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# The Mark of a Leader

Throughout my career I have discovered that leaders come in all shapes and sizes. What I have also come to appreciate is that each leader's unique approach has a distinctive impression or mark.

Take for example, a few of the national leaders who have recently visited Otterbein: famed filmmakers Ken Burns and Lynn Novick discussed their new documentary, *Prohibition*; Steven Pinker, named one of *Time* magazine's 100 "most influential people in the world today," discussed the themes in his new book, *The Better Angels of Our Nature: Why Violence Has Declined*; Jo Luck, a World Food Prize laureate, shared life lessons from her years with Heifer International; and soon one of our country's leading figures in computer science research, Dr. Peter Lee of Microsoft, will address our seniors at commencement.

I value the ways their ideas add to Otterbein's remarkable learning community. Our students will be better prepared as a result of learning from leaders who are shaping some of the most critical issues of our time.

**But nothing makes me prouder than the markings of an Otterbein leader.** That distinctive mark is evidenced throughout this entire issue of *Towers* and is readily discernible in the lives and accomplishments of all Otterbein alumni, students and members of our campus community. The following pages speak to the values that Cardinal leaders exemplify.

Integrity is easily traced by the steady advancements and achievements of leaders throughout Otterbein's history. Knowledge, innovation and excellence are not only values Otterbein seeks to instill and nurture in our students; they characterize the faculty and administrators who guide, challenge and help develop our students.

From the beginning, Otterbein has distinguished itself by doing what is right for the right reasons.

Otterbein is leading by example whether through our national leadership in co-education, shared integrative studies and experiential learning; crucial dialogues like the one started by Otterbein and Opportunity Nation at last month's summit, which you can read about on pages 6 and 18; or the real ways our students and you, our alumni, are committed to improving our world.

I hope this issue might embolden your leadership in new ways. In addition, we need your help in recruiting the next great generation of Cardinal leaders. And, if this issue inspires you to help open a door by creating a professional internship for a promising student, please send me an email at [kkrendl@otterbein.edu](mailto:kkrendl@otterbein.edu). Our new Career Center director, Ryan Brechbill, is eager to work with you.

I hope to see you at the Founders Convocation and the new Spring Alumni Weekend, April 27 and 28!  
Sincerely,

~ President Kathy A. Krendl

President Kathy Krendl with Ohio Supreme Court Justice Yvette McGee Brown during the YWCA's Next Gen gathering held on Otterbein's campus during the "Week of the Woman" in March.

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The mission of Otterbein University is to educate the whole person in a context that fosters the development of humane values. Otterbein University is a private, church-related, four-year coeducational university that sponsors traditional and continuing-education programs of liberal arts and professional education at baccalaureate and master's levels. Our commitment is to the liberal arts as the broad base of all learning.

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## Alumni Leaders: Greatness Abounds Beyond the Pages

Despite the pressure to make each issue better than the last, I've always considered producing an issue of *Towers* to be a labor of love. But there is a very unsavory aspect of this job and that's when you have great content, lots of it, and it doesn't fit. At those times, the confines of 52 pages can seem woefully small.

Such was the case with this issue, devoted to leadership and leaders. We wanted to feature alumni in positions of leadership, but how to choose when the bucket is so full? Otterbein alumni can be found in every walk of life, leading the way for others. I know that each person we have featured in the Alumni Leaders feature deserves to be there. And so do hundreds of others. This issue easily could have been 520 pages. Of course, the budget would be busted and it wouldn't be out until sometime in 2014.

Once we did reach out to a number of alumni and had their thoughts on leadership, then there was the unenviable task of choosing only a small part of those thoughts to include. The finite restriction of each page worked inexorably against me. "How can I

not include this?" I would ask myself. Some had great ideas on what constitutes an effective leader. Some had moving stories to tell. Most remembered mentors at Otterbein.

I don't know why I should be surprised at this point to read over and over again about great things our alumni are doing and to read about how much an Otterbein education meant to them, how much the people behind the institution helped them on their way to becoming leaders. But it did fill me anew with a welling sense of pride to be associated with such an amazing tradition of learning and nurturing at this very special place.

You have to read what I have had the great fortune to experience, so by all means go to [www.otterbein.edu/towers/alumileaders](http://www.otterbein.edu/towers/alumileaders) and read these amazing stories for yourself, uncut and unabridged, full of life, insight, wisdom and gratitude for those who helped them get there. If you would like to add YOUR story to the section, email me at [rroutson@otterbein.edu](mailto:rroutson@otterbein.edu).

- Roger Routson, editor



## We're looking for future Cardinals!



Tell us about promising, college-bound high school students in your family or in your neighborhood who might find Otterbein a good fit. Please take a few minutes to complete and mail the form below or submit information online at [www.otterbein.edu/getinfo](http://www.otterbein.edu/getinfo). We'll be happy to send information about Otterbein University and why we're an up-and-coming ranked institution.

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## She has Rio Grande Sand in her Shoes

On Oct. 15, 2011, I was privileged to attend the induction of the fourth class into Otterbein University's Athletic Hall of Fame. It was a memorable ceremony and my late husband, Dr. **Sam Ziegler '36**, was honored and inducted posthumously.

Being back on Otterbein's campus after so many years was exciting. I missed the wonderful old library building but realized the importance and need of the new and larger library.

I was proud to learn (after the visit) that my book, *Rio Grande Sand in Your Shoes*, was not only on the circulating shelf of Otterbein's Courtright Memorial Library but also was featured in the new alumni author display. *[Editor's note: Otterbein alumni authors are now spotlighted in the library with a new display featured on the first floor near the reference computers. A different alumni author is featured each month combining the topics of their book with library-owned materials that provide a closer look to the related topics.]*



**Isabel Howe Ziegler '40**

Growing up in Westerville, Otterbein was a great part of my life. I loved it there. However, moving to New Mexico, by request, to start a hospital, changed my life in many ways – a reason for writing the recent book, which is New Mexico historical literature of the 1900s.

New Mexico introduced us to new cultures. Pueblo Indians became our friends and we attended their ceremonial dances. The famous artist, Georgia O'Keeffe, was a patient of Dr. Ziegler's but also our friend. People came from many states to experience a New Mexico Christmas, Spanish traditions throughout, with farolitos – small, wood-burning fires for nine days before Christmas and native food of pasole, a tradition at midnight after a late church service.

New Mexico is the land of enchantment. Dr. Ziegler and I realized that WE had Rio Grande sand in our shoes, and so we could never leave.

Best wishes to my classmates, Theta Nu sisters and students walking Otterbein's beautiful campus.

**Isabel Howe Ziegler '40**

## Remembering the First Habitat for Humanity

Greetings from Southeastern Ohio.

What a pleasure to see the familiar faces of some of Otterbein's servant leaders on the cover of the latest *Towers* magazine. I often just glimpse through the pages of the latest issue, but found myself reading much more of this one. I especially enjoyed Monty Bradley's personal essay on why he serves. Community service was an important part of my education and experience at Otterbein in the early 1990s and I had the pleasure of serving alongside Monty on that first Collegiate Challenge Habitat trip to West Virginia in 1994. Since then, community service has continued to be an important part of my life. It is through service to others that we can best learn about others, ourselves and our place in this world. I am happy to see that the tradition of service continues to grow and thrive at Otterbein.

Thanks for such a great issue.

Regards,

**Jennifer Cochran '95**

Peace Corps Armenia 1996-98



## Poker Faces Identified

The serious card game you have pictured in the Fall 2011 *Towers* was taken most likely in the fall of 1986. I believe it was in Mayne Hall's lobby area. I can identify four of the participants by name: **Tim Doup '92** is seated with the Otterbein cap, **Tim Reed '97** is looking over his shoulder, **Tony Rose '96** (my roommate) is seated with the white T-shirt on the right side of the photo, and I believe it's Mitch Spivey seated with glasses. The other guy was a freshman with the rest of us, except Mitch Spivey was the residence hall director that year, I believe. That's all I got!

**Dan Wolford '90**



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HERE & NOW



# First Day of Spring, 2012





photo by Roger Koutson





From left, speakers at the Opportunity Nation Summit featured Jo Luck, a World Food Prize laureate and former president and CEO of Heifer International; Bishop Bruce Ough, of the West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church; and Kerrii Anderson, honorary chair and former president and CEO of Wendy's International.

## Summit Brings National Leaders Together

*compiled by Jenny Hill '05*



**WOMEN AND THE  
AMERICAN DREAM**

Opportunity Nation at Otterbein University, March 9-10, 2012

NEW



Students participate at the diversity training led by Courtnee Carrigan (not pictured) of the YWCA of Columbus.

Otterbein University brought regional and national leaders together with students, educators and community partners on March 9-10 to discuss the role of higher education in ensuring future opportunities for women. Otterbein's campus became a collaborative space where participants shared, imagined and planned pathways for women's social, political and economic mobility. Plans were presented at a Town Hall meeting hosted by MSNBC anchor **Chris Jansing '78**.

Highlights of the events included a Student Leadership Institute, Ask Legal Series addressing key legal issues in social change work, World Café and an Oxfam America Hunger Banquet.

Speakers at the two-day event included keynote speaker Jo Luck, a World Food Prize laureate and former president and CEO of Heifer International; national service expert Shirley Sagawa; American Association of Colleges and Universities Senior Vice President Caryn McTighe Musil; and MSNBC anchor Chris Jansing. Kerrii Anderson, former president and CEO of Wendy's International, served as honorary chair of the event.

To read more about the events of the summit go to [www.otterbein.edu/opportunitynation](http://www.otterbein.edu/opportunitynation) or see a highlight video at [youtu.be/9v7xqNLxUo4](http://youtu.be/9v7xqNLxUo4)






# Renowned Researcher Says Violence Decreasing


Harvard University Professor Dr. Steven Pinker spoke at Otterbein University about “The History of Violence” on Feb. 22 as part of the Science Lecture Series, in conjunction with the Vernon L. Pack Distinguished Lecture Series. Pinker is the Johnstone Family Professor of Psychology at Harvard University, a best-selling author, Pulitzer Prize finalist and a frequent guest on *The Colbert Report*.

“Steven Pinker tackles issues of tremendous range and complexity, from the nature of language and mind to the human genome and our propensity for violence, in a way that allows for informed public discourse,” said Meredith Frey, assistant professor of psychology. “He is part scientist, part philosopher, and incorporates important topics of the day into engaging books understandable to a general audience.”

While on campus, Dr. Pinker also gave a technical lecture to Otterbein science students and met with a group of psychology students. Read more about Dr. Pinker and his research at [www.stevenpinker.com](http://www.stevenpinker.com). Read more about the Science Lecture Series and past speakers at [www.otterbein.edu/sciencelectureseries](http://www.otterbein.edu/sciencelectureseries). 

## 2012 Commencement Speakers Named

Otterbein University has selected Dr. Peter Lee, corporate vice president of Microsoft Research Redmond, to address the class of 2012 at the University’s undergraduate commencement ceremony on Sunday, May 20.

Lee leads a computing research laboratory that delivers product-focused research for Microsoft to support innovation development and contributes to the broader scientific community by openly publishing basic research results. Lee was previously a Distinguished Scientist and managing director of Microsoft Research Redmond. Read more about Lee at [www.microsoft.com/presspass/exec/Lee](http://www.microsoft.com/presspass/exec/Lee). 

Bernadette Mazurek Melnyk, an internationally recognized expert in evidence-based practice, intervention research and child and adolescent mental health, will speak at Otterbein University’s graduate degree commencement ceremony at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 19, in Cowan Hall.

**Vernon Pack '50 with Steven Pinker (right)**



# New Vice President for Enrollment Joins Otterbein

Jefferson Blackburn-Smith is the new vice president for enrollment management. He comes to Otterbein from The Ohio State University, where he had been the senior associate director of undergraduate admission and first year experience for seven years.

"I am delighted to join the Otterbein community. Everyone I met during my time on campus was open and welcoming and had a passionate belief in what Otterbein is and what it could be. I look forward to working with Otterbein students, faculty and staff to help the University reach its goals," said Blackburn-Smith.



**Jefferson Blackburn-Smith**

"Jefferson brings an interesting and compelling set of skills and experiences to Otterbein. He is widely regarded as one of the most successful enrollment management experts in the country, and he has ties to schools and guidance counselors throughout the state of Ohio. His leadership will be essential in helping us meet our strategic goals as an institution," said Otterbein President Kathy Krendl.

Blackburn-Smith joined the Office of Undergraduate Admission and First Year Experience at OSU in 1995, serving as assistant director of telecounseling and associate director before becoming senior associate director in 2004.

## National History Day Held

Otterbein hosted students and teachers from 10 counties on March 10 as part of The Ohio Historical Society's celebration of National History Day. More than just one day, History Day is a program that allows students in grades 4-12 to do independent research and create projects around an annual theme. This year's theme was *Revolution, Reaction, Reform in History*.

Ohio is divided into 11 districts, each of which hosts a District History Day. This year, Otterbein hosted the event for District 6. The top projects at the district level move on to the Ohio History Day in Columbus. For more information, visit [www.ohiohistory.org/historyday](http://www.ohiohistory.org/historyday).



## 2012 MLK speaker


Otterbein University honored the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. with a lecture by Dr. David Stovall on Jan. 17. Stovall is associate professor of educational policy studies and African-American studies at the University of Illinois at Chicago. His scholarship investigates Critical Race Theory; concepts of social justice in education; the relationship between housing and education; and the relationship between schools and community stakeholders. He has spent the last 10 years working with community organizations and schools to develop curricula that address issues of social justice. He is a member of the Greater Lawndale/Little Village School of Social Justice High School design team and is involved with youth-centered community organizations in Chicago, New York and the Bay Area. You can see his lecture online at [www.youtube.com/otterbeinuniversity](http://www.youtube.com/otterbeinuniversity).








## Zoo and Conservation Science

Otterbein's new Zoo and Conservation Science program has more than 50 applications and counting! Set to start classes in fall 2012, students will have the chance to work with the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium and the Ohio Wildlife Center, as they earn either a bachelor of science or a bachelor of arts degree. Learn more about this exciting major at [www.otterbein.edu/ZooAndConservationScience](http://www.otterbein.edu/ZooAndConservationScience). 

## Otterbein to Host Ohio Undergraduate Psychology Research Conference

The 26th Annual Ohio Undergraduate Psychology Research Conference (OUPRC) will be held at Otterbein University on April 21. The OUPRC is sponsored by a consortium of Ohio colleges and universities and provides undergraduate psychology majors with the opportunity to present original, student-generated research to other students and faculty. Student paper submissions from member and nonmember institutions from in or out of state are welcomed. Learn more at [www.otterbein.edu/OUPRC](http://www.otterbein.edu/OUPRC). 

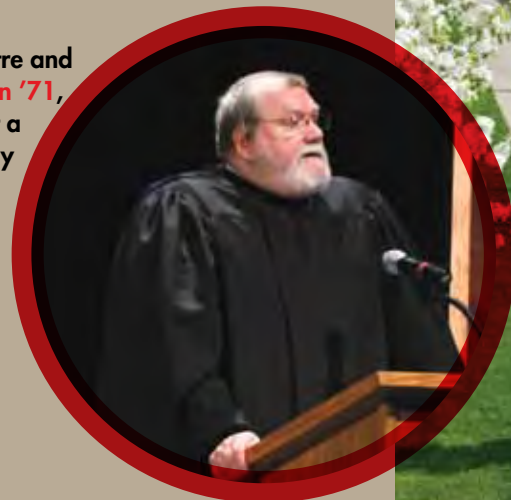
## Allied Health Graduate Degree

Otterbein has just been approved to offer a Master of Science in Allied Health degree. The degree is intended to further the educational background of individuals holding either a two-year associate or a baccalaureate degree in a related health care field of study. Students can choose from three tracks of study: Post-professional Athletic Training, Health and Wellness and Allied Health Care Administration. For undergraduates who intend to pursue a master's degree, there is a 2 + 3 option, in which students can earn both in just five years. The majority of the courses will be taught in a hybrid format with evening and summer session available.

## Founders Convocation/Alumni Weekend

Alumni Weekend is 'springing' forward this year with all of your favorite traditions and many new moments to experience, too. The Founders Convocation will begin the weekend festivities at 3:15 p.m. on Friday, April 27, in Cowan Hall with Alumni Weekend on April 27 – 28. The program has activities for all alumni, including the traditional alumni awards ceremony, music and theatre performances, a soccer clinic and kids night out for the kids or grandkids, an Otterbein Gallery Hop and an All Alumni Greek Mixer. A complete list of the schedule of events at [www.otterbein.edu/alumniweekend2012](http://www.otterbein.edu/alumniweekend2012). It is a weekend to return to your alma mater, so invite your classmates to join you and enjoy spring time on Otterbein's campus. See page 44 for information on the new format.

