

SRCC Alumni Newsletter

January 2016



Hello SRCC Alumni!

Welcome back from the holidays and enjoy our SRCC Alumni Newsletter! Scroll down for general news, events and more.

General News:

- THON Drives are happening now! Check volunteer.psu.edu for drive dates.
- Due to this year's cancelled canning weekends, **SRCC THON is \$1000 short of our goal!** Help SRCC reach our goal by donating to THON at <http://donate.thon.org>. Don't forget to credit the Student Red Cross Club and encourage your friends and family to donate too!

Meet Our New Advisor – Melissa Wolf!

Melissa Wolf was hired in April 2015 and since has become an excellent addition to SRCC! Here are some tidbits about her!

- Melissa graduated from Penn State with a B.A. in PR/Advertising.
- She interned with Wendi her senior year of college with the Red Cross.

- Her boyfriend (now husband) is a native of State College and her agreement post-graduation was that they would move to wherever the first person got the job. Well, he got a job here in State College so Melissa ended up staying here!
- She previously worked for Affinity Connection, which does fundraising and direct marketing for affinity-based groups and non-profit organizations. She worked with many Penn State organizations, including many fraternities and sororities.
- How she fell into this job is: she was giving blood at one of the local churches here in State College and ran into Laura Merritt, who is the account manager with the Red Cross for Center and Clearfield Counties. They were talking and this position came up. Laura encouraged Melissa to apply, so she did. Melissa was hired and started the end of April 2015.
- Melissa claims the best thing about this position is working with the Student Red Cross Club! In her words, *“They are truly a great group of students who are destined for greatness. They want to give back in the community to make a difference and do good in the world. They are a breath of fresh air daily! Stay tuned on what they will accomplish...”*
- Melissa hopes she can help grow and develop the SRCC, which in turn, will grow and develop the Red Cross here on Penn State’s campus! She wants to pick up



where Wendi left off, and continue the push for greatness! *“With the help of SRCC, we can beat MSU and OSU every year, raise more money for THON and other causes, collect more units of blood, raise awareness of the importance of blood and blood donation! The opportunities are endless!”*

Upcoming Events for January:

Come mingle with current members! Don't hesitate to join!

- January 20th, 7 PM – Meet & Greet at West Halls Study Lounge. Free Pizza!
- January 28th, evening – HHD's Got Talent – A fundraiser with SRCC and BBH Society to raise money for THON. Tickets are \$4.99 each, available in the SRCC HUB office
- February 1st, 7 PM – General club meeting in on campus with [Pie the Officer!](#) This is a great opportunity to shove a pie in your favorite... or least favorite officer's face. Bid against other club members – all proceeds go to THON

Alumni Profile:

- Interested in being featured in upcoming newsletters? Contact ssm5303@psu.edu for more information.

Photos!



- J.W. Harvey models his stylish orange wig (2008)



- Since winter has finally arrived and its freezing outside, I will provide you with more pictures of ice. Here's an ice skating social from 2014.

THON:

- SRCC THON loves going canning, planning events and fundraisers, and visiting our two awesome THON families, the Heck's and the Angi!
- Of course, you can always donate to THON at <http://donate.thon.org>. Don't forget to credit the Student Red Cross Club and encourage your friends and family to donate too! We are \$1000 short!
- "HHD's Got Talent" and "Pie the Officer" are our next events! See the event list above for more details.

Red Cross Info:

- Blood Donor App – Download the Blood Donor App by the American Red Cross to quickly and easily find a nearby blood drive, schedule blood donations, track total donations, and more. Find this in the app store by searching for American Red Cross, visiting redcross.org/apps or redcross.org/bloodapp, or by texting BLOODAPP to 90999 for a direct link to download. Message and data rates for texting may apply.
- RapidPass – This new feature allows you to start the process for donating blood from anywhere you want to save time at the donation site. Read the information on www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass and complete the questions online. You will then be able to print your RapidPass or show it on your mobile device once you arrive for your blood donation appointment.

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Thanks for reading and be on the lookout for next month's edition!

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