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PLANS FOR 2009 BETA ANNUAL ROUNDUP: SPEAKER, PLACE, DATE AND 2009 FRATERNAL FIFTIES ANNOUNCED

The 2009 Beta Theta Pi Annual Roundup will be held on Thursday night, May 14, 2009, at Scioto Country Club with the guest speaker being Dr. Joseph A. Alutto, past Dean of the Fisher School of Business and interim OSU President prior to the arrival of President E. Gordon Gee and now current Executive Vice President and Provost of The Ohio State University. Scholarship awards to the undergrads will be announced. There are 25 eligible 2009 Fraternal Fifties to be recognized from Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, Massachusetts, Florida, Iowa, Illinois, North Carolina, California, Colorado and Texas. Reservation dinner is \$40.00 per person and can be made with **Steve Cover '74**, 282 North Ardmore Road, Bexley, Ohio 43209. Checks are to be payable to Beta Theta Pi Alumni Association. There will be filet mignon and the popular hot chocolate truffle cake with ice cream and raspberries. See listing of Fraternal Fifties on this page.

JOSEPH A. ALUTTO, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT AND PROVOST OF THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, TO BE ROUND UP SPEAKER AT MAY 14, 2009 EVENT

Joseph A. Alutto was appointed executive vice president and provost of The Ohio State University on October 11, 2007. He had been named to that post in an interim capacity on July 1, 2007.

Also on July 1, 2007, he became interim president of the university. Dr. Alutto served as the institution's chief executive officer until September 30, 2007.

Prior to these appointments, he was dean of the Max M. Fisher College of Business, The Ohio State University, for 16 years. He was named the John W. Berry Sr. Chair in Business, on September 1, 1999. Immediately prior to his appointment as dean, Dr. Alutto was the Clarence S. Marsh Professor of Management at the State University of New York at Buffalo, focusing his research on Sino-U.S. joint ventures and the relationships between improvement processes and corporate performance. He also served as dean of the SUNY-Buffalo School of Management from 1976 to 1990. Dr. Alutto received his bachelor's degree in business administration from Manhattan College, a master's degree in industrial relations from the University of Illinois, and a Ph.D. in organizational behavior from Cornell University.

Effective July 1, 1998, Dr. Alutto was named executive dean for the professional colleges at The Ohio State University. While continuing to serve as dean of the Fisher College, as executive dean, Dr. Alutto coordinated the activities of the Colleges of Engineering; Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences; Education and Human Ecology; Law, and Social Work and represented the interests of those colleges in university-wide decision-making bodies.

In addition to Dr. Alutto's experience as an administrator, he is a leading authority in managerial behavior, having coauthored a book on research methods in organizational research and more than 65 articles in academic journals such as *Administrative Science Quarterly*, *Academy of Management Journal*, *Journal of Applied Psychology* and *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*. He has lectured widely in China on management issues and was part of the U.S. Department of Commerce and People's Republic of China State

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MAY 2009 ELIGIBLE FRATERNAL FIFTIES

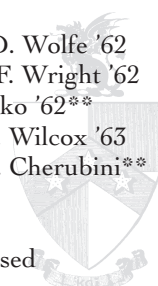
Arthur M. Hoff '60
Barth D. Yost '60
William M. Cobb '61
Thomas E. Couch '61**
Jerry K. Howard '61
William A. Axline '62
Michael D. Bach '62**
Dr. Harold D. Brown Jr. '62

John K. Brugeman '62
Alan M. Forrester '62
Ruskin B. Lawyer Jr. '62
Jerry R. Lucas '62
Robert E. Mathews Jr. '62
Ronald H. McHam '62
Landon E. McManis '62
Thomas A. Melvin '62

Charles C. Nicolette '62
Theodore J. Ongaro '62
William B. Patrick '62
Dr. Earl D. Poffenberger '62
George V. Sherer '62
James F. Streicher '62
David R. Timberlake '62
Dennis M. Williams '62

Arthur D. Wolfe '62
Charles F. Wright '62
J. R. Zitko '62**
Philip R. Wilcox '63
Dante J. Cherubini**

**Deceased



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Jim Ebright '50

(2149 Boundary Dr., Santa Barbara, CA 93108-2262; jimebie1@mac.com) I am sorry to report the announcement of **James A. Rudy** on 7, 2009. Jim and his twin brother **Jack**, who predeceased him, both were Theta Delta brothers graduating in 1953.

Jim came to Santa Barbara many years ago with Heyer-Schulte Corp., loved sailing and was a commodore of the Santa Barbara Yacht Club. He is survived by his wife Joyce, two daughters and several grandchildren.

Mike Bastine '78 reports a new address: 10382 New Haven St., Ventura, CA 93004. You can also email him at meltb2@msn.com.

