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IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Marcy
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A: I think any activity people enjoy in their location will make them want to stay. The PSL is a check in the favorable column for staying in Pittsburgh.

Q: What is your favorite PSL Sport?

A: Anyone who knows me will realize it is too hard for me to choose, that is why I'm involved in something every night.

Football is interesting because of the strategy involved. Hockey is a stress relief. In kickball the people are great. Outside of the PSL, I also take skating lessons and play broomball. I just can't choose.

Q: Where do you currently reside?

A: I currently reside in Scott Township.

Q: How long have you been playing in the PSL and how long have you been a PUMP member?

A: I have been playing in the PSL since Spring of 2002. I have been a member of PUMP since 2003.

Q: What do you feel are the greatest challenges facing young people in Pittsburgh?

A: I think the most difficult challenge right now is finding a job in their field. I don't know if that is an issue unique to Pittsburgh though. My brother and his girlfriend both have communications degrees from Robert Morris and have been unable to find employment. It's a very frustrating and stressful situation for people.

Q: How do you envision PUMP helping its members face these challenges?

A: I wish PUMP would put more focus on the employment portion of their website. I also think PUMP should try to make matching up Pittsburgh employers with these potential employees one of its strategic goals for 2005.

Q: How do you feel the PSL helps participants and members face these challenges?

Q: What do you like about Pittsburgh?

A: Everything! I have traveled to other areas and while they are nice, I wouldn't want to live there. I'm always glad to be home. I love that all of my family is here and I can count on one hand the relatives that have left. I love that I had four cousins at my wedding last year! I like the people I've met through the PSL. The area and activities available (Point State Park, kayaking by PNC, Kennywood, the view from Mt. Washington, the Gateway Clipper, the Strip district, etc.) are terrific. I could go on and on.

Q: What would you like to see change in Pittsburgh?

A: I wish Pittsburgh had more employment options right now.

Q: Name something you would most like to accomplish in your life.

A: I would like to continue to enjoy a happy and healthy life.

PSL BEGINS ITS 5TH YEAR WITH THE 2005 WINTER SEASON

Who would have thought 5 years ago on a beautiful fall day when PUMP launched the Pittsburgh Sports League, 150 flag football players would grow to over 4000 players and 65 + leagues. Now the PSL is embarking on its 5th season and shows no signs of stopping.

The Pittsburgh Sports League is the brain child of former PUMP board member Drew Elste who modeled it after a similar league, the Chicago Sport and Social Club. The PSL, however, took on a unique identity. It was the only league in Pittsburgh launched by a nonprofit organization, readily available to all young and young thinking adults (ages 18 and over) where one did not have to belong to a club, that was not directly associated with a bar and had competitively low, all-inclusive fees.

On average, PSL participants are men and women ranging from ages 20 to 40 who play various sports on both a competitive and recreational level, but with the intent to have fun.

"The PSL has grown mainly due to word of mouth. People continually introduce their friends to the league and that generates a lot of our interest. In addition, we're one of the most affordable leagues in town," according to PSL Director, Becky Reitmeyer. "Our biggest challenge is finding facilities and fields to expand the leagues. Since we do not own our own space, we are at the mercy of the city, county and private owners when it comes to times, lights, and maintenance."

What's next on the horizon? PSL is introducing new and exciting leagues including Dodgeball for the winter season. To keep up to date with the PSL, visit us online at www.pittsburghsportsleague.com.

2005 WINTER PSL SPORTS - REGISTRATION BEGINS MONDAY, DECEMBER 13TH, 2005

Registration is on a first come, first served basis. We ARE NOT accepting early registrations at this time. You may register using the form in this newsletter, or by visiting www.pittsburghsportsleague.com.

NEW! CO-ED DODGEBALL

If you ever wanted to give dodgeball a try, now's your chance! Join PSL for a fun, 4-week league. This is for our PSL playground athletes who are curious about dodgeball and want to see what it's all about. Tuesdays, The Ellis School, Jan. 25 - Feb. 15, Game times: 7:00, 8:00 (+ 6:00 on Feb 15), 4 teams of 12, Team fee: \$225, Individual fee: \$25

CO-ED VOLLEYBALL

Wednesdays, Downtown YMCA, Jan. - March, Game times: 6:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, Competitive league (10 teams of 12), Recreational league (8 teams of 12), Team fee: \$450, Individual fee: \$55

CO-ED DECK HOCKEY

Tuesdays, Great Southern Roller Arena (Bridgeville), Jan. 18 - March 15, Games times: 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 6 teams of 12, Team fee: \$550, Individual fee: \$55

