

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### All-Alumni Weekend & Sesquicentennial Finale

May 20 – 23, 2016

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for details about these  
upcoming events.

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### Lambda Chi Alpha Vision



To lead a co-curricular Greek movement, predicated on partnership and

collaboration amongst the undergraduates, host institutions, alumni and General Fraternity, and offering an experience that focuses on the maturational development of today's college man. As such, it is the vision of Lambda Chi Alpha to extend itself beyond the traditional social fraternity in practice and principle.

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## SAVE THE DATE

### Lehigh to Hold All-Alumni Weekend & Sesquicentennial Finale

*Catch Up with Your Brothers!*

On May 20 – 23, Lehigh has planned three days packed full of fun for alumni to close out the Sesquicentennial. This is a prime opportunity to visit Lehigh and catch up with your brothers—we hope to see you there!

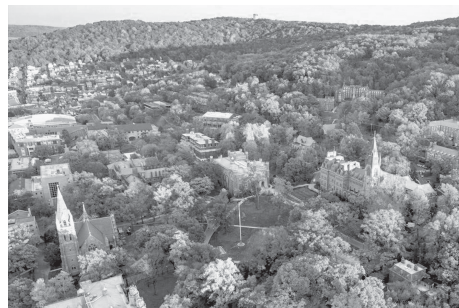


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Sesquicentennial Parade  
Picnic Lunch on the Lawn\*  
“Smart Fun”  
Graduate Student Expo  
Campus & South Bethlehem Tours\*

Events will include tours of campus & South Bethlehem, class reunion dinners, the Reunite Dinner, the Sesquicentennial Parade, and the Sesquicentennial Finale Celebration & Fireworks Spectacular.

### The Schedule

**Friday (Daytime):** \$25  
Lunch\*

Tours of Campus & South Bethlehem\*

**Friday Reunite Dinner\*:** \$40

*All attendees not celebrating a milestone reunion are invited to this dinner.*

**Class Reunion Dinner\*:** Cost varies per class

**Saturday (Daytime):** \$60

Brown & White Breakfast\*

**Class Reunion Reception\*:** Cost varies per class

**Affinity Reception\*:** Cost varies per group

### Complimentary Events:

Keynote Speaker - Think Like A Freak with New York Times bestselling authors Stephen Dubner and Steven Levitt  
Sesquicentennial Finale Celebration & Fireworks Spectacular

**Sunday Brunch\*:** \$20

*\*These events require pre-registration.*

Visit

[www.tinyurl.com/LehighSesquicentennial](http://www.tinyurl.com/LehighSesquicentennial)

to view the full list of events, see if any of your brothers or classmates are attending, and register!

## POSSIBLE GOLF OUTING

### Calling all alumni!

We are considering holding a golf outing this summer, but the final decision is dependent upon the level of interest from alumni. If you would be interested in attending a golf outing, please send an email to [BGpz.inc@gmail.com](mailto:BGpz.inc@gmail.com) expressing your interest.

If you would be able to help plan the events or have any additional ideas, please include them in your email response.

We hope to see you this summer!

# ALUMNI UPDATES

## The Latest News From Your Brothers

### Reunion at the NCAA Games, Engagements, and Traveling!

**Dave Lynn '58** | [dlynn4@nc.rr.com](mailto:dlynn4@nc.rr.com)

"As past President of Gamma Psi Zeta and Head of Trustees (Many years ago) I hope that LXA returns as an active chapter at Lehigh."

**Mike Cook '60** | [mikecook38@outlook.com](mailto:mikecook38@outlook.com)

"I'm still in Fairbanks, AK working a lot during tax season and hoping for a good summer with time for the lake."

**Mitch Cihomsky '75** | [mcihomsky@cox.net](mailto:mcihomsky@cox.net)

"After a brief and unprofitable stint on Wall Street, I began a career as a marine engineer and was employed in the shipping industry for some 30 years. Having retired in 2008, I taught at California Maritime Academy for several years and now I actively paint as an amateur artist.

I live on Nob Hill in San Francisco with a woman named Nancy. Nancy and I do a lot of traveling – mostly to Europe. We also do a lot of sailing on San Francisco Bay. I race on other people's sailboats when asked, and we volunteer on the race committee at the St. Francis Yacht Club.

Life is good and I encourage any brothers to contact me should you find yourself in the Bay area."

*His favorite memory?* "Searching for a brother who was 'missing in action' for over 24 hours after a campus crawl."

