COLONIAL CLUB

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A Letter from the President of the Graduate Board



Fellow Members,

It is widely believed that the President of the United States, after taking the Oath of Office, is handed The Red Folder by an anonymous government functionary. On first reading, the terrifying contents turn each youthful candidate into a cautious grey-haired statesman.

After I became Colonial's Board President, no Red Folder was delivered (although there was plenty of terrifying grey-hair stuff anyway), but in the course of my initial investigations of the Club, we came across box after dusty box of historical club artifacts in the office, in the forgotten safe deposit boxes, in the dank basement utility rooms, in little-used storage closets, and in the hands of various long-serving Board Members. We had in our hands 120 years of mysteries, objects and ephemera that our Indiana Jones-esque team of intrepid historians have spent the summer digging up and dusting off.

Honoring the words of Dr. Jones ⁽¹⁾, we made it a priority this summer to gather together these scattered dusty archives, to put the most important pieces in the Mudd Library and in our own beautifully refurbished Colonial Library, and to celebrate our unique and amazing history by making that history accessible to all our members now and henceforth.

There's a lot to see, and if you can't get to the Club I encourage you to go online to www.colonialclub. com-History to see some of it. The original Club

(1) "It belongs in a museum!" - Dr. Henry Jones Jr. (son of Professor Henry Jones Sr, Colonial Faculty Advisor 1898-1904 (sic)

Charter! The Founding Story! Mysterious debts to Ivy Club! Midnight raids, pitched battles with circus performers on the streets of Princeton, and early morning meetings with disapproving University Officials! Prohibition, and how we coped! Documentation of the fierce civil war between our own undergraduates and alumni to renounce Bicker and lead the open club movement! Records of various financial disasters and stratagems that saved the Club—on multiple occasions! The affair of Alcibiades the Elk and the Crooked Taxidermist! How the Doo-Dah Got Its Name! The Return of the Dusty Buffalo Head! The Lincoln Legend! etc, etc.

To cap off this effort, the Club is planning a major celebration of the 120th Anniversary of the Founding of Colonial Club this spring—to honor our past glory, celebrate our present prosperity, and look ahead to a bright future. Plan to be a part of it!

Yours sincerely,

Ioe Studholme '84

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

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Undergraduate President's Address

To our Esteemed Alumni,

We've started our fall semester here on campus, and I'm happy to report that Colonial Club is doing well. Thanks to our team of officers, we have successfully



retained most of our membership and we will finish this semester with 120 members. Colonial Club's social events, both old and new, are alive and well. The new social team has kicked off a number of new initiatives in the club, including "Girl's Nights," "Colonial Families," and "Movie Nights." The Colonial Family initiative has been especially well

received by the membership—even spawning a "family photo" contest in which our VP and his family took first prize.

The Friday night events and the members' events have also been successful at engaging the membership and the Princeton population at-large. We booked Lil Dicky for our fall Lawnparties act, which excited the members and drew one of the largest crowds that Colonial has ever seen. We will kick off our semiformals this year with a Mad Men themed semiformal—it's sure to be a classy throwback to the golden age of Ad Men.

We have made several exciting changes to the clubhouse. The movie room has been renovated with upgraded AV equipment and brand new movie theater seating to comfort our members. The library has also been improved to include a history showcase, audiovisual equipment, and new chairs. Historical documents and pictures have also been framed and placed around the house, thanks to our Summer Historian and IM's Chair, Rachel Roberts. Feel free to come take a look at the additions to the house!

Finally, a word for our seniors and juniors. Many of our members are in the midst of the job and internship hunt now, and if you or your company is hiring, we strongly encourage you to send information to me (swethad@princeton.edu) or our Club Manager, Kathleen(kgalante@colonialclub.com) so that we can post them on the job board in the club.

We hope to welcome you at the club soon! Warm regards,

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Joseph Studholme '84 - President Edward Ritter '83 – Vice President David Genetti '98 - Treasurer Paul LeVine, Jr. '72 - Secretary Julian Dean '13 Kristen Epstein '97 Norman Flitt '72 Sean Hammer '08 David Hou '11 John McMurray '95 Sev Onyshkevych '83 Angelica Ortiz-Pedraza '11 Andrew Stein '90 Hal L. Stern '84 Andrew Weintraub '10

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Daniel Li

Assistant Social/Community Service Chair:

Likith Govindaiah

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Sophomore Representative: Christopher Yu

Want to relive that Colonial experience?

