

# April 21, 2016 Princeton Prospect Foundation Meeting

## IVY CLUB



## Update Compiled By Gonzalo Mocerrea, Vice-President

### Technology

- A cluster printer installed in the club with supplies of paper and ink
- Club equipped with wireless internet and six working Mac desktops
- 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
- 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

## **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
- Several members are in charge of coordinating and modeling in Fashion Speaks, a fashion show with proceeds going to Eden Autism Services
- Many Ivy members are involved in community service through their athletic teams and other affiliations
- Took part in the street-wide TruckFest event to help support food security charities in the Trenton and wider New Jersey area
- Helped coordinate ESL program and curriculum for eating club staff

## **Intellectual Growth**

- Continued strong attendance of Ivy 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
  - In the past year, Professor Ruha Benjamin visited Ivy to speak in the Roundtable Series.
  - Professor Benjamin is an assistant professor in the Center for African American Studies, as well as a Faculty Associate in the History of Science Program.
  - In the the past, Ivy has hosted some shining stars: Anshu Jain [Co-CEO of Deutsche Bank], The Warwick Rowers [Raised over \$300,000 for Sports Allies], Chris Dercon [Director of the Tate Modern] & Arun Goel [Wine Connoisseur of Varsity Liquors]

- As well as a few of our very own: Caroline Shifke '12 [Former Ivy Club President], Danny Shea I'07 [editorial director at HuffPost Live] & Isabel Wilkinson I'08 [Fashion & Arts Editor at The Daily Beast]
- Continued development of the Ivy Leadership Speaker Series
- In the last academic year, we have welcomed:
  - Jacob Zuma, the President of South Africa
  - His Royal Highness Turki Al Failsa, Former Ambassador and member of the Saudi Royal family
  - Alexis McGill-Johnson, Board Chair of Planned Parenthood Federation of America
  - Those who are 21 years old will have the opportunity to sample 6 different wines with guidance and discussion led by Bignon
  - Within the past calendar year, James Baker III [Former U.S. Secretary of State and Chief of Staff], U.S. Army General David Petraeus [Former CIA Director] have also visited Ivy as guest speakers
  - Continued to reach out to prominent leaders and looking forward to bringing in more speakers to further the discussion on leadership

## **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

- Celebration and recognition of Earth Day by the Ivy Club members

## **Campus Presence**

- During the Holidays, Ivy Christmas Tree decorating and menorah lighting; In the Spring, Ivy Seder Dinner
- Ivy organizes several teams to participate in the University's IM leagues every season
- Members of Ivy lead and participate in many diverse and exciting campus organizations:
  - diSiac, BodyHype, Shere Kahn, Footnotes, SHARE, Business Today, PACT, Tigers for Israel, Alcohol Coalition Committee, Peer Advisors, RCAs, The Nassau Weekly, Princeton Faith in Action, Princeton Undergraduate Law Review, Pace Center, etc.
- Members are also involved in Varsity athletics as well: Tennis, Track, Squash, Soccer, Crew, and Football