



CAP AND GOWN CLUB

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News from the Board Chair

Tom Fleming '69

Dear Cap Members,

Cap continues to be the hub of the unique Princeton undergraduate experience for our current members as it has been for previous generations. On page 3, Cap President RJ Hernandez '19 will fill you in on the many fall activities that our Officer Corps has been organizing including a very successful second annual Parents & Family Weekend.



Princeton Homecoming was Saturday, October 13th, the day of the Princeton-Brown Game. During a lull in the action at the club, Dennis Keller '63, Lisa Schmucki '74, Wistar Wood '83, and I snuck into the new Cox Wing under construction. It was exciting to enter the space and envision the 1965 and 1973 Pavilions with their spectacular views south to Powers Field and



Dennis Keller '63
and Tom Fleming '69

north across our large front lawn. The beautiful brickwork that was hidden by the old fire escape is now visible. Our Grand Opening during Reunions on June 1 will illustrate how perfectly this new space works for special events, in addition to providing daily study and relaxing space. The underutilized space along Roper Lane will soon transform into our "Cap"stone accomplishment.

In the Spring Newsletter, I mentioned my participation on the 2017-2018 Task Force on the Relationship between the University and the Eating Clubs. This group reviewed the accomplishments of the 2010 Task Force, which have been substantial, and continued the work of re-examining the relationship of the University and the clubs. The new report was released on November 12th and is available online at tinyurl.com/TaskForceRept. The essence is captured in the vision statement:

Princeton University and the eating clubs, working together, strive to provide all undergraduates with experiences that contribute to a campus social life that is vibrant, accessible and inclusive; help to create a sense of connectedness, belonging and community; and enhance the overall Princeton experience.

The Interclub Council (ICC) and the Graduate Interclub Council (GICC) support the Task Force recommendations as stated in a press release issued concurrently by the ICC with the report's release. As Chairman of the



GICC Meeting in partnership with the University to mitigate the negative consequences of well-intentioned University financial aid and pricing policies in order to meet the vision." See more on page 12.

The University generously provides increased financial aid for juniors and seniors to cover a large portion of the additional cost of joining a club. Juniors and seniors on full financial aid receive approximately \$8,000 for board, which covers much of the \$9,500 cost of joining Cap for a year.

What many alumni do not know, is that if a student decides not to join a club or have a full meal plan in the colleges, by going independent or by joining a co-op, they can use the money "saved" for any other purpose including sending money home.

The amount of money available to send home can be considerable as the University subsidizes alternatives to clubs. For example, a student can join a coop for the \$1,200 a year cost of purchasing food. The University provides kitchen, dining, and leisure space as well as appliances and utilities free.

Twenty-three percent of the current freshmen class is Pell Grant eligible with an average family income of \$30,000 per year. How many of those students will enjoy the benefits of joining a club if they must choose between borrowing the incremental \$1,500 needed to join a club or having as much as \$6,800, or 23% of family income to send home?



Thanks to the excellent work of the Cap Board Financial Aid Committee, Cap has recently begun to help members fund what the University is not providing. The need for our help is greater than our resources, and we cannot and should not compete with the University to fund non-Princeton expenses.

Year after year, Cap and Gown is the most popular club on the street as measured by the number of students who sign up for Bicker. We have an exceptionally diverse membership that reflects the diversity of the Princeton student body as a whole so we are able to withstand these pressures. Some other clubs may not be as fortunate.

Fortunately, the ICC and the GICC are both very united and committed to making continuous improvements in the quality and safety of club life at Princeton. We are working with the University to ensure that both selective and open clubs remain strong. We know the clubs provide a wide variety of options for the kind of community that fosters lifelong devotion and generosity to the clubs and to Princeton.

Cap's success depends on your continuing devotion and generosity. We need to raise another \$400,000 for the Cox Wing to ensure that we emerge from this project debt free so we can

have the financial flexibility to meet our challenges. Please take the time before year-end to make a generous pledge or donation. Help us reach the goal, so we can celebrate at Reunions in the spirit expressed by David Blair '67, Vice Chair Emeritus of the Board, "Party on!"

