



# Skull and Bones NEWSLETTER

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## The President's Message

Hello! This promises to be a very busy semester for the active chapter and I wanted to fill you in as to what we are doing so you can join us whenever possible. Here are the latest set of dates:

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| Tap Night         | Feb. 15    | Blue-White Game Tailgate | April 23       |
| Mt. Nittany Climb | Feb. 27    | Year-End Banquet         | April 24 or 25 |
| Initiation        | March 2    | Broomball with Whos      | April 30       |
| Spring Break      | March 7-11 | Senior Week bar Tour     | May 9          |
| Shingles Ceremony | March 16   | Graduation               | May 14 & 15    |

In addition to these dates, the chapter is also planning a leadership seminar, a Penn State history hour, a meeting with Drs. Thomas and Brighton, a service project (most likely help with the AAUW Book Sale), and various other activities. For those of you who get into town during the week, we have continued the tradition of Thursday night "happies". Please join us at the Silver Screen Grill in the Day's Inn Penn State (the old Penn State Sheraton). They start around 9:00 p.m. and run 'til 11 :00 p.m. or so.

If you plan to be in town and attend some of our events, please call me first to double check dates and times as all are subject to change. I'm still at 36 Thompson Hall, University Park PA 16802, (814) 862-3903. Feel free to call me any time to chat or catch up on S&B news.

On a more embarrassing note, due to some inherited bills, I am having trouble getting the active chapter out of debt. A misunderstanding about bills from the Nittany lion Inn for a banquet held a year ago and from Balfour Company for pins purchased near the same time has resulted in a large debt for the Society that we are currently unable to absolve. The bills are collecting interest and normal dues will not cover them. We considered a fund-raiser, but for a "secret" society this virtually impossible to pull off.

We are making available Skull & Bones sweat shirts to alumni in the hopes of offsetting some of the debt (there is an order form at the end of this newsletter). They are Russell Athleticware ( the good ones -heavy and warm), black with our latest skull logo in yellow with red eyes. They are \$30.00 each plus \$5.00 for shipping, I need your order by Feb. 10, 1994. I plan to place the order on Feb. 14. It will take several weeks to produce them, we'll get them to you as soon as we can.

In addition, although I am embarrassed to have to ask, on behalf of the active chapter, we would appreciate any additional donation you can spare. I am deeply grateful for your support, I do not want to pass this debt on to the next class.

## A Letter from the Editor

Greetings everyone. I'm still with McGraw-Hill working at the National Software Testing Lab in Conshohocken, PA for BYTE Magazine: The job is fun, but the pay is so-so. It's the kind of place where you take a little less because the atmosphere is so relaxed and there is such an opportunity to learn. I'm having a great time seeing people and places in the Philadelphia area. I'm still looking forward to some long promised dinners (you now who you are).

I love being close to my family. The end of 1993 brought me a new nephew, William J. Eves III, on Christmas Eve. My niece is getting smarter each time I see her. At two years, old her mother successfully

taught her how to fast-forward the video tape through the commercials on the shows they tape for her. She used to have a major cow every time her show stopped and the commercials started. We don't know how to explain to her the difference between a live transmission and tape. For now we'll just tape everything she watches.

As much as I like being in Pennsylvania, southern California still feels like home to me. There is something about that blue sky and warm sun that touches my soul. I know it is inevitable that I go west again. I'm just like those people you saw on TV after the earthquake last week, even that wasn't enough to make them want to leave that wonderful weather! I'm concentrating on Los Angeles, San Diego, Phoenix, or Las Vegas.

At the beginning of each year I ask for a \$ 15.00 donation to fund the newsletter production and postage. I'll suspend this request until later this year and cover the newsletter expenses myself until then. I encourage you to order some sweatshirts and include a donation to the active chapter. Please make checks payable to Skull & Bones and send them to Jennifer at 36 Thompson Hall. (Jennifer, if you have any problems getting the sweatshirts delivered give me a call and I'll see that it is done.)

I have often thought the active chapter would benefit from the guidance of an Alumni Board of Directors, perhaps we could have prevented this current financial dilemma. Gerard Louison has also tried to start something along these lines but it seems that people graduate and it takes too long for someone else to pick up the baton. I know there are at least two dozen S&B alums in the State College area and hundreds still close enough to make a difference. One idea I've been proposing for a long time is to buy the piece of land the grotto sits on. To do this we'd have to have a responsible Board of Directors and perhaps incorporate. This would do a great deal to preserve the traditions of the Skull and Bones. Let's discuss this and perhaps set a date for later this spring or summer to form some sort of Alumni Board.

