SPRINGING INTO SPRING

In the words of comedian Robin Williams, “Spring is nature’s way of saying, ‘Let’s party!’”

Princetonians take these words to heart. There are a variety of ways tigers around the world come together to celebrate the season. Does your regional calendar include one or more of these events? If your regional association has other ways of celebrating spring, we’d love to hear them.

- **New Admit Reception** to be the first to welcome the potential class of 2014
- **Annual Dinner**, a signature event for the entire membership that may include a speaker either from the University or a local alumnus/a
- **Community Service** project for the whole family (did you know April 22nd is the 40th anniversary of Earth Day?)
- **Princeton Prize in Race Relations Ceremony** to celebrate the winning efforts of high school students in the local community striving to make a difference in racial understanding (read more about it on page 2)
- **Year of the Tiger** event, a once in a twelve year opportunity to celebrate and rally ALL alumni around Princeton’s mascot

NEW ADMIT RECEPTION

April is the month to host an event with your Alumni Schools Committee to honor students admitted to Princeton. These are terrific opportunities to welcome potential freshmen and their parents, giving them a chance to bond, learn what it means to be a Princeton alumnus/a, and find out about your region. Give copies of your regional newsletter, invitations to upcoming events, and/or information on your association. Students will see that being a Princetonian extends beyond their four years on campus.

Invitations can go out once the ASC chair receives the admit list (first week in April) and ASC interviewers and parents of current students can help drive attendance with personal phone calls. Be sure to invite ASC interviewers as well.

Events should be scheduled to avoid Princeton Preview (formerly April Hosting) weekends: April 15-17 and 22-24. If those dates cannot be avoided, Sunday late afternoon may work as many students are home by then.

Serve food and non-alcoholic beverages, encourage recent grads and parents of current students to attend to answer questions about life on campus, and break out the Princeton banners, reunion wear, and orange/black gear.

This is a great chance for alumni to gather and help admitted students make the right college choice - Princeton, of course!

CORA TELECONFERENCES

Join the conversation and mark your calendars for the next two teleconferences.

If you are unable to participate, notes and presentations from past teleconferences are always posted to CORA’s private discussion group.

- **Wed., March 24 (1:00 pm EDT)** - “Funding your Regional Association” hosted by Andrew Hoffman ‘89, PA of New England
- **Tues., April 13 (1:00 pm EDT)** - “Issues Unique to Small Associations” with discussion leader Valerie Kelly ‘84, PAA of Arkansas

Year of the Tiger buttons are available from the Office of the Alumni Association
PRINCETON PRIZE IN RACE RELATIONS

The Princeton Prize in Race Relations (PPIRR) has recently completed its seventh season of recognizing high school students making positive efforts to improve race relations in their schools and communities. Since 2003, the Princeton Prize committees, many working in conjunction with their regional associations, have awarded the Princeton Prize to over 100 winners and Certificates of Accomplishment to over 400 outstanding young men and women in 23 regions across the country.

The local Princeton Prize committees plan, fund and host award ceremonies to honor the winners. An excellent way to engage alumni in the Regional Association, these ceremonies offer Princetonians an opportunity to meet some wonderful high school students and to learn how these students have made an impact in a critical area. The PPIRR’s goal is to honor the winners and certificate recipients with their families and friends and Princeton alumni in attendance.

Ways to host a Princeton Prize ceremony?

• Regional Association’s Annual dinner
• Another high profile regional event including all alumni
• Stand alone Princeton Prize presentation

PRINCETON PRIZE, CONTINUED

Over the years, these events have been held at a cornucopia of venues including public spaces, corporate offices, the Princeton Club of NY and U.S. Senate Office Buildings, with notable speakers including Senator (at the time) Barack Obama S85, former Princeton trustee Mellody Hobson ’91 and emeritus trustee Brent Henry ’69.

If your region is not yet among those with a local committee, please contact the PPIRR staff in the Office of the Alumni Association. The support of the Regional Association is important for providing a mechanism for increasing committee membership and the ultimate success of the local program. If you have a local committee in your region, please help them continue the good work; if not, the PPIRR looks forward to hearing from you soon.

For a list of the current Princeton Prize regions and further information, please visit the website at www.princeton.edu/ppprise or email questions to the PPIRR staff.

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For a complete list of online resources to help with the planning of your next event, visit the Volunteer Leadership page on TigerNet. Make sure to bookmark it for handy reference. There you will find:

• Handbook for Regional Officers
• Speakers Bureau Request Form
• Basic Event Planning Worksheet
• and much, much more....