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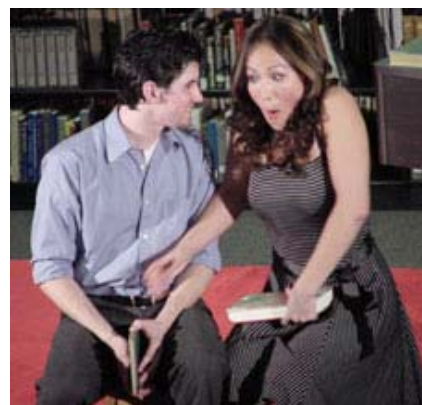
With a Song in My Heart, and a Book in My Hand

On Saturday, April 17, 2004 the Otterbein Freshman Musical Theatre Ensemble joined the Courtright Memorial Library for the Friends' Annual Spring Event. Dennis Davenport, Associate Professor of Music, provided music direction and served as the pianist for the night, while Stella Kane and John Stefano contributed in the areas of staging, coaching, and choreography. The evening of musical entertain-



Top: Cassie Barker singing "A Trip to the Library"

Right: James Sargent in "The Book Report"



Brett Kemp and Lilian Matsuda, "I Could Write A Book"

ment featured songs about books, libraries, and "the power of literature." The song lineup included favorites from *She Loves Me*, *The Music Man*, *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*, and more. Sponsored by the Friends of the Otterbein College Courtright Memorial Library, the event also included refreshments and honored bookmark winner, Anna Walker. See page 3 for more on this year's bookmark winner and minutes from the Annual



The whole group singing "Pirate Story." *From Left to Right:* Kate Murphy, James Sargent, Brett Kemp, Abby Downing, Drew Aber, Kyle Bailey, Cassie Barker, Chris Carter, and Lilian Matsuda

Friends Meeting that followed the event.

Happy 100th Birthday, Dr. Seuss!

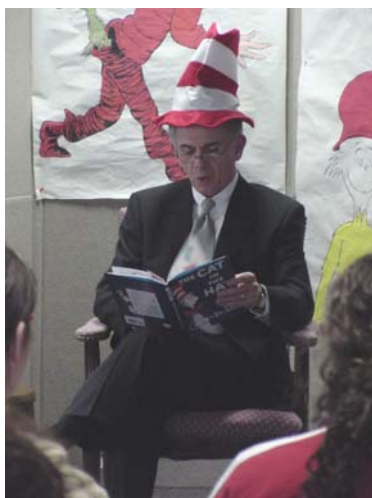
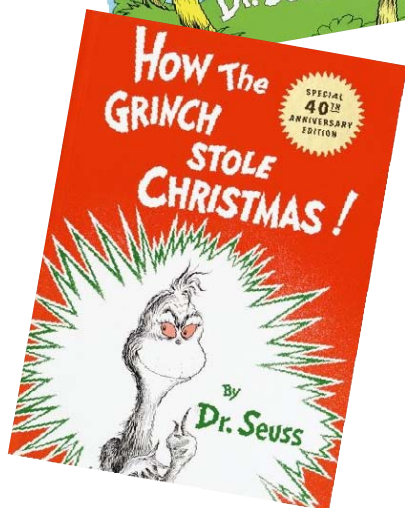
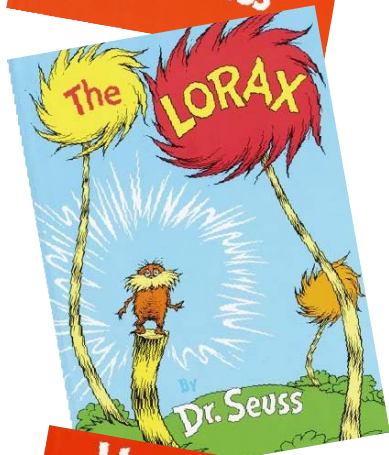
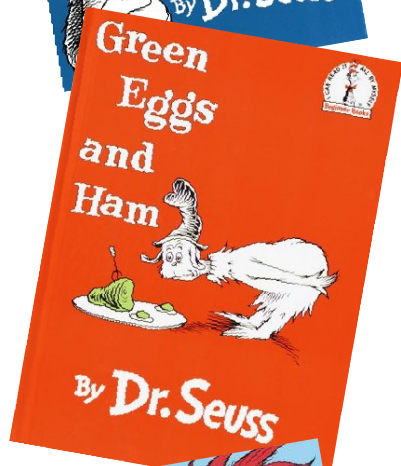
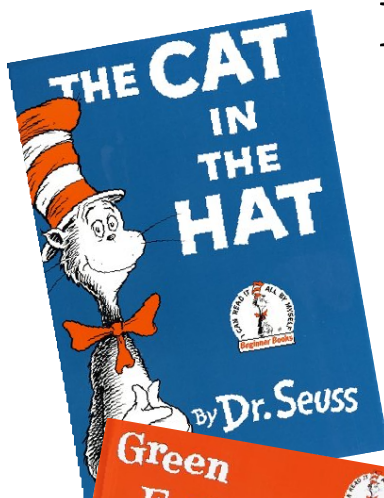
"When a fox is in the bottle where the tweetle beetles battle with their paddles in a puddle on a noodle-eating poodle, THIS is what they call...a tweetle beetle noodle poodle bottled paddled muddled duddled fuddled wuddled fox in socks, sir!"

Try saying that ten times fast!

On March 2, 2004, the Otterbein College and the Courtright Memorial Library celebrated the 100th Birthday of beloved children's author, Dr. Seuss. Students, professors, faculty, and people from surrounding communities gathered as a lineup of "celebrity readers" read their favorite Dr. Seuss classics, including *The Cat in the Hat*, *Green Eggs and Ham*, *Oh the Places You'll Go*, and more. Seussical snacks were provided as Otterbein visited Hooville.

