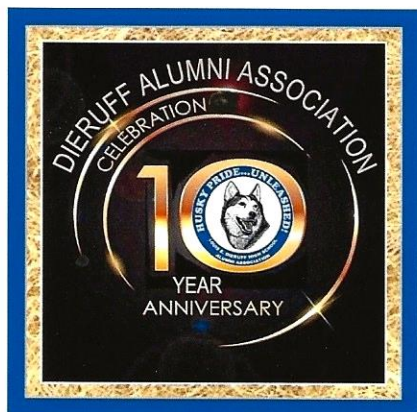


Husky Connections



December 2021

A Decade in the Making



We are delighted to add another big celebration to the traditional December Holiday festivities: the 10th Anniversary of our Dieruff High School Alumni Association. Founded in December 2011, our association has continued to grow in size as well as significance.

During the past decade, we have distinguished ourselves with major accomplishments, to include initiating the campaign to rename Irving Park, Washington Street, and the playing field at J. Birney Crum Stadium in honor of NFL Hall of Famer Andre Reed. We were also successful in naming the Dieruff High School Auditorium after our beloved Mr. Peter Carpenter, and most recently, raising funds to purchase state-of-the art theatre lighting in honor of Roy Arlotto.

Proudly, our association has established some wonderful traditions such as the annual Mardi Gras Party, the Fandangle Mega Reunion for all Classes, and the Alumni Wall of Distinction.

Communications is always key to the success in any organization, and we take pride in our powerful communication elements. Our Website is www.dieruff-alumni.org and permits alumni to stay connected with each other. This monthly bulletin, entitled "Husky Connections", reports on current activities throughout Husky Nation. We also maintain two Facebook sites: "Dieruff Husky Photos" and "Dieruff High School All-Year Alumni Association".

Most importantly, our Alumni Association meets on the first Wednesday of each month, at 6:30PM in the Meilinger Media Center at the High School. We would love to have you join us.

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President's Message: Time to Switch Masks



Kay Kurtz
President Alumni Association

Put the date on your calendar: **Saturday, February 26, 2022**. Better yet, order your ticket today (see next page). Our Mardi Gras Party 2022 promises to be a sellout, with only 250 tickets available.

Remember, Mardi Gras 2020 was a smash! The event for 2021 was "COVID-Cancelled"! That means that we've got a whole bunch of anxious Huskies who are primed to switch pandemic masks for Mardi Gras masks...and party like it's 2022!

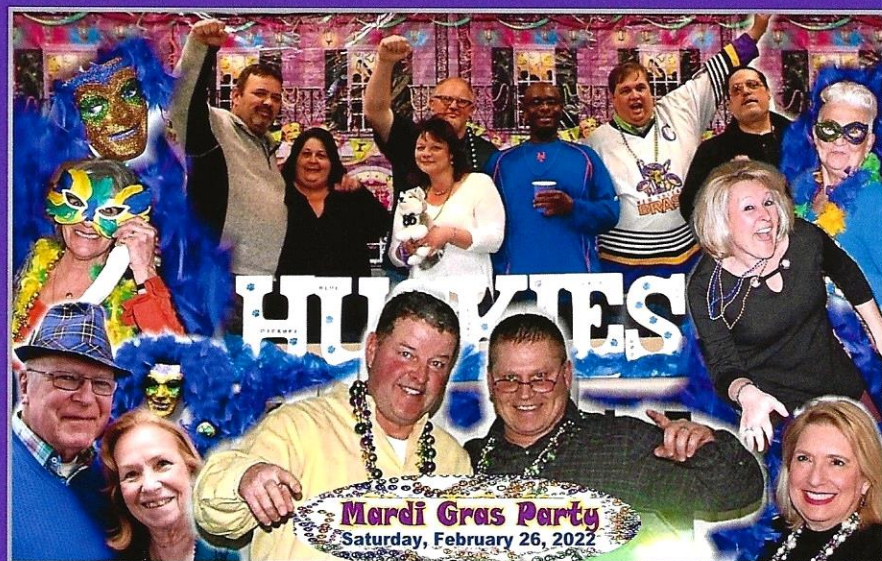
Plans for "MG2022" are well underway. A new venue has been booked: ***Fearless Fire Co.*** Plenty of parking, a huge ballroom, and a sizeable dance floor. Popular DJs Harry Remaly and Tom Brunner will be spinning the tunes.

Although we are not mandating a COVID vaccination, we are strongly encouraging attendees to be vaccinated. Many of our alumni have reduced immunities, and we want them to feel safe.

