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Meet the New Members

Flip ahead and get to know our newest members **Nishant Goel**, **Chris Pardee**, and **Darian Penichet Garcia Jasso**, as well as our new chef, **Gio Freesia!**

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Kitchen Campaign

Read up on the latest update about the Kitchen Renovation in preparation for **Cornell Acacia's 110th Celebration!**

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Fall 2016 Chapter Roll

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 Chemical Engineering
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New Members:

Nishant Goel
 Operations Research &
 Engineering
 2019
 New Delhi, India

Christopher Pardee
 Computer Science
 2019
 New York City, NY

**Darian Penichet
 Garcia Jasso**
 Hotel Administration
 2019
 Guadalajara, Jalisco,
 Mexico

FROM THE EDITORS

Travel with Us!

The crisp fall Ithaca air has brought new life and energy to Cornell Acacia this academic year. It has been a pleasure to work alongside brothers to hit the ground running this semester. As you will see in the coming articles, the brotherhood has made great strides in creating a lively and well recognized social scene, harboring lasting bonds with current and new members, and preparing to revitalize one of the most well-used locations in Northcote.

As a mark of our progress, we've recently received awards at the 59th Acacia Conclave for excellence in Alumni/Chapter Publication, Chapter Programming/Membership Education, Financial Operations, Good of the Fraternity, and Risk Management as well as an individual award going to Hunter Reid, the Roy C. Clark Outstanding Acacian Award. Hunter also received the Edwin Fitzpatrick Award for Outstanding IFC Leader at the recent Cornell Greek Awards Ceremony. It has been incredibly uplifting to see Northcote put into overdrive as we gain momentum as a house and try to make Acacia great again!!!

This year's Homecoming weekend was outstanding—we were thrilled to see a great turnout of alumni and guests return to Northcote and connect with the current actives. We'd like to extend a special thank you to those that were able to attend and make Homecoming another lasting memory in our lives as Acacians.

It is truly exciting to have the honor of compiling the best of our chapter into a single publication. We can truly say that putting together an issue of *The Traveler* is an uplifting time to reflect on the growth and progress of our chapter. As Venerable Dean and Dean of Alumni Affairs we would like to extend our gratitude to actives, alumni, friends, and family for their continuous support and generosity. Sit back, relax, and enjoy this issue of *The Traveler*.

Fraternally yours,

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We welcome correspondence regarding this publication, as well as any other questions, comments, or concerns. They should be addressed to:

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Alumni Mail Bag

Charles W Deakyne 1950 (446) [16 Severn River Rd, Severna Park, MD 21146-4658] attended his 65th Cornell Reunion in June 2015. Saw Bob Bergren 1950 (443) and a wonderful dinner at the home of Jim Showacre 1950 (447). He spoke to Bill Burnett 1953 (490) in January.

R. Marvin Townsend 1955 (555) [8008 Isaac Pryor Dr, Austin, TX 78749-1862; rtown54193@aol.com] has 3 children, 6 grandchildren, and 1 great grandchild. He is still doing some local government consulting.

Robert S Fash 1958 (594) [417 Montebello Oaks Dr, Paso Robles, CA 93446; traveler1675@hotmail.com] had a 2 day visit from Marty Offenberger 1956 (568) and they had a great time.

Warren E Walker 1963 (681) [Gerrit Kasteinweg 2, 2597 NZ Den Haag, Netherlands; w.e.walker@tudelft.nl] is still loving living in the Netherlands and is Professor Emeritus at the Delft University of Technology. He has 3 children and 5 grandchildren living in the U.S. Warren is Facebook friend of Robert Franson 1961 (636). In May, he spent a day with Jerry Kreider 1968 (720) and his wife Kathy in The Hague during their visit to the Netherlands.

