Alumni Club of Franklin County

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The Ohio State University
Alumni Club of Franklin County

AUG 2026

THE BACKPACK GIVEBACK IS BACK!

This summer we will once again help the Driven Foundation, headed by Buckeye Football alum Roy Hall, as they collect donated school supplies and backpacks to provide for children in underprivileged areas of Columbus.

Keep your eyes open in July for sales on school supplies, and take advantage of the lower prices so we can provide more donations. Here is a list of items that are most needed / requested:



400 Spiral Ring Notebooks (**wide ruled**)
800 Composition Notebooks (**wide ruled**)
800 "Block" Erasers (rectangle)
9000 #2 Pencils (Not Mechanical Pencils)
400 24 Count Crayola Crayon Boxes
400 Packages of Colored Pencils
400 Loose Leaf Wide Ruled Paper
800 Glue Sticks

Here is our Target "wish list" link which will deliver your donation directly to the backpack packing location!

https://www.target.com/gift-registry/gift/osualumbackpack

You can also drop off donations at our **August 12** alumni club meeting at the Longaberger Alumni House! Questions: **OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com**

TAILGATE PARTY - ALUMNI BAND GAME

Football season is almost here! We will hold our annual Tailgate party on Alumni Marching Band Day, **Saturday Sept 6**, for the Ball State game.



We're on the **2nd** floor of the Tuttle Parking garage from **9 am to 12 N** -- we'll be making eggs for those who show up early for breakfast, and then grilling burgers, brats, and hot dogs later. A variety of beverages will be available. Details and directions will be sent to all those who sign up.

For **only $15 / person**, you can enjoy all of the food and beverages you wish. This event is family-friendly -- bring your kids and friends. Whether or not you're going to the game, come for the party! Sign up in advance on our website: **BuckeyeAlumni.com.**

ANNUAL FOOTBALL TICKET RAFFLE

The annual raffle of our Presidents Club **football tickets** has begun! *All money raised goes **directly to our Scholarship fund** to help future Buckeyes.*

All home games will be up for grabs, and raffle tickets are still just **$5 each, $25 for 6 tickets, or 13 tickets for $50.** If your name is pulled, you have the right to purchase our club's pair of tickets for that game. These are great seats in **Section 14C, ROW 2** and include seatbacks!

The cost of the tickets varies per game, just as if you buy them anywhere else -- it will include the season discount and the seatback and fees. The first drawing is **August 22** for the first 4 games. The second drawing will be in early **October** for the final 3 games.

We are not allowed to sell raffle tickets on our website. Send checks or money orders (**made payable to "OSU Alumni Club of Franklin County")** to Leyla Hawkins, 1149 Tillicum Drive, Worthington, OH 43085. Or bring cash / checks to the **August 12** club meeting.

Questions? Email OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com

WINE TASTING DINNERS OCT 7 & 21

A club favorite, our semi-annual Wine Tasting Dinner at the Wine Bistro on Lane Avenue, often sells out so quickly, that we are once again offering TWO dates this fall! It will be held on two **Wednesdays, Oct 7 and 21**. Both nights begin at **6:00 pm.** The chef will create a special menu paired with a variety of wines.

The same 4-course menu will be served at both events, so you can choose which night is most convenient for you! To join us, order on our website, **www.BuckeyeAlumni.com**. If you prefer not to order online, instructions are provided to mail a check.



We hope by offering two dates, we'll be able to have more people join us. There is *limited seating* available for each evening, so you still need to get your reservation in early! You'll even be able to order bottles of the wines you enjoy right after dinner.

Questions? Call Leyla at 614-893-0559 or email us at **OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com**.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, August 12. 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.

Aug 22: First Football Raffle Drawing

Sept 5: Tailgate Party / Ball State Game

Sept 18: Picnic with the Police

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Are you a member of the OSU Alumni Association? Join now! www.osu.edu/alumni

2026 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS

All Buckeye fans are welcome to be a part of the club! Memberships are per **calendar** year now (formerly we operated on an academic year calendar).

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.

PICNIC WITH THE POLICE SEPT 18

SAVE THE DATE!! Come help us Serve Those Who Serve! On **Friday, Sept. 18**, our alumni club will show appreciation for the **OSU Police and Public Safety** Dept. by serving lunch for all the officers as well as their administrative staff. The police department is always grateful to have us return.

Join us for this fun opportunity to give back to those who serve and protect the students and staff of our campus!

We'll have two shifts: we need some people to help set-up and serve from **11:00 to 1:30 pm,** and some people to serve and then help clean up from **1 to 3:30 pm.**

Email **OSUAlumniFranklinCounty@yahoo.com** your **name, phone number** if you're able to join us, and **which shift** you're available for.

Come help us say "Thank You!" to these hard-working individuals!

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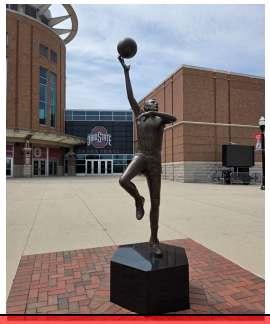

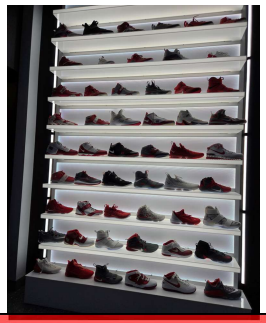

Tour group, Jerry Lucas statue, wall of shoes

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