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FROM YOUR ALUMNI OFFICE

We hope that you and yours are thriving and staying warm as winter has finally set in. Students are back on campus and Spring Semester 2012 is off and running.

A new year....a new face. The Advancement Office has a new Assistant Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving. Kelsey Huffman joined our team January 9. She will be overseeing our phonathons, working with the senior class gift committee and organizing events for our recent alumni. Please email her at huffmank2@ohiodominican.edu to welcome and let her know your thoughts and ideas for future events.

Speaking of events, our Alumni Cooking Class has been completely filled! We were so excited to have so much interest in this event. Its going to be held at **6:30 p.m. -Thursday February 2.** at the Columbus Culinary Institute. As a result of alumni interest, we plan on having another cooking event soon. Thank you!

In the meantime, mark your calendars for a fun wine-tasting event at Wine on High **April 19, 2012.** Invite your classmates and friends. The theme will be Old World Wines vs. New World Wines. Details to follow.

We are so fortunate to reserve a night at a Columbus Clippers Game this summer. On **July 18,** ODU Alumni will gather in the Right Field Plaza, enjoy a picnic dinner and watch the Clippers take on the Louisville Bats. This will be an event not to be missed.

As Valentine's Day approaches and we think of those who touch our hearts, we can't help but think of you. Thank you for your loyalty and commitment to your alma mater. Thank you for joining us in all the times and ways you do to support our students now and those yet to be part of the ODU family. May your hearts be happy!

**From Your Alumni Office
February 2012
Alumni & ODU Community
Event Calendar**

(click  for more details)

February 2, 2012 -
Cooking with Alumni-
Columbus Culinary
Institute, 6:30 p.m.

February 7, 2012 -
Information session:
M.S. in Physician
Assistant Studies
program 5:30-8:30 p.m.
Griffin Center, room 259

February 21, 2012 -
Investment Seminar,
6:00 p.m., Griffin Center
Room 259 & 260

February 21, 2012 -
LEAD Information
Session 6:00 p.m.-
LEAD Building

March 10, 2012 -
Alumni Association
Council Meeting

**March 19 - April 1,
2012 -**
Spring Phonathon

March 20, 2012 -
Investment Seminar,
6:00 p.m., Griffin Center
Room 259

April 17, 2012 -
Investment Seminar,
6:00 p.m., Griffin Center
Room 259

April 19, 2012 -
Alumni Gathering - Wine
Tasting

**May 4 - ODU Day,
ODU Oval**

May 12, 2012 -
Baccalaureate and Spring
Commencement

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Campus News

New Physician Assistant program at Ohio Dominican!

Excitement is buzzing around the newest graduate degree now available at Ohio Dominican University. We have the only Physician Assistant Studies program available in central Ohio. If you are interested in knowing more, you can attend an information session, Tuesday February 7, 2012 in the Griffin Center, Room 259 from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. [RSVP today!](#)

Cooking with ODU Alumni!



Join fellow alumni and try new recipes for that exciting Super Bowl Party. Chef Tom Hunt will share some of his secret recipes that will be sure to make your Super Bowl Party a hit. After preparation, there will be a sample tasting. The event will take place at **6:30 p.m.- February 2.** at the [Columbus Culinary Institute](#), 2435 Stelzer Road., Columbus, OH 43219. Cost: \$15

Registration for this event is closed, as we are at capacity for attendees. Thank you for your interest! We hope to host another cooking event for alumni very soon.

June 22-24, 2012 -
St. Mary of the Springs
Reunion Weekend

June 23, 2012 -St.
Mary of the Springs
Golden Flame Luncheon

July 18, 2012 -
Alumni Event: Columbus
Clippers Game - Details
to follow.

