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Golf Outing**  
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Central Ohio Alumni Association of Phi Delta Theta

# BUCKEYE PHI

October 2012

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## IN YOUR WORDS

### Phi Delt Provided a Home Away from Home

#### *Nearly 70 Years Later, Roger Hall '48 Fondly Remembers How Ohio Zeta was an Anchor in His Life*

*Thank you to **Roger Hall '48** for sharing the following...*

To go back many years (as I am now 87), I would like to say that our fraternity both enriched my social life on campus and gave me an anchor with a great group of men from various backgrounds and experiences. My interaction with this group of young men broadened my view of social and business experiences from just one city and a small group of hometown boys within that city to a more worldly outlook. My interaction with Phi Delt brothers was valuable both socially and in business all through my life.

When I first came to OSU, I was not in the fraternity. My friends were a small group of men from my hometown. After WWII I joined Phi Delta Theta and never regretted it. The fraternity allowed me to feel like I had a home away from home, friends I could count on, older brothers to mentor me and a great social life which otherwise I would not have had.

Many people have admired our great fraternity pin. My wife wears mine on her charm bracelet.

*Share your best Phi Delt memories on the message board at [www.ohiozeta.com](http://www.ohiozeta.com).*

## ANNUAL FUND

### Winding Down from a Great Giving Year

#### *Give Back: Make the Most of Your Alumni Experience!*

As we ended the 2011-12 giving year on August 31, we are happy to announce that we've had the highest fundraising totals this year - in terms of donors AND dollars - that we've seen in the last three years! Thank you to the donors who helped us to achieve this fundraising success.

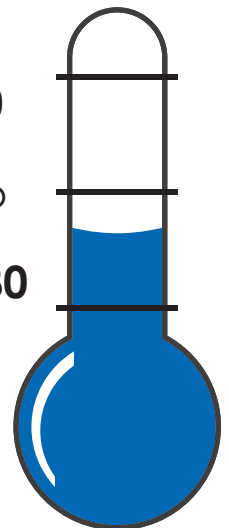
Help us continue this great momentum in 2012-13! Our goal this year is to raise \$13,000, and we've already raised \$7,501.80 as of this publication. Any contributions over and above that goal are directed to alumni events and active chapter activities. Your participation is critical!

Donations from brothers like you directly support our alumni relations program, including managing and updating our database, and publishing and mailing *The Buckeye Phi*. We are grateful to the brothers who have contributed to our alumni program so far this year. Find their names listed to the left. To add your name, make your gift online at [www.ohiozeta.com](http://www.ohiozeta.com).

### 2011-12 Annual Fund

Goal:  
**\$13,000**

Raised to  
date:  
**\$7,501.80**



## '40s

### Calvin Wible '49

(441 Crestwood Ln., Naples FL 34113; eglcal@aol.com) On September 14, I was honored by The Ohio State University Alumni Association, receiving The Ralph Davenport Mershon Award. The award is "presented to Alumni who have demonstrated exceptional leadership and service to The Ohio State University, as symbolized by the exceptional volunteer work of its namesake, who was largely responsible for Alumni Association's beginnings as an organized force for the university."

This was primarily due to my work with BUCK-I-SERV, Ohio State's alternative break program. Students go to one of 31 locations to do volunteer work, giving one week of their break. By the end of this year some 3,000 students will have experienced working at Habitat For Humanity in Florida and the Carolinas, hurricane relief in New Orleans, Soup Kitchens in various cities, etc.

The vision of BUCK-I-SERV is to foster a lifelong commitment of civic engagement and service to others. Typical-post trip comments include: "life changing experience; forever changed how I view society; opened my eyes as to what I want to do in the future; one of the best experiences of my life; it makes me wish I could just do service for the rest of my life."

I have had a good ride through life and am just trying to pay my dues by encouraging students to enjoy their good ride by paying their dues as they go along.

### What's new with you?

Share your news, stories, and photos for our next issue or for publication online!

To make your submissions:

- Upload them to [www.ohiozeta.com](http://www.ohiozeta.com)
- Email them to [alumninews@affinityconnection.com](mailto:alumninews@affinityconnection.com) (mention Phi Delt OSU)
- Mail them to the return address on this newsletter.

## '50s

### Morgan Claggett '53

(P.O. Box 176m, Charlevoix, MI 49720; w.claygate@yahoo.com) Here is an amusing, but true story about how my membership in Ohio Zeta made me a better person. After I graduated I was an artillery officer in the Third Infantry Division and later became President of the Checkerboard Foods Division of Ralston Purina.

During the outbreak of the Korean War I joined a reserve unit and I attended the University of Virginia where first year students had to wait until their sophomore year to join a fraternity. My first year my reserve unit was called up, so I called Dean Ivy Lewis and asked to join their limited ROTC program so I could stay in college. He replied "You and ten thousand other students, must go to a land grant college where ROTC is required."

