

## Campus reflects on tragedy



The tragic events of Sept. 11 at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and in rural Pennsylvania consumed us all with a myriad emotions — shock, horror, disbelief, anger, fright, grief, compassion for victims and their families and worry about the future. In all of that, most of us realized that this was a time for coming together, for confirming and reasserting that we were one community. Here, students hold a vigil on the College Green.

### Athletics

1. Women's field hockey team won MAC regular season and tournament titles to advance to the NCAA Tournament for the first time. Head coach Shelly Morris was named West Region Coach of the Year by the National Field Hockey Coaches Association.
2. Soccer team won MAC regular season title and hosted MAC tournament.
3. Senior punter Dave Zastudil was drafted by the Baltimore Ravens. He became the first Bobcat drafted since punter Mike Green in 1976.
4. Redshirt freshman wrestler Jake Percival earned All-America honors at NCAA Championships by placing fourth. He became the 23rd Bobcat to earn All-America status.
5. Women's swimming and diving team won MAC championship but was disqualified for jumping into the pool before the final race was completed. The team accepted the second-place finish decision.
6. Golfer Erik Herberth qualified for the NCAA Central Regional as an individual, becoming the first Bobcat to achieve this goal.

## First-year class largest in 31 years

This year's freshman class of 3,777 students was the largest the University has seen in 31 years. The record high was experienced in 1970, when 3,914 first-year students were enrolled. Last year, the freshman class totaled 3,661.

The Athens campus' undergraduate enrollment was 16,665. The percentage of students in the top 10 percent of their high school graduating class showed an increase from last year as well.

The increase in enrollment will help the University hire at least 30 new tenure-track professors by 2003. The additional faculty will move the University closer to its goal of an 18-to-1 student/faculty ratio.

## Airport expansion project dedicated

U.S. Rep. Ted Strickland (left), Ohio University Robert Glidden and Cleveland businessman C. David Snyder cut the ribbon at the dedication of C. David Snyder Terminal at the Gordon K. Bush Ohio University Airport on April 12. It is two and a half times larger than the former terminal. The runway is being extended as well to allow larger aircraft, such as corporate jets and commuter airplanes to use the airport. The project is expected to increase accessibility to the University and Southeast Ohio.



## Leadership changes

Stephen Kopp was named provost in January. He will begin his post July 1.

"Steve is a man of vision," said Linda Stanford, assistant dean for the College of Health Professions at Central Michigan. She worked closely with Kopp for the past four years. "He is committed to teaching and learning, is very supportive of the faculty and maintains an open-door policy with everyone. You are getting the best."



Kopp

Jack Brose was named dean of the College of Osteopathic Medicine. "The college has met its mandate by providing superior medical training and graduating one of the highest percentages of primary care physicians in the United States," Brose said. "As dean, I hope to build upon this outstanding record by increasing the scope of medical care available to southeastern Ohio, enhancing our research program and supporting one of the country's finest residency training systems."



Brose

Dean of the Honors Tutorial College Joseph Berman will retire June 30.

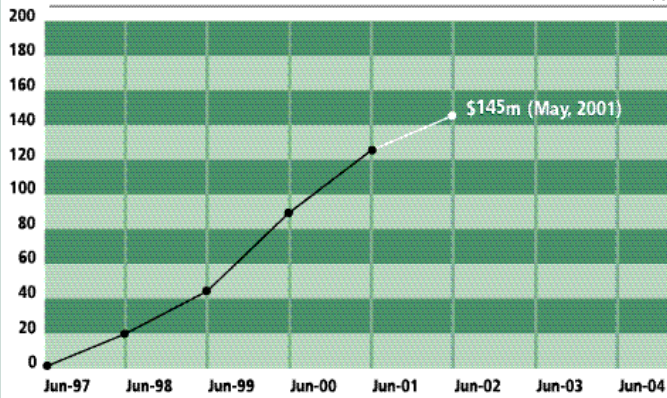
"This has been a difficult decision for me to make since I have spent most of my career at Ohio University," Berman said. "I have found this place to be unique. I felt it to be an exceptional place — one that has been supportive of everything that I have ever done and willing to take risks."