**Professor of Theatre and Dance Ed Vaughan '71, as Lewis Davis, at a past Founder's Day Convocation.**



## in Business and Industry

On the next eight pages we look at various Otterbein alumni who are leaders in their fields ... in business and industry, in entertainment, in medicine and science, and in government and international relations. You will get a glimpse of what qualities they see as essential in the making of a good leader, and some of their recollections from their days at Otterbein and the early influences the University had on their own leadership abilities.

lead features by Andrew Tobias '08

**Lou Ann Layton '81** works among Manhattan skyscrapers today, but in some ways, she got her start leading others in a sorority house on Otterbein's campus.

"It's like running a business in a way," Layton said of her time as president of Tau Epsilon Mu while she studied sociology and psychology. "It's motivating people ... it's commanding an audience, getting people together for a cause. It's promising things, and delivering on your promises."

Layton today stands on her reputation to accomplish for others what she says she will. She is an insurance broker for Marsh & McLennan, one of the largest risk management companies in the world, managing a unit that provides liability insurance for executives at major corporations including Clorox and Pepsi.

Former Otterbein football coach Rich Seils helped Layton get her foot in the door in the insurance industry, referring her to a summer job at a Westerville firm. She parlayed that into a spot with a Columbus insurance firm straight out of college.

Her career path, first as an underwriter before transitioning into brokering, took her around the country, with stops in Pittsburgh and San Francisco. She eventually moved to New York City for good in 2000. She now directly supervises a staff of eight that manages 300 people nationwide.

The most important thing a leader can do is to recognize the abilities and potential of other people and allow them to contribute their talents, Layton said.

"It's important to surround yourself with very smart people and give them a voice," Layton said. "I have always said it's a lot of hard work, and you have to have passion for what you do."

She credits managers and company sponsors whose support helped her climb the ladder to where she is today. She was named a "Woman to Watch" by *Business Insurance Magazine* in 2006, and received Power Broker awards from the same publication in 2006, 2007 and 2010. Layton was the first woman to receive an industry award for leadership and expertise in her field.

She also credits former Otterbein dean, Joanne Van Sant, whose strong sense of self inspired her.

As one of the few female executives at Marsh McLennan, Layton said she has a responsibility to advocate for other talented women within her company while she assembles her staff.

She realizes women can sometimes face challenges in finding opportunities for advancement in a demanding, fast-track corporate culture. Besides working normal office hours, Layton travels frequently and entertains prospective and current clients as she works to build and maintain professional relationships.

Very few of the female executives in Layton's firms are married. Striking the balance can be difficult if women choose to have children. Layton's husband, Bob, retired when the couple got married seven years ago, and is a stay-at-home dad with four children from a previous marriage.

"If you have two parents who are working, it can be difficult, if not impossible, to manage a schedule that has you on the road two nights a week," Layton said.

But it's through hard work that Layton got to where she is today.

"To succeed in business I have found that you need to have the utmost integrity ... passion, and take a little risk all while having some fun," Layton said. •

### Lou Ann Layton '81

• insurance broker for Marsh & McLennan • sorority president at Otterbein • "It's important to surround yourself with very smart people and give them a voice."





**Dean Miller '84** • executive vice president and chief supply chain officer,  
Williams and Sonoma • believes he received core values at Otterbein

**Dean Miller '84** has held a number of key management positions – at Frito-Lay, Exel Logistics, United Parcel Service – and since 2000, at Williams and Sonoma.

In his current position he is responsible for global manufacturing and sourcing, distribution, transportation, engineering, quality assurance and all care centers.

Miller believes an effective leader has vision, is self-critical and strives to find the best and brightest talent available while insisting the organization embrace new ideas.

"The marketplace expects and demands continuous improvement,

whether it be in innovation, quality, price or delivery," Miller said. He also believes an effective leader is one who has "the right combination of the fear of failure and the guts to move forward without always possessing all the facts."

According to Miller, Otterbein's learning environment, with its small class sizes, "encouraged team participation and self-expression – both important to a successful business leader."

He fondly remembers professors John Coulter, John Glascock, Harold Hancock, John Laubach, Robert Place and Richard Yantis.

"Professor Coulter was special. Only a liberal arts college could find a

**Dean Miller with wife, Kathleen McKinlay Miller '86.**



man with such ability to weave his own personal experiences in World War II into the story line of one of Faulkner's books so a class full of 20-year-old college students take interest.

"Otterbein professors provided outstanding building blocks for my future. They cared dearly about the students. Core values like honesty, integrity and trust were the cornerstone of Otterbein's faculty."

**Nate Speiser '05** •

assistant general counsel and director, contracts administration, NetJets • learned organization from Coach Loth



**Nate Speiser '05** believes,

"A leader's success is rarely judged by what that individual has accomplished, but rather by the success of the team and organization. Good leaders foster employee ideas and take on tasks no matter how large or small."

As a young professional with a successful law career, Speiser looks first to his parents to attribute that success. "They continually challenged me to attain the next level of accomplishment," he said.

His first leadership experiences came at Otterbein as a captain of the football team and an officer in Zeta Phi fraternity. "Had I not attended Otterbein, I likely would have missed out on those opportunities to lead early on in life.

"**Coach Joe Loth '91** taught me about the importance of preparation and organization. Joe is a great leader on game day, but being great on game day, I learned, was the result of preparation. Accordingly, I have tried to emulate that level of preparation and organization as a leader."



**Sheema Masaad '11** •

graduate in international business and economics • currently an MBA student at Otterbein

**Sheema Masaad '11** dreams

big. She wants to be powerful and wealthy enough so that someday she can give to the less fortunate in the world.

"I was blessed to move to the United States from Pakistan at a very young age, and escaped a life of poverty and misfortune," Masaad said. "I work tirelessly because I know I've been given an opportunity that children around the world would die for—and I would never take that for granted. My education is not only for myself, but for those that I hope to someday help."

Now that she has held various leadership positions, she said, "as an MBA student I look at and value leadership much differently. Those who are the best leaders, the ones who change our lives and innovate beyond our wildest dreams are those who have the ability to imagine. It's about cultivating the talent among your workforce or your community and incubating it so well that you end up with the next Steve Jobs or Indra Nooyi.

"The thing I like most about Otterbein is the freedom to be yourself. You can really make your own future here. The sky is truly the limit!"

**To read the complete comments submitted from these alumni about leadership and their time at Otterbein, go to [www.otterbein.edu/towers/alumnileaders](http://www.otterbein.edu/towers/alumnileaders)**



## in Entertainment

When lifelong theatre veteran **Randy Adams '76** finally moved to New York City, he made the most out of his arrival.

He moved there to promote *Memphis*, the first major show for Junkyard Dog Productions, an outfit he and his friend started in 2006. The show, a story of race and music in the 1950s South, debuted on Broadway in 2009 after runs in San Diego and Seattle.

It won four Tony Awards the following year, including the coveted Best Musical.

"It's such a dream now," said Adams.

Adams continues to ride his cloud as he gears up to promote *Memphis* for its first nationwide tour, and lays the groundwork for a U.K. production.

*Memphis* had modest beginnings; Adams was there. The musical's first reading was in 2002 at TheatreWorks, a Palo Alto, CA, nonprofit theatre where Adams had worked as managing director since 1985. Adams oversaw the transformation of TheatreWorks from a modest community theatre to a respected nonprofit earning \$7 million each year.

When Adams and friend Sue Frost quit their jobs in 2006 to start Junkyard Dog, they racked their brains for material they could try to make successful. The

company was founded on the ideal of producing new works that weren't based off of movie or books, and to give emerging artists a chance for a bigger stage.

"As we were going into business, we were looking at things ... and a big part of it was, what are those shows that we worked on over the years that had never gotten their due?" Adams said.

He made a call about *Memphis*, which debuted with a collaborative run at TheatreWorks and in Beverly, MA, in the 2003-2004 season. It had been in development for a bigger stage, but never went anywhere.

*Memphis's* option would be expiring soon, he was told.

"We decided we would option it as soon as it was available and take it the next steps," Adams said. And the rest is history.

Adams, a native of Williard, OH, and the first in his family to attend

college, arrived at Otterbein to major in acting. But while he was there, he developed an appreciation for what it took to run the operations behind the scenes through hands-on experience.

The theatre department faculty encouraged Adams to take what he learned in the classroom and put it into practice. The well-rounded knowledge he gained at Otterbein and the individual attention from professors paved the way for theatre management and production, where it helps him to be a jack-of-all-trades.

"I think a great thing at the time was that you literally had to do everything. As a freshman and sophomore, you had to work on everything," he said. "Crew, stage building, rigging lights – I had training in each of those areas, and that all comes into play now. I have to know about this stuff, and if I hadn't been in a program that makes you experience all those things, I wouldn't know as much as I do."

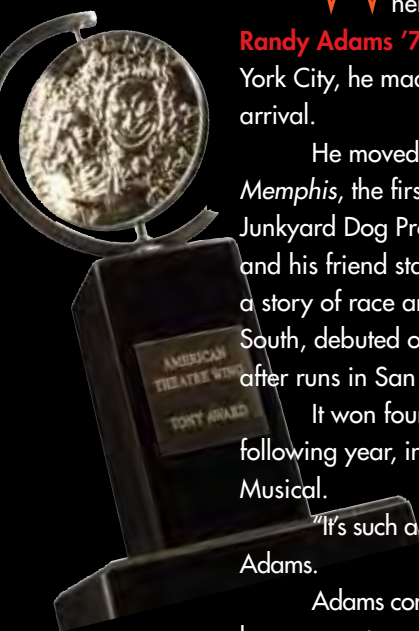
That experience also helped Adams develop an eye for talent, and an appreciation for the different parts that make up any theatre.

"The most important part of what we do is make it possible to bring the best people together to put on a show, and give them the very best opportunity to make it happen," Adams said. •

### Randy Adams '76

- founding partner, Junkyard Dog Productions • Tony Award Winner
- actor and theatre jack-of-all-trades
- "[At Otterbein] you had to work on everything ... crew, stage building, rigging lights."

Randy Adams and the cast of *Memphis* at the Tony Awards.





**Sam Jaeger '99** • TV and movie actor  
• currently playing Joel Graham on TV series *Parenthood*

**Sam Jaeger '99** is becoming a well-known face in Hollywood, from his early role in *Lucky Number Slevin* with Josh Hartnett, Morgan Freeman and Bruce Willis, to his current role as stay-at-home dad on the NBC comedy-drama *Parenthood*. He has also appeared in many other movies and TV series.

Jaeger said that it may seem counter-intuitive, "but selflessness is a trait I admire most in leaders. A true leader looks out for the greater good of the group, rather than his own interests."

Jaeger feels fortunate to have had good experiences in the Theatre Department when he was at Otterbein. "I think the responsibility of imposing roles, such as Atticus Finch, instilled in me a maturity I may have otherwise not had.

"**Ed Vaughan '71** was extremely important in my development. He broke acting down into a very simple and focused craft," he said.

Jaeger believes being a leader is an ongoing process. "If you start resting on the label, you start to lose your focus."



Dan Steinberg

Otterbein public relations majors traveled to Los Angeles in January with communications instructor Dan Steinberg to learn firsthand about nonprofit and entertainment internships and career opportunities. From left, **Bonnie Connor '11**, **Sam Jaeger**, **Kelsey Gorman '13**, **Clark Tieman '14**, **Matt Soppelsa '14** and **Haley Young '14**.

**Brian Dollenmayer '89** • executive vice president, on-air promotions and marketing operations, Fox Broadcasting Company



In his position at Fox, **Brian Dollenmayer '89** is responsible for the creative vision and operations behind all of the on-air and radio promotional campaigns that support Fox's new and returning series, a job that he loves.

"I've never worked a day in my life," he said, "because I wake up every morning excited to get into the office to create something new."

Dollenmayer said his leadership skills were developed while taking on director roles at WOBN and WOCC while at Otterbein.

"John Buckles, who ran WOBN at the time I attended school, was instrumental in my development. He pushed me just enough – challenged me when I needed it – and supported me when he realized that my dream was to pursue a career in television in Los Angeles," Dollenmayer said.

"The hardest thing to do as a leader is to sometimes see the big picture. What's good for you isn't always the best for your organization. There are sacrifices you will have to make for your team and your employer at some point in your career."

**Tessa Wehrman '06** • programming and content manager for Nickelodeon International • winner of the *Ladies Home Journal* We Volunteer Award • cancer survivor

**Tessa Wehrman '06** is responsible for global strategic programming, media planning and operational execution of kids & family content at Nickelodeon. She also volunteers with two groups: Achilles International, which helps disabled athletes train and Daniel's Music Foundation (DMF), which helps people via music therapy.

As for what it takes to be a good leader, Wehrman said, "The most effective leaders are those that lead by example. It isn't necessarily your organizational skills but the everyday actions that influence those around you. The best leaders work hard to be the best at what they do and work hard to be a better person everyday."

Though Wehrman feels the *Ladies Home Journal* award was such an honor, she said that volunteering was so rewarding she didn't feel like she deserved an award. "I have received one-hundred percent back from volunteering what I have put into it. It is not a one-way street."

Wehrman also feels her volunteer work helped in her own recovery. "Seeing what the athletes of Achilles and the students at DMF overcome was definitely a part of my recovery when I found out my diagnosis of breast cancer last May. The outpouring of support from both communities was great, including Achilles running a race in my honor.

Wehrman also said the support she's had from Otterbein classmates and staff has been overwhelming and she is very grateful.



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## in Medicine and Science

**Nita Seibel '75** • head of Pediatric Solid Tumor Therapeutics Program for the National Cancer Institute • Works with Congress to set funding priorities • “(Being a leader) doesn’t mean that you have the brightest ideas every time, but oftentimes, it’s just that you’re willing to listen to the ideas of others.”

Most people assume treating children with cancer is depressing. To the contrary, it fills **Nita Seibel '75** with hope.

Over the course of her medical career as a child oncologist and hematologist, Seibel has seen the survival rate for children diagnosed with a certain type of leukemia improve to 70 percent.

“That’s a big step. When I was in medical school in the 1980s, ‘cure’ wasn’t a word that was usually used when you talked about leukemia in children,” Seibel said.

So while she’s been to her share of funerals, she’s also been able to experience her patients’ and their families joyful occasions.

“I’ve gotten to go to my patients’ weddings, which has been a miracle in some instances,” said Seibel, who credits her Christian faith with helping anchor her in her medical profession. “I’ve received announcements for high school graduations, college graduations.”

Just last summer, she received a high school graduation announcement from a patient she treated as a 5-month-old boy. A tumor had paralyzed him from the waist down. That patient is now a freshman at the University of Maryland and has regained the use of his legs. “You’d never know he had cancer,” Seibel said.

Seibel is the head of the Pediatric Solid Tumor Therapeutics program for the National Cancer Institute in Washington, DC.

Although she still sees patients once a week, she spends most of her time working to help Congress set funding priorities for the research and development of new cancer-fighting treatments for children and young adults.

Seibel majored in biology while at Otterbein, spending most of her college hours in labs. At the suggestion of Otterbein chemistry professor Robert Place, Seibel considered attending medical school after she graduated, but was discouraged from doing so

**Nita Seibel with one of her patients, Amanda Merrell, who was diagnosed with cancer at age 2.**



by some members of her family. Instead, she decided to be a medical technician at a hospital in Dayton, OH.

“I used to see the interns and residents come in, and realized, of course I can do this. There’s no reason I can’t do this,” Seibel said.

So, she enrolled in medical school at The Ohio State University, graduating in 1981. She then completed her residency in pediatrics, and a three-and-a-half year fellowship in hematology/oncology at the National Cancer Institute.

She has spoken internationally, chaired numerous medical studies, been published dozens of times in medical journals and has, for the last several years, been named one of the Washington’s “Top Doctors” by *Washingtonian* magazine.

Seibel credits Otterbein faculty for encouraging her to pursue a living in the medical field and for fostering her creativity and confidence.

Seibel says leadership is a lot about listening. “It doesn’t mean that you have the brightest ideas every time, but oftentimes, it’s just that you’re willing to listen to the ideas of others and build a team,” Seibel said.

Today, Seibel is dedicated to continuing to attack cancer in young people, who tend to respond better to medical treatment, but, “Our overarching goal is to cure every child and adolescent with cancer,” Seibel said. “We’re not close, but we’ve made a lot of progress over the past 20 years.”

That’s where Seibel’s optimism comes in, along with her faith in a better future.

