



October 2007 Newsletter

Chapter to Participate in Homecoming Parade – Again this year we are planning to march, as a chapter, in the annual Homecoming parade, which is scheduled to begin at approximately 6:00 p.m. Friday, Oct. 12, 2007. All alumni groups are encouraged to participate in the parade, as this is one of the elements recognized as being an Alumni Group of Distinction. October 12th is full of various activities open to anyone wanting to participate and have fun. The day begins with an Ice Cream Social at 3pm at the Hintz Family Alumni Center before the parade. Formation for the parade begins at 5pm with the parade beginning at 6pm. Upon completion of the parade there is an invitation only party being held at the Hintz Center for all parade participants.



Please keep in mind that this is a by invitation only event and registration with our chapter is required. Please contact President Curt Rothermel at 966-7197 about any questions or to sign up. If you have never participated in this University sponsored event, it is truly an evening to remember. In addition to all the parade related activities, there is the traditional Guard the Lion vigil and the coronation of the Homecoming King and Queen. Other than the timeline for the parade, this is a very informal event that people can come and go as they please. Just come dressed for a night of Penn State pride. For those concerned about the distance required to walk, DJ Mapes has graciously agreed to drive his “Nittany Jittany” in the parade so that people can take a break throughout the parade walk or simply ride the entire route and enjoy everything the festivities have to offer. Don’t be shy, sign up, and we’ll see you at the PARADE.

27th Annual Pig Roast a Huge Success – The 27th Annual Greater Susquehanna Valley Chapter Pig Roast was, again this year, a huge success. The Penn State Cheerleaders, The Nittany Lion, Kenny Jackson & Blair Thomas, Roger Williams – Executive Director of the Penn State Alumni Association and Alan Janesch – Director of the Penn State Grassroots Network were all in attendance along with over 425 Penn State Alumni, fans and supporters. Many thanks for your continued generosity benefiting our Annual Scholarship fund. We hope to see you again for the 28th Annual Chapter Pig Roast, Sunday August 24, 2008.

New York City Bus Trip – The Greater Susquehanna Valley Chapter is sponsoring a one day bus trip to New York City on Saturday December 1, 2007. The chapter will provide the transportation to and from New York City and the day will be yours to do whatever you like. December is great for Christmas shopping in the city and there are many opportunities to see a Broadway show or go to Radio City Music Hall for the Christmas show. The cost of the bus trip is \$35.00 per person and the bus will leave from the Ames parking lot in Lewisburg at 6:00am. After spending the day in the city the bus will depart for home at 7:00pm. We are currently planning on being dropped off and picked up somewhere around the area of Radio City Music Hall, which is conveniently located to many of the department stores and theatres as well as Rockefeller Center. If you are interested in reserving your spot on the chapter bus trip to New York City, please visit our website at www.gsvpennstatechapter.com and download the New York City bus trip flyer. Print out the flyer, fill out the reservation form at the bottom and send, along with your check for \$35.00 made payable to the Greater Susquehanna Valley Chapter, to PO Box 402, New Berlin, PA 17855. For more information on this event, please contact Jane Barnasconi at 286-2272.

Ladies Day Out Jewelry Party – The Greater Susquehanna Valley Penn State Chapter is sponsoring a “Ladies Day Out” and Premier Designs Jewelry Party on Sunday October 21, 2007 at The Towne Tavern in Lewisburg from 2:00pm to 4:00pm. The chapter will provide light snacks and beverages for all in attendance. Chapter member and Premier Designs consultant Wendy Weader will host the event which is open to all chapter members, guests and the general public. Come out and join us for a fun filled afternoon specially designed for the ladies. For more information on this new fund-raising event, call Wendy Weader at (570) 524-4263 or email her at jewelry4u@dejazzd.com.

Annual Christmas Party – Our chapter’s annual Christmas Party will be held again this year at the Carriage Corner in Mifflinburg on Wednesday December 12, 2007 at 6:00pm. We would like to again this year offer a buffet dinner, as opposed to ordering off the menu. The price of the buffet is \$16.00 per adult, \$8.00 per child (small children may order off the menu) and includes beverage and dessert. Hors d'oeuvre will be provided by the club. Also our annual donation of Christmas gifts for the Women in Transition organization will be collected at this event. If you would like to make a reservation or have any questions concerning this event, please contact President Curt Rothermel at 966-7197. Please mail your reservations including number of adults & children, with a check made out to the Greater Susquehanna Valley Chapter, by December 5, 2007 so we can provide an accurate count to the Carriage Corner.

2007 – 2008 Meeting Dates – Chapter meetings for the fall of 2007 and winter of 2008 have been scheduled and are as follows: Oct 3, 2007 – Ards Market, Lewisburg – Nov 7, 2007 – Original Italian Pizza, New Berlin – Dec 12, 2007 – Carriage Corner, Mifflinburg – January 2008 – No monthly chapter meeting – February 6, 2008 – Empire Hotel, Freeburg – March 5, 2008 – Scarlet D, Mifflinburg – April 2, 2008 – Selinsgrove Hotel, Selinsgrove – May 7, 2008 – La Primavera, Lewisburg

If you need any more information about monthly chapter meetings, please contact secretary Tony Barnasconi at 988-6615 or Anthony.barnasconi@verizon.net

Happy Hour Social Events – The Greater Susquehanna Valley Penn State Chapter has started a new social function open to all chapter members and their guests. Each month the chapter holds a happy hour social event at various establishments throughout the area. The chapter happy hour social events are held the third Thursday of each month and start any time after 5:00pm. Upcoming happy hour socials are as follows:

October 18, 2007—Scarlet D, Mifflinburg – November 15, 2007—Vic’s Pub, Lewisburg

More information about our winter and spring 2008 happy hour social events will follow in the next newsletter. For more information about the chapter happy hour social events, please contact chairman Jared Kohl at jaredfkohl@hotmail.com.

Winter Basketball Getaway – The Greater Susquehanna Valley Chapter is currently planning 3 Winter Basketball Getaway days to Men’s Basketball Games. Saturday January 12, 2008 vs. Minnesota, Saturday February 16, 2008 vs. Illinois and Saturday March 1, 2008 vs. Michigan are the dates. The day would consist of going to the game as a group and being recognized as being one of the groups in attendance. The cost of the ticket is around \$10.00 per person and you would be required to provide your own transportation to the Jordan Center for the game. Tip-off for the Minnesota game is set for 2:00pm, Illinois tip-off is at 7:00pm and the Michigan game starts at 8:00pm. If you are interested in tickets for any or all of our Penn State Men’s Basketball games, please contact chapter secretary Tony Barnasconi at 988-6615 or via email at Anthony.Barnasconi@verizon.net

The Greater Susquehanna Valley Penn State Chapter would like to sincerely apologize for an error in our summer 2007 newsletter. A generous donation to our endowed scholarship fund was made by the estate of the late Alice DeWalk, not Alice Sampsell as previously reported. Ms DeWalk’s sister, Betty Lou Sampsell, was responsible for overseeing the distribution of funds to our chapter. We regret our error and oversight on the mix-up of names. We would like to again thank both the estate of the late Alice DeWalk for her contribution and her sister Betty Lou Sampsell for her understanding in regard to our error.