**Center for
Dominican Studies
Event Calendar
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**Department of Business
Investment Seminars
Event Schedule**
Contact [Tiffany Pirwitz](#) or
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**Conway Center for Family
Business Event Calendar
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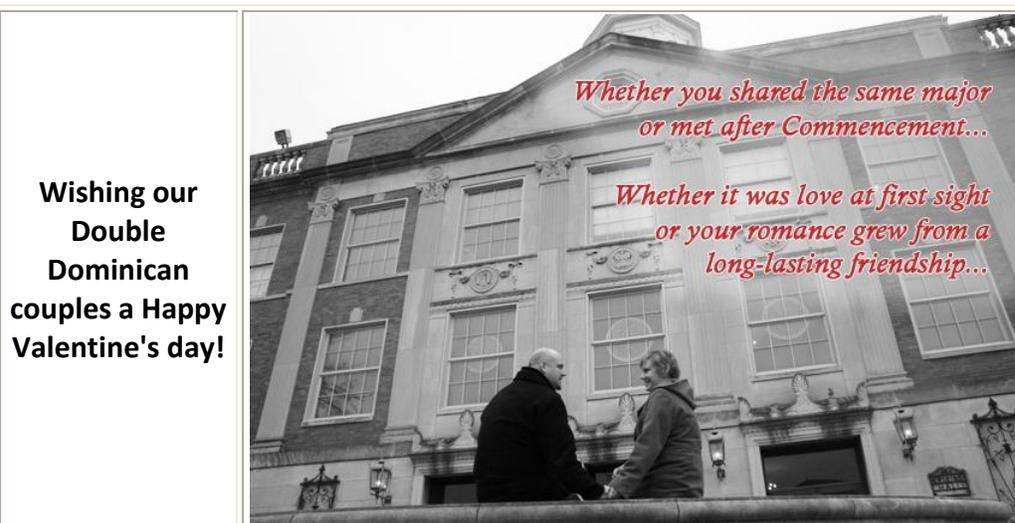
[Panther Sports](#)

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Missing the Link?

Do your classmates receive the ODU Link? If not, show them what they're missing by passing it on. Make sure your classmates are among the first to receive ODU news and information on upcoming events. They can subscribe by providing an email address. Spread the news; [sign up](#) for the Link.



Wishing our
Double
Dominican
couples a Happy
Valentine's day!

We want to extend a special **Happy Valentine** wish to the more than 330 ODU Double Dominican couples. Watch the mail for your special Valentine's Day card from all of us at the Alumni Office. We want to celebrate your Ohio Dominican love story.

February LEAD Information Session

Are you thinking about going back to school and completing your MBA? Or do you know someone who is working full time but wants to get a business degree? Find out how the LEAD program can help. Attend an upcoming Information Session at **6:00 p.m.** Wednesday, **February 21** at the LEAD Building, 2600 Airport Drive, Columbus, OH 43219. To RSVP or for more information, contact [Kathy Wilson](#) or 614-473-9003.

Investment Seminars

ODU's Division of Business, in conjunction with Merrill Lynch, invites alumni, faculty, staff and students to participate in regularly scheduled investment seminars. These informational sessions are held on campus and cover a variety of investment topics.

Arts at ODU

Martin de Porres Center

Stay Current, Keep in Touch

To keep your information up to date with the Alumni Office, please complete our quick and easy [online update form](#). By doing so, you will continue to receive all the latest ODU news and updates. MAKE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

February 21, 2012: 2012 Tax Outlook

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Featured speakers: Brian P. O'Connor, Senior Regional Marketing Director with Putnam Retail Management; Jeff Gouhin, Vice President, Wealth Management Advisor, CRPC, CSNA with Merrill Lynch Wealth Management; and **Melissa Powelson '06, '07**: Financial Advisor, CRPC, CSNA with Merrill Lynch Wealth Management

Griffin Student Center
Room 259 & 260

March 20, 2012 (Topic TBD)

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Griffin Student Center
Room 259 & 260

For more information or to RSVP, contact [Tiffany Pirwitz](#) or 614-251-4274

New Edition of the *Job Search Guidebook*

The Career Development Center has released the newest version of the [Job Search Guidebook](#) for students and graduates. This internally produced resource covers everything involved in an effective job search:

- Career development and planning
- Documenting skills and experience
- Resumes
- Cover letters
- Interviews
- Search strategies

See the full version online by clicking [Job Search Guidebook](#).



**Spring Phonathon,
March 19-April 1, 2012**

Will you answer the call?

Heads up alumni! We will launch our Spring calling campaign in March. Our goal is to reconnect with our ODU alumni and boost the alumni participation rate... every dollar counts! So when a student caller contacts you, we encourage you to answer the call. We are excited with speak to you, share good news about the University and reflect on your best ODU memories. After all, it's all about *paying forward* the generosity you were once given as a student in order to continue to make opportunities possible for current students. We couldn't do it without you!

Looking for Class Reps

ODU is bringing back the excitement of Class Reunions! Classes celebrating their five-year milestones can celebrate with classmates and friends during Homecoming weekend. In 2012, reunion classes are the ones whose class year ends in a 2 or 7. We are looking for alums to represent their class year. Help spread the word and make your reunion the best it can be. Each class can have more than one representative, so if you or a group of your friends are interested in helping your class reunion, please contact the [Alumni Office](#).



**Alumni Event: Wine Tasting
Mix, Mingle & Networking Opportunity**

Mark your calendars for Thursday April 19, 2012. Alumni Relations will be hosting a wine tasting at [Wine on High](#) from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Come join other ODU alumni and experience tasting different wines and light hors d'oeuvres, while chatting and making new friends for a few hours after work. The theme will be "Old World Vs. New World." Join us to see which you prefer - Classic old world French wines or new world wines from North America!

