



## MAY 2009

*The Nutshell is the official e-newsletter for Ohio State alumni club and society officers and board members. We encourage you to share any of the information with your membership via your own newsletters or Web sites.*

## DATES & DEADLINES

May 20-24	Big Ten Baseball Tournament- Huntington Park
May 25	Memorial Day—office closed
May 30 & Jun. 27	OSU Day at Kings Island: Order discount tickets online at <a href="http://www.visitkingsisland.com/OSU">www.visitkingsisland.com/OSU</a>
June 1	Buckeye Bash tickets for OSU vs. Toledo on sale at 1 p.m. EDT
June 8	Buckeye Bash tickets for OSU vs. Indiana and OSU vs. Purdue on sale at 1 p.m. EDT
June 14	Spring Commencement
June 15	Buckeye Bash tickets for OSU vs. Penn State and OSU vs. Michigan (Bash only) on sale at 1 p.m. EDT
June 16	Guys Night Out with the Columbus Clippers <a href="http://www.ohiostatealumni.org/osuaa_events/guysnight.php">www.ohiostatealumni.org/osuaa_events/guysnight.php</a>
July 31	Individual club/society award applications due
Aug. 3	Club/society award spreadsheets due
Oct. 30	Alumni Leaders Conference at the Fawcett Center

## OSUAA ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 2009 Club and Society Awards applications now available

All nomination forms for individual club/society awards and the Excel spreadsheet for outstanding club/society awards are now available at [www.ohiostatealumni.org/clubsandsocieties](http://www.ohiostatealumni.org/clubsandsocieties). Individual nominations are due back by Friday, July 31, and club/society spreadsheets are due by Monday, Aug. 3. A checklist of requirements and explanation of the categories is at [www.ohiostatealumni.org/awards/Club%20and%20Society%20Awards\\_2009.php](http://www.ohiostatealumni.org/awards/Club%20and%20Society%20Awards_2009.php). If you have any questions about the awards criteria, clubs should contact Kimberly at [lowe@ohiostatealumni.org](mailto:lowe@ohiostatealumni.org) and societies should contact Craig at [little@ohiostatealumni.org](mailto:little@ohiostatealumni.org) or call us at (614) 292-2371.

### Gamewatch time is right around the corner

Don't forget to update your group's gamewatch location with us so that local or travelling Buckeyes can find you and join in the fun. Please send the location updates with address, phone

number, and Web site (if available) to Susan at [long@ohiostatealumni.org](mailto:long@ohiostatealumni.org) or call (614) 292-2371. For current locations, check [www.ohiostatealumni.org/newscenter/gamewatch.php](http://www.ohiostatealumni.org/newscenter/gamewatch.php).

### **Discover the secrets of London on exclusive Alumni Tour**

**Oct 14-20, 2009**

starting from London

\$1,595 + air before July 7; \$1,695 + air after July 7

London, one of the world's oldest cities, still pulses with a youthful vibrancy. Each day of this tour brings new adventures and insights you'll gain from exploring the city and meeting people who have an insider's perspective of venerable, world-renowned institutions such as the BBC and the London Theater. For more information on this exciting trip, visit [www.ohiostatealumni.org/tours/2009tours/london.php](http://www.ohiostatealumni.org/tours/2009tours/london.php) or call the Tour Office at (614) 292-2372 or (800) 852-8687.

### **Don't forget OSUAA Web resources**

Speaker request form [www.ohiostatealumni.org/clubsandsocieties/speakers.php](http://www.ohiostatealumni.org/clubsandsocieties/speakers.php)

Alumni Leaders Handbook [www.ohiostatealumni.org/clubsandsocieties/handbookmain.php](http://www.ohiostatealumni.org/clubsandsocieties/handbookmain.php)

Kudos [www.ohiostatealumni.org/buckeye\\_partner/kudos](http://www.ohiostatealumni.org/buckeye_partner/kudos)

Best practices [www.ohiostatealumni.org/buckeye\\_partner/bestpractices](http://www.ohiostatealumni.org/buckeye_partner/bestpractices)

## **ACADEMIC NEWS**

### **Pelotonia bike tour to raise money for cancer research**

Pelotonia is a grassroots bike tour with one goal: to end cancer. Pelotonia raises money for innovative and life-saving cancer research at The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center-James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute. Driven by the passion of its cyclists, volunteers, and their families and friends, Pelotonia's annual cycling experience will be a place of hope, energy, and determination. Leveraging Netjets' transformational gift, Pelotonia directs 100% of every dollar raised to research. It is a community of people coming together to chase down cancer and defeat it. Learn more at [www.pelotonia.org](http://www.pelotonia.org).

### **Three Ohio State students awarded Fulbright-Hays grants**

Three doctoral candidates from Ohio State have been awarded prestigious Fulbright-Hays grants by the U.S. Department of Education. Matthew Curtis, Department of Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures; Amelia Hubbard, Department of Anthropology; and David McLaughlin, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, are the recipients of the Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad (DDRA) grants. These awards represent over \$105,000 in research funding for 2009-2010. There are only approximately 130 DDRA awards given annually nationwide. <http://oia.osu.edu/content/view/774/380/>

### **John Glenn to speak at spring commencement**

John H. Glenn, former U.S. Senator and astronaut, will be the speaker for Ohio State's spring commencement, set for Sunday, June 14, at Ohio Stadium. About 7,500 graduates will receive degrees at the ceremony, which begins at 1 p.m. Graduates and guests can find complete information on the ceremony at [www.osu.edu/commence](http://www.osu.edu/commence). Also during the commencement ceremony, Glenn's wife, Annie, will receive an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree. CBS correspondent Erin Moriarty ('77 JD) and Ernest Mazzaferri, Sr. ('62 MD), professor emeritus and

former chair of the Department of Internal Medicine, will both receive the Distinguished Service Award. [www.osu.edu/news/newsitem2419](http://www.osu.edu/news/newsitem2419)

## RESEARCH NEWS

### **Home tooth bleaching slightly reduces enamel strength**

New research shows that human teeth lost some enamel hardness after the application of several different products used in the home to whiten teeth. The study suggests that future generations of such products might be reformulated in an effort to reduce these side effects.