*Dr. Seibel’s interview occurred in a personal capacity. The views expressed in this article are her own and do not reflect the view of the National Institutes of Health, the Department of Health and Human Services or the United States government.* •



**Philip Mowrey '78** • chief director, cytogenetics, Quest Diagnostics • board-certified in clinical cytogenetics • activities outside the classroom led to dependability

As chief director of cytogenetics at Quest Diagnostics, **Philip Mowrey '78** conducts research in an area of genetics that is concerned with the structure and function of the cell, especially chromosomes. Cytogenetics is a fusion science, joining cytology (the study of cells) with genetics (the study of inherited variation through DNA).

Mowrey has held positions at various research institutions, including the Center for Molecular Biology and Pathology for LabCorp, Vanderbilt University, Pennsylvania State University and the University of Florida.

"I believe every outcome can be a learning opportunity if we pay attention," Mowrey said. "I have been mindful to observe the actions of my peers and bosses to see what worked and what did not, and to learn from both."

Mowrey credits an Otterbein professor with leading him to his lifework.

"Dr. Thomas Tegenkamp was my teacher for advanced biology classes. He not only helped me find the niche of the

sciences that I would ultimately call a career, but he also took the time to help me see the numerous opportunities that can come your way if you don't limit your view of the possible. In addition to being an Otterbein professor, he also directed a Medical Cytogenetics Laboratory in Dayton."

While Mowrey said most of his leadership training occurred during graduate studies, the initial tools were acquired at Otterbein.

"At the 'Bein, I enrolled in a busy pre-med curriculum but chose also to learn outside the classroom. Pushing myself to be a contributing member of the community, I was involved in various small groups that then expected my consistent input. These were academic governance, Greeks, Campus Crusade and local church and civic groups. These opportunities taught me to be dependable, and ultimately gave me multiple tools for becoming a leader."



**Tyler Termeer '05** • executive director of the Ohio AIDS Coalition • believes adversity builds strength

When **Tyler Termeer '05** was an undergraduate student in theatre design technology at Otterbein, he was not planning a career in public health. Then, life happened. More specifically, Termeer was diagnosed positive for HIV.

"I have always believed that in life everything happens for a reason," he said. "Each obstacle along our life's journey was placed with purpose to make us stronger individuals."

Recently, he was a guest speaker in Dana White's Introduction to Theatre course at Otterbein.

"I share with students that life happens, but you find your way down the new path ahead of you and a new definition of success presents itself. Each obstacle I have had to overcome and every moment of adversity I have faced has led me to this time and place where I could take my own lessons learned and translate them back into the work I have grown so passionate about over the last eight years. I have learned that with humility one can see the strength in others."

He remembers a good friend and mentor when asked to think about attribution for his success. "At the forefront of my mind is

the person who taught me how to live again, Kevin Sullivan, longtime HIV/AIDS activist, advocate and the former executive director of the Ohio AIDS Coalition. His passing this past fall is also the loss of a hero, my mentor and a man whose friendship and guidance meant the world to me. Kevin laid the foundation for my career and gave me strength and hope. One of the things I admired the most about him was his fearless tenacity to always stand strong for those who didn't have that same ability, even if that meant being the lone voice of reason."

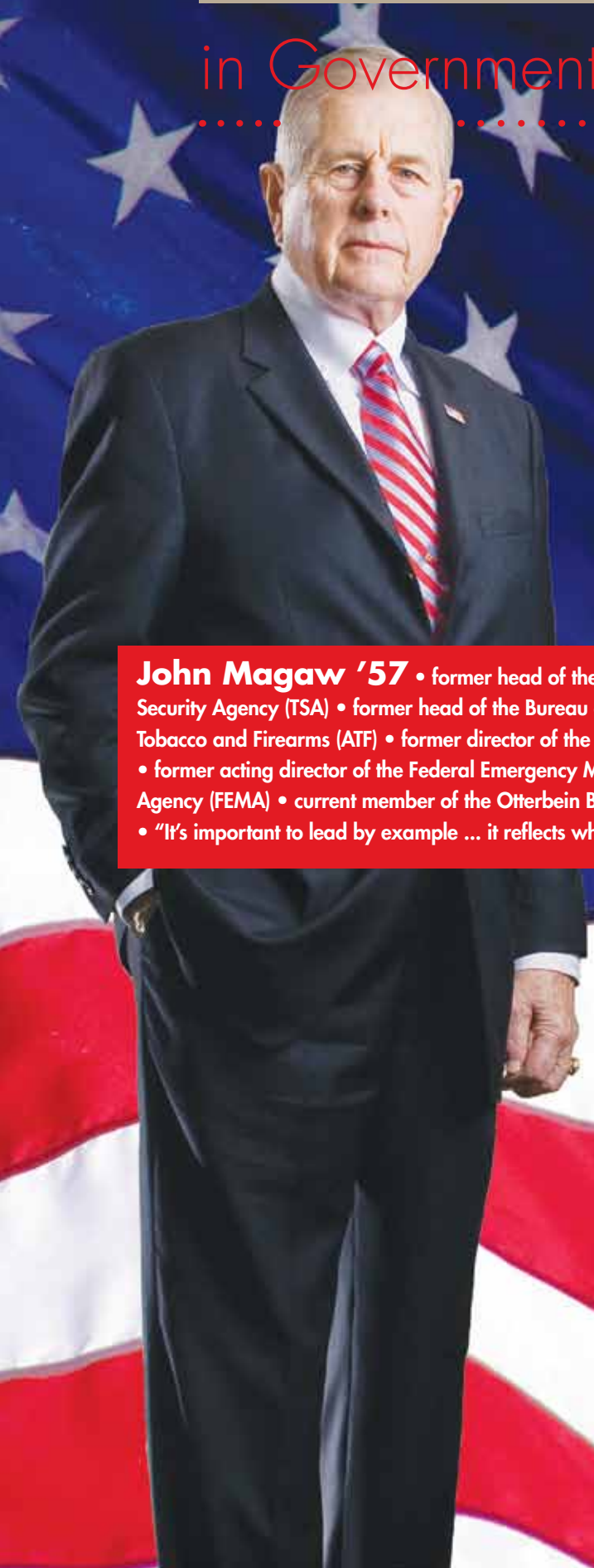
Termeer said there were several faculty and staff members at Otterbein who helped shape his path toward leadership, but in particular remembers Dana White, Cathryn Robbins and especially **Elizabeth Saltzgiver '99**, audience services director.

"Elizabeth Saltzgiver remains one of my dearest friends today, and it was her friendship that taught me about true compassion and understanding," he said.

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# in Government and International Relations



**John Magaw '57** • former head of the Transportation Security Agency (TSA) • former head of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) • former director of the Secret Service • former acting director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) • current member of the Otterbein Board of Trustees • "It's important to lead by example ... it reflects what you believe."

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hen President George W. Bush tapped him to oversee the creation of the Transportation Security Agency (TSA) in 2002, **John Magaw '57** knew he was walking into a volatile situation in the wake of Sept. 11, 2001. He accepted a political appointment to head up the TSA, hire tens of thousands of employees, and tighten security at more than 400 airports nationwide.

He had previously served as the head of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), taking over at the agency's lowest point in the wake of the failed 1993 siege in Waco, Texas. Magaw is also a former director of the Secret Service, capping a 26-year career with the agency, and spent a month as acting director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) after holding other posts within that agency.

Magaw worked his way through college to support his young family, attending classes at Otterbein in the morning while he worked nights. Fraternity members let him sleep at their houses for a few hours before football practice.

After Magaw graduated from Otterbein, he spent a couple of years as a high school teacher before taking a job with the Ohio State Highway Patrol in 1959.

He began with the Secret Service in 1967, accepting transfers when offered them and making notes of traits in his superiors to emulate.

When Magaw was promoted to a supervisory position early in his career with the Secret Service, he began a practice he continues to this day – calling agents on their birthdays and on the anniversaries of their hire date. He said it's important to show compassion, which helped round out his persona as a no-nonsense leader who takes to heart mantras like 'if

you're not 15 minutes early, you're late.'

Magaw believes leadership starts at the top, setting the tone throughout the organization. A good leader is seen as fair, from the happiest to the most disgruntled employee.

"It's important to lead by example when you are in a position to do so. It reflects what you believe," he said.

It's also important to be fair, and to have the confidence to delegate to others, he said.

Magaw left TSA after only six months on the job amid controversies over whether or not to allow pilots to carry guns in cockpits and complaints over the agency's direction and spending.

"I was rode hard and put away wet," Magaw jokes now. He said he hadn't planned on staying long, and was ready to end his career in the public sector (he currently works as a private consultant and sits on Otterbein's Board of Trustees). Even though the TSA remains controversial, he said it continues to do its job, and he is proud that top administrators he hired at the beginning of this tenure remain with the agency today. The TSA also continues to use the statement of mission, vision and values that he helped develop.

Magaw said of all the events in his career, he is most proud of turning the ATF around and improving morale while he was there.

But he doesn't take credit for that success.

"As the leader, you take responsibility for failures or coming up short but you don't take credit for when things go well," Magaw said. "You give that to the people supporting you who are doing the work." •



**Yoshihiro Suzuki '93** • executive director of the Japanese Association of the Experiment in International Living • participated in many extra-curricular activities at Otterbein



**Yoshihiro Suzuki with his wife, Akiko Kato Suzuki '95.**

**Yoshihiro Suzuki '93** is executive director of the Japanese Association of the Experiment in International Living (EIL), part of the Federation EIL, a worldwide network. Federation EIL began in 1954 and member associations are privately run, nonprofit, nonpolitical, and nonreligious organizations. The Federation brings together international volunteers from sending countries with community service projects in receiving countries and offers each international volunteer an opportunity to learn a culture from the inside while doing valuable community service.

Suzuki says an effective leader must have good communication skills, and that he tries to "listen to people as much as possible."

When he was at Otterbein, he says he learned a lot about leadership.

"As I was not a native English speaker, I leaned on many friends. Perhaps I learned

how to receive support from people." Suzuki participated in the International Student Association, Habitat for Humanity, New Student Orientation and the Inter-Fraternity Council.

"Dr. Betsy McLean (professor of history) often talked about great leaders in U.S. history and shared her thoughts about how his or her leadership was from innate qualities or from great efforts," he says. "She also taught me a lot about what fairness means."

**Andrew Tobias '08** wrote the preceding main alumni features. He is a reporter for the *Dayton Daily News* and a former news editor for the *Tan and Cardinal*. "My time working for the *Tan and Cardinal*, advised by professors Hillary Warren and Jean Kelly, taught me indeterminable amounts about being a journalist and an adult in general," Tobias said. "That includes the actual nuts and bolts practice of journalism (writing, editing, planning, designing) as well as leadership skills to work well with others."



**General (ret.) Lance Lord '69** • retired commander, Air Force Space Command • currently CEO of a growing aerospace company

General **Lance Lord '69** retired in April 2006 after 37 years of military service. He last served as commander, Air Force Space Command during which he was responsible for the development, acquisition and operation of Air Force space and missile weapon systems. Overseeing a global network of satellite command and control, communications, missile warning and launch facilities, he led more than 39,700 personnel.

Upon retirement, Lord has served as a senior advisor to various organizations as well as serving on multiple boards of directors. He is also the president of the Consolidate Range Experts (CoRE) Alliance Team and chief

executive officer (CEO) and founder of L2 Aerospace, LLC.

"I believe it doesn't make any difference whether leadership skills are innate or learned," Lord said. "What does make a difference is whether the skills are practiced consistently."

Lord believes that to be effective, a leader must set high standards and establish an environment of integrity, dignity and respect where all team members of the organization feel free to contribute their individual skills. "An effective leader listens more and talks less," Lord said.

The retired general remembers his time at Otterbein. He feels he had good opportunities in team sports and



team activities to make mistakes and to learn from those mistakes. He also said that early influences on his leadership ideals came from various coaches in the Athletic Department and from members of the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC).

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# THE MAKING OF LEADERS

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by Jenny Hill '05

**T**heresa Hubbell '13 is a leader of leaders. The junior equine science major is a member of the CardinalCorps Leaders and the student coordinator of Raise Your Voice – a service organization that promotes civic awareness and engagement. Now she is tackling a new challenge: teaching leadership skills to her peers.

She started during Otterbein's Opportunity Nation summit, Women and the New American Dream (see page 6), looking at women's social and economic mobility issues as well as the lack of women in leadership positions.

Theresa Hubbell is flanked by Kerri Anderson, left, honorary chair of Opportunity Nation, and President Kathy Krendl, right.





**"THE FACULTY AND STAFF ARE SO SUPPORTIVE AND ENCOURAGING. WHEN THEY SEE POTENTIAL AND INITIATIVE, THEY PROVIDE THE RESOURCES TO MAKE IT HAPPEN."** - THERESA HUBBELL '13

To address this, Hubbell organized the student leadership track at the summit. The goal of the track was to train a new generation to become agents of social change in their own communities. Utilizing training she received at the national Opportunity Nation convention in New York City last November, Hubbell developed a "leadership boot camp" for students.

"I borrowed tools from the national summit to create the student leadership track. The participants evaluated their leadership style, their strengths and weaknesses, through practical exercises," said Hubbell, who also recruited fellow students to lead the session during the summit.

Hubbell is one of many students that Otterbein is preparing for leadership roles. Through leadership courses, mentoring programs and a leadership minor, Otterbein has created an infrastructure to support future leaders.

Leadership is ingrained both inside and outside the classroom. In addition to the leadership minor, one of the Five Cardinal Experiences, "Leadership and Citizenship," features real-world opportunities beyond the classroom where students apply their knowledge and skills to address contemporary questions.

"This generation will chart the future, so it is our hope to prepare them now to think comprehensively with a deeper understanding of social, civic and political issues. We want to equip students with the ethical decision-making skills that will lead to stronger sustainable communities," said Melissa Gilbert, associate dean of experiential learning and director of the Center for Community Engagement.

John Ludlum, Kerry Strayer and John Kengla teach the four core leadership classes that make up Otterbein's leadership minor. The classes allow for self-reflection and discovery. Students create a personal portfolio highlighting their strengths and areas for development and eventually apply their learning to a "leadership project," working with nonprofit leaders.

According to Kengla, the seeds for the minor were sewn in 1989, when he, Ludlum and Larry Cox developed a series of leadership courses for the Continuing Studies program. Kengla and Ludlum then collaborated with fellow professors Don Eskew, Susan Millsap and Strayer to develop the leadership minor, which debuted in fall 2010.

"In my Leadership Practice course students learn the change process and leadership methodology, as well as how a nonprofit functions and who it

## Extracurricular Leadership Initiatives

*In addition to the inclusion of leadership in the curriculum, Otterbein offers a variety of other leadership initiatives incorporating classroom learning with extracurricular experiences. All of them give students the opportunity to grow their leadership skills outside the classroom.*

### Cardinal Leadership Awards

The Cardinal Leadership Awards are presented at an annual spring event to recognize the academic and leadership achievement of Otterbein students, sponsored by the Center for Student Involvement. Awards are given for Cardinal Pride, Advisor of the Year, Program of the Year, Organization of the Year, and the Cardinal Leadership Award. Awards are also given for outstanding contributions to: Student Life; Athletics, Recreation or Health and Wellness; Religious and Spiritual Life; Celebration of Diversity; and Community Service.

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**The 2011 Cardinal Leadership Awards are given every spring to recognize academic and leadership achievement.**



serves by working side-by-side with seasoned staff and management to create a plan for changing the organization into an extraordinary organization,” Kengla said. “We’ve worked with more than 50 nonprofit organizations over the years, including the Columbus Housing Partnership, Amethyst and Girl Scouts.”

A new Freshman Year Experience course, Leadership Pathways, also pairs Otterbein students with high school students enrolled in the Ubuntu service program to learn and practice leadership skills.

“The focus of our courses is experiential learning, the chance to put leadership into action,” Kengla said. “Our courses are also built on the integrative model, bringing students from different disciplines together to lend their unique disciplinary perspectives to the overall conversation.”

Kengla said that he sees the students enrolled in his class change as they develop leadership skills. “The students start to appreciate interdisciplinary learning, diversity and the collaborative nature of leadership. These concepts are parallel to the characteristics of the Millennial Generation, who are primed for that style of learning and coursework,” Kengla said.

Starting this fall, a select group of promising first year student leaders will have the chance to join a new Leadership Living-Learning Community. Participation in the Leadership LLC gives students access to several of Otterbein’s most highly regarded faculty experts on leadership through one of three First-Year Seminars focused on leadership: Discovering and Developing your Strengths; Leadership Pathways and Women; and Leadership. Leadership LLC students will also have a shared residential experience in the Hanby-Clements Complex among other special opportunities that range from individual leadership strength assessments to mentor training and hands-on practice.