Tom Fleming '69
Graduate Board Chair



New Fall 2018 Members

Jordan Colvin
Colorado Springs, CO
Pine Creek High School

Quinn Donohue
San Francisco, CA
Lick-Wilmerding High School

Kennan Ewing
Cortlandt Manor, NY
Hendrick Hudson High School

Jaclyn Hovsmith
Woodside, CA
Woodside High School

Sneha Iyer
Alpharetta, GA
Johns Creek High School

Nankee Kumar
Potomac, MD
Sidwell Friends

Michele Montas
New York City
Lycée Français de New York

Nicolas Ng
Princeton, NJ
Montgomery High School

Malika Oak
New Delhi, India
Vasant Valley School

Diana Sandoval Simán
San Salvador, El Salvador
Lycée Français de San Salvador

Drey Tengan
Honolulu, HI
Iolani School

Riley Wagner
Waynesboro, VA
Waynesboro High School



The Club Scene



Dear Cap Alumni,

Happy autumn! It is my pleasure to write to you once again about all that is new at the Cap and Gown Club. After working closely with the former officers throughout the Spring semester, our office corps has hit the ground running this Fall. Despite a rainy September, we welcomed back our membership with an indoor cookout and a rousing Lawnparties Brunch provided by Chef Greg and our fantastic kitchen staff. Weekly

activities at the club resumed with the start of classes.

Within our first couple of weeks, we hosted Fall Bicker and welcomed 13 new juniors into the "Illustrious." We had 30 total bickerees, a slight increase from the 29 bickerees last fall. Bicker was well-organized by Membership Chair Jacob Schwartz '19, who kept everyone thoroughly engaged with his entertaining personality while leading discussions. He was assisted by Technology Chair Ryan McCaffrey '19.

Around the clubhouse, Treasurer Meaghan Attard '19 and House Manager Theo Tamayo '19 have helped make things all the more cozy and competitive in the midst of construction on the Cox Wing. Theo helped organize the purchase of some new couches in the game room, and Meaghan complimented this with a brand new WiiU. Mario Kart has taken our membership by storm, culminating with an exhilarating Mario Kart Tournament at our latest Members' Night organized by Social Chair Esteban Aguas '19.



Club Night Thursdays continue to provide diverse dishes week in and week out. Through the collaborative efforts of Vice President Josephine Pinnock '19 and Chef Greg, we have enjoyed Mexican, Mediterranean, Asian, and Indian themed dinners thus far. And to cap off every Thursday evening (pun most definitely intended), our very own "piano man" Jordan Salama '19 has been bringing the membership together to sing along to classics like "Drops of Jupiter" and "Don't Stop Believing."

Athletics Chair Sami Belkadi '19 has led Cap's Intramural charge this fall, and we're off to a hot start across the board. As it currently stands, we are undefeated in IM soccer and are in pursuit of back-to-back championships. The intramural sports have proved a great way for our junior and senior members to get to know

one another while proudly representing the "Illustrious" in the Princeton Community.

Building on the tradition started last fall, Cap hosted our second annual Parents & Family Weekend from October 5-7. With the diligent planning of Esteban, Jacob, Dennis, Chef Greg, and our lovely staff, we hosted a cocktail hour and hors d'oeuvres on Friday evening. As the weekend proceeded, we hosted a brunch Saturday morning and a dinner Saturday night, as well as a farewell brunch on Sunday morning for the families. We welcomed family members from over 60 of our members, an exponential increase from last year in which just over 20 members brought their families to the club.

On the horizon, Esteban has been tirelessly working to pack our upcoming social calendar. We hosted Cap Prom just before Fall Break, which is an 80s-themed members' prom night that fosters a great environment for our junior and senior members to bond. He has organized a newly themed semi-formal for November, and is preparing member's nights for November and December which will include Harry Potter, Family Feud, and Karaoke themes.





The Club Scene



Our Culturally Cap Chairs Andrew Wang '19 and Reed Melchionda '19 are still spearheading Cap's "Member of the Week," which continues to humor the membership by highlighting the fun and quirky unknown facts about our members. They also organized a trip to Six Flags Great Adventure for the club to enjoy the park's "Fright Fest" attractions for the Halloween season.

Community Outreach Chairs Morgan Bell '19 and Alison Shim '19 have begun meeting weekly with the Community Service ICC (CSICC) and have worked hard to help organize the street-wide "Trick or Feed" event which raised over \$3,000 and collect foodstuff donations for the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen. The event serves as a way for students to get special stickers that allow them to go out to the clubs on Princetoween. They also hope to continue efforts to help Cap alum Nat Tung '18 with her non-profit schoolhouse operation in Trenton.