<http://researchnews.osu.edu/archive/homebleach.htm>

### **Faster than the speed of sound: new control system to guide experimental aircraft**

When a jet is flying faster than the speed of sound, one small mistake can tear it apart. And when the jet is so experimental that it must fly unmanned, only a computer control system can pilot it. Ohio State engineers have designed control system software that can do just that—by adapting to changing conditions during a flight. Government agencies have been developing faster-than-sound vehicles for decades. The latest supersonic combustion ramjets—called scramjets—scoop oxygen from the air to ignite on-board fuel, and could one day carry people to space or around the world in a matter of hours. <http://researchnews.osu.edu/archive/scramjet.htm>

### **Mites on hissing cockroach may benefit humans with allergies**

Tiny mites living on the surface of Madagascar hissing cockroaches help decrease the presence of a variety of molds on the cockroaches' bodies, potentially reducing allergic responses among humans who handle the popular insects, according to new research. Scientists cultured and identified fungi on the cockroaches' body surfaces with and without mites and discovered that the presence of these mites reduced the molds by at least 50 percent.

<http://researchnews.osu.edu/archive/roachmite.htm>

## ATHLETIC NEWS

### **Baseball Buckeyes No. 1 seed at Big Ten Tournament**

Big Ten Conference champion Ohio State makes its Big Ten record 13th consecutive appearance in the league's post-season tournament May 21 at 7:05 p.m. against a team to be determined. The Buckeyes will play the lowest seeded winner from the opening round games Wednesday.

[www.ohiostatebuckeyes.com/ViewArticle.dbml?SPSID=87801&SPID=10418&DB\\_OEM\\_ID=17300&atclid=3740599](http://www.ohiostatebuckeyes.com/ViewArticle.dbml?SPSID=87801&SPID=10418&DB_OEM_ID=17300&atclid=3740599)

### **Men's Track: Buckeyes finish second, sweep relays at Big Ten Championships**

In front of its home town fans, the Ohio State men's track and field team finished in second-place at the 2009 Big Ten Outdoor Championships on May 17 at Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium. The Buckeyes' 103 points earned them their highest team finish since taking second place at the 2001 championships.

Minnesota completed a clean sweep of both the indoor and outdoor championships with their 130 point total. Michigan finished third with 100 points.

[www.ohiostatebuckeyes.com/ViewArticle.dbml?SPSID=87770&SPID=10412&DB\\_OEM\\_ID=17300&atclid=3739825](http://www.ohiostatebuckeyes.com/ViewArticle.dbml?SPSID=87770&SPID=10412&DB_OEM_ID=17300&atclid=3739825)

## **Softball: No. 11 Ohio State Bests Canisius, 3-0, in NCAA Regional Action**

Kim Reeder tied the single-season record for shutouts with her 11th of the year as the No. 11-ranked and seeded Ohio State softball team defeated Canisius 3-0 at the new Buckeye Field in the team's first game of the NCAA Regional Tournament in Columbus. With the win, the Buckeyes improve to 45-9 on the season, while Canisius drops to 26-24.

[www.ohiostatebuckeyes.com/ViewArticle.dbml?SPSID=87771&SPID=10413&DB\\_OEM\\_ID=17300&atclid=3738492](http://www.ohiostatebuckeyes.com/ViewArticle.dbml?SPSID=87771&SPID=10413&DB_OEM_ID=17300&atclid=3738492)

### **USEFUL LINKS:**

The Ohio State University Alumni Association [www.ohiostatealumni.org](http://www.ohiostatealumni.org)

OSUAA on Facebook [www.facebook.com/home.php#/pages/Columbus-OH/The-Ohio-State-University-Alumni-Association/47048249824](http://www.facebook.com/home.php#/pages/Columbus-OH/The-Ohio-State-University-Alumni-Association/47048249824)

OSUAA on Twitter [http://twitter.com/OSU\\_Alumni](http://twitter.com/OSU_Alumni)

Join the Alumni Association [www.ohiostatealumni.org/membershipservices](http://www.ohiostatealumni.org/membershipservices)

Alumni Leaders' Handbook [www.ohiostatealumni.org/clubsandsocieties/handbookmain.php](http://www.ohiostatealumni.org/clubsandsocieties/handbookmain.php)

Club and Society Kudos [www.ohiostatealumni.org/buckeye\\_partner/kudos/index.php](http://www.ohiostatealumni.org/buckeye_partner/kudos/index.php)

Marketplace: club and society scholarship fundraiser

[www.ohiostatealumni.org/marketplace/clubs.php](http://www.ohiostatealumni.org/marketplace/clubs.php)

Student-Alumni Council <http://sac.ohiostatealumni.org>

The Ohio State University [www.osu.edu](http://www.osu.edu)

The Ohio State University Department of Athletics [www.ohiostatebuckeyes.com](http://www.ohiostatebuckeyes.com)

*The Lantern* [www.thelantern.com](http://www.thelantern.com)

Big Ten Conference [www.bigten.org](http://www.bigten.org)

Do Something Great [www.osu.edu/dosomethinggreat](http://www.osu.edu/dosomethinggreat)

Buckeye Pride MP3 and image downloads [www.osu.edu/O-H](http://www.osu.edu/O-H)

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