As for Hubbell, she credits Otterbein for providing her a solid foundation for leadership potential. “Otterbein offers me the opportunity to grow as a leader in the way that I want. It is helping to strengthen my communication skills with my peers.

“There are so many diverse groups and resources on campus to help students achieve their leadership goals,” said Hubbell. “The faculty and staff are so supportive and encouraging. When they see potential and initiative, they provide the resources to make it happen.” •

## Dean Van Sant Leadership Series

The goal of this program is to engage Otterbein students in discussions and workshops about leadership, helping them understand the importance of being a student leader within our Otterbein Community and as an engaged citizen. The series is named after Joanne Van Sant, a treasured member and leader of the Otterbein community for many decades. (See Leader’s Creed, next page.)

## Miller-Winter Scholars

Named after Otterbein’s first two women graduates, Miller-Winter Scholars are young women selected for a women’s leadership track to their Otterbein education. They start with FYS 1013: Women’s Leadership, a Freshman Year Seminar class taught by President Kathy Krendl. The course is punctuated with panel discussions each week by regional women leaders who share their life strategies and help students understand how to navigate and negotiate gendered social, cultural and political obstacles. After completing the course, they transition into leadership roles on campus, such as co-designing new signature community service programs with local girls, coordinating special women-focused events and serving as interns and apprentices at local women’s organizations.



**Sarah Jennie Miller '1857**, one of the first two graduates of Otterbein University. **Kate Winter Hanby '1857** was the other.

## Otterbein Women’s Leadership Network

The Otterbein Women’s Leadership NET provides networking, educational and transformational opportunities for girls, students and community leaders to cultivate a collaborative system of support. It offers university women a portal to an intergenerational network of community women who will serve as both mentors and partners as students begin to examine possible pathways to leadership.

## Nonprofit Leadership Institute

The goal of the Institute for Nonprofit Leadership is to provide community partners with new ideas, training in best practices and the opportunity to mix with colleagues from across central Ohio. This week-long event, featuring workshops on topics ranging from Succession Planning to Leadership Strategies to Social Media Use, is available to community partners for minimal cost. Discussion forums are hosted at the end of each day to provide an opportunity to confer with colleagues and local experts on areas of shared interest.



# *Leader's Creed*

by Joanne Van Sant

*Over the course of her many years at Otterbein,  
Dean Joanne Van Sant single-handedly inspired, mentored  
and developed generations of Otterbein leaders.*

*This is her creed.*

*To share with others the enthusiasm I have for the group and make it a top priority so that others will be challenged to do the same.*

*To help each member realize his/her worth to the organization by involving each in some capacity.*

*To set an example for others to follow, to place respect above popularity and honor above all else.*

*To be able to deal with the unpleasant as well as the pleasant, and be unafraid to admit my mistakes as I work to correct them.*

*To learn when flexibility is an asset or a liability, to reject what's popular unless it works for good, and to be willing to stand alone when necessary in order not to sacrifice my integrity.*

*To positively support policies, which strengthen the group, to rise above intimidation, and be willing to accept the fact that leadership can at times be lonely.*

*To constantly search for new ideas, which may or may not be better than the old ones, and to take advantage of every opportunity to develop skills needed in my leadership position.*

*May I dare to be different, dare to be courageous, dare to be creative, dare to challenge others as I am challenged, and dare to make time for this important task.*

*Hopefully I will fulfill my leadership role in such a way that when my term of service is over I can feel a sense of pride and satisfaction in knowing I have done my best.*



Otterbein University has launched an initiative that matches Dean Van Sant's energy and her commitment to Otterbein students. **The Dr. Joanne Van Sant Office of Student Affairs Initiative** will raise at least **\$2.5 million** to ensure what Dean Van always fostered - that learning is not limited to the classroom and that student experiences outside of the classroom are as valuable to students' growth and discovery as their formal studies. For more information about The Dr. Joanne Van Sant Office of Student Affairs Initiative, please contact **Candace Brady, assistant director of development, at 614.823.1953 or cbrady@otterbein.edu.**

# Leading the Way

# BY EXAMPLE

By Jenny Hill '05

*Who better to teach our students leadership than academics who are leaders in their own fields? At Otterbein, 95 percent of faculty members have obtained the terminal degree in their fields (as of fall 2010). Among this prestigious group, many faculty members are regarded as leaders in their fields nationally or internationally. The following are just a few of our outstanding faculty who are leading by example.*

## **Kate Lehman – Center for Student Success**

When Kate Lehman teaches the Freshman Year Experience course, “Journeys and Stories of Our Lives,” her insights impact a class full of students. However, when she steps outside the classroom and assumes the role of assistant dean for student success, she impacts an entire campus of students.

Lehman was recently awarded the Outstanding First-Year Student Advocate Award by the National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition at the University of South Carolina and Cengage Learning. She was recognized for her work with helping students achieve success when they are having trouble navigating through their college experiences.

To help guide students, Lehman developed the Center for Student Success at Otterbein. She has implemented and supported retention efforts across campus, provided individual advocacy to students and coordinated ongoing data analysis and research related to retention issues on campus. She also helped coordinate this year’s smooth conversion from quarters to semesters and serves as co-director of the First Year Experience Program. She was one of only 10 recipients nationwide to be recognized.

“That she accomplished all this with patience, humor and temerity is most impressive. She has created a space where confused or uncertain students can seek out advice, referrals and recommendations, no matter what their class year,” said Provost Victoria McGillin.

“The work I do with students everyday is what makes my job fulfilling,” said Lehman. “Seeing where the students go and what they do when they leave Otterbein is more meaningful than any award. So, for me, national recognition serves more to affirm that my day-to-day work matters to others, too.”







Professor Lou Rose is a teacher in the classroom and an editor for a renowned journal outside the classroom.



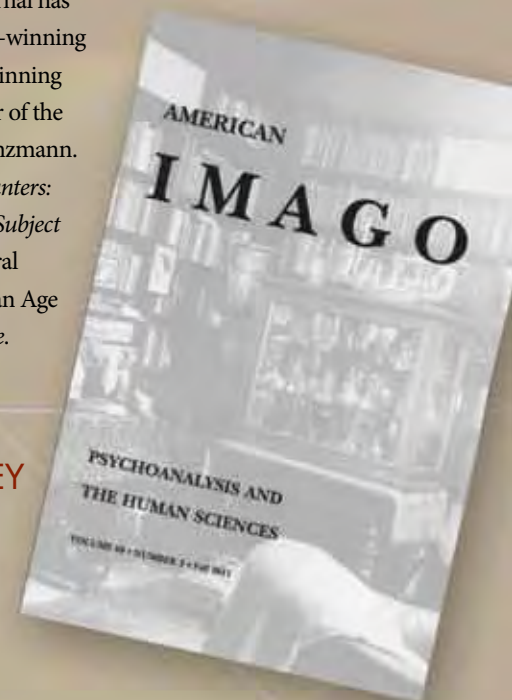
### Lou Rose – Department of History and Political Science

Professor Lou Rose not only teaches history, but he recently became a part of history when he took over as editor of the psychoanalytical journal, *American Imago*, in its centennial year. Founded by Sigmund Freud as *Imago* in Vienna in 1912, this journal was reborn as *American Imago* in the United States in 1939. It is uniquely multidisciplinary in its approach.

How did a history professor become editor of a psychoanalytical journal? Rose has conducted extensive research into the history of psychoanalysis as a way of studying culture, particularly in Vienna in the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. He has written two books on the subject: *The Survival of Images: Art Historians, Psychoanalysts, and the Ancients* (2001) and *The Freudian Calling: Early Viennese Psychoanalysis and the Pursuit of Cultural Science* (1998), which won the 1999 Austrian Cultural Institute Prize for Best Book in Austrian Studies. He has even had an article published in *American Imago*: “Interpreting Propaganda: Successors to Warburg and Freud in Wartime.” In addition to his research, Rose is a trustee of the Sigmund Freud Archives in the Library of Congress.

According to its literature, the journal “joins psychoanalytic thinking with scholarly studies in politics, the visual arts, literary culture, law and society and more—encompassing both contemporary and historical contexts.” Rose strongly supports the multidisciplinary approach of *American Imago*. So when choosing a staff to work with him, Rose reached out to colleagues Paul Eisenstein, dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, and Karen Steigman, assistant professor of English. Both have longstanding research interests in psychoanalytic topics and bring unique disciplinary perspectives to the journal.

During its 100-year history, the journal has published contributions by the Nobel Prize-winning author Thomas Mann, the Pulitzer Prize-winning psychoanalyst Erik Erikson, and the creator of the Holocaust documentary *Shoah*, Claude Lanzmann. Eisenstein is the author of *Traumatic Encounters: Holocaust Representation and the Hegelian Subject* and Steigman recently published “The Literal American: Re-reading Graham Greene in an Age of Security” in the journal *College Literature*.



“SEEING WHERE THE STUDENTS GO AND WHAT THEY DO WHEN THEY LEAVE OTTERBEIN IS MORE MEANINGFUL THAN ANY AWARD.”

- KATE LEHMAN, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR STUDENT SUCCESS





**Mathematics Professor Peter Sanderson helped develop MARS (Mips Assembler and Runtime Simulator), software that is used in classrooms around the world.**



Rose also chose Emmy Hammond, a junior honors student majoring in history and political science, to serve as his assistant for copyediting, proofreading and fact checking. “It’s important that students have the opportunity to work with scholarly and professional journals,” Rose said.

Rose’s vision for the journal is to further explore the multidisciplinary, academic mission of the journal. “I plan to include a wide range of authors and topics to show what is possible,” he said.

### **Pete Sanderson – Department of Mathematical Sciences**

Pete Sanderson teaches students in classrooms around the world, but they’ve never seen him, and they may not even

know his name. Sanderson, professor of computer science and chair of the Department of Mathematical Sciences at Otterbein, has worked with a colleague over the years to develop a computer science education software, MARS (Mips Assembler and Runtime Simulator). The latest version of the software was recently launched.

According to Sanderson, MARS is used mainly in undergraduate computer science courses to help students learn to write and simulate the running of MIPS assembly language. MIPS is the language used in all computer processors to carry out instructions and is commonly embedded in devices such as printers and cell phones. At Otterbein, the software is used by students in two courses.



“(SURGICAL) NURSES BREATHE IN THE SURGICAL SMOKE AND HAVE TWO TIMES THE INCIDENCE OF RESPIRATORY DISEASE, INCLUDING BRONCHITIS AND ASTHMA.”

- KAY BALL '83, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF NURSING

photo by Todd Yarrington

Sanderson partnered with Ken Vollmar at Missouri State University to develop the software. “The initial prototype was actually developed by a student team in 2003 under my direction and some of their code remains,” Sanderson said.

Since its creation, Sanderson said he has received comments from professors and students in 22 countries on six continents, and has given eight peer-reviewed presentations at regional and national conferences dedicated to computer science education. MARS is a free, open-source product and requires no installation, just a simple download.

#### Kay Ball – Department of Nursing

Already an international expert on laser, surgical, health care and nursing issues, Associate Professor **Kay Ball '83** is now researching the effects of smoke produced during surgery on the health of perioperative (surgical) nurses.

“Nurses breathe in the surgical smoke and have two times the incidence of respiratory disease, including bronchitis and asthma,” said Ball. “It’s a workplace safety issue that can be addressed with the presence of a properly functioning smoke evacuator.”

Ball said smoke evacuators are either frequently absent from operating rooms, or they are not being used because of noise or complacency. She believes this is a violation of Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA), which is enforced by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Ball is currently advocating for policy changes at a national level. Her research can be read online at [www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0001209210005545](http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0001209210005545).

Otterbein faculty are constantly striving to lead in the classroom and their respective field. To see a synopsis of 2010 faculty achievements, please visit: [www.otterbein.edu/facultyachievements](http://www.otterbein.edu/facultyachievements)





# LEADERS WHO CAME TO THE 'BEIN



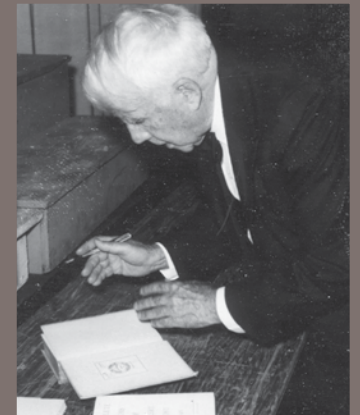
**Calvin Coolidge • 1922**

Vice president of the U.S., would go on to become the 30th U.S. president, laid a wreath at the civil war monument in front of Towers.



**Carl Sandberg • 1948**

Pulitzer Prize-winning author, poet and folk singer.



**Robert Frost • 1955**

Pulitzer Prize-winning poet.



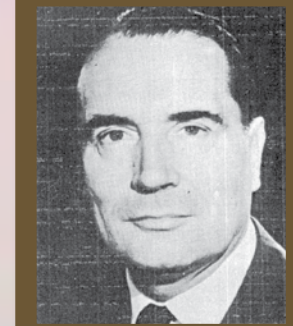
**Woody Hayes • 1967**

Legendary football coach of The Ohio State University.



**Curtis LeMay • 1968**

General, USAF Chief of Staff, candidate for vice president of the U.S.

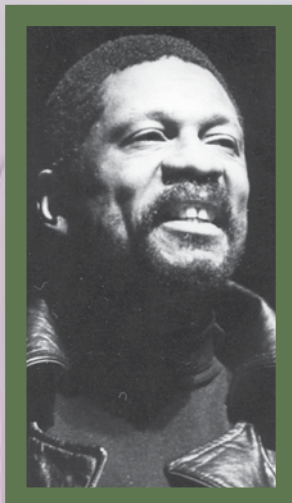


**Francois Mitterand • 1968**

French political leader, later would become president of France.

**Ed Begley • 1963**

Actor, played Mr. Zuss in Otterbein production of *J.B.* While at Otterbein, won an Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor for the film, *Sweet Bird of Youth*.



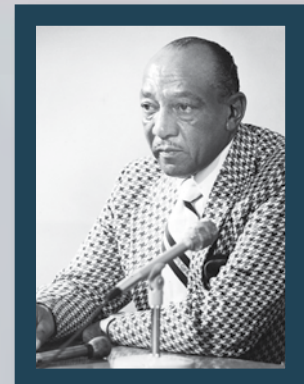
**Bill Russell • 1971**

NBA Hall of Fame basketball player and coach of the Boston Celtics.



**Jane Fonda • 1973**

Actress and peace activist.



**Jesse Owens • 1973**

Athlete, humanitarian, star of the 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin. Spoke at Commencement.





**Ariel Dorfman • 1988**

Chilean poet and playwright.



**Anna Deavere Smith • 1995**

Author, playwright and actress;  
first Common Book Author.



**Bob Dole • 1996**

Candidate for president of the U.S.



**Marvin Hamlisch • 1997 and other visits**

Pulitzer prize-winning composer.  
married to **Teri Blair '77**,  
commissioned for a piece for  
Otterbein's Sesquicentennial.



**Doris Kearns Goodwin • 2002**

Pulitzer prize-winning historian, first  
speaker of the **Vernon L. Pack '50**  
Distinguished Lecture Series.

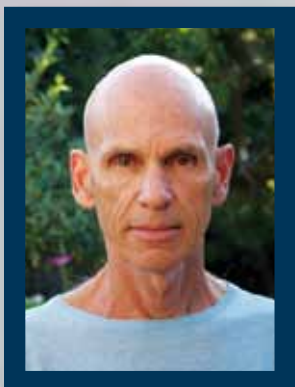


**Gus Van Sant • 2004**

Movie director (*Finding Forrester*,  
*Good Will Hunting*) and nephew of  
Joanne Van Sant.

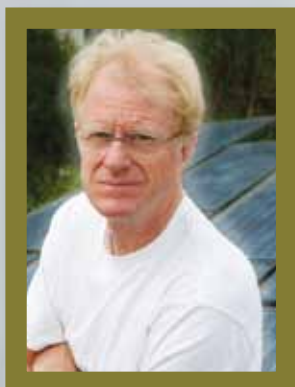
**Dee Dee Myers • 2009**

Former White House press secretary,  
author and political analyst.



**Joel Myerowitz • 2006**

Only photographer allowed  
at Ground Zero after the  
Sept. 11, 2001 attack.



**Ed Begley Jr. • 2007**

Actor and  
environmentalist,  
son of Ed Begley.



**John McCain • 2008**

Candidate for president of  
the U.S.



**Ken Burns and Lynn Novick • 2011**

Directors and producers of  
documentary films.

