Well we have started the year off right! Way to go Buckeyes for dominating the Ducks in the Rose Bowl! 2009 was a successful and busy year. Once again our club was awarded the Gold Star Award at the OSUAA yearly leadership conference. This award of distinction is only awarded to a handful of Ohio State alumni clubs who fulfill an exhausting list of qualifications. A special thanks to all those who attended our Spring Banquet, Wolverine Roast, and Hi-Tops watch parties. Our club continues to be successful because of your support. Fun and spirited events are not our only focus. Scholarships continued to be granted and funded, and charity events were attended.

One of the most exciting additions to our club is our new Facebook page. Just this past week we have decided to redesign the page, making it more accessible to Facebook users. So whether or not we have been on your fan page, you will need to perform a new search using the title “The Ohio State University Alumni Club of Detroit.” Once there, please feel free to post announcements, photos, and comments, the hope is that we will have more direct communication with one another.

If you are not a member of Facebook, why not join? It is free and a great way to find former roommates and friends.

2010 will be equally as exciting. We are currently finalizing our plans for this year’s Spring Banquet, an announcement regarding our guest speaker and the date of the event should be released soon. This event is our most important event of the year, especially to our students. Each year we honor students from our area based upon academic excellence or athletic success. This year will focus on our students who have performed exceptionally in the classroom. This event also serves as a club meeting where the new board members are sworn in. If you have never attended this banquet before I would encourage you to try and attend this year. It’s a great way to bond with fellow Buckeyes!

Finally, please take note of the contact list in this newsletter should you have any suggestions, comments, or concerns please feel free to drop us a note, we would love to hear from you.

Here’s to an exciting, healthy, and prosperous 2010, and GO BUCKS!
Your OSU Alumni Club of Detroit wins the Gold Star Award for 2009!

ALUMNI LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2009

Three members of your Alumni Club of Detroit Board attended the annual Alumni Leadership Conference sponsored by the Ohio State University Alumni Assoc. The theme of this year’s conference was BUCKEYES WITHOUT BOUNDARIES.

Among the highlights of the conference was the award of a GOLD STAR for the club. Only the top 10% of clubs receive the Gold Star. It was the 9th Gold Star for the club and the 7th in the past 9 years.

Other Gold Star winners were Austin Tex, Erie County, Franklin County, Richland County, San Diego, CA, Sandhills, NC, Sarasota/Manatee FL and our sister club, Western MI.

Over 200 alumni attended the conference from as far away as Hawaii.

Yvette McGee Brown, President – Center for Child and Family Advocacy, and outgoing chair of OSUAA, delivered a great keynote speech, emphasizing the role of the Alumni Assoc. in making The Ohio State University great.

Breakout sessions included, Beyond the Mainstream: Thriving in a digital Media World, OSUAA web preview, and best practices, clubs, societies and diversity.

Pictured are Csaba Szabo, Paul Shapiro, Archie Griffin, David Emerling and Larry Lokai all from your Motor City Buckeyes! CONGRATS!
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Scenes from THE Game, 11/2009
STUDENT RECRUITING

We have successfully completed our Fall student recruiting schedule. We attended 14 outstanding college fairs and saw approximately 1,000 potential future Buckeyes. We would like to thank those who volunteered:

Jim Vanderbrink, Barry Kaplan, Csaba Szabo, David Emerling, Larry Steve Klepchak, Debra Wagner, Michelle Lundquist, Jim Rucker, Mike Little, Marty Drozdowicz, Brian Gebby and Art Humpert.

