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Want to
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wreath laying
ceremony for
Wreaths Across
America?

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HOLIDAY PARTY

Thursday, January 12th, 2023

6pm - 8pm

Julep Southern Kitchen and Bar

2207 Forest Drive Annapolis

Join us at our annual "Post" – Holiday Party for complimentary hors d'oerves and lots of Penn State good cheer!

Cash bar will be available.

Help us replenish the shelves for our neighbors in need by bringing a donation for the <u>Maryland Food Bank!</u>

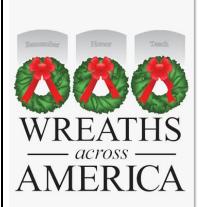




WINTER 2022



Upcoming Events





The 2022 campaign is in full swing. Wreath Sponsorships were solicited throughout the fall months and are now closed for this year.

However, you can still participate!

- Wreath Ceremony Day at the Annapolis National Cemetery is Saturday, December 17th @ noon (sharp).
- Wreath Unloading occurs the week prior to the ceremony and your help is needed to get the crates of wreaths off the delivery truck and staged for the Ceremony. The exact day and time will be posted on our Chapter's website ... check there often and please lend a hand.
- And finally, your help will be needed on Wreath Clean-up Day (typically mid-January). Again, the specific date and time will be posted on our Chapter's website as soon as it is announced. Won't you please lend an hour or two to clean-up the spent wreaths?

Hope to see you at one or more of these events!

WE ARE ... ACPSAA! WE ARE ... PENN STATE!

Note: Wreaths Across America service days are great for students to obtain "service hours" ... a graduation requirement for many school districts.

Bring them out to help on all of these event dates.

#WeAre ... GOING TO THE ROSE BOWL!





Be on the lookout for details about our BOWL Watch Party for Penn State Football!

JANUARY 2nd



Updates will be sent via email & shared on our social media pages!



Will I see my shadow?

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, Feburary 2nd

for a Happy Hour!

LOCATION TBD





MARK YOUR CALENDARS ... IT IS BACK!!

ONLINE GAME NIGHT



COMING THIS

MARCH!



FUTURE GENERATIONS

The Future is ... BRIGHT!

Since 2004, our chapter has awarded over \$95,000 to local students to assist them in their pursuit of a Penn State Education.

How have your scholarship donations been at work the last three years?

2020	Three Students	\$6,250
2021	Three Students	\$7,500
2022	Five Students	\$6,800
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Who are the students YOU ARE supporting?

Here is a small snapshot of these students:

- ♦ Majoring in Finance, Actuarial Science and International Politics National Security
- Achieving Dean's List
- ♦ Enrolled in Air Force ROTC
- Receiving Awards including: Legion of Valor Bronze Cross for Achievement and City Council Citation for "Food Fridays" in Annapolis
- ♦ Smeal Student Mentor
- PSU Honor Guard

This year - Our goal is to raise \$10,000 for our students.

Help us achieve this by making a tax-deductible donation today!

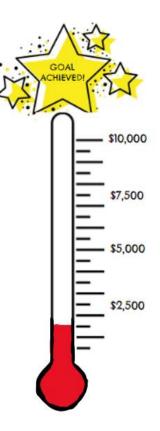
Donate today at:

- ◆ Online at our <u>website</u>
- ♦ Mail a donation to:
 - o ACPSAA P.O. Box 693 Arnold, MD 21012
- ♦ Scan the QR Code →



Thank you!

ACPSAA Board of Directors (And PSU Students!)





For Our ACPSAA Members

Looking for a different, special or exceptional gift for that Penn Stater this holiday season?

Let's see, a shirt, hat, scarf or hoodie is a possibility (which they probably already have), so why not show off your spirit by purchasing a Maryland PSU license plate?







What do you need to do?

- First of all, you need to own a car.
- Complete an application. You must provide your PSU Alumni Association Membership Number. If you don't know your number, look at your Penn Stater magazine. If you are not a member, you must purchase a membership online.
- Send 2 checks (make one out to ACPSAA for \$15 to cover handling costs and the second check to the MVA for \$25). That's \$40 total for a PSU alumni license plate.

For more information you can contact Dona Horst at wearepennstate 2016@gmail.com.

Upon receipt of your license plate, you can now "BRAG on your TAG"!!

STAY CONNECTED!

