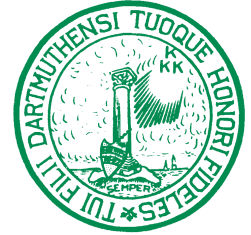




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Notes and Announcements

Any questions about the campaign for renovations, offers to assist on the campaign committee, or inquiries about making a gift or pledge can be directed to Sunil Bhagavath, at sunilbhag@gmail.com or +34 605 285033. The design for the renovations are available online: ftp://www.tri-kap.com/public_html/alumni/Tri-Kap_Drawings.zip

Please visit our frequently-updated blog at trikap.blogspot.com. Add comments, see pictures, check in on the house, and feel free to make donations! Of course, you can always start out with our website at trikap.com, which includes our look-up page for all Tri-Kap alumni.

Marcel Wolff '12 and Zachary Gottlieb '10 have created a website featuring scanned items of the Tri-Kap historical archives. Check out our society's priceless memorabilia, and enjoy images of past classes and our 1842 Constitution and By-Laws at <http://trikaphistory.shutterfly.com/>.

And finally, join our group on Linked In ([Linkedin.com](http://www.linkedin.com)) to join the Kappa Kappa Kappa message board and connect to current undergrads and fellow alumni. If you ever want to send historical documents or memorabilia to the house, we'll happily accept and display them. If you want to mail us something, contact our apprentice house historian, John Burden '11, at John.Burden@dartmouth.edu.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Mike Abendroth '11 and Cameron Sharman '11 at the helm, in the G.O.T.E. room

Dear Brothers,

As the autumn leaves grow rich in color and the heat of summer nights fades away, Tri-Kap continues to shine as a beacon of fellowship and fraternity. The twenty-three recent additions to our brotherhood most visibly evidence this statement. Thirty-seven prospective members "shook out" on the first night of rush, signifying Tri-Kap as their top choice. Those '13s who now compose a vibrant sophomore class are a testament both to our Rush Chairs Saagar Kaul '12 and Max David '12 and to Tri-Kap's overall high regard on campus.

This past spring term was one of the most exciting Mike and I have experienced. As the seniors com-

pleted coursework and approached commencement, the house was energized with record participation in all events. The end-of-term banquet for the twenty-five graduating members was filled with fond memories of the past three years. The Class of 2010 truly embodied the values of Tri-Kap and served as model brothers for younger members. They will be missed sorely but will remain Tri-Kaps for life, and we wish them all the best of luck in their worldly endeavors.

Hoping to fill the void of the departing brothers and to make a name for themselves in Tri-Kap history, the Class of 2012 hit the summer term running. I was fortunate to be on campus to enjoy this enthu-

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siasm and to witness a great term of bonding and growth. The '12s welcomed the opportunity to take hold of the reigns and continued the high standards of Kappa excellence in philanthropy efforts, programming activities, and brotherhood events.

In addition, the rising juniors maintained the physical plant as the Alumni Board worked endlessly on actualizing renovation plans. This 87-year-old structure holds decades of memories and the potential for decades more, but the brotherhood must act swiftly and concertedly to ensure that future generations of Tri-Kaps are granted this opportunity. James McKim will keep the alumni updated with news regarding the renovation process.

Lastly, Mike and I invite and encourage you to reconnect with the brotherhood. Visit the house website and blog, join the Kappa Kappa Kappa group on LinkedIn and Facebook, and send your favorite stories of times spent in these hallowed halls to the Tri-Kap email account (Kappa.Kappa.Kappa@Dartmouth.EDU) and it will be shared at meetings.

Mike and I look forward to seeing everyone soon and we hope this *Pillar* finds you in good health and spirits.

Yours in Kappa,
Cameron Sharman '11, *President*



New member Christian Mgbonyebi expresses his enthusiasm for pledge term



Brothers Robbie Moss '12 and Juan Carlos Freile Franco '12 with fellow members of Mountains for Moms, a group fighting Obstetric Fistula in Northern Uganda

Tri-Kap Maintains Dedication To Philanthropy

Tri-Kap continued to be a campus leader in community service the past two terms. In the spring, acting Philanthropy Chair Juan Carlos Freile Franco '12 organized the annual Easter Egg Hunt for local families and their children. The event featured outdoor games, face painting, a movie screening, and food and prizes for all participants. Brothers also contributed efforts to fundraising for Mountains for Moms, a Dartmouth student group that plans to hike Kilimanjaro on spring break of 2011. Their goal is to raise awareness about obstetric fistula and to provide surgeries to women in Northern Uganda who suffer from this terrible disease. Tri-Kap events benefiting this cause included bake sales and a Green Key concert by the band Young the Giant.