BOWLING

Arsenal Lanes (Lawrenceville), week of Jan. 16 - week of March 13, Sundays, 7:00, 8 teams of 4, Mondays, 7:00, 8 teams of 4, Mondays, 9:15, 8 teams of 4, Tuesdays, 9:15, 8 teams of 4, Wednesdays, 9:15, 14 teams of 4, Thursdays, 9:15, 8 teams of 4, Team fee: \$330, Individual fee: \$85

CO-ED INDOOR SOCCER

Saturdays, Downtown YMCA, Jan. 22 - March 19, Game times: 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 6 teams of 12, Team fee: \$500, Individual fee: \$55

CO-ED BASKETBALL

Wednesdays, Dormont Municipal Center, Game times: 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 6 teams of 12. Team fee: \$550, Individual fee: \$55

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Mondays, Carnegie Library of Homestead, Jan. 31 - March 28 (No games Feb 14), Games times: 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 8 teams of 12, Team fee: \$550, Individual fee: \$55

INDOOR TENNIS CLINIC

Wednesdays, Mellon Park Bubble, Jan. 12 - Mar. 9, Court time: 7:00-8:30, Individual fee: \$65



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PERSPECTIVES

A VOICE FOR PITTSBURGH'S FUTURE



Volleyball participants Andrew Rupert, Lonnie Petrill, Cathy Bienkowski, Collyn Diehl, Thad Reece and Neil Fabich kick back and enjoy the sweet taste of victory!

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MESSAGE FROM THE

Dear Members and Friends of PUMP-



In the past few months PUMP has worked hard on a number of programs that seek to improve both the Pittsburgh region and the perception that young people have of it. Let me offer you a recap of some of our most noteworthy events of the past few months.

To start, as a membership organization, it is important that we welcome new members to PUMP and our region by helping them get as involved as they choose to be. With that in mind, we recently hosted the second annual "Open Draught" event to introduce new members to PUMP's numerous committees.

We also seek to get our members involved in other organizations, and in October ran our "Connect Pittsburgh" workshop which connected young professionals with the many volunteer, social, business, educational, and public service activities that are available in our area.

Of course, we are proud too, of the many young people making an impact here, and thus we recognized and celebrated them at "40 Under 40," an annual event hosted by PUMP and WQED Multimedia. In this, its sixth year, 40 Under 40 was once again a huge success, drawing over 700 young people to Sanctuary Nightclub to honor young people under the age of 40 who have made a positive impact on the Pittsburgh region.

Our belief that the concerns of young people must be heard also led us to host "PUMP up the Issues" where candidates for elected office (from Pittsburgh City Council to U.S. Congress) met with PUMP members to hear our concerns.

However, PUMP does not limit its focus only on this region. This fall we joined with many young professionals groups across the state in forming Pennsylvania Young Professionals. This initiative of the Team PA Foundation in Harrisburg will help young professional groups across the state to better communicate in order to identify statewide issues affecting the attraction and retention of young people in the Commonwealth.

PUMP also recognizes Pittsburgh's potential as an international city. To that end, our members worked with the World Affairs Council of Pittsburgh to organize an international quiz game called "WorldQuest" that attracted about 150 young people of diverse backgrounds for an evening of international mingling and fun!

If all of these activities sound intriguing, stay tuned for more fun in 2005. Make sure that you take advantage of the many opportunities PUMP presents to get involved. One new program in particular that I would like to mention is "Discover Pittsburgh." On February 24th, 2005, PUMP will host this annual event that aims to promote the region to college students in order to retain them here after graduation. Please share this invitation to attend with your alumni office, interns, colleagues, friends and family. By staying involved in PUMP, you can discover for yourself and appreciate the great region and land of opportunity where we live.

Speaking of appreciation, since our last newsletter, I am also pleased to welcome seven new members to PUMP's Board of Directors: Keith Christian, Allyson Lowe, Kathryn Fitzpatrick, Alyssa Groom, Steven Massaro, Elisabeth Bennington, and David Duffus. This group

encourage you to introduce yourself to them at the next event. I know they would love to hear your involvement.

Of course, we would not be where we are now without the service of dedicated folks who have served with us on the committees and on the board over the years. Therefore, please join me in extending our deepest thanks and gratitude to outgoing board members Matt Burger, Don Smith, Mike Grande, Tracy Royston, Tracy Merzi, and Krishna Pendyala for their service. These individuals have been integral to the success of PUMP and they will be missed.

