

“I was always an active volunteer at school. There’s a lot to learn. And learning in those different spaces improves life all around.”



Corey Sanders '04

**Regional Young Alumni Chair
Princeton Alumni Association of Western Washington**

Although Corey had been on the Senior Class Steering Committee while still at school and had even done some soliciting among his class for Annual Giving, he had not spent much time with other Princeton alumni until he became involved with the PAA of Western Washington. “I didn’t really realize the value of engaging with alumni of all ages until after graduation. The connections alone are terrific. And then the great life stories, from famous alums, like William Ruckelshaus ’55, to local doctors and investment bankers, like John Siegler ’77, the PAA president.”

The PAA of Western Washington spans a wide area, yet regularly brings together a core of active Princetonians, whether it is in a bar, a bookstore or a ballroom. Having always enjoyed planning events, Corey is now part of the group that “gets things rolling.”

In addition to his work with the club, Corey continues to volunteer for Annual Giving as well as the Young Democrats for Washington. “Volunteering is a great departure from day-to-day life!”



“As a graduate student, I started volunteering for the free t-shirt. As a grad alumna, I continue volunteering for the connections and networking!”

Patrice P. Jean *99

**Reunions Chair and Board Member
Association of Princeton Graduate Alumni (APGA)**

In fact, Patrice Jean has volunteering in her blood. Raised in New Orleans and among the third generation of her family to attend Xavier University, Patrice remembers her childhood with two parents who were active volunteers for Xavier. “Alumni dinners and annual giving phonathons were regular events.” After arriving at Princeton, she became involved with the Graduate Student Union and chaired the Black Graduate Caucus. And she volunteered for Annual Giving phonathons.

Now a patent attorney at Kenyon and Kenyon LLP, Patrice still makes phone calls for Annual Giving, but in 2005 she joined the board of the APGA and a new world of volunteering opened before her. She especially enjoyed the interaction with the current grad students, and she helped with Reunion planning. This year she was asked to become the APGA Reunion chair, more work, of course, but “it is so rewarding.” She reminds all grad students that they are invited to Reunions and to march in the P-rade: “fun, food, and a free t-shirt!”

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