Steven L. Stein 1973 (787) [339 E Miller Rd, Ithaca, NY 14850; sls8@cornell.edu] is happily serving on the Cornell Acacia Kitchen Renovation Project Committee with Sho Iketani 2015 (1175), Richie Corrales 2012 (1137), and Tom Schultz 2015 (1181). He has been meeting with contractors and speaking with knowledgeable food service people in order to make sure the renovations will serve Acacia for the next 50 years. To reach our \$110,000 goal, we're going to need EVERYONE to contribute, and some will need to be major contributors. Surely, each of you has fond memories that at least originated in the kitchen. Share your stories and your money! Steve recently attended the Acacia Homecoming Dinner at The Crossroads in Lansing. He wonders why the venue for these dinners is NOT at Acacia. Acacia has a terrific cook, Giovanni Freesia, whom I know would love to be showing off his creativity to Alumni and Actives alike. Hopefully, with a new kitchen, these events will take place at Northcote where they belong.

Tim Thom 1982 (887) [20 Confucius Plaza #43D, New York, NY 10002; tktdirect@gmail.com] always enjoys reading how Cornell Acacia continues to thrive. Tim shared this news:

It is sad to let you know that my Big Brother, Jeff Chung 1981 (876) passed away unexpectedly on 1/31/2016 at the age of 56. Beloved husband of Kathleen. Devoted father of Cameron. Jeff was a respected structural engineer, educated at Cornell University and the University of Washington; an avid softball player; a devout fan of Philadelphia team sports and hoagies; a mentor and Big Brother. Loved and honored as husband, father, and friend, Jeff led and inspired quietly through his good humor, gentleness, empathy, and nonjudgmental nature. A memorial service was held on 5/22/2016 in Lexington, MA.

Christopher P Deane 1983 (908) [304 N Addison Ave, Elmhurst, IL 60126-2306; chris.deane@fhp-ww.com] returned to the USA after a 4-year stint in Asia. He has two daughters attending Cornell (one in Engineering and the other getting her masters in the ILR School) so Chris is living the "poor dream" for now.

Charles W Huffine III 1986 (931) [3539 Craftsbury Dr, Highlands Ranch, CO 80126-7534; chuffine79@gmail.com] has a son who is now 2 years old.

Todd Peskin 1995 (994) [345 E 94th St, New York, NY 10128; toddpeskin@gmail.com] attended the NYC Area Acacia Alumni Gathering in May along with Paul Molnar 1998 (1014), Ray Wang 1997 (1009), and Dan Davidson 1997 (1012). They were all delighted to chat with Darold Larson (now Executive Director of the Acacia Fraternity Foundation) and having the opportunity to meet Bruce Schneider 1978 (842).

Anthony Navarra 2001 (1031) [1034 E 47th St, #3W, Chicago, IL 60653; tnavarra@uchicago.edu] was planning to attend his 15th Reunion in June 2016. He expected to attend with Salil Gupte 2001 (1032) and was looking forward to seeing Northcote again.

Thomas J. Balcerski, Ph.D. 2005 (1063) [255 Promenade St, Apt 612, Providence, RI 02908; tjb36@cornell.edu] writes that it is great to see the return of Byung Tim Chun 2018 (1187) to the Active Chapter roster. The Acacia Winter BBQ in Dec 2015 in NY City was a smashing success, with more than 40 brothers and their families in attendance. Congratulations to Brother Hunter Reid 2016 (1194) on being awarded the Order of Pythagoras. Tom fully supports the Acacia 110th Kitchen Renovation as he hopes all good brothers will.

Dr. Zachary Weinstein 2005 (1067) [5480 rue Lavoie, Apt 9, Montreal, Quebec, Canada H3W 2J7; zaw2@cornell.edu, Zachary.Weinstein@mcgill.ca] and Eve-Lynne Kyle got engaged in December 2015 and got to celebrate the occasion with his Brothers in NYC. He works as rural family physician with the Cree population in James Bay, Quebec, Canada.

Hanny A. Martinovici 2006 (1071) [8101 Sumter Ave, Rosedale, MD 21237; hacarpm@gmail.com] has been traveling the world. It has been a fun year.