Your \$20 ticket includes beer, soft drinks, and snacks. Although Fearless does not allow bringing in your own food or beverage, there is a cash bar, and the kitchen will be open for you to order additional food.

So contact your classmates, order your tickets, and get out your dancing shoes and Mardi Gras beads and masks.

Meanwhile, I extend my warmest wishes for the Holiday Season, and wish you all a fabulous 2022!



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Mardi Gras Party Ticket Order Form

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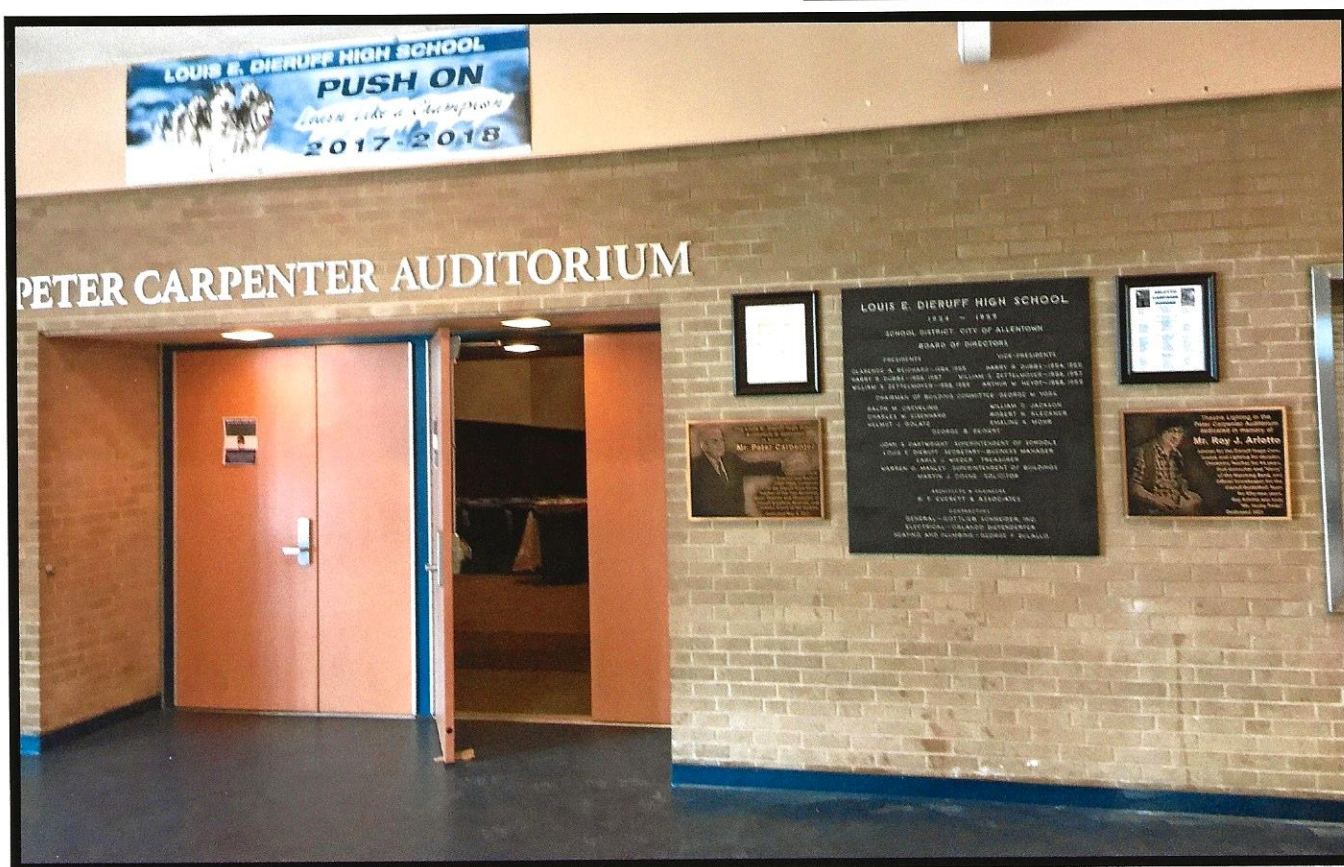
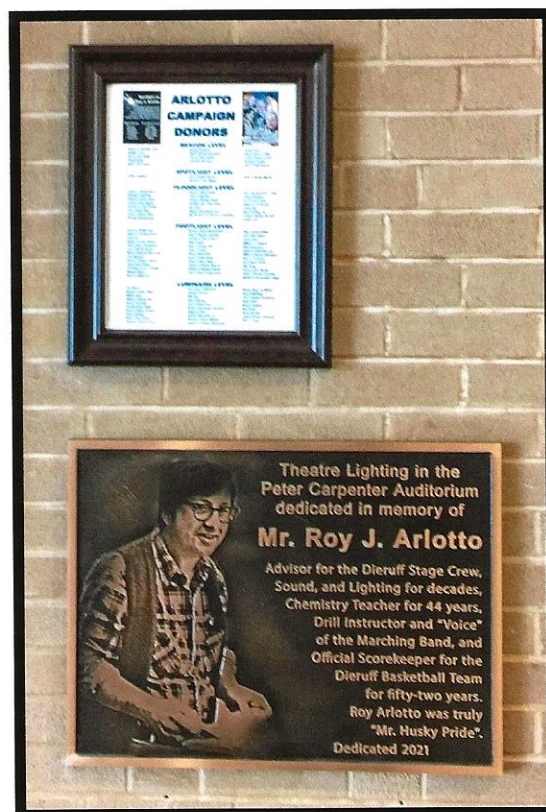
Send this completed form, along with a check in the amount of \$20, made payable to "Dieruff Alumni Association" to Dieruff High School, 815 N. Irving St., Allentown, PA 18109 Attn: Dieruff Alumni Association

