

Husky Connections



February 2022

Alumni Spring Fling Slated for April 1st

As we announced in last month's Bulletin, we were obliged to convert our February Mardi Gras Party to an event in the Spring, due to the threat of the Omicron variant. We were fortunate to be able to select an available date on Friday, April 1st.

And so, we are pleased to introduce our **"April Fools Day Bash"**. Alumni response to the new celebration has been very positive.

The Fearless Fire Company on South Front Street in Allentown is the venue. Our popular DJs will be Harry Remaly (Class of 1980) and Tom Brunner (Class of 1987).

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Your \$20 ticket includes beer, soda, and snacks. Other adult beverages will be available for purchase, as will food ordered from the bar menu.

We're limiting attendance to 250 people, so order your tickets now. You don't want to miss this party. Contact some of your classmates; put together a table or two.

Print out the order forms found on the next page, fill one in for each person, and send the forms in, along with your check. Your tickets will be sent to you.

Dieruff Huskies
Join in the fun
APRIL FOOLS DAY BASH
Friday, April 1, 2022
7:00 - 11:00 PM
Sponsored by: **Dieruff Alumni Association**
Ticket Price - \$20
Includes Beer, Soda, & Snacks
Dancing to Live DJs
Harry Remaly & Tom Brunner

April Fools Day Bash Ticket Order Forms



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Please send one ticket for the April 1, 2022 event to:

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President's Message: Class Reunions

Planning and pulling off a successful high school reunion can be a challenging ordeal. Just working off an accurate contact list, selecting an appropriate (and safe) venue, and finding a price point that will encourage attendance can be fraught with a host of hurdles.

The Dieruff Alumni Association can propose a formula that allows individual classes to navigate those obstacles, plus many more. The solution is no secret. The graduating class reunion committee simply partners with the Alumni Association, and conducts their class reunion in concert with the annual Fandangle.

Listed here are some of the specific advantages:

1. Current association database of alumni permits us to customize emails and/or direct mail contacts.
2. Ability to accept online registration and safeguarded prepayment, eliminating need to set up checking account at financial institution.
3. Safe outdoor venue at East Side Youth Center, with designated 20'x40' party tents.
4. Attractive low price of \$25 per person. Price includes beer, water, soft drinks, and picnic fare provided by "Heaven on a Bun".
5. Music by live DJ.
6. Class Photos.
7. Registration of attendees.
8. Ability to interact with alumni from other classes.

We are here to help. Send us an email at dieruffalumni@gmail.com, and we will try to answer any questions you may have.



Kay Kurtz
President Alumni Association



Alumni Wall of Distinction Nominations Sought

Alumni Wall of Distinction Class of 2019

 <p>Richard "Rick" C. Braun Musician/ Record Producer Internationally known jazz trumpeter, song writer and vocalist with over 20 #1 Smooth Jazz Hits Class of 1973 Inducted 2019</p>	 <p>Joseph N. Hanna Law Enforcement Officer Sheriff, Detective in Lehigh County, PA Chief of Police, Patrolman in Allentown, PA Class of 1974 Inducted 2019</p>
 <p>Timothy "Tim" J. Keller Minister / Author Founding pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in New York City Author of New York Times bestselling books Class of 1968 Inducted 2019</p>	 <p>Pamela D. Kistler, Ph.D. Professor of Chemistry at Cedar Crest College Chair, Dept. of Chemical & Physical Sciences Cedar Crest College Councilor for American Chemical Society Class of 1971 Inducted 2019</p>
 <p>Kirk A. Shinsky, Ph.D. Professor of Physics Univ. of CA, Berkeley Advanced researcher on Berkeley Lab Scientific Staff Selected Nation's #1 Scientist - 1970 Class of 1970 Inducted 2019</p>	 <p>John S. Stevens, Jr. D.O. Physician Specialized in Obstetrics/Gynecology Chair, Ob/Gyn at St. Luke's Hospital Associate Clinical Professor at DeSales University Class of 1963 Inducted 2019</p>

Three classes have already been inducted into the Alumni Wall of Distinction, and we are now seeking nominations for the Class of 2022. A Nomination Form can be found on the next page.

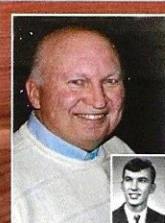
Reflect on the achievements of some of your classmates. Who would be deserving of having their image added to the "Wall"?