*Mitch also shared,* "It would be a lot of fun to put down a few brews and sing all those old drinking songs with everyone."



Nancy and Mitch in Naples, Italy 2015



Nancy and I at Sundance Film Festival, Park City Utah 2015

**Michael Spreadbury '93** | [mspread@hotmail.com](mailto:mspread@hotmail.com)

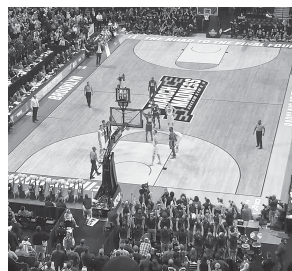
"My favorite memory of my time at Lehigh was the two-wheeled de-stressing sessions on my motorbike. The beautiful two lane highways helped me clear my head and prepare for the rigors of Lehigh University. The social aspect of Viking dinners, lawn darts, and Greek cocktails kept things interesting at Lambda Chi Alpha.

I meet up with a native of Bethlehem locally and catch up when I can. She spent a few months recently as a family member passed. It's nice to connect with someone who is from the area, as we are far, far away from South Mountain in Western Montana.

Since I am so distant from campus, I don't get a chance to engage in alumni activities, but I certainly enjoy reading about my brothers and my school. I definitely enjoyed Lehigh's defeat of Duke in the NCAA March Madness tournament a few years back."



Jason Galinski '97, Lew Iadarola '95, Rick Lohkamp



Temple last free throw to go to overtime for Temple. Temple ended up losing.



James and fiancé Elisa Pennetti

**Lew Iadarola '95** | [LehighLew@verizon.net](mailto:LehighLew@verizon.net)

"I am married with twin girls (10) in Ellicott City, MD. I am currently working at Meggitt PLC, in Aerospace Defense as Director of Business Development in Baltimore, MD. I still get together with Brothers

regularly, most recently at NCAA games in Brooklyn. LXA should get a box or group tickets and a hotel next year!"

*Lew also shared that his favorite memories from his time at Lehigh include tailgates, Jarts, Pong, Hill crawls, senior weeks, and road trips around the US and Canada with a few brothers.*

*His favorite alumni event was the LXA golf event in Spring.* "We should do one in the spring and one in the fall," he said.

**James A. McBratney '09** | [j.mcbratney@gmail.com](mailto:j.mcbratney@gmail.com)

"I recently got engaged to my long-time girlfriend and Alpha Gamma Delta Lehigh '10 alum, Elisa Pennetti, while on vacation in the Bahamas.

We met during my senior year (her junior) in the Lambda Chi common room! It was after a party or something, and she was holding court by the pool table entertaining a group of brothers with jokes that were largely inappropriate in nature. We started dating later in 2009,

graduated together with my MS and her BS in 2010, and moved in together in New York City in June of 2014. I popped the question on March 20, 2016. We are currently planning to have the wedding in September of 2017."

*His favorite memories?* "Family weekend dinners at the house, or Chicken Wrap days--both involved Chef Gabby, who cared about us as much as our own mothers. The effort she would put in to those family weekend dinners was truly special."

*First place he visits upon returning to Bethlehem?* "It used to be the house to see what was for lunch! Now, that is no longer an option, so I usually head to the Sands. I'd love to get back to Lehigh for more events. Hopefully as we get further removed from college, my classmates and I will feel the need to attend alumni weekend and other events at the campus."

## 20+ Years of Dedication to Lambda Chi Alpha

### Walt Keiper '85 Shares His Story

For Walt Keiper, Lambda Chi Alpha has become much more than a part of his past. Since he graduated in 1985, he's kept close ties with the chapter.

In fact, his first gig after graduation was working as a chapter consultant for Lambda Chi Alpha.

"After that, I went to work for Lehigh for five years as the Associate Director of Residential Services, basically handling Greek housing and residence hall housing while I got my MBA," Walt said.

While he was at Lehigh, he couldn't serve on the board because of his position in Residential Services. However, after earning his MBA and getting a new job, Walt joined the Housing Corporation and served as president for a period of time. Now, he remains on the board—a testament to his commitment to the chapter and his appreciation for his Lambda Chi experience.

As an undergrad, he served as treasurer and president and recalls the value of both those leadership experiences. Not only did he learn to lead a group, but he gained some business experience while he served as treasurer.

