



EMERALD COAST CHAPTER NEWS



Summer Newsletter ~ 2004

Message From the President:

Summer is now upon us.....the kids are out of school, sun is out (and HOT!), the beaches are crowded, the water very inviting, and the fish are biting too! And they wonder why we love it here!

April 30th was our trip to The Zoo in Gulf Breeze with Kathy Sabata's class from Weis Elementary School. Unfortunately, it had to be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. Many thanks nevertheless to Debbie Hauck and Nancy and Bill Rudloff for volunteering to chaperone along with me and our honorary members, Kathy Sabata and Rena Lynn. A VERY SPECIAL thank you goes to Joyce Blackwelder for contributing money toward the trip. As you know, since we don't have any fund raisers or ask you to sell anything, we rely on contributions from members to help fund our trips, Christmas, Easter, and Halloween parties, not to mention gifts, books, and candy for the children throughout the year. The zoo trip has been postponed until the next school year.

April 30th was the deadline for submitting awards to the Alumni Association. I have submitted two this year; one for Community Service and one for our chapter website. If you haven't visited our website, please do!! Steve Milz continues to do a super job, even after the former hosting service provider skipped on all their clients earlier this year, and it's a great place to see what's happening.

June is now here, and that means it's time for annual dues payments. Please fill out the form in this newsletter and send it along with your dues; \$12 for singles, \$15 for marrieds (which also extends membership benefits to the family).

Some folks mistakenly believe that by joining our Emerald Coast Chapter they are automatically members of the Penn State Alumni Association as well. Unfortunately, I wish it could only be true; however, it is not. Our Chapter is a group of alumni, non-alum Penn State fans, and friends that get together for social and community service events. It is important, if you are a Penn State graduate, to seriously consider also joining the Penn State Alumni Association, as we work closely together throughout the year and receive many important benefits from them. If you are interested in joining the Penn State Alumni Association, please let me know. We do have membership forms and our chapter receives credit.

Last, but certainly not least, we will be having our usual Kick-Off Classic annual membership meeting/football game viewing on September 4th at Damon's in Pensacola. Please mark that day down on your calendars. While it hasn't been announced yet, we fully expect the game to be shown on TV, most likely either regional cable or ESPN Gameplan.

Tonie Allsopp '82

CHAPTER WEBSITE: <http://www.thepcsweb.com/psu-ecfl/index.asp>

IN MEMORIUM

One of our more senior members (and avid Penn Stater) sadly passed away since our last newsletter. We're all going to miss Jack Landy (48) and his trademark lead cheer of "We Are..." at our weekly football get-togethers. And I don't think anyone who's been there will forget his PSU banner-waving trips around the tables at Kooter Brown's whenever our team scored. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jo and the family on their loss.

DUES REMINDER

The 2004-2005 year dues are now payable. Please fill out and remit your dues using the enclosed form. Thanks!!!!

Have a new idea? ... Want to help?... Here's who to contact!!

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