It is important to recognize that the bar has been set quite high in the selection process. Review the profiles of the sixteen current recipients. Each is uniquely qualified to be included in this most prestigious group.

We encourage you to help us identify similarly qualified candidates for the Class of 2022.

Alumni Wall of Distinction Class of 2020

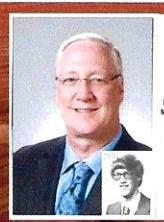
 <p>Lori A. Albanese, D.O. Physician Specialized in Surgical Oncology Deputy Physician-in-Chief at L.V. Cancer Institute Medical Director of Breast Health Services at Lehigh Valley Health Network Class of 1984 Inducted 2020</p>	 <p>William F. Gilly, Ph.D. Professor of Biology at Stanford University, CA World's Top Expert in Squid Behavior Author and Lecturer Highly Acclaimed Scientist on Documentary TV Miniseries Class of 1968 Inducted 2020</p>
 <p>David G. Heinick, DMA Musical Composer and Accomplished Piano Performer Professor of Music Theory and Composition at Crane School of Music, SUNY at Potsdam, NY His work is published and performed internationally Class of 1972 Inducted 2020</p>	 <p>Willard F. Jones, MSgt. Active Duty US Air Force & Dieruff AFJROTC Instructor Served on Air Force One with Presidents Reagan & G.H. Bush Aerospace Science Instructor for 23 years, leading cadet drill team to multiple National Awards Faculty 1991-2015 Inducted 2020</p>



John J. "Jay" Radio
Coach, Mentor, and
Director of Activities
Dedicated over 40 Years
to East Side Youth Center
Earned many awards for
Community Service to Lehigh
Valley Sports Programs
Class of 1976
Inducted 2020

Alumni Wall of Distinction Class of 2021

 <p>Thomas M. Henderschett Rear Admiral United States Navy Senior Defense Official / Attaché US Embassy, Beijing, China Served at Joint Intelligence Ctr. in the Pacific, Ofc. of Naval Intel., US Navy Liaison at Am. Inst., Taiwan Class of 1988 Inducted 2021</p>	 <p>Matthew B. James Lieutenant Colonel United States Air Force Provided command over Northeast on September 11, 2001, as part of E-3 Sentry ABNCS Deputy Commander, 3rd Operations Provides combat-ready aerospace forces to protect USA interests globally Class of 1994 Inducted 2021</p>
 <p>Andre D. Reed Former Pro Football Player Inducted into NFL Hall of Fame 2014 Established Andre Reed Foundation to help underprivileged children Developed "Read With Reed '83" reading initiative program for Boys & Girls Club of America Class of 1981 Inducted 2021</p>	 <p>Carmelia A. Saraceno Accomplished Artist/ Teacher / Entrepreneur Exhibited Artwork Internationally Taught at Art Institute of Chicago Founder of Methods & Materials, Inc. Co. moves & installs large-scale art (publicize dinosaurs, King Tut Exhibit) Class of 1975 Inducted 2021</p>



Mark S. Smyth, Ph.D.
Honored Scientist and
Business Executive
Exec. Dir. of Process Development/
Manufacturing at Pharmacia, LLC
Developed and tests drugs for FDA
Approval. Granted 20+ Patents
Authored 10+ Publications
Class of 1980
Inducted 2021

Louis E. Dieruff High School Alumni Wall of Distinction NOMINATION FORM

Purpose: To give lasting recognition to graduates of Dieruff High School who have made exceptional contributions in their field, bringing honor to themselves and to Dieruff High School. Furthermore, it is the purpose of the Alumni Wall of Distinction to promote Husky Pride among current students, inspiring them to strive toward future accomplishments.

Criteria For Nomination: Nominees eligible for selection must have conducted themselves in such manner to reflect honor upon Dieruff High School, and have qualities of character and standards of conduct that are exemplary. Alumni must have graduated at least ten years prior to their nomination. Non-Dieruff graduates may be considered for "honorary" status on the Alumni Wall of Distinction.

