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Gathering of Gratitude



The KU Foundation & Alumni Relations office hosted the annual Gathering of Gratitude on March 20, bringing together more than 170 scholarship donors and student scholarship recipients. This event provides a golden opportunity for generous friends of KU to meet and talk with the students who directly benefit from their philanthropy.

[Check out this year's Gathering of Gratitude slideshow.](#)

Save the Date – Homecoming and Reunion 2016

This year's Homecoming will take place on October 22, 2016. Keep an eye out in the future for information regarding Homecoming events, reunion details, and more!

Rick Vito Benefit Concert Coming to KU



Rick Vito, a KU alumnus and world-famous blues guitarist, will present a benefit concert for the Greg Purdon '70 Memorial Scholarship on April 8 at 7:30 PM. This scholarship will benefit a Northampton Community College student who has graduated from NCC and will be entering Kutztown University as a major within the College of Visual and Performing Arts. Tickets are \$20 general admission and \$10 for KU and NCC students. Donations of \$200 or more will receive one complimentary ticket. To purchase tickets, please call the KU Presents! box office at 610.683.4092, or order them [online](#). Additional information can also be found on [Facebook](#) or by contacting the KU Foundation at 610.683.4110 or email info@kutztownUfoundation.org.

We're Calling to Say Thanks!

The phone room will be calling to extend their thanks to our donors for their gifts this fiscal year. The students want you to know how much they appreciate you and your

generosity. You truly make a huge difference at KU. If you have yet to make a gift but would like to do so, you can make a gift on our [online donation form](#).

Be a Part of History - Own a Sesquicentennial Poster!



Celebrate 150 years of Kutztown University history by purchasing a Sesquicentennial poster! The posters were designed by emeriti Bill Bateman and the late Randy Schaeffer, class of 1972, to commemorate KU's Sesquicentennial Celebration. Posters are \$10 apiece and make great gifts for any and all students, alumni, faculty, staff, family and friends of KU! To buy a poster or for more information, call the Alumni Relations office at 610.683.4110 or email info@kutztownUfoundation.org.

Upcoming Events



Annapolis Happy Hour

Our Happy Hour Series is returning to the O'Callaghan Annapolis Hotel, 174 West Street in Annapolis, MD on April 21. Mingle with KU alums from 5 PM to 8 PM in the heart of historic downtown Annapolis - just a short walk from the United States Naval Academy, Maryland State House and City Dock. The first drink is on us, and assorted appetizers are available free of charge. While this event is complimentary, we do ask that you please register so we may properly account for everyone. For more information, call 610.683.4110 or email info@kutztownUfoundation.org.

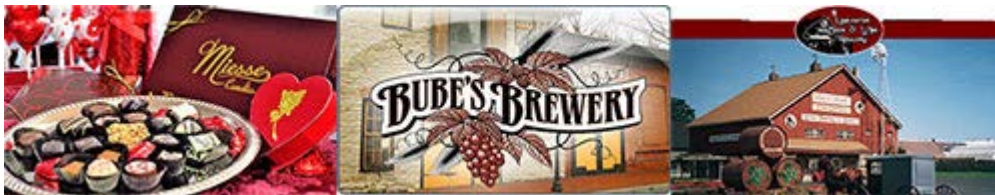
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Lehigh Valley Educators Happy Hour

Calling all educators! The KU Alumni Relations Office is hosting a Happy Hour on May 12 from 5 PM to 7 PM at the Allentown BrewWorks, located at 812 West Hamilton Street. We do believe that it's time for you to have your own "RECESS" and let KU be there to buy your first drink! Appetizers are also complimentary this evening, so round up your co-workers and come out to help make our first Lehigh Valley Educator Happy Hour a huge success! For more information, call 610.683.4110 or email info@kutztownUfoundation.org.

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2016 Indulgence Tour

Are you ready to indulge? On May 14, join the KU Alumni Relations team as we embark on the 2nd annual Indulgence Tour!

