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From Your Alumni Office

Mid-terms are winding down as our students (and faculty) anticipate a long-awaited Spring Break. In addition to typical leisure activities, a number of our students, faculty and staff will be helping others in New Orleans and also in El Salvador. We will share details of our experiences in the future, and appreciate your prayers for safe and meaningful travels for all.

Thank you to all who support our students with your gifts to our ODU Annual Fund. Contributions through the mail or our current Spring Phonathon provide resources for the financial aid that is more important than ever. On behalf of each student who does and will benefit, thank you for your gift.

The ODU Board of Trustees has appointed Ron Seiffert interim president. Ron (pictured right), who joined ODU in 2005 as Vice President for University Resources, also served as an ODU Trustee for ten years where he served as chairman of the Audit Committee and University Treasurer.



We hope to see many of you next month at our Easter Egg Hunt here in Guzman House less than three weeks from now, and perhaps at our Spring Schmooze or Lose (details below).

On our [alumni website](#), you will find a brief online survey about our events and volunteer opportunities. Your feedback will help us to improve the events and activities offered by your ODU Alumni Association. We hope that you will take a few moments and participate. Click [here](#) to get started!

As Lent continues, we wish each of you and your families a blessed time of reflection and gratitude.

Best regards,

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and Student Alumni Association for an**

March 2009

Event Calendar

March 11, 2009

Jonathon Kozol - The Roots of Failure: A Battle Plan for Success, 7:30 pm, Matesich Theatre. The event is free, but tickets are required. Call 614-251-4732.

March 14, 2009

Embracing the Religious Meaning of Dreams, 10:00 am - 3:30 pm. Contact the Martin de Porres Center at 614-416-1910.

March 15 - April 24, 2009

Needle and Paint: New Work by Melissa Vogley-Woods, Wehrle Gallery. Opening reception on March 15, 1:00 - 3:30 pm.

April 2, 2009

ODU/Mockingbird Theatre presents "The Beggar's Opera," 7:00 pm on the Oval.

April 4, 2009

Easter Egg Hunt, 9:00 am, Guzman House. Sponsored by the ODU Alumni Association and the Student Alumni Association

April 15, 2009

M.A. in TESOL Information Session, 6:00 - 7:00 pm, Erskine 301. Contact Graduate Admissions at 614-251-4725.

April 17, 18, 24, & 25, 2009

Spring 2009 Student Production: *CLUE: The Musical*. 7:00 pm in Matesich Theatre. \$5 general admission; children under 5 are free. April 19 matinee performance at 2:00 pm.

April 22, 2009

MBA Information Session, 6:00 - 7:00 pm, Erskine 301. Contact Graduate Admissions at 614-251-4725.

April 23, 2009

M.A. Theology Information Session, 6:00 - 7:00 pm, Erskine 301. Contact Graduate Admissions at 614-251-4725.



Easter Egg Hunt

April 4, 2009

9:00 am at Guzman House

The Easter Bunny will be here for photos - bring your camera! Cookies and punch will be served.

[Click here to register online!](#)

Job Searching in a Tough Economy April 23, 2009

Colonial Room, Sansbury Hall

ODU alumni and current students are invited to attend the latest in the Schmooze series: *Job Searching in a Tough Economy*, featuring Bill Conley, former assistant football coach and recruiter for the Ohio State Buckeyes. Mr. Conley served under Earle Bruce, John Cooper, and Jim Tressel.

Bring your business cards and network with other professionals. Learn tips on how to find a job in today's tough economy.

Schedule

5:30 - Networking

6:00 - Job Search Presentation: Gary Swisher, Director of Career Development, Ohio Dominican University

6:40 - Bill Conley, Former Assistant Coach and Recruiter

7:20 - Questions and Answers

7:30 - Close

Business professional attire is required. Light refreshments will be provided.

To register online by March 30, go to
<http://alumni.ohiodominican.edu/events>.

We hope to see you there!

April 23, 2009

Schmooze or Lose: Job Searching in a Tough Economy, 5:30 pm, Colonial Room.

April 26, 2009

Monsignor Fick Literary Brunch and Memorial Mass, featuring guest speaker Judge Teresa Liston, ret. 12:00 pm, Colonial Room. Tickets are \$20 for adults; \$10 for students.

April 29, 2009

Dominican Life of the Mind Series #3. Catherine of Siena: Emissary of Peace, featuring Sr. Mary O'Driscoll, OP. To register, contact Sr. Catherine Colby at colbyc@ohiodominican.edu.

May 8, 2009

Campus & Community Clean Up, 2:00 pm, meet at Guzman House

May 14, 2009

New Alumni Welcome Reception

May 16, 2009

Spring Commencement

June 27 & 28, 2009

St. Mary of the Springs Reunion, honoring the classes of '34, '39, '44, '49, '54, '59, and '64

July 16, 2009

Alumni Happy Hour, 6:00 pm. Location tba.

July 17 - 19, 2009

ODC Alumni Cluster Reunion Weekend: class years 1997 - 2001.

For more information and to register for all alumni events, go to our **Events** webpage at our [Online Alumni Community](#).

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News

Antoinette Zeier '59 is a docent at the Denver Zoo in Colorado.

Steve Melzer '71 is in intensive care after experiencing a stroke last Monday. His family requests prayers for their brother.

Judge Teresa Dean Ballinger '79 was the keynote speaker of the Beta Nu Pi Formal Induction Ceremony at the Marion Technical College in Marion, OH.



Tom Finnegan '79 has a new great-granddaughter, Isabel Mae, born January 30, 2009. Tom is also glad to say that he will be playing the role of the Senator in a new film

called Repo Chick.

Scott Hinton '97 was promoted to the Executive Director of the Governor's Council on People with disabilities. In his new position, his mission is to connect Ohioans with disabilities to services and advocate for disability issues throughout Ohio.

Lois Price '97 has completed her MBA from the University of Phoenix, Atlanta, GA campus. She is looking for employment opportunities in the Atlanta area.

Mary Fran Cassidy, MA '03 was inducted into the Cambridge *Who's Who Executive, Professional and Entrepreneurial Registry*. Mary Fran has held the position of Director of Religious Education at St. Brigid of Kildare parish for 19 years.

Daniel Spenn '06 is happy to tell his friends and alumni that he is coming home from his second tour in Kuwait in early April. Daniel is a Navy Reservist and works for



New Arrivals

Max Shane Wilkins, born February 7, 2009 to **Shelley Stauffer '01** and Michael Wilkins.

Joseph Schmall, born February 7, 2009 to **Jillian Schmall '08** and **Joseph Schmall '08**.

Samuel Lee Gerardi (pictured below), born June 20, 2008 to **Carla Gerardi '99** and Samuel



Gerardi.

Mary Danielle (Dani) North, born February 13, 2009 to **Jennifer Ey North '99** and Chris North.

Hayley Barbara Herr (pictured below), born March 2, 2009 to **Liza Hines Herr '98** and **Jason Herr '02**. Hayley joins big brother



Gabe.

In Memoriam

Elizabeth Tholen Brown '57, February 7, 2009.

Mary Louise Pearson, June 8, 2007, mother of **Gloria Bent '76**.

Mildred C. Schlueb '54, February 27, 2009, alumni and aunt to **Patricia Schlueb Spiert '77**.

Joe Mazzola, March 5, 2009, husband of **Judy Huebner Mazzola '63**.

George E. Ireson, February 14, 2009, father-in-law of **Betsy Ireson '83**.

Marcia Ann Verhoff, February 12, 2009, aunt of **Sarah Lambert '00**.

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