In addition to these projects, the brotherhood worked jointly with other student organizations and Greek houses to fundraise for Haiti Relief and participated in our usual philanthropic events such as the Red Cross blood drive, a charity poker tournament, and a soccer-volleyball tournament.

In the summer, Philanthropy Chair Juan Gonzalez '12 extended Mountains for Moms fundraising efforts through several grilled cheese sales. The brotherhood also manned a booth for Dartmouth's 8th Annual Consent Day, which celebrated consensual sex and awareness.

With plans for even greater involvement and the support of 23 enthusiastic new volunteers, Tri-Kap looks forward to the Fall term and the philanthropic contributions we will make.

Yours in Kappa,
Wei Zhou '12, *Philanthropy Chair*

Tri-Kap Welcomes the Class of 2013

The brothers of Kappa Kappa Kappa worked incredibly hard this year to ensure that the Class of 2013 would bring worthy additions to the house. Starting in the winter, we held a rush event each month leading up to fall term in order to meet prospective members and show them the unique advantages of our brotherhood. These events included BBQs, athletic competitions, and movie nights, which were extremely successful, frequently attracting up to 60 '13s – roughly 15% of the eligible students.

This enthusiasm was matched at fall rush, with nearly 40 guys shaking out. The brotherhood is very excited about our new members and we look forward to spending many terms to come with them as fellow Tri-Kaps.

Yours in Kappa,
Max David '12 and Saagar Kaul '12, *Rush Chairs*

House Funds Remain Strong

The past few terms have continued the strong tradition of excellent undergraduate finances at 1 Webster Ave. There were sufficient funds to support all brotherhood activities and to cover normal expenses, allowing the brothers to engage in activities that strengthened friendships and the house to host more open events for campus. Additionally, this past term the Class of 2012 enjoyed Sophomore Summer with financial prudence and saved a large portion of their rent and dues income. Those excess funds will be redirected to long-anticipated house maintenance projects and to the Third Century renovation fund.

Yours in Kappa,
Sonny Kung '11, *Treasurer*

Tri-Kap Champions Of The Diamond

Tri-Kap brothers demonstrated their athletic prowess with a solid performance in the spring and summer term intramural leagues. After a standout season of IM softball, Tri-Kap defeated Heorot to bring home the championship in the spring. In the summer, Tri-Kap brothers gave it their best in the intramural softball and soccer leagues but ended up falling short in the playoffs. We're going to be back at it in the fall with a busy season of IM football, soccer, and volleyball, and are looking forward to another successful season.

Yours in Kappa,
Travis Whitfield '11, *Jock Chair*

Making the Grade: Continuing A Tradition Of Academic Excellence

This past year has been strong academically for the brother at Kappa Kappa Kappa. Tomi Jun '08, of Singapore, graduated valedictorian at 2010's commencement ceremonies. Each brother from the Class of 2010 completed his final term at Dartmouth with academic excellence.

As fall 2010 begins, our house looks forward to working with House Historian John Burden '11 as we introduce our incoming pledge class to Kappa Kappa Kappa's long and distinguished history.

Yours in Kappa,
Alec Brodsky '11, *Academic Chair*

Do You Have Any Favorite Tri-Kap Stories?

Our House Historian loves to share tales of past Tri-Kap deeds (or, preferably, misdeeds) for the brotherhood's enjoyment. If you have any stories of Tri-Kap adventures and legends, we encourage you to e-mail them to TriKap@Dartmouth.edu and address them to the "House Historian." The stories will only be used for the private enjoyment of the brothers.



Michael Joseph, Max David, Marcel Wolff, and Deep Shah dress to impress at Summer Formal

Tri-Kap Boasts Vibrant Social Scene

Club Kappa maintained its reputation of popularity throughout spring and summer terms, hosting highly-attended dance parties over both Green Key and Fieldstock. Hector Lopez '12 made his debut as "DJ Hectic" at the first and kept the house packed until early in the morning. We also continued our tradition of hosting an alcohol-free dance party for prospective students over the Dimensions weekend. Swarms of enthusiastic '14s took advantage of the welcoming atmosphere and good music and crowded the halls all night.

