



# PennState Alumni Association

## York County Chapter

**Tales of the Lion**  
2019  
Summer Newsletter

### York County Chapter Update

Greetings to all of south-central Pennsylvania!

This has been a very busy year for the York County Chapter of the Penn State Alumni Association. The many events that have been scheduled continue to demonstrate that our chapter is one of the most enthusiastic and active chapters in the Association! This past year, in addition to our regular monthly socials, game watch parties, our annual banquet and Christmas party, we gave away nearly \$9,000 in scholarships to Penn State students. We also provided nearly \$1,500 in direct support to the students at the York Campus through the gift card bank, and in conjunction with the Lancaster County Chapter, conducted a food drive for the students at University Park. We continue to live up to the mission of the Alumni Association, connecting local alumni to one another while supporting the University in their efforts as well.

Moving forward, the chapter has no plans of slowing down. We have several events planned in August, headlined by our Annual Meeting/Banquet. Once again, this year, we were able to book Steve Jones, the voice of the Nittany Lions, as our guest speaker. If you have not heard Steve speak in person, I strongly recommend that you make reservations for this event. His knowledge of Penn State sports is unsurpassed, and it will certainly be an evening to remember. You can find information about this and many other events in this newsletter.

As with any organization, we are only as good as our membership. The support and programs we are providing do not come without a cost, and we need your support to continue to make things happen. If you have not already done so, please fill out a membership form and join the chapter, or if you are already a member, make sure that your membership is renewed. For those of you who might like to become even more involved, whether it be planning new activities or assisting with those we already have scheduled, please let us know. We would also welcome some additions to our board of directors, if you are interested in becoming involved on a broader scale. We meet on a monthly basis, on the third Wednesday of the month.

I hope that you are enjoying your summer and look forward to seeing and meeting many of you as we move through the calendar of events. Please try to join us when you are able. Take care, and We Are!

For the glory,

Randy Seely, President  
Penn State Alumni Association, York County Chapter

### IMPORTANT DATES

- Tues. August 6**  
Steve Jones LIVE  
Heritage Hills Golf Resort  
2700 Mt. Rose Ave. York
- Sun. August 11**  
Freshmen Send-Off  
Cousler Park  
1060 Church Rd. York
- Weds. August 14**  
Happy Hour & Social  
Sherwood Inn  
305 N. Main St.  
York New Salem
- Sat. August 17**  
Revolution vs Barnstormers  
Baseball Game
- Sun. August 25**  
KickOff the Season  
Event at Primanti's  
2151 S. Queen St. York
- Weds. September 11**  
Happy Hour & Social  
Crimson American Grille  
1839 S. Queen St. York
- Fri. October 4**  
Homecoming Parade
- Save the Date!**  
**Weds. December 11**  
Holiday Party

**THON FUNDRAISER  
COMING SOON!**



# PSAA-York County Chapter's Annual Dinner

with Special Guest

## Steve Jones '80

"Voice of Penn State Sports"

Tuesday, August 6, 2019

6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Heritage Hills Golf Resort (Window Ballroom) 2700 Mt Rose Ave, York, PA 17402

*Meet and Greet with Fellow Alumni and Friends - Dinner, Program and Door Prizes*

Cost: \$35 for members, \$45 for non-members



Steve Jones, a 1980 Speech Communication and Broadcasting graduate of Penn State, is well known throughout Pennsylvania as the "Voice of Penn State Sports."

Jones, who serves as the play-by-play voice for Penn State football and men's basketball, also covers a variety of Penn State and local sports. He also serves as the lead play-by-play voice of the State College Spikes. He teaches sports broadcasting in the John Curley Center for Sports Journalism.

In addition, communications students and professional broadcasters utilize the Steve Jones Student Sports Broadcasting Complex, housed in Rec Hall, when they work on the Penn State campus. The state-of-the-art complex (made possible with a gift from Penn State alumni Richard and Susan Barry) offers hands-on experiences to students pursuing careers in sports broadcasting.

Join us and enjoy a great dinner with alumni and friends of Penn State, and be the first to hear from Jones, what's in store for Penn State Alumni and Friends in 2019 - 2020.

\*Buffet style meal consisting of: house and fresh fruit salads, vegetable medley, potatoes, roasted turkey, grilled flank steak, dinner rolls, dessert, coffee, iced tea. Cash Bar

\*For those with dietary restrictions; please advise when making reservation.

