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who won our
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We Are... Back at Glory Days!

Come watch with us!



3 Lee Airpark Dr, Edgewater, MD 21037

Don't Miss out! See you September 2nd!

Saturday Sep. 2		West Virginia Mountaineers Beaver Stadium, University Park, PA	7:30pm ET NBC/Peacock	Saturday Oct. 21		at Ohio State Buckeyes Ohio Stadium, Columbus, OH	Time TBA ET TV TBA
Saturday Sep. 9		Delaware Blue Hens Beaver Stadium, University Park, PA	12:00pm ET Peacock	Saturday Oct. 28		Indiana Hoosiers Beaver Stadium, University Park, PA	Time TBA ET TV TBA
Saturday Sep. 16		at Illinois Fighting Illini Memorial Stadium, Champaign, IL	12:00pm ET FOX	Saturday Nov. 4		at Maryland Terrapins SECU Stadium, College Park, MD	Time TBA ET TV TBA
Saturday Sep. 23		at Iowa Hawkeyes Beaver Stadium, University Park, PA	7:30pm ET CBS/Paramount+	Saturday Nov. 11		at Michigan Wolverines Beaver Stadium, University Park, PA	12:00pm ET FOX
Saturday Sep. 30		at Northwestern Wildcats Ryan Field, Evanston, IL	Time TBA ET TV TBA	Saturday Nov. 18		Rutgers Scarlet Knights Beaver Stadium, University Park, PA	Time TBA ET TV TBA
Saturday Oct. 7		OFF		Friday Nov. 24		at Michigan State Spartans Ford Field, Detroit, MI	7:30pm ET NBC/Peacock
Saturday Oct. 14		UMass Minutemen (HC) Beaver Stadium, University Park, PA	3:30pm ET TV TBA	Saturday Dec. 2		Big Ten Championship Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis, IN	8:00pm ET FOX

Photo Credit: Fbfschedules.com

Note: We **WILL NOT** be at Glory Days for the Sept 9th game as the game is on Peacock. Please check your emails for an updated location.

SUMMER 2023



Scholarship

New Year, Same Goal!

Since 2004, our chapter has awarded over **\$100,000** to local students to assist them in their pursuit of a Penn State Education. This would not be possible without your donations!

In July, we awarded **\$10,000** in scholarships to five well-rounded students! Next summer, we have the same goal of awarding **\$10,000** to local Penn State students. Help us achieve this goal by making a tax-deductible donation today!

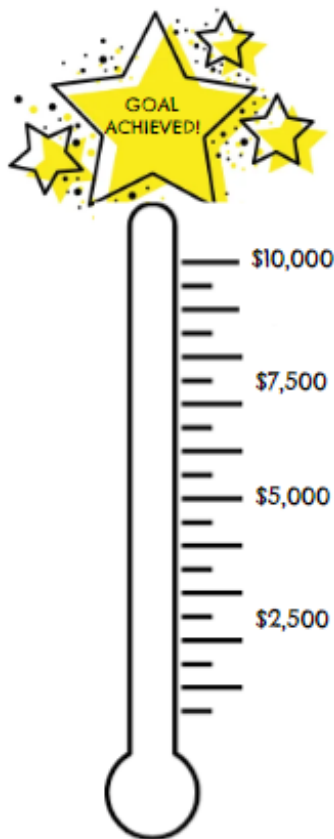
Donate today at:

- Online at our chapter [website](#)
- Mail a donation to:
 - ACPSAA P.O. Box 693 Arnold, MD 21012
- Scan the QR Code →



Thank you!

ACPSAA Board of Directors (And PSU Students!)



Winners!

Congratulations to our 2023 scholarship winners:

Michael Davis

Grace Denius

James MacDonald

Jake Powell

Meaghan Sholtis

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.



Fall Service



National Wreaths Across America Day is Saturday, December 16, 2023

This is a free event and open to all people.

Check our Chapter's website and watch for future emails about wreath sponsorship opportunities.

2023 marks our 10th year of participation. Won't you please join us?

ACPSAA is an officially registered WAA group (Group ID #MD0026)



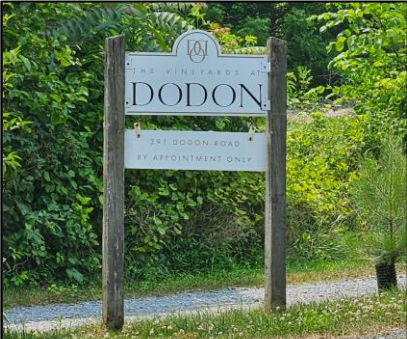
EVENT RECAP

PSU in the Park!



After a hiatus, our annual picnic returned! On August 6th, our chapter hosted new and current students as well as alumni at Quiet Waters Park to celebrate our Penn State students before they headed back to Happy Valley for the upcoming school year. #WeARE...

PSU in the Vineyard!



