



# BUCKEYE *central*

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY  
ALUMNI CLUB OF FRANKLIN COUNTY

OCT 2015

## HOLIDAY PARTY & GIFT EXCHANGE

Come to the December meeting of the Franklin County Alumni Club for our annual holiday party and "white elephant" gift exchange! It's always a great time as treasures exchange hands many times, as everyone competes for the perfect gift. Mark your calendar for **Tuesday, December 8, at 7:00 pm** for a festive evening. (The meeting will be at 6 pm, the party will follow at 7.) It will be held at the Columbus Italian Club, 1739 W. Third Street in Grandview. **Sign up on our website at [www.buckeyealumni.com](http://www.buckeyealumni.com). Or RSVP by Dec. 4** to Leyla at **847-9132** or **[leyla\\_hawkins@yahoo.com](mailto:leyla_hawkins@yahoo.com)**. Dinner will be served (\$7 per person) and a cash bar available. Please bring a salad or dessert to share! To participate in the gift exchange, please bring a wrapped gift to be shared by others.



## ANNUAL LADIES HOLIDAY BRUNCH

*It's the event all the ladies wait for each year!!!*  
**Saturday, December 12**, take a break from the shopping and join your fellow Buckeye women for our festive annual brunch. The fun starts at **11 am**, and this year it will be held at Bravo Restaurant in the Lennox Town Center, 1803 Olentangy River Road. We have the upstairs private room reserved for our members. This is a great event for you to bring a friend who may be interested in learning more about our club.

You can **register online:**  
**[www.BuckeyeAlumni.com](http://www.BuckeyeAlumni.com)** or by sending a check (payable to OSU Alumni Club of Franklin) for \$25 to Leyla Hawkins, 1149 Tillicum Dr., Worthington, OH 43085.  
**Questions, or to RSVP by the Dec. 7 deadline**, please contact Leyla Hawkins, **[leyla\\_hawkins@yahoo.com](mailto:leyla_hawkins@yahoo.com)** or **847-9132**.



## ALUMNI LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM

Several officers and chairs of our alumni board attended the annual Alumni Assoc leadership symposium at the Fawcett Center on Sept 24-25. The association leaders presented numerous new programs and options for all of the alumni clubs and societies in attendance. Much more support is available to us now, both financial and with personnel (increased staffing), from the Association.

Highlights of the event included the awards luncheon on Friday, where the Franklin County alumni club was one of 10 groups awarded Outstanding Club status, and where our own Jessica Kohlschmidt was also awarded with a Best Buckeye.

One of the new programs rolled out at this event is for all clubs to have an opportunity to reach various status levels which will result in a variety of awards, both financial and administrative. The levels are Carmen, Gray, and Scarlet. Carmen is the most basic level, while Scarlet is tops. Fortunately, your Franklin County Club already performs annually at a Scarlet level, so we just need to maintain most of our usual events in order to qualify for these awards. These requirements include holding at least two board meetings per year, a game watch type of event, a scholarship fundraiser, and 5 of what they call "category 1" events (student engagement, networking, special interest, arts, lifelong learning, and fundraising). By meeting these requirements, we can earn up to \$2000 for our club. We will also qualify for additional funds, to be able to hold events without charging for attendance.

Staffing at the association has also improved. Where there was one person previously in charge of all clubs, there are now 6 people, who divide the clubs geographically. They have also offered to do mailings for some of our events and provide us with better information to find local alumni.

Thru the coming months your Franklin County club officers and chairs will work on finding ways for us to take advantage of these great new opportunities.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

**Next Meeting Date: Nov. 11.** Meetings are usually the second Wednesday of every month at **6:00 pm**. The meeting location for **November is Mozarts, 4784 N. High St. (two blocks south of Morse Rd.)**. Everyone is welcome to attend!

**Oct 14: Club Meeting**

**Nov. 11: Club Meeting**

**Dec. 8: Holiday Party**

**Dec. 12: Ladies Brunch**



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## 2015 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

Based on changes with the OSU Alumni Association, our membership year is now aligned with the **calendar year**. Membership dues can be paid any time **early** in the calendar year and are good thru Dec. 31 that year.

**New feature available!** Similar to the Association's plan, if you choose instead to donate \$75 directly to our **Franklin County Alumni Scholarship Endowment Fund**, your membership dues for our club are **waived for the following year!** To contribute to the scholarship fund, contact the Endowment office directly at [www.giveto.osu.edu/igive/onlinegiving](http://www.giveto.osu.edu/igive/onlinegiving) or **292-2141** and use the fund number **#600137**.

One great benefit of keeping your membership up to date is that you are eligible for sporting event tickets that we provide throughout the year. **Note: Dues are required before any football/basketball tickets can be requested!**

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**\$20 for single membership, or \$25 for a family.** You can send your check and the form above to **Franklin County OSU Alumni Club, PO Box 2411, Columbus, OH 43216**. You are also welcome to download a more complete membership form through our club website ([www.buckeyealumni.com](http://www.buckeyealumni.com)) to express interest in volunteering, committees, etc.

Anyone can join our club! You do not need to have graduated from OSU or live in Franklin County. Associate memberships for those who did not attend OSU are available for \$25/single and \$30/family. Please contact **Jerry Vance**, [jerry.vance@yahoo.com](mailto:jerry.vance@yahoo.com) or **316-0852** if you have questions.

## TAILGATE AT W. MICH GAME SEPT 26

Jerry Vance hosted our annual club tailgate on Sept. 26 before the WMU game. Twenty-nine people gathered to celebrate the Buckeyes in our usual roof-top spot of the Tuttle Place parking garage. Special guests included members of the Phi Kappa Phi honor society, and also some new friends we had just met at the Leadership Symposium. Also a few brand-new members of the club joined us for their first Franklin County tailgate. Special thanks to Jerry who put on a fabulous feast as always!

## TAILGATE FOR CHARITY

Ron Kenat and Marsha Calloway represented our club at the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Tailgate for Charity event on Oct. 3. This event was hosted by Outreach Promotions and was a fundraiser for the Dress for Success organization. The event included raffles, appearances by former Buckeye football players, and other activities. Attendees gathered at Flannagan's in Dublin to watch the football Buckeyes beat Indiana and Marsha won a door prize!

## BOOK CLUB READING / DISCUSSION

Eight alumni (from our club, Young Bucks alumni club, and the Nationwide alumni club) met with 41 students in Baker Hall on Oct. 5 to discuss the assigned freshmen reading novel *The Good Food Revolution* by Will Allen. The club provided pizza and beverages for the students while they shared their thoughts about the reading. We have been participating in this annual event for several years. Special thanks to Jessica Kohlschmidt, Mike Munch, and Jerry Vance for organizing this student engagement effort.

## PRESIDENT'S CLUB FOOTBALL RAFFLE

Opportunities to buy our President's Club seats for the football season were raffled this fall to raise scholarship funds. There were two drawings, one for the early games and one for the second half of the season. Winners of the second drawing on Oct. 9 include:

Marilyn Fetters – Penn State  
Barb Courtad - Minnesota  
Andy Vance – Mich. State

Congrats to these winners, and thanks to all those who participated and contributed to our scholarship fund.

**Donations to our Scholarship Fund # 600137 are always welcome and appreciated!**