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FROM SCARLET TO GRAY TO CAREER-READY: MASTERING LINKED IN

Join the OSU Alumni Club of Franklin County for our first Professional Development event, an interactive workshop designed to help you transform your LinkedIn presence from ordinary to unforgettable!

From Scarlet to Gray to Career Ready: Mastering LinkedIn

Wednesday, January 28, 5:30 - 7:30 pm, at the Longaberger Alumni House

Session Description: Your LinkedIn profile is more than a resume; it's your digital first impression. As alumni of The Ohio State University, you're entering a competitive professional landscape where standing out online can open doors to opportunities, connections, and career growth.

You'll learn how to:

- Craft a headline and summary that grabs attention and showcases your Buckeye story
- Highlight experiences and skills in ways that resonate with recruiters and peers
- Use visuals, recommendations, and networking strategies to build credibility
- Position yourself as a thought leader and active member of the OSU alumni community

Whether you're job searching, exploring new industries, or simply strengthening your professional brand, this session will give you practical tools and insider tips to make LinkedIn work for you.

Don't just be on LinkedIn, be seen, be remembered, and be connected!

Our presenter is an experienced career services professional who will guide attendees thru a variety of interactive exercises designed to boost your ability to self-promote.

A light dinner will be served. Reserve your seat today on our website: BuckeyeAlumni.com for just \$10!

Email OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com if you have questions. We hope you can join us!

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. or 419-386-6511.

WOMEN'S HOOPS VS USC FEB 22

It's 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 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).

We're also working on a "Behind the Scenes" tour of the Schott. Details are still being worked out but we will keep you posted if you are joining us.

We are **SOLD OUT of our seats** for this game, but if you are able to get your own tickets, please join us for the other festivities! Just **email us** to be put on the list for the tour: OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com.

Questions? Call Leyla at 614-893-0559 or email us.

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.

January – Book Club begins

January 28 – Mastering LinkedIn Workshop

January 31 – Women's Ice Hockey game



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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, click on "Membership" and follow the instructions.

Contact us at 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** and we will add you to the list. That way we'll keep you informed about the dinner event date and location.

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 family!

We have **SOLD OUT** of our tickets for this game, but if you are able to get your own, you are welcome to sit with us because its general admission seating. Just email us at OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com so we can send you details about joining us for lunch.

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

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