In June, members of our chapter visited the local winery, The Vineyards at Dodon in Davidsonville, where they enjoyed a private tour of the vineyard and tasted several delicious wines at the completion of the tour. #WeARE...



Letter from the Board

Did you know the 1st scholarship fund was established in 2003 by the Annapolis chapter for Penn State students? Through fund raising and generous donations, the Annapolis chapter was able to pledge \$25,000 to establish an endowment. That year 2 students from our local area were awarded some scholarship money. **Not every Penn State Chapter has been able to establish an endowment to offer scholarship money.** Through continuous donations, raffles and other activities sponsored by the Annapolis chapter, we can give back to the next generation of Penn Staters.

It's hard to believe that 10 years have passed since I have been on the scholarship committee, 8 of those years as Committee Chair. Over the course of time, our chapter has raised over \$100,000 and awarded it to talented and worthy students. The Scholarship committee has read and reviewed hundreds of applications and essays which has not been an easy task. These students are talented, determined, spirited and motivated to be successful. On the essay portion, students had to answer 2 questions. This year one of the questions was "Tell us about a time you failed and how that impacted you".

Let me share some excerpts...

"I tried out for the soccer team and didn't make it. I failed.I decided I wasn't going to sit in defeat and tried out for the cross country team. Barely making the team, I knew I had to put the work in...I placed 11th in the state. Failure closed the door that I was determined to walk through, but also opened a new door. The biggest thing I learned was that sometimes failure is just the start to a big success story that no one sees coming".

Another candidate shared...

"I applied to become a Paterno fellow which meant taking honors classes...I could not get myself to work...I had been dropped from the Paterno Honors program failing to meet their grade requirements. I was crushed. I felt like I failed myself and lost out on the only opportunity I had at Penn State. I realized I needed to make a change... No more would I cling to missed opportunities, instead I would take advantage of the ones still around. I became the master of my own destiny... Penn State doesn't give you experiences, it gives you opportunities."

And another....

"Throughout my academic journey, I had always found school to be relatively easy...then came my Chem class test...I was overwhelmed with distress and failed the test. This was the worst I've ever done on an exam in my entire life...I fell short of my own expectations...I believed I was a failure. I made the commitment to attend my professor's office hours...this made all the difference. Although this score initially devastated me, it ultimately served as a catalyst for personal and academic growth. It imparted valuable lessons on resilience, communication and perseverance, qualities that will benefit me for the rest of my schooling and future career".

Although the essay is only 1 component, scholarship awards are based on a combination of criteria: academic achievement, extra-curricular activities, community service, volunteer work, professional work and internships. We are looking for well rounded students who we believe will make a lasting contribution to Penn State.

Once again we have been able to award several students scholarship monies this year. Helping the next generation is one of our chapter's highest priorities! Please consider making a donation today so we can continue to help the next generation of Penn Staters! WE ARE...

Dona Horst
President & Scholarship Chair



PSU at Camden Yards

The Baltimore Orioles hosted their 2nd Annual Penn State night at Camden Yards on August 25th. Social Committee members, Tina and Tom Delaney were among the Annapolis Chapter Penn State Alumni Association chapter members in attendance for the game!



Membership

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.**

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.



For Our ACPSAA Members

Tis the season to purchase your ...



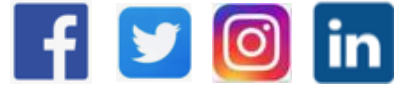
Penn State Alumni Association license plate!
It's the perfect thing for you or a gift for your loved ones!
Every plate sold supports our scholarship fund!

You can purchase a plate for your car for only \$40.00. It's really easy. Just request an application, fill it out and then send in your application and checks. Send an email to Paul at wearepennstate2016@gmail.com and get all the information.

*So if the tassel was worth the hassle, then why not **Brag on your Tag!***

STAY CONNECTED!

We ARE... on Social Media



@PSUAnnapolis

CHAPTER WEBSITE

For up to date details on our chapter history, our projects, special events, meeting dates, and more...

<https://psuannapolis.weebly.com>

PSU in Happy Valley



Board Members, Dona Horst and Karen Cropper, traveled to Happy Valley in July to attend the Alumni Leadership Connections Conference



Not receiving our e-Newsletters or e-Mails about Chapter Events?

Scan this QR CODE to be added to our



What is NIL?

NIL (Name, Image and Likeness) is the term used to associate with student athletes ability to earn money off their individual brand. Prior to July 1st 2021, a student-athlete could not monetize from things like creating a YouTube channel, hosting a camp or selling a signed jersey. But as of July 1 2021, student-athletes across the country can now profit from their NIL.

For more information, visit <https://psuannapolis.weebly.com/>

2023 – 2024 Board Members

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Did you know?

September 2nd will be the first time Penn State plays West Virginia in football since October 24 1992. This is the 60th meeting in program history.