**Pieface:** I'll give you a call soon for some Arizona info. **Dr. Goldschmidt:** As a History Dept. alum and a fellow newsletter editor, I sympathize with your desire for contributions from your newsletter recipients. Please feel free to excerpt any of my news from this newsletter for your newsletter. **Glazier:** Looking forward to February 19! **Stefan Levine, Lisa Faden, Vicki Burkhart, Jennifer Gould, and Bob Costagliola:** I'll call you or you call me, but lets really get together! SOON! **Duke:** Spork and I will be up any weekend after Feb. 19, call with a date. What episode of Viper is your golf software on? **Cooley:** When can Mary and I come to see you, Mary, Patrick and the twins? **Steve O.:** Pick a weekend in Erie when it will be warm and I'll fly up to see you. **John O & Jackie:** I thought the Citrus Bowl was in Jacksonville or else I would have come down! By the time I figured out it was in Orlando I already made other plans for New Years. **Cluck:** I have faith in your future, I'll hang on to my photos.

### Alumni News

**Paula Berardinelli Hunter** -1923 Myron Drive, Raleigh NC 27607,919-420-0121 - Some might believe that the birth of our first child and moving to a new home is enough change in one year, but not us. A few weeks after Zachary was born Jeff changed jobs, he's Director of Business & Finance for the College of Engineering at NC State University. I've been extremely busy with my consulting work, but Zach is the center of our lives. He has altered our priorities and brought new meaning to the word love. We are truly blessed with a healthy, active, and jovial child.

**Jody Caroselli Holt** -425 Beacon Street, Boston MA 02115 - I am enjoying every moment of maternity leave. Sullivan Dale Holt was born on 10/3/93, 16 minutes after his due date, 8 pounds, 20 inches. He's wonderful!! I plan to return to the firm in January on a part-time basis. Bradley is in the middle of L2, anyone know a Boston law firm recruiting partners? **Pat Dugan:** Glad to hear you are still with Price Waterhouse -me too. **Rod Hutter:** It was great catching up with you last April. Let's touch base again before four years fly by. **Beth Metzger Gruber:** Congrats on the marriage! Hello to all!

**Bill Cluck** - Still employed by Saul, Ewing, a large Philadelphia law firm. I was recently appointed chairman of the Philadelphia Bar Association Environmental Law Committee. No confirmation hearings necessary, you can all burn those photos. Visited Paul Bertalan in Syracuse and saw Billy Joel from the top of the Carrier Dome and Jerry Garcia from the top of the War Memorial. Next time we get seats inside the building. Regards to **Jeff (Mr. Mom) Dooling**, fun conference call! Witnessed Nits trampling of Tennessee

(sorry *Dianne*) at the Citrus Bowl with *John Hook and Jackie Naginey*. See you guys in April when the Dead come to Orlando. *Jeff Glazier*: Why hasn't Eli entered the Democratic primary for Governor? Is it because Dad was/is a member of the all-night party? *Swiderski*: Are you in Ohio? We will be in Cleveland at the Ritz on March 20-21 for the one year anniversary of "Superstorm '93". *Joe Martz*: How about a new way to return phone calls? *Adam Levinson*: If you are still in Harrisburg, give me a call. *Leni Barch*: Rumor says you are an Esquire. Kate Machesic Schaeffer sends her regards. *P.S. Everyone*: Buy the S&B sweatshirts, they are decent quality. Even "Mr. Limited", John Hook, liked the new logo. *Political News*: There are a number of Penn Staters running for public office this year. Mark Singel (USG 74) is running for Governor of Pennsylvania. Rick Santorum (College Republicans 78?) is a Congressman and likely Republican nominee for the US Senate. Chris McNally (USG 82) is a three term state representative and candidate for Democratic nomination for PA 18th Congressional District. Whether you agree or disagree with their political labels, I think they are all worth supporting because they are Penn Staters.

**Tom Cooley** - 2362 Hill Road, Perkiomenville PA 18704, 215-843-9759 - *Cluck*: I bought some great Jerry Garcia designer ties, you ought to see 'em. *Robin Weiss*: A mother, I gotta see. Lets take the kids to the National Aquarium in Baltimore. *Hook/Jack*: You lied, I'm not getting poorer because of Clinton. I actually hired a financial planner this year. How should we invest in the coming boom years? *Steve O*: Are we for or against NAFTA? I'm confused.

