



PennState Alumni Association

Annapolis Chapter



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SPECIAL DELIVERY FROM THE NORTH POLE

Dear Chapter Members,

You're invited to our Holiday Party!

**DECEMBER 6th 2018
6:30 PM to 9:00 PM
UNION JACK'S BRITISH PUB**

See page 5 for more details!

Happy Holidays,

The Annapolis Penn State Chapter

A Message from the President...

Dear Chapter Members,

As another year comes quickly to a close, allow me to reflect on the happenings of 2018 ...

We joined together to watch PSU Men's Basketball play the NIT Finals against Utah. We learned that there were actually 14 Presidents Before Washington (who knew?). USNA Coach Ed DeChellis spoke to us about life, coaching and basketball at Penn State & the Naval Academy. Some folks Went Ape with Penn State! We hosted a great end-of-summer picnic to SENDOFF local PSU students in style. Many of the Chapter faithful again met weekly at The Greene Turtle to cheer on Nittany Lions football. We once again supported Wreaths Across America™ to honor our Veterans. ...And our Chapter received the 2017 Group of Distinction – Lion Level award from University Park. It was a *great* year!

I'm not sure about you, but I sure feel fortunate to be a PSU Alumnus and part of this wonderful Alumni Chapter!

On a bittersweet note, in early September we bid farewell to our immediate Past President, Mike Long, who was offered a new teaching position in the Penns Valley Area School District in Spring Mills, PA. Mike was a Member of our Chapter Board for many years – serving as Social Chair, Vice President and most recently as President. His contributions were numerous and he will be missed. In September, Mike, Robyn and their two sons --Tristan & Kieran-- moved "back home" to Happy Valley where they are quickly settling into new adventures. To them, we offer our most sincere gratitude and best wishes for a healthy and happy new chapter in their lives.

In closing, I wish to extend my personal thanks to each one of you for being part of ACPSAA. May you enjoy the holiday season with family and friends, and may the coming year bring you continued good health and prosperity. Above all, please be safe!

I promise, the fun will continue in 2019 -- because
WE [all] ARE ... PENN STATE!

Yours in service,

Scott

Scott Davis, President



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*Need holiday
gift ideas for
your family
and friends?*

Check out page 8

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WE ARE...Penn State!

On 2018 Football Saturdays (and one Friday night), the Annapolis Chapter continued to gather at **The Greene Turtle** in Annapolis to enjoy **Nittany Lion** football, complete with “We Are” cheers, cowbell, and Ed’s old car horn! Almost as much fun as being at Beaver Stadium!

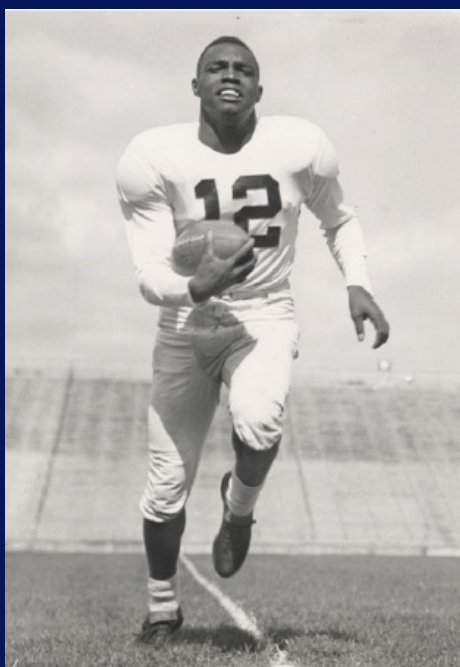
It is a great way to reconnect with old friends, make new ones, and support our Chapter’s Scholarship Fund. Halftime raffles are held for each game, with proceeds benefiting our scholarship program - this year, over \$2,000 was raised.

Thank you for your support! And thanks again to **The Greene Turtle** for their annual contribution to our

scholarship fund, which is based on the food and drinks purchases of our guests – this year’s game was the November 3rd game versus Michigan. Be sure to join us to watch Penn State in their bowl game!



WE ARE ... THANKFUL FOR WALLY!



Penn State football legend, Wally Triplett died on November 8th, 2018. He was the first African American running back to play for Penn State and in 1948, Wally and his teammate, Dennie Hoggard, were the first African Americans to play in the Cotton Bowl.

Triplett and Hoggard did not play in the Cotton Bowl without controversy however, as the Nittany Lions were asked to leave these two men at home, because the city of Dallas, Texas was segregated at that time.

The players on the team refused and responded, “We are Penn State”, thus giving birth to our now famous battle cry.



2018 FALL SERVICE PROJECT

**This is our 5th consecutive
year supporting
Wreaths Across America™**

We are an officially registered local
WAA group (Group ID #MD0026) and
have designated that all wreath sponsorships
support the Annapolis National Cemetery.

We also participate in the
3 for 2 sponsorship option.