Tom Jordan '81

(3131 Custer Dr., Ste. 6, Lexington, KY 40517-4006; tom@lexingtonrelocation.com) Wish the best for Brother **Tom Wittich '81** as he recovers from his recent health problems. Our prayers and thoughts go out to him. Tom Wittich can be reached at P.O. Box 3146, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266-1146 or tomwittich@msn.com.

Mike Matthews '82

(17224 N.E. 129th Street, Redmond, WA 98052-1321)

I recently re-connected with several brothers at the OSU-Michigan game. Having lived in Seattle for the last 20 years, I have not had many opportunities to stay connected. The football game was great and it was a terrific opportunity to tailgate and see old friends. The hosts of the tailgate (**Mike Riley**, **Tony Iacovetta** and **Brent Hatch**) were the best hosts. They welcomed us to join them just as though we saw them last week. It really was nice knowing this fraternal connection had spanned the test of time. We saw the above mentioned brothers as well as **Dave Klein**, **Chuck Greene**, **Mark Jackson** and many others.

Nick Verdea '85

(4717 River Chase Ct., Edmond, OK 73025-2199; nverdea@yahoo.com) After having a LAD stent placement in June 2007, I got into running and have recently completed my 6th marathon in the past 18 months: Columbus, Boston, Tulsa, Dallas, Phoenix and Little Rock. Number seven is coming up in my hometown of OKC in April. We just dodged a tornado that hit our suburb of Emond, just north of Oklahoma City, this past February. I am currently the Director of Aviation and managing a flight department for The Midland Group in OKC and loving life with my wife of 21 years (a Theta Delta Beta brother's sister) and

our four children. If you are ever in the OKC area, look me up.

Brian Cook '96

(2236 Branch Creek Dr., Mount Pleasant, SC 29466; bcookx@yahoo.com) This is one of my favorites pictures from living in the Beta house. We had raided the thrift stores in preparation for a '70s themed party, and everyone was trying to outdo one other for the wildest '70s digs. **Jason Clancy '96** pulled the biggest shocker of the night. He came marching down the hallway in '70s attire...but dressed in drag. It couldn't be topped.



*Pictured are **Brent LaCount '97**, **John Begley '97**, **Brian Cook '96**, **Jason Clancy '96**, **Darren Mock '96** and **Todd Camp**.*

2009 ANNUAL BETA ROUNDUP SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5:30 PM	Cash Bar Opens
6:00 PM	Guest Speaker
	<i>Note: Everyone to be seated</i>
7:00 PM	Bar Re-Opens
7:15 PM	Everyone to be seated for dinner and program.
	<i>Note: Dr. Alutto will not have dinner with us.</i>

Cost: \$40.00

Advance Reservations are required.
Mail enclosed reservation form and check to Steve Cover.
Coat and tie required.

BETA MEMORY AND OUR MYSTIC SHRINE

William "Bill" Hoyer '37 (1/3/09)
Richard Burrill '38 (4/25/08)
Dr. Arthur D. Lynn Jr. '41 (3/6/07)
William L. Wagner '45 (6/12/08)
C. Dean Browne '47
Stuart Watterson Jr. '50 (2/1/08)
Thomas Greene '52
David Bosley '53
H. Richard Wood '56 (12/11/06)
Richard W. "Dick" Roth '60 (12/23/07)
John L. "Larry" Niermeyer '61 (1/3/09)
Joseph F. Keeler Jr. '63 (3/26/05)

OSU FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

2009

Sept. 5, 2009	Navy	Oct. 17, 2009	at Purdue
Sept. 12, 2009	USC	Oct. 24, 2009	Minnesota
Sept. 19, 2009	Toledo (at Cleveland)	Oct. 31, 2009	New Mexico State
Sept. 26, 2009	Illinois	Nov. 7, 2009	at Penn State
Oct. 3, 2009	at Indiana	Nov. 14, 2009	Iowa
Oct. 10, 2009	Wisconsin	Nov. 21, 2009	at Michigan

2010

Sept. 4, 2010	Marshall	Oct. 16, 2010	at Wisconsin
Sept. 11, 2010	Miami, Florida	Oct. 23, 2010	Purdue
Sept. 18, 2010	Ohio U.	Oct. 30, 2010	at Minnesota
Sept. 25, 2010	Eastern Michigan	Nov. 13, 2010	Penn State
Oct. 2, 2010	at Illinois	Nov. 20, 2010	at Iowa
Oct. 9, 2010	Indiana	Nov. 27, 2010	Michigan

2011

Sept. 3, 2011	Akron	Oct. 22, 2011	Minnesota
Sept. 10, 2011	Toledo	Oct. 29, 2011	at Indiana
Sept. 17, 2011	at Miami, Florida	Nov. 5, 2011	Northwestern
Oct. 1, 2011	Michigan State	Nov. 12, 2011	at Purdue
Oct. 8, 2011	at Penn State	Nov. 19, 2011	Iowa
Oct. 15, 2011	TBA	Nov. 26, 2011	at Michigan

