

COLONIAL CLUB

Fall Newsletter



November 2016

A Letter from the President of the Graduate Board



Fellow Members,

First, it gives me great pleasure to welcome my successor as Board president, Angelica Pedraza '12. One of Colonial's great strengths is our tradition of leadership by women, at both the Undergraduate Officer and at the Board

level. We can all be very proud to see the Club once again showing the way in an era where female undergraduate leadership at Princeton has declined¹.

Angelica takes the helm at a moment where we are strong, but face many challenges. The Club itself is operationally stronger than it has ever been, but we will need that strength to navigate the tricky period ahead. The ecosystem in which the Club operates and competes for members is rapidly changing. Colonial has survived and prospered where other Open clubs have not, via the continuing love and support of its undergraduate and graduate members, good management, and a combination of wise and fortunate financial dealings and investment. However well we may run the Club, we are still at the mercy of University policies that affect our current and potential members: dining plans and pricing, University financial aid policies that have had the unintended consequence of making club membership less financially attractive to those in most financial need, and changes in undergraduate social attitudes--in particular, a marked increase in upperclass preference for independent living and dining.

The nightmare scenario for Princeton can be seen at Harvard, where their Finals Clubs have outlived their relevance and are perceived as an embarrassment to an otherwise moderately reputable University.

My view after long years on the Board and on the GICC is that a combination of proposed University policies combined with a lack of appreciation of the important role of the Open clubs in undergraduate life could relatively quickly bankrupt the 5 remaining open clubs and lead to a "Finals Club" system for the minority of upperclassmen in the 6 selective clubs. Princeton has fought--mostly successfully--against a perception of elitism and discrimination

in the institution over many generations. Colonial helped lead that fight as a leader in the rebellion against Bicker. It would be ironic if well-intentioned University policies led to the return of a class-driven social system for upperclassmen.



Colonial Club welcomes Angelica Pedraza, '12 as our new Graduate Board President.

To avoid this fate, we need to tell our story, loudly and at every level, from prospective students on up to the

Trustees. Colonial exemplifies the best of Princeton University--inclusive, forward looking, fun-loving and intellectual, clever but not mean. There may come a time when President Angelica or her successors call on you for help in telling our story. Be ready, and be proud.

Bound as ever by genuine ties of friendship.

¹ 2011 Report from the Steering Committee on Undergraduate Women's Leadership at Princeton University

Undergraduate President's Address

Dear Members and Alumni,

I am happy to announce that the fall semester has kicked off with a blast! Lawnparties was 'lit' with a wonderful performance by Kat Dahlia, a Cuban-American recording artist from Florida, and we've had a wonderful time hosting our usual Frosh Week festivities. Fantastic events are lined up for the semester, including Colonial Oktoberfest, K-pop Karaoke Night, Hotel Colonial and a variety of creative semi-formals.



Last year's spring initiatives have also been going strong, with the über-popular Girl's Night now a weekly staple. Furthermore, we've begun a tradition of celebrating summer birthdays during the first week of school, in addition to our weekly birthday bashes throughout the year.

Gil's food has been on-point as ever, with the grill option during dinner and round-the-clock smoothie station open for our members to enjoy. Additionally, our kitchen now features 'Late Night Noms,' where Chef Gil and staff prepare delicious snacks after dinner from Monday to Friday. We invite all our alumni to come back for a nice refreshing meal or just to visit the Club!

As always, 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 along information to our club manager, Kathleen Galante (kgalante@colonialclub.com), that we will post on the job board in the clubhouse.

Cheers to a great year!

All the best,

Christopher J. Yu

Christopher J. Yu '17
Undergraduate President

Graduate Board of Governors

Angelica Pedraza '12 - President
David Genetti '98 - Interim Vice President
Joseph Studholme '84 - Interim Treasurer
Paul LeVine, Jr. '72 - Secretary
Kristen Epstein '97
Norman Flitt '72
Sean Hammer '08
John McMurray '95
Sev Onyshkevych '83
Edward Ritter '83
Adam Rosenthal '11
Andrew Stein '90
Hal L. Stern '84
Andrew Weintraub '10

Undergraduate Officers

President:	Christopher J. Yu
Vice-President:	Robin Li
Treasurer:	Gregory Magana
Social Chair:	Likith Govindaiah
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Communications Chair:	Belinda Ji
Assistant Social Chair:	Matthew Lucas
Assistant Social Chair:	Will Kelly
Community Service Chair:	Jenny Peng
Sophomore Representative:	Jackey Liu
Sophomore Representative:	Alisa Fukatsu
Sophomore Representative:	Rochelle Forni
Finance Chair:	Shirley Fu
Activities Chair:	Jesus Covarrubias

Satellite 125th Anniversary Celebrations

Please keep your eye out for information regarding Colonial Anniversary Celebrations throughout the country.