Roman Markh 2006 (1072) [3 Cannon St, West Orange, NJ 07052; roman.markh@gmail.com] and wife, Anna, and daughter, Julia, moved to the first home in West Orange. He has left the emergency room job to work for a vascular surgery group.

Chapter Eternal

Roy S. Clarke 1949 (441) - 4/1/2016

William Bunyan 1950 (449)

Harold C. Mack 1945 (460)

Robert J. Cipperly 1952 (529) - 8/8/2016

John A. Shepardson 1955 (552)

Robert P. Matusiak 1971 (758) - 2/25/2015

Jeffrey C. Chung 1981 (876) - 1/31/2016

A Message from Our Corporation Board President

The 2016-2017 Fiscal Academic Year is well under way and Acacia Fraternity is in great physical shape for a nearly 110-year-old. We recently completed the year-long flooring replacement project which started with the 3rd floor hallway and Room 469, followed by the Wing (all 8 rooms and hallway), and finally the 2nd floor hallway. The wood-grained vinyl boards really spruce up Northcote.

The front Acacia triangle sign is now illuminated by a post lantern which is powered by new electric wires in a newly installed underground conduit. By the time you read this, we will have replaced the Simplex Fire Alarm Panel and Communicator with a Silent Knight unit which will cost less than our last repair of the Simplex Panel late last year.

We just passed the annual Village of Cayuga Heights Fire/Safety Inspection with only two minor issues. The inspector is always impressed with the safety, cleanliness, and condition of Acacia.

I know I am not alone in my excitement of the upcoming Acacia Kitchen Renovation. No other room in Acacia has ever needed an overhaul more. Please help us reach our \$110,000 goal by paying your annual dues *and*

making an additional donation earmarked for the Kitchen Rejuvenation Project. We anxiously await some major contributors to help us reach our goal by spring 2017.

Please email or call me if you have comments, concerns, suggestions, want to get involved, or simply want to say hello. It would be wonderful if I heard from some of you so I know you are as concerned, yet encouraged, as I am about the future of our beloved Acacia. The Mailbag column continues to be short because hardly anyone sent any news to share! Certainly there must be news (good and bad), so please share it.

Fraternally,



Steven L. Stein 1973 (787)

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**Annual Corporation Board Meeting
Saturday, May 13, 2017**

The Annual Meeting of the Cornell Chapter of Acacia Fraternity, Inc. will be Saturday, May 13, 2017 at 1:00 pm, at Acacia Fraternity, 318 Highland Road, Ithaca, NY 14850. Please contact sls8@cornell.edu for call-in information.

Refreshments and lunch will be provided.

ACACIA: Tree of Knowledge


 José Covarrubias

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Three years have passed since the last time Cornell Acacia saw Fall Recruitment happen, when our Venerable Dean, Brother Reid, joined the house (or so I've been told; I wasn't actually there). This year, with the support from IFC we were able to have Formal Fall Recruitment. Due to the short amount of time we have for New Member Education (exactly 4 weeks now), some changes have been made to the Education process. The goal of those four weeks is to teach the new members about the history of Acacia Fraternity, Pythagoras, Northcote and about life in the house. After initiation the then Newly-Initiated Brothers will have more educational opportunities that align with the Cornerstones development program the International Fraternity recommends for the formation of future leaders.

From what I have seen, the Fall '16 New Member Class is full of future great Acacians, each of them with all the willingness to learn more about the house and get to know more about both Actives and Alumni. I see future leaders that will better our Fraternity's momentum, like many great Acacians have in the past. My current term as Senior Dean will end after Spring Formal Recruitment, but I'll make sure our new members have received the best possible education we can give.