In huge sustainability news, Chairs Nyema Wesley '19 and Viv Garth '19 helped the club transition from styrofoam cups to paper cups to help our coffee and tea addicts be a little more conservation friendly! They are also working to establish a more permanent version of the clothing swap that they organized for a week in the Spring.

As the leaves change colors and the crisper weather settles in, the club is excited to enjoy all that awaits throughout the rest of this semester. As always, we love to see alumni, so if you're in the area, feel free to stop by for some delicious food and merry company!

Best Wishes,
RJ Hernandez '19



Undergraduate Officers



From Left to Right: RJ Hernandez, Meaghan Attard, Esteban Aguas, Theo Tamayo, Sami Belkadi, Josephine Pinnock, Jacob Schwartz

President: Raymond (RJ) Hernandez '19
Vice President: Josephine Pinnock '19
Treasurer: Meaghan Attard '19
Social Chair: Esteban Aguas '19
Bicker Chair: Jacob Schwartz '19
House Manager: Theo Tamayo '19
Athletics/Gear Chair: Sami Belkadi '19

Technology Chair: Ryan McCaffrey '19
Culturally Cap Chairs:
Reed Melchionda '19 and Andrew Wang '19
Community Service Chairs:
Morgan Bell '19 and Alison Shim '19
Sustainability Chairs:
Nyema Wesley '19 and Viviane Garth '19



Cap Movie Night

What do Cap members watch on movie night? Here are the movies they picked this fall:

- Hocus Pocus
- Now You See Me
- The Incredibles
- Chicago
- Rush Hour



The Cap and Gown Staff



Please Support the Dennis Normile Staff Lounge

One of the best things about the new Cox Wing at Cap and Gown is the expanded space for the staff in the lower level of the club, where the real action happens at Cap. The new underground storage room underneath the Cox Wing will provide much-needed storage space, and open up space for an employee lounge.

We dedicated the second volume of the *Cap and Gown History* to our staff. No living being personifies the club and its impact on all of us more than our club manager of more than 35 years, Dennis Normile. We are creating the Dennis Normile Staff Lounge, with pictures of current and former staff.



Please donate for the Dennis Normile Staff Lounge

We will have a special plaque in the lounge with the names of all alumni who contribute \$1,000 or more for this new space (\$500 for classes of 2007-2011; \$250 for classes of 2012 and younger).

This is a great way to thank our wonderful staff. They think of Cap and Gown as their house, and take care of it that way.

Donate to the Dennis Normile Staff Lounge
tinyurl.com/CapStaffRoom



The Plans for the Cox Wing



The Cox Wing is a “Cap”stone project for the club that will provide expanded, highly functional space needed to support our undergraduate members and alumni—while preserving the historic nature of the club—for the foreseeable future.

Karl Pettit '67 deserves our utmost thanks for leading this project, on a pro bono basis, to be sure it is exceptional in every way. He has led the charge and hired a professional team including architects, engineers, and a zoning lawyer. The club has retained Michael Farewell, the architect of the Friend Wing to come up with a design that meets all of our objectives and is consistent with the architecture of our historic structure, particularly important, as it will be visible from the street. The Cox Wing will address the following critical needs:

- **More Storage:** The decision to convert the club to geothermal heating/cooling reduced the amount of lower level storage space and eliminated our original plans for a staff lounge. A new fire marshal has pointed out multiple code violations that have to be addressed.
- **More Study Space:** Our members use the club extensively during the week to study. The University funded a WiFi upgrade for all of the clubs, and that has increased the amount of time students spend at the club, all day long, to do their work.
- **More Event Space:** Even with the additional space in the Friend Wing, the club rents tents for numerous student and alumni functions. The tents are expensive and with the Cox Wing we will no longer need to rent tents for these events.

Karl Pettit and the Cap House Committee proposed a number of solutions for the Cap Board's consideration, leading up to the



current plans. We were fortunate to receive a zoning variance, with the help of support from our neighboring clubs (yes, Cottage), that was needed to make it happen. We also received the support of the historic commission, and unanimous approval by the Princeton Planning Board.

In recent years, many of the clubs have been in catch-up mode, relative to the University's renovations and expansions to meet the needs of a larger student body. Historically, Cap has had one of the smaller clubhouses. With this 3,540 square foot addition, counting both above ground and below ground space, we will be among the larger clubs.

