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The President's Corner



It's spring and this is one of my favorite times to be a resident in the DC area. Did you get to see those **Cherry Blossoms?** Many thanks to all of you for continuing to **grow our club membership.** After football season ended we enjoyed some **impromptu and planned basketball gamewatches** what a year! This spring and summer our board hopes to plan some fun events so that we can maintain our **connections with Buckeyes** in our area. I was thrilled to see some new faces attend our **OSUDC open membership meeting** in February. We placed a **call for volunteers and new ideas** and I appreciate the discussion at the meeting. We turned **ideas into action** and during the month of April we planned a few **new cultural and service events.** I'm looking forward to the summer when we have some **outings to baseball games** too.

Our annual spring dinner meeting on May 15 at the Capital Hill Club is featuring our guest speaker, **Dr. Raimund Goerler, OSU Archivist.** He presents "**Places of Heart and Time**" focusing on **historic campus sites.** He is also responsible for the **John Glenn collections** and we're looking forward to having some current **John Glenn student fellows** in the audience. As you may know, this winter was the **45th anniversary of Glenn's space orbit!**

Congratulations to our Class of 2011 OSUDC **scholarship winners** Jennifer (Gaithersburg, MD), Zach (Woodbridge, VA) and Brianne (Waldorf, MD). We also renewed 3 sophomore scholarships in memory of Stephan J. Horton.

I want to send a special thank you to all those who have already renewed household **OSUDC dues.** The renewal form is located on our website-please send it in for the 07-08 year. Your dues support our efforts to create **a strong buckeye network** in the DC area.

Thanks for reading! Let me know your thoughts.

O-H...
Bill Fox, '00 (MA)



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR and JOIN US
FOR THESE GREAT UPCOMING OSUDC EVENTS:**

- Monthly Happy Hour NEW LOCATION
1st Wednesday of each month after work from 6-8 PM McFaddens 2401 Pennsylvania Ave.
See you June 6th
- Cleveland Indians vs. Washington Nationals Game
& Networking with Ohio University alums
June 24, 1:35pm RFK Stadium
- OSUDC Happy Hour on the Potomac location TBA
July 11
- Shakespeare anyone? See details in newsletter
July 14
- Annual OSUDC Student Send-off Picnic
August
- Youngstown State vs OSU Football Game-OSUDC Group Tickets & Tailgate
September 1

**Check your e-mail, access the website and look out for future Bits issues
for information on other events the Board is working on.**

events...

On the Move...

HONK IF YOU SEE AN OSU PLATE IN MARYLAND!



BUYING A CAR? NEED NEW OR RENEWAL PLATES?

The Ohio State University Alumni Association has authorized the Washington, DC Alumni Club to process orders for specialized Maryland license plates. The distinctive full color Alumni Association logo is silk screened onto the plates. The Maryland Ohio State Alumni license plates, first issued in 1994, have generated over \$\$\$ for our OSU scholarship fund. To order Maryland plates, please contact Bill Halsey at the number below. Plates may be displayed on cars, trucks, vans, motor-homes, etc. There is a one time \$45 charge per set. Plates and registration decals, good for the same amount of time remaining as your present registration, will be mailed to you by the Maryland MVA.

Please call or email for information or an application:

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Monthly OSUDC Happy Hour at McFadden's

REMEMBER TO GO
TO OUR NEW LOCATION!

Connect with friends! Come by after work every 1st Wednesday of each month. McFaddens' is located near the Foggy Bottom metro station. The address is 2401 Pennsylvania Ave.



Congratulations!

The OSUDC Board extends its best wishes to our Student Recruitment Chair Hongor Oulanoff and his wife Carolyn! This picture of Buckeyes and friends was taken after the couple exchanged vows at the Historic Potomac Boat Club. Cheers!



Hongor & Carolyn

April 14th, 2007

Play Ball!!

Join OSUDC on Sunday, June 24 for an afternoon baseball game between the Cleveland Indians and the Washington Nationals at RFK Stadium. The game starts at 1:35 p.m. and our special group tickets are only \$5. Buckeyes will be joining members of the Ohio University Alumni Club at the game, so we should be able to give the Indians a strong Ohio cheering section!

For more information and to purchase these club tickets, please contact:

Lindsey Muschkat
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The priority deadline to purchase tickets is Wednesday, May 23. Buckeye family and friends are welcome!



Hands On DC: Thanks OSUDC!



