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# The Mu Cow



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### Rush Update

-Jason Schwarz, Alumni Co-Chair

Our first spring rush went as well as we could have expected. It turned out to be a great two weeks of events both in and out of Charlottesville, from watching NFL playoffs, to paintballing, to a date function at the Biltmore.

Bid day on February 2<sup>nd</sup> truly showed just how far we've come over the past year. Of the fourteen offers given out on bid day, twelve of the guys decided to become probationary members of AEPi's Mu colony. Not only were the numbers a sign of success in our first year, but also the quality of the men, who we are proud to call our future brothers, was in line with the Mu standard we hope to expand upon. Many of the pledges have already become entrenched in the UVA community, participating in organizations such as the Jefferson Literary and Debating Society, The Yellow Journal, the UVa ice hockey team, Army ROTC, and many others.

Our pledge process is now in full swing, and it is our goal over the next few weeks to teach these twelve men what it means to be a brother of Alpha Epsilon Pi. Some pledge events include weekly quizzes on chapter history and brother information as well as study hours in Clemons library. Ultimately, we hope our first formal pledge class will take the Mu chapter to new and exciting heights.

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#### 2013 Spring Pledges:

- Daniel Calem
   Oakton, VA
- Joe DuBois o Herndon, VA
- Dawson Friedland o Tampa, FL
- Isaac Kaplan o Chevy Chase, MD
- Jordan Kohn o Highland Park, IL
- Robert Liebowitz o Virginia Beach, VA
- Patrick Mcquade
   Yorkville, IL
- Bryan Pitt o Centreville, VA
- Jake Sperling o Fair Lawn, NJ
- Gil Vizner o Boca Raton, FL
- Jason WarrenDunn Loring, VA
- Reid WeisbergDallas, TX

# The Games of the Second Jewlympiad

-Rueben Han, Alumni Co-Chair

The Second Games of the Jewlympiad came to Charlottesville in a storm early this past February. Current brothers trained for weeks, but awoke at the crack of noon, Saturday the 9th, to find themselves surrounded by competitors pulled from some of the finest men to call 1707 Grady their home in the past decades. They were fit and keen athletes, competing not just for eternal Jewlympic glory and bragging rights—but for securing the future of AEPi at U.Va with much appreciated funds at stake for any events won by current brothers.

The preliminary rounds of foosball, spades, a monopoly game, and the like proved that the old guys still had it—but a few lucky brothers secured spots in final round events, if only to see the previous trend continue: we learned never underestimate veteran Jewlympiathletes. Still, one or two house guys beat the odds in the occasional event, earning valuable dollars that will be put towards our needed push for kitchen renovations and other chapter needs.

Apart from the formalities of the Games, brothers gained from an opportunity to meet and learn from a generation of past brothers—who we hope will continue to play an important and guiding role in the fraternity's crucial building years. This fact was helped by the ample schedule of the event: the final medal ceremony took place just short of 5am Sunday morning. But its length only added to distinctiveness of the Jewlympiad; the walk home with the older brothers of this fraternity was, to me, the most memorable part of the Games.

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### HellUVA Games

Special thanks to Matt Sieracki (mattsieracki@gmail.com) for the great effort to chiefly organize and M.C. the 2nd Jewlympiad—I for one know that someday he'll win the Spades medal he thinks he deserves. Congratulations to Josh Stafford winner in the overall medal count, and Jeremy Conover (Mu '15) for leading current brothers with 1 Gold. But mostly I'd like to agree with Jeff Shauer's comments—"it was a lot of fun... [h]ope we get to do them again soon!" May the 3rd Jewlympiad prove to be another time for generations of Mu's to come together, upset their wives and girlfriends by staying up too late, and say cheers to the future of AEPi.



Alumni and brothers competing at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Jewlympiad

## Explore the rest of our new AEPi website!

Ben Edgar, one of our very own brothers, spent winter break creating the new AEPi website. While we're still in the process of learning how to take full advantage of the website's potential, it is a great forum to check out pictures and updates from the past year. There is also a form for online donations to the chapter, and of course, any support would be highly appreciated. We would like to thank Mr. Arthur Lazerow, a Mu alumnus, who has generously donated the funds to purchase a new dishwasher, which all of the brothers living in the house in the fall are extremely excited about. We also want to express our sincere gratitude to Mr. Eric Diamond for his extremely generous donation to the brotherhood. Currently, we are trying to make the website a place for alumni networking and blogging, so be on the lookout for that update.



Visit the website here: <a href="http://www.aepimu.com">http://www.aepimu.com</a>

- Chapter pictures and updates
- Online donations
- Alumni networking (future addition)