Arlotto Campaign

The Arlotto Campaign, designed to raise funds to purchase theatre lighting in the name of Mr. Roy J. Arlotto, was a complete success. We achieved our challenging financial goal, and the state-of-the-art lighting system has been ordered.

The handsome bronze plaque honoring Mr. "A" has been installed in a most appropriate location, in the main lobby outside of the auditorium and adjacent to the Peter Carpenter plaque. Above Mr. Arlotto's plaque is a framed donor list that provides balance to the framed Dieruff Alma Mater positioned above the Carpenter plaque.

The Dieruff Alumni Association would like to sincerely thank those who generously donated to this campaign. A comprehensive list of donors appears on the next page.



Arlotto Campaign

Spotlight on Roy J. Arlotto

Campaign to raise funds for theatre lighting in the Peter Carpenter Auditorium Louis E. Dieruff High School in the name of Mr. Roy J. Arlotto

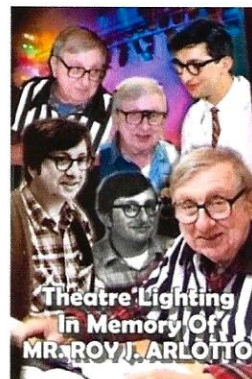
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FLASHBACK: Collaborators and Companions

Mr. "C" and Mr. "A"....a pair of legends on the Dieruff High School faculty, indeed! Mr. Peter Carpenter was the veteran, the choir director and music teacher on the staff when the doors opened in 1959. Mr. Roy Arlotto, twenty years Peter's junior, came to Husky High as a student teacher in the Fall of 1961, and then he secured a permanent position as a chemistry teacher.

For years, Mr. Carpenter played an active role in the theatre department's musical productions. It was Mr. Arlotto's passion for the arts that attracted him to the Dieruff theatre department, where he served as advisor for the stage crew, designing and building the sets for the performances.

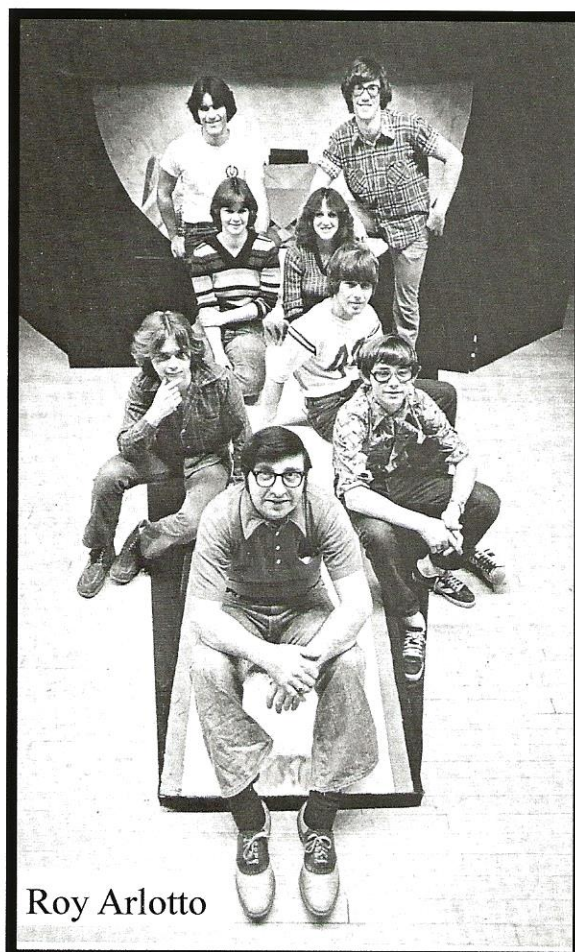
Their common interests, and collaboration on the theatre projects lead to a powerful friendship between Masseurs Carpenter and Arlotto, a bond that would last decades past their respective retirements. In fact, Peter and his wife Sandra (Urban) hosted Roy for Sunday Dinner every week until Roy's unfortunate passing in the Fall of 2020.

