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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**SAVE THE DATE:** Our annual dinner has been scheduled for May 22nd! Details will be provided later, but you certainly will not want to miss out on this wonderful evening. Our speaker this year is OSU Football Defensive Coordinator Mark D'Antonio. I'm sure many of you will have lots of questions for Coach D'Antonio about the win over Michigan, our great recruiting class, and a preview of the upcoming season! Details on the dinner will be posted on our website when available. We will also have information in the next Edition of the Buckeye Bits!

As we approach our annual dinner it is time to begin thinking about the 2002-2003 OSUDC Board. I have had the great pleasure of working with a wonderful group of people the last 2 years as President and look forward to working in the future with the current Board, and any new members who may be interested. The OSUDC Board typically meets once a month and all Board members share in the responsibility for managing our events throughout the year. If you are interested in joining the 2002-2003 OSUDC Board, please contact me at [jhilbert@khaconsulting.com](mailto:jhilbert@khaconsulting.com).

As you will see in a separate article in this BITS we are (once again) in search of a Gamewatch location after learning that the Barking Dog has gone out of business. Our original contact at the Barking Dog, Jeff, had a disagreement with his co-owner about halfway through this past football season which caused the 2 to part ways. The level of service, and our corresponding level of satisfaction, went down significantly after Jeff left the Dog. We have already begun scouting potential sites but certainly welcome any and all input from our members.

Finally, I just thought it would be good to remind everyone again where your dues and monies that we raise at our events throughout the year are spent. I am very proud to say that each year, and again for the 2001-2002 operating year, your alumni club has raised enough money for its scholarship fund to qualify as a President's Club member at Ohio State. We send all of our profits to Ohio State to be utilized solely for the purpose of providing scholarships to local, worthy high school students who wish to attend Ohio State. On behalf of your club, Ohio State, and the many students who have benefited from your generosity over the years, thank you!

Look to the website and our email list for updated information on upcoming events and any arrangements which will be made for watching OSU Basketball in the Big-10 tourney or in the NCAAs! The website is [www.osudc.org](http://www.osudc.org).

Thanks and Go Bucks!!!!

John Hilbert

President, OSUDC

## OSUDC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**March 13 College Fair at Anne Arundel Community College**  
**March 21 College Fair at Prince Georges Community College**  
**March 20 OSU Yield Reception at Tyson's Marriott**  
**April 13: OSUDC Outing to Woodrow Wilson House**  
**April 23 College Fair at the Montgomery Co. Agricultural Center**  
**April 24 College Fair at Washington Independent Schools**  
**May 22: Spring Dinner**

### WOODROW WILSON HOUSE

Saturday April 13, 2002  
 10:00 AAM  
 \$7.00 per person

Join us for a tour of Washington's only Presidential museum-The Woodrow Wilson House. You will see an impressive collection of White House objects, elaborate gifts of state from around the world, family items, and personal mementos. Furnished as it was in Wilson's time, the fashionable 1915 house just off of Embassy Row is a living textbook of modern American life in the 1920's.

The Woodrow Wilson House is located at 2340 S Street, NW, Washington, D.C.

We are limited to 50 people so if you are interested, please get your tickets soon. Send a check made out to The Ohio State Alumni Club of Washington, D.C. to Janet Halsey  
 14824 Crosswood Terrace  
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**The Woodrow Wilson House  
in Washington, DC**

### VIRGINIA OSU ALUMNI LICENSE PLATE CAMPAIGN WE DID IT!

By now everyone should have received their Virginia OSU License Plates. Thanks again to

the Richmond Club for organizing this successful endeavor! For those of you who did not order OSU plates but now want them, please contact the Virginia DMV directly as all orders now go through the Commonwealth and not through the Alumni Clubs.

### HOCKEY GAME

On January 9, 2002, area Buckeyes watched the Columbus Blue Jackets take on the Washington Capitals at the MCI Center, and some Buckeyes were split on which team to support. It was a fun evening. The high scoring game was a crowd pleaser,



**Mark and Anita Epstein at the Capitals  
and Blue Jackets Hockey Game**

and a good time was had by all.

### RECRUITERS STAFF TWO NEW FAIRS.

OSUDC wrapped up its student recruitment season staffing thirteen fairs this Fall. The schedule included two new fairs, one at Osbourn Park H.S. in Manassas and the other at Largo Park H.S. in Prince George's County. There was good interest from students and their parents in OSU at these new fairs and the club will attend both next year.

This year the University harvested the best crop of new Buckeyes yet. Of the 5894 new students who enrolled there were 104 National Merit Scholars, and 245 High School Valedictorians, the largest number yet. The Autumn 2001 class also had more University Scholars and fewer remedial math or English students than any other class.

Thanks go to the club's thirteen volunteer recruiters for their help this season including; Louise Zimmerman White, Marc Schie, Kim Badenhop, Mark Epstein, Phil Gbur, Alexandria Tsiros, Sarah Ellis, Suzanne Dorinsky, Tom and Mary Rampe, Meredith McGowan, Deborah Shade and Leandra Kennedy. The spring season for student recruitment is beginning to

take shape. For the schedule of fairs see the calendar of events in this BITS and also check the club's website at [www.osudc.org](http://www.osudc.org) under the student recruitment page. If you would like to help staff a fair this spring contact Hongor J. Oulanoff on (703) 351-6509.

### OSUDC AT WINTER OLYMPICS

Some area Buckeyes, including three OSUDC board members, spent 10 days at the Winter Olympics. They had lots of fun cheering on the USA and other world class athletes. Not surprisingly, there were many other Buckeyes everywhere in Utah, who were always willing to swap Olympic pins

and OSU stories. Thanks to Mike Meneer for faithfully wearing his Ohio State hat, which facilitated the numerous Buckeye encounters.

### NEW GAMEWATCH LOCATION NEEDED

The Barking Dog has closed. The OSUDC Board is currently reviewing several options for a new football Gamewatch location. If you know of a location, which meets our criteria (guaranteed coverage - ie satellite, parking, metro accessibility, exclusivity to Ohio State, and a fun atmosphere), please send your suggestions to John Hilbert at [jhilbert@khaconsulting.com](mailto:jhilbert@khaconsulting.com). Keep your eyes on the BITS for an announcement of our



**OSUDC members Mike Meneer, Mary Norwood, John Hilbert, Debbie Shade and Kim Badenhop holding the torch used by the 1980 U.S. Hockey team to light**

new home once something is selected!



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