

ALLIANCE COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors Meeting

Conference Call
Saturday, April 21, 2018 – 11:00 AM EST

President Michael 'Mike' Anderson called the meeting to order at 11:10 am EST.

PRESENT:

Board members present (Terms expire 2018):

President	Mike Anderson
Vice President	James 'Jim' Koscielniak
Secretary	Mary Carr
Treasurer	Leslie 'Les' Rachocki
Officer Ex-Officio	Celeste 'Mickie' Mickiewicz

Directors present:

Basia Adams	(Term expires 2018)
Anna Berry	(Term expires 2018)
Richard Day	(Term expires 2018)

Directors absent:

Aundrea Heschmeyer	(Term expires 2022)
Randy Polovick	(Term expires 2022)

Other's present:

Memorabilia Room	David 'Mouse' Matejczyk
Web-master	Elaine Rachocki

President

Mike Anderson

Mike welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated the purpose was REUNION! - discussion, task assignment, and hosting the event.

Mike asked if there were any corrections or additions to the March 3, 2018 meeting minutes. There were none. Les made a motion to accept the minutes; Richard seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Reunion

Jim Koscielniak

Jim stated that as of April 21, there are 105 days until Oct 5, 2018, the first day of the Reunion weekend. He said people are starting to book rooms and sign up for the Friday night dinner cruise. Jim had previously sent a layout of the Bayfront Convention Center (Attachment 2), and he subsequently sent a copy of the schedule of events and registration form which will be posted on the ACAA website and Facebook page (Attachment 1).

Jim first went through the sequence of events for each day with amplification and discussion.

Friday

- 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM Check-in and registration
 - The registration desk will be in front of rooms 100 and 110 at the Convention Center
- 5:00 PM Alumni mixer with hor d'oeuvres and a cash bar
 - Pat Foran, an alumnus musician, will play the guitar at no cost to the association
 - Mike Anderson will develop a play list
- 6:00 PM Optional Dinner cruise on Lake Erie Bay-**need to register separately via ACAA web-site**

Saturday A.M.

- Registration desk manned
- Continental breakfast in room 100 at the Convention Center
- The Alliance College Alumni Association Foundation scholarship selection will occur in the Mariott Courtyard Voyage room
- The Alumni Association General meeting will be in room 110 of the Bayfront Convention Center

Saturday afternoon

- Sorority tea
 - The Sheraton will provide as many tables as wanted
 - Cash bar beverages

Mickie commented there should be coffee, tea, finger sandwiches at the tea and recommended there be a price per person to attend. Mike noted the tea was cancelled in 2016 due to lack of interest and suggested it wasn't prudent to have an event on the registration form that might subsequently be cancelled. Mickie said the 2016 tea was cancelled due to the *History of Alliance College* presentation and there wasn't enough space at the Riverside to have both events. Jim said he will get a contact person and an approximate cost and forward the information to Mickie.

- 1 – 3 p.m. History of Alliance College
 Mouse said he'll be happy to present whatever the group wants. Jim suggested he present a condensed version of the presentation he gave at the 2016 reunion. Mouse said there is a history of Alliance College video that is 8 minutes long and was on PBS as part of the Cambridge Springs sequentennial events and he said he had some ideas for a trivia game centered on Alliance College. Jim said he asked Kris Kwacz to redo her Master's thesis presentation on Polish history and she agreed.

Jim asked Basia to report on her conversation with the pastor of St. Stanislaus church regarding ACAA participation in the Saturday 4:30 p.m. Mass. Unfortunately, the Mass is already sponsored for a deceased member of a very active parish family. The pastor offered ACAA members could participate in the Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass for the Congregation by taking up the gifts and sponsoring the altar flowers. He also said they have a Polish festival that Sunday that starts at 12:00 Noon until 5:00 PM at \$10/plate.

Saturday P.M.

