

NRV Alumni Meeting

Tuesday, September 15, 2015, 5:30 pm, 3rd floor conference room of the Holtzman Alumni Center

Pre-Game Tailgate for VT vs. Pitt Game – **Saturday, October 3**, 9 AM to Noon

- The Roanoke Valley Chapter is hosting this event in front of the Career Services building (near Cassell Coliseum lot) on game day.
- Our chapter will support the event as volunteers. Assuming we aren't flooded out and the game is still on, **we need volunteers for this event!** Volunteers will attend the tailgate for free (to include BBQ, beer, and music from 3 Minute Lovin'). Please contact [Cyndy](#) or [Ginny](#) if you're available.
- We are considering partnering with the chapter for other events in the future (i.e. hockey game).

"Behind the Scenes" at Pearson Hall (new cadet residence hall) – **Friday, November 13**, 5:30 PM

- Patience Larkin has arranged a tour for our alumni of the new cadet residence hall; will include a reception after.
- Postcard mailer request has been submitted and includes holiday party save-the-date).
- Future suggestions include the new dairy barns at Kentland Farm, the library (special collections?), new Marching Virginians facility, campus Master Plan update from Jason Soileau.

2015 Hokie Holiday Party – **Thursday, December 10**, 5:30 PM

- We will host our annual party at the Blacksburg Country Club again this year.
- Cover charge will include food; drinks for purchase.
- We'd like to host some activities at this year's event (ice breaker, etc.). Please share your suggestions!

2016 Wine Festival at Virginia Tech – **Saturday, June 4, 2016**, noon to 5 PM

- We will move forward with the same format as this year.
- Ann Sandbrook will act as the Wineries Chair; she suggested hosting a "Wine Information Table" with info on what wines are available at the festival that day.
- Ann will host a wine talk again; we will pass out info cards 20 minutes before the start of the program to encourage participants.
- VIP area: Assign a volunteer specifically to this area to enforce "VIP" guests; change table signs to "Reserved for"
- May consider adding a silent auction area – will need a volunteer to coordinate donations of auction items.
- May consider selling discounted tickets at Up on the Roof to encourage on-the-spot purchases.

Young Alumni Events

- Mel Jones is serving as interim Young Alumni Chair, with Justin Yalung committed to be involved as well.
- Mel will be contacting the list that April put together about some upcoming events.

Old Business

- Website: Tonya Pruitt met with David Stanley and has access to make changes to the website as needed. Volunteers are encouraged to check out the site (www.nrvhokies.com) and make suggestions for corrections and/or improvements. We will begin posting the chapter meeting minutes on the website.
- Scholarships: Our scholarship fund with Virginia Tech Foundation is paid for the upcoming year's scholarships. Freshman scholarship recipients will be invited to attend the Chapter Officers Forum luncheon.

New Business

- Jacqueline is ordering business cards for the chapter.