IMPORTANT DATES & TIMES

Wreath Sponsorship Deadline:
December 3, 2018

Wreath Delivery & Unloading:
Date & Time (TBA)

Wreath Ceremony Day:
December 15, 2018
@ 12:00 noon (sharp)

Wreath Clean-up Day:
Date & Time (TBA)

As dates & times are released, we will
post them on our chapter website.

New this year – Support for Wreaths Across America™ continues to grow and involves an ever-increasing number of gravesites in our country's national cemeteries.

In support of that growth, WAA has enhanced its website and now hosts unique sponsorship pages for each registered group.

This process allows ACPSAA to improve its collection logistics by allowing sponsors to make online donations directly to WAA -- right up to the final collection cut-off date for the year.

Additionally, after completing your wreath sponsorship, the webpage offers links to articles, photos and video clips that will **TEACH** you more about the organization and its supporters, as well as how we each of us can **REMEMBER** and **HONOR** the veterans that sacrifice for our freedom.

Wreath Sponsorship options on the webpage include:

- 1 WREATH for \$15.00
- 2 WREATHS for \$30.00 *
- 5 WREATHS for \$75.00
- 10 WREATHS for \$150.00 *
- Custom Number of Wreaths *

* Remember --- ACPSAA participates in the 3 for 2 option. For every 2 WREATHS sponsored thru our page, Wreaths Across America will deliver 3 WREATHS to the cemetery.

For more details and instructions on how to sponsor a wreath, go to

<https://psuannapolis.weebly.com>

and click on the Wreaths Across America logo hotlink on our WELCOME page ... or navigate to that page using the pull-down menu selection under UPCOMING EVENTS.



DO NOT mail checks or monies to ACPSAA. All wreath sponsorship donations are to be made directly to Wreaths Across America™ per the instructions on that special webpage.

Also – Donations to WAA are tax-deductible. Be sure to keep a record of your charitable donation for your 2018 Tax Returns.

HOLIDAY PARTY

Celebrate the holiday season with your fellow chapter members at our annual holiday party on **Thursday December 6th**. We will meet at **Union Jack's British Pub** in Annapolis starting at **6:30 pm**. The chapter will provide hot appetizers, and a cash bar will be available. No need to RSVP, however this is a chapter members **ONLY** event so make sure your membership is current!



We will be collecting donations for **Success In Style**, a local charity that helps men and women in crisis obtain employment. For more information on Success in Style, visit, <http://www.successinstyle.org>. The requested items are listed below.

Thank you for your support!

NEW, UNUSED ITEMS



- Dress socks
- Trouser socks
- Knee highs
- White t-shirts
- Bras
- Cosmetics

GENTLY USED & NEW/UNUSED ITEMS

Clothing (Women and Men)

- Business Suits
- Dress Blouses
- Dress shoes

Accessories:

- Scarves
- Jewelry: Bracelets, Earrings, necklaces
- Ties
- Belts



For more items, visit our website at <https://psuannapolis.weebly.com/2018-holiday-party.html>

A note from the Scholarship chair...

The very first scholarship was awarded in the 2004-2005 academic year to very talented and worthy students attending Penn State from our local Annapolis area. Our chapter is proud to have raised these funds as well as create an opportunity to financially help offset some of their tuition.

The chapter raises money through raffles at football games, local chapter dues and other functions throughout the year, as well as donations from our alumni. We would like to thank those who have so generously donated to the scholarship fund.

Our 2018 – 2019 scholarship winners are **Carson Collier**, **Jessica Stempowski**, and **Kelly Bannon**. Congratulations to these talented Penn State Students. At the end of the spring semester, all local Annapolis area students in good standing will receive an email on their PSU email informing them of the scholarship. Please encourage students to check their email and apply for the scholarship.

Perhaps you will consider an end of the year donation to the scholarship fund. Donations are TAX DEDUCTIBLE, so please consider the ACPSAA Scholarship Fund as a part of your year-end charitable giving plans. Every dollar counts to help these students earn their Penn State degree!

Read our "*Where are they now?*" page as we highlight some of our past scholarship awardees achievements.

If you would like more info about the scholarship fund, please contact Dona Horst.

Dona Horst '81, '83g
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WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

The Annapolis Chapter of the Penn State Alumni Association has awarded over \$60,000 in scholarship money to outstanding Annapolis area students since 2004. This year our chapter awarded \$7,500 to three outstanding local students. Scholarships are based on a combination of criteria including: Academics, Extra-curricular activities, Community service/volunteer work, and Professional work as well as internships.

“Where are they now?” highlights past chapter scholarship winners on their accomplishments after graduating from Penn State.

CASEY BARTOE

After graduating from the best college ever, I gained more experience by working seasonal contracts in scientific fields and went to graduate school and earned my Masters degree in Environmental Science with specific concentrations of Natural Resource Management and Biological Conservation. I worked as a Park Ranger, educator of Environmental Literacy, nationwide data collector, and Fisheries Field Researcher at the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. I also became a Certified Beekeeper and have a company called Chesapeake Honey and Hives. I am currently publishing my thesis, which focused on threats to Honeybee populations and applying to earn a doctoral degree at the University of Maryland. I am still working DNR conducting research to assess the health of Maryland streams and hope to continue learning every day and doing what I love as a career.

