Summer Camps and Programs at OSU

By Nancy Wardwell

The American camp movement began in the early 1900s in response to urbanization. “Fresh Air” camps were developed in eastern cities, and soon followed many private camps and camps built by Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, the Y, and other youth development organizations. Some of those camps continue to operate, but the notion of a place in the woods with hikes and campfires has changed.

Ohio State alone offers hundreds of summer opportunities for youth. Some are day camps - and others are “sleep away” programs.

Probably the oldest camps are the OSU Extension 4-H camps sponsored by the College of Food, Agriculture, and Environmental Science. They are in all 88 Ohio counties and last year served more than 12,000 youth in overnight camps, and almost 500 participated in day camps.

The Office of Student Life - Recreational Sports for children K-8th grade, operates Camp Recky. They offer varied programs like Kids in the Kitchen, Rock Climbing and sports such as swimming and volleyball.

The Buckeye Sports Camps offer a giant program representing 21 varsity sports. There are 140 camps serving 140,000 youth in day camps and residential camps.

OSU Academic departments offer a rich variety of interesting summer experiences. The magnitude and variety is just too great for this page!

There is a Turf Grass Camp and Vet Camp. Medicine offers a MD Camp, one in Neuroscience and another in Nursing. Fisher Business College has summer experiences for young people.

Engineering has opportunities to experience the fundamentals of engineering, Data Science for Women, Translational Data Analysis and STEM Camp that explore science and engineering. Camp CAR explores things automotive, and there is Summer Engineering for Girls.

The College of Arts and Sciences offers many intriguing topics. It has offered the Ross Mathematics Program since 1964. It is an intensive program in the art of mathematical thinking. For 30 years the Music School has had summer music programs for middle and high schoolers including a Jazz Camp, and lately a popular camp has been in Digital Animation.

The Ohio State Philosophy and Critical Thinking (PACT) Summer Camp is a perfect introduction to the exciting world of philosophical thought. This weeklong summer learning program for high school students is organized and led by the Department of Philosophy. It's designed to introduce students to philosophy through learning experiences that are rigorous, engaging, and fun including: a poster project, debates, and other experiences including guest lectures by several OSU philosophers.

What a treasure trove for the young people of Ohio – and you know, this is not the exhaustive list of summer opportunities provided by branches of The Ohio State University.

We can only hope that these fabulous opportunities do not exclude places in the woods with hikes and campfires!
Student Food Insecurity at the Ohio State University

It is estimated that 15%, or 7,000 OSU students are struggling with hunger, often unsure about their next meal. On a frequent basis, these students are not able to afford enough food to adequately feed themselves. This leaves them in the precarious situation of having to choose between buying food or staying in school. With limited or uncertain access to adequate food, students may also experience decreased academic performance and negative health issues. OSU is not alone, as the report by the United States Government Accountability Office in December 2018 on Food Insecurity found similar disturbing trends at most college campuses. This report indicated low income is the most common risk factor for food insecurity among college students. Among low-income students, most have one additional risk factor associated with food insecurity, such as being a first-generation student or from a single-parent family. Many of these students do not qualify for Federal and State food assistance programs due to their student status.

What can OSURA members do to help combat student food insecurity? What can we do to raise awareness about the important issue of student food insecurity and the stigma behind it? Many of OSURA members have been donating nonperishable food items at OSURA events, which go to support the Buckeye Food Alliance (BFA) food pantry at OSU. We can do more! After many meetings with various groups and students on campus on how OSURA members could best help combat student food insecurity, the OSURA Board has just set up an Endowment specifically to “help combat student food insecurity.” Once funded, the proceeds from this endowment will provide a stable source of funding to the BFA to provide more resources to the growing numbers of students experiencing food insecurity.

BFA is a volunteer student-run organization with oversight by an alumni board and the Office of Student Services. It opened its doors in 2016 with the goal of fighting food insecurity among OSU students. BFA is currently located in the basement of Lincoln Tower in space provided by OSU Office of Student Services. BFA depends totally upon financial and food donations to provide healthy, nutritious food, personal hygiene products and confidential referrals to OSU students at no cost. BFA believes that no member of the student community should have to go hungry or sacrifice a healthy diet because they cannot afford food. Because of high demand, BFA is planning to expand and open a second location closer to where most off-campus students live. You can view their web site at www.buckeyefoodalliance.org for further information.

