



## From Your Alumni Office

March is here and we can just smell spring...hopefully soon! I hope you all had a chance to get away to warmer climates this winter. If not, we have lots of warm weather events planned for the spring and summer.

There is still space available in the popular Colors & Bottles event on **March 13** to be held in the Community Room in Alumni Hall. No experience needed, just bring yourself and a friend, and be prepared to have a great time. Hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine are included in the ticket price and you can register online.

Have you registered for the **First Annual ODU Alumni Panther 5K Run/Walk**? This will be an annual event you will not want to miss. The Alumni Association Council has worked hard to make this a fun event for the entire ODU community. Today is the last day to receive discounted registration.

**Attention Class of 1973!** You will be celebrating your 40<sup>th</sup> reunion here on campus **June 28 and 29**. "Save the Date" postcards will be mailed soon so please make arrangements to come back to campus and reconnect with your classmates.

The Spring **Phonathon** kicks off **March 12** and provides resources for financial aid that is more important than ever. Please answer the call and donate. On behalf of each student who does and will benefit, we thank you for your gift.

We are updating and making changes to our website. One change to note; the Ohio Dominican community page will be replaced with the ODU web page. This change will be more user friendly with less clicks to navigate to the information you need.

Continued blessings and gratitude during this Lenten Season.

*Ann & Kelsey*

## [Upcoming Events](#)

### [Colors & Bottles](#)

ODU Community Room  
6:30 -9:30 p.m., March 13.

### [First Annual ODU Alumni Panther 5K Fun Run/Walk](#)

Ohio Dominican Campus  
8 a.m., April 20  
Registration begins

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**Colors & Bottles Event  
Round Two**

Alumni! Our first Colors & Bottles event was such a success that we are excited and eager to host another fabulous session. Don't miss your chance to join the fun of one of the hottest trends in the country. Colors & Bottles combines the fun of a painting class with delicious food and beverages for inspiration.

We will provide the supplies for creating a masterpiece, no experience needed. Whether you are an experienced artist or not, you will be amazed at what you create!

March 13, 2013

**NEW TIME:** 6:30 until 9:30 p.m.

**NEW LOCATION:** ODU Community Room - Alumni Hall

We encourage early registration as space is limited. [RSVP here today!](#)

**Find A New Career at Recruit Ohio**

You are cordially invited to attend the RECRUIT OHIO ALUMNI ONLY Career Fair. Meet over 85 of the Best Companies in the Columbus area who have hundreds of diverse job openings today. There will be alumni from over 10 top schools in Ohio.

OHIO UNION

Archie M. Griffin Grand Ballroom

March 7, 2013

11:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.

East 1739 N. High Street

Columbus, OH 43210

To REGISTER and review all employers and their current open positions, please click on this link:

<http://hireohio2013.eventbrite.com/>

**Parents Fund Scarf Fundraiser**



Alumni! Support the Parents' Campaign and show your ODU spirit by purchasing a soft fleece scarf for yourself or your loved ones. With two styles to choose from, you'll find they make the perfect gift for anyone this chilly time of year. A portion of the proceeds supports the Ohio Dominican Fund.

We will ship your items for free! Order online while supplies last at:

<http://alumni.ohiodominican.edu/store/>

Be sure to order yours today!

### **First Annual Ohio Dominican Alumni 5K**

The Ohio Dominican Alumni Association Council is proud to present the first-ever ODU 5K! This event is for the whole family. The fitness enthusiast can participate in our competitive 5K run, while all ages and fitness levels can join in our 5K walk. Be sure to bring your little ones as well; they won't want to miss the 50-yard Mascot Race with Thunder the Panther! Participants will receive a race t-shirt and a goody bag with prizes.



**April 20, 2013**

**Ohio Dominican Campus**

**Check-in begins at 8 a.m.**

**Mascot Race with Thunder the Panther begins at 9 a.m.**

**5K Run/Walk begins at 9:10 a.m.**

[Click here for early registration](#)

(Ends today- March 1)

Adult: \$25.00

Faculty/Staff/Student: \$15.00

Children 12 and under: Free (Mascot Race)

[Click here for late registration](#)

(March 2- April 12)

Adult: \$35.00

Faculty/Staff/Student: \$25.00  
Children 12 and under: Free (Mascot Race)

### **Division of Business Upcoming Seminars**

The Ohio Dominican University Division of Business has the following seminars planned. Be sure to put them on your schedule. They are not to be missed!

**Conversations with an Entrepreneur**  
**Featuring: Mark Swepston, Atlas Butler Heating & Cooling; and Chad Gummer, Gummer Wholesale**

**March 14, 2013**

**Noon-1 p.m.**

**Bishop Griffin Student Center  
Room 260**

**Investment Seminar**

**April 23, 2013**

**6-7 p.m.**

**Bishop Griffin Student Center  
Rooms 259, 260**

Contact [Tiffany Pirwitz](#) for more information.

### **Save the Date for the St. Mary of the Springs Reunion**

Summer Reunion is right around the corner. June 28-29, St. Mary of the Springs alumnae whose graduation year ends in 3 or 8 will gather on campus to celebrate their respective reunions. The Class of 1963 will be inducted into the Golden Flame Society on June 28. We also welcome the ODC Class of 1973 back on campus as they celebrate their 40th reunion.

Registration packets will be mailed early April. If you have questions, please contact [Ann Snider](#) at the Office of Alumni Relations or by phone at 614-251-4608.

### **Ohio Dominican University Offers Free Bilingual Tax Return Preparation Assistance through VITA Program**

Ohio Dominican University offers the only fully bilingual tax return preparation service in Central Ohio. Accounting students at ODU will provide free income tax return preparation assistance for qualified individuals through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. VITA offers free tax help to people with low-to-moderate income (generally \$50,000 and below). Through this program, ODU accounting students offer assistance with special credits, including earned income tax credit, child tax credit and credit for the elderly.

