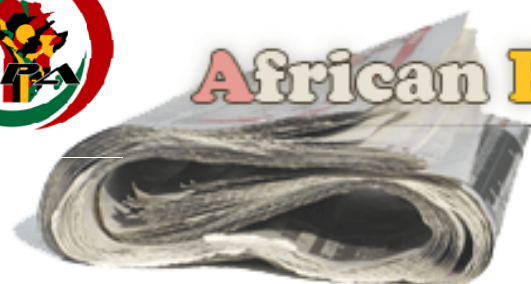




# African People's Association



## NEWS UPDATE

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### APA Has a Newsletter?

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Yes, now we do! And don't sound so surprised! Over the summer the executives thought a newsletter would be a great way to keep everybody updated and informed. We're hoping you'll use it for just that and more!

Don't let this initial issue's limited size and authorship fool you. This newsletter while started to focus primar-

ily on the organizations upcoming events and news, will also be a showcase of APA's diverse talents.

Have you ever written a poem, or a short story and looked for somewhere to publish it? Look no further!

Have you ever wondered what all the other members are up to in their time away from

APA? You'll love our member of the month section then! (Read more about it and how you can submit nominations on the reverse side)

The executive board would like to invite you to lend your talents to our organization's new monthly newsletter. And we hope that you'll find creative ways to make use this new opportunity.

### This Month in APA History

On September 16th, 1973, 20 African students met at the International Center at 4:30 pm. During their meeting they discussed: efforts to provide aid to African countries plagued by drought and organizing music and soccer clubs. They recapped the visit of two BGSU APA members to Youngstown, Ohio to attend a meeting for the Afrikan Liberation Support Committee. This committee sent two of its members with \$32,000 to east Africa to support liberation initiatives throughout the region! The same committee also reported its on-going efforts to stop the importation of chrome from Zimbabwe, urging members to write their congressmen. The next meeting for this committee was proposed to be held at BGSU the following month.

### Welcome Back!

I'd like to welcome you all back to Bowling Green for what promises to be another groundbreaking year for African People's Association. As an organization we have a long and eventful history that we should be proud of. In the last few years especially, we have gained recognition within the Bowling Green community as an organization that leads in community ser-

vice, encourages learning about the cultures of Africa, and for just knowing how to have a good time.

This year as things on campus and the world around us continue to change, I hope that the unfaltering community APA has fostered will offer you a sense of consistency. The executive board and I recognize what a tal-

ented body our membership consists of and we hope that you will use those talents to push APA forward throughout the year.

We have a fresh lineup of events to look forward to this year and we hope to share these with you in our first couple meetings of the semester.

#### Dates to Note:

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| Pool Party at The Rec<br>Andrews Pool @ 1PM | 9/05  |
| General Meeting<br>BTSU 207 @ 6PM           | 9/11  |
| General Meeting<br>BTSU 201B @ 6PM          | 9/18  |
| Cedar Point!                                | 9/19  |
| General Meeting<br>BTSU 201B @ 6PM          | 9/25  |
| Homecoming Car Wash                         | 10/3  |
| Cultural Conference                         | 11/22 |



## APA Member of the Month!

This picture could be of you or a friend! Starting this month the executive board will begin accepting nominations for an outstanding APA member who you think deserves recognition for their contribution to the organization and campus life, academic success, or other notable accomplishment. Please make all submissions via the website using the executive contact form. You can access this form at [www.bgapa.org/contact](http://www.bgapa.org/contact) and select "Member Nomination" in message type.



For the second consecutive year APA will be heading to Sandusky, Ohio this fall. Last year we raised over \$600 dollars and this year we stand to make more than double that amount with your involvement!

So when is this taking place and how can you get involved? You've got questions and we've got answers!

We will be departing from the Bowen-Thompson Student Union at 8:00pm on Saturday, September 19th by a university chartered bus so there'll be no need to carpool this year! When we arrive at Cedar Point we will be staying in hotels that have been provided for us and will enjoy a night of movies, games, and munchies!

When we wake up the following Sunday morning breakfast will be paid for by the organization at the employee cafeteria. We will be split into groups and assigned to the different tasks. When it comes time lunch will also be taken care of by the organization at the park's employee cafeteria.

When we have finished our shifts, we'll be able to enjoy the park free of cost courtesy of Cedar Point! When the park closes at 8:00 pm we'll meet take the charter bus back to Bowling Green,, perhaps stopping for a snack, time permitting.

So by now I'm sure you're wondering how you can sign up? Easy! Just make sure to attend a general meeting or contact an executive member!



Some members at last years trip!

But be sure to do so before the spots fill up!

So a recap:

**Date:** Saturday, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>

**Cost to you:** Absolutely Nothing!

**Benefit to APA:** Funds to fund future events and our dinner!

**Spot Available:** Only 25, so act



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