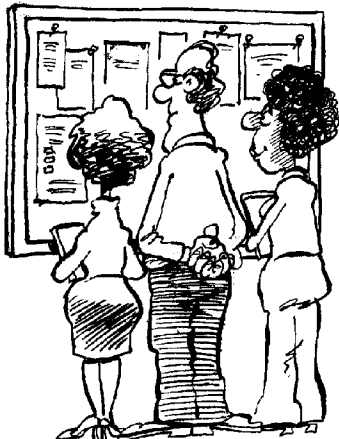




# THE OSU VIEW

*The Newsletter from The Ohio State University Alumni Club  
Van Wert & Paulding Counties*

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## BUCKAHOIC BULLETIN BOARD

**Think Spring!!**, and then think Spring Banquet. (There is more information about this great, traditional banquet further in the following pages.)

Well, another football title has escaped from the Buckeyes. This game was a very strange game for me. As you probably know, I have been, since I was a kid, an LSU fan. Nevertheless, Ohio State is and always will be my number one team. Thus for me, the one of the worst things that could happen was the match up for the national championship this year. Not only did I feel badly that Ohio State lost, I didn't feel good that LSU won! If Ohio State had won, I would have been very happy and not felt too badly for LSU's loss. I do get tired of hearing that the SEC is tougher than the Big 10. Unfortunately, Ohio State isn't helping us win that argument, are they?

As our Club's tradition continues, the "Buckaholic of the Year" award will be presented at this year's Spring Banquet. There is still time for you to contact me with your suggestion as to might be this year's winner. The committee makes a list and then decides. It is not too late to suggest a worthy person.

That is all I have to contribute to this issue of *The View*, soooo GO BUCKS and I'll see YOU at the Spring Banquet.

Dave Watkins

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## CHILLIM'S ARTICLE

Buckeye cheers to everyone. I was asked to write an article for the club newsletter and who can say no to sweet dear Alice. I can't, so here is my debut. I will first start with a big **THANK YOU** to everyone. With the generosity of great folks from Van Wert and Paulding Counties, we come together to support the OSU Alumni Club. It is because of that support, the club is then able to practice the noble lesson from Coach Woody Hayes of "paying it forward". I am very proud to say that in 2006 our club awarded 29 grants to the students of Van Wert and Paulding Counties for a total of \$8700.00. In 2007, we awarded 36 grants for a total of \$10,800.00!! For the 2008 year, we are looking to award 30 grants to some well deserved students who represent our counties. Smile the next time you purchase a ticket to attend our Fall and Spring Bash?.smile when you pay your club dues!?.smile when you make a donation that will be auctioned by Mr. Gorrell?.smile when you purchase our fundraiser candle?.smile when you dig in your wallet or purse to find the money needed to pay for that special item at the Bash that is going to bring good luck to the Bucks for a win against that team up north?.smile because you volunteered your time?.and smile if you join us for a good time with our annual golf outing. Again, thank you for whatever way you contribute to the success of the club. We all share a great passion for The Ohio State University and for the future scholars who attend OSU representing our counties! I hope to see everyone at our Spring Bash on April 8th, and a reminder to please bring a can or non perishable item that will be donated to the food pantries in both counties. Mark April 8th on the calendar, you wouldn't want to miss an opportunity to personally correct my grammar or comment on my writing skills! Thanks again and as always? GO BUCKS!!

ChilLim, Co-President



### ***Laissez les Buckeyes Rouler!***

Connie Wehrkamp  
(Terry & Nancy Wehrkamp's daughter)

*Laissez les Buckeyes Rouler* (Let the Buckeyes Roll)! This great play on words was printed on one of several "Buckeyes in the Bayou" t-shirts I spent far too much money on while down in New Orleans for the National Championship this year. Unfortunately, most of these shirts are now serving as pajamas because they talk a lot of smack, and, well, the Buckeyes didn't roll on to a victory in New Orleans. Despite the loss, I think any Buckeye fan who spent some time in the Crescent City before or after the game would agree that there is no better place to lose than in the city of New Orleans! Aside from the game, my short trip to the Bayou was one of the most fun experiences of my life! Now, this is saying a lot because I am currently finishing up my undergraduate degree at Ohio State and have been fortunate enough to attend three bowl games and watch four - count em' - FOUR straight Michigan wins as a student! So, why was New Orleans so great? What makes this city so fun? It's simple - This city and its citizens love to have fun, and they love helping others to have a good time, too! I also know my experience was heightened by sharing it with my dad, Terry.

