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## OHIO STATE FOOTBALL GAMEWATCHES AT WILLIE AND REED'S

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Willie and Reed's Sports Bar in Bethesda, MD

Join the Buckeye faithful as the 2002 National Champion Ohio State Buckeyes kick off a new football season in defense of their title on 30 August. Kick-off is scheduled for 8:10 PM, and for the second year in a row Willie and Reed's in Bethesda, Maryland will be the official Gamewatch site. Willie and Reed's offer an exciting atmosphere for catching all the action and rooting the Bucks on to victory. Nearby parking is free and it is close to the Metro.

As always, Board members will be on hand to sell tickets for your chance to win great OSU merchandise at the halftime raffle and to update you on upcoming club activities. And keep an eye out for some fun merchandise for sale, including bottle covers and t-shirts. All the monies collected go directly to the club's scholarship fund. In addition to the prizes and merchandise, Willie and Reed's will be offering a 10% discount off of your entire food and beverage check.

### Directions to Willie and Reed's:

**Metro:** Take the Red Line to Bethesda. When exiting the escalator, turn left on Old Georgetown Road, go 2 blocks to a right on Woodmont Avenue, go one block to a left on Norfolk, one short block to Willie and Reed's at the corner of Fairmont and Norfolk.

**Driving:** From DC, take Wisconsin Avenue north to Bethesda, turn left on Old Georgetown Road, go 2 blocks to a right on Woodmont Avenue and a left into the Woodmont Triangle parking garage (this is a city parking garage – parking is free on Saturday)

From the Maryland Beltway, take the Wisconsin Avenue Exit toward Bethesda, go 1.5 miles to a right on Woodmont Avenue (just past

NIH), go \_ mile to a right into the Woodmont Triangle parking garage. (There is another garage marked Woodmont Triangle shortly after you turn off Wisconsin – the one closer to the restaurant is the second one). To get to Willie and Reed's, exit the garage on the Woodmont Avenue side, turn left on Woodmont, left on Norfolk, go a short block to the restaurant at the corner of Norfolk and Fairmont.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's the end of August and once again the thoughts of Ohio State alumni turn to football. How exciting it is to be the national champion, and wouldn't it be great to do it again?! I've never been to New Orleans, and I can't think of a more enjoyable time to be there than at New Year's. But I'm getting ahead of myself—there's still the unresolved matter of a certain running back and 12 games to get through!

Your Alumni Club will be back at Willie and Reed's in Bethesda for our weekly gamewatches, and we look forward to seeing you there. It's under new management this year, but we are enthusiastic about working with their new people, and thus far they are treating us very well. OSUDC Board members will be there each week to greet you and part you from a couple of bucks for raffle tickets—we will have some excellent prizes and all proceeds will benefit our programs that assist OSU students.

Many thanks to Board member Ken Balog and his wife Suzann for again graciously hosting our annual Summer Picnic and Student Send-off at their home. Also to Student Recruitment Chair Hongor Oulanoff for his work in coordinating the attendance of OSU students and their families from our area, especially the incoming freshmen.

Please make an effort to check out our newly redesigned website—[www.osudc.org](http://www.osudc.org)—for updates on all our Club activities, and if you're not on the OSUDC e-group, go there to sign up for e-mail reminders. If you know of some alums in the area who are not members of the Club, please encourage them to join and send them to the website to download the membership form. It's all part of the larger effort to help make Ohio State stronger (and have a good time while doing so!).