As part of Ohio State’s Sesquicentennial celebration, the OSURA Board wanted to make a lasting gift back to the OSU community. The Board is 100% committed to seeing this endowment reach its initial funding goal of $100,000. This is achievable if each of the 1,500 members donates $75. Once we reach the $100,000 level, the earnings will provide approximately $4,500 every year to the BFA to help combat student food insecurity. We are asking OSURA members to help us reach this goal by considering donating $75 to the Fund #316596; this can be done by calling The Ohio State University Foundation at 614-292-2141. Together, in OSU’s 150th year, we can give back to the OSU community in a tangible and meaningful way by helping combat student food insecurity today.

Steven D’Ambrosio
President of OSURA
Residences are reserving fast. Don’t miss your chance.

It’s the beauty of a spacious residence with nine-foot ceilings and expansive windows. It’s the beauty of a lush green campus behind a gated entry. But the real beauty of living at The Fairfax is having the time to enjoy and appreciate all that you’ve earned in life.

When it opens in 2021, The Fairfax at First Community Village will offer 70 contemporary, spacious apartment homes in the English Country Manor style along with the security of lifelong healthcare. And the best time to secure your place in the next generation of retirement living is right now.
**Committee Meetings**

**June 4 (Tuesday)**  
Benefits Committee  
**Time/Place:** 9:15 a.m., Longaberger

**June 10 (Monday)**  
Board Meeting  
**Time/Place:** 10 a.m., (prior to Member Lunch & Meeting), Longaberger

**June 26 (Wednesday)**  
Membership Committee  
**Time/Place:** 10 a.m., Longaberger

**Monthly Activities**

**June 18 (Tuesday)**  
Craft Group  
**Time/Place:** 2-4 p.m., Panera Bread (Community Room) 4519 N. High Street  
**Arranger:** Mary Cull (Craft Group SIG)

**June 20 (Thursday)**  
Litter Picking Team  
**Challenge Level 3**  
**Time/Place:** 8:30 a.m. in the lobby of the Longaberger Alumni House, 2200 Olentangy River Road. Parking is free. (In the event of inclement weather, this group will not meet)  
**Arranger:** Mary Cull (Litter Pickers SIG)

**June 25 (Tuesday)**  
Tertulia Breakfast  
**Time/Place:** 8 a.m., OSU Faculty Club  
**Cost:** On your own  
**Arranger:** Jerry Dare (Tertulia Breakfast SIG)

**June 26 (Wednesday)**  
Bridge Group  
Please join us. We welcome new members. There is no membership fee and it costs only 25 cents for prizes the day you play. Come enjoy the fellowship, and have fun playing a good game of bridge at the same time.  
**Time/Place:** 1 p.m., Friendship Village of Dublin, North CR  
**Arranger:** Steve Miller (Bridge Group SIG)

**June, July**  
Lunch Bunch  
No event this month. Join us August 15th for a program on the BalletMet's 42nd season.  
**Contact Person:** Elenore R. Zeller (Social Committee)

**June, July, August**  
Book Club  
While the OSURA Book Club is on summer hiatus until September 18th, why not start reading our first book in the new reading year? Leadership: In Turbulent Times by Doris Kearns Goodwin explores the leadership shown by four presidents during stressful times for our nation.  
**Arranger:** Lee Hill (Book Club SIG)

**June, July, August**  
Walking/Hiking Group  
No planned group walk until September. So get out there and explore other places on your own. Stroll the beach, woods, and trails of summer...but don’t forget the sunscreen.  
**Arranger:** Hallan Noltimier (Walking/Hiking SIG)

