Fandangle Turns 5

Final Day To Purchase Tickets: July 24!

Dieruff High School Alumni Association

Husky Pride... Unleashed

Join fellow Dieruff Alumni (All Classes) and Friends for an afternoon of great fun, music, drinks (beer, soda, water), and all-you-can-eat catered food.

Saturday, July 29, 2017
2:00 - 7:00 PM
East Side Youth Center
1140 East Clair St., Allentown, PA

Advanced Tickets Only

$20 Per Person

Tickets on Sale at Stahley's, DHS Main Office, or on-line at our website below

www.dieruff-alumni.org
Very seldom is my Canon Rebel T3i Camera greater than an arm’s length away. Call me compulsive if you like; however, one never knows when a photo op might arise.

Certainly, Kodak Moments (make that Canon Moments) are in abundance throughout Husky Nation. During this last month or so, my trusty camera captured countless images, many of which are displayed in this issue of our Newsletter. Each shot reflects the mission of our Alumni Association, which is to promote Husky Pride among our alumni, current students, faculty/staff, and the community.

As we approach Saturday, July 29th, my camera is poised for action. The Fandangle is sure to present many opportunities for fabulous photos. How do I decide what images to photograph? Let me count the ways:

- A warm embrace by classmates reuniting after decades apart.
- A friendly toast to Husky Pride with cups of foamy Budweiser.
- An encore performance by the Alumni Choir directed by Peter Carpenter.
- Dieruff mascots, Kiska V and Misha, feeling the love and offering kisses.
- Energetic dancers groovin’ to “Uptown Funk” and “The Electric Slide”.
- Members of the ’62 and ’72 Classes celebrating their 55th and 45th reunions under separate designated party tents.
- Famished “Fandanglers” feasting on fantastic picnic fare provided by “Giovanni’s On The Go”.
- Stylish alumni sporting fine-looking Alumni Association shirts, caps, and visors.
- DJ David putting down sounds from all decades.
- Smiling alumni recalling fond memories from days of yore.
- …...and the list goes on and on.

I sincerely hope you will be part of the fun. Be prepared to flash your biggest grin when you see my camera pointed in your direction. Oh, and remind me to take my lens cap off.

With warm Husky regards,

John
For the third year, your Alumni Association has offered four $250.00 scholarships to graduating seniors. Thanks to you for supporting our initiatives that fund these scholarships. We hope to continue this tradition for many years to come.

Our Scholarship Committee received applications from nine well deserving seniors. The theme of the scholarship essay was "What is the value of School Spirit in Today’s World and the Future?" In addition to the essay, faculty recommendations, transcripts and extracurricular activities were taken into consideration.

This year’s recipients are:

**Prescious A. Correa** – in her essay, Prescious wrote “School spirit is a “glow from within”. The glow spreads every year from generation to generation as a gift we leave behind…” Prescious will be attending Montclair State University.

**Jose A. Murphy** – in his essay, Jose wrote “School spirit is more than just pep rallies, it’s a sense of community in and outside of school- it opens the door to connect with those who came before and share a bond like no other.” Jose will be attending Penn State University.

**Zachary Shiffert** – in his essay, Zach wrote: “I am proud to be a Husky, I may not have been the best player but I always gave it my best and showed School Spirit and pride in my school…no matter if we win or lose, as long as, knowing that no matter what, Husky Pride is strong.” Zach will be attending Bloomsburg University.

**Mark S. Yowakim** – in his essay, Mark wrote “School spirit is important at one’s school because it helps to shape an individual and allows us to behave in a way that represents our school properly and in turn teaches character. One should always remember where he came from.” Mark will be a Theatre Major at DeSales University.

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**In Like Flynn**
*John G. Hughes, Jr. ‘61*

Dieruff High School is proud to introduce Mr. Larry Flynn as the new band director and instrument music teacher. Larry is replacing Mr. Frank DiSimone, who had been at the high school for many years. In his previous position with the Allentown School District, Larry had been serving the elementary school students, where he successfully cultivated an exceptionally talented elementary orchestra of over 150 musicians.

Having assessed the instrument inventory, Larry has determined that Dieruff is in desperate need of musical instruments. Anyone who is in a position to donate a used instrument is encouraged to contact us through the Alumni Newsletter, and we can make necessary arrangements.

We are all very excited to welcome Larry on board, and we wish him well.
As the LED Alumni Association looks forward to its biggest event of the year, the All-Classes Fandangle, howling huskies eagerly share their enthusiasm for the annual East Side gathering. On Friday, June 2, a group of Dieruff faithful met in the school’s Commons to participate in a promotional video, inviting all alumni to our summer-time mega-reunion.

