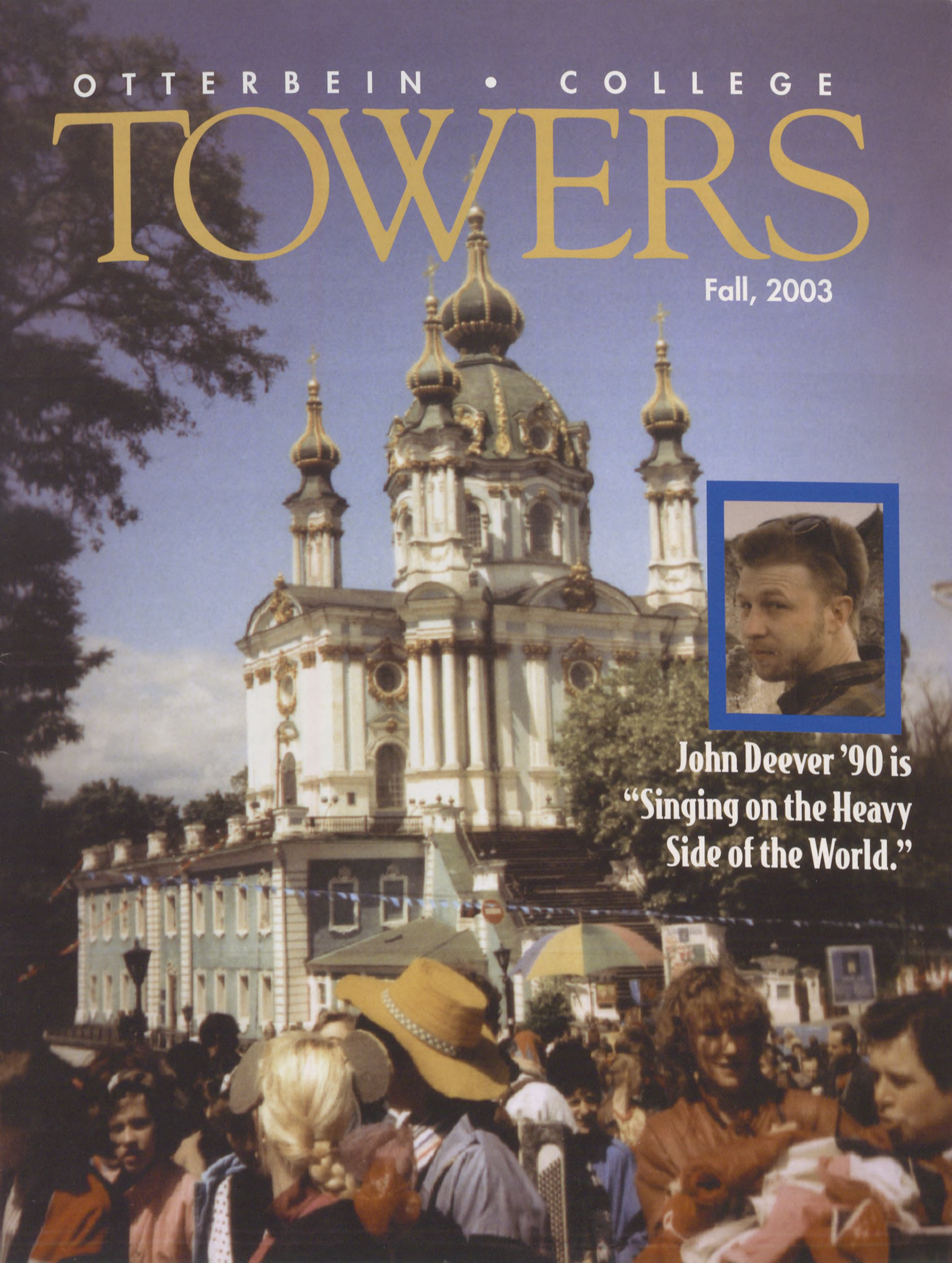


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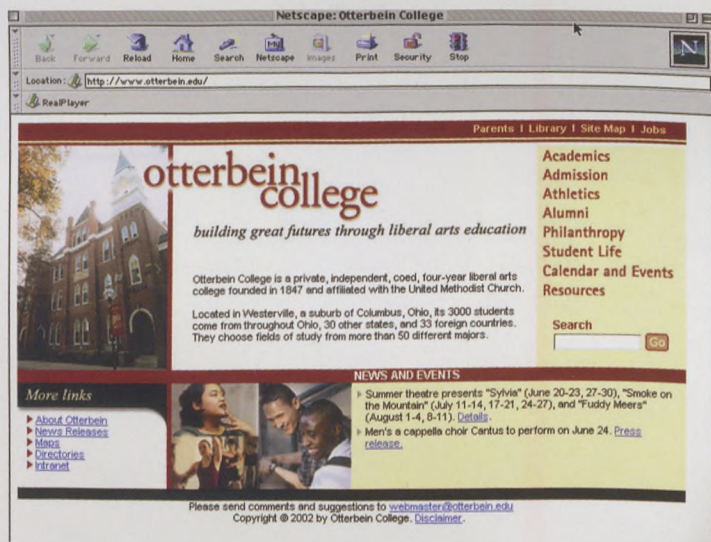
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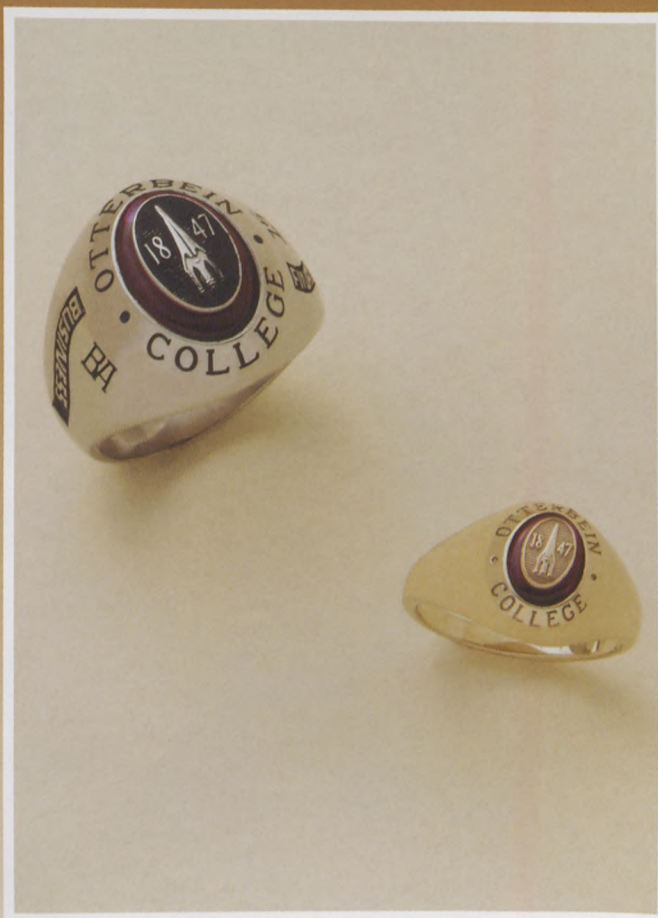
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Student Chad Bell enjoys the historical marker that now stands on the north Towers lawn. The College was honored with the marker by the Ohio Bicentennial Commission.

Otterbein Unveils Historical Marker

The Ohio Bicentennial Commission recently honored Otterbein College with an Ohio historical marker as part of the Commission's program to recognize higher education in Ohio. The cast-metal marker, measuring 4 feet by 4 feet, recognizes Otterbein's significant contribution to the educational history of Ohio, which was a youthful 44 years old when Otterbein was established. The marker was made possible by the

Ohio Bicentennial Commission, the Ohio Historical Society and the International Paper Company Foundation.

Unveiled on May 23, 2003, on the north lawn of Towers Hall, the marker reads: "This historic college opened in 1847 as Otterbein University of Ohio, named for Philip William Otterbein (1726-1813), a founder of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ. The church later merged with

the Evangelical Church to become the Evangelical United Brethren Church, and later with the Methodist Church to become the United Methodist Church. Otterbein was one of the first colleges in the United States to open its doors to persons of color and women without restrictions on what they could study. While Otterbein's educational offerings have evolved over the years to meet society's needs, the college has remained committed