Look forward to seeing you at the gamewatches—Go Bucks!  
Lori Robishaw

## OSUDC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 30: OUSUDC Tailgate at Ohio Stadium (5:00PM) – in the Tuttle Garage

August 30: Washington - Gamewatch (8:10PM) – Willie and Reed's

September 6: San Diego State - Gamewatch (12:10PM) - Willie and Reed's

September 13: North Carolina State Gamewatch (12:20PM) - Willie and Reed's

September 20: Bowling Green Gamewatch (12:10PM) - Willie and Reed's

September 27: Northwestern Gamewatch - Willie and Reed's

October 11: Wisconsin Gamewatch (9:10PM) - Willie and Reed's

October 18: Iowa Homecoming Gamewatch (3:30PM) - Willie and Reed's

October 25: Indiana Gamewatch - Willie and Reed's

November 1: Penn State Gamewatch - Willie and Reed's

November 8: Michigan State Gamewatch - Willie and Reed's

November 15: Purdue Gamewatch - Willie and Reed's

November 22: Michigan Game Toys for Underprivileged children (12:30PM) - Willie and Reed's

December: Holiday Party time to be determined likely on 5 or 12 December

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## OSU VS WASHINGTON TAILGATE

If you already have a football ticket to the OSU-Washington game and will be in Columbus on August 30, please join our tailgate on the roof of the Tuttle garage (5th floor if inclement weather). The garage is northeast of the stadium, and is open for parking only to pass holders and guests of the Blackwell Hotel. The tailgate will include cold cuts, salads, desserts, beer and soft drinks. This game is scheduled as a night game (8:10PM). The tailgating will begin at 5:00pm conclude in time to see TBDBITL enter the stadium. The cost of the tailgate is \$20 each. You are encouraged to leave extra time for this game due to construction on campus.

## LEGG MASON TENNIS OUTING

The outing to the Legg Mason Tennis Classic was a very successful OSUDC event. More than 26 OSUDC alumni and friends enjoyed the quarterfinal tennis matches at the William H.G. FitzGerald tennis center. The featured singles match was between Andre Agassi and James Blake at the center court. The match went to three sets and was an example of an exciting thriller that Agassi finally won. As an additional treat,

we were in time to watch the last set of the Andy Roddick match that was delayed due to rain in the afternoon. The seats in the stadium we obtained were excellent. The weather also cooperated and with the exception to a few sprinkles was fine for the entire evening. Based on this success we plan to repeat this outing next year. Hope we see you there.

## POTOWMACK LANDING HAPPY HOUR

A lovely evening, soft live music in the background and friends – what a great combination! That was our club's "Happy Hour" at the Potowmack Landing Restaurant this July. This was our 12<sup>th</sup> annual happy hour on the Potomac River, just south of Reagan National Airport. Sorry if you had to miss it, those who attended had a nice time meeting some new Buckeyes and greeting old friends. Hope to see you all there next year.

## OSU VANITY LICENSE PLATES

Hurrah! There are now custom Ohio State license plates available in BOTH Maryland AND Virginia!

For Virginia plates: order at any DMV customer location or on-line at

[www.dmv.state.va.us](http://www.dmv.state.va.us). Go to the special college plate section. Plates will be mailed within 2-4 weeks.

For Maryland plates: contact Bill Halsey at (301) 549-1363. There is a one-time \$45 per set fee. All profits for MD plates go to our scholarship fund, which has netted over \$2000 for the scholarship fund.

## THE TICKET CONNECTION

Our club is continuing a "ticket exchange" program for the upcoming 2003 football season. The program will involve putting people in touch with each other who wish to buy, sell or trade OSU football tickets.

If you have or need tickets, please e-mail Steve English [english1\\_1998@yahoo.com](mailto:english1_1998@yahoo.com) who will then put you in contact with the appropriate person.

## OSUDC - VA ADOPT - A - HIGHWAY

Join us for OSU Adopt-A-Highway litter clean-ups in Virginia on October 4<sup>th</sup> and November 15<sup>th</sup>. Our club has adopted the stretch of Lee Chapel Rd from Ox Rd. to Old Keene Mill Rd. We will meet at the McDonald's at the intersection of Lee Chapel and Old Keene Mill at 9:00 am on each pick-up day. Volunteers must be 18+ years of age. Hope to see you there! Contact: Phil

Gbur, 703-799-3403;  
[philip.m.gbur@census.gov](mailto:philip.m.gbur@census.gov)

## GET READY FOR THIS YEAR'S COLLEGE FAIRS

Would you like to participate in OSUDC's student recruitment program? Washington area Ohio State alumni recruiters answer questions about Ohio State to prospective students and in addition, provide information about admission and financial aid requirements and deadlines.