Not only was it great spending a weekend together exploring this beautiful place with amazing architecture and history, but, I must say, watching my dad hang (and keep up) with younger, future OSU alumni was very, very entertaining! Now, I admit, I was worried Dad would have trouble running with my friends and I because we are, shall I say, better "conditioned" for the New Orleans party atmosphere. I soon found out, however, that I was quite mistaken! (I guess all those stories about him during his college years are true!)

On Sunday night, we met up with some of my friends and a couple of their parents (also OSU alums) and headed for the Varsity Club - New Orleans. Before we knew it, we kids were trying to keep our crazy parents under control. We did catch them talking about knee and hip replacements (kind of out of the ordinary as far as party talk goes) but then one of them began singing "Don't fear the replacement" to the tune of the Blue Oyster Cult's "Don't Fear the Reaper," and hysterical laughter ensued from young and old! Yes, there was a bit of a generation gap, but any worry I had about the parents and kids not having fun together that weekend had completely vanished by this point!

Now, I certainly hope the Buckeyes win every National Championship game they go to in the future, but even if we don't win, I hope those games lost are played in New Orleans because the city has a way of making the trip extremely worth while, even while enduring a second-straight Championship loss. I also suggest taking the bowl game trip with people you love because Buckeye games - win or lose - have a way of bringing people closer together, even family. Thanks for a fun trip, Dad!

### **Buckeye E-Cards Website Ads**

*Show your support of the Van Wert/Paulding County  
OSU Alumni Club  
with a fun personalized ad or promote your business!*

The Van Wert/Paulding County Chapter of the Ohio State Alumni Association is offering ads on our website, [www.osuvwp.org](http://www.osuvwp.org). These can be fun, personalized ads for individuals & families, or promotional business ads.

### **Support the Ohio State University & the Buckeyes!**

This is a great fund raiser for us, as it allows us to utilize our website. There is no initial startup cost for this fundraiser and the labor is donated. So 100% will go to our local club fund.

- Ad will be business card size: 3.5•W x 2•H.
- Individual/Family Ad - \$10 per year.  
Business Ad - \$25 per year.
- Ad will be placed on Buckeye E-Card page on [www.osuvwp.org](http://www.osuvwp.org).
- Ad year is April through March.  
(From Spring Banquet to Spring Banquet)
- There will be 1 Buckeye E-Card page with 2 sections  
(Business section & Individual/Family section), unless quantity of ads warrants separate web pages for each type. Which would be great and we would be happy to do!
- Business card or graphic of business card may be used. Additional information may be designated.
- Attach Business card to order form.
- Suggested layout and color scheme can be designated.
- Artwork, graphic, or photo that can be adapted with content of ad are welcome and can be emailed or attached to order form.
- Ad may be linked to your website or e-mail address; please provide web address or e-mail address.
- Contact [webmaster@osuvwp.org](mailto:webmaster@osuvwp.org) with any questions.
- **Proceeds go to assisting local students attend the Ohio State University.**

**Visit [www.osuvwp.org](http://www.osuvwp.org) Buckeye E-Card page to view the ads and also to view and print the order form.**



Greetings Paulding & Van Wert OSU Alumni Club members! We still have 2007 Commemorative Candles for purchase. If you haven't had a chance to buy one of these yet, please consider one! They have been specially made by Lincoln Candle Co. of Convoy, OH and are Scarlet and Gray with the scents of Apple and Cinnamon combined in layers. They would make great gifts for birthdays, graduations, etc. this spring. They burn 65 hours, are \$12.00, and can make your entire house smell as if you are baking. A picture can be found on our web site. In addition, we always have our bottled water for sale and you may find both of these items at any one of our many events.

