

Actuarial Science Club Newsletter

Ninth Issue – Fall 2010 Recap

I'm Laura Lavenberg, the secretary of the Actuarial Science Club. In this issue there are articles about the Career Fair and THON, as well as two articles about the talents of actuarial students. Recent exam passers and additional pictures are also included at the end!

If you find any incorrect information in this newsletter or would like to write an article for it, please feel free to email me at lel5044@psu.edu

Career Fair

The annual Actuarial Science Career Fair was held on September 16, 2010. Prior to the Career Fair, a Resume Workshop and an Interview Workshop were held to prepare students for the upcoming recruiting events. A special thanks to Julie Guthrie and Paul Andrejko for hosting and helping with these events.

A total of 24 companies attended the Career Fair, representing consulting, healthcare, life, and property/casualty companies. Sponsors of the Career Fair were Towers Watson, CIGNA, United HealthCare, Prudential, Genworth Financial, and University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. There was great student turnout, as students from every year were in attendance. Many companies followed up with information sessions and on-campus interviews. Thank you to all students who attended the Resume and Interview Workshops, the Career Fair, and company information sessions, and a special thanks to Mimi Peng and the Actuarial Science Club Officers for running the Career Fair this past September!



Students interact with recruiters at the Career Fair

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All I Do Is THON THON THON No Matter What!

By Justin Airoso

We're excited to announce our dancers for THON 2011: Chris Park and Paul Andrejko! Special thanks to Caitlin McDonnell, Zack Horsch, Angie Shaffer, Alex Naumenko and Jonathan Hardenstine for coming out and doing such an amazing job throughout the canning season!

Our latest canning trip took us to Northeast Philadelphia where we raised more than \$1,000 For The Kids! Besides showing our enthusiasm for THON throughout the weekend, we also had a chance to catch a Sixers game and enjoy Philadelphia's famous Pat's and Geno's Cheesesteaks. Canning is a great way to get to know some people within our major while still being involved in the largest student run philanthropy in the world!



Justin, Angie, Zack, and Jonathan count the money they raised during the first canning weekend

Come out to the Bryce Jordan Center to support our dancers THON weekend, February 18-20! You can also send [dancer mail](#) to support Chris (#235A) and Paul (#235B)! All mail needs to be turned into 324 HUB by February 10 or postmarked February 8. We've designed Actuarial Science Club THON t-shirts, so be on the lookout for an e-mail with more information soon!

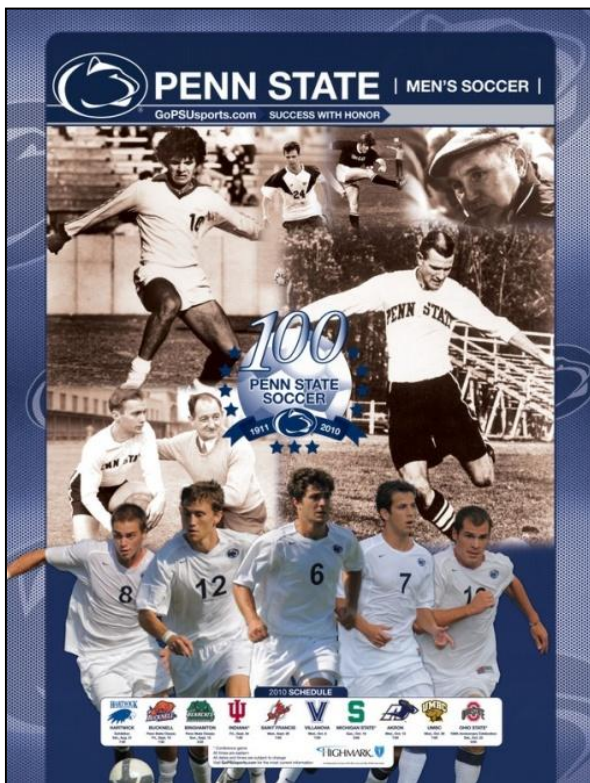
Check out pictures from previous canning trips on the final page of the newsletter!

The Many Talents of Actuaries

Paul Andrejko – PSU Blue Band

Paul has been playing trumpet with the Penn State Marching Blue Band since he was a freshman. A typical Game Day in the Blue Band begins five hours before kickoff with a morning practice followed by a parade to the Bryce Jordan Center for a pre-game pep rally. After marching Penn State's traditional pre-game routine, the band performs a new half-time show each week. Following the game, the band puts on a post-game performance and parades back to the Blue Band Building. Between practice and performance, Paul spends about twenty hours each week with the band.

Although it's a lot of work, Paul says being in the Blue Band has been a great experience. He's travelled to Michigan, Purdue, Ohio State and four bowl games with the band. His favorite part of playing in the band is being on the field in front of crowds of over 110,000 people in Beaver Stadium.



Alex Garrity – PSU Lacrosse

Alex has been a varsity member of the Lacrosse team for his whole time here at Penn State. Being a Division One athlete is practically a full-time job. On a typical day he has a 2-hour workout before classes and at the end of the day, team practice, which can take several hours - followed by a film of a game. Alex's days run even longer than most because of a knee injury (which adds another 1-2 hours of rehab a day). In addition, athletes have 5 mandatory hours of study hall a week.