JULIUS DAVIN

Julius Davin ('12) graduated with a B.S. in Labor Studies and Employment Relations from the College of Liberal Arts. He worked for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for 5 years as an income maintenance caseworker for the Philadelphia County Assistance office and as a regional representative for the Public School Employee's Retirements System. He joined the Air National Guard in 2014 as an Aircraft Loadmaster and served in support of Operation Inherent Resolve in 2017. He currently works as an independent contractor on a large data management project for a large electrical supplier. He and his wife live in Kennett Square outside of Philadelphia.



MARIAM MOIJUEH

After graduating with her Bachelor's degree from Penn State in 2014, Mariam continued her education and earned her Master's degree in Human Resources Management from Georgetown University in 2017. She currently works for the federal government in Washington DC as a Management and Program Analyst, where she interned throughout graduate school.

PETE KOFFLER

After graduating from Penn State, Pete worked for Northrop Grumman as a mechanical engineer on a wide range of defense programs. While working in Philadelphia, he earned his M.S. in mechanical engineering from Drexel University (but remained a Nittany Lion at heart). Last June, Pete and his wife Elizabeth ('13 H&HD), moved to Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Pete now works as a manufacturing engineer at Photonis USA, focusing on traveling wave tubes and RF power amplifiers. In his free time, he enjoys playing sports, traveling, and attending Penn State football games.

CHRISTINA KASMER

Christina is a Chemist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in downtown Washington DC, working in the Pesticide Data Program. When not working to pay off those student loans, she travels around the world and competes in the strength sport of Powerlifting. She currently lives in Severna Park, MD.

For more “Where are they now?” stories, please visit the Scholarship page on our website.

Did your child, sibling, or friend receive an ACPSAA Scholarship?
We would LOVE to hear about how that helped them achieve their Academic goals and where they are today.
Please email some details to Kate Ganley at kathryn.ganley@gmail.com

Do you want to help our Next generation of Penn Staters achieve their academic goals?

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Thank You to all who have renewed their membership or joined us for the first time this year. We have 140+ chapter members and are proud of our strong network. There are, however, many more alumni in our area. Please help us spread the word, if you know someone who "bleeds blue and white" encourage them to support our chapter and become a member!

We would also like to recognize and thank those members who have given generously to our chapter scholarship fund. As the end of year approaches please consider helping a Penn State student with a tax-deductible donation to our scholarship fund.

CLUB LEVEL

**Member has donated 50 dollars to our scholarship fund*

Alan and Barbara Bellack
Todd and Jennifer Hall
Kent Huntzinger
Joyce and James Mather
Ken and Janet Rumsey
Steve Schmidt
Keith and Marty Smith
Sheila Proudfoot and Steve Szanyi

LION LEVEL

**Member has donated 100 dollars to our scholarship fund*

George Gayno
Joseph Hawkins
Jeanne and Carl Kosch



If you have not made a donation or would like to make an additional one there is still time, visit <https://psuannapolis.weebly.com/scholarship-program.html>

In Memoriam



Our chapter received a very generous donation to the scholarship fund in memory of Ronald Bowen a longtime chapter member and graduate of Penn State in Civil Engineering. Ron was the Director of Public Works for Anne Arundel County and an active member of the community championing local environmental issues.

His wife, Linda Bowen, and family knew how much Penn State meant to Ron.

They wanted to honor his memory and continue his legacy by assisting a deserving student. A very special thank you is extended to the Bowen family.

Happy 90th Birthday, Donald!

One of our chapter members is deeply rooted as a Penn State family. Needless to say, they are proud to be Nittany Lions. **Dona Davis Horst '81, '83g** helped her father **Donald E. Davis '53** celebrate his 90th birthday in August 2018. Aside from the Penn State birthday cake and of course Berkey Creamery Ice Cream, his children and grandchildren celebrated the Penn State legacy as well.

Paul Davis '80, Dona Davis Horst '81, 83g, Tom Davis '82, '85g, '88 PhD, Martin Davis '86, Joanne Davis '83 (children), Stefanie Davis '09, '14g, '19 PhD, Brian Davis '13, '13g, Greg Davis '17, Scott Horst '16, Jeff Horst '19, Brandon Davis '18, '23 PhD, and Madeline Davis '20 (grandchildren)

WE ARE ... a Penn State Family!



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Looking for a holiday gift for your family and friends?

Buy them a Penn State Alumni Association license plate!



The cost of the license plate is only \$40. For every license plate sold, our chapter receives \$15 to benefit our scholarship fund to support outstanding Annapolis Penn State students.

To request your plate, please contact **Dona Horst** at wearepennstate2016@gmail.com.

or maybe ... Buy them an Annapolis Chapter-Penn State Alumni Association Membership!

Membership dues for 2018 – 2019:

Annual Membership Fee

Individual - \$15
Family - \$25

Lifetime Membership Fee

Individual \$200
Family \$300

To purchase a membership, visit our website at <https://psuannapolis.weebly.com/2018-2019-membership-form.html>

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