What leader do YOU remember coming  
to Otterbein? Let us know who you  
remember. Send us an email at [rroutson@otterbein.edu](mailto:rroutson@otterbein.edu)  
and share your memory.

compiled by Becky Hill May '78

**1947** reunion year  
alumni weekend 2012

**Mary Lord '45** was recently honored by the Mid Miami Valley Bar Association, formerly the Middletown Bar Association, at its annual holiday gathering. She received the Hon. George H. Elliott Distinguished Community Service Award recognizing her 61 years of leadership in the legal profession. She retired at the end of 2011.

**1952** reunion year  
alumni weekend 2012

**Diane Renollet Cline '56** appears in the book *Wilton Manors: From Farming Community to Urban Village*, a history of the area she has served in various elected positions since 1982. She currently serves as president of

the Wilton Manors Historical Society.

**1957** reunion year  
alumni weekend 2012

**1962** reunion year  
alumni weekend 2012

**Sharon Milligan '65** has received the Arch Award from the University of Findlay in Findlay, OH. The award recognizes members of the faculty or staff who are not alumni, but have served the institution with distinction for more than 25 years. Milligan taught courses in wellness, health education and physical education there for 44 years.

**1967** reunion year  
alumni weekend 2012

**Barbara Wissinger Calihan '67** was elected to her third term as fiscal officer of

Congress Township in Wayne County, OH.

**Dawn Armstrong Farrell '67** was presented a Harold Award by the Central Ohio Theatre Roundtable during their 12<sup>th</sup> annual Theatre Celebration Night in January. The Harold, named in honor of Harold Eisenstein, a veteran director and Gallery Players leader, recognized Farrell for her contributions to community theatre. She has also been an active board member of the Columbus Children's Theatre.

**James Brubaker '71** retired as an attorney-advisor at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base after more than 32 years of service.

**Kathleen Fernandez '71** retired after 32 years at the Ohio Historical Society,

having spent 29 years at Zoar Village and Fort Laurens State Memorials. She received the 2011 Woman of Distinction Award from the Canton/Stark County Soroptomist International Club for her role in making local history available to the public and for her participation in community organizations. She is currently the executive director of the North Canton Heritage Society as well as the executive director of the Communal Studies Association.

**Ed Vaughan '71** received the Roy Bowen Award for Lifetime Achievement recognizing his work for four decades at Otterbein, CATCO, Players Theatre and other area troupes as a teacher, mentor, producer and director.



**William Bale '57** was selected as Sertoman of the Year by the Woodmen Valley Sertoma Club of Colorado Springs and in June was named Sertoman of the Year for the combined South Colorado and Continental Divide Districts, comprised of 13 clubs. This fall he was named Sertoman of the Year for the Mountain West Region; his club was named Sertoma Club of the Year for the region as well. Bale has held many offices in the club and has been selected as president-elect for the 2012-13 fiscal year.

**Mary Kay Atwood Day '59** hosted the eighth annual **Class of '59 Gals Picnic** at her home in Apple Valley, OH, in September. Pictured are (front) Mary Kay Atwood Day, Marilyn Bohla Young, Lannie Baker Bartter; (middle) Rosie Yarman Dinkelacker, Diane Daily Cox, Kay Dornan Ciminello, Marilyn Miller Wyville; (back) Doris Repetylo Spaeth, Helen Wells Miller, Mary Sue Webner Smith, Joyce Kistler Jones.





## Otterbein Book Corner

**Jeanne Ackley**

**Lohmann '45** recently published her ninth poetry collection entitled, *Shaking the Tree—New and Selected Poems*. The poems in this collection emerge from a long life grounded in the search for what it means to be human.



**Nita Shannon Leland**

**'55** recently published her seventh book in art instruction, *New Creative Collage Techniques*.

Her books have been translated into other languages, such as German, Chinese, French and Dutch. In December she had a book signing and collage demo in Beavercreek, OH, with some of the artists whose work appears in the book.



Authors



The late **Carl Becker '49** and his comrade, Robert Thobaben, collaborated on *Common Warfare: Parallel Memoirs by Two World War II GI's in the Pacific*, which was published by McFarland & Company, Inc. It is the story of two enlisted men who served in the war zone in a support capacity, how they adjusted to the routine of war and the relationships they formed.



**Dottie Pickering '60** has published a collection of poems. The poems reflect on the different seasons and holidays. *A Rhyme for the Time* is illustrated by local artist, Jim Andrews, and is published by Author House.

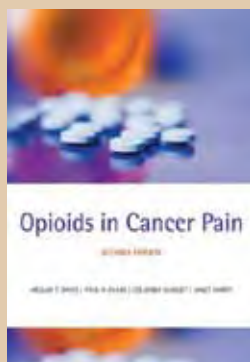
**Karen Hoerath Meyer '65**

has published her second book of the series, *Battle at Blue Licks*, set in the 1780s in the Ohio River Valley. The children's historical novelist enjoys visiting schools and retirement centers in period costume as Grandma Sarah.



**Deborah Barndt '67** recently published *VIVA!*:

*Community Arts and Popular Education in the Americas*. The book is a compilation of case studies in North and Central America using the arts for education, community development and building social movement. Barndt is professor and coordinator of the Community Arts Practice Certificate Program and Faculty of Environmental Studies at York University in Toronto, Canada.



**Mellar Davis '74** served as an editor of one of the top six oncology textbooks of 2010, as declared by the British Medical Association, *Opioids in Cancer Pain*. He is a professor of medicine at the Cleveland Clinic Lerner School of Medicine and director of the Clinical Fellowship Program, Palliative Medicine and Supportive Oncology Services, Division of Solid Tumor, Taussig Cancer Institute.



**Jean Childers-Arnold '90**

recently co-authored a book of yoga on horseback: *Equiyo, The Wisdom of the Horse/Human Connection Through the Practice of Yoga*. Childers-Arnold is a registered yoga teacher who

has been teaching since 1999. She has taught at hospitals, health clubs and studios all over Indianapolis.

**Have you written and published a book? Let us know at [classnotes@otterbein.edu](mailto:classnotes@otterbein.edu). Send us a high-resolution photo of yourself and the book cover. Let all your Otterbein classmates know of your publishing success.**

## The Mary B. Thomas Awards

### First Thomas Awards Given for Commitment to Otterbein

*Editor's Note: The alumni profiles on pages 33, 34 and 35 honor the recipients of the first Mary B. Thomas Awards presented this past fall.*

**The Mary B. Thomas Award for Commitment to Otterbein** was established by President Kathy A. Krendl and the University's Board of Trustees to help recognize the remarkable commitment of Otterbein investors to and for the University.

Recipients of the Mary B. Thomas Award are recognized for their philanthropic leadership, service and commitment to advance Otterbein's mission. Their contributions are known for providing significant and lasting change that positively impacts the University.

The award's namesake, **Mary Burnham Thomas '28** (1907-1999), is fondly remembered and appreciated for her enduring loyalty and service to Otterbein University. Thomas was a donor to the institution since the Development Board was formed in 1948. A member of the President's Club, she participated in many capital campaigns. She honored the institution with a \$6.3 million estate gift, the largest single gift to date to Otterbein. During her tenure as a member of the Otterbein Board of Trustees from 1960 to 1979, she served as secretary of the Board and as a member of the Executive Committee.



In 1977, Mary was named the "Woman of the Year" by the Westerville Otterbein Women's Club for her "unselfish dedication and loyalty to Otterbein." In 1978, the Otterbein Alumni Association awarded her the Distinguished Service Award in recognition of her extraordinary service to her alma mater, her church and her community.

Her legacy of dedication to Otterbein and its students lives on through The Thomas Academic Excellence Series which she endowed in 1994 in honor of her

parents, Fred N. and Emma B. Thomas.

The series is intended to create intellectual excitement and strengthen bonds on campus by providing a shared academic experience for freshmen through the Common Book, regarded as one of Otterbein's greatest academic programs. Each year a book is selected for entering students to read, discuss and use in their Integrative Studies courses. The endowment also provides funds to bring the Common Book authors to campus every fall to meet with students and give a public convocation.



**1972**

reunion year  
alumni weekend 2012

**Ken Jewett '76** and **Greg Jewett '78** presented a program at Oberlin's Heiser Auditorium last fall discussing their family's roots dating back to the earliest American settlers.

Ancestor and publisher John Jewett, who operated the Jewett Publishing Company, was the first to publish Harriet Beecher Stowe's *Uncle Tom's Cabin*. Ken has written the historical trilogy, *The Valley Series* (edited by brother, Greg), all of which have been

nominated for the Pulitzer Prize in American Literature.

**Tim Kish '76** has been named linebackers coach at the University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK. He spent the last eight years at the University of Arizona, where he most

recently served as interim head coach, replacing Mike Stoops. A 36-year veteran of coaching in the Big Ten, Pac 12, Mid-American Conference and at Army, he began his career in 1976 at Mariemont High School in Cincinnati, OH.

**Barbara Glor Martin '62** attended the premier of *Take Me Home* at the Arena Grand Theatre in Columbus. The movie was produced by **Sam Jaeger '99** and starred both he and his wife, **Amber Mellott Jaeger '99**. **Dennis Romer '71** and **Ed Vaughan '71**, both professors on the Otterbein theatre staff, also appear in the film.



**Becky Keister Carmer '66** and her husband, John, attended the **Richie Furay '66** concert in Cleveland. She reminds us that Furay (shown at right with Carmer) sang and played his guitar in the freshman talent show in 1962 and that he is a great performer still. Furay was a member of Buffalo Springfield and was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1997.





**Russell A. Meade '76** is owner and president of the Shanghai-based China Business Network (CBN). Since 2003 CBN has facilitated operations for western-owned companies in China. Last July, they partnered with CISER, the largest fastener manufacturer in Latin America, to open a one-of-a-kind facility in Hefei, China. His son, **Russell N. Meade '06**, is the director of operations for CBN. The Meades invite any Cardinals in the Shanghai area to visit them at their offices on Wan Hang Du Road.

**Beth Nelson '76** has been appointed pastor of the Salem United Methodist Church in Wexford, PA. Previous to this appointment, she served Henderson, Mars, Carnegie and Coraopolis United Methodist churches, as well as serving as the staff director of training and resources for the Western Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church.

**James West '76** returned to the Upper Darby Performing Arts Center in Drexel Hill, PA, in December to perform *Dinosaurs!*, an interactive show where gigantic puppets are the stars. He combines his extensive

knowledge of prehistory and dinosaurs with his love of puppeteering. For many years he worked with award-winning puppeteer, Marshall Izen, and together they co-authored a picture book, *Why the Willow Weeps*. He recently won the Parents Choice Award for the book, *The Dog Who Sang at the Opera*.

**1977** reunion year  
**Homecoming 2012**

**Sue Subich '78** was inducted into the Ohio High School Volleyball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in November. Her overall record of 545-164 earned her three State Coach of the Year titles, and her teams at Crestview and Madison High Schools in Mansfield, OH, won 22 league championships, 23 sectional titles, 13 district crowns and four regional championships through her 28-year career.

**Emerson Wu '79** and his wife, Ivy, were endorsed by American Baptist Ministries to serve in Macau, a special administrative region of China. The couple will serve in outreach to youth and college students and in an orphanage's after-school program.

**Robert Engelbach '81** is working on a project for the Veterans Administration as a software developer.

**1982** reunion year  
**Homecoming 2012**

**Bradley Tucker '82** was promoted to the position of global vice president of sales for Closure Systems International (CSI). CSI is recognized as a global leader in closure design, manufacturing and high speed application systems for the soft drink, dairy, food and automotive fluids industry.

**Terry Ackerman Williams '84** is currently working as an R.N. in a Cincinnati area hospital. Additionally, she is certified with the Certified Horsemanship Association (CHA) as a clinic instructor and was named CHA Clinic Instructor of the Year for 2011.

**Sean McConnell '86** completed his master's degree in systems engineering at

Southern Polytechnic State University, Marietta, GA.

**1987** reunion year  
**Homecoming 2012**

**Susan Gaskell Merryman '88** has accepted a position as chief of staff, Capital University, Columbus, OH. For the past seven years, she worked for the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce as vice president of marketing and communications.

**Brett Graham '89** was deployed to Afghanistan as a member of the 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team. He joined the Army National Guard 27 years ago. This will be his third deployment, having served in Kosovo in 2004 and Bosnia in 2005. Graham is a science teacher at Mohawk High School, Sycamore, OH.

**Carol Ventresca '76**, in conjunction with other alumni, has successfully secured funding for the **Larry Cox Fund for Professional Development in Psychology**. Created as a tribute to Psychology Professor Larry Cox, the fund will provide financial assistance for psychology students seeking professional development opportunities.

Giving Note

A trip to Israel in January included **Cathi Henthorn Shaw '75** and husband, **Greg '74**; Todd Anderson, minister at Church of the Master, Westerville, OH; **Sherri McCoy Mettle '82**; **Judy Sebright Flippo '76** and **Judie Mack Salyer '63**. Pictured here at the top of Masada, at the midpoint of the two-week trip, the pilgrims share the experience of the bi-annual trip offered as a personal spiritual retreat by Church of the Master.



**Victor Jones '83** is the director of theatre at Ohio University, Lancaster. He recently produced and directed *It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play*, and *Steel Magnolias*. His next project will be Neil Simon's *Rumors*. During the Lancaster Festival in 2012, he will produce and direct *Chicago*.

**Evelyn Orenbuch '90** has opened Georgia Veterinary Rehabilitation, Fitness and Pain Management, a small animal physical rehabilitation clinic, in Marietta, GA. This is the first stand-alone clinic of its kind in Georgia, and one of just a few in the country.

**1992** reunion year  
Homecoming 2012

**CORRECTION:**

**Jeff Pullins '92** received his master's of business administration from Ohio University in June 2011. The fall issue incorrectly stated he received the degree from The Ohio State University.

**1997** reunion year  
Homecoming 2012

**Jennifer Neiman Smith '97** was selected as a White House Fellows regional finalist for 2011-12. The White House Fellowship offers exceptional young men and women first-hand experience working at

the highest levels of the federal government. Individuals chosen to be White House Fellows are placed in the offices of cabinet secretaries, senior White House staff, and other high-level executive branch officials.

**Patrick Wallace '97, Trent Kugler '06 and Mayme Moyer-Kugler '06** recently staged Shepherd University Music Department's production of *Sweeney Todd*. The group assisted in the theatre department's March production before moving on to work with the 2012 Contemporary American Theatre Festival held at Shepherd University in Shepherdstown, WV, July 6-29. The festival has been a showcase for many Otterbein alumni through the years.

**Scott Arthur '99** is a vice president with Nationwide Children's Foundation. He is leading the constituent-giving program and major gift team.

He will be working with all of the center directors to create gifting opportunities at the \$100,000-and-above level.

**Lois Szudy '99**, director of Otterbein's Courtright Memorial Library, was one of five chosen as the Executive Director's Outstanding Advisors of the Year of the National Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society. Szudy has served as an advisor for Otterbein's Alpha Lambda Delta chapter since 1998. The society honors academic excellence during a student's first year in college. Students who have achieved at least a 3.5 GPA after their first semester are invited to become a member of the honorary society.

**Dan Largent '00** was named 2010 Greater Cleveland Division I Baseball "Coach of the Year" after leading Olmsted Falls High School to their first state final four.

**Kyle Nelman '00** completed a fellowship in orthopedic sports medicine in Laguna Hill, CA, in July. He opened a practice in orthopaedic surgery at the Crystal Clinic in Akron, OH, and is an assistant

team physician for Kent State University, Kent, OH.

**Deborah Singer '00** serves as the stage manager for the Trey McIntyre Project, an internationally touring dance company based in Boise, ID. She also served as a stage manager for CATCO-Phoenix, Carnival Cruise Lines, and Creede Repertory Theatre.

**Stacy Kinsey Stewart '00** has been named partner in the San Francisco-based accounting and consulting firm, Novogradac & Company LLP. Stewart works extensively with institutional investors, syndicators, insurers and real estate developers with an emphasis in the low-income housing tax credit industry out of her Dover, OH, office.

**April Bowyer Largent '01** was the head referee for the 2011 Ohio High School Athletic Association Girls Division I State Championship basketball game. She has been a referee for 10 years.

**2002** reunion year  
Homecoming 2012

Giving Note

**Cynthia Heston Sievers '89 and Kristine Heston Puskarich '88** are working to secure funding for **The Karyn Rial '89 Scholarship**. Created as a memorial tribute to sorority sister Karyn Rial, the fund will provide scholarships for members of Epsilon Kappa Tau. More information on this scholarship is available by contacting Candace Brady, assistant director of development at [cbrady@otterbein.edu](mailto:cbrady@otterbein.edu)



**Kevin Baker '85** recently opened a national tutoring franchise named Club Z In-Home Tutoring in Springfield, MO. Club Z is the nation's largest in-home tutoring company providing tutoring for all ages and in all subjects. After more than 25 years of marketing and business development, Kevin and his wife, Leisha, a fifth-grade teacher, wanted to provide a service that would positively impact students and their families.