The club usually staffs about eight college fairs during the fall recruiting season. Some of these fairs include Potomac Falls HS, Archbishop Spaulding HS in Severn, Fair Oaks Mall in Fairfax, Hayfield HS in Alexandria, Oxen Hill Library, Bowie HS, Eleanor Roosevelt HS in Greenbelt, and Prince George's County Community College. At each of these college fairs the club's alumni recruiters speak with from 300 to 500 students who express interest in a wide area of studies from architecture, to civil engineering, sports medicine, music and agriculture.

The alumni club will participate in an additional six to ten college fairs in the spring recruiting season. If you are interested in volunteering as an alumni recruiter please contact

Hongor J. Oulanoff on (703) 892-5531. No previous experience is required and the admission information is easy to learn. You will enjoy representing the University in the Washington area and talking to students about Ohio State

## PAST OSUDC BOARD MEMBER PATRICA CIKA DEPLOYING TO IRAQ

CPT Patricia Cika, of Youngstown, Ohio, was a member of the OSUDC Board while she attended the Columbus School of Law at The Catholic University of America and working full-time for the FBI. Patricia was commissioned as an Army officer in 1997, upon graduation from The Ohio State University. She now jumps as a paratrooper lawyer with the 82d Airborne Division out of Ft. Bragg, N.C. She served in Afghanistan from February 2003 to June 2003 and will be deploying in the next few weeks for Iraq. Lets wish Patricia God speed and a safe stay in Iraq.

## SPEARMAN SCHOLARSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS

You can make your own donations to our local scholarship fund by mailing your checks to:

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The Ohio State University  
 2400 Olentangy River Road  
 Columbus, OH 43210-1027  
 Make checks payable to:  
 Alumni Club of Washington,  
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 Fund #524-938



**CPT Patricia D. Cika served as the Operational Law Attorney with the 82d Airborne Division in Bagram, Afghanistan.**

## OSUDC CALENDAR OF EVENTS (Cont'd)

Washington Capitols Game,  
 Ski Trip, late February TBD  
 WETA, March, date TBD  
 Service Project, April TBD  
 Glenn Institute Brunch,  
 Sunday in April, date TBD  
 Annual Dinner, May TBD  
 Legg Mason Tournament,  
 June, date TBA  
 Student Sendoff, August,  
 date TBD

**MAKE A LOCAL OSU CONNECTION - SUPPORT OSUDC**

It's that time of year again to lend your support to your local Buckeye alumni club! All OSU alumni in the Washington, D.C. area are invited to join our club. The dues are just \$15 per member or family per year (June 1, 2003 through May 31, 2004). Our newsletter "Buckeye Bits" will keep you informed of upcoming events.

**Check the mailing label on this BITS for an asterisk (\*) by your name - this means you have NOT yet paid your dues for 2003 - 2004.**

**OSUDC Dues: \$15.00 per individual or family for June 1, 2002 - May 31, 2003**

**Send completed membership form with each order and make check payable to: OSU Alumni Club of Washington, D.C. Mail Check & Form to:**

**LEANDRA KENNEDY  
4530 BRYAN MEADOWS LANE  
WALDORF, MD 20601**



**OSUDC MEMBERSHIP FORM**

**Please complete the information on this form even if you think we have it.**

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Interest in becoming Board Member

**WEB SITE RENOVATED**

**It's time to visit the website. Our electronic home WWW.OSUDC.ORG has a whole new look. Stop by and check out the new features. All upcoming events are conveniently featured on the homepage. There are some new features including posting of past BITS, regular updates from Columbus, and information for visitors and people new to the area. We will continue to update events and will likely be adding new features throughout the year. Log on frequently to keep up with all that is going on with OSUDC.**



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