Learn more and view all the plans for the Cox Wing at capandgownclub.org/coxwing



Board Secretary Lisa Schmucki '74, Club Steward Dennis Normile, Project Coordinator Karl Pettit '67, Architect Michael Farewell, and Board Chair Tom Fleming '69 reviewing the plans for the Cox Wing



The New Cox Wing Construction News

by Karl Pettit '67

The construction phase of the Cox Wing Project is well underway. Designed by Farewell Architects, the construction contract was awarded to C. Raymond Davis & Sons — a highly respected regional contractor. Dennis Normile has been very complimentary about C. Raymond Davis' professionalism and quality of work.

Construction began in June, and is anticipated to be completed by or before May 2019 so that it will be ready for the planned ribbon cutting ceremony during Reunions weekend!

The excavation and foundation, the 1st floor concrete floor slab, and the basement foundation work have all been completed. The first floor walls are up and the roof has been raised. The erection of the roof framing was an exciting moment because we can now see the real size and scale of Cox Wing. And just wait to see new photos of the addition at Christmas when the exterior brickwork has been completed!



Pouring the concrete for the Cox Wing



Expanding our underground storage space has been critical to comply with fire codes, and provide space for the staff to do their work, and to have a staff lounge.

Part of the project includes the installation of an underground storm water detention and site drainage system that will run along the south lawn's Roper Lane property line. This work is being completed and new landscaping will be installed for the south lawn along Roper Lane.

Although a portion of the large south bluestone terrace has needed to be fenced off during construction, C. Raymond Davis has made an effort to keep a good portion of the terrace available for use, along with the main stairs from the patio to the dining hall and lower level bar and party room.

Farewell Architects and landscape architect Holly Grace Nelson are developing the design for the new north garden. This project will include a 600sf terrace immediately north of the Cox Wing, a new black picket fence and hedgerow along Roper Lane, and landscaped beds to frame our large front lawn.

When all is said and done, the Cox Wing is going to be a lovely new addition that respects the Norman Gothic style of the original clubhouse. It will provide 1,700 square feet of lounge space with WiFi service where club members will be able to work on their academic assignments in comfort, complimented by a large-scale gas fireplace. The space will also be able to be easily converted into dining space for 96 people for special events for undergrad members and alumni.



Dennis Keller '63, Tom Fleming '69, and Wistar Wood '83 checking on the progress.



A "Cap"Stone Project for Cap's Next 100 Years



The Cox Wing Fundraising Goal and Naming Opportunities Goal of \$1.2 Million

The following naming opportunities for the Cox Wing have been named.

The Cox Wing for Howard Cox '64

South Pavilion for the Class of 1965 | North Pavilion for the Class of 1973 | Fireplace for the Class of 1992

Naming Opportunities

The following naming opportunities are likely to be the last remaining opportunities of this kind ever.

- North Garden | \$100,000
- North Terrace | \$75,000
- Garden Walkway | \$75,000
- West Gate | \$50,000
- Garden Bench (4) | \$15,000 Each

Section Plaque

A Cap Section Plaque will recognize sections that have donated \$50,000 or more. (\$25,000 or more for classes in the 2000s)

Individual Donor Plaque

An Individual Donor Plaque will recognize club members who have gone above and beyond in their generosity.

- \$100,000 And Above | Leadership Circle
- \$50,000 To \$99,999 | 61 Prospect Group
- \$25,000 To \$49,999 | Founders
- \$10,000 To \$24,999 | Principals
- \$5,000 To \$9,999 | Patrons



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Princeton University welcomed back over 3,000 alumnae for the She Roars conference on October 4-6, 2018 to celebrate the impact Princeton women have had on the University and their communities. This was the second She Roars conference and was about three times larger than the inaugural conference in 2011. This year’s celebration was the largest event in Princeton University’s history held during the academic year.



Club Steward Dennis Normile in the kitchen with Cap Presidents Lizzie Biney-Amisshah '04, Briana Bennett '05, and Dayna Federici Sracic '01

A Profile of Cap Women Presidents

Cap and Gown was one of the leaders on the “Street” in welcoming women members in the 1970s, and was one of the first clubs to elect a woman as president. Cap has had five women presidents — Dayna Federici Sracic '01, Lizzie Biney-Amisshah '04, Briana Bennett '05, Rachel Blum '11, and Jade Williams '18.

We asked our “Illustrious” Cap women presidents to send in some of their reflections on being a President of Cap. Dayna, Rachel, and Jade, whose terms spanned 17 years, were able to meet our deadline, and we’re so thankful they were able to write.