**Jeff Wilson '85** was promoted to regional vice president of Radio-One in Cleveland, OH. Wilson is also on the Board of Directors at Nationwide Children's Hospital Foundation. He completed his 65th marathon at the Columbus Marathon in October. He and **Sharon Frisbee Wilson '85**, are the proud parents of Cort Wilson, a freshman at Otterbein. Jeff is pictured at left with nieces Taryn and Kelan Huffman.



## The Mary B. Thomas Awards ... a Look at the 2011 Winners

### The Clements Left Their Mark in Many Ways, in Many Places

As the Clements' carillon in Towers Hall tolls the hours of the day on campus, the Otterbein community is forever reminded of the constant love, generosity and support shared by **Frank Orville '1896** and **Vida Shauck '1901 Clements**.

Frank O. Clements earned his bachelor's (1896) and master's degrees (1898) from Otterbein, and the University later bestowed him with an Honorary Doctor of Science degree (1929). In order to pay his way through graduate school at The Ohio State University, he taught freshman chemistry and met a student, Charles F. Kettering, who became instrumental in his life.

Clements was a chemist for the Pennsylvania Railroad, the Union Pacific Railroad and the National Cash Register Co. In 1916, Kettering, who had originated and manufactured automobile ignition and lighting equipment, invited Clements to become the organizer and director of a new research laboratory, which later became the General Motors Research Laboratories. He retired as the technical director of the lab in 1939.

During his tenure, he served as an alumni trustee on the Otterbein Board of Trustees for 26 years and served as the chairman for 11 years. He was one of the first three Otterbein



alumni inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame in 1968, which then posthumously honored nationally recognized alumni.

Vida S. Clements graduated from Otterbein in 1901, and received an Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree in 1953. She devoted much of her service and time to the community. She was an active participant in the Otterbein Women's Club, the Otterbein Centurion Club, the Westerville Garden Club, the Westerville Historical Society and the Westerville Women's Music Club. She was an honorary member of the Varsity "O" Club and an honorary colonel in the U.S. Air Force ROTC unit at Otterbein. In 1944, she was elected to the Otterbein Board of Trustees and served for 23 years. She also served on the executive committee and the development board. In 1963, the Otterbein Women's Club named her "Woman of the Year."

In 1956, Otterbein built Clements Hall, a residence hall for female students. When Vida Clements died in 1968, the Clements Foundation and the Vida S. Clements Scholarship were established. Since 1971, the Clements' home has proudly served as the residence of Otterbein presidents. The Clements Foundation was also instrumental in funding the construction of the Clements Recreation Center, which was dedicated in 2002.

Profile

**Evan Struble '02** recently accepted the position of library consultant, information systems and technology, for the State Library of Ohio in Columbus. For the past four years, he was at OHIONET.

**Adam Bauer '03** has joined Cardinal Health Inc. as an advisor in their strategic sourcing department. Cardinal Health is a Fortune 500 company based in Dublin, OH.

**Wendy Sherman-Heckler**, associate professor of Education, has been awarded **\$106,480 from the Ohio Board of Regents** for a third year of "OP2 – Operation Physics for Central Ohio Middle Grade Teachers." The goal of this project is to develop a better understanding of basic physics among central Ohio-based teachers of students in grades 4-9.

New Grant

**Craig Sutherland '89** was awarded the 2012 Regional President's Award from Money Concepts Corporation. The award recognizes outstanding international leadership and dedication to clients in all areas of professional management, including personal financial planning, team building, training, motivation and business management. Sutherland started his Money Concepts franchise and developed his business on a completely independent basis in 1994. He has won this award 11 consecutive times.



**Rod Skaf '99** is a certified financial planner working with MetLife, Inc. Recently, he was awarded the Award of Excellence by MetLife. He has worked in the financial services industry for nearly 20 years.



## The Mary B. Thomas Awards

### Fritsches Help Give Center Stage to Otterbein Theatre Students

The Otterbein University Department of Theatre and Dance has provided invaluable experiences for students and faculty both on and off stage. **Ernest G. Fritsche '38** and Neva Fritsche have been instrumental in making those opportunities possible for students and faculty, as well as the patrons who enjoy the performances.

The Fritsches made a charitable gift to Otterbein for the 2005 renovations of the Cowan Hall theatre, which is now known as the Fritsche Theatre at Cowan Hall.

A native of Westerville, Ernest Fritsche attended Westerville schools and enrolled at Otterbein for two years. He also attended Franklin University for three years before being drafted into the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1941. After five years of service, he was honorably discharged from the Army in 1946 as Lieutenant Colonel.

Known as an innovator in the building industry in concept and finance, Ernest developed, constructed, sold and leased more than 8,000 homes and apartments, as well as commercial and industrial work through the Fritsche Corporation. He was inducted into the National Association of Home Builders' Hall of Fame in 1979 and was named one of

the 100 most influential people in the U.S. housing industry by *Builder Magazine* in 1999.

He participated in many civic organizations including the Citizens Research, Inc., the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority, Big Brothers of Columbus, United Appeal, the Columbus Rotary Club and the Columbus Symphony Orchestra, among others. He was named one of the Ten Outstanding Men of the Year by the *Columbus Citizen-Journal* in 1961 and listed in *Who's Who in America* from 1968-80. He was also inducted into the Westerville South High School Alumni Hall of Fame in 2003.

He served on the Otterbein Development Board for more than 30 years and as a former and honorary trustee on the University's Board of Trustees. Ernest was granted an Honorary Doctorate of Law from Otterbein in 1965.

Ernest and Neva are dedicated Otterbein donors. In addition to facilitating the renovation of Cowan Hall, the Fritsches also established the Garfield H. and Clara D. Fritsche Memorial Endowed Scholarship in 1986 in honor of Ernest's parents.



**Neva Fritsche (left) with daughter, Nevaline '71, at the Thomas Awards Ceremony in October.**

#### Giving Note

**Mark and Maria Pizzi** have established **The Col. Joseph E. Pizzi Endowed Scholarship for Athletic Training Students**. The parents of two Otterbein alumni, **Amanda '09** and **Anthony '11**, the scholarship will support students pursuing a degree in athletic training through participation in professional opportunities, program participation and/or volunteer efforts.

**Angie Atkinson Shaffer '03** received her master's degree in nursing and her pediatric nurse practitioner certificate from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. She is working as an advance practice nurse in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at Sunrise Children's Hospital in Las Vegas.

**Jennifer Clark Goff '04** is the softball coach at Bishop Ready High School, Columbus, OH. She had been the junior varsity coach for the last four years under retiring coach Nick Joseph.

**Mark Snyder '99** has written *As Wide As I Can See*, which had its world premiere in February at the HERE Arts Center in SoHo, NY. Set in the backyard of a recession-stricken Ohio town, the drama is about remembering who you were and confronting who you've become.



**Mike MacKay '03** has earned the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Green Associate credential from the U.S. Green Building Council. He was responsible for the planning and installation of the first two commercial wind turbines in Columbus and Delaware, and completed the first LEED-certified building in Johnstown, OH, for the Thirty-One Gifts headquarters. MacKay is employed by Renier Construction as project executive.





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### Roush Hall Just One of Many Gifts from the Roushes

Otterbein University's unparalleled friendship with **Edwin "Dubbs" '47** and **Marilou Harold '45 Roush** has spanned more than 50 years. The Roushes' loyalty and their philanthropy to the University will be felt by the Otterbein community and its friends forever.

Dubbs was co-captain and quarterback of the 1946 Ohio Conference championship football team. He was later drafted by the Detroit Lions and led their club team to the American Division Championship before returning home to Westerville.

While he and Marilou started a family, Dubbs opened Roush Hardware in 1951. Over the years, he added motorcycles, cars and sporting goods to his family of stores, which today includes Roush Honda and Roush Sporting Goods. In 1980, a second hardware store was opened in Dublin and his auto sales business was recognized by Honda as a top dealer in the country.

Always loyal to Otterbein, Dubbs led the formation of the Otterbein "O" Club in 1955, serving as its first president. He was a longtime member of the Otterbein Board of Trustees, serving as chairman before retiring as a trustee emeritus. He also



**"Dubbs" and Marilou Roush at the dedication of Roush Hall in 1993.**

served as a trustee for the Vida S. Clements Foundation.

He and Marilou gave generously to many Otterbein campaigns, including the lead \$2 million naming gift to build Roush Hall, dedicated in 1993, and a significant private donation for Memorial Stadium, dedicated in 2005. Over the years, the Roushes have made substantial contributions to the Clements Recreation Center, the "O" Club Foundation and many other athletic endeavors. In 1985, Dubbs established the Roush Family Scholarship.

Otterbein recognized Dubbs for his commitment and accomplishments with the Distinguished Service Award in 1978, the Honorary Doctor of Business Administration in 1982 and the Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1988.

Marilou served as an active participant at many Otterbein functions including the Leadership Giving Society events and the 1945 Golden Year Reunion committee. She and Dubbs raised five children, three of whom graduated from Otterbein.

On June 8, 2011, the Otterbein and Westerville communities said goodbye to Dubbs Roush, "the ultimate business and civic leader."

**Crissi Myers Mikolaj '04** graduated from the Ohio State College of Optometry in 2008 and is currently working for the Schaeffer Eye Center in Birmingham, AL, as an optometrist.

**Shenita Miller '05** earned her master's degree in education from Ashland University in May 2011.

**Andy Berger '06** is a part-time adjunct professor in the health and sports services department at Otterbein, teaching strength and conditioning fall semester.

**Andrew Boose '06** is the forest ecologist for the Columbus and Franklin County Metro Parks.

**Elizabeth Schleicher Czarnecki '06** is an adjunct music faculty member at Indiana University South Bend and sings with the Lyric Opera Chorus of Chicago.

**Sheridan Carr Miller '06** is in her sixth year of teaching language arts at Weaver Middle School, Hilliard, OH.

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**Jon Juravich '05**, a K-5 art teacher at Liberty Tree Elementary, Powell, OH, was nominated for the 2012 Man of the Year Award by the Central Ohio Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. His show, *Core Studies*, was displayed in the Miller Gallery at Otterbein this winter, and was inspired by one of his first-grade student's diagnosis of cancer.



**Justin Milam, Chantil Stull Milam '05** (with future Otterbein attendee Blake), **Mike Sawicki '10, Jon Juravich '05, Paul Davis, Alison Schmidt Davis '06, Ashley Mould Dallacqua '05, Joe Dallacqua '03, Amy Davis Parrish '03, William Parrish '03, Kris Vigneron, and Alyson Blazey Vigneron '05.**

**Andrew Horvath '07**

was named Outstanding Contracting Civilian for 2011 by the U. S. Air Force. He works at Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, OH, as a contract specialist.

**Tom Draper '08** is employed by Wendy's International in IT support.

**Liz Shivener '09** plays Princess Fiona in the national tour of *Shrek: The Musical*, which recently made a stop at the Ohio Theatre in Columbus, OH.

**Lindsey Billingsley '10** is currently working as a graphic designer at a small company called School Pride in Columbus, OH.

**Nick Wood '10** is a development officer at Ohio Dominican University in Columbus, OH.

**Jayme Detweiler '11** is working for SBC Advertising in Columbus, OH, as an account coordinator focusing on social media analytics and interactions for their clients.

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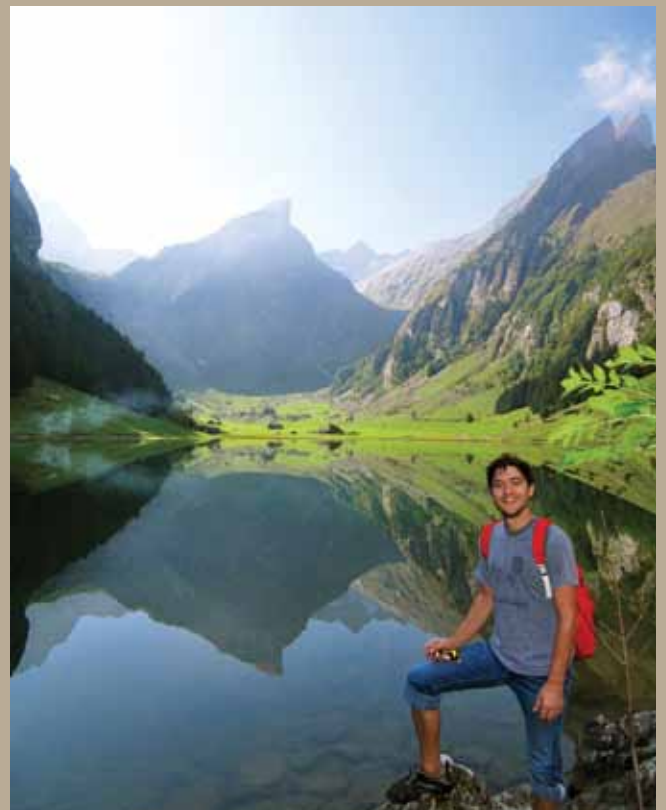


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**Amanda Weed '11** is pursuing a master's degree at the E. W. Scripps School of Journalism at Ohio University. She is a research assistant to two faculty members. Her research focus is the use of social media in higher education.

**Heather Weekley '11** is working for *The Columbus Dispatch*. She is the editorial assistant for *Capital Style Magazine* and *Columbus Parent Magazine*, two of their niche publications. Weekley is also President of Sigma Alpha Tau Alumnae. •



**Michael Wise '08** is studying for his master's degree in communication, management and health at the Università della Svizzera Italiana in Lugano, Switzerland, through a bursary scholarship allocated by the foundation for Lugano Faculties. He is employed by the university as a research assistant and by the European Journalism Observatory as an editor's assistant. Photo taken in Appenzell, Switzerland.

**John Kengla**, senior instructor of communication, has been awarded two new grants for the **UBUNTU Program**. He has received **\$32,000 from The Columbus Foundation** and **\$8,000 from Columbus City Schools**. Through group mentoring, urban high school and Otterbein University students increase their engagement in learning, self-awareness, character development and civic responsibility; the high school students gain access to Otterbein students and the Otterbein environment, and are encouraged to pursue higher education.

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# MILESTONES

compiled by Becky Hill May '78

## Marriages

**Mary Jane Sulcebarger '76** to Denny Lane, Sept. 17, 2011.

**Nancy Binzel '85** to David Brown, Sept. 3, 2011.

**Evelyn Davis '00** to Steven Walker, June 25, 2011.

**Tia Jean '03** to Luke Moran, Dec. 31, 2010.

**Crissi Myers '04** to Michael Mikolaj, Sept. 3, 2011.

**Sheridan Carr '06** to Tyler Miller, Aug. 5, 2011.

**Dave Hutte '06** to Mary Wagner, Oct. 29, 2011.

**Beth Klopfer '06** to Jason Butler, Aug. 27, 2011.

**Elizabeth Schleicher '06** to Daniel Czarnecki, Sept. 17, 2011. The wedding party included **Caitlin Czarnecki '06** and **Steve Czarnecki '09**.

**Joshua Bradley '07** to Jackie Perry, Oct. 8, 2011.

**Elizabeth Goodman '07** to Gregory Burks, June 4, 2011.

**Courtney Childers '08** to Brett Maniaci, Aug. 19, 2011.



**Nancy Binzel '85** with groom, David Brown.



**Crissi Myers '04** with groom, Michael Mikolaj.



**Sheridan Carr '06** with groom, Tyler Miller. Also pictured are mother of the bride, **Sibyl McCaulsky Carr '74**; grandmother, Suzanne Carr; and sisters, **Erin Carr '14** and **Shannon Carr '08**.



**Beth Klopfer '06** with groom, Jason Butler.



**Elizabeth Schleicher '06** with groom, Daniel Czarnecki.



**David Hutte '06** with bride, Mary Wagner.



**Jessica Porch '09** with groom, Cody Stickdorn.



**Ursula Guggisberg '09** with groom, Kyle Bennett '08.



**Stacy Walulik '09** with groom, Aaron Laskota '07.



**Lindsey Little '10** with groom, Jarrin Bradshaw.



**Kaylyn Williams '10** with groom, Mike Ruffing '09.



**Brittany Nichols '11** with groom, Brett Burch.



**Danielle Dean '11** with groom, Zack Housler '11.



**Christine Klesta '10** with groom, Gregory Beers '10.

**Ursula Guggisberg '09** to **Kyle Bennett '08**, Sept. 10, 2011. The wedding party included **Christa Johnston '08** and **Zach Peterson '08**.