Maintaining balance between lacrosse and school is also challenging because the sport is very physically demanding. Players spend a lot of time in the weight room, so when it comes time to study, athletes are often exhausted, which makes it especially tough in a major like actuarial science.

For Alex, lacrosse has been an amazing experience that is worth all the time he has put into it. While it requires traveling across the country every other weekend in the spring, long days, and physically demanding work, the rewards are worth the sacrifice. It is definitely possible to pursue Division I Athletics while in the Actuarial Science major, it just requires good time management. We hope Alex will be fully recovered from his knee injury for the season in the spring. So support Alex and PSU lacrosse by attending a game!



Paul Andrejko



Alex Garrity

In addition to Blue Banders Paul Andrejko (and 3 others on page 4), and Alex Garrity on the Lacrosse Team, Actuarial students with other interesting talents include Andrew Parr (#12) on this Soccer Team Brochure that showed up everywhere on campus this Fall, and Ryan Taylor who was PSU's Triple Jump star on our Track Team.

Exam Passers

Congratulations to all who have passed exams!

P Exam

Muhammad Nasri Abdul Malek
Kirstyn Andrassy
Paul Andrejko
Matthew Betzler
Gregory Bruce
Gina Capristo
Li-Fang Chen
Alexander Cossu
Deitrich Davidheiser
Brian Dilorio
Howard Elson
Tyler Fondrk
Dylan Garboski
Robert Gentry
Michael Golding
Evan Gostowski
Brian Gramolini
Kate Grimes
Katharine Hall
Jihun Han
Andrew Harder
Zachary Horsch
Jesse Huang
Ying-Hui Huang
Christian Jones
Nicholas Jones
Justin Keen
Mallory Kern
Byung Ha Kim
Sooyeon Kim
Christopher Kozlowski
Youjin Kwon
Edward Leshar
Chung Ho Li
Jonathan Linn
Boyi Lu
Nikolas Lynn
Adam Marshall
Jordan McClane
Caitlin McDonnell
Neal McDonough
Blakely Montemayor
Tiffany Mosier
Scott Nolen
Thomas Novak
Daniel Nysch
Erica Palm
Wonil Park
Andrew Parr

Zhaoxin Peng
Ben Pugh
Robert Rogers
Kathryn Rouse
Taylor Shaw
Zachary Saw
Susan Shea
Xiaofei Shen
Jasdeep Sidhu
Lee Siegel
Joseph Sirc
Daniel Sprik
Andrew Sze
Joseph Tappe
Derik Tomlinson
Max Unger
Michael Vaccaro
Andrew Waldren
Britta Warnick
Chu Wu
Fan Xie
Tao Xueying
Qun Zheng
John Zygmunt

FM Exam

Muhammad Nasri Abdul Malek
Paul Andrejko
Krysta Blasiak
Michael Brahm
Martin Louis Broser
Yi Chen
Gina Capristo
Li-Fang Chen
Alexander Cossu
Howard Elson
Russell Fairchild
Dylan Garboski
Patrick Getts
Robert Gentry
Brian Gramolini
Kate Grimes
Julie Guthrie
Jessica Hanth
Andrew Harder
Li-Chung Ho
Ying-Hui Huang
Nicholas Jones
Justin Keen

Byung Ha Kim
Youjin Kwon
Edward Leshar
Chung Ho Li
Connor Loch
Jordan McClane
Tiffany Mosier
Scott Nolen
Thomas Novak
Erica Palm
Wonil Park
Andrew Parr
Zhaoxin Peng
Susan Shea
Xiaofei Shen
Jasdeep Sidhu
Lee Siegel
Joseph Sirc
Ryan Shivy
Daniel Sprik
Max Unger
Daniel Werner
Chu Wu
Fan Xie
John Zygmunt

MFE Exam

Paul Andrejko
Robert Gentry
Ying-Hui Huang
Chung Ho Li
Thomas Novak
Wonil Park
Zhaoxin Peng
Daniel Sprik

MLC Exam

Paul Andrejko
Robert Gentry
Ying-Hui Huang
Wonil Park
Daniel Sprik

*** Please contact Ron if you
have passed an exam and are
not on the list**

Actuaries in Action!



Canning for THON – Students count the money they raised during the third canning trip (left to right): Jonathan Hardenstine, Chris Park, Zack Horsch, Paul Andrejko, and Justin Airoso



Canning for THON – Students who participated in the first canning weekend (clockwise from top): Justin Airoso, Caitlin McDonnell, Angie Shaffer, Zack Horsch, and Jonathan Hardenstine



Homecoming Weekend – Current and alumni members of the Blue Band after the Homecoming Football Game (left to right): Cory Ingram, Paul Andrejko, Jennifer Ober, Ron Gebhardtsbauer, Timothy Gabel, Dylan Garboski, and Jesse Huang

Just a few reminders:

- Copies of all previous newsletters can be found [here](#)
- If you have any updates about exams passed or jobs/internships please email [Ron](#)
- If you have an idea for an article please email [Laura](#)



Actuarial Alum Tailgate – Ron talking to PSU Actuarial Alum Kay Mooney (Chief of Staff to Chairman of the Board at Aetna)