Visit the Colonial Club gear store to boast your club logo wear and accessories! http://bestclubgear.com/Colonial_Club_Gear.html





Give to Colonial!

Colonial has continued to thrive over the years thanks to the generous support of our alumni! Please continue to support your club with 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 may 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. 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 our great traditions 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 to the club! Reunions 2016 Thursday, 5/27 - Sunday, 5/29

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

Friday, May 27th 10:00 pm - 3:00 am – TAP ROOM IS OPEN

Saturday, May 28th: 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' BBQ Feast...After the P-Rade

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

Sunday, May 29th: 10:00am - 12:30 pm Homeward Bound Brunch Buffet

Stay Connected

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.



Bound together by genuine ties of friendship

A Virtual Visit to the Club

During the summer, our Graduate Board, Undergraduate Officers and Club Manager worked on several projects to beautify the club and its rich history. These projects included renovating the Movie Room, updating the Library to showcase Colonial artifacts and adding historical documents to adorn the walls, to include a new Graduate Board President's plaque.

Before After















Colonial Club would like to acknowledge and give special thanks to Rachel Roberts, our invaluable Summer Historian this year. Rachel spent her summer at the club researching historical documents and reviewing the contents of the library. She worked on multiple projects around the club and added the content to the website, making it a fun place to visit for undergraduates, alumni and visitors!

Rachel is a senior in the Mechanical Engineering Department. She serves as IM Chair for the club and plays on the Women's Club Ultimate Frisbee team.

Be sure to check out our new blog on the website for news, updates around the club, history and much more!



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Alumni News

The Colonial Class of 1990: Then and Now



Abd-El-Baki, Agnew, Bassman, Baumer, Biddinger, Blackburn, Boer, Bondor, Boyd, Briem, Chubb, Cunningham, Danforth, Denker, Duarte, Dworak, Elkins, Grabiner, Hamermesh, Hames, Harris, Heine, Hopkins, Im, Lara, Lee, Lichtenfield, Lin, Lyons, Mackrell, Mancoll, Mayo, Moody, Newmayer, O'Malley, Papadopoulos, Rand, Rocherolle, Rosensweig, Skrainka, Smeal, P. Smith, R. Smith, A. Stein, E. Stein, Taylor, Traina, Trees, Troyka, Usalis, Wu, Zwanger

In Their Own Words

"My daughter, Elaine Romano, is in the Class of 2019! Maybe she will join Colonial?"

—Patrick Romano

"I really enjoyed reading the newsletter—well done!" —Gary Hecht, '73

"My family look forward to visiting friends at Colonial on Yale football weekend."

—Jack A. Siggins, '60

"I have 3 children, 7 grandchildren, 2 greats...all on the West Coast, youngest grand starts at Northeastern in Boston this fall."

—Lucius Wilmerding

"Dan and Yi got engaged!"

—Jason and Angelica Pedraza, '11

"Sadly, I lost my wife Yvonne in 2013 which meant quite and adjustment after 51 years."

—George Bailey, '50

"Sorry to miss Reunions this year. My partner, Suzy and I, were moving to beautiful Steamboat Springs, CO. Come visit us, Colonial Clubbers!

—Chris Godfrey, '72

"Kathleen, very nice lunch at the Club. The whole thing was handled efficiently and with class. I was very proud of my Club, definitely the best on the Street. Incidentally, the building looks great. I want to keep up my membership so that when I come back for the 50th, I can return to the Club."

-Wilson Pritchett '70



BACK ROW: Lori Bassman, Alexa (Boer) Kimball, Jody (Danforth) Root, Dave Heine, Carla (Newmeyer) Cooper, Elizabeth (Perriello) Rice, R. Justin Smith, Spencer Lin.
MIDDLE ROW: Paul Biddinger, Eric Boyd, Julie (Rosensweig)
Schwartz, Stephanie (Blackburn) McFadden, Elena (Rand) Kaspi, Andy Stein, Pete Smith, Andy Mayo, Tim Lyons.
FRONT ROW: Drew Denker, Page (Lichtenfeld) Bondor, Garrett Duarte, Matt Cunningham, Paul Bondor, Bridget (McKeever)
Bettigole, Dan Troyka

Colonial alumna Mary Fan '10's nascent literary career is going from strength to strength. This



summer, she released as editor "Brave New Girls:
Tales of Girls and Gadgets," a collection of science fiction featuring female protagonists. Engaging, thought-provoking, inspiring and often funny, the collection has received rave reviews since its release. Not only is the book noteworthy for its literary merit, all

revenues are being donated a scholarship fund through the Society of Women Engineers.