2012

Sept. 1, 2012	Miami, Ohio	Oct. 20, 2012	at Minnesota
Sept. 8, 2012	Cincinnati	Oct. 27, 2012	Indiana
Sept. 15, 2012	California	Nov. 3, 2012	at Northwestern
Sept. 22, 2012	UAB	Nov. 10, 2012	Purdue
Sept. 29, 2012	at Michigan State	Nov. 17, 2012	at Iowa
Oct. 6, 2012	Penn State	Nov. 24, 2012	Michigan

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY CLASS SCHEDULE

Winter Quarter 2009:

Classes Begin	January 6, 2009
Classes End	March 13, 2009
Finals	March 16-19, 2009
Graduation	March 22, 2009

Fall Quarter 2009:

Classes Begin	September 28, 2009
Classes End	September 4, 2009
Finals	December 7-10, 2009
Graduation	December 13, 2009

JOSEPH A. ALUTTO TO BE SPEAKER

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Economic Commission's National Center for Science and Technology Management Development. He pioneered the first Sino-U.S. jointly funded MBA program offered in the People's Republic of China in 1984. He has been a visible and active advocate for advanced management education and research in China.

Dr. Alutto has served as a consultant to banks, manufacturing firms, aerospace companies, health care agencies and educational institutions. He serves on a number of corporate boards, including Nationwide Financial Services, Inc.; M/I Homes; Experience Columbus (formerly the Greater Columbus Convention and Visitors Bureau); and the Columbus-Franklin County Finance Port Authority, serves on the national arbitrator lists of the American Arbitration Association and the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Services; and has served in leadership capacities for a wide variety of voluntary organizations.

UNDERGRADUATE CHAPTER'S FALL QUARTER 2008 GPA

Chapter	GPA
Phi Gamma Delta	3.44
Delta Tau Delta	3.29
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	3.29
Phi Kappa Psi	3.20
Sigma Alpha Mu	3.15
Tau Kappa Epsilon	3.10
Kappa Sigma	3.10
Beta Theta Pi	3.09
Phi Delta Theta	3.09
Delta Chi	3.06
Chi Phi	3.02
Sigma Chi	3.02
Zeta Beta Tau	2.93
Delta Upsilon	2.70

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ALUMNI HOUSE BOARD FOR 2008-09

President

Brent Hatch '79 (Below)



Finances

Todd Arend '90

Finances

Todd Price '87

House Manager

Dan Ketcham '77

ALUMNI BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR 2008-09

President

Brian M. Garvine '92 (Below)



Vice President

Chip Lawson '81

Secretary

Andy Walborn '06

Treasurer

Robert M. Morrow '79

Alumni Affairs, *Dragon* Editor,
2007 Membership Editor, Monthly
Luncheons Chairman

Robert G. Arend '52

Social Chairman, Roundup
Chairman

Gary S. Cover '74

Member at Large

Jared Friesner '02

Brian Testerman '05

2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

BETA ALUMNI MONTHLY LUNCHEONS

All luncheons will be held on the second Thursday of each month at the OSU Golf Club, Upper Arlington, Ohio, at 12:00 noon. RSVPs are greatly appreciated.

February 12, 2009

May 14, 2009

March 12, 2009

June 11, 2009

April 9, 2009

July 9, 2009

RSVP to **Bob Arend '52** at 614-442-1177 x101 (office) or 614-442-1277 (home) or fax to 614-442-1204 (office.).

ANNUAL BETA ROUNDUP, THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2009

The Annual Roundup will be at Scioto Country Club. Speaker to be Dr. Joseph A. Alutto, Executive Vice President and Provost of The Ohio State University and Dean of the Fisher School of Business, and Interim President of the University July 1, 2007, until September 30, 2007, when Dr. Gee arrived.

COLUMBUS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2009

The Columbus Annual Christmas Party will be late afternoon in the Downtown Area District at Gordon Birsch.

UNIVERSITY HOMECOMING

s of press time, the University Homecoming Football Game has not been announced.

BETA THETA PI HOMECOMING CELEBRATION HOMECOMING

The Homecoming Party will be held at the Varsity Club (on campus, like last year), date to be announced by postcard. Wives and undergrads are invited. We will be watching an OSU away game on TV. The Alumni Board of Trustees will provide complimentary beer and pizza.

SUPPORT THE 2008-2009 ANNUAL FUND!

Get your name on this year's Honor Roll; make your annual donation today! You can do so by calling our toll-free hotline at 800-975-6699 or mailing payment to OSU Beta Theta Pi Fraternity, Alumni Relations Processing Center, PO Box 7007, Albert Lea MN 56007-8007.

Our annual membership dues cover September 1 through August 31. Your contribution assists with the costs of printing and mailing this newsletter to 1,450 brothers twice a year, the annual spring roundup (including paying for undergraduate participation), scholarships, seminar attendance for the undergraduate chapter, our alumni services with Affinity Connection and other alumni activities during the year.