founding, is now on display, showing the spirit of Colonial's proud history and tradition.

Job Board

Colonial Club offers a job board to our members to help secure internships and career opportunities. Please contact our Club Manager, Kathleen Galante, manager@colonialclub.com to add your company and available positions to our ongoing Job Board.



Want to Relive that Colonial Experience?

Visit the Colonial Club Gear Store
to boast your club logo wear and accessories!





Give to Colonial!

Colonial has continued to thrive over the years by the generous support of our alumni! Please continue to make your dues payments and thoughtful donations to the club.

Dues

The Dues Structure is now \$25.00 for all those who graduated within the last ten years and \$50.00 for all those who graduated eleven plus years ago. Paying your dues provides admission to all alumni events at Colonial, including meals at Reunions and Homecoming. Dues may be paid at the door, at any event or online. Non dues payers will be asked to pay their dues before visiting for a Club event. If dues are not paid, the member and his/her guests/family members will be charged an event fee.

Guests and family members of dues-paying alumni are always welcome free of charge. We look forward to seeing you!

Annual Giving

Now, more than ever before, Colonial Club needs your support. We need your help to sustain our wonderful reputation on the Street and to offer our current student officers the marketing tools necessary to continue and increase membership. Please make your unrestricted gift today!

You can donate a tax-deductible gift to the PPF/Colonial Account to support our educational spaces or you can donate a gift directly to The Colonial Club for its immediate use toward the general upkeep and ongoing maintenance of the Club. The "Pay Club Dues" tab on our website will guide you. You can also email, call or use the envelope provided. Colonial Club thanks you for your generosity and support!

Save the Date! Alumni Day 2015 Satrurday, February 21

Alumni and their families are invited to join the Colonial Club Undergraduates for Brunch and Dinner!

11:30 pm - 1:30 pm: Traditional Colonial Club Brunch

5:45 pm - 7:45 pm: Traditional Colonial Club Dinner

Reunions 2015 Thursday, 5/28 - Sunday, 5/31

"GOING BACK...GOING BACK...
GOING BACK TO...COLONIAL CLUB!"

Friday, May 29th 10:00 pm - 3:00 am – TAP ROOM IS OPEN

Saturday, May 30th: 10:30 am - 1:30 pm Milk Punch Brunch ...you know you love it!

2:00 pm: P-Rade

3:30 pm - 7:00 pm Smokin' BBO Feast...After the P-Rade

10:00 pm -3:00 am - TAP ROOM IS OPEN

Sunday, May 31st: 10:00am - 12:30pm Homeward Bound Brunch Buffet

Graduate Board of Governors

Joseph Studholme '84—President Edward Ritter '83—Vice President David Genetti '98—Treasurer Paul LeVine, Jr. '72—Secretary

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Undergraduate Officers

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Technology Chair: Brendan Chou
Assistant Social / Communications Chair: Edgar Wang
Assistant Social / Community Service Chair: Kevin Larkin
Sophomore Representative: Swetha Doppalapudi
Sophomore Representative: Daniel Chen

Alumni News

David Harten Watson '84's young adult fantasy novel, *Magic Teacher's Son* (Book One of the Magican's Gold



series) has been published by by Pen-L Publishing (www.Pen-L. com/MagicTeachersSon.html). Summary: "When sixteen year old Pran sneaks out of his house one night to join other teens experimenting with sorcery, it sets into motion a chain of events that lead to betrayal, an attempt on his life, first love, friendship with a most

unusual spy, treason, and the imminent conquest of his kingdom."





Colonial alumna Mary Fan '10 is a published author of fantasy novels. Her latest book, *Tell Me My Name*, was released in October.

Be sure to update your contact information at www.colonialclub.com so that you may continue to receive news from the club. Keep us updated on your life and we may post it in the next newsletter! Send your life news and celebrations to manager@colonialclub.com.

Notes from Colonialites

"Ms. Galante, Enjoyed your company and conversation that early Sunday AM of Reunion Weekend. Appreciated our attention and hospitality muchly as well. You were a very good and cordial sport."—DD Yost, '54

"Edward Bragg, '53, who contributed much to Colonial, died several months ago. He was a close friend and I recommended that he go on the Board after I left the Board. He was a special person." — Lawrence W. Leighton '56



"Attended '58 Mini Reunion in Washington recently.
Good to catch up with Bill Trimble." —Scott Sudduth '58

"Our eldest child, Dorcas Blake Beatty, is engaged to be married to Daniel Hubbard of Sittenfield, CT." — Calvin C. Beatty '60 "Kathleen, Thank you for looking after my guests and me. The Club looks great!"—John Redpath '64

"I was a professional singer and actress before becoming an attorney and practicing in Ohio for 25 years. Now I'm home in Bucks County and at Stark & Stark in Princeton. —Roselynn Caplin Lovett '74

"I want to thank the Club for everything it does during Reunions. I especially want to thank the check-in desk (Bushra), who graciously accommodated me with information regarding my dues. It was my 35th yet I was unwilling to miss Colonial, even for the activities of a major. Best wishes for the coming year."—Laurie J. Landeau '79

"I'm still at Cadence Design Systems as a Product Engineering Director in San Jose. My oldest just finished her freshman year at USF! Yikes! —Michaela Guiney '83

Host your next event at Colonial Club!