Engagements

Vice President **Daniel Pedraza** '13 and Yi Liao '11 are engaged to be married. Both of them enthusiastic and involved members of the Colonial community, it was fitting that Dan proposed at reunions.

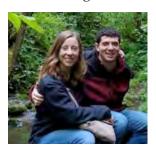
Their story reads like a *New York Times* wedding announcement ready to happen. Dan is third-year student at Columbia Law School. The last three



summers he has interned in the New York offices of Debevoise & Plimpton.

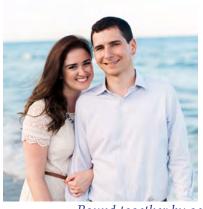
Yi is a secondyear MBA student at the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania. Prior to business school she worked as

a consultant for IBM, focusing on the healthcare industry. The frequent travel of the consulting profession meant she was regularly seen back at the Club visiting Dan, who as an officer lived upstairs.



Jason Anton '10 and **Amy Seymour '10** are engaged.

Beau Thomas '09 (former President) and Jennifer Viscounti are engaged. A June 2016 wedding is planned. They both live in Boston, where they've resided since graduation from Princeton.



Weddings

Max Lyons '13 married Amber Stark.



This summer, President
David Hou '11 and
Meredith Stafford '11
married. David serves on
the Graduate Board of
Governors and is an invaluable alumni resource
to Colonial Club.



Chris Goodnow '14 married Natalie Scholl '13). The Goodnows have moved north together; Chris is currently studying towards a JD at Harvard Law School, with Natalie enrolled at the Kennedy School. Despite the new Crimson in their lives, their hearts remain Orange and Black.

Grayce Mei, '10 and Matthew Lin celebrated their wedding with a champagne reception at Colonial Club, after a ceremony at the Chapel. They were joined by many Colonial alumni, pictured here on the Colonial staircase, to help them celebrate their special day!

Obituaries

Bertram "Bert" Lippincott Jr. '45 passed away last December. Enrolling at Princeton he followed in the



footsteps of his father who graduated with the class of 1923. While a member of Colonial he took time off to serve in the war, where he served his country with bravery and dignity in Europe. Colonial remained on his mind and heart while away and after the war he returned to the Club until his graduation

in 1948. Bert served the majority of his career in the publishing industry, and remained dedicated to the club until the end, including as an active participant in fundraising efforts.

Lansden "Denny" McCandless Jr. '50 passed away this spring in St. Louis. Prior to enrolling at Princeton and joining Colonial, he served in the Navy. Denny was an English major, and at Colonial wrote his thesis on George Bernard Shaw. He spent his career in the financial industry, and was active in community organizations in St. Louis.



John W. Adams '51 was one of the greatest scholars of his generation. At Colonial he was a history major, and after graduation he worked at a variety of artistic and cinematic institutions, including the MOMA Film Library in New York, and the Cinematheque de Belgique, and the Cinematheque Française. He enrolled at Harvard for his PhD in

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.

anthropology and published the acclaimed book "The Gitksan Potlatch," before teaching anthropology at the University of South Carolina for 30 years. An outstanding researcher in genealogy and migration, he and his wife documented 300 years of American family migration from the Mayflower.

At Princeton, Leonard A. Yerkes '58 was both the President of Colonial and the President of his class,



but the former was a more important role and one in which Leonard was more proud to have served. He was a leader universally respected by his peers, and his stewardship of the Club received acclamation both inside and outside Colonial. While at Colonial he also rowed crew with great success. After

graduation he served in the Navy and embarked upon a career in wealth management at Wells Fargo. His natural leadership abilities served him well later in life, as he opened a Seattle office for the financial advisory firm Canterbury Consulting.

In Memoriam

We honor those who recently passed...

Mr. Frederick B. Seggerman '43	May 14, 2015
Edward H. Owlett, Esq. '48	Apr 07, 2015
Mr. J. Bennett Wren '50	Jun 04, 2015
Mr. John C. Beck '53	Jun 03, 2015
Mr. James G. Metcalfe, Jr. '53	Jul 21, 2015
Mr. Jorge L. Cordova, Jr. '54	Jun 17, 2015
Mr. Nelson Doubleday '55	Jun 17, 2015
Mr. Ramsay W. Vehslage '59	Apr 17, 2015
Mr. Antal P. de Bekessy '65	Apr 16, 2015
Dr. C. Dallett Hemphill '79	Jul 03, 2015
Sharon R. Seiler, Ph.D. '82	Aug 04, 2015

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