

Alumni Association Explained By Hibshman

Secretary Welcomes Incoming Freshmen

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The Penn State Alumni Association takes this opportunity to welcome all members of the freshman class to the Penn State campus this fall.

In entering the College you are becoming a part of a great Penn State family of more than 30,000 who have gone through this same experience of becoming a definite part of the institution.

Alumni of Penn State are located in every county in Pennsylvania and scattered throughout every other state in the union and all parts of the world. In future years no matter where your work or travels may take you, you will find Penn State men and Penn State women. When you arrive on the campus you will find in the student body more than 500 students who are sons or daughters of Penn State alumni.

The Alumni Association with its headquarters in Old Main provides the opportunity for all alumni to maintain a continuing relationship with their College associates and with the College itself. It keeps a record of all graduates and former students of Penn State and through its publications maintains constant contact with alumni wherever they may be and carries out a program of having them return to the campus under an organized plan of five-year class reunions.

In 1870, nine years after the first class had graduated, the Alumni Association was organized. The original by-laws expressed a twofold purpose: one being for the mutual benefit of the alumni themselves, and the other for the benefit of their Alma Mater. Since that date the Association has been in constant operation and since 1910 has had a full time executive secretary.

In order that you may be informed as to some of the services which the Association offers, we are listing a few of its activities:

1. In the last several years the members of the All-College Cabinet, student government organization, have met with the members of the Executive Board of the Alumni Association and have discussed matters of mutual interest to students and alumni. On February 1 the by-laws of the Alumni Association were revised to include a new plan of membership. A life membership for alumni, based on the number of years out of College, was set up.

A student alumni membership was provided whereby students would be given an opportunity to join the Alumni Association while in College. This plan was put in-



EXECUTIVE SECRETARY of the Penn State Alumni Association is Edward K. Hibshman. In an article on this page he explains the workings of the association, including the student membership plan inaugurated last spring.

to effect in May of last year with a committee of the students conducting a solicitation campaign. This membership is solicited on an entirely voluntary basis. Each spring sophomores will be given the opportunity to join the Association by authorizing the College treasurer to collect \$2 a semester during their junior and senior years, at the time regular college fees are collected. The total amount of \$8 thus collected provides membership in the Association for a five-year period after graduation. At the end of this time this initial payment may be applied toward a Life Membership.

2. The Alumni Association cooperates with other College departments in securing jobs for needy students who endeavor to earn a portion of their way through College.

3. Outstanding alumni, prominent in their respective fields, are invited to address student groups throughout the year.

4. A placement service is being set up by the College with assistance from the Alumni Association for the benefit of the alumni and students.

5. The Alumni News is published 10 times a year and carries news of alumni and the College. All students who sign up under the student-alumni membership plan receive the Alumni News during their junior and senior years and for the five years following graduation.

6. A football letter is published weekly during the football season and gives the alumni a sideline story of the games.

7. A four-page leaflet, known as the Penn Stater, is sent quarterly to all alumni who are not members of the Association.

8. A homecoming program for all alumni is arranged by the

Calendar Sprinkled With Social Events

Dad, Mother, and the alumni each have one day set aside for them during the Penn State year but the girl friend (or boy friend) gets as many as Joe College (or Betty Coed) wants.

Alumni Homecoming Day comes on Saturday, October 11, when the Nittany Lion gridders meet Bucknell in a New Beaver Field football game.

Dad's Day is next on the calendar. Saturday, October 25, is the date, and the attraction is a football game with Lehigh.

Mother has to wait till next May for her day, Mother's Day, which falls on Sunday, May 10.

But the girl or boy friend can have a special day almost any time with the following recommendations:

Collegian dance, Friday, October 10; Fall Houseparty, Friday and Saturday, November 7 and 8; Soph Hop, Friday, December 5; Senior Ball, Friday, February 27; Interfraternity Ball, Friday March 27; Junior Prom, Friday, May 1; and Spring Houseparty, June 5 and 6.

Alumni Association each year; the dates for this year are October 10 and 11.

9. Football smokers will be held in Buffalo, Philadelphia, New York City and Pittsburgh, preceding the football games with Colgate, Temple, New York University and Pitt.

10. A dance, sponsored by the Penn State Alumni in Pittsburgh for students, alumni and friends, will be held following the Pitt game.

11. The Alumni Association assists student organizations, such as Thespians, Penn State Players and music groups in local and off-campus productions.

12. The Alumni Association assists the College in securing adequate appropriations and helpful legislation.

12. The alumni elect nine members of the College Board of Trustees, three each year for three-year terms.

14. The Alumni Association maintains an up-to-date record of 30,000 names of graduates and former students. This includes a master file, addressograph file, biographical file, class file and geographic file.

15. The Alumni Association maintains active district clubs for alumni and alumnae in some 70 cities throughout the country. These clubs are organized for the benefit of the alumni residing in the particular areas and carry out a definite program of activities throughout the entire year.

If your home is near one of the district alumni clubs and the secretary can be of assistance to you in the way of giving you additional information concerning Penn State before you come to the campus, we invite you to call on him.

We wish to assure you of a most hearty welcome on the part of the Alumni Association and when you arrive upon the campus, invite you to come to the central alumni office, 104 Old Main Building.

Knandel To Speak

One of the chief speakers at the third annual convention of the West Virginia Poultry Association at Jackson's Mills, today and tomorrow, will be H. Clyde Knandel, head of the poultry husbandry department.

7 Upperclass 'Justices' Hold Court For Frosh

Seven hard-hearted upperclassmen—five seniors and two juniors—will sit in judgment to mete out long-established brands of "justice" to violators of freshman customs.

Under the leadership of Chief Justice Raymond K. Leffler '42, who served as the lone junior on last year's Student Tribunal, the seven justices will meet once a week for the first several months to hear freshman men plead their cases.

For customs violators, the penalties are more varied than the crimes but samples from previous years indicate what is in store for erring newcomers of the class of 1945:

Dresses for violators of the no-dating regulation.

Skis for freshmen who dare to walk on the grass.

Suitcases in which Freddy Freshman can carry the handbook he forgot before—just once.

And any number of ingenious signs for freshmen who forgot to do this and not to do that.

Also—and a word to the wise should always be sufficient—Tribunal particularly likes to have gaudily-dressed freshmen parade before large audiences at football games.

Least emphasis be placed too heavily on Tribunal's enforcement of customs, it should be said that

the seven justices are a judiciary body corresponding to the Supreme court in our Federal government.

They are empowered to handle all branches of student discipline and, with the support of the Dean of Men, can mete out penalties as severe as expulsion from the College.

In addition to Leffler, the chairman, members of Tribunal are Thomas R. Heidecker '43, George M. Rumsey '43, J. Lee Clovis '42, George R. Ross '42, Richard N. Stevenson '42, and Robert A. Wassey '42. Either Heidecker or Rumsey will succeed Leffler and become head of next year's group.

Non-Credit Opera Course Will Be Offered Again

A non-credit opera course will again be offered to all students and faculty member, according to Leslie Hetenyi '42, instructor.

Hetenyi, who studied opera in Hungary, has given the course for the past three semesters. He teaches basic appreciation of operatic music and a short history of opera.

A poll will be taken to determine the course schedule. Students will probably be given a choice between Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons. Classes will be held once a week.

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