Berman

## Bicentennial Campaign PROGRESS as of 5/02

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The Bicentennial Campaign has surpassed the \$145 million mark. Ohio University remains a priority for many dedicated alumni, faculty, staff, and friends and is on track to raise more than \$200 million by the bicentennial in 2004. To date, the fiscal 2002 total is over \$17 million. Alumni and friends continue to welcome visits with University representatives (937 visits this year, compared to 807 last year) and many are entertaining major gift proposals. In addition, the annual giving outlook is bright. There have been 17,531 annual fund donors this fiscal year (compared to 17,393 last year) and more than \$2 million has been raised.

## State budget falls short, tuition/budget approved

Ohio University was among institutions and agencies statewide that had to do further belt-tightening in light of the state's economic downturn. The University took a cooperative stance towards determining how best to cut costs to meet the \$6.4 million reduction it faced.

"The entire campus community is called to work together and develop ways to best meet this budget reduction in a manner that will maintain a quality for the Ohio University educational experience and not adversely affect University employees," President Robert Glidden said.

Every effort was made to keep the central mission of the University moving forward even during the tough budgetary times.

When the Board of Trustees met in April, they approved the budget and

a tuition increase for next year.

Tuition for continuing students was raised by \$543 to \$6,036. New students will pay an extra \$300 to support initiatives targeted to increase the number of faculty; enhance student engagement; and involve students more directly in their educational experience through increased writing, presentations and interaction.

Trustees approved a budget totaling \$488,772,000 for next year, which includes support for the Athens campus and the regional campuses, the College of Osteopathic Medicine and auxiliaries. The budget reflects an overall reduction in state support of \$9.2 million. In addition to raising tuition, carefully conceived budget reductions totaling \$5.6 million are being made systematically throughout the University.

## First Russ Prize awarded

William Greatbatch is a success by anyone's standards. The inventor counts the first human heart pacemaker among his 240 U.S. patents. At 82 he is researching ways to harness the energy of nuclear fusion to make travel to Mars a reality within his grandchildren's lifetimes.

He and fellow pacemaker pioneer Earl Bakken were named co-recipi-



ents of the first Russ Prize. The \$500,000 prize, sponsored by Ohio University and the National Academy of Engineering is intended to recognize engineering achievements that improve the human condition. The annual award was made possible by a multimillion-dollar endowment to the University by 1942 engineering graduate Fritz Russ and his wife, Dolores.

## Grover Center renovated

The results of Grover Center's 20-month, \$24.5 million renovation surprised — even shocked — students when they returned to campus last fall. Constructed 41 years ago to house basketball and physical education programs, the building was functional, solid and, architects said, built like a bomb shelter. Today, its interior is airy and contemporary, providing an impressive home for the six schools of the College of Health and Human Services.



R. Greg Hunsley

## Athena reopens with 1940s look

Hollywood returned to Court Street with the reopening of the Athena Theater. Acquired by Ohio University in 2001, the building originally housed a grocery store and was converted to a "moving picture theatre" with a live organ in 1915. It was also home to occasional vaudeville shows. It was purchased and renamed in 1935 when it featured "Broadway Melody of 1936," starring Jack Benny, Eleanor Powell and Robert Taylor, on opening night.



John McCann

### Research

1. Avionics Engineering Center signed a five-year, \$7.5 million contract with the Federal Aviation Administration.
2. Construction began on 35,000-square-foot, \$5.7 million facility for the Innovation Center, Ohio University's small business incubator.
3. Ohio University awarded more than \$600,000 in internal funding to faculty, staff and students engaged in research and creative activity.
4. A recommendation from the Ohio Technology Action Board in May moved Ohio University one step closer to receiving a \$750,000 grant to support research on bovine mastitis — a bacterial infection that affects the quality of cows' milk and costs the industry \$1.8 billion a year.
5. A \$2.3 million study of migraine headaches funded by the National Institutes of Health could lead to more effective treatments.
6. Studies supported by the National Institutes of Mental Health are examining HIV and AIDS in rural America.

### External awards and gifts exceed \$100 million

Ohio University received more than \$100 million in awards and gifts from external sources during fiscal year 2001, the largest amount received from government agencies, businesses, foundations and individual donors during one year in the university's history.

Of that amount, \$53.9 million came from public and private sources for research, educational and public service activities. The largest increases came in funding for research, which rose by 20.4 percent to \$24.5 million, and in private gifts, which rose by 34 percent to \$47.2 million.

Support for other sponsored activities, such as education and technology initiatives rose to \$29.4 million this year.

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