- 5:30 p.m. Cocktail reception in the Convention Center Northpoint Lobby and terrace
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner
 - Jim said the sound system at the convention center is top notch.
 - There will be an oplatek on each attendee's plate. Attendees will exchange wishes for approx. 25 min.
 - Helen Dziob Tueffel will serve as the emcee, say the blessing and offer the moment of silence for departed alumni.
 - Dinner will consist of mushroom soup, rolls, salad, at the table; and a semi-buffet with a Polish dish TBD, a carving station with prime-rib, chicken, fish and desert.
- Approx. 7:30-7:45 p.m. Evening Program
 - Mouse said he contacted Pete Matthews. Pete was honored to be asked to attend the dinner and be honored for his resurrection and invigoration of the AC Tool and Die program.
 - Mouse contacted the brother-in-law of Coach Michael Flick, a former AC soccer coach, and extended the invitation for Coach Flick to attend the reunion. Mouse has not heard back from him yet.
 - Jim asked Ted Zebreznik to contact John Wrobleski, a former AC Accounting professor. He will be recognized for his philanthropy in the Erie area. No update if he'll attend.
 - Jim contacted Gary Derr, a former Housing manager. Gary is unable to attend the reunion due to a family event.
 - Jim will introduce Richard to introduce past scholarship winners and announce the current winner.
 - At the end of Richard's program, we will sing the alma matre, have a closing prayer and entertainment with dancing (North Coast Mix, a 5-piece variety band from Parma, OH)
- Fundraising discussion
 - The successful 'Challenge' ACAAF fundraiser initiated by Harriett Worth at the 2017 planning meeting will occur again and the winner will receive something to acknowledge their generosity. The challenge will occur during the Saturday PM dinner. An anonymous donor(s) has offered \$3000 for the challenge fundraiser.
 - Richard suggested we have a 50-50 raffle Friday night. Everyone agreed.

Basia recommended the Chinese basket auction be eliminated in lieu of the 50-50 raffle and challenge. Everyone agreed.

Then there was discussion if it might be prudent to have a 50-50 raffle Saturday, especially to target individual's who missed the 50-50 raffle Friday. Mike made a motion for a vote. Les seconded. The vote was 6 yes (Mike, Mary, Les, Mickie, Anna, Richard) and 2 no (Jim, Basia). Basia suggested the raffle be Saturday afternoon; Jim suggested it be at the end of the General Meeting. The final consensus was to table this item.

- Mickie asked if there was a sense more people will attend this reunion. Mike said if it is marketed correctly more people will attend.
- Jim said 175 TKEs were sent letters inviting them to attend the reunion in conjunction with the Teke reunion. His preliminary indication is the TKEs are amenable to this invitation.

Jim reminded everyone that Sep 14 is the cut-off date for rooms.

Mike noted we need volunteers for each of the various activities which provided Jim a nice segway to his next topic—tasks.

Jim had compiled a list of tasks which he shared with the group. Following is the synopsis:

Task	Chair or Point of Contact	Comments
Marketing/Publicity	Aundrea-FB/Chet-website	Need computerized registration form; Add PayPal ability @ 2.9% + \$0.30 Change logo to emphasize AC social event vs Univ of AL
Registration desk	Chair TBD Cindy Jarzeb, Elaine, Mickie, additional volunteers	Need badges, programs, signs and maps
Gift bags	Basia	Mouse can provide AC decals
Food	Jim/Anna	
Memorabilia Room	Mouse	
Programs	Les	Have ads to offset costs
Awards	Awards committee - Selene Szepanick, chair?	
Scholarship	Jim/Richard/Chet	Need computerized application form Jim to provide draft form
50-50 raffle/Challenge fundraiser	Richard/Les/Elaine	50-50 raffle Fri - tickets at registration desk 50-50 Sat raffle TBD all Sat PM dinner table challenges - Richard

Old Business

- None; all reconciled during this meeting.

New Business

- None.

Due Outs:

- Registration form to be updated and posted to ACAA web-site and Facebook (*Jim Koscielniak and Chet, web-site developer*)
- Registration fees to be sent to Les Rachocki and noted on registration form (*Complete*)
- Jim to send a copy of all contracts to Les for inclusion in the official Treasurer files (*Complete*)
- Pursuant to the October 2017 ACAA meeting discussion, have a link to Alliance College web-pages to the main web page on Facebook. (*POC: ?*)

Next Meeting

The next meeting is TBD however; should be within the next four weeks or so. Mike Anderson will send an e-mail polling members for their availability.

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn was made by Mickie and seconded by Les; the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 1:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary F. Carr
Secretary

ALLIANCE COLLEGE

REUNION 2018

For 75 years, Alliance College educated students in the liberal arts & sciences, tool & die technology and the art of life. Every acre of the lush northwestern Pennsylvania campus became a special place to the thousands of people who attended, taught, worked, grew and lived there. Although the college has closed and the Riverside Inn is no more; we will always have lifelong memories and ageless friendships. We keep the spirit of Alliance College alive each time we remember snowy walks to classes, fresh made pies at the Home Restaurant, the Polish Pond, Polish Pines, The Springs burgers, Nick's, The Villa, Tom's Deli, Kuj workshops and most importantly coming together at a Reunion.