We will depart on a charter bus from the Wiesenberger Alumni Center at 9:30 AM and travel to Miesse Candies in Lancaster. There, we will enjoy a factory tour and have time to purchase some goodies in their shop. The next stop will be at Bube's Brewery in Mount Joy, where you will enjoy beer tastings and a guided tour of the brewery, then be able to purchase a delicious lunch. Our final indulgence will take place at the Lancaster Beer & Wine Gallery in Bird in Hand. This winery has over 30 wines to sample and also houses a beer store on the premises!

We will return to Kutztown at approximately 5:30 PM. Cost for the event is \$35, which includes all tours and tastings. Space is limited and we anticipate the tour to sell out quickly, so please reserve your seat early!

For additional information, call 610.683.4110 or email info@kutztownUfoundation.org.

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NYC Happy Hour

On May 19, Charles Devigne '97 will host a KU Happy Hour event at Pescatore Restaurant in New York City beginning at 5:30 PM. Join us for a complimentary reception of food, drinks and a chance to network with other alumni in the NYC area. Pescatore is located at 955 2nd Ave, New York, NY 10022. RSVPs are required for this event. Please use the link below to register. For more information, call 610.683.4110 or email info@kutztownUfoundation.org.

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Updates

#ThenAndNowKU Campaign - Vote Now!

KU students are reliving the past by recreating photos from old KU yearbooks, and we want YOU to vote for your favorite #ThenAndNowKU photo! Login to Facebook and visit the [Kutztown University Alumni Association](#) page to vote for one (or all!) of your favorite #ThenAndNowKU photos. One Like = One Vote. Photos are posted every Monday, Wednesday and Friday until we run out of submissions. The students in the photo with the most votes will win a \$100 gift card at the close of the campaign.

Do you have memorable photos from your time here at KU? Submit them to info@kutztownufoundation.org, and you just might see them recreated by our students! Or, share them on our Facebook page and reminisce with other alums about the good ol' days. Go Bears!



CRC Ticket Sales for KU Men's Rugby

Love KU Rugby action? Reserve your seat to see your Golden Bears dominate in the premier collegiate Rugby event in the City of Brotherly Love! Share the love! Buy your tickets today!

<http://usasevenscrc.com/tickets/kutztown>

June 4-5
PPL Park
Philadelphia

Lehigh Valley Phantoms Alumni Game

Get your tickets to see the Lehigh Valley Phantoms on Saturday, April 9 at the PPL Center in Allentown. Game time is 7:05 PM. Tickets are sponsored by the Kutztown

University Alumni Hockey Team and are available for \$20 a ticket. Seats are located in Section 119 for the game.

All alumni are also invited to cheer on the KU Alumni Hockey Team as they take the ice from 1 AM to 3 PM. Admission is free for the alumni game only.

For more information about KU Alumni Hockey or to request tickets, please contact Jason Slipp at jasonslipp5@gmail.com.

Music Department Highlights and Upcoming Concerts

April 4 - The KU Chamber Players, conducted by KU student Tyler Readinger, will perform three unique concertos that showcase different combinations of solo instruments and chamber orchestra. Soloists include KU faculty members and renowned guest artists. Starts at 7:30 PM in the Georgian Room of Old Main.

April 14 - The Chamber Ensemble of Kutztown University will perform works by Weber, Schubert, Schumann, Bruch, Martinu, Piazzolla, D'Rivera, Wasserman and Feld. Starts at 7:30 PM in the Georgian Room of Old Main.

April 21 - Kutztown University Orchestra will present a student orchestra performance directed by Professor Jonathan Moser. Starts at 7:30 PM in Schaeffer Auditorium.

April 25 - Piano Palooza and All-Steinway School Inauguration - A parade of pianos and pianists on Schaeffer stage will feature Kutztown University's two Steinway Concert Grand Pianos next to the 'Living Legends Steinway Concert Grand.' The latter has been toured and performed on by such greats as Lang Lang, Emanuel Ax and Yefim Bronfman and graciously provided by Jacobs Music, whose representatives will announce the inauguration of KU as an all-Steinway school. The concert will feature works for one, two and three pianos, performed by members of the Piano Palooza, Maria Asteriadou and KU piano students; KU alumna Geert Ruelens '14, and Michael Scales '07, currently Music Director at New York Theater Ballet and a pianist with the New York City Ballet; as well as the Berks Piano Quartet. Starts at 7:30 PM in Schaeffer Auditorium.