The fall has been extremely busy and exciting. We have hosted events and programs that improve the quality of life for our area's young people. As we approach our tenth anniversary year in 2005, I encourage you to stay and/or become involved in PUMP and the issues affecting our region and state. I urge you to bring your friends, your voice, and your enthusiasm to our next event: Whether your concerns are based in the economy, politics, business, the arts, sports, networking, or all of the above, PUMP is "Your Voice for the Future."

Warmest regards,

P.S. Hey, Big Ben, we're here for you whenever you get the chance to catch your breath and join PUMP. Just sign up online at www.pump.org. Here We Go Steelers!

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DECEMBER

HOLIDAYS ON ICE (HAPPY HOUR)

Thursday, December 9th, 6:00 P.M.
The Saloon of Mt. Lebanon
622 Washington Road, Mt. Lebanon
Special Guests: PSVN (Pittsburgh Singles

Volunteer Network) and Toys for Tots
PUMP and special guests PSVN and Toys for Tots are ring a ding dinging in the holidays with a special happy hour of giving. Bring a new unwrapped toy or cash donation and PUMP will pick up your first toddy of the evening! \$1.75 domestic drafts and \$2.75 well drinks. Appetizer specials will be provided. Also, don't miss special appearance by Pittsburgh Steelers Verron Haynes from 8-9 PM! Contact Jennifer Toth at jennifer@pump.org for more information.

JANUARY

HAPPY HOUR

January 13, 2005, Time: TBA
The Church Brew Works
3525 Liberty Avenue, Bloomfield

Join PUMP and Best Buddies for a Happy Hour event at the Historic Church Brew Works. Enjoy \$2 mugs of beer, \$1 off all wines, \$1 pizza slices and free wings and pierogies! Donations will be accepted for Best Buddies. For more information, please visit www.pump.org and click "Happenings." For more information about Best Buddies, visit www.bestbuddiespennsylvania.org.

SKI TRIP

January 15, 2005 2:00 - 11:00 P.M.
Seven Springs Mountain Resort, Ligonier, PA

Join us for a special Ski Trip! The bus will leave Pittsburgh (location TBA) around 2pm and return around 11pm. Cost (all include small snack on bus): Bus and Lift Ticket: around \$39 Bus/Lift/Ski Rental: around \$57. Check www.pump.org and click "Happenings" for details.

FEBRUARY

FAT TUESDAY HAPPY HOUR

Tuesday, February 8, 2005, 6:00 PM
Location TBA

Join PUMP for a gluttonous Fat Tuesday celebration! As always, we will be selling beads and drink/appetizer specials will be provided. Come out and celebrate Mardi Gras with us! For complete details, please visit www.pump.org and click "Happenings".

DISCOVER PITTSBURGH 2005 & NEW MEMBER EVENT, "LIVE, WORK and PLAY"

Thursday, February 24, 2005, 7-9:30 p.m.
Post-party 9:30-Midnight
Location: Boardwalk Properties, Pittsburgh Strip
District: Pittsburgh Riverwatch, Club Level

Lounge,

Discover Pittsburgh aims to keep college/graduate students in the Pittsburgh region by highlighting all of the options for living, working, and playing in Pittsburgh. The entire event is free for students including food and beverage, entertainment, raffle prizes, and access to a plethora of organizations in and around the region. Discover Pittsburgh 2005 reveals to college students the exciting opportunities to live, work, and play in Pittsburgh:

"Live" in Pittsburgh-Services to those new to living in the Pittsburgh area.

"Work" in Pittsburgh-Full-time, part-time and/or internship opportunities, continuing education programs and/or professional/trade association memberships.

"Play" in Pittsburgh-Opportunities for recreational, social, and cultural opportunities.

New to PUMP or interested in joining? Join PUMP at Tequila Willies for a new/prospective member orientation at 7:30 PM then feel free to explore Discover Pittsburgh! PUMP committee representatives will be on hand to put you "in the know" about all PUMP has to offer.

MARCH

TRIBUTE TO PAUL SIMON - A NIGHT WITH THE PITTSBURGH BALLET THEATER

Thursday, March 10, 2005
6:30 Happy Hour, 7:30 Showtime
Benedum Centre, Corner of Penn and 7th Street,
Downtown
Ticket Price: \$23.00

Join PUMP as we are hosted by the Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre for a brand new, never performed Tribute to Paul Simon. Recently choreographed, this innovative Ballet features music from acclaimed singer/songwriter Paul Simon. A champagne and dessert reception begins your evening at the Benedum Center and is immediately followed by the performance.



WINTER

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