Nominees must meet one or more of the following criteria:

1. **Demonstrated commitment to and involvement with Dieruff High School and the community at an exceptional level.**
2. **Outstanding, enduring contribution to society by making a difference in the lives of others.**
3. **Outstanding professional contribution or achievement in his/her chosen field or endeavor. Considered categories are listed:** (A) Arts (B) Business (C) Education (D) Entertainment / TV / Film (E) Financial (F) Economic Development (G) Government (H) Historian (I) Law / Criminal Justice (J) Media / Journalism / Writing (K) Medicine / Health Science (L) Military

I Nominate The Following: (Please Type or Print)

Name _____ Maiden _____ Graduation Year _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Phone _____ Email _____

On a separate attached typed sheet, provide specific information pertaining to the nominee's occupation, education, community service, awards, honors, accomplishments, and any pertinent information to aid in their selection.

Nomination Submitted By:

Name _____ Maiden _____ Graduation Year _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Phone _____ Email _____

Mail completed Nomination Form and Pertinent Information to:
Dieruff High School, Attn: Alumni Association, 815 N. Irving Street, Allentown, PA 18109

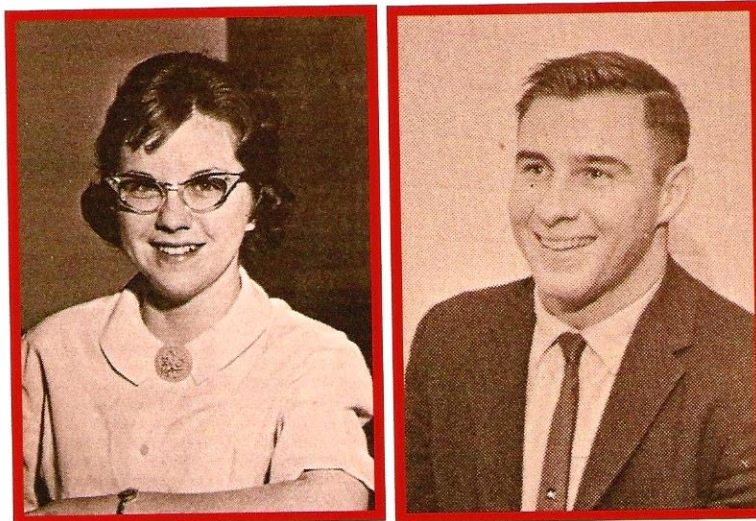
FLASHBACK: A Husky Love Story

How appropriate it is to feature a very special Husky Love Story in this, the "Valentines Day Issue" of our monthly bulletin.



"In the beginning" captures the essence of this charming tale. The doors of the new high school had opened in September 1959. For many of the faculty members, it was their first job out of school. Such was the case for Richard "Dick" King. He had just graduated from Muhlenberg College, and he came to Dieruff to teach Spanish. He was also the assistant wrestling coach, under Larry Fornicola. Sharing that first day on the job was Rita Yost, the school's first athletic secretary, serving under Athletic Director Paul Esser.

Two years later, in October 1961, Dick and Rita had their first date. Their relationship blossomed, and they became engaged to be married.



During the summer of 1963, Dick was in San Juan studying for his masters degree at the University of Puerto Rico. He contacted Rita, and suggested she fly down to Puerto Rico to get married. Rita eagerly made the trip, and the wedding was on.

Rita reports that they were married by a friend's uncle, who was a judge. She wore a brown dress with orange flowers (attire not featured in Bride Magazine). In the haste of the travel arrangements, Rita had forgotten to bring the wedding band that matched her engagement ring, so the couple purchased a 39-cent ring at a local novelty store.

What a magical ride! Their marriage lasted over five decades, until Dick's passing in December 2013. Their union produced two children and five grandchildren. With a wry smile on her face, Rita confesses that she continues to wear that 39-cent ring, along with the real ones. She also admits that she never learned Spanish, and she would frequently tease her husband that their marriage license could possibly be a dog license.

Somehow, we are confident that the license was quite legitimate, and that it sealed the legal bond between two Huskies.

Husky Happenings

Several weeks ago, Keith Groller, sportswriter for the Allentown Morning Call (and Dieruff Alum) identified his “Fab 15”... the top scoring leaders in area boys basketball. One of those selected was Dieruff Senior Danny Quinones. Quinones had scored 211 points in 12 games for the Huskies for an average of 17.6 per game.

