Special Feature
A very special birthday

On March 24—National Orange Day—Syracuse University celebrated its 144th birthday! Because “44” is such a significant part of our history, alumni and friends around the world have been honoring that tradition with special birthday celebrations, and Chicago was no exception. Read more.

Become a Member!
Are you in the club?

The Syracuse University Alumni Club of Chicago is holding a membership drive for 2014-15 dues. For only $25 ($20 for Generation Orange alums of the past 10 years), club members receive special benefits—like advance event invitations, discounts on ticket prices, and some swag to show off your Orange spirit. Join today!
Chicago students say “thank you!”

When the Chicago Orange Fund was expanded, it provided an important safety net for local students facing unforeseen hardships. About $2,000 was all it took to help five Chicago students with things like traveling home and other special needs. For them, the generosity of Chicago alums has made a lasting impact. “I was elated, shocked, and grateful, and decided to surprise my family,” one student says. “Once I walked into my home, there was an outcry of joy when they saw my face.” Read more.

New face of alumni engagement

Matt Manfra, the new assistant vice president for alumni engagement, comes from the University of Northern Colorado, where he provided executive leadership to the UNC Alumni Association Board of Directors and created pathways for UNC’s 125,000 alumni to participate in campus initiatives. At UNC, he created the Young Alumni Council and developed a strategy for regional and affinity alumni chapters. He also expanded the benefits and services for alumni and increased social media engagement six fold. Read more.