**Laurie Dieffenbach** - 287 Daleview Drive, Morrisville PA 19067 - Erik has a new job in the Philadelphia area. We'll be living in Morrisville for a while until I'm finished with my degree.

**Stephen Flores** - 70 Willett Street, Albany NY 12210, 518-427-6706 - I am in my second year towards getting a PhO. in Social/Personality Psychology, only 2 to 4 more years to go! *Olga*: CALL ME! *Jessica Maldonado*: Married? Congratulations. *Ish*: What package? *Neena*: I can't believe I missed you in NYC! *Gerard*: Hi! *Daryl*: Hi! *Everybody else*: Hi!

**John Hook & Jackie Naginey** - John is now a district manager for The Limited. He was told his district will possibly be in the northeast US. We are waiting to hear when and where we will be relocating, but maybe it will be close to family and friends "back home". There is still an open invitation for visitors where ever we are, but if you are looking for a sunny Florida vacation you'd better hurry. Jackie changed jobs twice last year, she left Orange County Public Schools to be a benefits consultant with a local company, then left that company to join The Center for Organizational Health. COH was founded by three good friends Jackie worked with at the school board. And yes, COH will have offices in Orlando and where ever we relocate.

**Kelly Gibson** - 11501 February Circle #202, Silver Spring MD 20904, 301-622-6655 - Just celebrated my 2nd year with Harcourt Brace College Publishers with highest sales in the top 8%. I'll probably begin pursuing sales positions in other industries within the next year, or go back to school for a Master's in industrial psychology. *Brian A*: I'm in the DC/MD area also, let's get together. *Steph B.*: Yo Barone! *Darryl B.*: I'll call during the holidays. *Derek & Camille*: Congrats! *Gigi H.*: How's Colorado? *Sizwe M.*: How are you? *Steve Signor*: Call me!! Where are you? *John Greene*: Hope all is well!

**Rick & Lise Ortenberg Glazier** - 2642 Old Colony Place, Fayetteville NC 28303, 910-484-4168 - Finished working on VanDamme appeal - now the waiting. Teaching part-time at Campbell Univ. Law School. Philip will be Bar Mitzvahed in April, how time flies! *Class of '76-'77*: We never see anything in this newsletter from you. Did you all fall off the face of the earth? How about some news!

**Arthur Goldschmidt** - Penn State Dept. of History, 303 Weaver Bldg., University Park PA 16801, 814-237-3517 - Our department moved from Oswald Tower to Weaver Bldg. in July 1993. I am still teaching Middle Eastern History and also editing the *History & Religious Studies Newsletter*, so any S&B alums who majored in History or Religious Studies should be sending me your news. I was the recipient of the 1993 Dean Warnock Award from the IFC. I'm also the founding president of *VOICES of Central Pennsylvania*, a liberal journal of news and opinion. Our first issue appeared in October 1993, and there are still copies available

if you would like one -or several. **Luke Taiclet:** I miss you and Ann. Are you still at Beaver Campus? **Sue Gainor:** Hope you like Cairo. Would you like to have names of other Penn State alums and students who are in Cairo this year? **Bill Scruitsky:** Where are you? **Everyone:** Please send a card or letter to **G.K. Nelson**, 501 Westview Avenue, State College PA 16803. He has had several strokes as well as Parkinson's disease.

**Valarie Lynn Gray** - 65 Payson Avenue, New York NY 10034, 212-304-0433 - Since Sept. 1993, I've been Assistant to the Features Editor at *Woman's Day* magazine. It's great and I feel very fortunate to have landed the job that I wanted right after graduation. New York is strange. I have a love/hate relationship with the city, but I wouldn't change where I am. Still single, but dating the man of my dreams (so far) for three months. I joined a health club, those NY bagels were getting to me. I am starting to miss the country a little. **Joe Jorzak:** Will we ever get together for lunch? **John Mitchell:** I miss you. So nice of you to get in touch with me (I'm joking). **Ricky Williams:** Congrats on initiation. Remember when you asked me about Skull & Bones? You had no idea I was one of them did you? **Gerard Louison:** Keep in touch! Next time you get to NYC give me a call. **Class of Fall '92:** Where is everyone? I miss y'all.

