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Upcoming Events

November 4
Hayride

November 7
PSU vs. Ohio State

November 14
PSU vs. Indiana

November 21
PSU @
Michigan State

November 23-29
Thanksgiving
Break

Sigma Nu Wins Homecoming!

The Homecoming float was still sitting in the front yard, soaked from the previous days' torrential downpours when the news broke: Sigma Nu and its Homecoming partner Gamma Sigma Sigma had won Homecoming 2009.

This year's theme of "The Nightmare Before Christmas" must have captured the imagination of the judges across all events, including the Homecoming Day of Service and the Air Bands competition. The crowning achievement of this year's effort, however, had to be the incredible float that the Homecoming team put together.

The float was the brainchild of Brother Scruggs and Alumnus Adam Jaroh, both skilled craftsmen. It included many characters from the famous Tim Burton film, including Jack Skellington, a Christmas Tree (a chicken-wire and pomp costume donned by brother Noack for the parade), and Santa Clause (played by Brother Newcombe).

Once the float was constructed, long nights of chicken wire assembling and pumping were needed to complete it.

The final step was to show off everyone's hard work to the Penn State Community. It wasn't long after that celebration was in order.

The perfect celebration, it turns out, was already in the works. Since it was Homecoming weekend, many alumni came back to the Chapter house to have dinner and catch up on old times. The most notable guests were the brothers from the Class of 1959. The catered meal was a perfect opportunity to catch up on old times, meet the active brotherhood, and even get an introduction to the new Candidate class.

Overall, Homecoming 2009 was a total success. Sigma Nu became one of the only fraternities that can list winning Homecoming and Greek Week in the same year. The trophy is currently on its way!



Brothers of the Class of '59 and Brother Newcombe on the Homecoming Float.

Officer Elections Bring New, Young Leadership

The Chapter meeting on October 10th brought a new leadership group into the Brotherhood. Led by the new Eminent Commander, Brother Bonnewell, the new group has already started to work to make the house a better place.

Several meetings have already been held to have the new leadership ease into its place in the house, as well as to brainstorm new ways to improve on the exiting group. The fresh group consists of two seniors, five juniors, and three sophomore - all three of which come from the Iota Pi pledge class that was initiated in the spring.

The new group is as follows:

- **Eminent Commander:** Blake Bonnewell
- **Lieutenant Commander:** Noah Karn
- **Treasurer:** Dan Begam
- **Recorder:** Dan Sullivan
- **Chaplain:** Michael Scruggs
- **Spring Marshal:** Cory Rossman
- **Spring Recruitment Chairs:** Ben Spanswick and Jesse Reed
- **Sentinel:** Jesse Stewart
- **Standards Board:** Brent Potter, Billy Shen, Dan Begam, Dave Wilson.

Spaghetti Dinner Philanthropy a Success

It was Sigma Nu Ristorante in the dining room on Tuesday, October 6th as the brotherhood held an invitational spaghetti dinner to benefit the Make-a-Wish foundation.

Frank Sinatra played over speakers as students and members of other Greek organizations dined on fine white linen by candlelight. The dinner was a joint effort between the brotherhood and its homecoming partner, Gamma Sigma Sigma sorority. The girls helped to set up and serve the all-you-care-to-eat meal, which included spaghetti with red sauce, garlic bread, salad and a choice of drinks.

The guests seemed to have a blast in the classy atmosphere, the handywork of Brother Bonnewell, who was the philanthropy chair at the time. Brothers Poor and Hughey were the main chefs in the kitchen, who said the night went off largely without a hitch, save for a few burned fingers and a small wait during the peak of foot traffic.

Brother Bonnewell reported that the final tally exceeded expectations thanks to tickets sold at the door. The final tally comes in at a little over \$2,000 raised for the charity.

New Candidate Class Getting Settled

The Iota Rho candidate class was introduced to the brotherhood on Sunday, October 4th for the first time during their formal initiation. Led by Marshal Pushkarewicz, the group of thirteen looked impressive as a unit.

The young men have already hit the ground running with brotherhood interviews and other activities under the direction of the Marshal.

As you know, the chapter had very high hopes for recruitment this year. Rush Chair Shive had previously stated the goal for recruitment to be twenty candidates, but the magic number turned out to be thirteen.

However, the brotherhood could not be more ecstatic with the thirteen young men that chose Sigma Nu.



The new Candidate class getting food at the Homecoming dinner. ^