



Apollodorus Alumni Association

2007-2008 Association Report

Current Officers:

Manuel Perez – President
Kirsten Walker – Vice President
James D. Wall – Secretary
Christopher Lee – Treasurer
Stefanie Shaw – Social Director

New Beginnings

The past year for the Apollodorus Alumni Association has been one of change and rejuvenation. The recent past of the association had been marked by a lack of participation, the lapsing of the corporate registration and what had become a defunct organization in a legal sense. The alumni were around and still participating in events with the active Chapter that alumni have traditionally participated in, but outside of that there had not been any kind of structure for almost a year.

On Nov. 17th, the alumni who had gathered at the University of Florida for the annual Alumni tailgate assembled with some of the most recent officers and a question was put out: Allow the Association to lapse in every definition or elect new officers and reform the organization? I'm happy to report that the alumni in unison decided to keep on going, and on that day we had elected a new slate of officers with the mandate to get the association rolling, giving the previous officers a chance to recuperate from the years of being on the executive board. The new officers were all recent alumni from Apollodorus, and would serve to inject new blood, optimism and a sense of purpose to the association.

Initial Tasks

The first order of business was to renew the corporate registration with the State of Florida. There had been some previous funds in a personal account from the previous president that belonged to the association, and these were used to pay the state the fees for registration. With this done, a federal employee identification number was obtained and used to open a bank account to accept and process alumni dues and pay for whatever activities the Alumni decide to engage in. With the increase of activity from the association, many members were encouraged to pay their dues, with the result of the Association paying the

current and last year's association fee's to the national fraternity, bringing us to good standing with the national fraternity.

Future Plans

With the fiscal and legal foundations for the Association laid down, the next step was to determine what activities the Association would be engaging in the coming months. The main thrusts of our plans are:

- Alumni Outreach / Contact List: We have obtained the data dump from the national database, and we plan to update that as best as possible with the locations of all Apollodorus alumni, and use it as a tool to get Brothers in contact with the national fraternity, the Association, and each other.
- Social: We intend on holding regional social events in different parts of the state hosted by brothers in that region to allow for socialization, bonding, talk of old times and to encourage and built a sense of fraternity that some of the alumni have not had a chance to experience in a while, which is the foundation of any brotherhood. We hope that this will result in increased activity amongst our alumni brothers on every level.
- Relations with the Chapter: Part and parcel with our plans to encourage social activity is to increase the contact and exchanges with our active brothers, including participating/supporting the myriad events that they have at UF throughout the year, especially in the service and professional spheres where alumni have skills, experience and knowledge to contribute.

With all that said, the past few months have been a relative rollercoaster for the Association, exhibiting a level of activity which has not been seen from some time. We are confident that this is indicative of a new beginning for the Association, and see nothing but good things to come for the Association, and the brotherhood.

Respectfully Submitted,



Manuel Pérez
President
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