Colonial Club offers a classy, unique venue for your upcoming corporate or social events.

Reach out to our Club Manager, Kathleen, for menus and event planning assistance, manager@colonialclub.com.

Weddings

On Saturday, August 23, Jason Pedraza '11 and Angelica Ortiz Pedraza '12 married in the Princeton University Chapel. At Colonial, Jason was House Manager and Angelica was Social Chair. The reception was held at Colonial Club, with many Colonialites in attendance.



Bridesmaids included Yi Liao '11, President Susan Zhang '12, Community Service Chair Ellie Rizzo '13, and Meredith Stafford '11. Among the groomsmen were Club Fool Gary Fox '13, Colonial's Summer Fellow William Wild '14, House Manager Matthew Landry '13, Vice President Daniel Pedraza '13, President David Hou '11, Social Chair Adam Rosenthal '11, and Social Chair Lucas Zavala '13.



On Monday, July 7, **Juan Farfan '12** and **Itelina Ma Farfan '11** married on Long Island, New York. Many Colonial Club friends attended. Bridesmaids included Yi Liao '11, Tiffany Liu '11, and Tiffany Lee '11. Groomsmen included Treasurer William Nguyen '11.

Engagements





Clockwise from top left: Chris Goodnow '14 is engaged to Natalie Scholl '13; Technology Chair Josh Giles '13 is engaged to his high school sweetheart, Heather Belle; Max Lyons '13 is engaged to Amber Stark; President David Hou '11 is engaged to Meredith Stafford '11.

Employee Spotlight: Kevin Riley

Kevin joined Colonial Club in June and has been a welcome addition to the club! He works three days a

week to ensure that the house stays in good working order and handles all club maintenance and daily repairs.



Kevin retired from Verizon in 2013,

where he worked in the the fiber optics department. He also holds another part-time position at Eagle Ridge Golf Course. He has been married for 30 years to his wife, Denise and they have a 27-year- old son, Matt.

Share Your Experience! Join our LinkedIn group to offer career and networking advice to Colonial Undergraduates at https://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=7423124

In Memorium

We honor those who have recently passed...

Dr John J. Osborn '39 Kenneth F. Brown '41 Ralph P. Hallowell '43 John S. Price '44 Charles P. Ames '46 Peter V. Struby '47 Heyward L. Siddons '48 George C. Denby '52 C. Twiggs Meyers '52 Charles L. Terry III '54 John van Zelm Trubee '54 *60 Thomas L. Waite '56

Jack Huyler '42

While at Princeton, John S. Huyler III '42 (known at Colonial as Jack) founded the Nassoons, Princeton's first a-capella singing group and still one of

America's leading ensembles of its kind. After graduation, as America entered World War II, he learned Mandarin and was deployed as a liason officer to China, helping the US and Chinese militaries co-ordinate and work together. After the War he dedicated himself to educa-



tion in California. His son, John Huyler IV, attended Princeton as a member of the Class of 1967.

Hank Bard '45

Henry H. Bard Jr '45 (known at Colonial as Hank) studied at Princeton in an army-sponsored pre-med-

ical track. After graduation he moved to New York to attend medical school at Columbia, where he graduated in 1948. He joined the US effort in Korea, providing crucial medical expertise to navy personnel in Japan. He ended up on Long Island as a medical specialist.



Lucas Kamp '68

Lucas Kamp '68 joined Colonial as a Dutch-raised

international student from the UK. Lucas majored in Astrophysics at Princeton and after a Masters and PhD in Astronomy and Astrophysics from Chicago, he joined NASA, winning the NASA Individual Exceptional Service Medal, and publishing 190 scientific papers, eventually



ending up at Caltech after a stint on the faculty at Boston University. In his career he was involved in many important US space initiatives. A polyglot, he was fluent in four languages and proficient in many more. He was also involved in Amnesty International.



Classmates ('97) and friends celebrating Travis Sowder's life at Colonial, October 2014

Colonial member Travis Lee Sowders '97 died June 11, 2014 due to injuries sustained in an automobile accident in Los Angeles, CA. He came to Princeton from humble beginnings in Barberville, Kentucky. He was a Woodrow Wilson School major with encyclopedic knowledge of current political figures. His Colonial classmates remember Travis for his wit and charm, and his eagerness to debate on any topic—including the merit of Milky Way versus Snickers. After Princeton, Travis moved to Washington DC where he worked on Capitol Hill and ran the campaign for a West Virginia congressman. Later he lived in New York City and Los Angeles. He received his MBA from UCLA Anderson in Los Angeles in 2009. Travis served as Director for K12 Solutions Marketing at Blackboard Inc.

Travis is survived by his partner of 12 years, Rob Six of West Hollywood, CA; his parents, Ancil and Lynn Sowders of Barbourville, KY; and his sister, Synthia Sowders of Barbourville, KY. Travis was one of the smartest, funniest people that we knew and we, his Colonial-mates, will miss him dearly.