

Association of Syracuse Defense Comptrollers Newsletter

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ASDC News

If you have any suggestions for improvement in the alumni program or this newsletter, contact one of your Officers at <http://www.su-asdc.org/Officers.asp>:

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Message from the President

On the 18th of November we will have our second luncheon of the year with guest speaker Mr. Mark Easton, DoD's Deputy Chief Financial Officer (DCFO). The ASDC officers have planned another full year of luncheons and service opportunities. Over the past few years we have had a variety of speakers on many different topics. I would like to solicit your thoughts on potential future speakers and service projects. If you have any suggestions, please send me a note. And finally, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and a wonderful Holiday Season.

John Argodale

NEWS from CUSE

DCP: We are in the process of planning a DCP Spouses Day. Plan is for DCP spouses to joint their student spouses for lunch and attend an MBA class. We will provide lunch and babysitting.

DCP 2010 is doing well. Class GPA after the Summer Session was 3.6. Students are looking at potential overseas trips to Johannesburg, South Africa and Dubai, UAE. Trips will be in March.

EEE: The Entrepreneurship and Emerging Enterprises (EEE) program in the Whitman School of Management at Syracuse University has been ranked among the best in the country by Entrepreneur Magazine and The Princeton Review. The undergraduate program in entrepreneurship is ranked #13 in the country. The graduate program in entrepreneurship is ranked #12. The rankings are published in the October issue of Entrepreneur Magazine.

Ribbon-cutting ceremony held at Carmelo K. Anthony Basketball Center: Carmelo cut the ribbon opening the new facility. The \$19 million facility named after Anthony, who helped lead SU to the 2003 national championship, features two full practice courts, a strength and conditioning room, state-of-the-art athletic training suite, offices for both the men's and women's coaching staffs, and complete locker room facilities.

"I would never in a million years think I'd be sitting here six or seven years later after winning a national championship doing the ribbon-cutting for my building," Anthony said. He called it a "no-brainer" when coach Boeheim's wife Juli first approached him about backing the project. Anthony's \$3 million donation launched the project about two years ago.

Men's Hoop Itinerary Finalized: Game times and television assignments have been made to complete the 2009-10 Syracuse men's basketball schedule. The BIG EAST Conference announced the schedules for each of its 16 members on Thursday, October 1.

The Orange face a 31-game regular-season itinerary that includes 18 BIG EAST Conference games.

All 31 Syracuse games will be televised. The Orange is slated to appear on ESPN nine times: on December 10 in the BIG EAST/SEC Challenge against Florida, at West Virginia (Jan. 16), at Notre Dame (Jan. 18), versus Georgetown (Jan. 25), versus Connecticut (Feb. 10), against Louisville (Feb. 14), at Georgetown (Feb. 18), versus Villanova (Feb. 27) and at Louisville (March 6). The matchups at Notre Dame (Jan. 18) and against Georgetown (Jan. 25) are "Big Monday" telecasts on ESPN. The Villanova encounter (Feb. 27) will feature ESPN's Game Day.

Another three outings have been selected for ESPN2 telecasts: the semifinals and finals of the 2K Sports Coaches vs. Cancer Classic in New York City on November 19-20, and a non-league encounter with Memphis (Jan. 6).

The Orange open the campaign with two home games in the 2K Sports Coaches vs. Cancer Classic. Pairings with Albany (Nov. 9) and Robert Morris (Nov. 11) will be televised by ESPNU. Syracuse is also on ESPNU for games at home against Marquette (Jan. 23) and at Providence (Feb. 23). SU has two ESPN360 telecasts - versus long-time rivals Cornell (Nov. 24) and Colgate (Nov. 30).

Syracuse has eight BIG EAST Network telecasts that will be aired locally on Time Warner: at Seton Hall (Dec. 29), versus Pittsburgh (Jan. 2), against USF (Jan. 10), at Rutgers (Jan. 13), at DePaul (Jan. 30), versus Providence (Feb. 2), at Cincinnati (Feb. 7) and against St. John's (March 2).

Football: "Syracuse is a long way from rebuilt: The Orange have been a nice story early in the year with the effort they've given. But since Big East play has begun, Syracuse looks more like the old Syracuse. The loss to West Virginia was nearly as one-sided as the Rich Rodriguez/Greg Robinson routs. The great Greg Paulus experiment looks like it needs to go back to the lab for tweaking, and injuries have trimmed an already barebones roster. Doug Marrone still has plenty of rebuilding work ahead." (ESPN)

Orange gear: see the on line catalogue: <http://bookstore.syr.edu/images/digitalcatalogad.jpg>

Entrepreneurship Boot camp for Veterans with Disabilities: The program is a great success. EBV will be list in the 2010 CFC. The Whitman School is going to start an EBV program for the spouses of disabled Veterans and KIA/s.