**June, July, August**  
Dinner Series  
No event until the fall. Look for future announcements.

**Special Events**

**June 10 (Monday)**  
OSURA Member Appreciation Lunch & Annual Meeting  
**Meet by:** 11:15 a.m., Longaberger  
**Return:** 1 p.m.  
**Contact Person:** Elenore R. Zeller (Social Committee)

**June 12 (Wednesday)**  
The Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral Tour  
**Challenge Level 2**  
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**  
Tour the Greek Orthodox Cathedral and learn about the history of the building.  
www.greekcathedral.com  
**Meet by:** 1:15 p.m., Greek Cathedral, 555 N. High St., Columbus  
**Return:** 2:30 p.m.  
**Cost:** No cost  
**Registration:** Beginning May 1, register at OSURA.CulturalArts.Travel@gmail.com - deadline June 5  
**Arranger:** Margaret Hickle-Grimm (Cultural Arts Committee)

**June 16 (Sunday)**  
“My Name is Alice”  
Columbus Civic Theater  
**Challenge Level 1**  
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**  
This landmark musical is performed with a piano and five talented women. It won the Outer Circle Critics Award in 1983 and spawned two sequels. “You’re likely to emerge from this play feeling a real lift!” (Frank Rich NYT) Register at OSURA.CulturalArts.Travel@gmail.com.  
**Time/Place:** 2 p.m. Civic Theater, 3837 Indianola Avenue (get tickets by 1:45 p.m.)  
**Cost:** $15  
**Registration Deadline:** June 9  
**Arranger:** Marilyn Blackwell (Cultural Arts Committee)
**Registration Instructions**

1. **Registrations requiring payment:** Registrations can be made by going on-line to osura.osu.edu or by calling 614-292-2281 or 1-800-762-5646. You can pay by credit card (preferred), or if you mail in a check make it payable to OSUAA. Put the name of the trip in the Note/Memo section of the check and send or drop off to:
   
   Customer Service  
   c/o OSURA  
   Longaberger Alumni House  
   2200 Olentangy River Road  
   Columbus, OH 43210

2. **Registrations NOT requiring payment:** Registrations will be made through the Arranger’s email provided in the description of the event, or if you do not have computer access call 614-292-2281.

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**June 25 (Tuesday)**

**A Walk Thru History in Newcomerstown, OH – Home of Woody Hayes**

Newcomerstown and Raven's Glenn Winery

**Challenge Level 2**

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

A walk thru history! Visit an original Temperance Tavern, Ohio Canal and Stage Stop Museum. We’ll have lunch on Main Street, talk with Woody Hayes, and tour Raven’s Glenn Winery. $5 for wine tasting on our own.

**Meet by:** 7:30 a.m., Lakefront Bus Terminal (3152 E. 17th Avenue)

**Return:** approximately 5:30 p.m.

**Cost:** $58; cost includes motor coach transportation, museums, lunch, winery tour, snacks, tips.

**Registration/Refund Deadline:** Register at osura.osu.edu or call 614-292-2281 by June 18.

**Arrangers:** Jessica Pritchard and Cindy Giles (Travel Committees)

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**July 16 (Tuesday)**

**Tecumseh**

Chillicothe

**Challenge Level 1**

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Experience America’s Greatest Historical Outdoor Drama. We will start with a VIP backstage tour, enjoy a buffet dinner and then witness the epic life story of the legendary leader of the Shawnee Indians, TECUMSEH.

**Meet by:** 3:30 p.m., Lakefront Bus Terminal (3152 E. 17th Avenue)

**Return:** approximately 11:30 p.m.

**Cost:** $79; cost includes backstage tour, buffet dinner, drama, motor coach transportation, snacks, tips

**Registration/Refund Deadline:** Register at osura.osu.edu or call 614-292-2281 by July 8.

**Arrangers:** Jessica Pritchard and Norma Harper (Travel Committees)

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**September 18 (Wednesday)**

**Roscoe Village Tour**

Coshocton

**Challenge Level 2**

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Go back in time to a little village. We will take a canal tour, tour the town, and enjoy lunch.

