

# October 10, 2013 Princeton Prospect Foundation Meeting

## IVY CLUB



### Update Compiled By Levi Malik, Vice-President

#### Technology

- A cluster printer installed in the club with supplies of paper and ink – Was installed last Spring and has proven useful for the club
- Club equipped with wireless internet and six working Mac desktops in an upstairs computer room
- 72" flat screen HDTV and on-demand digital cable
- Continued the members section on club website - Allows for guest lists to be accessed online and printed
- Digitized gear order and created a new invoice based system
- Digitized music playlists and the ability to add music to the playlists
- Enhance email communication between the alumni network and undergraduates because of new hire Molly Jones

- Soda fountain to provide members a non-alcoholic option on nights out and during meals
- Two speakers on dance floor and two portable speakers in order to provide audio for different events – New upgraded speakers for this school year

## **Community Service**

- A holiday gift drive and canned food drive to deliver to the Trenton Food Bank, and a holiday money collection to donate to our staff
- ESL chairs and committee continue to work with staff to enhance their understanding and speaking of English
- Break out trips were led by members during the fall as well as during spring break
- Many Ivy members are involved in community service through their athletic teams and other affiliations
- New initiative under the organization Kids Helping Kids – Will be visiting nearby Children’s Specialized Hospitals to meet and talk to kids in treatment

## **Intellectual Growth**

- Continued strong attendance of Weekly Roundtable Series, which see a numerous amount of business leaders, Ivy alumni, and professors come to have dinner with members followed by a one-hour presentation
  - Earlier this week, we welcomed Anshu Jain, co-CEO of Deutsche Bank
  - We also had a great session with Club Steward Betty Rascher to learn more about her life, what guided her to Ivy and her experience here over the past 14 years
  - Last spring, we hosted Professor Anthony Grafton, the Henry

Putnum Professor of History with a focus in the Renaissance and Reformation, who gave a presentation on how 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> century Europe when scholars tried to reconcile Biblical accounts with competing historical records

- In the fall, Ivy hosted Geoscience Professor van der Vink, Art History Professor Foster, Rocky Dean and Professor Jeff Nunokawa, and renowned calligrapher Brody Neuenschwander
- Continued development of the Ivy Leadership Speaker Series
  - Currently continuing on the Leadership in Crisis segment that began last spring with
  - In communication with the following guests to give a lecture on Leadership in 9/11
    - George Pataki, ex-governor of NYC
    - Fred Hitz, CIA
    - Representatives from the NYPD
  - The Council is also in communication with the President of National Congress of American Indians, Jefferson E. Keel, as a potential guest in the Spring
  - Continued to reach out to prominent leaders and looking forward to bringing in more speakers to further the discussion on leadership
- Growth of library book collections in the upstairs library as well as the new downstairs library

## **Sustainability**

- Use of compact fluorescents, bio-degradable to go boxes, and almost complete elimination of individually packaged plastic items
- State-of-the-art sustainability minded facility: Geothermal heating, motion-sensor lighting, and waterless urinals
- Purchasing of coffee mugs to discourage use of disposable paper cups

- Limiting number of plastic cups available for use at meals and on nights out
- Gathering of dirty plastic cups on nights out to recycle or use in different projects around campus
- Celebration and recognition of Earth Day by the Ivy Club members

## **Campus Presence**

- Last year the club will be hosting a few senior theses productions, such as an orchestra and a theatre performance
- Fireside nights offer an opportunity for member to casually share their talents
- Initiative to have an Ivy Talent night – Fireside in a more formal setting
- At the Holidays, Ivy Christmas Tree decorating and menorah lighting; In the Spring, Ivy Seder Dinner
- Members of Ivy lead and participate in many diverse and exciting campus organizations
  - diSiac, BodyHype, Shere Kahn, Footnoes, SHARE, BusinessToday, PACT, Tigers for Israel, Alcohol Coalition Committee, Peer Advisors, RCAs, The Nassau Weekly, Daily Princetonian, Princeton Faith in Action, Princeton Equestrian Team, etc.
- Members are also involved in Varsity athletics as well: Tennis, Track, Squash, Soccer, Crew, Lacrosse, and Fencing
- There are also several members who have become highly involved in the music industry
  - This includes members that can DJ on any given night
  - Members that are apart of bands that are hired to play gigs not only at Ivy but all over Prospect Avenue and elsewhere