



The Ohio State Alumni Club of Greater Kansas City

AUGUST 2006 NEWSLETTER

OUR MISSION:

Ohio State Alumni Clubs exist to promote our university... through communications and community relations; through student recruitment; through fellowship and networking.

Visit us online at www.kcbucks.org.

PREZ SEZ

We start another year of the Alumni Club with much optimism. The Buckeye football and basketball teams will be a strong contender not only in the Big Ten but also for national titles.

The Greater Kansas City Club also faces the year with optimism having made the move to Old Chicago for the football and basketball games. Attendance at the games has increased, the food and service is great and members now feel they can bring their families to Buckeye games. Plan's by Old Chicago and the Board is to move this great experience forward with enhancements to the fun of Buckeye sports. Be especially sure to join the Buckeye Bash before the Texas game. The word is that we will find out "where the beef" is and send Bevo back to the barn with a loss.

But there is more to the club than Buckeye sports. Our plans are to participate in several college fairs in the area and find a deserving student for a scholarship to Ohio State. We have just adopted our first community service activity picking up the trash along highway 69 from College to I 435. Plans are in the works for another wine tasting opportunity, golf tournament and a spring dinner with a top notch speaker from the University. Keep your eye on the web site (www.kcbucks.org) for information about these events as they develop.

The club experienced a nice jump in membership total last year and we want to take that to a total of 206 in 2006. A membership of 206 will pay our club expenses and clear the way for providing our scholarship money. 206 will take some effort from each of us to find the Buckeyes in the area and asking them to join up.

So join the fun and we'll let everyone know that Buckeye pride is alive and well in the Greater Kansas City area.

GO BUCKS

Paul Young
President, KCBucks

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: '206 IN 2006'

The Ohio State Alumni Club of Greater Kansas City is a member driven organization that brings Ohio State alumni, friends, and fans in the Kansas City area together for camaraderie, to promote the University, and to raise money for the scholarship fund.

To help drive our 2006 Scholarship Fund, we have set a membership goal of 206 members in 2006. If you are an existing member we hope that you will renew, if you are not a member, we ask that you consider joining.

The first 100 new or returning members will receive a tee-shirt and a discount coupon courtesy of Old Chicago in Overland Park.

All shirts and coupons must be picked up at Old Chicago during Ohio State Game Day Watch Parties.

All members at the time of the Texas game will be automatically entered to win a framed autographed print of either Kirk Herbstreit or Chris Spielman courtesy of WBNS 1460 The Fan in Columbus. A second drawing will be held for the remaining print during the Iowa game.

All new and returning members are also eligible for a 'yourname@kcbucks.org' email address powered by Yahoo.

Most importantly, by becoming a member you will be supporting the Ohio State Alumni Club of Greater Kansas City Scholarship Fund and helping a local high school student attend Ohio State.

EMAIL DISTRIBUTION LIST

Please email paul@kcbucks.org if you would like to begin receiving Club emails. You will then receive an invitation and instructions on how to sign up. Your email address will not be used for any marketing purposes. We respect your desire to protect your email address and will not release or reuse it without your consent.



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COOK'S CORNER

It has been a great experience and an honor to serve as your club's president for the past four years. The Board of Directors were a dedicated group in discussing and working club issues and events, which made my job a lot easier. I sincerely thank all those members who served on the Board during my presidency.

My first year as president was 2002 when the Buckeyes won the National Championship. That was a good omen of things to come. It was also the first year that I had renewed my season tickets and that was good timing. Nancy and I have had some memorable times at both the home and some of the away games with the alumni and the bowl games. The bus mishaps and the 2004 Iowa trip; we took the bus on that trip and had a lot of fun that night dancing with the Iowa co-eds (Nancy was not on that trip but heard much about it). The pictures were great.

Last year we made a major change in where we would watch the football games. We moved from Fuzzy's South to Old Chicago. We had been at Fuzzy's for as many years as I can remember and had some great times. However, due to many complaints, the Board voted to go to Old Chicago. It has turned out to be quite successful, as the attendance greatly increased and has met the approval of a vast majority of the membership.

Your new president, Paul Young, is off to a great start and will make the club a fine president. Paul has some new and fresh ideas about the club and has a fine group of directors that will give him the support needed to implement those ideas.

I will be staying on the Board as past president. Nancy and I will be moving back to Lima permanently next summer. However, I will maintain my oil and gas tax business and office in Overland Park. I will be in Overland Park periodically for the first five months of the year. I will probably be back at other times during the year for oil and gas meetings, conventions, and golf tournaments. Thanks for the great memories and the more to come.

