



October 2017 Newsletter

Monthly Highlights

Chartering, 10/21/2017: We are now an internationally recognized chapter of Phi Delta Epsilon! Members enjoyed generous gifts and refreshments to celebrate becoming an official chapter. Special thanks to Kayla Rhodes, Dr. Russ Stitzlein, and our wonderful guests from the PhiDE chapters of Drexel, Temple and the University of Delaware for helping make our chartering so successful!



Board Elections, 10/29/2017: Congratulations to our newly elected 2018 executive board!! From left to right: Eric Chen, VP Programming; Aaron Zhang, VP Finance; Sophie Leon, President; Christina Shin, VP Recruitment; and James Nassur, Secretary and Risk Management Officer. We are so excited to see what the coming year will bring!!



More Events



Stand for the Kids, 10/11/2017: Our Children's Miracle Network philanthropy event raised money for CHOP! Our members pied each other and sold baked goods and pumpkins for this fall-themed event.



Manna Pie-Making, 10/14/2017: In the spirit of the season, our members joined Manna to volunteer making and delivering pies for those in need.

Ice Cream Social, 10/23/2017: Members enjoyed a well-deserved study break with ice cream and cake!



Biweekly Member Spotlight



John George Armstrong, from Downingtown, PA, is a senior in Penn's College of Arts and Sciences. He is a Biology major and a double minor in Chemistry and English. In addition to being a member of PhiDE, John George is the Sprint Captain for the running club, Associate Editor for Penn Bioethics Journal, and a volunteer at Orthopedic Clinical Research at Penn Medicine. This past summer, John George spent five weeks studying abroad in a 19th century castle at Harlaxton College, where he explored the bioethical dilemmas and fundamental differences between the US and UK healthcare systems. While in London, he was also able to spend a day with the CEO of Phi Delta Epsilon, Karen Katz, and other members of various PhiDE chapters. He is an aspiring

orthopedic surgeon and plans to work in the healthcare field during his gap year before going to medical school.



Michael Chen is a junior Biology major and Chemistry minor hailing from Mason, Ohio. Outside of PhiDE, he is involved in Penn Queer and Asian as well as clinical research in radiology. His hobbies include cooking, reading, and playing video games. He spent this past summer participating in research and studying for the MCAT. Michael is an aspiring immunologist or cardiologist and he plans to matriculate into medical school immediately following his graduation from Penn. A fun fact about Michael is that he can play four instruments: piano, flute, violin and ocarina. Michael's favorite part of PhiDE is being surrounded by a supportive group of pre-med students who aren't directly competitive with one another.