He also recalls participating in the chapter's very first leadership retreat for



officers. "When I was president, we did our first leadership retreat as officers. We went away for a weekend, which was never done before. We focused on goal-setting and planning for the year."

One of his proudest moments came during his senior year.

"The chapter was awarded with the Grand High Alpha Award, which was the outstanding chapter of

the year award," he said. "I think it was a lot of hard work but a great learning experience. That's why I went to work for Lambda Chi Alpha as a chapter consultant. I was able to visit other college campuses around the country and help them build their chapters to a stronger place. I stayed involved because I think the fraternity experience is a worthy experience for a lot of reasons—for camaraderie, leadership building, and learning to deal with different types of people."

Walt particularly enjoyed having a big brother to guide him in becoming an active brother. "I haven't seen or heard from my big

brother (**Tim Borzell '84**) in quite some time and would love to reconnect with him. His family had a place in Ocean City, NJ and so did mine, so we would catch up during the summer. Of course he served as a mentor and provided guidance in academics and the brotherhood."

Walt looks forward to the day when the Chapter will be able to recolonize and build a strong group of leaders involved in the campus community of whom all alumni can be proud.

"I hope we can achieve the strong alumni support required for Lehigh to recognize us, as well as campus and national support."

Today, he still resides in Bethlehem and has what he would consider a dream job.

"After I got my MBA, I wound up staying locally in Bethlehem," he said. "I went to work for, at the time, Musikfest, a large 10-day summer music, beer-wine-food festival that started in 1984 to drive people to downtown Bethlehem. I started in 1992 as the Associate Director of Business Operations, and I just celebrated 24 years of working here. The organization has grown



*The Keiper family in Cabo.*

*(Left to right: Betsy, Andrea (12), Annalise (14), and Walt)*

and our name is ArtsQuest now. We've built two arts centers—the Banana Factory Arts and Education Center and the ArtsQuest Center on the SteelStacks campus. We run live performances 52 weeks a year. We operate two stadiums, seated movie theatres, an amphitheater, a large restaurant, and bar operations. Now, I'm the Senior Vice President of Business Administration."

Walt has two daughters (12 and 14) with Betsy Kline, his wife of 16 years. In his spare time, he's starting playing tennis again. He played at Lehigh and now plays weekly and is part of the United States Tennis Association's Adult League Program.

*Have a story to share? Visit [www.lxalehigh.com](http://www.lxalehigh.com) and click "Submit an Update" under "Alumni Profiles." We'll reach out to help you share your story.*



*Officer Retreat (August 1984) Left to right alternating from front to back: Bob Hughes, Chuck Gill '86, Greg Scaven '85, Paul Mulvey '85, Dan Raudensky '86, Jim Finnegan '85, Malcolm McDonald '87, Dave Warsoff '86, Jim McCann '86, Jim Kelly '86, Walt Keiper '85, Dave Titus '85, Bran Bushey '85, John Compton '84, and Doug Albert '85*



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**FROM THE ARCHIVES**



**Who Can Caption This Photo?**

We came across this gem in the 1980 Epitome Yearbook and are looking to get some background on this picture. Who are these brothers? What are they working on that is so fascinating?

If you can help us identify these brothers, and share the story behind the picture, send an email to [alumninews@affinityconnection.com](mailto:alumninews@affinityconnection.com) or post at [www.lxalehigh.com](http://www.lxalehigh.com).

We also encourage you to share the best pictures in your own personal archives for us to store in our online albums. In this day and age of scanners, digital phones, and social media, you can help us preserve some of the best pictures from throughout our chapter's history.

**ANNUAL FUND UPDATE**

**Thank You Donors!**

***Our Future Depends Upon Strong Alumni Support***

As we near the halfway point of our giving year, we want to thank those who have made their gift:

- Edward H. Howe '66**
- Douglas C. Blaine '81**
- William D. Wein**

Your support is greatly appreciated! For those of you who haven't made your gift yet, we'd like to remind you of the importance of your gift.

Strong alumni support is the glue that holds a chapter together, and as we work to secure the future of our chapter, you play a critical role. Our future rests on your shoulders.

The Lambda Chi spirit lives on in all of you. We hope you'll pass the torch by making a gift that will impact future generations of brothers.

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- Average Gift:** \$83.33
- Graduation Year of Oldest Donor:** 1966
- Graduation Year of Youngest Donor:** 1981
- Goal:** 50
- Donors to Date:** 3

*\*Reflects gifts received as of April 11, 2016*