



# S A G E

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## M A G A S

### Newest Brothers

On Monday, November 25, Massachusetts Gamma Initiated 10 pledges, bringing the total undergraduate membership to 43. The new brothers are:

Robert B. Balkema 06  
Of Mahwah, NJ

Christopher R. England 05  
Of Paducah, KY

Tyson E. Hubbard 04  
Of Syracuse, NY

Grant E. Jacobs 06  
Of Cedar Rapids, IA

Brian Myers 05  
Of Kansas City, MO

Douglas G. Mulliken 05  
Of San Diego, CA

Jason C. O'Neill 06  
Of Oaktown, VA

Edward A. Rayner 05  
Of Sacramento, CA

### A Message from the Alumni Taskforce

We are pleased to tell you that today the colony is doing better than ever: we have nearly fifty active members, maintain a strong social and philanthropic presence on campus, and have received the Province Alpha Rush Award for our campus recruitment of new members. Most importantly, our success is demonstrated by the decision of the national and province leadership to investigate Massachusetts Gamma for a full charter of chapterhood. If the investigation goes well, initiation will likely occur in March, in time to coincide with the 110th anniversary of the original founding of Massachusetts Gamma.

We sincerely hope you will join us for this special night. We have resurrected SAGE, the chapter's old alumni mailing, and hope you will use it to stay aware of and involved in Massachusetts Gamma's activities. The newsletter will be published once a semester.

We are also seeking aid, from friends and family to help finance the costs of receiving a charter. We estimate that we will need around \$16,000 to pay for our installation. Brothers are providing all they can, but we hope that alumni will be generous enough to provide what they can to ease this financial burden. The receipt of our charter would keep us on schedule to complete the goal we made when the colony was refounded: to be the most highly respected men's organization at Harvard and among the most well respected chapters of SAE by June of 2006.

The second phase in our plan to accomplish this goal is the acquisition of a chapterhouse. We estimate that we need between two and three million dollars to purchase a property commensurate with those of other men's groups, but are actively searching for rental property that would be more financially feasible. Even then, we will need substantial outside support to make housing possible. With a charter pending and core of fifty true gentlemen, securing a house is the final step in achieving our five year goal. A brother will contact you in January or February to discuss ways you can help.

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## Tailgate at The Game

On a chilly Saturday afternoon, the brethren of the Massachusetts Gamma colony of SAE hosted a blowout tailgate for the annual Harvard-Yale football game. The tailgate, which was attended by current members and alumni alike, was a tremendous success. The members of the chapter were able to cheer the team to a 20-13 victory over the visiting Bulldogs.

It should also be noted that a number of MAGAs present brothers are members of the football team. At our Harvard-Yale tailgate, we passed out a special SAE roster that gave the names and numbers of all brothers on the team.

## Holiday Gift Drive

This Holiday Season, the brothers of the Massachusetts Gamma Colony worked to collect gifts and presents for burn victims at the Boston Shriner's Hospital. This drive, which was coordinated by outgoing Eminent Archon Matt Tomey and by our Philanthropy Chairs, Justin Junge and Rob Cacace, collected over one hundred presents and solicited over \$300 worth of donations, which were later used to purchase more presents.

In addition, our pledge class organized a philanthropy event at the local University Lutheran Church's homeless shelter. At the shelter, SAE helped clean the kitchen and

sleeping quarters of the shelter, preparing it for the busy winter season.

## New Eminent Council

On December second, Massachusetts Gamma elected its third Eminent Council officers since reorganization.

Taking over as Eminent Archon will be Matthew Mazzeo, '05 of Mather House. Our new Eminent Deputy Archon is Matthew Ocheltree, '04 of Pforzheimer House. New Eminent Treasurer Ted Ticken, '05 hails from Quincy House. Pforzheimer House's Leo Espindle, '04 will be Mass Gamma's new Eminent Recorder. And Ramin Afshar-Mohajer, '04 will be the new Eminent Chaplain.

Congratulations to all the new brothers and to the new Executive Council.

## The Phoenix Dinner

### Contact Us!

We hope alumni will play an active role in the life of Massachusetts Gamma. Please don't hesitate to contact us, even if it's just to check up on how we're doing.

Our mailing address is listed above and is checked regularly. EA Matt Mazzeo can be reached at 617-270-1026. EDA Matt Ocheltree can be reached at 617-921-7255. You can also contact us via e-mail at: [harwardsae@hotmail.com](mailto:harwardsae@hotmail.com)

Since our refounding in March of 2001, the fraternity has begun a new tradition. Each Spring we hold our Phoenix Dinner. The semi-formal dinner offers us an opportunity to come together as a full colony, reflect on the year, and beginning this Spring, honor our departing seniors. This year's Phoenix Dinner will take place in late April or May. As with all of our events, all of our alumni is welcome. More info on the dinner will be in the next issue of SAGE.