**Meet by:** 8 a.m., Lakefront Bus Terminal (3152 E. 17th Avenue)

**Return:** approximately 5 p.m.

**Cost:** $69; cost includes lunch, guided tours, motor coach transportation, snacks, tips

**Registration/Refund Deadline:** Register at osura.osu.edu or call 614-292-2281 by September 11.

**Arrangers:** Deb Zang and Jessica Pritchard (Travel Committee)

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**In Memoriam**

- **David H. Ayers**
  - April 17 | Theatre, 95
- **Edwin “Ed” S. Brubaker**
  - April 8 | OSU Extension, 85
- **Edward Clime Fladt**
  - May 6 | OSU Extension, 89
- **M. Ronald Glaser**
  - April 3 | College of Medicine, 80
- **Llewellya Hillis**
  - March 23 | Evol, Ecology, & Org Biology, 89
- **John David Lee**
  - April 13 | Aeronautical Engineering, 94
- **Thomas Mallory**
  - May 11 | College of Medicine, 80
- **William R. Schnug**
  - April 27 | OSU Extension, 93
- **Felicisma “Ping” C. Serafica**
  - April 27 | Psychology, 87
- **R. Annetta Shuster**
  - April 6 | OSU Marion, 71
- **Peter W. Spike**
  - April 17 | Animal Science, 78
- **Sarah Louise Terry**
  - April 8 | Disability Services, 60
- **Linda C. Williams**
  - April 16 | 59
MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT:
Rose Hart

Do you know someone who struggles with learning math? Talk to Rose Hart. She earned a Ph.D. in Math Education and taught students in middle school and in college for 30 years. Even after retirement, she still tutors in the subject. Born in Poland, Rose learned Russian and Polish languages and took a special liking to math. Her parents survived World War II in Russia and Poland, but German invaders killed many of the extended family, including grandparents and aunts. The family of five immigrated to the United States in 1963. Her father found work at Toledo Scale but had an accident at work that hospitalized him for six months. To help the family financially, Rose took a job as a receptionist at the Columbus Jewish Center, after her classes at Bexley High School. She was 16.

In the 1970s Ms. Hart enrolled at OSU as an education major, with a minor in mathematics. Her language skills in Polish and Russian enabled her to earn extra money as a Work-Study student in the Slavic Department. Upon graduation, she taught in a middle school for two years and loved the experience. However, in 1982 she was laid off. She returned to OSU, as a graduate student in the MA program in Mathematics. Her advisor, Prof. Jim Leitzel, allowed her to teach two lectures so she could support her two children from a first marriage.

After earning the MA in Mathematics in 1982, she taught math at OSU-Newark for two years. In 1984, OSU-Newark opened the Mathematics Center and Rose became coordinator, a position she held until her retirement. Rose taught one math class each quarter and gave workshops in math to in-coming students and to anyone who needed help. Meanwhile, she continued her studies in Mathematics Education, and earned a Ph.D. in 1999. Her husband David, whom she married in 1991, provided much encouragement and support.

For Rose and David, traveling is one pleasure of retirement. Often, they travel to Michigan and to Pennsylvania to visit family. Other destinations included Alaska, where they saw Aurora Borealis, and to Cuba, with OSU Alumni. That trip enabled them to make new friends in Ohio, with whom they get together regularly.

Another pleasure is the activities of OSURA. Rose and David have attended lunch bunch, the dinner series, senior rehearsal ballets, the fall conference and the tour of OSU’s Center for Automotive Research. Rose joined the OSURA Book Club, takes part in the Crafts Group, and is a member of the Friendship Committee. She is happy to write the get-well cards “...because I believe in the power of real mail and I love the post office.”

At other times, Rose stays busy. She volunteers for the Mid-Ohio Workers Association, which is near campus; interviews people in Minerva Park for a local newspaper; takes classes in yoga and Zumba; and has recently taken up pickle ball.

No one knows what the future will bring but Rose hopes: “When my husband and I finally downsize, I wish to live in a small place that is within walking distance to three vital places: the library, the post office, and a grocery story. I will be happy.”
Breakout Sessions

- **Advanced Computing Center for the Arts and Design (ACCAD):** Janet Parrott, Director (ACCAD), will share how OSU students and faculty have built upon Professor Csuri’s early work in the 1960s in computer animated artworks to what is now envisioned and underway.