Cap President Dayna Federic Sracic '01

Many of my most treasured memories at Princeton came from my Cap and Gown friendships and experiences: Christmas at Cap, everyday meals, Casino Night, lazy days starting with brunch, the Toga Foam party, time with Dennis and the staff, nights that felt never-ending during bicker, intramural games and winning the championship, hearing stories from alumni during Reunions, and of course, Lawnparties weekend. As an alum and Cap Board member, I continued to create wonderful memories at Cap and Gown: nights in NY, the Capital Campaign and subsequent opening of the new addition, homecoming tailgates and post-game parties and my most treasured annual experience—meeting a new set of officers each spring to learn about their Cap experiences, sharing war stories, and giving advice on how to savor the fleeting moments.





Looking back, I remember very vividly exploring the Street as a wandering freshman and feeling an overwhelming sense of community at 61 Prospect Avenue. Ultimately, it was this feeling that led me to bicker and then run for president spring of junior year. When I decided to run for president, I had no idea that there had never been a female president prior. At the time, this was both unbelievable and exciting. I remember standing in front of the members and expressing how close I felt to everyone in the Cap community and that I would be honored to foster that sense of community in everyday campus, Street, and Cap life. To my own surprise, I won without regard or discussion of gender, just another year and another Cap election in the books (and the VP elect happened to be a woman as well).

However, on campus it was considered news — the first “big four” bicker club to have a female president. As a result, I was approached by a few campus groups, including *The Daily Princetonian*, to provide commentary. At the time it bothered me. Why was I any different than past elected presidents? Why did my gender matter? I was a passionate club member with a desire to lead and continue the time-honored traditions of Cap and Gown. It wasn't until the first Cap Board meeting that I understood the significance — good, bad and indifferent. Looking back, I wish I had been more willing to speak about and celebrate the historic event. Perspective is a funny thing. It was my belief that the “attitude” on the Street and more broadly on campus was more than receptive, it was accepting of female leadership. What I learned from speaking to members of the Cap Board and alumni at reunions is that this acceptance should not be taken for granted and continually celebrated. I'm thrilled that 9 of 11 current presidents on the Street are women. This should be celebrated.

As an undergraduate and through to today, I'm continually reminded that a strong community was and is paramount — it is evident in daily club life and the lifelong bond that all Cap and Gown members share—regardless of class year. We all have seen the quote from Herman A. Heydt, Jr. '29, “Whenever I enter this club, I feel happy inside.” I believe this happiness comes from the thriving community and friendships made at 61 Prospect Avenue. I feel fortunate to have called Cap and Gown home — both literally and figuratively.

Cap President Rachel Blum '11

I never felt hampered by my gender until becoming President of Cap and Gown. Growing up, I was often the only girl in sports leagues and an all-star through middle school years. I even played golf — a sport notorious for forbidding women access.



Yet, I never felt lesser or that there was something I couldn't do strictly because of my gender... until running for president at Cap and Gown.

As a new sophomore member and into my junior fall, any time that I wasn't in class or at practice, I was at Cap and Gown. Cap quickly became my home and when our President, Andrés Pérez '10, suggested that I consider running to be his successor, I had honestly never considered it. I hate to say this, but I ignorantly pictured eating club presidents as men. Even with Shirley Tilghman paving the way as our fearless University President, I thought eating club presidents needed to be strong men who could control a crowd, hold their liquor, and demand respect, as Andrés and the other nine eating club presidents had done. Plus, presidents have a big responsibility to keep the club safe which means you can't always be the fun one.

A combination of too much Milwaukee's Best, seeing former female presidents' pictures line the walls of Cap (Dayna Federici Sracic '01, Lizzie Biney-Amisshah '04, and Bri Bennett '05), and encouragement from my classmates, pushed me to run for president.

My fears weren't completely wrong, but they were far from right. No, I couldn't physically remove a drunken offensive lineman from the club on a Saturday night if necessary—but I didn't need to. I could rely on the membership (and security) to take pride in their club and protect it if needed. And as much as I tried, and as competitive as I am, I tried — I wasn't going to be able to prove my worth or gain respect with beer intake, I didn't have the stomach. But once again, that wasn't necessary. Respect came from my peers seeing that all decisions were driven by one objective — to make Cap a favorite place on campus for its membership... which sometimes meant making unpopular decisions to keep the lights on.