Come visit the Doctor, a trip you can't miss,
Come visit a land with cats that go, "Hiss."
Leave adulthood behind and abandon its ways,
You won't want to miss this most special of days.

with apologies to Dr. Seuss
Diane Wootten, Communication Dept.



Otterbein College President
C. Brent DeVore reads
The Cat in the Hat



Above/Left: Children from the community joined in the celebration and read their favorite Dr. Seuss books.



Left: An Otterbein student takes time out of his busy schedule to read *Fox in Socks*



Friends Annual Meeting - April 17, 2004

Following a delightful program presented by Dr. Dennis Davenport and an ensemble of musical theatre students, President Mary Pat Knight called the meeting to order.

Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting April 25, 2003 were dispensed with.

Lois Szudy, treasurer, reported \$11,612.87 in the treasury. Although expenditures were previously okayed, purchases have been delayed and the fund allowed to grow: the shelving will cost at least \$6000. Also, with remodeling on the immediate agenda, purchase of furniture needs to wait.

Freshman Anna Walker's bookmark submission was selected for 2004, with each attendee receiving one.

A slate of officers, prepared by Sylvia Vance and Lois Szudy, was presented by Mary Pat Knight. President, Marge Trent; Vice President, Eva Sebo; Secretary, Mary Cay Wells; Treasurer, Lois Szudy; Program, John Wells; Fund Raising, Joanne VanSant and Donna Kerr; Membership, Larry Cox; At-Large members, Sylvia Vance and Jim Bailey; and college liaison, Pat Kessler. The vote was unanimous.

Director of Library Lois Szudy reviewed the February/March 1996 genesis of the Friends organization. She also noted that some of the autographed index cards remain for auctioning.

Announcements: Mark Hertzgaard, author of next year's Common Book, *The Eagle's Shadow*, will speak Monday, November 8, 2004, an event to which Friends members and local book club members are specifically invited. This year's author, Tony Grooms, will be on campus Thursday, April 22, to speak about the writing process at 7 p.m. in the Philomathean Room. The event is open to the public.

Special thanks to Janie Miller who took notes for minutes in the absence of the secretary.

With enthusiastic consensus that the evening's program was a big success, and with no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

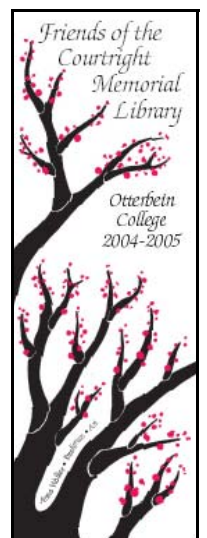
Mary Cay Wells, Secretary

Bookmark Contest 2004-2005

For the past three years, the Courtright Memorial Library has gone on a search for a design for its annual bookmark. Each year during the winter quarter, students from Professor Don Austin's Design 2D class (ART 110) come up with ideas for the library's bookmark as a part of a contest held by the library. The bookmark chosen is distributed throughout the year. This year's winner was Anna Walker, a Freshman Art Major. Her design, shown at the right, can be found on the bookmarks featured by the library. Honorable mentions went to Eric Mason, Freshman Art Major, and Patty Ewing, Continuing Studies.

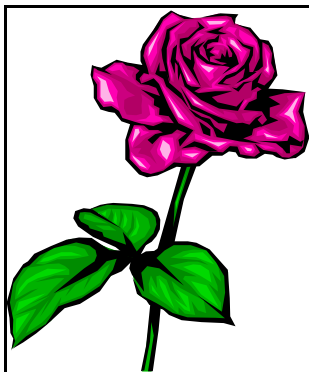
When thinking of our Library, I often think of the surroundings. Just outside the front entrance are small trees that in the spring produce bright pink foliage. I chose to use this image to help symbolize the Library and its location. Along with illustrating the surroundings of the Library, trees often are used to represent knowledge. In this way the tree is not only a visual representation of the Library but also suggests knowledge and that students look to reading as a means to grow intellectually.

Anna Walker, Freshman Art Major



A Farewell to Friends We Have Lost

Jo Ann (Jodi) Smith Grissinger, 74, passed away at Hope Hospice in Ft. Myers, Florida on February 28, 2004 after battling Type I diabetes. Jodi attended Carnegie-Mellon University and graduated from the Ohio State University. In 1950 she was married to Dr. James Grissinger and lived in Westerville during their 54 years of marriage. When Jodi first moved to Westerville, she was the first and only elementary art teacher in the school system, and as a result, each day she carried all of the art supplies to and from the four elementary



schools. Jodi retired from teaching in 1989. She was also previously employed by the Presbyterian Church Synod Office in Columbus, where she designed numerous large banners displayed in the sanctuary.

Jodi is survived by her husband James, her two daughters Lynn and Beth, and grandchildren Courtney, Ingrid, and Geoffrey.

Gifts are being accepted in Jodi's name by the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, 120 Wall Street, New York, NY 10005.

Source:
The Columbus Dispatch, March 2, 2004

Facilities Changes Update

Construction began for the new additions to the library on May 11, 2004. Major updates will include:

- Three new classrooms
- Coffee shop
- Comfortable furniture inside and outside
- Public restrooms on the first floor
- Handicap accessible doors
- Wireless internet throughout library (now available!)

Construction is expected to be completed by September 1, 2004.



Computer generated images of the intended design of the new additions to the library



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*Enclosed is your latest copy of
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the newsletter of the
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