



DVSA Newsletter

President's Message

Well, we have arrived at the end of another year and it is time for me to wish all members a healthy and happy holiday season and a very positive outlook for the coming year. It has been my pleasure to serve as your president over this past year. I'll be moving off of the Board but greatly enjoyed my 9 years of service to our Association. If you are a fairly recent retiree and have an interest in serving the DVSA look at the website for jobs descriptions and skills that are needed.

The Delaware Valley Sunoco alumni Association had a number of very challenging and ambitious goals for 2011. We made progress on most of these goals. A new membership system is in place and used for the distribution of both the paper and e-mail versions of the newsletter. We have a new website which in my prejudiced opinion is much easier for the membership to use and has more content and information about the membership. There are programs listed that are available to the membership. There is much more than on the previous website. For 2011, the association appointed new directors of membership, website, and treasury. All are working well together to keep your records current, to make the luncheons flow smoothly, and to get information to the membership in a timely fashion.

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Winter Holiday Luncheon

Date: December 6, 2011 - Tuesday

Place: Springfield Country Club
400 West Sproul Road
Springfield, PA 19064
610-690-7600

Time:
Social Time 11:30 – 12:30
Lunch and Program 12:30 – 2:30
More Social time 2:30 – 3:15

Speaker:

Edward Lafferty of the Social Security Administration

(See registration form inside)

Contact Info -

For Employee/ Retiree Benefits Information –

New Aetna phone # **866-643-8742**

Aetna RHA (billing & general) -
www.RHAGroup.net

Aetna Navigator (claims & medical info) -
<https://member.aetna.com>

Aetna online Pharmacy - **866-612-3862**

For the Delaware Valley Sun Alumni Group
Website: www.dvsa.co

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While still keeping our focus on meeting the primary goals of communication and providing social events at our three luncheons every year, the board has tried to add additional value with discount programs and informational presentations at these luncheons.

There are a number of challenges ahead for 2012. I am confident that the new board will be very successful in meeting these challenges and will provide better information, more timely distribution of this information, and meaningful programs for the members.

The last luncheon of 2011 will be at the **Springfield Country Club on December 6**. The election of Officers and small changes to the by-laws are on the agenda. We have also arranged for a speaker from the Social Security Administration. He will talk to all attendees about the current and future state of the Social Security System. I expect that this will be a very informative presentation and look forward to seeing many of our members there.

Finally, I want to thank our members for their continuing support of all charitable efforts, their commitment to the heritage of Sunoco, and for their patience with the changes to membership system. Keep an eye on the website if you have a computer for information on new services and helpful FAQ's about our retirement.

Jon Waddel – 2011 President



Happy Holidays

Food Cupboard News...

2011 Food Cupboard Donations Equal
2010 Donations.

As chairman of the food cupboard, I'm pleased to report that as of September 30, 2011 the DVSA Food Cupboard has donated \$2500 to organizations recommended by you, the member. Two additional donations of \$500 each are "in process" and will be announced as soon as we complete our review of the requests.

As a direct result of your generosity, \$3,500 in donations were made in support of our mission to "feed the needy". This equals the \$3500 awarded in 2010.

The last two recipients of \$500 donations were Catholic Social Services (nominated by Tom McCuch) and The Whosoever Gospel Mission (nominated by Norn Sumner).

At this time, we have used all of our 2011 donations made by our members. We are now accepting nominations for 2012 awards. If you have an organization you would like to nominate, please go to the website (www.dvsa.co) and complete a "Food Cupboard Donation Request Form". If you don't have a computer (or need some help with the request) please contact me at rick@simonezajac.com or by phone at 610-363-0974. I would be glad to assist you.

Thanks to everyone for your support. And, please remember to consider a food cupboard donation when signing up for the December 2011 luncheon.

Rick Zajac

Chairman, Food Cupboard

Sunoco Reunion at Sunbrook

An Alumni Reunion, organized by several recent alumni, was held at Sunbrook on June 24th. The evening event drew over 100 attendees. DVSA is exploring the possibility of having the Spring meeting in the evening since we have found that many recent alumni are still working and an evening event is more conducive to their time schedule. If you have any thoughts about this, please let us know at DVSAPresident@gmail.com. We want to hear your opinion.

Holiday Support to our Fundraising –

During the December events, we ask for donations not only to the food cupboard but to other organizations that need our support. We also will be supporting our usual United Way contribution.

Giving to those in need has always been a part of the Sunoco culture, and it is part of our organization's mission at DVSA.

Please consider giving, even if you are not attending the luncheon, use the luncheon form, and mail in your donation.

Children's Hospital or CHOP as it is known locally is one of the top children's hospitals in the country.

Ronald McDonald House – The Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House has been in operation for 37 years, helping families by providing a place for the family to stay, while their children are cared for in local hospitals.

United Way -

The DVSA 2010 United Way campaign was a huge success! DVSA raised \$60,071 for the United Way in 2010 v \$43,531 in 2009. See the website for the form for your 2011 campaign contribution. www.dvsa.co

Changes to the Bylaws

The DVSA Board has undertaken a periodic review of the DVSA Bylaws (last revision was done in 2008) to ensure that they are consistent with today's organization, to clarify any articles where necessary and to add as necessary to reflect the use of the website. The 4 proposed changes to the bylaws are to 1) remove Article IId, Purpose and Function, since it incorrectly describes the function of DVSA, 2) clarify that Directors may be re-elected for additional terms, 3) allow for the Secretary and Treasurer to be appointed to additional one year terms after being elected since these are important functions for smooth operation of the DVSA and its Board, and 4) add a list of Director and Officer responsibilities as an addendum for reference and use in recruiting. These proposed bylaw changes are posted on the website for your review and will be voted on by the membership at the December luncheon. Copies of the proposed changes will be available at the December luncheon.

DVSA Has Successful Audit

It has been our practice for many years to have our financial records audited. That took place this summer, thanks to DVSA member and CPA Steve Cohen. Steve found all our records to be organized and compliant with appropriate documentation. A big thanks to our Treasurer, Steve Kuklinski, for his cooperation as well as the excellent execution of his duties

Discounts Extended to Sunoco Alumni

There are discounts provided to Sunoco for employees, and some of those have now been extended to retirees. See our website to learn about which discounts are available, and how to obtain that discount.

www.DVSA.co Login Instructions:

The first time you want to login to any of the secure areas of our site, you must enter your email address, and then select "forgot password" just below the password fill in block. You will go to an authentication screen and re-enter your email address and the code on the screen. You will then receive an e-mail with instructions on how to setup your private password. Remember your password and next time you will just go right in with no problems.

**Delaware Valley Sun Alumni
Winter-Holiday Luncheon**

I/we will attend the luncheon on:
Tuesday, **December 6, 2011** at Springfield Country Club.

Please PRINT clearly

Name(s) _____ Phone: _____
Address _____ e-Mail: _____
_____ Check here if new address

Member name Tag nickname: _____

Guest name Tag nickname: _____

Luncheon (\$18/person or \$36/ with guest for dues-paying members) _____
(\$28/person or \$56/ with guest for non-dues-paying members) _____

Donations: Food Cupboard _____
Ronald McDonald House _____
Children's Hospital _____

2012 Dues (\$15.00) _____
Total in this payment: \$ =====

Menu Choices:
 Tilapia Turkey Vegetarian

email address verification: _____@_____

Please Reply by November 28th to:

**Mail checks to: Delaware Valley Sun Alumni
PO Box 694
Devon, PA 19333**