**Stacie Walulik '09** to **Aaron Loskota '07**, June 26, 2009. The wedding party included **Britton Johnson '10**, **Lauren Williams '10**, **Erika Loch-Test '10**, **Joanna Brown Reser '09**,

**Vanessa Slocum Garvin '08** and **Jason Graham '07**.

**Jessica Porch '09** to Cody Stickdorn, June 4, 2011.

**Christine Klesta '10** to **Gregory Beers '10**, Aug. 12, 2011.

**Lindsey Little '10** to Jarrin Bradshaw, Oct. 29, 2011. The

wedding party included **Laura Berger '10**, **Paige Pridmore '10** and **Jason Rickey '09**.

**Kaylyn Williams '10** to **Mike Ruffing '09**, Oct. 15, 2011.

**Danielle Dean '11** to **Zack Housler '11**, Aug. 7, 2011. The wedding party included bridesmaids **Erin Cochran '11**, **Jillian Fair '11**, **Katie Robinson**

**'11**, **Danielle Pauley Wagner '11**, and **Heather Weekley '11**; and groomsmen **Alex Boester '11**, **Tyler Harris '11**, **Kyle Holter '11**, **Chris Kahler '12**, and **Shayne Willis '12**.

**Brittany Nichols '11** to Bret Burch, Oct. 1, 2011. Matron of honor was **Devin Smith Byard '11**. •



Abigail Catherine Greeley



Camden Michael Long



Owen Michael Cawley



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## Births

**Carol Shell Greeley '93** and husband, Pete, a daughter, Abigail Catherine, Aug. 9, 2011. She joins big sister, Emily.

**Rebecca Thompson Long '94** and husband, Charles, a son, Camden Michael, Sept. 27, 2011. He joins big sister, Kaitlynn, and big brother, Ethan.

**Megan Bosh Cawley '99**, and husband, **Steven '98**, a son, Owen Michael, May 19, 2011. He joins big sister, Anna; and a long line of Otterbein Cardinals, including grandfather **Larry Cawley '62**; uncles, **David Cawley '88** and **Kyle Bosh '02**; aunts, **Vicki Cawley Pitstick '89**, **Peggy Cawley Webb '93** and **Karain Hansen Bosh '03**.

**Leigh Anne Hall Detillion '00** and husband, Bill, a son, Caleb James, July 11, 2011. He joins big sister, Savannah, 3.

**Krista Lively Stauffer '02** and husband, **Doug '02**, a son, Gabriel, March 30, 2011. He joins big sister, Micah. Proud aunt is **Melissa Allen '00**.

**Robert K. Witt '02** and wife, Sarah, a son, Robert Noah, Nov. 29, 2011.

**Molly Moore Pensyl '03** and husband, Tyler, a son, Connor Jeffrey, Dec. 13, 2010.

**Angie Atkinson Shaffer '03** and husband, Gordon, a daughter, Emerson Grace, Feb. 18, 2011.

**Jeremy Compton '04** and wife, Amy, twin sons, Brady and Tyler, May 27, 2011.

**Jami Jones Patton '04** and husband, Ryan, a daughter, Emma Grace, Oct. 25, 2011.

**Hallie Lucas Andrews '05** and husband, David, a son, Emerson Jack, June 13, 2011. He joins big sister, Ella.

**Katelyn Tilley Willyerd '05** and husband, **Scott '05**, a daughter, Quinn Louise, April 17, 2011.

**Andrea Boggs Johnson '07** and husband, Arthur, a daughter, Cailin Audrey, March 10, 2011. •

## Deaths

**Dorothy Beachler Hoskins '39** passed away Dec. 30, 2011. She was a registered nurse and retired from Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh, PA. While at Otterbein, she served as the campus nurse. She was preceded in death by her husband, Courtney. She is survived by her daughter, **Alice Hoskins Takase '68**; sons, Bruce and Gene; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

**Doris Brinkman Patton '39** passed away Feb. 27, 2010.

**Bette Greene Elliott '42** passed away Oct. 23, 2011. She was a critically acclaimed artist and an active member of the Ohio Watercolor Society and the Canton Artists League. She taught at Kent State University and at the Canton Art Institute.

In 2005 she was honored by her students and friends at a gala at the Institute. She was named Woman of the Year by the Canton Women's Club in 2008. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Howard Elliott '41**. She is survived by her sons, Casey and Brady; and four grandchildren.

**Elizabeth Umstot Daugherty '43** passed away Feb. 18, 2010. She retired in 1982 after teaching 34 years at Bruce High School, Westernport, MD. She was a member of the Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Keyser, WV, and past president of the American Association of University Women. She was a member of the resident council at Quincy United Methodist Home where she resided in her later years. She was preceded in death by her husband, Raphael; and relative, **Thelma Warnick Stone '40**.

**Margaret Shoemaker Brown '44** passed away Dec. 22, 2011. She taught in the Columbus City Schools for five years and was a lifelong member of the United Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by her sister-in-law, **Marion Daniels Shoemaker '49**. She is survived by her husband of 66 years, **Herman Brown '44**; daughter, Sue Ellen Miller; son, Robin Brown; brother, **Richard '48**; and one granddaughter.

**Irene Cole '44** passed away Aug. 26, 2011. She served as a home missionary with the United Methodist Church at the McCurdy School in Santa Cruz, NM, from 1944-1997. She taught

high school math, chemistry and general science, and later served in the McCurdy church relations department. Retirement brought her to Otterbein Home in Cridersville, OH. She volunteered in the local elementary school for more than 12 years. She was an associate member of the Trinity United Methodist Church of Lima, OH. She was preceded in death by her parents, **E. Ray Cole '23** and **Ohla Cave Cole '22**; and relative, **Esther Scott McGee '47**. She is survived by her sister and brother-in-law, **Virginia Cole Kraner '49** and **James Kraner '47**; brother, **Robert Cole '60**; seven nieces and nephews.

**Ann Hovermale Farnlacher '45** passed away Oct. 2, 2011. She retired from the Transfusion Blood Bank at Good Samaritan Hospital in Dayton, OH, where she was supervisor for 19 years. She was a member of the American Association of Blood Banks; Fairview United Methodist Church, Dayton, OH, since 1938; and Otterbein University Women's Club. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Karl '44**; and sister, **Ruth Hovermale '49**. She is survived by son, **John '69**; daughter and caregiver, **Su Ann Farnlacher Barlow '71**; and one grandson.

**Bruce Hobbs '45** passed away Sept. 2, 2011. He served in the 29th Infantry Division of the U.S. Army, landing at Omaha Beach, Normandy, France, three days after D-Day. He was also at the Battle of the Bulge. He was awarded the Silver Star, two Bronze Stars and the Croix de

Guerre (Cross of War). He was retired from teaching at Port Huron Area Schools. Hobbs was a member of Colonial Woods Missionary Church, Port Huron, MI, for nearly 60 years. He was preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, **Henrietta Mayne Hobbs '44**; his father-in-law, **Dwight Mayne '22**; and sister-in-law, **Jean Mayne Fulton '41**. He is survived by his daughters, Martha Camm and Deborah Jordan; his son, James; nine grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

**Phyllis Brown Walker '45** passed away Dec. 22, 2011. She taught music in public schools in various states; and extension classes for UCLA and Cal State Northridge. She was a former past president of the Los Angeles County Music Educators and of the Antelope Valley Symphony Association. She was an active member of the United Methodist Church of Palm Springs, CA. She appeared as a piano soloist and accompanist many times, but was most proud of her association with a trio of Otterbein alumni and their performance at their 50th college reunion. She was preceded in death by her husband, Phillip. She is survived by her nephew, Rodney Brown; nieces, Martha Miller and Laura Marcom; and relatives **Shirley Griesmeyer Omietanski '56** and **Dale Griesmeyer '56**.

**Mary Cassel Case '47** passed away Jan. 24, 2012. She served as the program director for the North Area YWCA for many years. She

was a member of the Vandalia United Methodist Church, Vandalia, OH. She received the 2011 Distinguished Service Award by the Presidents Club of Vandalia-Butler. She was preceded in death by her parents, **Homer Cassel '17** and **Opal Gilbert Cassel '15**. She is survived by her husband of 66 years, **William Case '49**; sons, James Case and **Charles Case '75**; daughter, **Nancy Case Struble '79**; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister and brother-in-law, **Carol Cassel Badgley '52** and **Douglas Badgley '52**; sisters-in-law, **Diana Darling Case '64** and **Josephine Case Thomas '46**; brothers-in-law, **Edward Case '63** and **Victor Thomas '48**; and niece, **Nicole Case Spencer '92**.

**Peggy Wilson Cherrington '47** passed away Oct. 24, 2011. She retired from an auto dealership in Sturgis, MI, where she had worked for more than 30 years. She was an active member of the First United Methodist Church in Sturgis and sang in the choir for many years. She was also a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club, the local T.O.P.S. Club and served on the election board. She is survived by daughter, Diana Miller; son, Donald; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and sister, **Emily Wilson '44**.

**Marilou Daily Becker '48** passed away Jan. 30, 2011. She worked as church secretary at Parkview United Methodist Church, Miamisburg, OH, and later at Metal Shredders in West Carrollton, OH. She was

a longtime member and officer of Sigma Phi Gamma sorority, the Miamisburg Historical Society, and the Miamisburg Alumni Association. She was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, **Carl Becker '49**; and brother-in-law, **John Becker '50**. She is survived by two daughters, Ann Niess and Karla McVey; son, Mark; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, **Marian Havens Becker '50**; nephew, **Robert Becker '75**; and niece, **Rebecca Becker '77**.

**Walter Studer '48** passed away Jan. 6, 2011. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps, serving during World War II. He was sales manager in the financial department of Burroughs Corporation, where he worked for 37 years. Studer was an active member of the Fohl Memorial United Methodist Church, Navarre, OH, where he was Sunday School superintendent. He also held membership at Sun City West United Methodist Church, Sun City, AZ, and the Canton Rotary Club. He was preceded in death by his daughter, **Pamela Studer Belloni '74**; and grandson, Ben. He is survived by his wife, Evelyn; daughter, Linda Young; son, Walter Jr.; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

**Carolyn Carbaugh Wimberly '49** passed away Jan. 23, 2012. She was an orchestra teacher for Dayton Public Schools and was a founding member of the Miami Valley Symphony, Dayton, OH. She also taught private piano lessons for more than 60 years. She was preceded

in death by a sister, **Jean Carbaugh Cox '49**. She is survived by her husband of 18 years, **Luther Wimberly '50**; daughters, Marilyn Schwarzkopf and Elizabeth Schwarzkopf Donaldson; son, Bruce; and four grandchildren.

**Max Schaar '50** passed away July 31, 2011. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, having served during the Korean conflict. He retired as vice president, factories manager of Anchor Hocking after 32 years of service. He remained active in the industry with a second career as vice president of operations with Twin City Bottle Corp., Minneapolis, MN. Schaar was a member and served as a trustee of the Mills Memorial United Methodist Church, Lancaster, OH. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Gladys; four sons, Stan, Ron, Alan and John; and six grandchildren.

**Neal Wheatcraft '50** passed away Oct. 24, 2011. He was preceded in death by his wife, Janet. He is survived by his daughters, Beth Abruzzino and Meg Wheatcraft; son, Doug; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

**Roger Woolfe '50** passed away Sept. 11, 2011. He was a veteran of the U. S. Naval Armed Guard serving in World War II. He retired as deputy director for the Ohio Bureau of Unemployment Services. He was the former owner and operator of Woolfe's Huff and Puff Mini Mart, New Lexington, OH. He was a lifetime member of St. Rose Catholic Church, New



Lexington. He is preceded in death by his wife of 51 years, Mary; and grandson, Joshua McKinney. He is survived by three daughters, Kim Woolfe, Keely Poling and Kathy Woolfe, four grandchildren, including **Kelly Woolfe-Patterson '11**; and three great-grandchildren.

**Margaret Meiklejohn Nelson '51** passed away Oct. 23, 2011. She worked in Columbus, OH, as a social worker for many years. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Robert Nelson '50**. She is survived by sons, James and Scott; two grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and five step-great-grandchildren.

**Shirley Minnis Perkins '51** passed away Aug. 9, 2011. She taught English at Perry High School in Massillon, OH; Lake High School in Millbury, OH; and Owens Community College in Perrysburg, OH. She is survived by her husband of 59 years, Delbert; son, Jeff; daughter, Pat Clouse; and three grandchildren.

**Richard Pletz '51** passed away April 16, 2011. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving during World War II. He retired as a telecommunications officer for the Pennsylvania Dept. of Revenue. He was a member of the Susquehanna Valley Evangelical Free Church, Harrisburg, PA. He was preceded in death by two grandsons. He is survived by his wife, **Jacqueline Ritchie Pletz '51**; four sons, Robin, Richard, Kip and Bryan; a daughter, Barbara McGarvey;

12 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

**Jack Wiggins '52** passed away June 16, 2011. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. Wiggins retired from Firestone Tire as manager of retread sales. His memberships include First Christian Church of Stow, OH; the Masonic Lodge, Tadmor Temple Shrine; Akron Rubber Group, and the Society of Automotive Engineers. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Ellie; daughters, Debbie Bernauer, and Linda Nickson; son, Bill; six grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

**Robert Callihan '53** passed away Dec. 13, 2011. He was a United Methodist licensed pastor for more than 50 years, and served at Johnstown First UMC and Beulah UMC, Johnstown, PA. Throughout his ministry, he worked in camping programs for children, including 20 years as director at Camp PARC. He served on the board of Arbutus Park Manor Nursing Home for 34 years. He is survived by his wife, Eleanor; daughters, **Sheryl Kinsey Mock '75** and Merrilee Saccol; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

**Robert Ciminello '53** passed away Jan. 12, 2012. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, a chemist for Moores and Ross Dietetic Laboratories, a pharmaceutical salesman for Wyeth Laboratories and owned Med-Tel Orthopedics. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marjory, and daughter, Kathy. He is survived by son,

Gary; two grandsons; five great-grandchildren; brother, **Fred Ciminello '61**; and sister-in-law, **Kay Dornan Ciminello '59**.

**Helen Morton Coberly '53** passed away Dec. 14, 2011. She taught kindergarten for 25 years in Akron, OH. She volunteered at Trinity United Church of Christ in Akron and the MetroParks of Summit County. She is survived by her husband of 59 years, **Jack Coberly '52**; four daughters, Jean Hamed, Gail Endress, Nancy Pilcher, and Carla Lemon; 10 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

**Elizabeth Harner Dybvig '53** passed away Sept. 24, 2011. She retired in 2001 from Sinclair College, Dayton, OH, where she held the position of tutorial services coordinator. She was preceded in death by her sister, **Lorean Harner Hummel '49**. She is survived by sister and brother-in-law, **Linda Harner Pendell '58** and **Robert Pendell '61**; sister, **Ruth Harner Studer '56**; brother-in-law, **Marvin Hummel '49**; children, Philip, Teresa and Kent; and seven grandchildren.

**Carole Stover Dougherty '54** passed away Oct. 30, 2011. She was an elementary school teacher and active in many community activities including Stark County Lawyers Wives, Canton Jaycees Auxiliary, Hall of Fame Festival, Canton Woman's Club and Rainbow Club. She was a member of Christ Presbyterian Church, Canton, OH. She is survived by her husband of 57

years, Ronald; daughter, Kerry; son, Russell; and three grandsons.

**Kenneth Fogelsanger '54** passed away Nov. 21, 2010.

**Joseph Walker '55** passed away Oct. 6, 2011. He earned his pilot wings and spent 21 years in the Air Force, including a tour of Vietnam. In 1976, he and his wife opened Century 21 Joe Walker and Associates Real Estate of Westerville, which they owned for 31 years. For many years, he played Santa Claus for the American Cancer Society. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Charity; sons, Brent, Scott and Mark; daughter, Valerie Marburger; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

**Victor Sumner '59** passed away Jan. 20, 2012. He was in diplomatic service for Sierra Leone his entire career including secretary at the Germany and Washington embassies. In 1980 he was appointed to The Court of St. James as high commissioner to Great Britain, Spain, Norway, Sweden and Denmark. He retired from service in 2000. He was a member of the United Methodist Church in Freetown, Sierra Leone, West Africa. He is survived by his wife, Gladys; daughter, Lucy-Ann Vacher; and son, **Leonard '90**.