So I then drove up to Cleveland to join my family and stopped off at Miami University of Ohio where I applied. The Director of Admissions, Harry M. Gerlock Jr., interviewed me (I found out much later he was a scholarship director of Phi Delta Theta).

After going through my papers he said, "you are an honor student and a member of the soccer team, but what's this, you have a letter saying you took too many unexcused absences?" I told him the University of Virginia had a very strict Honor Code where students must not cheat or lie about anything. If you miss three classes you get a warning letter (like mine, since I went up to Princeton for a party weekend), three more and you are on probation and three more and you are dismissed. I said everybody in the school got a letter like mine but I don't think he believed me. He replied "We don't cater to playboys at Miami."

So I then traveled to Columbus in the middle of fraternity rush week. Since there wasn't much time to see a lot of their fraternities I asked their Dean of Admissions who he would recommend. He suggested Beta, Phi Delt and Sigma Chi (the ones founded at Miami University) and arranged meetings.

I attended Phi Delt first when they asked me to postpone my dinner with the Betas later that night to be with them for a fun event. The next morning they came by and asked me to pledge Phi Delta Theta. I said

there are 52 fraternities here and I have only been to one. They replied, didn't you have such a great time here with all the Phi Delt you got to know? They convinced me so I joined.

Several years later when I was President of Ohio Zeta our chapter won the Barrett Herick Scholarship Award given out at Miami University. When I came down to accept the award for our outstanding chapter, Harry M. Gerlock Jr. said to me "You look familiar."

I said "Yes, I'm the playboy from Virginia you turned down." I told him Ohio Zeta turned out to be one of the very best chapters of Phi Delta Theta so I am proud to accept it on their behalf.

As a footnote, the facts are very true. My name at the time was W. Morgan Boyd but when my stepfather died my real father asked me to please take back my born name of William Morgan Claggett, but my college friends all just remember me as "W. Morgan." These name change facts are all verified by the Mayflower Society where I am a director of their colony in southern Florida.

## '60s

### Larry Curtis '66

(15502 Avery Rd., Rockville, MD; lcurtis@curtisassoc.com) I recently attended two High School 50th reunions, in Virginia and Iowa, and am looking forward to an Ohio Zeta Class of 1966 50th in four years.

I am still active in my settlement consulting business. I fly fish for trout as often as possible (especially around Livingston, MT) and try to photograph some exotic location once a year (though sometimes it is my wife's backyard garden that is most exotic). Check out some of my work at [flickr.com/lhcurtis](http://flickr.com/lhcurtis). I am a devoted fan of Tottenham Hotspur in the English Premier League, and the New York Yankees. I split my reading between 20th century literature, sci fi and mysteries. I take dance lessons from a lawyer named Erica Smith. I remember my Ohio State Phi Delt days fondly and would enjoy hearing from anyone who wants to reminisce.

I have two sons, a daughter, a son in law and daughter-in-law plus four super grandkids that I see often. They, along with my beautiful wife Sharon, are the joys of my life.

## ALUMNI UPDATES

### '80s

#### Harry Hackett '80

(5600 Broken Sound Blvd., Boca Raton, FL33487; harry.hackett@oce.com) I work for Canon USA in production printing as a Strategic Account Manager (which means I travel a bunch and take clients out to dinner and golf...a lot like my time at OSU). After 55 years I have finally figured out how to play golf; I'm better now than ever. I've been married for 29 years to Lesley Swan. Our 28-year-old daughter gets married April 6, 2013 in Palm Beach, Fla. (Univ. Arizona grad, scholarship swimmer, works in NYC with JP Morgan Chase). Our 25-year-old son graduates from VT graduate school in Architecture.

#### Dave Henninger '83

(28145 Ambar, Mission Viejo, CA 92692; dhenninger@hooters.com) I am the new Chief Marketing Officer for Hooters...best marketing job in the country.

### '90s

#### Robert Whalen '91

(18 Phelps Ave., Cresskill, NJ 07626;

njwhalen@optimum.net ) I'm Sr. Director of Application Services at Emtec Inc. and my wife Mary is a tax supervisor at BMW NA. We have two children: Michael (17) and Katie (14).

### '00s

#### Steven Gleditsch '04

(8563 Evergreen Trail, Olmsted Falls, OH 44138; sgleditsch@hotmail.com) I work for DHS/TSA as a Transportation Security Inspector for Aviation. Basically, I work with the airports, air carriers, and flight schools to ensure they are compliant with Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations and their various security programs. Additionally, we follow up issues of non-compliance with corrective action ranging from simple counseling to substantial civil penalties. So, all in all it is an interesting gig and no two days are the same!

Currently, I am living the bachelor lifestyle as my former girlfriend and I split up about 6 months ago.. not to put a downer in this story, it's the best thing that has happened to me! I'm leaving to travel around Germany, Austria, and Italy with some friends I met there 14 years ago. Should be an adventure for sure! The highlight of the trip is going to be

Oktoberfest in Munich!