We are currently planning DC Metro and San Francisco area gatherings to celebrate Colonialites and our 125 years!

Save the Date: DC Area Celebration...
Thursday, November 17th.

A Virtual Visit to the Club: Reunions 2016



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Colonial Club 125th Anniversary Celebration

1891-2016

Colonial Fun Facts...Did You Know?

- Colonial was not only the first club to admit women (Deborah Tegarden '71), but the first club to have a woman governor (Pat Gallatin '72) and President of the Board of Governors (Harriet Hawkins '73 in 1994).
- The Elk room used to be called the Green room, and in the early 1900's it was the pool room.
- Members who paid their dues fully 20 years out of graduation were issued Lifetime membership cards.
- Before founding Colonial, Colonial's founding members were originally part of an informal club called "Plug and Ulster Club" (a take off on Cap and Gown Club)
- Colonial is the fifth oldest eating club at Princeton.
- In *This Side of Paradise*, F. Scott Fitzgerald referred to Colonial as "flamboyant Colonial" and defined it as being one of the top five clubs.
- Famous alumni include Eric Schmidt, Ted Cruz, Pete Conrad, Claiborne Pell, William Pell, and Wentworth Miller.
- Ivy club used to stand where Colonial does today.
- In 1904, Colonial had 41 undergraduate members.
- The Gentlemen's Agreement, which every member had to sign, allowed clubs to police themselves. It put heavy restrictions on alcohol and women visitors.
- Colonial was incorporated in 1896.
- The founding class had 13 members.
- Bert Fisher, the first president of the Club, almost every evening after dinner was called upon for his solo, "How I Love Gooseberry Pie."
- In 1895, dogs Pat and Willie were official members of the club.
- The current dining hall use to be split up into two rooms, the first being the living room.
- Colonial participated in the Duck Soup Club which met at infrequent festivals and drank anything the members could procure provided a celluloid duck floated in the center of the punch bowl.
- There was a squash court behind Colonial from 1934-1989.
- In the 1920's, there was a second floor room devoted to poker and cards.
- It use to be custom that the membership set aside a few dollars each year to purchase a memento to be presented when each member finally took a bride.
- The walls creating the third floor Doo-Dah room were built in 1970.
- The University purchased Colonial's land for \$750,000, with the Club retaining full rights to continue operating as an eating club.
- The Club Fool was accorded Officer's Privileges including an ICC Pass and a room at the club.
- The first known Colonial thesis phrase in 1983 was "Bourbon is our friend."
- The thesis phrase for last year was, "The Promise of Bourbon."
- In 1987, Tiger Inn stole the club's elk Alcibiades (different from the current elk) and held him ransom for a few kegs. Colonial didn't negotiate with terrorists but instead rescued him on a commando mission.
- The recipe for Colonial's Milk Punch served at Reunions is 1/2 gal. Egg Nog Mix, 1/2 gal. Melted Vanilla Ice Cream, 1 gal. Milk, 1/5 Rum, 1/5 Bourbon, 3 cups Sugar



Colonial Club honors its Class of 1966 with an exclusive luncheon at Reunions.

**Want to relive that
Colonial experience?**

Visit the Colonial Club gear store
to boast your club logo wear and
accessories!

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Colonial_Club_Gear.html](http://bestclubgear.com/Colonial_Club_Gear.html)

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In Their Own Words

- “Just back from my 45th. The Club looked great!”—Dan Cunningham, '71
- “For fun games, check out Standardgames.com”—Todd Meiehans, '00
- “Joe and the Board are doing a great job – glad to see things going so well!”—Miles
- “Sorry to miss Reunions this year. My partner, Suzy, and I are in the midst of moving to beautiful Steamboat Springs, CO. Come visit us, Colonial Clubbers!—Chris Godfrey, '72
- “Sadly, I lost my wife, Yvonne, in 2013 which meant quite an adjustment after 51 years.”—George Bailey, '50
- “Dan and Yi got engaged!”—Angelica Pedraza, '12
- “Thank you guys for all that you do!”—Louis Kawood, '03
- “I hadn't been back to see the Club for several years, and stopped last month. The place looks very good – that movie room is impressive. Hope to spend more time at my 50th in 2019.”—Bob Coxe, '69

Alumni Mentor Program

In celebration of Colonial's 125th anniversary, we're excited to announce the launch of Colonial's alumni mentor program! In the spirit of Colonialites helping Colonialites, the program enables passionate alumni to share their professional and personal experience with current members. Whether in the form of career advice or academic guidance, sharing your knowledge with mentees is an invaluable way of giving back to the club and staying connected to the Colonial of today.

Alumni interested in playing a crucial role in building an enduring Colonial community are highly encouraged to participate. Keep an eye out for more information soon! If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Christopher J. Yu '17 at cjyu@princeton.edu.

Announcements



On September 3, 2016, Sarah Huah '10 married Daniel Chang '10 in New Jersey. They met as undergraduates at Jadwin Gymnasium at Princeton and have been together ever since. Sarah was Colonial's House Manager.



Amy Seymour '10 and Jason Anton '10 married this summer. Jason was Treasurer at Colonial.



On June 4th, Noelle Chapman and Ben Dennard got married at the Princeton Chapel. After years of waiting, they decided that there was no better place to get married than Colonial Club, Noelle's home away from home during her last two years of college.

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.

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!

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.

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



Save the Date!

Reunions 2017
Friday 6/2 - Sunday, 6/4

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

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AT COLONIAL

Friday, June 2nd
10:00pm - 3:00am
TAP ROOM IS OPEN

Saturday, June 3rd
10:30am - 1:30pm
Milk Punch Brunch ...you know you love it!

2:00pm—P-Rade

3:30pm - 7:00pm
Smokin' BBQ Feast...After the P-Rade

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

Sunday, June 4th
10:00am - 12:30pm
Homeward Bound Brunch Buffet

Obituaries

Excerpts taken from the Princeton Alumni Weekly

Charles Barham III '53

Although Charlie was born in Tennessee and died Feb. 13, 2016, in Cincinnati, he came to Princeton from the Woodberry Forest School in Virginia, and was remembered at his funeral as "a Virginia gentleman



... a man of restraint and duty and a man who was truly concerned for others."

At Princeton, Charlie was a member of Colonial Club and on the staff of the Tiger. After graduation he worked briefly at a bank in Charlottesville, Va., and then served in the Army in Korea.

Returning to Virginia, he earned an MBA from the University of Virginia's Darden School of Business and then went to New York to work for the Hanover Bank. Later on he moved to Cincinnati to work with classmate Will Gregg and stayed on to work in advertising.

John I. Boslough '67

John entered Princeton with the Class of 1964, dropped out for a few years and then joined the Class of 1967. He was a member of Colonial, ran track, and wrote for The Daily Princetonian.

After graduation, John attended Columbia Law School, but ultimately decided to move back to Colorado and become a journalist. He started as the sports editor of the *Mountain Mail* in Salida, Colo., and later became editor.

John returned to Denver with the Associated Press and then joined the *Denver Post* as a reporter, where he won many awards for his stories, which were often science-related. John moved to Washington, D.C., to head the *Denver Post's* bureau in the late '70s and later left to become science editor at U.S. News & World Report.

John wrote five books about science issues and contributed articles to numerous publications. John is survived by his wife, Susan; and daughters Jill and Sophie.



James H. Case III '57

Jim, the former associate commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Education, died Nov. 9, 2015, at his home in Clemmons, N.C.

Jim majored in English, joined Colonial Club and was business manager of the Glee Club. After earning a Ph.D. at Harvard in 1969, Jim was committed to education throughout his professional life. He taught

high school English in Winchester and Brookline, Mass., trained teachers at Harvard Graduate School of Education, and was director of the Institute for Learning and Teaching at the University of Massachusetts in Boston. He served as the commonwealth's director of teacher certification before rising to the associate commissioner position. Later, Jim was dean of the Empire State College campus in Hartsdale, N.Y.

Jim is survived by his wife, Cindri; children Peter, Matthew, Jessica, Emily, and Joanna; and 13 grandchildren.

Richard C. Smith '54

Richard died Nov. 30, 2015, after a brief illness. Born in Honolulu, he attended Punahou High School. At Princeton, he majored in economics, was a member of Colonial Club, played varsity baseball, and was in the NROTC. After graduation, Richard spent three years aboard two Navy destroyers in the Pacific.

Dick subsequently had a 37-year career in commercial banking for the Security Pacific National Bank in Los Angeles and Santa Barbara. In 1988, he joined the Santa Barbara Bank and Trust, working there until his retirement in 1994. During his long career, he served on the boards of The class is honored by his service to our country and extends condolences to his wife, Larie; sons Rick and Doug; daughter Judy; and four grandchildren.



In Memoriam

We honor those who have recently passed...

Dr. George C. Buzby, Jr. '46	Jun 04, 2016
Mr. John V. Gould '47	May 20, 2016
Mr. James B. Rains '47	Sep 25, 2016
Mr. Richard B. C. Warren '51	Mar 12, 2016
Mr. Gordon T. Beaham, III '53 P83	Sep 18, 2016
Mr. John T. Pierson, Jr. '53	May 22, 2016
Dr. Darby Bannard '56 P14	Oct 02, 2016
Mr. Arch B. Edwards '58	May 07, 2016
Mr. Robert P. Petter '58	Apr 06, 2016
Mr. Steven Firman Fenwick '69	Aug 16, 2016
Duane A. Stephen Griswold, MD '87	Feb 21, 2016