

PENN STATE

A L U M N I A S S O C I A T I O N

A CHALLENGING YEAR

My Fellow Nittany Lions:

I don't have to tell everyone that past eight or so months have been some of the most trying for the Nittany Lion loyal. I have spoken to many of you and know first-hand that emotions have justifiably run the gamut from anger to sorrow and embarrassment.

Obviously we feel first and foremost for the victims of this horrible crime. We will also always remember the legacy of Joe Paterno, the man who taught us many important lessons in sport and life.

If there is a silver lining to these tragic events, it is that we continue to see good emerge from the true representatives of our alma mater, the students and alumni. Dance Marathon broke its own record this year raising over \$10 million to help children with cancer. PSUforRAINN, a grassroots organization that came to national prominence with this tragedy raised over \$500,000 to help fight child abuse. Here locally we held a poker night at the Henkel house as part of a one night multi-city event to raise money and awareness for RAINN. This is and continues to be my Penn State.

With that, I invite all of you to remember what PSU is truly about and come out to our annual summer gathering and student send-off on August 11th at William B. Pond Park (see enclosed). For football games, we will continue to meet at Players on Saturdays but also plan to build on last year's success of introducing some alternative viewing sites including ones in Elk Grove and Folsom/El Dorado Hills. In the meantime, stand tall and walk proud. You are still part of the best group of alumni in the world!

For the Glory,
Doug

Douglas W. Barbin
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Class of '97 and 2nd Generation Nittany Lion!



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PENN STATE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

UPCOMING EVENTS



AUGUST 11; 11:00 AM PDT

Summer Gathering and Student Sendoff at William Pond Park

AUGUST 26; 1:00-4:00 PM PDT

Big Ten Bowling

SEPTEMBER 1; 9:00 AM PDT

PSU vs. Ohio

SEPTEMBER 8; 9:00 AM PDT

PSU at Virginia
Alternate viewing in Elk Grove

SEPTEMBER 15; 12:30 PM PDT

PSU vs. Navy

SEPTEMBER 22; TIME TBA

PSU vs. Temple

SEPTEMBER 29; TIME TBA

PSU at Illinois

OCTOBER 6; 9:00 AM PDT

PSU vs. Northwestern
(Homecoming)

OCTOBER 20; 5:00 PM PDT

PSU at Iowa
Alternate viewing in Folsom

OCTOBER 24; 5:30 PM PDT

Chapter Meeting

OCTOBER 27; 3:00 PM PDT

PSU vs. Ohio State

NOVEMBER 3; TIME TBA

PSU at Purdue

NOVEMBER 10; TIME TBA

PSU at Nebraska

NOVEMBER 17; TIME TBA

PSU vs. Indiana

NOVEMBER 24; TIME TBA

PSU vs. Wisconsin

DECEMBER 1; TIME TBA

Big Ten Championship Game



Check www.psusac.org for the latest updates.

Fall Football Games

For the majority of the football games, the chapter meets at Players Sports Pub and Grill, located at 4060 Sunrise Blvd



in Fair Oaks. They are open for all games, even the ones that start at 9AM, and have a large menu.

Last year we tried something new by having a viewing party at an alumnus' house and it went over so well we are planning two this year. The game against Virginia on September 8th will be held at Mike and Amy Henkel's house in Elk Grove. We also plan to watch the Iowa game on October 20th in Folsom. More detailed information will be available on www.psusac.org.



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 over the past six years and will do so again this fall.

Individuals making or considering future contributions to Penn State can direct portions or all of their donations to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Award Fund (SXXJ2). Even \$25 or \$50 yearly contributions will help a local student's

college fund. The chapter website, www.psusac.com, provides directions to the PSU site established for online donations and detailed instructions on how to direct your donation to our scholarship.

We are also looking for someone to coordinate our scholarship with the university. Anyone interested should contact Doug Barbin.



Philanthropic and Other Events

Throughout the year, we do a variety of other events in the area and across the state. In addition to our event for RAINN, we provided a family with Thanksgiving dinner and supported the local SPCA. We participate in local Big Ten activities such as the annual picnic and bowling tournament and are also often invited to participate in events with the San Francisco and Silicon Valley Chapters. For example, this

September, the San Francisco chapter will be hosting a cocktail party with the managing editor of the Penn Stater magazine in the City. There is also almost always a trip to wine country at some point in the year. Visit our website to see a list of upcoming events. If you are interested in hosting a philanthropic, social, or other event, please let us know!

SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN ANNUAL SUMMER GATHERING AND STUDENT SENDOFF

Please join us to send the students off to State College! This year's summer gathering will be held on Saturday, August 11th, at 11:00 AM at William B. Pond Park in Carmichael.

William Pond Park is located along the American River with grassy areas and plenty of trees for shade as well as a large picnic area for the group. We will provide games for the kids (adults can play too!), but please feel free to bring any additional activities you would like.



Burgers, sausages and side dishes will be provided by the alumni chapter for \$15 per family or \$10 per individual in addition to your annual dues. Snacks, sodas, and water will be provided throughout the event. This year you are welcome to bring your own alcoholic beverages (bottles are not permitted in the park). Once again we will be serving the Diner's Grilled Stickies along with our traditional Berkey Creamery Ice Cream.



You have the option this year to pay your dues and/or summer gathering fees online at <http://psu-summer-event.eventbrite.com> or via the mail-in form below by August 3rd.

The park is located off American River Parkway at 5700 Arden Way in Carmichael. There will be seating available, but please bring folding chairs if you have them.

For more information about William Pond Park and a map of the area please visit www.psusac.org/summer-event

Don't miss this opportunity to meet and socialize with your fellow California alumni and send off the current students. If you are not using the online option, please complete the form below and send your RSVP in today!

Summer Gathering RSVP and/or Chapter Dues Payment

Due by August 3rd!

Please check the appropriate boxes and send with payment.

- Our family of _____ will be attending the Summer Gathering on August 11th and would like to be members of the Sacramento-San Joaquin chapter for 2012-2013 for a total of **\$30.00**.
- I will be attending the Summer Gathering on August 11th and would like to be a member of the Sacramento-San Joaquin chapter for 2012-2013 for a total of **\$25.00**.
- I/We would like to be member(s) of the Sacramento-San Joaquin chapter for 2012-2013, but will not be able to attend the gathering; my/our **\$15.00** dues are enclosed.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

PSU Graduating Class: _____ Spouse: _____

Checks can be made payable to the *Penn State Club* and mailed with your RSVP by August 3rd to:
Penn State - Sacramento Club; c/o Douglas Barbin - BrightLine CPAs & Associates, Inc.,
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