



Alumni Club of  
Franklin County

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The Ohio State University  
Alumni Club of Franklin County

## HOLIDAY GIFT EXCHANGE PARTY

Come to the December gathering of the Franklin County Alumni Club for our annual holiday party and "White Elephant" gift exchange! It's always a great time as treasures change hands many times, while everyone competes for the perfect gift. Mark your calendar for **Wednesday, December 10, at 6:00 pm** for a festive evening.

The party will be at the Longaberger Alumni House at 2200 Olentangy River Road. Dinner and dessert will be served. Don't forget to **bring a wrapped gift** to participate in the gift exchange! It can be something funny or cute that you find in your house (re-gifting is fine!), or something holiday- or Buckeye-related — no need to spend a lot of money.

**RSVP** by going to our website ([BuckeyeAlumni.com](http://BuckeyeAlumni.com)) and signing up. This year's party will benefit our scholarship Fund, as we're charging a small donation (\$5) to attend.

**Deadline to RSVP is Friday Dec. 5.** Questions? E-mail us at [OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com](mailto:OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com) or call Leyla at 614-893-0559.



## WOMEN'S HOOPS VS USC FEB 22

Here's a great Holiday gift idea -- Join us for our annual gathering to cheer on the OSU Women's Basketball team! Our Franklin County Alumni Club has a block of **Club Level mid-court seats** to the Lady Buckeyes' last weekend home game vs. USC, on **Sunday, February 22**.

Game time will either be 12 N or 2 pm. We are working on plans to host our usual "Tailgate" party in the Huntington Club (2nd level of the Schottenstein Center).

Tickets are just \$20 each for this highly anticipated match-up, so bring the whole family! Order on our website [BuckeyeAlumni.com](http://BuckeyeAlumni.com) or you can find check mailing instructions there too.

Questions? Call Leyla at 614-893-0559 or email [OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com](mailto:OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com) .

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

**Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, Jan 14.** Meetings are usually the **second Wednesday** of every month at **6:00 pm**. Our meeting location is the Longaberger Alumni House, 2200 Olentangy River Rd., on the corner of Lane Ave & Olentangy.

**DEC 2025**

## SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATE REVIEW

Get ready to join us for our most important task we do each year – reviewing scholarship applications to select our 2026 recipient! Our Scholarship Chairman, Frank Stoy will need 15-20 people to volunteer to review applications and rank the candidates.

From a field of over 150 applicants last year, we chose a handful of the best to interview, then selected a winner. You will be so impressed with the quality of the candidates among these local high school seniors.

Due to recent changes in the scholarship application process, we anticipate a higher than usual number of applicants this year, so we need several additional volunteers to read and score the applications.



The time commitment involved is approximately **2 weeks in mid-February**. You'll be sent a list of applications and will have a few weeks to review and "score" or rank the applicants, and a deadline to turn in your ranking list. To volunteer or if you have questions, please contact Frank by Dec 1 at [frankstoy1@gmail.com](mailto:frankstoy1@gmail.com). or 419-386-6511.

## WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY JAN 31

Come watch the OSU Women's Ice Hockey team in action with us on Saturday, **January 31!** Our Lady Buckeyes have appeared in **5 consecutive** NCAA national championship games, winning the trophy in 2024 and 2022.



They are currently ranked #2 and will be playing against another powerhouse, Minnesota Duluth, that afternoon. We will organize a pre-game lunch at **The O on Lane**, a family-friendly pub just a short walk from the Ice Rink. So bring the whole gang! Last year's game was sold out! You can order your tickets on [BuckeyeAlumni.com](http://BuckeyeAlumni.com). We are down to just a few seats remaining in our allotment, so if you want to join us, order soon!

**Dec 10 – Holiday Party & Gift Exchange**

**January – Book Club begins**

**January 31 – Women's Ice Hockey game**



## OFFICERS 2025-2026

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## 2026 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS

All Buckeye fans are welcome to be a part of the club! Memberships are per **calendar** year, but during this transition year all donations made in 2025 will expire on 12-31-26.

### As a member, you will have the opportunity to:

- Pay forward by supporting scholarships for local students attending Ohio State with tax-deductible membership dues as applicable to you.
- Encourage and support outstanding, local high school seniors to choose The Ohio State University for their lifetime learning.
- Attend club sponsored social and community service events.
- Make new connections and contacts with fellow alumni and Buckeye fans.
- Vote on club matters
- Access to football tickets
- Access the digital copy of the Ohio State Alumni Magazine (all alumni)
- Receive the Ohio State Alumni Magazine mailed to your home (life donor)
- Receive electronic mailings from the club.

### There are three categories of membership:

**Alumni Donor:** Includes a one-year membership to The OSU Alumni Club of Franklin County plus a one-year membership to The OSU Alumni Association. Alumni include anyone who has earned any degree from OSU or medical resident graduates of the University. This option is achieved with a gift of \$25 or more.

**Associate member:** This option is for friends and fans of Ohio State with an annual gift of \$25 or more.

**Life donor:** Includes a one-year membership to The OSU Alumni Club of Franklin County plus a one-year membership to The OSU Alumni Association. This option is for alumni of Ohio State and is achieved with an annual gift of \$150 or \$10/monthly.

**All donations should be made to The OSU Alumni Club of Franklin County support fund GF318552.**

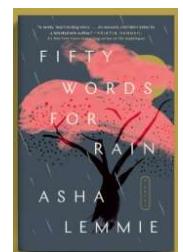
Becoming a member is easy! Go to [BuckeyeAlumni.com](http://BuckeyeAlumni.com), click on "Membership" and follow the instructions.

Contact us at [OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com](mailto:OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com) or 614-893-0559 if you have questions.

## BEAT THE WINTER BLAHS: BOOK CLUB!

January is a great time to stay indoors and curl up with a good book! Our annual **Book Club** reading will begin in January, and we're co-hosting again with the Asian & Pacific Islanders OSU Alumni Society. This partnership offers us a chance to learn about another culture, and after reading, we will gather our alumni together for dinner and discussion.

Fifty Words for Rain is a 2020 historical fiction novel by Asha Lemmie about a biracial girl named Nori in post-WWII Japan. Abandoned by her mother, Nori is raised in secrecy by her aristocratic grandparents, who hide her away due to her illegitimate birth. The story follows her journey of self-discovery as she navigates prejudice, family secrets, and her evolving relationship with her half-brother, Akira.



In March, we will schedule a dinner for our book club alumni readers to meet up with the API society book club readers, at a Japanese restaurant, so we can discuss the book and share in a similarly-themed meal. To join our book club, **simply email us with your name & phone number** to [OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com](mailto:OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com) and we will add you to the list. That way we'll keep you informed about the dinner event date and location.

## WINE BISTRO DINNERS PACKED WITH FUN!



We had 2 sold-out wine dinners this fall at the Wine Bistro! Don't miss the fun when we do it again in the Spring!



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

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