I hope and have faith that Ohio Zeta is in great hands! Hopefully Roemer is still kicking and being... uh... Roemerese! If he is still there you know exactly what I mean! Tell him that the next bottle of potato vodka is on me next time I head that way!

#### Regis Mullen '05

(1512 Lynfield Ave., Moon Township, PA 15108; regismullen@yahoo.com) After going back to school to obtain a Master's degree at Mercyhurst College in 2009, I am currently working in the DC area for a government contractor doing law enforcement and homeland security analysis. Not married and no kids yet, due to my numerous relocations over the years: Pittsburgh, Pa; Charleston, SC; Oakland, Calif.; Erie, Pa.; and Washington DC. It's been a crazy ride. I still play hockey weekly and remember the great times I had at Ohio State on a regular basis.

#### Tim Gorman '06

(timdgorman@hotmail.com) I got married June 9 to Kathryn Dumond. We moved to Charlotte, NC with Chiquita Brands International, the company I am working for now.

## IN YOUR WORDS

### Brothers Share Great Memories and Stories of How PDT is Still Making an Impact Today

#### *How did Phi Delta Theta make you the man you are today?*

"Helped me with my social networking, and gave me long-lasting friendships."

- Regis Mullen '05

*"The strength I found from the brotherhood that made up Ohio Zeta helped me be the leader I am today."*

- Robert Whalen '91

#### *How Has Phi Delta Theta helped you in your career?*

"Being Greek and being in Phi Delta gives you a big advantage in the busi-

ness world. There are many business owners and professionals I have been able to meet just because of PDT."

- Michael Bochnovich '06

#### *Share a great nickname from your era and the story behind it.*

"Long before Madonna talked about Rita Hayworth, who "gave good face", in her Vogue song/video, we would go down and cruise campus or 15th and get a little "face" or "facetime". This meant getting our face in front of the beautiful women of Ohio State. You could get "face" at the Varsity Club, Char Bar, the Castle, Oar House...almost anywhere near campus...maybe even in the classroom...lol.

- Rick "Facetime" Moody '78

*"I was the president of Ohio Zeta from 1969-1970. During a chapter meeting in which some of the brothers wanted to adopt a Tasmanian Devil as a mascot, I suggested it would not be "feasible." I was known as Feasible Phipps thereafter. We never ended up getting the mascot."*

- James Phipps '72

## ON THE WEB

### Email Crisis: We're Missing Email Addresses for 61% of Our Alumni Brothers

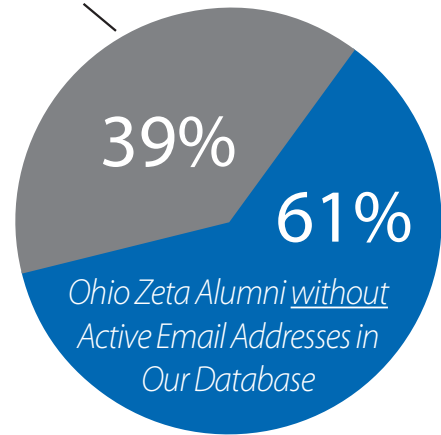
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We currently have active email addresses for just 39% of our living alumni. If your email address is one of the 61% missing from our database, please be sure to update it today.

Thanks for helping us to stay connected with you more frequently and cost effectively!

Total living alumni: 1,706

Ohio Zeta with Active Email Addresses in Our Database



## OHIO ZETA EVENTS

### 2012 Phi Delt Golf Outing Held in Honor of Fallen Brother Nick Rozanski '98 National Guardsman was Killed in Afghanistan Earlier this Year

By Tim Gorman '06

On July 14th, active and alumni members of Ohio Zeta came from near and far to participate in the 21st Annual Phi Delt Golf Outing. The outing this year was held in honor of **Nick Rozanski '98**, an Ohio Zeta alum and National Guardsman who was killed in Afghanistan earlier this year.

The event was a traditional scramble held at the Golf Club of Dublin and was a great success. Over 40 brothers fought

through the warm weather to play a round of golf in the late afternoon. After all the scores were tallied, the winning team of **Matt Stephens '91**, **Tom Erbeck '91** and **Dave "Footer" Rywalski '92** shot an amazing round of 56 to take home the title. Congratulations to the winning team and thanks to all those who came out to play this year!

The next outing will be on a Saturday in late July 2013 as the date is being

worked out with the Golf Club of Dublin. We look forward to more people joining next year as we continue to build the golf outing with more active and alumni Phis.

*In this Issue...  
- A Brother Recalls His Phi Delt Experience...70 Years Later!  
- Find Out Which "Playboy" Led the Chapter to Success  
- One Alum Has a Dream Marketing Job (Hint: Hoooters are Involved)*

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