The fall of 2016 has seen a new wave of activities sweep through Northcote. So much has happened that it seems unbelievable that it has only been 6 weeks since classes began. Brothers arrived at the house two weeks before classes began in order to revitalize the dormant summer mansion and participate in various events. Recruitment has been on everyone's minds, and the actives were given recruitment guidance by **Brother Alumnus Hanny Carp-Martinovici** in preparation for the weeks to come. He reminded us of the character and ability of the men that we must seek out to maintain Acacia's noble reputation in the future. Keeping this valuable information in their minds, **Brothers Covarrubias, Leung, Seth, Stiefel, and Wainaina** all took part in a pre-orientation program called 'PREPARE', a one-week course designed to introduce and accustom international students to the American college lifestyle. During this week, brothers got a chance to meet a long list of new freshman through PREPARE activities and house events. The pre-orientation program has easily become a key element of recruitment, as is evident in the handful of brothers found through previous PREPAREs.

As useful as PREPARE has been, it is important to work on multiple recruitment fronts to increase our visibility. **Brothers Briscoe, Chun, (Greg) Schultz, and Umaña** served as orientation leaders, furthering our ability as a brotherhood to be seen as active and knowledgeable members of the Cornell community. As school finally began, Northcote held many events throughout orientation week. The events saw full attendance and were very much enjoyed by all, creating a strong base for later events. During this time, we forged connections with the newest edition of Cornell's best and brightest and have enjoyed spending time with the men who will call Northcote their home long after we are gone.

SOCIAL RECRUITMENT

Throwback to Our Social Roots



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NEW MEMBERS

Three 4 Fall

Christopher Pardee
New York, NY



Chris Pardee is a second year undergrad in the college of engineering studying computer science. In high school, Chris was captain of the science team and a member of a robotics team that made it to the world championship in St. Louis. Chris also spent time pursuing modern dance, and in his senior year his hobby, electronic music production. Chris enjoys spending time hanging out with friends, playing super smash bros, and making music with Josh and Chan. Chris is very excited for the opportunities Acacia provides, including branching out more on campus, and finding his path as a Cornellian.

Darian Penichet Garcia Jasso
Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico



Nishant Goel
New Delhi, India



Nishant Goel is a Sophomore in the college of Engineering. He hails from India, and staying loyal to the stereotype, enjoys math, logical reasoning and algorithmic precision. (“What are we without our stereotypes?” he argues). He finds beauty in the efficiency of large systems, and is therefore planning to work in the field of optimization. When he is not working or relaxing with Acacians, he likes to sit on the slope at night and reflect while gazing at the twinkling lights of West Campus. He loves reading, having enlightening discussions and conversations and sharing ideas with people. He is looking forward to an unforgettable fraternal experience and hopes to contribute to the diversity of the house in terms of culture, mindset and experiences.

Darian is a franco-mexican sophomore hotelie. He grew up in Mexico, and then moved to Paris. Sadly for him, though he moved to Houston, TX after that. A former triathlete and rugby player, he rests on his laurels with other people but spends his days sustaining himself on coffee trying to pursue his career in real estate-- his gym membership is the poorest investment he's made. Genetically a foodie, he loves trying weird food and swears roasted crickets are good. Then again, that could be because he once spent 50 days camping and has not been the same since. Loyal, committed, and amiable, he plans on leaving his mark in Acacia.



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WHO'S IN THE KITCHEN?

A Spotlight on Gio

Giovanni Freesia is the new chef and one of the newest members in our growing ACACIA family. Here at ACACIA we all love Gio and his great food, and are happy to have him here. To get to know Gio more, I asked him a few questions in a one-on-one interview and here are his responses:

Q: What is your favorite part about working for this fraternity so far?

Gio: I love the social sharing within the fraternity, the purpose of getting things done communally

Q: Where have you worked in the past?