ALUMNI IN FOCUS

Member Profile: Diane Randon

I graduated from the Army Comptrollership Program (ACP) in August of 1996 and hadn't been back to Syracuse, until this past August 2009. I returned to accept the Keenan award and attend the graduation of the class of 2009. ACP is now DCP - Defense Comptrollership Program, the Whitman School of Management is now housed in an amazing new technologically advanced building, and students complete two degree programs not one, but it all still felt very familiar. It was good to be back. I only regret not getting to Dinosaurs for a BBQ fix.

Personally, attending Syracuse was a perfect distraction for me because I was experiencing a few significant life events that year. I have so many fond memories of those 14 months mostly because of the great and lasting friendships I made. I enjoyed living in upstate New York and even appreciated all the snow!

Professionally, the academics of the Army Comptrollership Program really challenged me and expanded my depth and breadth of knowledge. I'm still proud of myself for mastering Dr. Chen's Data Analysis class and Minitab. I did read that text book three times over Thanksgiving break trying to prepare for the exam, but it was worth it. In retrospect, I probably should have tried something similar for Professor Lobo's exam!

Attending ACP opened so many doors for me. Right after graduation, I worked as the budget officer at Army Audit Agency in Alexandria, VA. I've held an additional eight assignments since then. Wow! I had to stop and reflect on that. It has been an amazing journey. I have stayed in the DC area but have tried to work a variety of positions where I could gain experience in programming, budgeting and execution. I am very satisfied with that path. I just moved to a new position six months ago. I serve as the Resources Director in the Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, Installation Management. I am working hard to overcome a learning curve, understanding all those programs that reside within the resource portfolio of installation management. I love my job and am motivated every day by the dedicated and talented folks trying to resolve the abundance of resource issues ranging from Army Family Covenant to facilities repair and investment to energy security and sustainability.

I'm really proud that after 24 years of Federal service, I am still a member of the Army team supporting our great Soldiers.



Diane is a DCP graduate from the Class of 1996 and is the Director, Resources for the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management.

Alumni News/Activities

Whitman Invites Stories/Photos from Alumni Veterans

The May 2009 *Whitman Today Alumni E-Newsletter* posted a request to receive stories from its alumni veterans, from all branches of service from 1919 to the present day. This is a great opportunity for our ASDC alumni to share experiences about being in the military before, after, or during your time at SU for inclusion in a special issue of the Whitman Magazine. The POC for this is Amy Schmitz, Whitman Director of Communications. Her email is: aemehrin@syr.edu. If you choose to use snail mail, stories (along with photos) can be sent to 721 University Avenue, Suite 111, Syracuse, N.Y., 13244.

Engaging with SU Alumni

The Greenberg House is home to the SU Alumni Club of Washington and the DC Maxwell Alumni Association. Both are among the most active alumni organizations in the country. Many other alumni activities sponsored by SU's schools and colleges take place throughout the year. Check out their website for activities and events: <http://greenberghouse.syr.edu/>

Class Connectors to ASDC

The following representatives have volunteered to serve as Class Connectors to reach out and re-establish connections with classmates by gathering updated email and snail mail information. If your graduation class is missing from this list and you would like to volunteer to be a Class Connector, Veronica Helden at email Veronica.Helden@us.army.mil.

- 1976 - Ron Adolphi
- 1990 - COL Machina
- 1991 - Jo Ann Van Beusichem / Jesse Villagran
- 1994 - Kathy Miller
- 1996 - Diane Randon
- 1997 - Jennifer Lasichak
- 1999 - Becky Allen
- 2000 - Holly Williams
- 2001 - Mike Watson
- 2002 - Patsy Provines
- 2003 - COL Penny
- 2004 - Mary Jo Rubino
- 2005 - Cecilia Carroll
- 2006 - Debra Goddard
- 2007 - Mischelle Johnson
- 2008 - Veronica Helden
- 2009 Vacant

Upcoming Program Events

The following events are planned for the remainder of the 2009/2010 program year. If you have a suggestion for speaker/topics or other ideas on social or morale events, please contact the VP for Operations, Jack.Mutarelli@calibresys.com or VP at Large, Steve.Allen@us.army.mil

Luncheons:

March 10, 2010

July 21, 2010

May 24, 2010

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