**David Noble '60** passed away Dec. 1, 2011. He was employed as an accountant-controller at Technical Rubber Co. in Johnstown, OH; served as business administrator for Worthington Grace

Brethren Church and School, Worthington, OH; maintained his own accounting firm; served as the safety service director for the City of Mount Vernon, OH; and most recently was the business manager for Kacy Architectural Millwork, Howard, OH. He was an active member of the Lakeholm Church of the Nazarene, Mount Vernon, OH. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Nancy; sister, **Barbara Noble Earnest '58**; his son, Kevin; his daughter, Linda; and three grandchildren.

**Ruth Ann Gaugh Vogel '60** passed away Oct. 28, 2011. She retired from teaching for Columbus City Schools at Starling Middle School. She is survived by her sister, Patrice Brown.

**Moe Wright '60** passed away Dec. 10, 2011. He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corp, having served in the Korean conflict. He retired after 34 years with Cham-Cor, Inc., Johnstown, OH. For four years he taught at Johnstown-Monroe High School, and was a member of the Johnstown United Methodist Church. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Charon; three daughters, Kristie Barbour, Heidi Tennyson, and Gretchen Wright; a son, Chad; and five grandchildren.

**Madeleine Somes Hill Szymanski '63** passed away Dec. 22, 2011. She taught in Mount Vernon Schools, OH, until 1983. She was a member of the Mount Vernon Garden Club, Psi Iota Xi Sorority, and St. Vincent DePaul Catholic Church. While living in Naples, FL, she

was a member of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church and the Daughters of the American Revolution. She is survived by two daughters, Lesley Hill White and Cynthia Hill Jahner; four grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

**Virginia Tyson '63** passed away Oct. 31, 2011. She was an accomplished cellist and a music teacher for more than 30 years at Fairfield West Elementary School, Fairfield, OH. She is survived by her brother, Fred; and sister, Mary Stein.

**William Long '65** passed away Jan. 21, 2012. He retired from Diamond Power International, Lancaster, OH. He was a member of the Elk's Lodge, Circleville, OH. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ann Marie. He is survived by his sons, Joseph and Stephen; and three grandchildren.

**Dorothy Dunning Heckman '67** passed away Dec. 24, 2011. She taught school for 12 years in Westerville, then in Holiday Park, PA, before becoming the director of Penn Hill Kinder Care Learning Center for more than 13 years. After retiring, she drove a van for special-needs children and worked for the Western PA Prison Outreach Ministry. Dorothy was a member of Akeley United Methodist Church, Russell, PA. She is survived by her husband of 27 years, Rev. David Heckman; two daughters, Tracy Kaufman and Sherry Conrad; step-daughter, Michelle Heckman Colder; and five grandchildren.

**Linda Stempeck Barnes '68** passed away Feb. 8, 2011. She worked as a R.N. at the former St. Francis Hospital, New Castle, PA, and at several nursing homes and community agencies in the Ellwood City, PA, area. She was also the office manager and clinical assistant for her husband's veterinary practice in North Sewickley, PA. She was a counselor and member of Alcoholics Anonymous at the Slippery Rock Presbyterian Church, Ellwood City, PA. She is survived by her husband, Charles; daughter, Celeste; son, Christopher; and eight grandchildren.

**Daniel Krugman '70** passed away Feb. 13, 2011. He was employed as operations manager at Flex-Link in Cleveland, OH. He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Martha; sons, Justin and Shaun; stepson, Andrew Wiersma; and two grandchildren.

**John Kramer '73** passed away Aug. 21, 2011. He served six years in the U.S. Air Force, where he became a pilot. He was an insurance executive/CEO for multiple companies during his career. He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Tina; three daughters, Laura Kramer, Lisa Kramer and Melissa Mastin; two grandsons; and his sister, **Rebecca Kramer Sheridan '69**.

**Esther Loxley Barnhart '74** passed away Oct. 7, 2011. She retired from the Science and Engineering Library at The Ohio State University, after serving as technical librarian in the OSU main library. She is

survived by her husband of 60 years, Dr. Philip Barnhart; son, Eric; daughter, Laraine; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

**Peter Bunnell '77** passed away Aug. 24, 2010. He is survived by his wife, Peg; daughter, Naomi Haseman; sons, Allen and Joshua; and three grandchildren.

**Deborah Myers Scott '80** passed away April 22, 2011. She is survived by daughter, Heather; son, Charles; and three granddaughters.

**Galia Manis Keny '83** passed away Oct. 19, 2011. Born in Israel, she moved to the U.S. in 1980. She worked as an obstetrics nurse at The Ohio State University Hospital for more than 20 years. She was preceded in death by her husband, James. She is survived by her children Tara, Mason, Cory and Audrey; and her husband of two years, William Brown.

**Jill Crandall Sharpe '86** passed away Oct. 7, 2011. She is survived by her husband, **Richard '87**; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, **John Sharpe '81**, **Diane Townley Sharpe '81**, **Thomas Sharpe '85** and **Tracey Muschoot Sharpe '85**.

**Dean Bonetzky '98** passed away Oct. 14, 2011. He managed his father's medical practice at the Aries Medical Center, Russells Point, OH. He was preceded in death by his father, Paul. He is survived by his mother, Rose Marie; sisters, Lisa and Paula; and daughter, Natalie-Marie. •



## FROM THE ARCHIVES

### Pi Kappa Phi Coin Purse a Mystery

This golden purse with the Pi Kappa Phi crest is a bit of a mystery. There is no record in the archive of how old it is, or where it came from. The archivist believes it was given as a gift at some Country Club event, but beyond that its purpose remains unknown. Let us know if you can help solve this mystery!



### The Old Bridge

A new bridge now spans Alum Creek just to the west of main campus, but as you can see in this undated photo, the old bridge got plenty of use. It's amazing what some will do to get a prime view of the tug-of-war going on in the water below.



### Here's another one to identify

We don't know a lot about this photo so we need your help. Who's in it? What's going on? When was it? Help us out, please!







# Cardinal Tales

by Becky Fickel Smith '81, executive director of Alumni Relations

As an Otterbein alumna/us, you acquired leadership attributes through the classroom, athletic sport, performing on stage, an organizational position, serving others, learning from faculty/staff mentors, and many other learning encounters. When you walked across the stage on graduation day you carried the "tradition of making a difference not for the betterment of yourself but for the betterment of others." A leader is ... an Otterbein graduate!

This spring's annual Alumni Weekend is designed for you to continue your engagement as an Otterbein alumni leader through the Founders Convocation, honoring alumni award recipients and reunion classes, enrolling your children in a soccer clinic, taking behind the scenes/campus tours, visiting the President's Chat and Coffee, and attending Classes without Quizzes, fine arts performances, and much more. Visit [www.otterbein.edu/alumniweekend2012](http://www.otterbein.edu/alumniweekend2012) for the complete schedule of events for all alumni.



An Otterbein leaders ... stays connected and engaged. I extend to you a personal invitation to continue being an active Otterbein leader through your participation in our spring alumni weekend and homecoming. I also encourage your volunteerism to recruit prospective students, provide internships, involve others, and by your contributions to help a college student who in turn will help the betterment of others. An Otterbein Leader... JOINS...ACTS... and GIVES to their alma mater!

With Cardinal Pride,

*Becky Fickel Smith*



**APRIL 27-28, 2012**

## Cardinals by the NUMBERS

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**45**

Alumni leaders serve on the Otterbein Board of Trustees or Alumni Council, including Alumni Council members **Tanya Jones Singletary '84** (left) and **Amber Dinopoulos '93**.

**3,266**

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# Mark Your Calendars for Otterbein Homecoming



## Friday, September 21

- 60th reunion for ROTC/Angel Flight
- Young Alumni Awards
- AASU-AAAN 25th Reunion
- Alumni Choir Reunion

[www.otterbein.edu/homecoming](http://www.otterbein.edu/homecoming) 

## Saturday, September 22

- Greek Reunions
- Homecoming Parade, Tailgate and Cardinal Carnival for Kids
- Football, Women's Soccer and Cross Country Meet
- Reunion of past homecoming king and queens; Gospel Choir; Reunion for Garst, Scott, Engle and Sanders and Cochran Halls; ROTC Reunion
- Class reunions for '07, '02, '97, '92, '87, '82, '77
- Open House for Communications and Nursing Alumni
- Otterbein Gallery Hop and Coffee House at the Otter Den

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# Club News

## Alumni Club of Southwest Florida

The Alumni Club of Southwest Florida held three winter events for the sunshine state alumni. Solomon's Castle tour featured a guided tour through the 'castle' galleries of the home of internationally known artist and sculptor Howard Solomon. Lunch followed at the "Boat in the Moat" restaurant.

A February cruise to a private island of Useppa included lunch at the historic Collier Inn. The annual March luncheon was held at the Colonial Country Club. **Harrison Ralph '14** spoke of his dream to pursue a broadcasting career and presented video coverage of the Otterbein basketball and baseball seasons, and a behind-the-scenes look into the Communication Department.



**Bud Yuest '53 with Harrison Ralph '14 at the March luncheon in Ft. Myers, FL.**

## A Day at the Equine Center

A group of 120 alumni, family and friends enjoyed a day at the Otterbein Center for Equine Studies on Saturday, March 3. Sponsored by the Alumni Club of Central Ohio, activities included a tour of the barn, riding demonstration by Otterbein students, hands-on grooming lessons, a horseshoe craft and a family photo session with Otterbein horses!

**The family of Ben Bremer '98 enjoys the day at Otterbein's Center for Equine Studies.**



## Basketball Gathering

Incorporating the theme, "650 wins, 40 years of coaching, thousands of lives touched," Coach **Dick Reynolds '65** was honored prior to the final regular season game against Wilmington College. Former players, teammates, coaches, family and friends were invited back for a celebration for Coach Reynolds, who retired from his head coaching and athletic director positions at the end of the season. Players from the 1981 and 1991 Final Four teams and from the 2002 national championship team were recognized at halftime.

**Members of the 2002 championship team: Kyle Walton '05, Scott Hadley '05, Phil Susi '05, Tony Borghese '05, Kevin Shay '02, Mo Ross '05, Michael Fry '04, Chad Olinger '04, Neil Hohman '05 and Bobby Mock.**



**Members of the 1981 basketball team: Brad Keiser '83, Bill McLoughlin '83, Dino Guanciale '82, John Denen '82 and Steve Johnston '82**





# Otterbein Alumni Gatherings in Japan and South Korea

Otterbein was in the air in Japan as alumni gathered to greet President Krendl, meet old friends and make new ones in Kyoto and Tokyo in February. In Kyoto, **Noyuri Ariga '52**, "elder statesman" of the Japanese alumni, gave the opening greeting and "kampai" toast, as the alumni from the western area of Japan enjoyed traditional Kyoto cuisine and an elegant Japanese garden in a setting just opposite the Old Imperial Palace. The centerpiece of the meeting was President Krendl's talk about Otterbein today and in the future.

Alumni from eastern Japan gathered in Tokyo at a luncheon organized by **Akiko Kato Suzuki '95** and **Yoshiro "Hiro" Suzuki '93**, with years from 1955 to 2011 represented. **Tatsuo Tsuda '55** greeted the gathering and **Kazuya Shimba '90**, member of the Japanese Diet, gave a humorous and heartfelt toast, including a display of his collection of Otterbein pennants, Ohio flags and other memorabilia.

Kansai Gaidai University exchange student, **Sarah Valero '12**, thanked Tsuda-san for establishing the **Tatsuo Tsuda Japan Education Endowment** that helped bring her to Japan, and **Asami Sakakima '11**, expressed her gratitude to the alumni for the **Japanese Alumni Lillian K. Frank International Student Award** that she won last year. The alumni enjoyed meeting what could be the next generation of Otterbein Cardinals, since several families brought children to the gathering. President Krendl's presentation inspired the alumni, emphasizing a continued tradition of personal attention, friendliness and inclusion. The president followed with an update on the advances in calendar, curriculum and infrastructure that are taking place.

– Submitted by **Lyle Barkhymer '64**

## Noyuri Ariga '52 Honored

His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Japan honored educator and harpsichord virtuoso **Noyuri Ariga '52** with The Order of the Sacred Treasure (瑞宝章, Zuihō-shō) in Tokyo in 2010. This award,

established in 1888 and awarded also to women since 1919, is given for long and meritorious service to the nation. A U.S. equivalent might be the Congressional Gold Medal.

Noyuri gathered with the other awardees in Tokyo at the National Theater for a *koto* musical performance and words of congratulation and greeting from the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology. Then they went by bus to the Imperial Palace and proceeded up a long corridor to the Great Hall. His Imperial Majesty the Emperor entered and graciously congratulated each person who received the award. According to Noyuri, he spoke especially kind words to her, stopping a moment and asking, "How are you? Please stay healthy, and be sure to keep up your good work."



**Noyuri Ariga '52**



## Kyoto/Kansai group

Front row: Kozue Tsuda, **Meg Clark Barkhymer '68**, **Noyuri Ariga '52**, **Sarah Valero '13**, **Kayoko Yakota Kishinoue '02**.  
Back row: **Lyle Barkhymer '64**, **Kathy Krendl**, **Masaaki Tsuda '66**, **Toshikata Amino (friend)**, **Ruth Amino (friend)**.



## Tokyo Gathering

Front Row: **Aiga Fukuda**, **Koji Takeo '06**, **Chris Musick**, **Tatsuo Tsuda '55**, **Kathy Krendl**, **Lyle Barkhymer '64**, **Shunta Suzuki**, **Kyoko Sako**. Second Row: **Jun Murakami**, **Makirei Fukuda**, **Sachiko Ujiie Shinkai '79**, **Ami Hamano '07**, **Kyoko Tsuda (Mrs. Tatsuo Tsuda)**, **Meg Clark Barkhymer '68**, **Asami Sakakima '11**, **Sarah Valero '13**, **Kyoko Tsuda (Mrs. Yutaka Tsuda)**, **Akiko Kato Suzuki '95**. Back Row: **Shawn Rogers '06**, **Hugo Fukuda**, **Yuichi Tsuda '64**, **Kazuya Shimba '90**, **Mika Matsumura '91**, **Shigeru Kamada '95**, **Masako Aoki Ashida '62**, **Soichi Igarashi '04**, **Yutaka Tsuda '84**, **Ryosuk Suzuki**, **Yoshihiro Suzuki '93**.



## Westerville Otterbein Women's Club 90+ and Still Going Strong

The Westerville Otterbein Women's Club celebrated 90 years of service to Otterbein in 2011. The Club's gifts to Otterbein have included a two-volume Gutenberg Bible, which was the 100,000th addition to the College's library collection and more than \$750,000 in donations to Otterbein building projects and scholarships. Much of the money raised for their philanthropy to Otterbein is done through the Westerville Otterbein Women's Club Thrift Shop, located at 177 W. Park St. on Otterbein's campus. The Club meets twice a year with a fall general meeting and a spring breakfast hosted by the University president. For more information about the club, contact **Cheryl Freeman Hill '87** at [cherylehill@att.net](mailto:cherylehill@att.net) or President **Jan Gunn Dunphy '57** at [jandunphy@aol.com](mailto:jandunphy@aol.com).


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**April 17 / LA Theatre Showcase/Gathering**

**April 20 / Alumni Council Meeting**

**April 21 / Alumni Club of Central Ohio volunteering with annual Otterbein Spring Plunge**

**April 27 – 28 / Spring Alumni Weekend/  
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**April 28 / College Night at Columbus Crew**

**May 11 / African American Hall of Fame/Black Baccalaureate Ceremony**

**May 17 / Senior Celebration (Zero Year Reunion)**

**May 31 / Otterbein Night at Broadway Show *Memphis***

**June 4 / Otterbein Baseball Alumni Golf Outing**

**June 9 / Columbus Clippers Young Alumni Night**

**June 23 / June Bug Jamboree**

**July 11 – 22 / Baltic Cruise sponsored by Go Next and Oceania Cruises**

**August 12 / Alumni Track Reunion at Coach Lehman's**

**August 17 / Alumni Council Meeting**

**September 21 – 22 / Homecoming – Cardy 2012**

**October 6 / Otterbein Day at the Zoo sponsored by the Alumni Club of Central Ohio**

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### Going Out a Winner

Head basketball coach **Dick Reynolds '65** ended his 39th and final regular season with victory number 653 on Feb. 18, 2012, 68-65 against Wilmington. The victory total ranks him first all-time in the Ohio Athletic Conference (OAC). He was also the first OAC coach to take his team to the Final Four in three different decades. Coach Reynolds reached the pinnacle of his career during the 2001-02 season, guiding the Cardinals to a 30-3 record and their first national championship. Reynolds, who also served as the director of athletics at Otterbein, was inducted into the Ohio Basketball Hall of Fame and the Otterbein University Athletic Hall of Fame in 2009.