Spanning the school’s fifty-eight years, the alumni representation featured John and Jinny (Bankhard) Hughes (both ’61), who entered the doors of LED when it first opened in 1959, to Hannah Schoepple, a recent 2017 grad who skillfully served as our videographer. Also in attendance were a ’70s flower child, an ’80s valley girl, and our very own Dr. John Stevens ’63, an Allentown obstetrician who “delivered” the announcement that the all-you-can-eat celebration would cost “only twenty bucks!” Brilliantly recorded in the Commons, the Hub of Husky High through which the daily lives of thousands of Dieruff students have intersected for six decades, the fun-filled production wrapped up with former assistant principal Mr. (Dick) Parks entering the scene, scolding the rally of students to “break it up and get back to class!” (an idea suggested by Karen Coleman).

From the opening shot of our alma mater at the dawn of a lovely spring morning to the cleverly-named closing credits, this year’s Fandangle video is another example of the many ways in which the LED Alumni Association extends its Husky Pride. Please share the YouTube video, linked below, with your classmates and friends within the Dieruff community. Remind them that they will have barrels of fun. And beer!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G2Fil47cRSk

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**Kiska’s Korner**

*By Kiska V w/Karen Coleman*

Been busy. Enjoyed the Spring Concert. Met a lot of new people and got to see Mr. C. Very nice man and so deserving of this honor. I even sang a wee bit on the chorus of the Alma Mater. The cheese was very good at the reception, but Mom said NO to the cake.

Went to the Troika Awards. Did not sing, much to Mom’s disappointment. But got to see my buddy Misha and we wore our bows. Did not get to the Kiska Dinner this year. Mom and a bunch of Dieruff Ladies went to the Freddy Rehearsal at the State Theater. They had a great time and are planning to go next year.

Then graduation. Did not know how it would turn out. We went up on Wednesday afternoon to see the seniors and give out parking passes. Had an accident. Somehow when Mom opened the door, my toe was in the way. Took off a bit of the nail. OH PAIN. I cried and limped and everyone came running to see if I was hurt. Then it started to bleed a bit and almost a crisis. Mom cannot deal with blood. She is a puker and a fainter. Somehow she held it together. Came home, got a peroxide soak and I was fine. But scared us both.

Graduation Day. Aunt Cindy was driving her van. We were leaving early, worried about the Friday night traffic. Pick-up was quarter to five. Sitting on the porch, waiting and waiting and no Aunt Cindy. Mom checks the answering machine and Aunt Cindy is using her other car because the van battery is dead. Means Mom is driving. Oh joy. Mom hates to drive. Nazareth to Dieruff is a journey. A trip to Husky Rescue is an all day event. Three year old car with 18,000 miles tells you something.

We leave and hit every red light. We do not do 22. Traffic was good until we goofed a little off American Parkway and then hit Linden Street. Aunt Cindy knows her streets. She is a human GPS. Made it with time to spare. Whew…….some excitement. But Misha and I did our thing leading the procession. Something about Uber for next year?????

Loved Mrs. Bocien’s story about the lighted lantern. Bet we get one for the front porch. Of course, a lighted lantern will only help stray cats find their food easier.

I, well both Misha and I were tired. But huskies have endurance, even when injured. Hope to see everyone at the Fandangle. It is my birthday month so please come and help me celebrate. See you in September!

Love, husky hugs and kisses,
Dieruff "Fandangle 2017" FAQ

Q - What is the Dieruff "Fandangle"?
A - The Dieruff "Fandangle" is a Mega-Reunion for all Dieruff High School graduating classes. Some classes have faithfully gathered every five years since graduation. Others have not met in a decade or two. Still other classes have never been able to get their reunions off the ground. This year, the graduating classes of 1962 and 1972 have scheduled their reunions in conjunction with the "Fandangle". The "Fandangle" is an appropriate celebration for everyone.

Sponsored by the Dieruff High School Alumni Association, this annual event (now in its 5th year) is scheduled for Saturday, July 29, 2017, 2:00 to 7:00 PM, and is designed to be a celebration of "Husky Pride". All Dieruff Alumni, Faculty, and Staff, and their guests are welcome to attend.

Q - Where is the "Fandangle"?
A - The venue for the "Fandangle" is the East Side Youth Center, located at 1140 East Clair Street, Allentown, PA 18109. Check their website for map and directions: http://www.esycallentown.com Parking is available on both the east and west sides of the Banquet Hall. Handicap Access is through the East Entrance. Our event will be held inside the hall, as well as outside the building under large party tents. Rain or shine, we've got you covered. Bring your favorite lawn chairs if you would like.

