Dayton Chapter

Penn State ^{8 5 5} Alumni Association

NITTANY NOTES – November 2016

President's Message

I am now well into my second year as President. It has gone remarkably fast. I am looking forward to another year of good times and fellowship. The next non-football party event will be the annual Holiday Dinner at the Dayton Racquet Club on Wednesday December 7. We will also meet every football day at Fox and Hound in Beavercreek. The football team is definitely doing better than anyone expected. I really, would like to see us get back to having a bus trip every year. They are a lot of fun, but we need a certain amount of commitment in order to make it affordable. Unfortunately our plans for a bus trip to the Pitt-Penn State game fell through when Pitt decided

not to give enough tickets to PSU to cover the Alumni groups. But hopefully we can get a bus trip back on our calendar next season. Again, we have a lot of fun things lined up for the rest of this year and next year. Read on for the details.

For the Glory!

Bob Kreider, President

Membership

If you have not yet paid your dues for the 2016-2017 membership year, there is still time. The dues are \$20 per person or \$25 per family, and go to help defray the operating costs of the chapter, and to help fund our scholarship fund. If your newsletter contains a membership app, please consider filling it out and returning to me. You can also pay thru PayPal, as explained later in this letter. It is a small price to pay to enable our chapter to continue to function. After all, **WE ARE**.....

Officers

Bob Kreider, President John Glaser, Vice President Deb Crusan, Secretary Edie Kreider, Treasurer

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Future Newsletters & Chapter Communications

Do you have any news or information you would like to share with the Chapter? If so, please contact Bob Kreider at <u>rook.kreider@gmail.com</u> or any Board member. Our newsletter is published three - four times each year. Would you like to keep up with all of the goings on of the Dayton Chapter? Be sure to visit our website, <u>www.psualumnidaytonoh.org</u> for all the up-to-the minute news and links. Also, check out, "Like", and share our Facebook page! You can find it by searching for the Dayton Chapter of the Penn State Alumni Association.

Chapter History

The Dayton Chapter of the Penn State Alumni Association has been active in the Dayton and Greater Miami region since 1970. We started with some 15-20 alumni who were interested in developing friendships, joining in good fellowship, and hoping to promote Penn State in the local community. We currently have over 75 dues paying members. The Dayton Chapter:

- Provides Penn Staters the opportunity to get together for common purpose
- Serves as a communication link between the Alumni and the University
- Aids the University with local area functions and promotes Penn State in the local community
- Assists in identifying and recruiting scholars, and providing scholarships thereto
- Provides assistance to the Chapter constituents in various ways.

Although our Chapter is primarily a social organization, we also attempt and succeed in working with various community organizations to assist them in achieving their goals/projects. Our activities are varied to meet the needs of the members, and one can participate as much as one desires. We have an annual banquet in the spring with a guest speaker from the University. We have met weekly during football season for TV parties at various locations and are doing so again this year at the Fox & Hound in Beavercreek. We have had bus trips to a football game each fall, our Student-Send Off in August for local students prior to them going to school, and we have a Holiday Dinner to help celebrate the season. These are just a sample of some of our past and current social activities. We have volunteered at Children's Medical Center, cheered on the Air Force Marathon runners, volunteered at Habitat for Humanity, and at the Channel 16 Great TV Auction, donated school supplies to Crayons to Classrooms, and donated books and DVD's to Children's Medical Center.

This year we received the "Group of Distinction at the Laurel Level" award, which is the second highest level for regional Alumni chapters. We are still working on moving up to the Elm level.

Having started in 1970 we are now in our 47th year and with everyone's support we will make it to 50. Come join us!

Football Parties

Again, this year we will be getting together at the Fox and Hound in Beavercreek for every Penn State football game. If you haven't been to one of these, you are missing out on a great time. We have a room reserved with a number of TV screens and it is a blast to watch the games with a bunch of Penn State fans. Recently, we have had a series of great games from the PSU point of view, with the obvious highlight being the defeat of the Bucknuts.

Holiday Dinner

This year's Holiday Dinner will once again be held at the Dayton Racquet Club, on Wednesday, December 7, 2016. If you have never been to the Racquet Club, it is at the top of the Kettering Tower in downtown Dayton with a breathtaking view of downtown Dayton and the Carillon Christmas Tree. Come enjoy an excellent meal, and start your holiday season with the great camaraderie of the Penn State alums of Dayton. This year's dinner choices will be a Grilled Breast of Chicken with Prosciutto and Gruyere Cream Sauce or a Garlic Roast Pork Loin with Mushroom Red Wine reduction. Please make your choice and get your reservation in. Cost will be \$42 per person. There is a reservation form attached to the end of this newsletter or you can go on our website and use our PayPal Link.

College Recruiting

Every year we provide Penn State representation at various college recruiting programs. We have a core group of excellent recruiters, but we are always looking for more. If you are interested in a low commitment way to have some involvement in our chapter, the necessary training is all online. Just contact Carolyn Spiller <u>carolynspiller225@gmail.com</u>.

Scholarship Recipients

Although we did not have our Annual Student Send-Off this year due to some glitches with the University's computer services, we did still award 2 scholarships to returning students, in the amount of \$2,250 each. The winners of this year's scholarships were Graeme Rolfe, who is in his 9th Semester, and Kallie Rasp, who is in her 5th Semester. Congratulations to them, and thanks to Jane Abourezk and her committee for their work.

Pay Pal Option

Yes, we've moved into the 21st century! We have now made it even easier to pay your Chapter dues, make your reservation for the Holiday Dinner, and donate to the Carl Stravinski Scholarship Fund. You can do this thru Pay Pal, and you don't even have to have a Pay Pal account! For easy instructions, go to our website, <u>www.psualumnidaytonoh.org</u>, and click on the link for "What's New". Scroll down to "ON-LINE PAYMENTS", and click on the link.

HOLIDAY DINNER PARTY - WEDNESDAY DEC. 7, 2016

NAME	
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PHONE	E-MAIL
#	Grilled Breast of Chicken with Prosciutto and Gruyere Cream Sauce
	OR
#	Garlic Roast Pork Loin with Mushroom Red Wine Reduction
	_RESERVATIONS @ \$42 PER PERSON = \$TOTAL

Make checks payable to **DCPSAA** and mail to Edie Kreider, 2858 College Hill Ct., Beavercreek, OH 45431-8543 for receipt **no later than Nov. 28, 2016.**