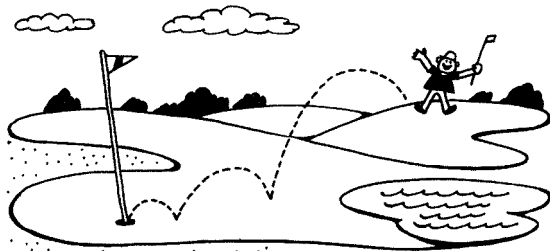
Missie Bowman, secretary



The Van Wert/Paulding County Ohio State Alumni Association will be having a golf outing at the Willow Bend Country Club in Van Wert. The exact date has not been set but it will be in June. Due to the course being only nine holes, we will have to limit the tournament to the first 16 teams. Be sure to check the website for confirmation of the date and get your team signed up early to reserve your spot. We are in need of sponsors for the event and donations of prize items. Please contact the club through the website if you are interested. Go Bucks!!!

We will also have a golf outing in August. More details will come later.

Jake Mohr, Co-President



# Spring Banquet

**THE OSU ALUMNI CLUB  
ANNOUNCES ITS ANNUAL SPRING BANQUET**

**The annual Spring Banquet of the Ohio State Alumni Club of Van Wert/Paulding Counties will be held Tuesday, April 8. It will be held at JEMMS. Doors open at 5:30 with the dinner commencing at 6:00. Reservations are \$15.00 per person. The last day for reservations is Friday, 4 April, 2008.**

Speaker for the evening will be John DeWitt, the Team Leader for Clinical Development and Director of both the Sports and Orthopedic Physical Therapy Residencies at The Ohio State University Medical Center. In addition to treating sports medicine patients and athletes, Dr. DeWitt holds an appointment as an Assistant Clinical Professor in the Division of Physical Therapy at OSU, teaching orthopedics and small group research.

After completing a degree in Athletic Training from Ohio University, he received a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree from Belmont University in Nashville, TN. Dr. DeWitt is board certified in Sports Physical Therapy and has been practicing for the past ten years treating athletes of all levels of competition. He spent 2 years at a Seasonal Assistant Athletic Trainer with the New England Patriots, and has worked with the United States Olympic Committee, USA Women's Hockey, USA Judo and Tae Kwon Do, USA Judo and Muskingum College. In addition to his clinical responsibilities, he sits on several state boards and is a residency and fellowship accreditation reviewer for the American Physical Therapy Association.

Dr. DeWitt is a 1992 graduate of Paulding High School.

Tickets can be purchased by contacting any board member; by visiting "The Spelling Bee", Mengerink's "Source for Sports" or the "I Don't Care Grille"; calling 238-2883; 399-5855; or by returning the form enclosed in this *Newsletter* to:

**Greg Owens  
413 S. Washington  
Van Wert, Ohio 45891**

You may pick up your tickets at the door the evening of the banquet. **No** tickets will be sold at the door.

Money derived from our functions goes to aid students from our counties who attend The Ohio State University or any of the OSU branches.

All OSU fans are welcome. You need not be a member of our organization to attend. Come and support our Ohio State students!

# NOW IS THE MOMENT...

Yes, now the moment has arrived for you to complete the enclosed card and mail in your reservations for:

## THE SPRING BANQUET

# SEE YOU THERE!

(The details are inside.)

*Always remember, through your support of the Club's activities, dreams of a diploma with **The Ohio State University** printed across it will be a dream fulfilled by young women and men from our counties.*

Please fill in the information needed and insert in an envelope with your check made out to **The OSU Alumni Club VW/P Counties** and mail to:

**Greg Owens  
413 S. Washington  
Van Wert, Ohio 45891**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

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NUMBER OF RESERVATIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

ENCLOSED: RESERVATIONS X \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(I understand that I will pick my tickets the night of the Banquet at the door.)