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Ron Cook
KCBucks

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Our alumni club has adopted a highway! On July 30, about 15 members braved the heat to cleanup our adopted Highway 69 between College Blvd and 435 in Overland Park. Our club name will be listed (within a couple of weeks) on the blue "Adopt a Highway" signs on both northbound and southbound sections, giving us great PR and exposure in our Big 12 city.

Our commitment to the Kansas Department of Transportation is to clean up this stretch of road three times per year. Our next cleanup is October 15. We meet at Old Chicago at 9 a.m. for safety instructions and team assignments. With 15-20 people, the cleanup should take less than 2 hours. Then, it's back to Old Chicago for some cold beverages of your choice and free pizza, courtesy of Old Chicago, and football. (Key NFL matchups that day are shown below.) Our Board meeting in October will be held that day at 12 p.m.

Questions, please email gaylepacker@hotmail.com, or call 913-441-3534. See you then!

KC @ Pittsburgh 3:15 - Cincinnati @ Tampa Bay Noon - Cleveland BYE

2006 GAME DAY WATCH PARTIES & TAILGATE BASHES

The Ohio State Alumni Club will be hosting Game Day Watch Parties for all 12 Ohio State Football games in 2006 at Old Chicago in Overland Park, KS. Additionally we will be holding pre game tailgate bashes prior to the Michigan as well as the Texas and Iowa games, both of which start a 7:00 PM.

Tailgates Bashes for these games will begin 3 hours prior to kickoff. It is strongly recommended that everyone arrive early for the evening games as we will be competing with the regular Saturday evening crowd for seating which begins to arrive around 7PM.

Tailgate Bashes will feature a tailgate menu presented by Old Chicago, outdoor entertainment including playing the Buckeye Pregame Show over the PA system as well as fun and prizes



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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

| | 7/31/2006 | 12/31/2005 |
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| Income Statement | | |
| Income: | | |
| Dues | 240.00 | 1,785.00 |
| Raffle | | 2,289.00 |
| Events | 1,338.00 | 4,980.00 |
| Scholarship Donations | 170.00 | 970.00 |
| Other Income | 116.45 | 81.79 |
| Total Income | 1,864.45 | 10,105.79 |
| Expenses: | | |
| Scholarship Fund | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 |
| Raffle | | 22.43 |
| Events | 2,398.95 | 5,716.38 |
| Newsletter & Postage | | 963.87 |
| Total Expenses | 4,898.95 | 9,202.68 |
| Net Income | (3,034.50) | 903.11 |

\$15 per household club dues, season ticket and miscellaneous raffles and club events fuels the club coffers. As a non-profit organization, our main focus is in generating profits to fund scholarships.

In addition to your on-time payment of dues, and participation in club events, you can help keep our scholarship program going through your generous gifts and by shopping! Yes, shopping can help the cause and keep you in scarlet and gray far away from campus.

Your purchases at **COLLEGE TRADITIONS** have a direct benefit to our club. 15% of your purchase is rebated to our group account. So next time, whether in person, on the phone or @ collegetraditions.com – you **MUST** indicate our group account: KC Alumni Club #AL9504 for us to get the credit.

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TOTAL BALANCE AS OF 07-31-06 \$4,520.10

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Available to qualified high school seniors who enroll at The Ohio State University and successfully apply for the \$2500 scholarship available from the Greater Kansas City Ohio State Alumni Club. Our scholarship is available to one local high school senior ranking in the top quarter of their graduating class who demonstrates involvement in school and community activities.

The University has a “National Buckeye Plus Scholarship” and- “National Buckeye Scholarship” for out-of-state students with superior academics. 2005 scholarship information will be posted on the club web site as soon as application information is available.

For additional info on alumni scholarships contact: Melissa Sanders at sanders_skylight@hotmail.com or 816.468.0347

COLLEGE FAIRS

Show your Ohio State pride and share your experiences with prospective students and their parents at area college fairs! Volunteer with fellow OSU Alumni Club of Greater KC members for one or more of this year’s area college fairs.

DATE

Sep. 17th
Sep. 25th
Oct. 2nd,
Oct. 9th

PLACE

Missouri Western State Univ.
Blue Springs High School
Park Hill High School
Olathe East High School

FROM THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP OF THE KCBUCKS...

THANKS RON!