Gio: I worked as a first class steward on a cruise line when I was 17. They take you around the world to different ports, and it was very difficult. I worked on a commercial fishing boat, opened my own fish market, my own restaurant and bar. I worked for the Statler hotel and began my work with fraternities replacing chefs who left or working as a substitute chef when they were sick. I worked on radar communication during the Vietnam war, and developed wireless technology for my kitchen before wireless technology became popular. I got my degree in technology and risk management, particularly risk management concerning solid waste and recycling, specializing in technology reuse and human/animal waste processing.



Q: What's your favorite meal to make?

Gio: One in which I open the refrigerator, open the spice cabinet, and I can create. I enjoy mixing spices and making new dishes. My favorite dishes include African, Indian, Mexican, and Italian food. My favorite dish is chicken marengo, which was hastily created by Napoleon's cook shortly

after Napoleon's victory in the battle of Marengo. My favorite smell is truffle essence filling my nose.

Q: Do you have anything else you want to say to our active and alumni members?

Gio: I love the opportunity I have here not only working together, but seeing what you like as a house. I'm developing my skill to create good desserts in a short period of time. I hope to have new desserts prepared after Fall break.

ACACIA 110TH: KITCHEN RENOVATION

Building On Our Momentum

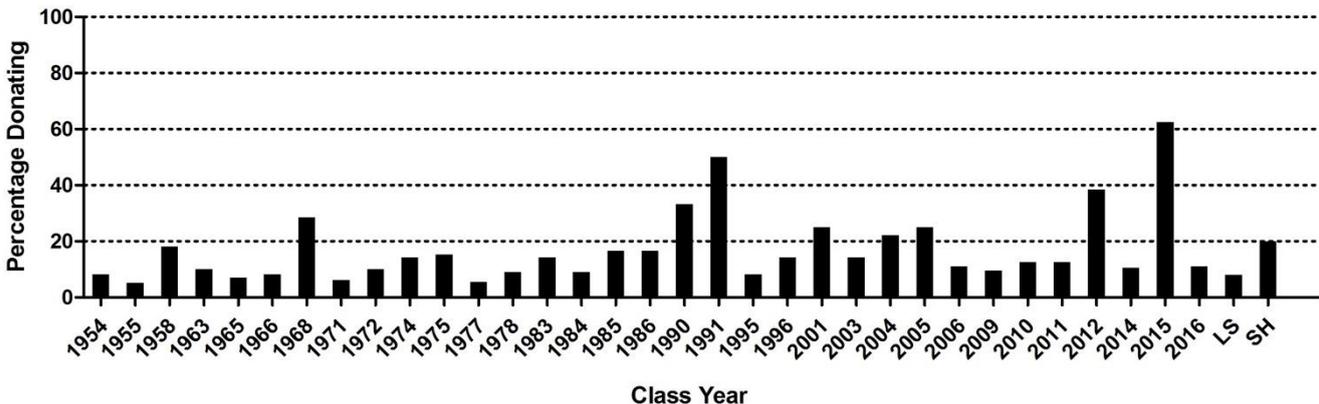
Sho Iketani

<https://cornellacacia110.wordpress.com/>



From the progress we've made, it is hard to believe that it has only been six months since we officially launched this project! Since officially announcing this kitchen renovation effort in the last *The Traveler* in April of this year, we have come such a long way. Of course, we must first thank you, our loyal alumni and sponsors allowing this effort to happen. We are happy to report that as of September 30 (note that all figures reported herein are based on data by September 30), we have had **61 donors contributing \$14,156!** These are astonishing numbers and we are honored by your belief in the project, the fraternity, and us, the committee. Representing class years 1954 to 2016,

including Little Sisters and Sweethearts, and even a donor from the RPI chapter, the response has been overwhelming and we are very pleased. We would particularly like to recognize the **Class of 2015**, which has the highest class participation at **62.5%**! They are closely followed by **Class of 1990**, **Class of 1991**, and **Class of 2012**, all of which we would also like to recognize. A full list of the participation rates of each class year can be seen below. Don't see your class? That means no one from your class has donated—and we invite you to consider changing that trend. In addition, a full list of all donors listed by donation tier can be seen on the following page. While we are ecstatic on