Quinones competes at a high level every night. He had 30 points in a game against East Stroudsburg South and 26 in a game against Freedom. Daniel scored 29 points in the double overtime loss to William Allen played at the PPL Center on Jan. 29th.



Husky Happenings - Cancer Conquers Andrea

The tragic passing of Andrea Reish Forrest has been met with overwhelming expressions of sympathy from members of our Husky Nation.

As the talented and extremely popular art teacher at Dieruff, she touched the hearts of her adoring students, as well as fellow faculty members.

Andrea's role as the Director of Choreography in the Dieruff Theatre Department revealed her most significant talents. The musicals performed each year established Dieruff High School as one of the premiere theatre groups in the area, an honor confirmed during the coveted Freddy Awards.

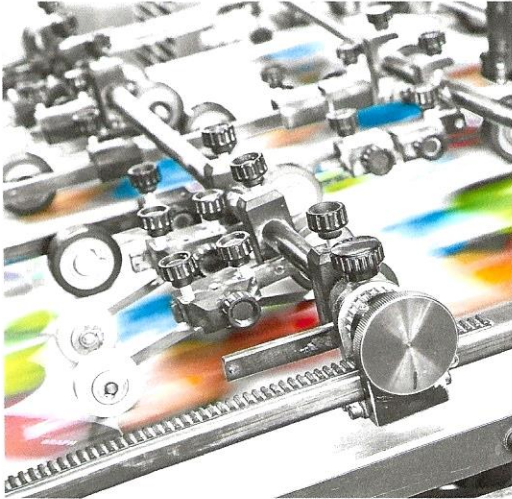
Whether it was the Bob Fosse dance routines in "Chicago", or the highly creative comical walker dance in "The Producers", Andrea always brought out the best in her dancers... and her dancers always brought the audience to their feet.

Her passion for choreography, and her sincere love of her kids will long be remembered. We add our sincere condolences to her family and friends.



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Number of \$25 cards _____

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Upcoming Events

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No Joke! We're not foolin'
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Ticket Price - \$20
Includes Beer, Soda, & Snacks
Dancing to Live DJs
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Class Reunion Idea Combine your class reunion with the Fandangle July 30th

- o Reserve a few tables or your own separate tent
- o No minimum to guarantee
- o 5 hours of beer, food, music, etc.
- o Great venue at East Side Youth Center
- o Unbeatable price

Dieruff High School Alumni Association
Husky Pride... Unleashed
SAVE THE DATE
Dieruff Fandangle
A Mega-Reunion For All Classes
Saturday, July 30, 2022
2:00 - 7:00 PM
www.dieruff-alumni.org

Reunions

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| Class of 1967 | 55th Class Reunion - July 30, 2022
Held with Alumni Association Fandangle |
| Class of 1972 | 50th Class Reunion - July 30, 2022
Held with Alumni Association Fandangle |
| Class of 1977 | 45th Class Reunion - July 30, 2022
Held with Alumni Association Fandangle |



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Husky Howls & Hugs

Hi Everyone,

The Betty White Campaign was a success. We gave some of my "biscuit money", and I even gave up my bedroom. Since fall, I had taken over the bed in the guest room. Now I sleep on the "*Anxious for SPRING Couch*".

What happened? Mom has been feeding stray cats on the front porch. Then three months ago, a small, very thin one showed up. Very friendly, just bewildered. Think she was dumped. She would cry at the door nightly. As it got colder, and especially one rainy night, even my heart melted. When Mom wiped her down with her housecoat, I knew it was just a matter of time. Being a rescue myself, what can you do? On the Feast of Three Kings, Mom brought the cat in. First to the basement. That was too cold. Then, after the vet visit, she moved into my room. Mom named her "Glory".

Glory is in her glory. Bed, wing-back chair, blankets, Fancy Feast. Tipped ear so she is fixed. Whew, no kittens. Tested negative, but the vet wanted her quarantined from Kibbee and Willow. The first time I met her, I chased her off the bed.



The second time, she spit and hissed. She is long-haired, black with emerald eyes. Eats all the time and is no longer emaciated. She is people friendly, and is so grateful for her home. The other night, when it was so cold and blowing snow, I was happy that Glory was safe and warm.

After quarantine, I plan on reclaiming my room. Glory will just have to learn this is a husky household.



I am grateful for the couch.

Love,

Kiska V