As in other terms, social events with sororities supplemented the traditional dance parties and Monday Night Freezes. The term closed with a night of dancing and companionship at our termly formal, held at the Lake Morey Resorts in Fairlee, Vermont. Brothers and their dates enjoyed a beautiful evening by the lakeside. Some were even brave enough to wade through the cool water.

Warm summer weather offered the opportunity for unique activities like outdoor barbeques and sorority mixers. The '12s embraced their time together and grew even closer as a class. Summer formal was held at the DOC house on Occom Pond, and co-hosted with the lovely ladies of Alpha Phi sorority.

The brothers of Tri-Kap have strived to reinforce our image as an open, welcoming house where everyone can have a good time. Events with other sororities and fraternities have strengthened our bond with the rest of Greek Life as with the student body as a whole.

Yours in Kappa,
Michael Joseph '12 and Max Yoeli '12, *Social Chairs*

Serving Minors



After nearly 30 years in the newspaper business, I finally got my big break last week. It came in the form of an e-mail invitation to a Dartmouth fraternity's Halloween party.

This was a shot at the inside story. A chance to expose what really goes on in these notorious dens of inebriation on any given weekend.

I could witness firsthand the revelry that Webster Avenue – aka Frat Row – is infamous for in the Hanover Police Department's daily log. I could catch Keggie, the college's unofficial – mascot, playing beer pong. And maybe a Phi Delta Alpha brother would unknowingly reveal the frat's secret handshake.

I arrived at the appointed time – 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. It seemed awfully early to be bouncing quarters into shot glasses. But then again, it was Halloween and homecoming weekend, as well.

The Phi Delta festivities were already in full swing on the frat's front lawn. Some guests sported costumes. A fairy princess caught my eye. She told me her name was Haley.

According to Hanover police reports, underage drinking is a huge problem at some Dartmouth fraternities and sororities. Since September, police have charged three Greek organizations with serving alcohol to students under 21. (Phi Delta was not among them, but received a police warning last spring that it needed to watch its step.)

Thinking I might have to make a citizen's arrest, I proceeded to dig deeper.

"Haley, how old are you?" I asked.

"I'm five," she replied.

Move over, Geraldo Rivera. This story was juicier than I could have ever imagined. I grilled Haley some more. She let it slip that she was a kindergartner, who lived in Windsor.

Dartmouth senior Martha Gillon had brought her to the frat party – to carve pumpkins.

"What old you think, Haley? Is the smile big enough?" asked Gillon, her hands glistening with

fresh pumpkin innards, of which Haley wanted no part.

"I made the eyes," Haley said.

"Good job," piped in senior Steven Wang, a Phi Delta brother.

So much for my scoop. The highest-octane drink being served was apple cider. If anyone were going to pass out from overindulging, it would be from slamming down too many Reese's Peanut Butter Cups.

"We all get this bad reputation, but we try to make community service a big part of what we're about," said Phi Delta President Victor Galson, who had good reason to celebrate last weekend; he recently learned that he had been accepted at Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York.

Last Saturday, Phi Delta brothers drove to West Lebanon to buy 50 pumpkins. On Sunday afternoon, students from across campus who volunteer in the college's mentoring programs brought the Upper Valley kids they work with to the fraternity's annual pumpkin-carving party.

"Phi Delta is really into helping us," said Gillon, who volunteers for a program called Dream, that pairs Dartmouth students with kids from subsidized housing developments.

I wandered up Webster Avenue, passing a group of frat boys playing touch football with more elementary school kids, to Kappa Kappa Kappa. Music blared from inside the house.)Finally, an Animal House-style frat party to write about.) I walked around the corner into the living room. What's this?

More kids from the Dream program, getting treated to face painting and fishing for apples. With plenty of help from other fraternity and sororities, Tri-Kap had turned its living room into an indoor carnival.

"People think all we do is drink on weekends," said junior Kenneth Wang, Tri-Kap's program chairman.