RECOGNIZING OUR GENEROUS PATRONS

110th Society: \$5000+

Patrons of Gastronomy: \$2500 – \$4999

Cuisine Benefactors: \$1000 – \$2499

#725 – Earl Stone III (1968)

#807 – Robert Merritt (1975)

#1100 – Brian Clapp (2009)

Actives of Cornell Chapter

Kitchen Financier: \$500 – \$999

#594 – Robert Fash (1958)

#922 – Peter Mavroudakakis (1984)

#1063 – Thomas Balcerski (2005)

#1071 – Hanny Carp-Martinovici (2006)

#1143 – David Skiff (2012)

#1175 – Sho Iketani (2015)

#1176 – Neil Parker (2015)

Kitchen Supporter: \$250 – \$499

#844 – John “Chip” Brueckman (1978)

#1043 – Charles Hong (2001)

#1069 – Zachary Samuels (2004)

#1075 – Jeffrey Ballyns (2005)

L1 – Patricia Kehe (1979)

Kitchen Friend: \$100 – \$249

#534 – James Symons (1954)

#555 – R. Marvin Townsend (1955)

#595 – Donald Fish (1958)

#687 – Richard Brewer (1965)

#689 – John Carlson (1966)

#715 – William Amon (1968)

#717 – David Gorelick (1968)

#720 – Jerry Kreider (1968)

#763 – Frederick Tierney Jr. (1971)

#772 – Lars Lundeen (1972)

#800 – David Fischell (1975)

#831 – Mark Maltenfort (1977)

#899 – Sco Dulman (1983)

#908 – Christopher Deane (1983)

#924 – David Mazaika (1985)

#931 – Charles Hu ne (1986)

#957 – Jun Nakiri (1990)

#958 – David Kantor (1990)

#959 – John Carpenter III (1990)

#960 – David Rickerby (1991)

#970 – Paul Hayre (1991)

#994 – Todd Peskin (1995)

#1051 – Thomas Ricketts (2003)

#1052 – Jay Ayres (2004)

#1067 – Zachary Weinstein (2005)

#1107 – Richard Rothman (2009)

#1118 – Elie Bilmes (2010)

#1135 – Frederick Ballyns (2012)

#1137 – Richard Corrales (2012)

#1142 – Charles Hernandez (2012)

#1148 – John Ertl (2011)

#1151 – Norton Wang (2012)

#1167 – Santiago Cruz (2014)

#1177 – Andrew Park (2015)

#1179 – Michael Wang (2015)

#1181 – Thomas Schultz (2015)

#1182 – Shane Soh (2015)

#1195 – Christian Choi (2016)

L12 – Barbara Warner Deane (1983)

S1 – Laura Anderson (2013)

S7 – Erica Sava (2016)

RPI #256 – Michael O’Dorney

Kitchen Contributor: \$99 and below*

#681 – Warren Walker (1963)

#789 – Harlan Meinwald (1975)

#993 – Brian Sivillo (1996)

What are some of your memories of the kitchen?

“For myself and some of my brothers, college was a time for stupid ideas. Some stupid ideas are stupid for their potentially detrimental consequences. I would never condone such stupidity. But some stupid ideas are stupid simply because they have no coherent motivator. Such was the concept of Easy Beers. Otherwise known as Easy Mac made with beer instead of water. There was no reason to make such a concoction. It is not clever. It does not promise any benefit. It was the freedom to do something harmless and stupid that made it irresistible. To explore the meaning of our own existences by taking action that had no answer to the reasonable query of “why?”” - Rich Rothman ‘09

“Most of my fond memories are cooking drunk munchies for people. We experimented like scientists with what could and couldn't be cooked well in the deep fryer. Thank god for my high metabolism as a college kid or I would've been obese.” - John Ertl ‘11