The two photos appearing here were extracted from adjacent pages in the 1980 yearbook, the *Ledannus*.

How fitting it is that the pair of bronze plaques honoring Mr. Carpenter and Mr. Arlotto appear side-by-side in the Dieruff lobby outside the auditorium. Consummate companions in life, Peter and Roy will enjoy an enduring kinship in the halls of Louis E. Dieruff High School.



Peter Carpenter



Roy Arlotto

Winner of Husky Quilt Raffle Ticket Selected

The handmade Husky Quilt is quite the treasure! Repeating images of a beautiful husky dramatically accent the geometric patterns of blue and gray. A broad border of blue, white, and gray serves as a striking perimeter for the 54" x 54" handicraft.



Vicky Thomas, Class of 1976, lovingly crafted the quilt, and generously donated the handsome piece to the Dieruff Alumni Association to be used as a fund raising raffle prize. Over \$1,100 in raffle tickets were sold.



These funds are designated toward the purchase of an interactive display screen kiosk for the high school. In addition to featuring Alumni Wall of Distinction recipients, the kiosk will be placed in the main lobby, and provide access to information pertaining to such topics as Dieruff High School history, athletics, theatre, academic achievements, and directions to various school locations.

The drawing for the winning ticket was made during the December 1st Meeting of the Alumni Association. With appropriate fanfare, the ticket randomly chosen belonged to Cathy Schulte Piston, Class of 1985.

Cathy teaches Math at the high school, and is the Girls Basketball Coach. If there is any alum who bleeds blue and gray, it is Cathy.

We most heartedly congratulate this lucky Husky, and we sincerely express our appreciation to Vicky Thomas for her generosity.



Husky Happenings

Now in his second season at Dieruff High School, Coach Jai-T Randall works with his assistant coaches to get his basketball team ready for the 2021-22 Season. Go Huskies!



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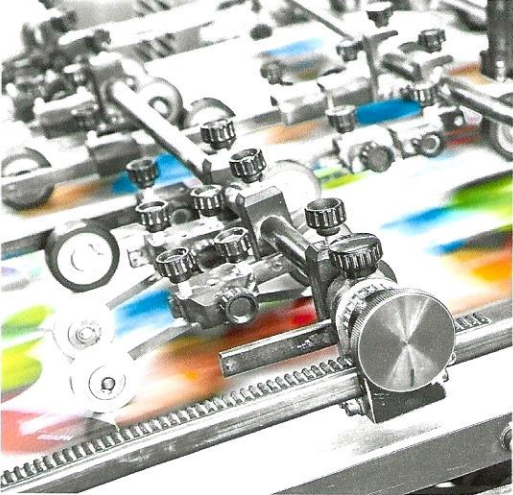
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Husky Howls & Hugs

Hi Everyone,

The house smells good. Mom started baking. She made Dr. Ron's favorite, red velvet cookies with white chocolate chips. Had to go in for my blood work and my nose. On antibiotics. I am always nosing into leaves, weeds, flowers when we walk. Last week I had a nose bleed because I ran into a bush. On antibiotics so I am feeling better. What a reunion Mom and Dr. Ron had. They had not seen each other for almost two years. He is my vet, but really has become Mom's spiritual brother.

Unlike other years we cannot go from room to room passing out candy canes. But we have gotten creative. We will take the candy to the Guidance Department and the Ladies will be Kiska's helpers. We were so looking forward to walking the halls and visiting. This is one of my favorite events. Bah Humbug to COVID.

Christmas.. and really every day... should be a day of hope and kindness. A shout out to *Three Husketeers*, the local husky rescue. They are filled, but got a cry for help. Recently, a lady lost everything in a house fire except the dogs she was sheltering. Saw the pictures and it was total. Toni is taking in two black and white husky sisters. The girls will be coming from down south, where shelter conditions are not good. Way to go!! Husky Pride. There are some nice huskies available.

Mom wants to finish this so she can start on the cranberry relish.

Merry Christmas!!!

Love,

Kiska V

