



# Cannon Dial Elm Club

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### Education

The Club hosts monthly Round Table discussions wherein a University faculty member or notable graduate meets with a group of students to discuss his or her field of study. While the Round Table discussions offer a more formal setting for a large subset of members to engage in productive dialogue with members of the University network, Cannon members are always encouraged to invite coaches and other representatives of the University community to meals at the Clubhouse. These exchanges, both formal and informal, enable Cannon and its members to improve relationships with the rest of the Princeton community and offer a glimpse into the daily activities of a Cannon member.

### Technology & Media

Cannon's second-floor computer room presently features four desktop computers and a high-volume cluster printer for basic academic needs. The clubhouse has been set up on the University network to allow students to use their laptops throughout the building. Elsewhere in the Club, the basement tap rooms feature nine TVs set up on three distinct cable feeds and the second floor theater is equipped with cable, BluRay and auxiliary inputs for video game purposes.

The Club continues to use its two POS systems in the server room to expedite the ordering process at meals. Over the spring semester, the Club hopes to complete both its iPhone and Android applications so that members can place their meal orders before arriving at the Club.

Beyond physical technology in the clubhouse, Cannon is always in the process of improving its website, which can be found at <http://www.cannonclub.com>. Presently, the website serves as a great resource for both undergraduate members and alumni, providing regular updates to alumni interested in a variety of Cannon events (ranging from community service, intramural sports and on-campus performances/athletic events featuring club members) and offering students a restricted “members only” section to inform them of social events, menus, etc.

## **Community Service**

Many Cannon members are involved in a variety of community service opportunities on campus, including volunteering at local food banks, tutoring Princeton- and Trenton-area youths and serving as volunteer coaches for Princeton youth athletic teams. In the fall semester, the Club hosted the Nomad Truck, a fashion boutique on wheels that serves both New York and New Jersey. Fifteen percent of all purchases were donated to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

As in previous years, Cannon continued its work in supporting local families during the winter holidays. Looking ahead to the Spring, the Club intends to host its annual Date Auction and participate in the food truck festival that will coincide with the Inter-Club Community Fundraiser during Princeton Preview.

## **Campus Life**

Following a successful spring bicker in which 144 students applied for membership, the Club welcomed 93 sophomores and 5 juniors. Demographically, Cannon members participate in a wide scope of campus activities, including Greening Princeton, AKWAABA, the Black Student Union, Princeton Faith & Action, Fuzzy Dice Improv Comedy, Black Arts Company (BAC) Dance, Greek life organizations, Shere Khan A Capella, The Daily Princetonian, Business Today, Athletes in Action and 22 varsity athletic teams (baseball, men's and women's basketball, men's lightweight crew, women's open weight crew, women's fencing, field hockey, football, women's golf, women's hockey, men's and women's lacrosse, women's soccer, softball, sprint football, women's swimming & diving, men's and women's tennis, men's and women's track & field, women's water polo, and wrestling).

In an attempt to encourage club activity beyond meals and weekend social events, the club intends to host two events per month to build the community atmosphere within the club and encourage members to meet their peers. Previous events have included members' karaoke nights and trips to Terhune Orchards and a local bowling alley.

Beginning in the fall semester, the Club began hosting a series of career and networking nights with Cannon Club, Dial Lodge, Elm Club and DEC Club alumni to expose members to a variety of different fields, including medicine, law, business, financial services, advertising and marketing.

## **Sustainability**

Cannon club has committed to engaging in more environmentally friendly practices, which includes removing plastic cups from the servery to cut down on cup consumption and the introduction of a food scraps collection that are eventually used as feed at a local pig farm. Other sustainability proposals include switching to the use of energy-efficient light bulbs and introducing lighting and faucet systems that utilize motion-sensors.

## **New Developments**

On Wednesday, February 12, 2014, the junior and senior members elected its new officer corps.

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Bicker Chair: Nick Donatiello (ndonatie@)

Vice President: Sydney Kirby (skirby@)

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