For the last four Halloweens, Tri-Kap has hosted a party for area kids. On Sunday morning, while junior Kim Bets and others from Alpha Xi Delta sorority made a Wal-Mart run for candy and decorations, Tri-Kap brothers put the finishing touches on their base-

ment's haunted house.)I can vouch for the effort that Tri-Kap put into the venture, having nearly choked on my Snickers after a student popped out of a cardboard coffin while I was stumbling around in the dark.)

Across the street from Phi Delta, the front door to Beta Alpha Omega was wide open, a sure sign of a frat party in progress. Tim Vanderet, Beta's vice president, stood at a table loaded with candy bars. "Take as much as you want," he urged a preschooler dressed in bowling attire.

Vanderet apologized for Beta's sparse Halloween décor. The fog machine that Beta had hoped to enthrall young trick-or-treaters with had set off the house's fire alarm on Saturday night, resulting in a Hanover Fire Department visit. (Hey, I never said they were choirboys.)

As I made my rounds on Webster Avenue, I heard plenty of stories about Dartmouth's 17 fraternities and 11 sororities. They send work crews to help out on Habitat for Humanity projects. They lend a hand with the Prouty bicycle ride that benefits the Norris Cotton Cancer Center. They help kids at Romano Circle, the subsidized housing development in West Lebanon, with homework.

You just can't find this kind of stuff in a police log.

—Jim Kenyon, *Valley News*,
November 3, 2010



From L to R: Dan Fitzpatrick '80, Chuck Muenzen '80, Jason Klein '82, Eric Pfeiffer '80 and Sean Wilson '80.

"I was president '81/'82 and Sean was president '79/'80.

Except for Eric, we all have kids that are '14s.— Best, Jason Klein.

Photo sent in by Jason Klein from their Homecoming visit.

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Yours in Kappa, Alumnus, Harry M. Lowd '66, *Treasurer*

Programming Events Benefit Brotherhood and Community

In the spring we held our yearly Easter Egg Hunt for DREAM kids and local elementary school children. The fun-filled afternoon featured games, food, egg hunting, face painting, and moon bouncing. Wide smiles on the nearly 100 children who attended were gratifying evidence of the event's success.

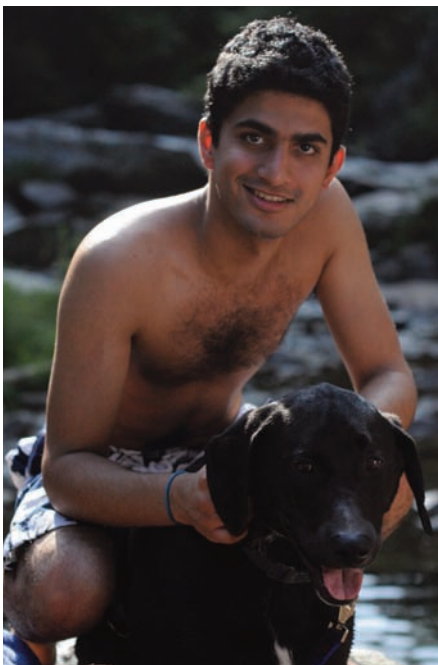
In addition to philanthropic programming events, we also focused on events where brothers can meet girls outside of the basement. In the spring, we enjoyed an evening of mini-golf and ice cream with the sisters

of AZD. We followed up on this event's popularity in the summer with an afternoon BBQ with a slip-n-slide. Later that term, we held a midnight s'mores study break with Alpha Phi, which attracted a good campfire scene from brothers and sisters looking to procrastinate before midterms.

Brotherhood events have been popular as well. The house organized road trips to Manchester for NH Fisher Cats minor league baseball games in the spring and summer terms. The '12s traveled closer to

home for their summer lock-in, spending a night of discussion and debauchery in Nunnenmacher Cabin on the Dartmouth Skiway. Less formal weekly grill sessions and dinners off campus were a welcome escape from Dartmouth Dining Services and opportunity hang out with fellow brothers. As always, our fraternity remains strong through friendship and good times spent together.

Yours in Kappa,
Eddy Vaisberg '12 and Kenny Wang '12,
Programming Chairs



*Saagar Kaul '12 and Parker
soak up the summer warmth.*



Nick Lowrey '78 returned to Tri-Kap to share his fond memories of the house and enjoyed meetings with the current brothers



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