April 27 and 28 - Enjoy two wonderful evenings of jazz music from our students in Jazz Ensemble I (April 27) and Jazz Ensemble II (April 28). Each program starts at 7:30 PM in Schaeffer Auditorium.

All concerts are free and open to the public. These are just a few of the many delightful concerts from the Music Department. For the complete schedule, please visit this [website](#).

REGISTER NOW: 18th Annual Great Golden Bear Golf Scramble

Sign-up now to be a part of the 18th Annual Great Golden Bear Golf Scramble on Monday, June 13, 2016. The scramble will be held at the Rich Maiden Golf Course in Fleetwood, PA for a 1:00 PM shotgun start.

This best-ball tournament features great food, prizes, contests & more! The limit is 36 foursomes and the entry fee is \$425 per foursome, \$220 per twosome, and \$110 per individual. Please note that individuals will be placed into a foursome.

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Give Appreciated Securities

There may be significant tax benefits to giving stock or mutual funds to Kutztown University, particularly if significant capital gains have accumulated. Your broker can complete an electronic transfer of stock or mutual funds to the KU Foundation's account at US Bank. This type of transfer is done via the Depository Trust Company (DTC) system. The instructions are as follows:

If you are making a gift of stock or mutual funds, please contact KU Foundation Executive Director Tracey L. Thompson at 610.683.4112 or by [email](#).

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If you've been in your home for a while, you have probably built up equity. With a low-rate Home Equity Line of Credit (HELOC) from PSECU, you can use that equity for things like home improvements. You can also use it for debt consolidation, education expenses, and more.

As a KUAA member, you're eligible to join and apply for a HELOC.

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Pennsylvania German Language Classes

Beginner Pennsylvania German Language classes are being offered on Tuesdays, April 19 through June 7, by local education and musician, Keith Brintzenhoff. This eight-week course will focus on the language and culture of the Pennsylvania Germans. The cost of the course is \$120. Registration and pre-payment is required by April 13. Checks should be made payable and sent to: Berks County Heritage Center, 220 Tulpehocken Road, Wyomissing, PA 19610. For more information and to register, please call 610.374.8839. Keith is a retired teacher, holding a B.S. in Sociology from Albright College and a master's degree in Elementary Education from Kutztown

University. He has an extensive knowledge and background in PA German history, language and music.

***The Collage* College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Newsletter**

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences is out with another edition of its newsletter, *The Collage*! Enjoy the latest news and highlights surrounding CLAS faculty, students, internships, alumni and more. Read *The Collage* [online](#).

KU Presidential Ambassadors Newsletter

The Kutztown University Presidential Ambassadors (KUPA) publish a newsletter every month! This month's issue includes highlights from Mascot Madness, KUPA and SGB Social, Senior Class Gift, Alum of the Month, and more! [Check it out](#).

Recent Events

Lambda Chi Alpha Alumni Banquet

On March 12, over 40 members of Lambda Chi Alpha returned to KU's campus for their annual reunion dinner. This was the first time the event returned to campus and plans are in the works for the March 2017 event to be back on campus again! Watch the newsletter for more details!



Caldwell, NJ Happy Hour

KU alums had a fantastic time at March 24's Happy Hour in Caldwell, NJ! Thank you to everyone who came out to Cloverleaf Tavern for a night of food, drinks and camaraderie! Next stop: Annapolis, MD on April 21.



Grad Fest

Congratulations to all the students preparing for graduation this coming May! We welcomed hundreds of undergrad and graduate students into the KU Alumni Association on March 28 and 29 during Grad Fest.

Alumni just like you help to make a difference every day.

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There is definitely power in numbers. The alumni of Kutztown University are forging successful careers in business, education, theatre, the arts and a host of other professions. They can open doors and point you in the right direction, too. [KU Connect](#) provides you with effective tools and resources to establish your own KU alumni network. Get started by creating your Golden Bear profile today!

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