- **Fearless Falling and Reducing Injuries:** Mike Grigsby, retired OSU Biomedical Design Engineer, will demonstrate ways to protect yourself with safe falling techniques.

- **Dark Energy and the Accelerating Universe:** Barbara Ryden, Professor in Astronomy, will discuss the speeding up of the expansion of the universe and the hunt to find the properties of the still mysterious “dark energy” that is accelerating the expansion.

- **Downsize and Organize into the Next Chapter:** Julie Riber and Ellen Limes, both Certified Professional Organizers, will take you through the difficult process of downsizing and organizing by sharing tips and experiences.

- **History and Influence of the Oval and Mirror Lake Hollow:** Tamar Chute, Head of Archives and University Archivist, and Stephen Volkmann, RLA, ASLA, University Landscape Architect, will discuss the physical and cultural significance of Mirror Lake Hollow and the Oval from the earliest years of the University to the present.

- **The Importance of Stretching and Flexibility as We Age:** Spencer Fee, MA, ACSM-EP, will share the factors affecting flexibility, the benefits of stretching, and evidence-based recommendations for a flexibility exercise program. This interactive session will also involve practicing a flexibility assessment and several useful stretches.

- **The Horror of 9-11 and the Kindness of Strangers:** Shirley Brooks-Jones, OSU Emerita and OSURA member, will share her experience on that fateful day and the residents who cared for her and so many others. Her story is one portrayed in the Broadway musical “Come From Away.”

- **When OPERS or STRS Retirement Do Not Pay the Bills:** Carol A. Ventresca, Ph.D., Executive Director, Employment For Seniors, Inc.; and Marilyn Bury Rice, Director, OSU Lhota Office of Alumni Career Management, will assist you in becoming the best candidate possible by utilizing tips on resumes, transferable skills, interviewing, networking, and using social media if you are wanting back in the workforce.

- **“Time and Change Will Surely Show...”**: Director Robert Ward and the Men’s Glee Club will celebrate in song that Ohio State is now 150 years old and the Glee Club is 144. Join in for a pictorial and musical tour of how The Ohio State University and the Men’s Glee Club have interfaced over the past 100+ years—and for a wonderful celebration of “How firm thy friendship.”

- **Restorative Yoga – Relax and Refresh:** Beth Steinberg, MS, RN and Registered Yoga Teacher, will present you with a gentle, relaxing series of movements and positioning that is accessible to anyone, most anywhere.

- **Getting Older Is Not For Sissies:** I. David Cohen, author of 1000 Years of Memories, will trace the remarkable life stories of individuals who have reached the age of 100 or beyond. You may even learn the secrets to a long and healthy life span.

- **Senior Options: In-Home Services and Community Resources:** Janet Caldwell, Communications Manager for the Franklin County Office on Aging, will provide information on her agency’s diverse in-home services and links to community resources through the Franklin County Senior Options.

Optional Tours

- **Chadwick Arboretum:** Enjoy a (mostly) bus tour of the beautiful 60+ acre Chadwick Arboretum featuring stops including the green rooftop garden.

- **Center for Automotive Research:** If you missed the tour this winter, this is your chance to visit the amazing Center, which is “the preeminent research center in sustainable and safe mobility in the United States. The Center is also an interdisciplinary research center in the College of Engineering. This tour will be limited to 35 participants and is a walking tour.

- **Campus Tour:** This will be a narrated campus bus tour. See many of the exciting changes throughout campus as well as revisiting some traditional sites including the improvements to areas such as Mirror Lake. Good for those with mobility issues.
The Ohio State University Retirees Assn.
Customer Service
Longaberger Alumni House
2200 Olentangy River Road
Columbus, Ohio 43210

SEE YOU AT THE 2019 ANNUAL MEETING

Monday, June 10
Longaberger Alumni House

You need to register for this event to order lunch ($15). Either go online to register at osura.osu.edu or call the customer service office (614-292-2281).