You are invited to attend and reminisce at the Alliance College Reunion 2018 at the Erie Bayfront Convention Center with the adjoining Courtyard by Marriott and Sheraton Bayfront in downtown Erie PA. Attending a reunion is as close as you can get to returning to our college glory days.

This is a great opportunity to catch up with old friends, perhaps make a few new ones and cherish our lifetime of memories! This year the following anniversaries will be celebrated:

50th Reunion for Class of 1968 & 40th Reunion for Class of 1978

Mark your calendar - October 5-7, 2018. Register early and keep checking www.alliancecollege.com and the ACAA Facebook page for updated information. While on the website, see who's listed in the alumni directory. It changes every month and is a great resource for finding old classmates. See you in October!!!

Preliminary Schedule Of Events

<u>Friday - Oct. 5</u>	<u>Saturday - Oct. 6</u>	<u>Sunday - Oct. 7</u>
1:00 PM to 5:00 PM <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Registration➤ Memorabilia Room open	7:00 to 8:30 AM <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Continental Breakfast	9:30 AM <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Mass: ACAA Participation St. Stanislaus Parish 516 E. 13th Street Erie PA
5:00 PM to 10:00 PM <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Alumni Mixer-Anchor Plaza Hor d'oeuvres Entertainment & Music Cash Bar	8:00 to Noon <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Registration➤ Memorabilia Room open	12:00 PM to 5:00 PM <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Polish Festival & Lunch St. Stanislaus Parish 516 E. 13th Street Erie PA Open to Public
6:00 PM to 8:00/8:30 PM <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Dinner Cruise on the Bay: Victorian Princess Lines Dinner, Music & Cash Bar Register separately.	10:00 AM to Noon <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ ACAA General Membership Meeting	
	1:00 PM to 3:00 PM <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Alliance College Trivia: Interactive, fun program of trivia and little-known facts about our alma mater.➤ WQLN "My Town" PBS Segment on Alliance College.➤ Becoming a Pol-Am: How Polish history shaped my identity! (Talk & Discussion)	
	5:30 PM to 7:00 PM <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ ACAA Cocktail Reception Hor d'oeuvres & Cash Bar Oplatek Exchange	
	7:00 PM to 11:30 PM <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Reunion Dinner/Dancing/Cash Bar Live Band: North Coast Mix	

Erie & NW Pennsylvania area points of interest will be provided at check-in & on the ACAA Website.

Attachment 1 pg 1/2

Reunion 2018 Registration

Please complete and mail with check by September 15, 2018 to:

Alliance College Alumni Association
Les Rachocki; Treasurer ACAA
249 Bridgewater Lane, Sagamore Hills, OH 44067-4129

Name _____ Grad Year _____ Maiden Name _____

Spouse's Name _____ AC Grad Year _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Name(s) you would like printed on name badge: _____ Spouse/Guest: _____

Which school did you attend? Technical Institute College

Preferred method of Communication: Email Phone Mail

Costs per person:

Weekend package includes Friday Alumni Mixer, Saturday events & Saturday Dinner/Dance:

Alumni, spouse or guests _____ # attending @ \$135 per person = \$ _____

Friday Night only; Alumni, Spouse, or Guest _____ # attending @ \$40 per person = \$ _____

Saturday Only; Alumni, Spouse, or Guest _____ # attending @ \$85 per person = \$ _____

Saturday Night Only; Alumni, Spouse, or Guest _____ # attending @ \$100 per person = \$ _____

AC Faculty or Staff Friday Night only _____ # attending @ \$30 per person = \$ _____

AC Faculty or Staff Saturday Night only _____ # attending @ \$45 per person = \$ _____

Saturday Night Dinner:

Will include mushroom soup, salad, buffet prime rib carving station, chicken, salmon, Polish side dishes and desert.

Make checks payable to: Alliance College Alumni Association (memo: Reunion) Total Due = \$ _____

Room reservations: Register using the links at www.alliancecollege.com or the ACAA Facebook page;

The Courtyard by Marriott or Sheraton Erie Bayfront Hotel
Room rates are: \$159 or \$179 (plus tax) per night with free parking and Wi-Fi.