“Most importantly I remember our “house mom” Pearl Murray. She was so good to the brothers, putting up with our shenanigans (remember the berry cobbler food fight that resulted in coating the baseboard heating fins with sugar/berry sauce?). I also have dread remembrances of cleaning out the grease trap – what a disgusting smell, yuk! And finally, every Friday Hollister Moore, Chuck Rickard (now deceased) and I would stumble back from the Boxcar after enjoying dime drafts, popcorn and W. C. Fields movies to “enjoy” Friday informal dinners at the house. I sobered up cleaning the dishes as my kitchen boy responsibilities.” - Bill Amon ‘68

the number of donors, we would also like to fill up some of the higher tiers; if you would like to know specifically what your contribution would be going towards, **please do not hesitate to contact us!** We very much enjoy sharing what we are collectively working towards, and we are always available at your service. We can be reached by email, by our website, or even by phone!

We have continued to make progress on the renovation itself. Just recently, we received confirmation that we will be having our waste lines scoped, in order to determine the routes they take within our house and connecting with the outside sewer lines. As this information does not seem to have been recorded in the initial building of the kitchen, this is imperative information that we are

looking forward to receiving. We have also continued to be in contact with contractors that we may wish to work with. We have narrowed down the list as time has passed, and we are looking to make a final decision towards the end of the year, once we settle on a Statement of Work and budgeting.

We would also like to remind you that our planned 110th anniversary celebration will be the weekend of August 26-27, 2017! While this date is still a ways in the future, we do want to see as many individuals there as possible, and hope that all will consider visiting Ithaca on this weekend. We have a Facebook group as well as a Facebook event where we will post updates as planning moves forward. Please contact **Richie Corrales** to be added to the group and event!

Why should you contribute? For many generations, the kitchen has served as a focal point within the house—for even on the busiest of days, one must enter the kitchen for energy replenishment. We hope you, like all of us, have fond memories of the kitchen. We really believe you do; we asked some of our alums for their memories of the kitchen, and you can see some of their

enjoyable and heartfelt answers on the preceding page. We feel that such an instrumental feature of the house needs this long overdue rebuild. We hope you agree. As a reminder, donations can be made via check to Corporation Board and sent to Northcote, or through our PayPal account at AcaciaCorpBoard@cornell.edu.

Finally, we would simply like to remind you that the committee is here to serve you. Should you have any ideas, suggestions, comments, concerns, or otherwise would simply like to get in touch with us, please do so! We love hearing from you, and we appreciate all feedback we get. The committee runs entirely on a volunteer basis; collectively we have spent hundreds upon hundreds of hours working on this project, and we have held dozens of meetings, all from our mutual love of the fraternity. But our enthusiasm requires your help — without you, we cannot make this renovation a reality. We hope you will join us in this endeavor!