to the liberal arts as the foundation of all learning."

Speaking at the ceremony were Kristina Markel of the Ohio Historical Society, Phil Ross of the Ohio Bicentennial Commission, Westerville Mayor Stewart Flaherty and Otterbein President Brent DeVore. Otterbein students Susan Seeberger and Antoinette Greene unveiled the marker.

Congress provided for higher education in the Northwest Territory long before Ohio became a state. Following the Land Ordinance of 1785, early federal land sales stipulated that townships be set aside for support of colleges that later became Ohio University (1804) and Miami University (1809). Later, the 1862 Morrill Act led to the founding of The Ohio

State University (1873). Among the most highly regarded schools in the nation, Ohio's private colleges are leaders in the liberal arts, and numerous community colleges make a quality education available to all. The Higher Education Advisory Council recognizes fifteen of Ohio's historic institutions of learning with this series of historical markers.

Van Sant, Zakaria Highlight Prestigious Speaker List

Otterbein is currently planning for what will be the best season of speakers the campus has seen in recent years. Among the prestigious figures who will visit the campus are Gus Van Sant, critically acclaimed independent film director and nephew of Otterbein's beloved **Joanne "Dean Van" Van Sant H'70**, and Fareed Zakaria, editor of *Newsweek International* and former managing editor of *Foreign Affairs*.