Q - What does my $20 ticket include?
A - In addition to providing everyone with the opportunity to reunite with fellow alumni, your $20 ticket includes beer, soft drinks, bottled water, and unlimited picnic fare provided by "Giovannis on the Go". You are welcome to carry in your own supply of additional snacks and adult beverages. Alumni merchandise in the form of shirts, visors, and baseball caps will be available for purchase.

Q - What will keep me entertained?
A - If your classmates can't keep you entertained with their stories from those days gone by, our resident DJ Dave Ziegenfuss will be spinning sounds that will satisfy every age group. Bring along your dancing shoes. As a special treat, Mr. Peter Carpenter will be in attendance and will lead us in the Dieruff Alma Mater and several other favorite musical selections.

Q - What should I do next?
A - Spread the word to your classmates, and make sure they have purchased their tickets. Tickets can be ordered on our Website: www.dieruff-alumni.org Tickets can also be purchased at Stahley's Bar, at the Dieruff High School Main Office, or directly from members of the Alumni Association Committee. The number of tickets available to be sold is 500, and the deadline for purchase is July 24, 2017.
Louis E. Dieruff High School 58th Annual Commencement
Photos and Collages by: John G. Hughes, Jr. '61

Congratulations and welcome to the Alumni Association 2017
Andre Reed, Dieruff Alum and Pro Football Hall of Famer, was recently in Allentown for his Celebrity Golf Classic, a fundraiser for his Foundation that benefits the Boys and Girls Club in Allentown. Andre made it a point to greet the two Dieruff students who had received the generous scholarships that were presented by the Andre Reed Foundation during the Dieruff Troika Awards held in May.

Joey Saba, who will be attending Lehigh University in the Fall, and Tiahna Paga, scheduled to enter Cedar Crest, were thrilled to meet Andre at the golf event conducted at Lehigh Country Club.

We congratulate these outstanding young Huskies, and we salute Andre Reed for giving back to Dieruff and to the community.

Win a framed Football Jersey autographed by HOF Andre Reed

RAFFLE TICKETS
2 for $5
5 for $10

Winning Ticket will be drawn at the Dieruff vs. Allen Football Game
October 28, 2017
All proceeds will benefit the Dieruff Alumni Association Scholarship Fund
UPCOMING EVENTS

To get your event listed, please email event before the 24th of each month to: dhssalumninews@ptd.net

July 29:
5th Annual Alumni Association FANDANGLE 2PM-7PM
East Side Youth Center

October 22:
Class of 1986 All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast 10:30AM-1:30PM
Brass Rail $15PP All Are Welcome! (SEE PAGE 3 FOR DETAILS)

October 27-28:
Class of 1967 50th Year Reunion
(SEE BELOW)

October 28:
Dieruff-Allen Game Tailgate 11AM
Game 2PM J. Biney Crum Stadium

May 19, 2018:
Class of 1986 Turns 50
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Details To Follow

July 28, 2018
6th Annual Alumni Association FANDANGLE 2PM-7PM
East Side Youth Center

All events can be found on the DHS Alumni Website: www.Dieruff-Alumni.org

A Message From The Publisher:

Hello fellow Huskies, this is the final edition of Volume 2 of the Newsletter.
I wanted to take a moment and thank those that help put this together...Kay, Karen, Joanne, John and especially Dana. We wouldn’t have a newsletter without all of your hard work and dedication to this venture. John has always stated that the Newsletter is the third leg that keeps the “Stool of Information” standing.

Thank you for all your wonderful comments...they really do mean a lot.

So as the Tempos and the Happenings once said...See You In September!

HUSKY PRIDE!

David Ziegenfuss ‘86, Publisher

Class of 1967
50th Year

Reunion

Friday 10-27-17 will meet at Stahley's for fun and food.
Sat 10-28-17 Tailgate 11:00 AM at Stadium before the Dieruff - Allen football game
Sat 10-28-17 2:00 PM Dieruff - Allen football game
Sat 10-28-17 50th Class reunion Dinner party and dance at the Ice Palace on Hanover Avenue it will be a honor to be present during our 50th year after graduation.
Sun 10-29-17 9:30AM Tour of Dieruff
Sun 10-29-17 11:00 AM Brunch at Top Diner
Any questions please e-mail either Monna Lou Henninger monnalou@cbheritage.com or call 610-704-2510 (cell) or email Steve Henninger stevhenninger64@gmail.com