What I overlooked in my swirling thoughts of fear is that the majority of Cap members had the same respect for Cap and Gown and each other that had pushed me to run for president in the first place. Members and the other officers wanted to be involved in making Cap their favorite place on campus so all I had to do was orchestrate.

Being president wasn't easy for me but looking back, I'm extremely grateful for the experience. Being the only female president on the Street in 2011 helped prepare me for my current career where I'm often the only woman the room. Today, 9 out of 11 eating club presidents are women. I can't wait to see that wave of change hit the corporate meeting room.

Cap President Jade Williams '18

When I was deciding to run for Cap President, at first, I did not pay much thought to my gender or what influence that may have in the position. I became interested in being an officer because of my love for the club and all the positive experiences I



associated with it. Talking with all the older officers and why they decided to run, I realized Cap had given me a lot and I wanted to give back to the club and the members in a position where that was possible.

When I decided to run for president, the president before me, Sean Poosson '17, took me up to the Centennial Room and showed me the 2004 Faceboard where Lizzie Biney-Amissah '04 was Cap's first black female president. I thought more about how Lizzie paved the way for a person like myself, a young, black female in a Princeton eating club, to feel comfortable and proud enough to strive for such a high position. Especially when for many, Princeton and eating clubs at Princeton used to be seen as old boys' clubs. Eating clubs had become more welcoming and diverse spaces for people to grow in. Cap had shown me that, and I wanted to give that same level of comfort for future members who were looking for a place to call home no matter what they looked like, where they came from, or what they could afford.

With myself as President, and Ify Ikpeazu '18 as Vice President, our officer corps was the first to have two black females in the

top two positions. Our officer corps had four females total with three males filling the other positions, also becoming the first female-heavy officer corps. It was amazing to know this but what I appreciated more was that it had no effect on our ability to get the job done or the club's support for us. Even when the first three positions filled during elections were female, this did not dissuade or worry our membership in deciding to choose who they thought was best for the job. Other female presidents were elected on the street in my year, including Ivy Club electing its first black female president, but it was also great knowing we were not picked just to fill a quota. We were chosen because we could get the job done and because we cared so much about our clubs, and our members cared so much about us.

Going to She Roars this year was another great example of the strong and awesome groups of women who have graduated from Princeton and made great strides in their own careers and personal lives. Getting to hear about their experiences and talk more about what it means to be a woman when facing new challenges in your life reinforced my respect for how we can all get the job done based on our ability and not what is expected otherwise.

Although my senior year went by extremely quickly, I would never give up the memories of being at Cap since they made my time so special. My favorite events will always be the weekly club nights, movie nights, and every formal. But what makes the club special are the people. With Cap you're a member for life, so I'm happy I'll always have the chance to make new memories and gain new experiences with all the people who helped shape my presidency and with my closest friends in the club.



Cap '18 Officers: Vice President Ify Ikpeazu, Social Chair Annie Hadley, President Jade Williams



Watch the video:
<http://1080princeton.com/vimeo-video/women-run-the-street>

The Women Who Run the Street

This year marked a landmark event in Princeton University's history and the equalization of gender roles in leadership on Prospect Avenue. Nine out of eleven of the eating clubs voted to elect a woman as president.

It was 49 years ago, the fall of 1969, when Princeton University began admitting women as freshman at the University. It was not until 1991 that all eating clubs became coed as a result of a sex discrimination suit filed by Sally Frank, now a law professor at Drake University. In 2011, a report by the Princeton Steering Committee on Undergraduate Women's Leadership published an extensive report that outlined a persistent lack of female leadership across campus. We are now in a new era.

Take time to view the video interviews with each of the female club presidents, who are as different as the clubs themselves. Recurrent themes emerge, however: being role models for women on campus and the University as a whole, reinforcing safety in the clubs, and being inclusive in club culture. While women have held many other officer roles at the clubs to date, the significance of this election brings these women together around the table to represent their clubs at the Inter-Club Council (ICC), where they are working together on consistent policies and practices across all clubs.

More and more, the clubs are providing meaningful opportunities for leadership for a diverse community of Princeton students, who will be the future leaders of the nation.

Watch the video:

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Task force issues report on relationship between University and eating clubs

A new Princeton Task Force on the Relationship between the University and the Eating Clubs has published a report, building on the work of the first report in 2010. The 2018 report offers recommendations on diversity and inclusion, student health and well-being, eating club costs, and new eating club-University partnerships.