The Ohio State Alumni Club of Greater Kansas City would like to thank Ron Cook for his many wonderful years of service to the Club including the previous four years as the Club's President. During these years under Ron's guidance, the Club experienced tremendous growth not only in membership but in enthusiasm.

Ron's association with the Ohio State University officially began in 1954 when he arrived for summer practice as a scholarship player on the freshman football team. That '54 team would become Woody's first National Championship at Ohio State. Three years later as a senior, Ron and the Buckeyes would win their second National Championship under Woody culminating according to Ron, 'a Hollywood famous kiss' between himself and Jane Mansfield followed by a 10 – 7 win over Oregon in the 1958 Rose Bowl.

Recently when asked what his record was against Michigan, Ron's wife Nancy proudly displayed the three pairs of gold pants hanging from her necklace. Nancy and Ron will be returning to Ohio after the 2006 season to entire full time into the grandparent business and we wish both of them all the best and look forward to seeing them from time to time throughout this season, and for many years to come both here in the Kansas City area, and back home in Ohio!

Thanks Ron for all you've done for us as well as for the university, and thank you Nancy for sharing him with us as well as all of your hard unending work of keeping him in line!

DON'T LET THIS BE YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER

The harsh realities of life are about to effect you if you have not sent in your dues for 2006 – 2007. You will be removed from the club mailing list, miss the next newsletter and be ineligible for game ticket raffles. Don't let this happen. Complete the following form and send in your \$15 check to **Dennis Hamblin, 12104 Cedar, Overland Park, KS 66209**. In addition, include a little extra in your check and help the scholarship fund.

Name _____

Address, City, State, Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____ E-mail Address _____

Year Graduated, degrees or Friend of Ohio State _____

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|--|------------------|----|-------|
| Checks Payable to: | Dues | \$ | _____ |
| OSU Alumni Club of Greater Kansas City | Scholarship Fund | \$ | _____ |
| | Total | \$ | _____ |

Club dues are \$15 per household – Due date is September 1st!
Remember you cannot win raffle prizes if your dues are not current with the club.

MEET US AT



FOR ALL FOOTBALL GAMES AND SELECTED BASKETBALL GAMES
11721 Metcalf Avenue Overland Park, KS 66210 Phone: (913) 345-1552 Fax: 913-345-1887

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2006

Sep. 2nd, Football vs. No. Illinois – Old Chicago
Sep. 9th, Pre-game Bash 4:00 PM – Old Chicago
Sep. 9th, Football at Texas – Old Chicago
Sep. 16th, Football vs. Cincinnati – Old Chicago
Sep. 17th, College Fair – MO Western State Univ.
Sep. 23rd, Football vs. Penn State – Old Chicago
Sep. 25th, College Fair – Blue Springs High School
Sep. 30th, Pre-game Bash 4:00 PM – Old Chicago
Sep. 30th, Football at Iowa – Old Chicago

OCTOBER 2006

Oct. 2nd, College Fair – Park Hill High School
Oct. 7th, Football vs. Bowling Green – Old Chicago
Oct. 9th, College Fair – Olathe East High School
Oct. 12th, College Fair – Lawrence Free State High School
Oct. 14th, Football at Michigan State – Old Chicago
Oct. 15th, Highway Clean up– 9:00AM – Old Chicago
Oct. 15th, Board Meeting – 12:00 Noon - Old Chicago
Oct. 21st, Football vs. Indiana – Old Chicago
Oct. 28th, Football vs. Minnesota – Old Chicago

NOVEMBER 2006

Nov. 3rd-5th, Club trip to the Northwestern Game
Nov. 4th, Football at Illinois – Old Chicago
Nov. 11th, Football at Northwestern – Old Chicago
Nov. 18th, Pre-game Bash – Old Chicago
Nov. 18th, Football vs. Michigan – Old Chicago

DECEMBER 2006

JANUARY 2007

BCS Bowl Game, TBD
Jan. 17th 6:30 PM, Board Meeting - Chappel's

FEBRUARY 2007

MARCH 2007

Mar. 7th 6:30PM, Board Meeting - Chappel's Restaurant

MAY 2007

Spring Dinner, TBD

OTHER ACTIVITIES NEEDING TO BE DETERMINED

Golf Outings – Fall and/or Spring
Basketball Schedules for Old Chicago
Other Ohio State Sports events in area
Spring/Summer 2007 Adopt-A-Highway

2006-07 BOARD MEMBERS

PRESIDENT

PAUL YOUNG

1ST VICE PRESIDENT - MEMBERSHIP

PAUL KOVACIK

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