**Gigi Highland** - 2 Clocktower Place #237, Nashua NH 0060, 603-595-6459 - In my final year of a Manufacturing Management Training Program with Ingersoll-Rand Company. I've been traveling quite a bit, including a trip to the PSU - Michigan game. I'm also working at a food & soup kitchen, tutoring at a local adult learning center, and am currently a high school cheer leading coach.

**Joe Jorzak** - I've finished my training program with Barnes & Noble and am working in the flagship store as a Department Manager. As I suspected, the retail industry in New York during Christmas is crazy, but I'll survive. B&N is opening two new stores in Manhattan this spring so if I work my butt off I might be (dare I say it...) promoted to Assistant Manager. I haven't met too many PSU alums in Hoboken, but I hear they are around. Would you believe I ran into J.P. Muir on the bus into work, he lives 3 blocks away from me! **Adam D.:** What's up with the Orlando games? **Sean:** What exactly are you doing now? Have you gotten a bed to sleep on yet? **Gazze:** If you are ever in Daytona say "Hi" to my parents and go see a shuttle launch - it's amazing. **Brady & the other Phis:** How ya doing? **Serg:** It's good to see your name on the Football Letter. **Cripanuk:** Are you running for Nike? **Trish:** Don't study too much. **Gillespie:** We believe in you (by the way, are you still allowed to get drunk?). **Ashford, Bove & Markham:** What are you guys doing with your lives? **To All:** Really disappointed that I didn't get to see you at Homecoming, I hope you are all doing well.

**Bill & Mary Pickens Landis** - 17675 Locust Street, Fountain Valley CA 92708, 714-968-1597 - We did it. Broke down and gave into low interest rates and bought a place in Southern CA. Unless something BIG happens, we're here to stay.

**Tom Lynch** - 600 Columbus Avenue #6B, New York NY 10024, 212-580-5393 - I'm still with Price Waterhouse in NYC and very actively seeking a career switch anywhere in the world. I'm getting married May 24, 1994 to Andrea Halliwell (ex-La Vie editor and a Parmi Nous - sorry to let you guys down, but love knows no boundaries). I haven't written in to the newsletter a while so I have way too many people to say HI to. It's great to hear that everyone is doing well. **Metzger Gruber:** Congrats! **Steve S.:** Congratulations on your law school standing (God help us all!). Just want to say "Hi" to **Ken H., J. Crombie, J.C. Holt, Rosenthal, Cuyar, Judy F. Janyne A., Dana T., Goff; S. Williams and P. Conway.** I'm sure I forgot someone I want to say Hi to, so insert your name here \_\_\_\_\_.

**Jessica M. Maldonado** - 6595 Reflection Drive #110, San Diego CA 92124, 619-280-5010 - Reported on board the USS McKee this past October. I'll be working as the assistant stores officer. Moved to San Diego, CA and I'm loving it! I do miss PSU and the Nittany Lions! **Jeff Kemp:** What's going on in your life! Hello to everyone else!

**Jeanette Morris Smith** - The end of 1993 finds us happy and well, and we hope the same for all of you. Our boys Tory (5 1/2) and Macy (2 1/2) are getting bigger and bigger. They are a real treat to watch when they play together nicely, which is most of the time. My husband Doug is now in his 15th year at American Management Systems, and continues as Deputy Manager of the Information Technology Consulting Group of 35. He's been doing less work for Federal clients and more for commercial, with the result that he is traveling more. I'm now in my 8th year at Xerox. After taking some time off in 1992, I returned to work last February as an analyst in the Virginia office helping customers redesign their document processes.

**M. Sean Ness** -23 Lord Street, Waltham MA 02154,617-647-7884 - I'm starting my second career. My first one lasted 7 weeks in Washington D.C. I'm working as a Technical Sales Engineer with and MIT spinoff company. The company has 12 employees, so my territory is world wide. I'll be in Cincinnati in February and Chicago this summer, that's all I know about my travel so far. I have one WHO friend up here. I have yet to run into any S&Bers. **Brady S.:** Wish I could have spent more time with you over Thanksgiving break. **Joe T.:** Thanks for the call. Keep working hard. **Tom D.:** I hope you groomed a good A VP candidate. **Gerard L.:** I hope your graduation was gratifying, good luck in the real world. **Everyone Else:** If you are in the area look me up, I have plenty of time to kill.

**Vicki Sandoe Burkhart** -Robert Scott Burkhart was born 12/19/93 at 8:39 p.m., 91bs. 10 oz., 20 1/2 inches.