Community Service:
Our former community service chairs, Arianne Carpio and Jess Gregory, continue to participate in community service planning efforts, and have been bringing new chairs Brett Usinger and Alice Eltvedt up to speed to continue Cloister’s impressive service record, particularly by getting members out to participate in longstanding University programs. This year’s projects include:

- Significant participation in the Athletic Department’s “Reading with Tigers” youth education program
- The Cloister Inn Man Auction, our annual charity event, raised over $600 for the Trenton Soup Kitchen
- Over 50 pre-purchased Truckfest Tickets
- Almost 40 members participated in the University’s “Teams for Toys” holiday gift drive

Club Improvements:
Headed by Matt Lotocki, our dedicated house manager and resident Mechanical Engineer, the Inn has recently had large member turnout to weekend “lawn parties” fixing up both the exterior of the clubhouse and tidying the interior, simultaneously encouraging members to learn and appreciate the skills necessary in the upkeep of such an historic building.

- General landscaping and spring cleanup outdoors
- Electronics (speakers/lights) repair sessions to reduce needless landfill + learn a skill
- Redesigned drainage systems to prevent flooding and reduce runoff onto Prospect

Environmental Responsibility:
Cloister Inn maintains a commitment to sustainable practices and healthy living, for its members and the environment.

- Ceramic/non-disposable cups and silverware have replaced disposables at meals
- We have significantly reduced fertilizer usage, limiting harmful lawn runoff into lake Carnegie
- Temporary insulation in all windows (single pane glass!) over the winter significantly reduced our heating needs

Faculty / Alumni Invitations:
Faculty and Alumni relations are a cornerstone of Cloister Inn.

- Our Faculty Chair, Grant Golub has continued to host regular faculty lunches open to all members
- Various Alumni visit Cloister on a regular basis, and are always welcome for free meals
- Our Wall of Olympians will soon honor two more Cloister Olympians, inspiring everyone to achieve excellence. 24 Members have competed in the games.