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Alumni Honor Roll 2016-2017



Donor	Roll	Class	Pledge Year
Lane J Abrams	(915)	1984	PL 1981
William F Amon III	(715)	1968	PL 1965
Thomas J Balcerski Ph.D. *	(1063)	2005	PL 2002
Frederick P Ballyns	(1135)	2012	PL 2008
Jeffrey J Ballyns	(1075)	2005	PL 2003
Robert J Bergren	(443)	1950	PL 1947
Elie Yakov Bilmes	(1118)	2010	PL 2007
Richard E Brewer *	(687)	1965	PL 1963
John C Brueckman III	(844)	1978	PL 1976
Stewart L Burger *	(738)	1970	PL 1967
Martin S Cardinali	(918)	1984	PL 1981
John (Jack) W Carlson	(689)	1966	PL 1963
John W Carpenter III *	(959)	1990	PL 1987
Hanny A Carp-Martinovici	(1071)	2006	PL 2003
Christian Choi	(1195)	2016	PL 2014
Brian P. Clapp *	(1100)	2009	PL 2006
Edward A Conroy	(592)	1957	PL 1955
Richard Max Corrales	(1137)	2012	PL 2009
Santiago T Cruz	(1167)	2014	PL 2011
Michael I Cvijanovich *	(981)	1994	PL 1991
Charles W Deakyne *	(446)	1950	PL 1947
Christopher P Deane *	(908)	1983	PL 1980
Scott H Dulman	(899)	1983	PL 1980
John Mathias Ertl	(1148)	2011	PL 2009
Robert S Fash *	(594)	1958	PL 1954
John F Feldsted	(824)	1977	PL 1974
David R Fischell PhD *	(800)	1975	PL 1972
Donald C Fish	(595)	1958	PL 1955
Robert T Franson	(636)	1961	PL 1959
David A Gorelick	(717)	1968	PL 1965
Matthew S Harris	(1042)	2002	PL 2000
Paul N Hayre *	(970)	1991	PL 1989
Charles David Hernandez	(1142)	2012	PL 2009
Charles S Hong	(1043)	2001	PL 2000
Charles W Huffine III	(931)	1986	PL 1983
Sho Iketani	(1175)	2015	PL 2012
Jonathan Jacoby	(967)	1992	PL 1989
Alan L Jette	(895)	1982	PL 1979
David S Kantor	(958)	1990	PL 1987
Patricia M Kehe	(L1)	1979	PL 1979
William L Keltz	(632)	1961	PL 1958
Jerry W Kreider *	(720)	1968	PL 1965
Lars A Lundeen *	(772)	1972	PL 1969
Mark F Maltenfort	(831)	1977	PL 1974
Roman Markh	(1072)	2006	PL 2003
Peter J Mavroudakis	(922)	1984	PL 1982
David M Mazaika	(924)	1985	PL 1982
Bion W McClellan	(567)	1955	PL 1953
Harlan M Meinwald	(789)	1974	PL 1971

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THE TRAVELER

Daniel R Merrill PhD	(907)	1983	PL 1980
Robert C Merritt *	(807)	1975	PL 1973
Paul G Molnar *	(1014)	1998	PL 1995
Jun Nakiri	(957)	1990	PL 1987
Michael T Nasatka *	(1045)	2004	PL 2000
Stanley R Niman *	(783)	1973	PL 1970
Martin E Offenberger *	(568)	1956	PL 1953
Andrew W Park	(1177)	2015	PL 2012
Neil W Parker	(1176)	2015	PL 2012
William Pendarvis Jr.	(440)	1947	PL 1946
Todd Peskin *	(994)	1995	PL 1993
David G Rickerby	(960)	1991	PL 1987
Thomas L Ricketts *	(1051)	2003	PL 2000
Peter M Rimshnick *	(1060)	2005	PL 2002
Richard Evan Rothman	(1107)	2009	PL 2006
Zachary A Samuels	(1069)	2004	PL 2002
Daniel H Scharfman	(1078)	2005	PL 2003
Bruce G Schneider *	(842)	1978	PL 1975
Thomas W Schultz	(1181)	2015	PL 2012
Brian Sivillo *	(993)	1996	PL 1993
David Elliot Skiff	(1143)	2012	PL 2009
Eden Slegr	(788)	1973	PL 1971
Shane Soh	(1182)	2014	PL 2012
Earl L Stone III	(725)	1968	PL 1965
Keith W Stone	(775)	1971	PL 1969
James M Symons	(534)	1954	PL 1951
Frederick W Tierney Jr. *	(763)	1971	PL 1968
R. Marvin Townsend	(555)	1955	PL 1952
Devin T Van Zandt	(962)	1990	PL 1989
Warren E Walker	(681)	1963	PL 1962
Michael Z Wang	(1179)	2015	PL 2012
Norton Wang	(1151)	2012	PL 2010
Barbara Warner Deane	(L12)	1983	PL 1979
Zachary A Weinstein	(1067)	2005	PL 2002
William Jacob Zeligson	(1139)	2012	PL 2009
Howard S Zwiefel III *	(734)	1969	PL 1966

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