Spring is coming fast. If you would like to volunteer for the Spring recruiting sessions, please call or email Jim Vanderbrink, 248-879-8870, jev1967@wowway.com, or Barry Kaplan, 248-865-9221, bandmk1@yahoo.com

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Since we achieved our goal of $100,000 in our endowment fund, the growth of our OSU Alumni Club of Detroit Endowed Scholarship fund has slowed. Right now, we have just about enough money to earn enough interest to provide 4 $1,000.00 scholarships, 1 awarded each year. The cost of out of state tuition is growing at a much faster pace and we would like to increase that the amount to $1,250 or $1,500. To do that, we need to grow the principal amount of the fund. Each year the club makes a contribution, based on the revenue we derive from various events and from a few individual contributors. Contributions to the scholarship fund are fully tax deductible. Please mail your contributions to the Ohio State Foundation and indicate that you would like to make a gift to the OSU Alumni Club of Detroit Endowed Fund, Account #641727.

Mail your gift to:
University Development
1480 W. Lane Avenue, Room 125,
Columbus, OH 43221-3939,
Attention: Kristyn Carman

SAVE THE DATE!

WE HAVE EXCITING NEWS!!!

The Ohio State University Athletic Director GENE SMITH will be our Guest Speaker at our Spring Banquet! There will be more details to follow but we would like you to please save May 26, 2010 on your calendars for this very exciting evening!

Full details will be sent in a mailing, email will be sent and it will be posted on our website as well as our Facebook page.

NEWS YOU CAN USE!

There is a great article on Time Magazine’s website about our very own Dr. E. Gordon Gee - titled “The Big Man on Campus”. The link is below. Hope you enjoy it!

http://www.time.com/time/specials/packages/article/0,28804,1937938_1937934_1937914,00.html
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please make your checks payable to **OSU Alumni Club of Detroit** and mail your application with payment to:

Debbie Camarata  
23700 Shinnecock Drive  
South Lyon, MI 48178  
Email: membership@motorcitybuckeyes.com

The following rates are good through March 31, 2012! Buckeye Backer membership gives access to all Detroit Area OSU Alumni Club events that are *not* limited enrollment.

You must be a member to take advantage of this year's exciting activities, including: Alumni priority for football tickets, tailgate parties, TV parties, Picnics, OSU sports events in the area, pro sports events, student recruitment and so much more!

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**ADDRESS**

- Email: ___________________________  

**IF YOU PREFER, YOU MAY GO TO WWW.MOTORCITYBUCKEYES.COM TO JOIN OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP USING PAYPAL. WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL TO DEBBIE SO THAT WE MAY KEEP OUR RECORDS UP-TO-DATE! LOOK FOR THE LINK AT THE TOP OF THE PAGE!**

**I'd like to receive my newsletter via:**

- E-MAIL: ___________________________  
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- Year Join Our Club: ___________________________  
- OSUAA Membership Number: ___________________________

**Would you like to be a Board Member?**

- YES:  
- NO:  

**How did you hear about our club?**

- Alumni Association: ________  
- Friend: ________  
- Family: ________  
- Business: ________  
- Email: ________  
- Chance Meeting: ________  
- Website: ________  
- Other: _______

**Membership Cost:** $__________  
**Donation to Scholarship Fund:** $__________  
**TOTAL DUE:** $__________  

Please be sure we have your email address, if you have one, so that we are able to keep you posted on the many events we have. Also, please email Debbie Camarata any changes to your information or when you sign up online. To join the Ohio State University Alumni Association visit: 

NEW MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS!
We are happy to announce and welcome the latest additions to our club:

- Graydon Reitz
- Dennis Kerrigan
- William Cuppy
- Robin Ferriby
- Martha Rarus
- Sean McKee

We hope to see you at our upcoming events!

We also thank those many who renewed their dues for (2) years!
Be sure to check this newsletter and our website for upcoming event info.

From our very own Joan Layden:
Go Bucks! As you know, I am passionate about finding a cure for breast cancer & I love the Buckeyes! Over the summer, I walked in the breast cancer 3 day- walking 60 miles! To quote by brother Kevin, "The walk was long". Although it was hot, we had a great time. The walk was beautiful.

