



## The Ohio State University Alumni Club of Southern Arizona

### A Letter from the Presidents...

As co-presidents for 2011, we are excited and ready to take on the challenge. In May of 2009 we relocated to Tucson from Columbus and are still getting acclimated to the area. Our first game watch with the group was actually October 2009, when we were warmly welcomed by Kathleen and Steve Lally. We knew then we were with a special group of OSU Buckeye fans. From Autumn 2010 through the season we enjoyed the game watches, the club picnic, the Christmas luncheon, and most importantly, meeting all of the great people who make up the Southern Arizona OSU Alumni Club. Now, as your presidents, we look forward to getting to know everyone and working with all of you to enjoy the team spirit and atmosphere we all remember from our years attending The Ohio State University.

Teamwork is essential for any organization to succeed. This club has an excellent group of board members. We will look to their experience to assist in the continued growth of this club in membership and in fun times.

We have always admired Woody Hayes. At Frank's graduation ceremony in 1986, Woody delivered the Commencement Address. Toward the end of his speech, he said "Hard work, tough decisions, teamwork, family values, and paying ahead will help to change this world and make it a better place. And I have no idea

but that you have the attitude and the capacity and the ability here to go on and help make this a greater world." We won't be changing the world as Woody suggested to the group of graduates, but we will engage in teamwork, together make decisions for the group, and support our Alma Mater based on teamsmanship and family values, and "Pay Forward." Our goal is to continue with and build on the foundation of this club, and make welcome all of the alumni and Buckeye Fans out here in Southern Arizona.

Let's have a great 2011. Go Bucks!

Jan & Frank



A Chartered Alumni Club of the Ohio State University Alumni Association, Inc.

*Officers: Co-Presidents Jan Bolin & Frank Ramirez, VP Dee Fife, Treasurer Mark Clark, Secretary Kathi Hanley  
Board Members: Caridel Burrell, Pat Gilbert, Kathleen Lally, Sally Lanyon, Julie Miles, and Brad Rutherford*

## Thank You Past Board Officers!

Special thanks to the past Board officers for their dedicated service to making the Alumni Club the success that it is today. At the January Board Meeting, the Club presented plaques to Tom Messmore, and David Baird, and Kathleen Lally received gifts for service on the Board. In fact, membership has more than doubled in the past 3 years thanks to this Board. Great job everyone!

Congratulations to our new Board for 2011. Although they have big shoes to fill, these new officers are well up to the challenge and excited to continue to take our club to a new level. Frank Ramirez and Jan Bolin will be serving as Co-Presidents, and Dee Fife will serve as Vice-President. Mark Clark will continue as our Treasurer and Kathi Hanley will continue as Secretary. Congratulations! Please find the 2011 Upcoming Events Calendar enclosed.

## Barbara Williams-Teacher of the Year

We are happy to announce that Barbara Williams is our recipient this year of the Teacher of the Year Award. Ms. Williams is a social studies teacher at Buena Vista High School in Sierra Vista, Arizona. The Teacher of the Year Committee, spearheaded by Pat Gilbert, selected Ms. Williams for the \$500 award out of 44 local high schools. Not only does this committee show appreciation for an excellent teacher in our community, but this award also promotes The Ohio State University in the area. We will be honoring Ms. Williams at our annual luncheon at the Old Pueblo Grille, in Tucson, on February 20, 2011 at 11:30 a.m. If you would like to attend, please find enclosed the luncheon form to reserve your spot today.

Thanks to Pat and her group for their hard work on this worthy cause!

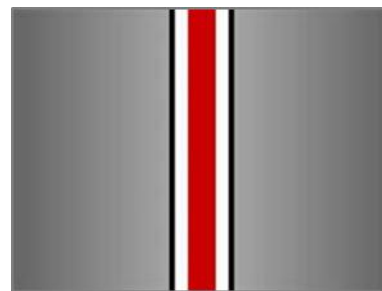
## Staying Connected and Networking

Have you been looking to get more involved? Well, stay tuned for an online survey that will be posted on our Club website and also a LinkedIn profile to appear soon. In the online survey, we would love to hear from you on past events that you have enjoyed, what you would like to see in the future, and how you personally would like to become more involved with this active and vibrant Alumni Club. We look forward to your comments and suggestions!

## Buckeye Pool

Every Newsletter we will have a section for club members to post information regarding services they may provide, in other words, Buckeyes helping Buckeyes. If you would like to post your information, please email Julie, Chair of Communications, at [julieannemiles@gmail.com](mailto:julieannemiles@gmail.com).

- Painting, Roof Coating/Repairs, Swamp Coolers: contact Max Midlam at 520.869.3206



## How Firm Thy Friendship...O-H-I-O

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