### STEVE JONES EVENT on August 6<sup>th</sup> REGISTRATION FORM

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Members attending  
\_\_\_\_\_ x \$ = \_\_\_\_\_

Non-members attending  
\_\_\_\_\_ x \$ = \_\_\_\_\_

Donation to scholarships  
= \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount \_\_\_\_\_

#### Send registration information before July 25:

Mail to - PSAA—York County Chapter

Attention: Treasurer

P.O. Box 3893 York, PA 17402

Or register online using PayPal

<https://pennstatealumni-yorkcounty.org>

Cost: \$35 for members, \$45 for non-members:



**PennState  
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**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

You do not need to be a PSU alumnus to be a member.

**Applicant Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Class Year(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Campus (es): \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of Penn State Alumni Association (University Park)?  Yes  No

If Yes,  Annual Member  Life Member

Would you like to contribute to our scholarships for York county PSU students?

**Donation to Scholarship \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Annual Membership Types**

- Individual** Membership \$10.00
- Joint** Membership (spouse/partner) \$15.00
- Family** Membership (up to 2 adults and children under 18, living at same address) \$20.00

Joint/Other Member(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**Submittal Process**

Complete and send with membership dues, check or money order payable to:

PSAA—York County Chapter Attn: Treasurer  
P.O. Box 3893, York, PA 17402

**You may also join online, using PayPal, at <https://PennStateAlumni-YorkCounty.org>**

*Please note, members of the Penn State Alumni Association - York County Chapter do not need to be a member of the main Penn State Alumni Association. Likewise, being a member the Penn State Alumni Association - York County Chapter does not automatically include membership in the Penn State Alumni Association.*

**CHEER ON THE NITTANY LIONS!**



**GAME WATCHES at Primanti Brothers!**

**Join Penn State football fans for fun and spirits!**

**For all games – home and away!**

(Starts 1/2 hour prior to kickoff)

- Drink and Food Specials
- Fun PSU Giveaways
- Cheer on the Nittany Lions with other fans
- ...and other surprises!



**York County Chapter to Host Freshmen Send-off on August 11 Beginning at Noon, Cousler Park**

We will celebrate our newest generation of Penn Staters with a picnic on August 11, by spending the day socializing with other York County freshmen who will be attending PSU, talking with some current Penn State students, and discussing what is needed to do in order to have a successful first year at Penn State.

For more details or to RSVP, email or call,

YorkCounty@psu.edu or  
717-718-6781 by August 3rd

# LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2019

Report by Krista Deemer, Treasurer



On Saturday June 22, Lori Houser - President Elect and I attended the 2019 PSAA Alumni Leadership Conference at the Marriott at Forrestal Hotel in Princeton NJ.

The day started with opening remarks from Charlene Gaus, Regional Director for Volunteer Services and Paul Clifford, CEO. Paul had us partake in a few get to know others exercises including lining up per birthdate (day and month), and then by graduation year as an icebreaker. Very fun!

Following the exercises, we had the pleasure of meeting Joe Battista 83'. Joe is a former hockey player and coach with an extensive background and was instrumental in bringing the Pegula Ice Arena to Penn State. In 2016, he founded Pragmatic Passion, LLC that focuses on keynote and motivational speaking, business development and success in coaching. He has written a book – “The Power of Pragmatic Passion - 7 Common Sense Principles for Achieving Personal and Professional Success” - outlining his models. He gave a

very powerful and wonderful lesson on his comprehensive roadmap to charting your path forward in your personal life and with your alumni group, based on this book. P.A.S.S.I.O.N, is the acronym he uses to inspire self-reflection and confidence. I purchased the book and am reading it now. You can learn more and purchase the book at <https://www.pragmaticpassion.com>. Using the code PASSION5, you can receive an alumni discount. It was all very educational and above all, inspiring.

Following Joe's talk, we broke for lunch where we had the opportunity to talk more and get to know fellow alumni and leaders even further. The afternoon training sessions continued with various topics including Marketing, Promotion, the new Trade Licensing Agreement (TLA) and other critical topics including taxes, insurance, reporting and many more. The TLA training focused on the very important topic regarding proper usage of our PSAA Chapter logo, including what to do and not to do, with examples. After a short break, we continued the afternoon with a Networking Tips and Tricks session led by Cheryl Bonner, Director of Alumni Career Services. Another interesting and insightful session. We ended the afternoon by having a brainstorming session between the alumni and students where we talked about collaboration and ideas on bringing in younger members into our groups, activities and fundraising.