Gus Van Sant recently received top honors at the 2003 Cannes Film Festival, from which he took home the Palme d'Or, the prize for best film for *Elephant*, which also earned him the prize for best director. Coming off his Cannes success, Van Sant will speak at Otterbein as part of the Otterbein College Signature Series on Feb. 20-21, 2004, following a film festival of his work to be held on campus throughout winter quarter 2004.

Born in Louisville, Kentucky, in 1952, Van Sant traveled throughout his childhood with his father's job. He was always interested in the arts, and attended the Rhode Island School of Design in 1970 to study painting. But exposure to avant-garde films and directors took him down a different road – film.

After completing his bachelor's degree, Van Sant spent time in Europe and Los Angeles which eventually led him to a fascination with the marginalized members of society and their struggles—a constant theme in his movies.

He then moved to New York, where he briefly worked in commercials and in 1985, made his critically acclaimed film debut with *Mala*



Gus Van Sant

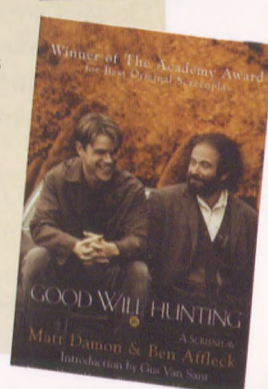
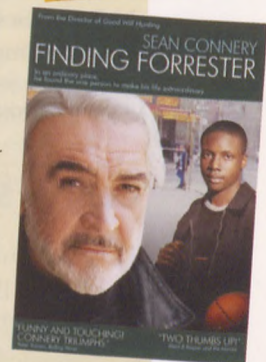
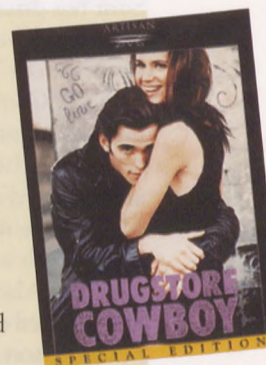
Noche. Self-financed for \$25,000 and shot in black and white, Van Sant's first film was a story of unrequited love of a gay liquor store clerk for a young Mexican immigrant, based on writer Walt Curtis' semi-autobiographical novella. An instant favorite of independent film festival audiences, *Mala Noche* was named the year's Best Independent Film by the *Los Angeles Times*. The success brought Van Sant attention from Hollywood, but artistic differences would not allow a partnership to form just yet.

He moved to Portland, Oregon, and with the independent production company Avenue, he made

Drugstore Cowboy in 1989. Another critical success, the film earned him an Independent Spirit Award for his screenplay. He followed up with the critically acclaimed *My Own Private Idaho* in 1991, which earned him another Independent Spirit Award for screenplay.

After a less than receptive release of his 1994 adaptation of Tom Robbins' *Even Cowgirls Get the Blues*, Van Sant directed Nicole Kidman and Matt Dillon in *To Die For* in 1995, in his first partnership with a major studio — Columbia. It was a success both critically and at the box office. Also in 1995, he was executive producer for Larry Clark's *Kids*, another critical success.

But despite all his critical success, Van Sant's big break into mainstream film making came with his 1997 surprise hit, *Good Will Hunting*. The film, starring newcomers Matt



Damon and Ben Affleck, garnered huge critical and commercial success, earned more than \$220 million worldwide and received numerous Academy Award nominations, including a Best Director nomination for Van Sant. It won a Best Screenplay Oscar for Damon and Affleck, and a Best Supporting Actor Oscar for Robin Williams.

Since this runaway success, Van Sant has directed a frame-by-frame remake of the Alfred Hitchcock classic *Psycho* in 1998, *Finding Forrester* in 2000, *Gerry* in 2002 and his latest film, *Elephant*.

Since the 1980s, Van Sant has also directed a number of short films, which have received acclaim and won awards at film festivals internationally. Also a musician, Van Sant has directed music videos for David Bowie, Elton John, Tracy Chapman, the Red Hot Chili Peppers and Hanson, including their video *Weird*, one of the most requested videos on MTV in 1998. He also released two

albums with his Portland, Oregon, band Destroy All Blondes, for which he played guitar and wrote songs. He published his first book of photography, *108 Portraits* (Twelvevrees Press), in 1995, and his first novel, *Pink*, a satire on filmmaking, in 1997 for Doubleday. In addition, he taught film production for a brief period at the Northwest Film Center.

Van Sant has earned himself such a reputation in the film industry that his name has been mentioned in such pop culture avenues as the television show *Sex & the City* and his list of cameo appearances is growing.

Fareed Zakaria will speak on campus Thursday, April 15, 2004, for the Vernon L. Pack Distinguished Lecture Series.

Widely respected for his ability to spot economic and political trends around the world, Fareed Zakaria has developed an international reputation as a global thinker. