#### **Events With Alumni**

For the first time in a long time, Delta-Beta celebrated Founders' Day at a nice banquet hall with plenty of alumni. Here, we all ate dinner and had a good time catching up.

Another event which alumni participated in was the "Christopher Mejia Walk" in honor of our fallen brother. At this event, alumni came to support our cause.



#### **Events Planned For the Fall Semester**

This upcoming Fall the active brothers have been planning the annual Homecoming event for the alumni to attend. This year we want to do this event bigger and better for the alumni so they continue to come back in future years.

Also, we are trying to plan a day that the alumni and our active brothers can go to a sporting event. This is a great way to keep in touch and enjoy the day.



## May 2014 Graduates

Kevin Ryan - Business Management Major Hometown - Saddle Brook, NJ

Steven Casamento - Psychology Major Hometown - Northvale, NJ

Jason Parker Horowitz – Real Estate Major and IT Minor Hometown – New City, NY

Thomas James Boyd – Business Management Major and IT Minor Hometown – Toms River, NJ

Travis Whitney - Accounting Major Hometown - Fanwood, NJ

Andre Torrecuso - Business Marketing Major Hometown - Hawthorne, NJ

## May 2014 Graduates

Vincent Bruno – Accounting Major Hometown – Toms River, NJ

Rich Luongo - Accounting Major Hometown - Manahawkin, NJ

Gabe Manzo - Accounting Major Hometown - Ridgewood, NJ

Tyler Driscoll - Criminal Justice Major and IT Minor Hometown - South Plainfield, NJ

Anthony lemello - Business Management Major Hometown - Randolph, NJ

Alexander James Pappas - Communications Major Hometown - Cresskill, NJ

Bryan Duarte - Finance and Management Major Hometown - Garfield, NJ

## **Community Service**

Our chapter always gives back to the local community. We love assisting people in need of help and there is no better feeling than serving others. Some of the community services our chapter has performed are:

- Local Soup Kitchens
- Habitat for Humanity
- Asbury Park Beach Clean Up



# Congratulations to the Spring 2014 Initiates

Phil Fiore Hometown – Howell, NJ

Clint Keeney Hometown – Bethel, PA

Tighe Blazier Hometown – Millstone, NJ

Billy Carlock Hometown - Jackson, NJ

Craig Smith Hometown - Cape May, NJ

Billy Kavanagh Hometown – Point Pleasant, NJ

#### Alumni Interview: Matthew Soltysik

1. Why did you choose to join Sigma Pi? Did anything specific stand out to you when you were rushing?

To be honest Sigma Pi had the upper hand from the beginning. A very handsome gentleman by the name of John Van Brunt was a suite-mate of mine freshman year. After he joined, he introduced Bart Tripoli, Pete Glass, and I to the Sigma Pi brothers and invited us to some of their events. All three of us eventually pledged and became Sigma Pi brothers. Everyone we met was very friendly and made us feel at home. Sigma Pi seemed to have the largest variety of people, whereas some others tended to all look/act like clones of one another. The most specific example of what made Sigma Pi stand out amongst the other Fraternities at Monmouth was that they really were just a big group of good friends.

2. Aside from the social life, what did you take away from being an undergraduate member in Sigma Pi?

Being a member of a fraternity, especially such an organized and well run fraternity as Sigma Pi, really prepared me for life outside of college in many ways. I learned many things related to my Business Management major. Everything about how the frat is run can teach you about business: attending meetings, running for a board position and voting, learning different roles within the organization, money management etc. Also, scheduling time to give back to the community amongst all of the other events and duties that go along with being a brother.

3. What is your favorite memory of college?

It is very difficult to come up with only one answer to this question. I'll have to broadly summarize it by saying the friends I've made during my 4 years at Monmouth. This includes both Sigma Pi brothers as well as the many friends that were not a part of the Greek community. I remain in touch with many friends and brothers to this day. Whether it is daily messages on facebook, an annual Fantasy Football league, or just a random text, I'm very glad to have made and maintained so many great friendships.

4. Where do you currently live? What is your current profession?

I currently live in Shamong, New Jersey. It's a heavily wooded area with lots of farmland just beyond Medford, NJ. About 45 minutes away from the Philadelphia area where I grew up. I am a Benefits Specialist in the Human Resources department for a healthcare/hospital company called Capital Health.

5. Do you have a message for the undergraduates?

Take your courses seriously and participate in as many activities and organizations as you can. It's becoming harder each year to get a decent job after college, so it's a great idea to keep your GPA up and gain as much experience and networking as you can. Your time at Monmouth is going to fly by so enjoy all it has to offer.

6. How can people contact you if they want to get in touch?

All Philly sports fans are encouraged to contact me by email mattsoltysik@yahoo.com. NY sports fans can too.... I guess.

## Alumni Interview: Anthony Zurica

1. Why did you choose to join Sigma Pi? Did anything specific stand out to you when you were rushing?

I was looking to really get the most out of my college experience after a rough freshmen year and when I came back in the fall, a bunch of my friends and I decided to pledge. We had been friendly with a lot of sig pi guys and then at a party one night at the sig pi house I had a really in depth talk with an older brother. Brandon Maslan and he really laid it out for me about the bond Sigma Pi brothers always had and still do.

2. Aside from the social life, what did you take away from being an undergraduate member in Sigma Pi?

Being a part of Sigma Pi was a great way to not only socialize with just the fraternity but it really gets you involved with the campus as a whole. From community events, shows on campus, Greek week etc... Bring a part of Sig Pi opened doors that otherwise would've been closed.

3. What is your favorite memory of college?

This is a very hard question as there are way to many memories to pick a favorite. But one that will always stick out in my mind was Greek Week in the spring of 01. I was an active participant every year during Greek Week, but my senior year I took control of it for our fraternity and pretty much attended every event. Sigma Pi wound up winning it all which I think was the first time we did in a long time.

4. Where do you currently live? What is your current profession? Do you have a message for your fellow alumni?

I currently live in Somers NY which is in Westchester County. I am and have been an attorney since 2006. I practice Adoption law. For my fellow alumni, my message is simple, let's try to get down to MU a little more. Life is busy but we always need to make some time to remember all the great times we had.

5. Do you have a message for the undergraduates?

For the undergrads it's a very big cliché, but it's also very true, never take a moment for granted and try to do as much as you can in your four short years there. You'll have plenty of time to lounge around or sleep when you're out in the real world. If you're contemplating whether you should go to a mixer or plan a trip with your brothers, just do it. You barely ever regret the things you did but always regret the things you didn't.

6. How can people contact you if they want to get in touch?

Best way to contact me is through email az@zuricalaw.com. All my info is at my site www.zuricalaw.com I'm also on LinkedIn. Just search my name.

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