

# PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Well it would seem that summer is finally here and that the Central PA-esque weather has finally left us. Of course what is summer without a BBQ and your annual fix of Creamery Ice Cream? Once again, we will be holding our annual summer event and student send-off at Gold River Racquet Club on Saturday August 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm. (See enclosure.)

2010-2011 was another successful year for the chapter. Due to our social, philanthropic, and scholarship activities we once again were awarded the Alumni Association's Chapter of Distinction award. This year's highlights include:

- Another \$1,000 scholarship awarded to a local student
- Over \$400 raised to sponsor a family in need for the Thanksgiving Holiday
- Participation in the Sacramento SPCA Book Fair
- Gatherings at Players for football and participation in local BigTen events

We continuously add to our smartphone and iPad friendly website. In 2011, we plan to add the ability allow members to post notes in a section we'll refer to as "Lions helping Lions." Those on Facebook can find us by searching on "Penn State Sacramento".

Looking forward, this fall we will be having open elections. This is the fourth year that the current officers have served the chapter and all positions will be up for election. If you are looking to get involved in something that keeps you connected to PSU and truthfully doesn't take much time, I encourage you to run for office. Talk to me or any of the officers if you are interested. Also, and noted on the back of this newsletter, is a call for event captains and a request to provide feedback via a chapter survey where you'll be entered for a chance to win some ice cream!

Please send your dues and payment for the summer gathering today. Thank you again for your support and I look forward to seeing you and your families on August 6<sup>th</sup>.

For the Glory,  
Doug

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# PENN STATE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### **AUGUST 6; 4:00 PM PDT**

Summer Gathering at Gold River Racquet Club

### **SEPTEMBER 3; 9:00 AM PDT\***

PSU vs. Indiana State

### **SEPTEMBER 10; 12:30 PM PDT**

PSU vs. Alabama

### **SEPTEMBER 17; 9:00 AM PDT**

PSU at Temple

### **SEPTEMBER 24; TIME TBA**

PSU vs. Eastern Michigan

### **OCTOBER 1; TIME TBA**

PSU at Indiana

### **OCTOBER 8; TIME TBA**

PSU vs. Iowa

### **OCTOBER 15; 9:00 AM PDT**

PSU vs. Purdue

### **OCTOBER 22; 4:00 PM PDT**

PSU at Northwestern

### **OCTOBER 24; 5:30 PM PDT**

Meeting at Marie Callender's

### **OCTOBER 29; TIME TBA**

PSU vs. Illinois

### **NOVEMBER 12; TIME TBA**

PSU vs. Nebraska

### **NOVEMBER 19; TIME TBA**

PSU at Ohio State

### **NOVEMBER 26; TIME TBA**

PSU at Wisconsin

### **DECEMBER 3; TIME TBA**

Big Ten Championship Game



Be sure to check [www.psusac.org](http://www.psusac.org) for the latest updates.

## Event Captains Wanted!

Are you are looking for an easy one-time way to get involved? Be an event captain. This year we are going to have game captains for each of the football games as well as each of our philanthropic and social events. Event captains for games will be responsible for administering the raffle but will also have the flexibility to add their own creativity.

One example in the works and worth nothing will be one kid-friendly game. This game, captained by Bridget Sanders will likely be at an alternate viewing location and include activities for the little ones while parents watch the game. We have started the list of game captains on our website at [www.psusac.org/captains](http://www.psusac.org/captains). Sign-up today!



## Make a Difference for a Local Student!

The Sacramento-San Joaquin Award Fund (SXXJ2) has enabled a yearly \$1,000 award for a local student attending Penn State each of the past five years and will do so again this fall.

Recent Alumni correspondence has detailed the growing importance and impact of philanthropy at Penn State. The impact of State funding cuts will have a direct impact on student tuitions. For a variety of reasons, several individuals have had to reduce their contributions. If we are to maintain this annual scholarship we will need individual contributors to step up in the future!

Individuals presently making or considering future contributions to Penn State can direct portions or all of their monies to the **Sacramento-San Joaquin Award Fund (SXXJ2)**. Even \$25 or \$50 yearly contributions will help the cause.

The chapter website provides directions to the PSU site established for online donations and the source for forms which can be downloaded and mailed in. For questions, please contact Norm Schwalm at [NormShirley@surewest.net](mailto:NormShirley@surewest.net)



## Give us your Feedback and Win Creamery Ice Cream!

Attendance last year was flat for some events and declining in others. If there is something that would incentivize you to come out and get involved, we want to hear your ideas! To that end, we have setup a short survey which can be found on our website at [www.psusac.org/2011-survey](http://www.psusac.org/2011-survey).



Persons who complete the survey will be put in a drawing for a pint of Creamery Ice Cream to be awarded at the Summer Gathering.