The VITA program is offered at ODU's main campus, 1216 Sunbury Road, in Erskine Hall, rooms 201, 202 and 205.

The program opens Wednesday, Feb. 20. The schedule for this season is as follows:

- Wednesdays from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. (March 13, 20, 27, April 3 and 10. Closed March 6 for Spring Break.)
- Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (March 9, 16, 23, April 6 and 13. Closed March 2 for Spring Break and March 30 for Easter.)
- VITA site closes April 13.

The program also is unique in that students from Bishop Watterson High School will participate. Those students will receive one college credit hour and accrue service learning hours.

Since first offering the VITA program in 2007, ODU faculty and students have helped prepare 1,416 tax returns. In

spring 2012, 328 tax returns were prepared, saving clients approximately \$82,000 in tax preparation fees. More than \$224,000 in returns were processed in 2012.

The Internal Revenue Service certifies as tax preparers the participating accounting students, usually juniors or seniors. Under the supervision of faculty members who are certified public accountants, students prepare federal, state, local school and city income tax returns. In addition to free tax return preparation assistance, the program offers free electronic filing (e-filing).

To make an appointment with an ODU VITA tax preparer, call HandsOn Central Ohio at 211 in Franklin County or 614-221-6766, and ask to speak with the VITA scheduler.

For additional information on the VITA program, please contact Bob Osborne, Assistant Professor of Accounting and VITA Program Advisor at 614-251-4261 or [osborneb@ohiodominican.edu](mailto:osborneb@ohiodominican.edu), or Maggie Gilmore, Assistant Professor of Accounting, at 614-251-4382 or [gilmorem@ohiodominican.edu](mailto:gilmorem@ohiodominican.edu).

#### **Black & Gold Club Athletic Hall of Fame Committee Accepting Nominations**

Induction into the Ohio Dominican Athletic Hall of Fame is one of the highest honors that a Panther student-athlete can receive. The Hall of Fame formally recognizes former students and coaches who excelled in Ohio Dominican athletics as well as friends of the University who helped to advance the overall athletics program to new heights. The Hall of Fame encourages student-athletes to strive to attain the highest standards of performance and conduct.

The inaugural class was inducted in 1996-97.

Please [click here](#) to submit a nomination for the 2013 Black & Gold Club Athletic Hall of Fame.

#### **Black & Gold Club Kickoff - Save The Date**



Save the date and join us for the Fourth Annual Black & Gold Club Kickoff on Thursday, August 1, 2013. Each year we gather together to honor the accomplishments of Ohio Dominican student-athletes and coaches, both on and off the field of play.

This year's evening event will welcome former NFL and OSU standout, and local philanthropist Chris Spielman to give our keynote address. Enjoy dinner and our famous silent and live auctions as we raise awareness and celebrate the hard work of Ohio Dominican Panther Athletics. For more information visit <http://ohiodominicanpanthers.com/bgClub/kickoff> or contact Nick Wood, Associate Director of Development – Athletics at 614-251-4643 or by email at [woodn@ohiodominican.edu](mailto:woodn@ohiodominican.edu).

# **ODU JOBLINE**

ODU JobLine provides listings of full-time, part-time and internship opportunities for students as well as alumni.

This service is FREE. Using ODU JobLine, you can search for positions, post your resume and in many cases apply for positions online.

Please visit [www.ohiodominican.edu/career/odujobline](http://www.ohiodominican.edu/career/odujobline) for more information.

### International Travel Opportunity with the Ohio Dominican Alumni Office

The Ohio Dominican Alumni Office is interested in taking our alumni and friends on a fabulous international adventure to Ireland.

If you have always wanted to visit the Emerald Isle and view its beautiful cathedrals, the breath-taking scenery or want to know more about the history and culture of Ireland, we have just the trip for you! We are planning to go on this adventure Sept. 2014.

If you are interested in this trip, please contact [Ann Snider](mailto:Ann.Snider) or by phone 614-251-4608.

## *Irish Eyes Are Smiling*

### *10-Days/9-Nights with Ohio Dominican University Alumni Exploring the Beauty and History of Ireland!*

*Featuring Bunnratty, Killarney,  
The Ring of Kerry, Blarney,  
Waterford, Glendalough & Dublin*



Spend two full days sightseeing in Dublin, including visits to St. Patrick's Cathedral and Trinity College, to see the 9<sup>th</sup>-century Book of Kells



Enjoy a 15<sup>th</sup>-century medieval banquet at Banratty Castle – featuring a hearty four-course medieval feast with traditional Irish entertainment courtesy of your medieval servers!



Spend a full day sightseeing along the Ring of Kerry, Ireland's most popular tourist route, featuring breathtaking mountain and coastal views – including a stop to visit a local Shepard for an entertaining sheep dog demonstration!



**September 2014**

Price \$3,000-\$3,200 Per Person

*If interested,*

Please contact Ann Snider at  
(614) 251-4608 or [snidera@ohiodominican.edu](mailto:snidera@ohiodominican.edu)

*For more information and a detailed itinerary*



#### **TOUR INCLUDES**

- Round-trip Flights from Columbus, OH
- Hotel Accommodations (3-star hotels)
- All Ground Transportation in Ireland
- Full Irish Breakfast Daily
- 6 Dinners (including some with Irish music!)
- Professionally Guided Tours
- Admissions for all featured/included sites
- Free time for individual sightseeing, shopping & exploration



Enjoy multiple nights of delicious Irish fare including traditional Irish music and dance!

## [March 2013](#)

(Updated as of February 2013)

Please click above to access the  
March Class Notes.  
You may also view the attached PDF.

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