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FROM YOUR ALUMNI OFFICE

Many thanks to all those who attended our Alumni Cooking Class at the Columbus Culinary Institute. Chef Hunt shared some of his secrets for making killer salsa and chicken wings. As a special treat, we all got to sample his creations. We hope to offer another cooking class in the fall.

The Alumni Association hosted its 2nd Alumni Connect event on February 15. Alumni Connect brings alumni and students who share the same major together for an evening of networking and conversation. Alumni share with the students how their degree has guided their career paths. Alumni enjoy meeting with the students and the experience is so valuable to the students. This past event focused on Criminal Justice and Social Science majors.

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. You can register <u>online</u>.

Thank you to all who support our students with your gifts to our ODU Annual Fund. In a few weeks our student callers will be calling alumni for your support. The Spring Phonathon kicks off March 19 and provides resources for financial aid that are more important than ever. Please answer the call and donate. On behalf of each student who does and will benefit, thank you for your gift.

Blessings and gratitude to you and your family during this Lenten Season.

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March 2012

Alumni & ODU Community
Event Calendar
(click for more details)

March 10, 2012 -

Alumni Association Council
Meeting

March 19 - April 1, 2012 - Spring Phonathon

March 22, 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

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.

August 7, 2012 - 3rd Annual Black & Gold Athletic Banquet with guest speaker Clark Kellogg

September 29, 2012 - ODU Homecoming

Center for Dominican Studies Event Calendar Click here.

Campus News

Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies

To meet the ever-increasing need for Physician Assistants, Ohio Dominican University is introducing the only Physician Assistant Studies program in Central Ohio and the newest PA program in the Midwest. Between 2008 and 2018, job opportunities for PA's will increase by 39%. ODU's program is tailored to meet the career demand and reflects the University's century of educational excellence. To learn more, visit the Physician Assistant program website.

Cooking with ODU Alumni- A great success!



The sold-out cooking event was a success! ODU Alumni joined Chef Tom Hunt at The Columbus Culinary Institute for an evening of cooking tutorials and mingling. Featured on his menu were home-made mango salsa, buffalo wings, guacamole and more! Needless to say we were all asking for seconds!

Due to the wonderful alumni response, we plan to hold another cooking event for alumni this fall so stay tuned!

Department of Business Investment Seminars Event Schedule

Contact <u>Tiffany Pirwitz</u> or 614-251-4274

Conway Center for Family Business Event Calendar click here.

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Stay Current, Keep in Touch

To keep your information up-todate with the Alumni Office, please complete our quick and easy <u>online update form</u>. By doing so, you will continue to receive all the latest ODU news and updates.

A chance to reconnect: Alumni Reunions

St. Mary of the Springs 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.

The Alumni Office will be mailing registration packets in April. For more information, contact the **Alumni Office** or 614-251-4608.

Homecoming Reunion September 28-29, 2012

ODU is excited to be bringing back alumni reunions at Homecoming. This year's Homecoming Reunion will feature the classes of 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002 and 2007! There are many activities scheduled, such as a Saturday Mass, tailgate cookout, a homecoming parade, a football game and more!

We are looking for alums to represent their class year, especially for the classes of 1977, 1987 and 1992. 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 <u>Alumni</u> Office.



Click on the above picture to watch highlights from 2011 homecoming!

Searching for a Job?

ODU Alumni are encouraged to utilize ODU JobLine. With ODU JobLine you can search for current positions, post your resume, and in many cases apply for positions online. This FREE resource is provided by the Career Center for both alumni and students and lists numerous jobs in the Central Ohio area, including full-time, career-track opportunities in many fields.

Go to the link below to get started.

ODU JobLine





Theater
Roundtable
Awards
Best Director
Night Must Fall

Amy (McGee) Drake (Pictured above), Class of 2008, won the Best Director award at the Theatre Roundtable Awards ceremony in January 2012 for directing the Emlyn Williams play *Night Must Fall*. *Night Must Fall* won an award for Best Production and the lead, Leslie Robinson, won a Best Actor award. Congratulations to all of those involved!