You can contact [Ann Snider](#) 614-251-4608 for more information

St. Mary of the Springs Alumni Reunion June 22-24, 2012

All St. Mary of the Springs alumni are invited to celebrate with the classes of 1942, 1947, 1952, 1957, 1962 and 1967 at the St. Mary of the Springs Alumni Reunion. The women from the class of 1962 will be inducted into the Golden Flame Society to mark their 50th reunion.

Save the dates of June 22-24, 2012, and gather with friends, new and old. Have fun and catch up with friends while celebrating the memory of your cherished alma mater.

Watch the mail for a "Save the date reminder" later this month and for your registration packet in April. For more information, contact the [Alumni Office](#) or 614-251-4608.

Get Online for University News, Updates

Many members of the Ohio Dominican community choose to lead an environmentally friendly life and go paperless. In response to this preference, beginning in 2012, graduates will receive the *Ohio Dominican University Magazine* and *ODU News* in an email communication from the Alumni Office.

To ensure you receive your alma mater's news without interruption, please log on to the Alumni website and make sure your information is updated. You also can contact [Alumni Relations](#) 614-251-4608.

Class Notes (received as of January 2012)

News

Chris Albanese '09 works for the Ohio Governor's Office on Faith Based Initiatives.

Ann E. Beck '73 was elected Judge of the Bellefontaine Court this past November and took office on January 1, 2012. Ann is the first woman judge elected in Logan County.

Gary Johnson '99 will retire as Marysville's Fire Chief in February 2012.

Jason Nicodemus '04, became new Administrator of Truro Township in December 2011.

Stan Shackett '94 Was selected to attend the Army War College Resident Program in Pennsylvania to earn his second graduate degree.

Denise Zeitz Simeone '73 is the Director of Mission and Program Development for the *National Catholic Reporter*.

Vicki Steele '08, '11 received her MBA from Ohio Dominican University in May 2011.

Jeff Vent '07 is a CBP Officer with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Customs and Border Protection

Mary Catalono Waterfield '79 has had a varied career in nursing and insurance. She is a reading tutor

In Memoriam

Kaneatha Alston, January 4, 2012, LEAD student

Isabel Gallin Flautt Betts '50, January 17, 2012, sister of **Catherine Flautt Nuck '47**

Jamie Bridenbaugh Brandt '82, January 7, 2012

E. Dean Coffman, January 2, 2012, husband of **Jo Ann Lang Coffman '51**, father of **Joan Coffman First '81** and **Jane Coffman Wichman '84**

Richard C. Collins, May 13, 2009, husband of **Nance Marks Collins '50**

Dorothy C. Decker, December 24, 2011, step mother of **Mark Decker '70**, mother-in-law of **Linda Unger Decker '71**

Dr. Kathy Dixon '84, December 15, 2011

Joseph P. Groom, December 14, 2011, brother of **Marie Groom Bresson '57** and **Sr. Helene Groom, O.P. '73**

Matthew D. Havens, December 25, 2011, husband of **Colleen Zapf '88** and son-in-law of **Elaine Zapf Havens '83**

Mary Ann Holm '53, January 17, 2012

Terence "Terry" McClernon, January 18, 2012, ODU student, son of

for the Dominican Learning Center
& the WebMaster for her
husband's poetry site,
www.theodorewaterfield.com.

New Arrivals

Hayden Claire Benson, December
17, 2011, to **Elizabeth Harrison
Benson '02** and Eric Benson

Camile Hivner, April 2011, to **Erin
Kennedy Hivner '08** and Corey
Hivner

Caroline Rose Lynch, January 16,
2012, to **Kathleen Banker Lynch
'96** and **Andrew Lynch '96**

Alice Marie Pitcock, December 30,
2011, to Janna and **Tom Pitcock
'89**

Kathleen Cody McClernon '68

Jeffrey Parent '81, January 24, 2012

Frank R. Pintz, Sr, January 2, 2012,
husband of **Emma Pitstick Pintz '43**
and brother-in-law of **Sr. Aniceta
Pitstick, O.P '51**

Margaret "Jeanne" Weisgerber
Russell, January 18, 2012, mother of
James Russell '76 and **Kathy Russell
Gallen '70**, sister-in-law of Ray and
Terry

Ann R. Watson '48, November 27,
2010

Paul J. Weisenbach, January 5, 2012,
brother of **Teresa Weisenbach
Marshall '66** and **Mary Weisenbach
Wallace '58**

Daniel A. Witmer '72, January 11,
2012

***We would love to hear from you! Please let us know about
your job, family, whatever news you would like to share.
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