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Special Membership Edition

Alumnews

For further information on programs, events and activities call 873-2620.



INVITATION

The Wright State University
Alumni Association
cordially invites you
to attend the 1983
GRADUATE RECEPTION.

Ichabods
Oregon District

Friday, June 3, 1983
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Light Refreshments and Cash Bar

Open to all Graduates,
Faculty, Alumni and Guests

R.S.V.P. -- 873-2620

As your graduation date quickly approaches, you are about to take on a new role in the relationship you have with Wright State University . . . the role of alumni.

We present you with this special membership edition of Alumnews in hopes that it will enlighten you on what the Alumni Association is; how it serves the Wright State graduates; and how it helps to serve the University.

If you should have any questions regarding the Association, look for an alumni representative at the June 3rd graduate reception or call the Alumni Affairs Office at 873-2620.

The Alumni Association, the Office of Alumni Affairs and all the past graduates of Wright State would like to say "Congratulations" on your accomplishments and "welcome" to the ranks of alumni!

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AN OFFER YOU CAN'T REFUSE

For the benefits described, the cost of being an Alumni Association member is minimal. Just \$20 a year or \$300 for a life membership (which can be paid in installments of \$37.50 per quarter) can open the door to the opportunity to participate in the Wright State University Alumni Association. (If you are married, you can both receive a life membership for \$450.)

Getting involved is only a phone call away: 873-2620; or return the below application with your check to the Wright State University Alumni Association, Dayton, Ohio 45435.

ELEMENTS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Wright State University community is composed of many elements: students, faculty, administrators, benefactors, staff, and alumni. Within the general element of alumni there is a special subset: the WSU Alumni Association. The Association was chartered as a non-profit corporation under the laws of Ohio in 1971, by a number of concerned alumni. Their intent was ". . . to foster fellowship of individuals who share a common interest and to develop a sound collegiate heritage by coordinating activities and services which contribute to the academic, cultural, and physical growth of Wright State University. . ." Thus, while the Association is an entity separate and distinct from WSU, its entire reason for existence is to support the growth of the University. It is through an Alumni Association membership that an alumni-at-large is able to maintain a continuing dialogue with the affairs of the University community.

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Name: _____
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Home phone: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Employer (company name): _____ Business Phone: _____
Business address: _____
Your title: _____ Degree & major: _____
Year graduated from WSU: _____

MANY PATHS TO MEMBERSHIP

The paths that lead to membership for graduates that join the Wright State University Alumni Association stem from many directions. For some, membership in the Alumni Association is a continuation of an active, dedicated interest in the development of Wright State University that began while they were in school, and endured during their years at Wright State.

Another path that leads to membership in the Wright State University Alumni Association is a chance to gain experience and sharpen our skills while serving the Alumni Association in some capacity that would lead to a position in the business community later on. Volunteerism is a way to gain experience. The more experience we can add to a resume, when looking for a job, the better chance we have of finding a job. Participation in the Wright State University Alumni Association just may be that first step in a journey of a thousand miles, feet, or inches that leads to a permanent job after we graduate.

A third path that leads to membership in the Alumni Association is a need to contribute to the university in some way after they graduate. Perhaps it is something more than just in a monetary way, but it is a chance to help and do something for the school that has enriched their lives and given so much to them.

For others, participation in the Alumni Association stems from involvement in a civic organization or committee. Perhaps they read about something that happened at Wright State, or what is going to happen at Wright State, and they feel that the graduates and the members of the Wright State community should know about it. They approach the Alumni Board about their concern, and suddenly they get involved.

Each one of us has a special talent or skill that we contribute to the organization in a special way. There are many committees in the Wright State Alumni Association where each one of us can use our special talent or special skill in a unique way. The various committees include:

- Athletic Committee
- Academic Affairs
- Cultural
- Communication
- Historian
- Fund Raising
- Membership
- Social
- Travel
- Reception for New Grads
- Awards & Recognition

WHY . . . WSU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Wright State Alumni Association exists to promote alumni involvement in university affairs, scholarships, and teaching excellence. It gives the graduates an opportunity to make meaningful improvements in the student experience at Wright State.

One way the Alumni Association strives to make meaningful improvements in the student experience is the Teaching Excellence Award. The Teaching Excellence Award was established in 1974. It began to encourage improvement in, and to motivate greater concern for classroom teaching activities. These awards, which are sponsored by the Alumni Association, have become a coveted symbol of achievement among the Wright State faculty.

A second way to maintain the meaningful improvement to the student experience is through scholarships. Scholarships granted directly by the Alumni Association are not dependent upon university funding. Alumni Scholarships are designed to help three main segments of the student body. First, those students who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement. Second, those students with a high potential for public service in the community. Finally, those students who reflect a tradition of Wright State education in their families.

ASSOCIATION BENEFITS AND ACTIVITIES

Many benefits and activities are associated with your membership in the Wright State Alumni Association. They include:

Social and Cultural Events

Activities include winetasting parties, the Annual Alumni Association Dinner Dance, dinner theatre and much, much, more. Many of these activities are free or offered at a reduced rate to Association members.



Wright-Patt Credit Union

With your membership you are given the opportunity to join the Wright-Patt Credit Union. Members of the Credit Union enjoy many benefits of their own!

Trips

Trips to near and far places are offered by the Association. The annual weekend trip to Cincinnati Reds is always a favorite. Traveling all over the world is also offered for interested Association members.

Bookstore Discount

With you membership card, a 20% discount is available to our members on all non-textbook items in the University Bookstore.

Horseback Riding

For only \$10 a month, Association members can obtain riding privileges at the Wright State University Riding Club.

Physical Education Facilities

By being a member of the Alumni Association, no additional identification is required to use all of the physical education facilities on campus.

Athletic Events

A free ticket to one of the home Raider games and reduced rates for season basketball tickets are available for members.

For the sports enthusiast, the Association often sponsors or supports intramural basketball and softball leagues; a golf tournament; soccer clinic and many other athletic activities.