The cheering stations absolutely phenomenal. We felt like we were walking in a 60 mile parade. Plymouth dyed the fountain pink, spectators lined the street- cheering, passing out ice, water, popsicles, washcloths dipped in water, candy, spraying us with water- you name it they did it for us--- and we did it for you! We walked to help end breast cancer!

The walking and blisters were not done in vein - along with 1800 other walkers we raised nearly $5 million to fund necessary research, care, etc. My team raised nearly $12,000!!! Go Team Generations- let's make this the last generation to have breast cancer!

We walked through Ann Arbor and past the big house. O- H - I - O! It was so much funny singing Hang on Sloopy, cheering for the Buckeyes, walking past the big house. Those Michigan fans had nothing to cheer about. ha. Ha. ha.

Note from the Editor:
I wish to thank everyone for taking time to read this newsletter.

This is a “work in progress” as I had my computer totally crash and lost it for good. I am working with a new computer and sincerely appreciate the entire Membership, Officers and fellow Board Members for their patience with me through this somewhat of a learning curve for me.

I truly encourage all to let me know if you have any suggestions for this - your newsletter. I would like to make it as informative as possible for Buckeyes in our area.

I welcome any suggestions, photos and articles you would like me to include in our newsletter. Please just send me an email! Thank you again for your time and patience!

Go Bucks!

Jill

Email: JillM1961@aol.com
AN EXCITING ANNOUNCEMENT!!

I would like to announce the creation of the first branch of the TBDBITL Alumni Active Band in the state of Michigan.

Many of you are probably aware that the marching band alumni have had an Active Band that performs gigs throughout the year within the state of Ohio to promote Buckeye spirit and to raise money to support the marching band. There has been talk among the alumni for several years about trying to form similar groups outside of Ohio but this is the first actual attempt at trying to form such a group. Since this is the first group like this, we will be doing a lot of experimenting to figure out how to run things but we think that the band can have great success and bring some much needed Buckeye spirit deep into the heart of enemy territory.

There are several ways that you can help with the formation and organization of the band. TBDBITL alumni, the most important way that you can help is by volunteering to be part of the band. We don't necessarily need a large group but we do need enough instrumentation to cover all the parts. Most of our music will be school songs with possibly a couple band favorites thrown in and we will have music available at the performances. Performances will be pep rally like in atmosphere, no sit down concerts in tuxedos or anything. We are not looking for people to commit to being at every performance but instead are looking for people who would be interested in performing once or twice a year at an event within a reasonable distance of where they live. If you would be interested in being part of this group, please email me at ckuehn1701@yahoo.com and let me know your name, what instrument you play, where you live, and how far you would be willing to travel for a performance.

Those of you who are not TBDBITL alumni, there is still a way for you to help. One of the challenges that the group will face is the availability of large instruments, such as sousaphones and percussion as few band members actually owned these themselves. Thus we are looking for people who are in music education or who have connections to local high schools and who would be able to possibly loan us certain instruments for performances. If you are possibly able to do this, please email me at ckuehn1701@yahoo.com.

Thank you in advance to all of those who are willing to help with this and hopefully we can make this into a fun group that will excite and entertain Ohio State fans in Michigan.

Charles Kuehn
DON’T FORGET TO SAVE THE DATE: MAY 26, 2010
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, GENE SMITH IS COMING TO THE MOTOR CITY!!

MEN’S BASKETBALL GAME TV PARTIES
We will be holding a TV watch party (just like we do for football) at Hi-Tops 10 & 1/2 for:

- OHIO STATE vs. michigan state - Sun. February 21 - 12:00 Noon

We will be holding a TV watch party at BW 3’s in Novi for:

- OHIO STATE vs. um - Sat. February 27 - Time is TBD

We will be having appetizers for all members of our club so be sure you are a member (the application is on Page 5 - so why not join right now) and come join us for what is sure to be a great afternoon of Buckeye fun! More details will follow on our website: www.motorcitybuckeyes.com and on our Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/motorcitybuckeyes