ACAA Dues (optional):

a) Reunion Special - Save \$15, \$35 for two years _____ # of alumni @ \$35 = \$ _____

b) Annual Membership \$25 for one year _____ # of alumni @ \$25 = \$ _____

c) Life Time Membership \$500 per alumni _____ # of alumni @ \$500 = \$ _____

Make checks payable to: Alliance College Alumni Association (memo: Dues) Total: = \$ _____

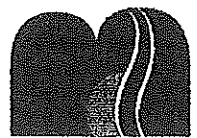
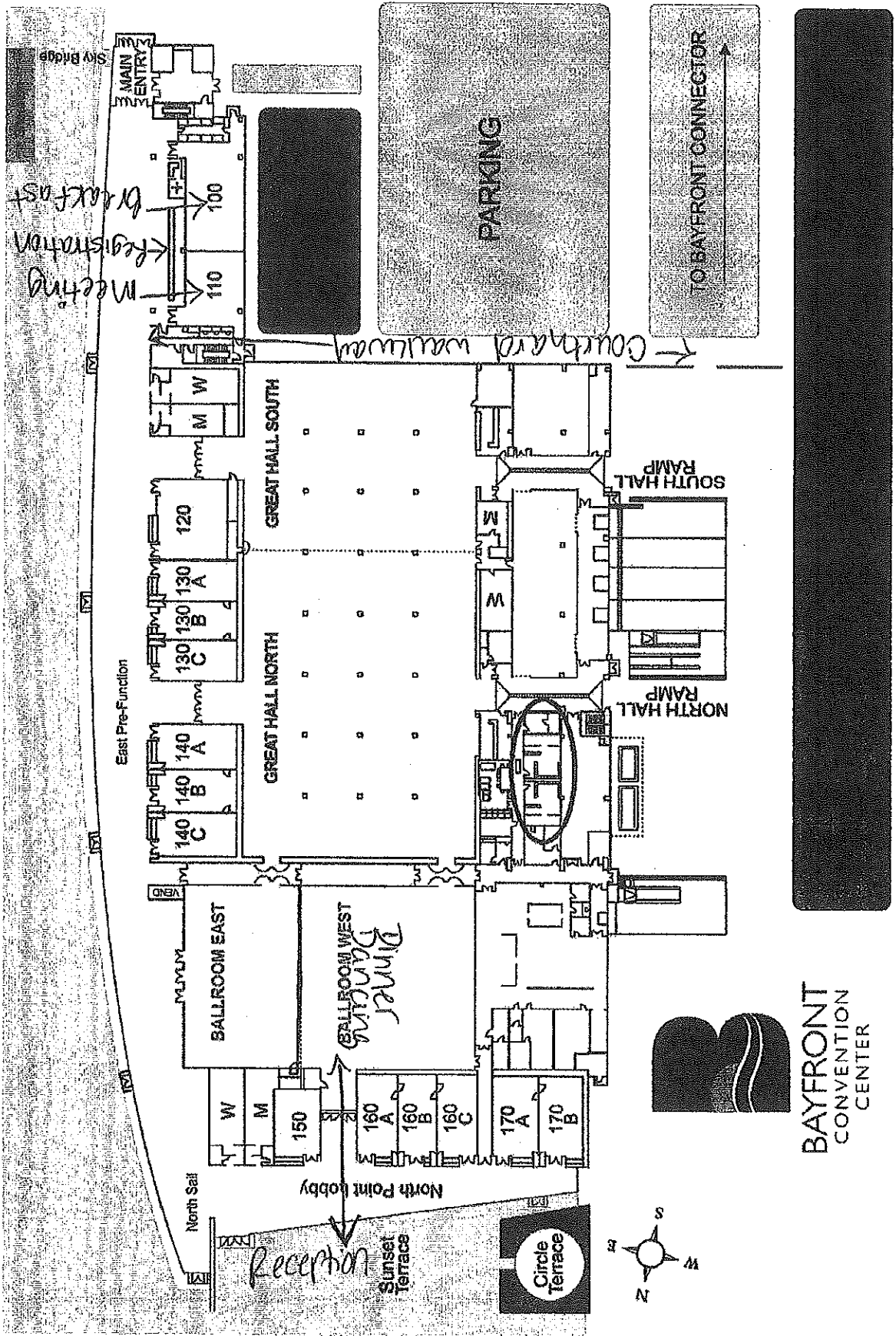
ACAA Awards: Nominate individuals by using the form under Alumni/Awards and submit to the email address listed by September 1, 2018. All nominees fulfilling the criteria will be given consideration.

Outstanding Alumnus: _____

Service Award Nomination (staff or faculty member): _____

Reunion Questions? Contact: James Koscielniak at 720-556-7322 or james.p.koscielniak@gmail.com

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