We ARE... on Social Media









@PSUAnnapolis

For up to date details on our chapter history, our projects, special events, meeting dates, and more... https://psuannapolis.weebly.com/

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"It's the most wonderful time of the year" to make a contribution to the Annapolis Chapter's Scholarship fund! As the end of the year approaches, it's the perfect time to check that off your list and make those last minute donations. All the money that is raised for the scholarship fund is through raffles as well as your generous monetary gifts. Please consider giving to this worthy cause as a way of giving back. Helping the next generation is one of our chapter's highest priorities. Happy Holidays!!

GROUP OF DISTINCTION AWARD

Our Chapter earned the Elm Level Group of Distinction award for the **THIRD** year in a row. This is the top Group of Distinction Award awarded to local chapters. Group of Distinction awards recognize outstanding Chapters for their participation in program activities, career networking, social interaction and student support. The Chapter previously earned the Laurel and Lion Levels over the last several years.





A note from the Media Chair

Tis the Season – for my favorite season, Fall! As I made the drive from Annapolis to State College in October to my first Penn State football game in over three years, I admired the Pennsylvania Fall Foliage. Each tree displayed its own pattern of green, red, orange, and yellow leaves. I thought of how the Fall Foliage is an appropriate analogy for each one of us and our uniqueness we bring to this world. With the changing of the leaves, it also reminds us that change is inevitable.

I was reminded of this during my return to Penn State's campus. It has been several years since I've had the opportunity to walk through the campus – a campus that I graduated from almost 10 summers ago. I spent my Freshman year living in East Halls. While walking through the complex, I first noticed the large grassy area in front of Pennypacker and McKee Halls has shrunken in size to make room for the newly constructed dorm building, Martin Hall. A quick glance to the other dorms nearby – Curtain, Pennypacker and McKean Halls – you can easily see the updated facelift they have undergone. I would be lying if I didn't feel a little envy towards the students living in these updated dorms.

Continuing my walk-through Findlay Commons, I noticed the grand staircase to access the second-floor dining commons. This large, open bright structure is an inviting sight compared to the dingy stairwell I used to climb frequently to eat. Gone is the Big Onion. It is one thing to read about the change in 2016, but it is another thing to see it. While there is a new food stand to reflect the latest food trends, there also is a sadness with the loss of the Big Onion, once a campus favorite! Many nights freshmen year were spent at this eatery – the biggest being the night Penn State won their first NIT Basketball championship in 2009.

When I left East Halls and walked towards Beaver Stadium to see Penn State take on Ohio State, I couldn't help but feel bittersweet. I am happy to see changes to East Halls to improve the campus life experience for Freshman but share sadness at the loss of some of the establishments that will forever only exist in my memory. With football season soon ending, construction season will soon begin at Penn State. I look forward to seeing future changes the next time I visit campus – and hopefully a Penn State win!

WE ARE...

Kate Ganley '13 Social Media and Newsletter Chair



Just in case you have not heard....

As of July 1,2022, membership in your local Annapolis Chapter Penn State Alumni Association (ACPSAA) will be determined in a different manner. In years past our chapter has collected dues annually from members and the Penn State Alumni Association (PSAA) has also solicited separately. NOW THEY WILL BE COMBINED.

Starting this year Alumni and friends who join the Penn State Alumni Association *will automatically* become members of our (or any) local chapter or interest group they chose to affiliate with. The choices for affiliation will be made available during registration and will continue for as long as you remain a member.

What does that mean to me?

- Your one annual payment to the Penn State Alumni Association gives you membership to the Annapolis Chapter too.
- Members can belong to more than one affiliate chapter or interest group and attend events held by each.
- Chapter members who are **not** currently Penn State Alumni Association members will be offered a 6-month complimentary membership that began in August 2022. This complimentary membership will expire in February 2023 so please join to support our chapter!

What if I'm not an alumnus?

No problem! You may join the Penn State Alumni
 Association as a Friend of Penn State and still enjoy all the benefits of being a national and local chapter member.

What if I'm a Lifetime Member?

- Annapolis Chapter Lifetime members who are also Lifetime members of Penn State Alumni Association will see no difference, their membership will continue.
- Annapolis Chapter Lifetime members who <u>are not</u>
 Lifetime Penn State members will be offered the chance
 to become one <u>only during the 2022 2023</u> year
 otherwise their membership will be converted to an
 annual one.

What if I don't want to become a Penn State Alumni Association Member?

• By becoming a PSAA Member, you will also be supporting our local chapter. We will receive funds annually from the University based on our local members who join, which will allow us to continue programs.

Still have questions? We're here to help, please contact our Membership Chair at acpsaamembership@gmail.com.