OSUDC is a partner with Hands on DC (<http://www.handsondc.org>) for a day of service. Since 1994 more than 26,000 volunteers have created a better environment for learning in over 120 schools and have collected more than \$500,000 to help students pay for further education. This year's work-a-thon to improve and refurbish school classrooms and facilities was April 28, 2007, at more than 30

public schools across the District of Columbia. The work-a-thon started at 8:30 am and concluded around 5pm, followed by a celebration that evening at McFaddens.

Event day activities consisted of site-improvement projects and landscaping tasks at our assigned school such as: painting walls, painting lockers, moving equipment and supplies, painting fences, painting murals, mulching, weed removal, and other special projects. Our team-leader was our service chair Suchin Parihar. OSU alums and friends joined our team. Our volunteer team consisted of nearly 20 volunteers.

About our assigned school: Drew Elementary is located at 5600 Eads St. NE, Washington, DC.



For more information on how to join the OSUDC service team on future events, please contact Suchin Parihar at suchin.parihar@gmail.com.

OSUDC Sports: Football, Basketball, Volleyball, & Softball

There has been a lot of big news of late on the OSUDC intermural sports front. This area is a new initiative and we are so pleased that members have been supportive of our teams. The club has been an active new member of the Capital Alumni Network this past year. Our flag football team completed the season in January and we then shifted into winter sports. Club members participated in the basketball and volleyball season and tournaments. The volleyball team was given a 12 seed (out of 19 teams, not too bad) and drew the 5th-seeded Hoosiers in the volleyball tournament. The team turned in perhaps their best effort of the season. OSUDC had Indiana on the ropes and were only a couple points away from stealing the first game before they pulled it out. The OSUDC basketball team is proud of their wins against Syracuse and GEORGETOWN!!!

Softball started in April and we are pleased to boast a team roster of over 40 alums. All of these co-ed leagues are operated by the Capital Alumni Network and allow us to compete



against and socialize with people from other DC alumni clubs. If you are interested in participating in these or any other sports, please contact Jeff Zelek (aka "OSUDC Athletic Director") at jeff.zelek@gmail.com. In addition to sports leagues, CAN is also able to give us access to some special offers for local events and other activities. For more information about CAN events and promotions visit: <http://www.dcalum.org>. These offers and organized events will be periodically uploaded onto our club website so be sure to check it from time to time to see what is there.

Special thanks to thank all of those team members who helped referee games this season. One of our duties for playing is that we must ref one game for each night that we play a game, so thanks for volunteering your time to fulfill that obligation. More refs are needed in the future!





OSUDC Helps with Student Recruitment

In an effort to attract students to Ohio State who are committed to their education, the Alumni Club assists the University by providing volunteer recruiters to staff Washington area college fairs. The schedule of fairs is posted on our website. We participate in a number of recruiting fairs throughout the school year. There are several college fairs remaining this spring. If you are interested in volunteering as an alumni recruiter please contact Hongor J. Oulanoff for details. No previous experience is required. You will enjoy representing the University in the Washington DC area and talking to students about Ohio State.

On February 21, OSUDC members joined OSU administrators, current students, prospective students and their families at the annual Yield Reception held at the Bethesda Marriott. We listened to Dr. Mabel Freeman, Assistant Vice President, Undergraduate Admissions and First Year Experience as she spoke to the audience about the OSU community. OSUDC wishes all accepted local students luck on their college decisions. We obviously hope they decide to attend OSU this fall! Many thanks to the invited alums who helped share their experiences with interested students and their families. Go Bucks!

Beyond Gamewatches...

OSUDC is proud to sponsor cultural events for our members. DC is a great city- let's get out there together and explore! The club announced these events through the listserv and the website. If you have great ideas for future outings please let the board know.



Artsy trip:

On April 11, Ohio State University professor Ann Hamilton spoke at The Phillips Collection as part of the Duncan Phillips Lecture Series. The internationally known installation artist talked about her work, which combines sculpture, architecture, video, photography, and words, both spoken and written. We were pleased to receive an invitation from The Phillips Collection (we hear that there are many buckeyes on staff there!)

Reflection outing:

On April 14, a small group enjoyed a guided tour of the grounds at the Washington National Cathedral. It was a great way to get a behind the scenes perspective of this beautiful cathedral and its gardens.



Shakespeare in Gallery Place:

The Shakespeare Theatre Company has group tickets available for Hamlet which runs this June and July. OSUDC would like to put together a theatre trip on Saturday July 14 for the matinee. Please contact Sarah at sarah.e.cone@gmail.com to express interest.



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