Athletic Excellence Event



At halftime of the women's basketball game on Saturday, February 11, 2012 against Findlay, Ohio Dominican's Athletic Department recognized 215 student-athletes who achieved a 3.0 GPA or higher in the fall semester. The recognition was part of the annual Academic Excellence Day and Faculty and Staff Appreciation Day, and the 215 student-athletes honored were the highest number in athletic department history. The athletic department also achieved its highest single-semester GPA in history last fall- 3.14/4.00!

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.

March LEAD Information Session

What is LEAD?

LEAD stands for Learning Enhanced Adult Degree. This program is specifically designed for working professionals wanting to pursue or finish their degree. LEAD is an evening business degree program that immerses you in one course at a time in a small, collaborative environment.

Undergraduate

Wednesday, March 21, 2012

LEAD Building 6:00pm

Graduate

Tuesday, March 27, 2012 LEAD Building 6:00pm

RSVP Today!

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.

ODU's Division of Business, supported by Ciber, invites alumni, faculty, staff and students to participate in an upcoming Economics seminar.

March 20, 2012- Muni Bonds: Perception Versus Reality	6:00-8:00 p.m. Griffin Student Center		
,	Room 259 & 260		
The Panel includes: Ron Scherer - Regional			
Manager with the Private Wealth Group at			
Lord Abbett; Jeff Gouhin - V.P., Wealth			
Management Advisor, (CRPC), (CSNA) with			
Merrill Lynch Wealth Management and Melissa			
Powelson '06, '07 - Financial Advisor, (CRPC),			
(CSNA) with Merrill Lynch Wealth Management			
Division of Business Economic Seminar	6:00-8:00 p.m.		
March 22, 2012 - Natural Disasters and	Griffin Student Center		
International Supply Chains	Room 259 & 260		
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Featured Speaker: John Rodwell - V.P.,			
International Business Development Assurex			
Global Corporation			
April 17, 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 <u>Job Search Guidebook</u> 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 here: 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 to speak with 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!



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!

RSVP Today!

Would you like to see ODU License plates?

The Ohio Dominican University Student Senate in conjunction with the Office of the President is currently petitioning to establish an official ODU license plate. In order to establish the plate, the State of Ohio requires 500 signatures. To sign the petition, a supporter must provide their current license plate number, driver's license number, address and phone number. For further questions, concerns, or to sign the petition, contact Ali Clark at clarka3@ohiodominican.edu. We hope that you support this important campus-wide initiative.

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 <u>updated</u>. You also can contact Alumni Relations 614-251-4608.

Class Notes (received as of February 2012)

News

Angelia Foster '05, earned her Masters of Science in Management and Organization Behavior in December 2011 from Benedictine University.

Donna Jarvis-Miller '95, recently became an independent distributor for Body by Visalus products.

Shancie Jenkins '06, has been named director of county job and family services in Delaware County, effective January 30, 2012.

Tricia Nunemaker '91, was named the Canal Winchester volleyball coach.

Kari L. Riebesell '94, was promted to sergeant with the Ohio Highway Patrol.

New Arrivals

Christopher Thomas Chilicki, October 27, 2011, to Natalie Heine Chilicki '07 and Matthew Chilicki '05, '06. Christopher joins big brother, Jack

Ryan Jeffrey Komenda, September 6, 2011, to **Andrea Schmelzer Komenda '05** and Brad Komenda

In Memoriam

Jo Ellen Balon '58, December 12, 2011, sister of Martha Balon Heider '62 and Susan Balon Cargil '65

Dorothy Ganter Elsner '38, February 17, 2012, aunt of **Connie Sauter '67**

Duane Joseph Erney, February 15, 2012, father of **Robert Erney '75, John Erney '84**, and **Tom Erney '85**

Sr. Margaret McDonough, OP '51, January 24, 2012

Carroll Underwood Nash '39, January 13, 2011

Peggy O'Connor Pixley '60, February 6, 2012, sister of Geraldine O'Connor Barrons '62

Kathleen M. Rieser '78, February 17, 2012, niece of **Maggie Weiland Rieser '45**

Harry "Hank" Schmidt, February 11, 2012, brother of Mary Virginia Schmidt VanCamp '43

Michalina Signoracci, February 8, 2012, mother of **Jon Signoracci '74** and mother-in-law of **Judy Signoracci '75**

Mary "Molly" Ulrich, February 20, 2012, sister-in-law of Mary Jane Reutinger '42

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