Lori and I were very pleased to meet our new regional director Misha Demchuk. She recently joined the team, coming from her position as Coordinator of Young Alumni Programs. She is looking forward to working with us and getting to know us all. Her sister lives in the area so we are hoping to get her to visit us often. We made many other connections that day and hope we can all help each other grow and be successful as chapters and groups. Overall, it was a fun and educational day that I really enjoyed. I look forward to attending next year's session in State College.



**Pictured above:** Krista Deemer '01, Lori Houser '04, Trustee Laurie Stanell '80, Misha Demchuk '17

# Thanks to our SPONSORS

The Penn State Alumni Association – York County Chapter embraces the memberships of alumni and friends of Penn State. We are now expanding our membership options to include businesses. The proceeds of the business membership will go directly toward funding the Chapter Scholarships, given annually to deserving Penn State students. We encourage you to consider a business membership. Your advertisement opportunities in our electronic and printed newsletters will reach over 5000 area alumni and friends. The newsletters are sent on

multiple occasions from January to December, including our annual summer mailing. The York County Chapter is offering two options for business membership that will be effective from September 1 to August 31. For more benefits and information, check out the membership page of our website.



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or call (717) 858-7161

# KickOff

the 2019 Penn State Nittany Lions Football season with local alumni and fans - at Primanti Brothers on Queen Street in York!

**Sunday, August 25 from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.**

Start the afternoon off with a variety of tailgate-style appetizers, compliments of the York County Chapter ...in the spirit of the season, having fun and hanging around to talk about the upcoming football season.



In order to plan ahead, we are requiring your **reservation before August 23rd**, which can be mailed or e-mailed (see below).



**AGAIN, THIS YEAR:** For every \$10 gift card donation you bring with you to the KickOff, you will receive a chance to win a special prize! The preferred gift cards are Sheetz, Rutters, Giant and Weis as students can use them for food, supplies, diapers, gasoline, or whatever they may need.

Supporting our local students, who are trying to better their lives, and that of their families, is part of who **WE ARE!**

## KICK OFF EVENT on August 25<sup>th</sup> - RESERVATION FORM

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

List other attendees: \_\_\_\_\_

**Send reservation information by August 20:**

Mail - Penn State Alumni Association—York County Chapter  
P.O. Box 3893 York, PA 17402

Or send an e-Mail to: [YorkCounty@psu.edu](mailto:YorkCounty@psu.edu)

# Board Members 2018 - 2019

as of September 1, 2019

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Sherry Sarver  
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\*Pending confirmation vote  
at the August 6 meeting.



Now it's  
your time  
to join us!

## Chapter Scholarships

### ***DID YOU KNOW...***

that our Chapter supports two scholarships and an award, given out to York county students who attend Penn State?

**Help us grow our scholarships** (Penn State Club of York County Scholarship and Penn State Alumni Association Trustee Scholarship for Penn State York) by donating each year when you renew your membership.

### ***Over \$8,600 was given out last year!***

The Chapter award is presented annually to any Penn State York student who possesses outstanding qualities of scholarship, leadership, and service to the campus. Students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and participate actively in the Blue & White Society and/or Lion Ambassadors.



Pictured: Randy Seely, President, presenting the York County Chapter Award to Catie Nobel at the 2019 Honors Banquet



Above: Devon Still visit at The Pullo Center



## Contact Us!

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## Join Us on August 17<sup>th</sup> !

**Summer Fun!** York Revolution vs Lancaster Barnstormers on Saturday August 17<sup>th</sup>  
Gates open at 5:30 p.m., Game begins at 6:30 p.m.

Penn State Alumni and friends, come out and enjoy an evening of Revolution Baseball, flying t-shirts, furry blue mascots, hot dogs and ice cream with a spectacular post-game fireworks show!

Conveniently purchase your discounted tickets online at <https://bit.ly/2KTCwg5>  
by August 14<sup>th</sup>. For more information, visit the Chapter's website at  
<https://pennstatealumni-yorkcounty.org/revolution-game-august-17>





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