Read more at tinyurl.com/TaskForceRept



The ICC (Interclub Council) issued a press release in response to the report stating, "The InterClub Council (ICC) is greatly encouraged to see that the Task Force Report recommendations are aligned with the actions both in progress and already taken by the ICC (Interclub Council) over the past few years. Our shared goal is to help the clubs be as safe, accessible, and welcoming to as many members of the Princeton community as possible. The major themes of the report are, at a high level, consistent with the initiatives the ICC has put at the forefront of its agenda as it becomes increasingly involved in shaping the club experience and student experience."

Read the ICC press release at tinyurl.com/ICCresponds/



Cap President Jade Williams '18 Meets Cap Alum Norman Carter '38 at his 80th Reunion

80 years separate the years Norman Carter '38 and Cap President Jade Williams '18 graduated from Princeton, but they came together to meet and talk because Cap and Gown keeps our members connected over decades of Princeton and Cap history.

Norm Carter read the article we wrote about him and his room-mate and club-mate Bill Coors '38 in the Cap Spring Newsletter. He also read about our Cap President Jade Williams, who was recently profiled in the *Princeton Alumni Weekly*. So when Norm was returning to Princeton for his 80th Reunion, he asked, Lisa Schmucki '74, the editor of the newsletter, if he could meet her. Lisa and Jade met up with Norm and his family at the Old Guard Luncheon.

Here are Jade's reflections on this historic meeting:

"As I prepared myself for my first P-rade as a graduating senior, I was especially excited for one early activity of the day which was the great opportunity to meet Norm Carter '38, one of the oldest alumni on campus and in Cap! After emailing back and forth with his son Thomas Carter '66, also a Cap alum, I was able to meet Norm in Forbes, accompanied by Lisa Schmucki.



After Tom made all of the introductions, I was amazed to see Norm's eyes light up in recognition since Tom had told me he had wanted to meet me since reading about me in the Cap newsletter. In addition to asking me questions about Cap and Gown today, as well as my studies and post-graduation plans, I was able to hear a little more from him and his own experience at Princeton. He told me he has attended almost every Princeton Reunions, and during his 70th Reunion, Tom and Norm told a hilarious story where a student offered Bill Coors, Norm's former roommate, a Bud Light which Bill immediately sent back.

Norm has not been able to see the inside of the club with the new additions, but he has been able to come back to Cap a few times and he says the club looks great from the outside! I told him the newest addition, the Cox Wing, will look even better once completed and hopefully we can get him to the club to see it! I am extremely honored to have met him and I hope that I get to see him next year for my first Reunions! I am extremely thankful to Tom Carter and Lisa for their introduction and it was great to see Norm surrounded by so many family and friends."



A new tradition is the 50th Reunion Luncheon at Cap. The class of 1968 celebrated their 50th at Cap on Friday of Reunions.

Save the Date—June 1, 2019



Reunions 2019
**Cox Wing at Cap and Gown
Grand Opening!**



A Cocktail Party for Cap Women has become an annual tradition, kicking off Friday night of Reunions



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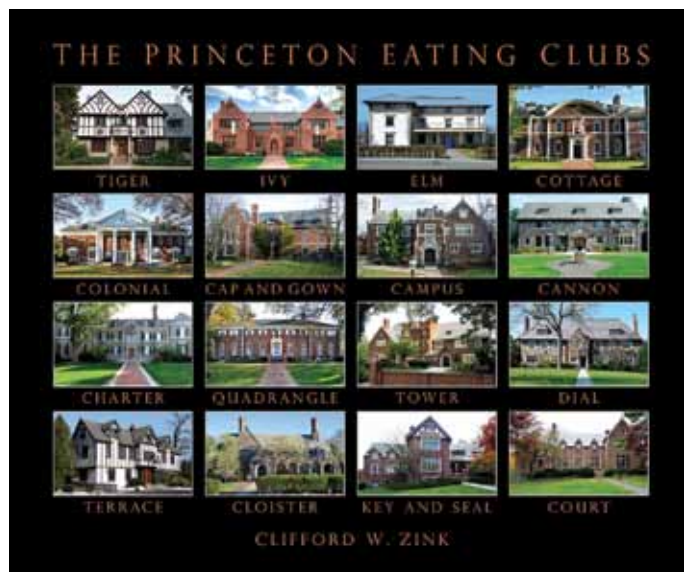
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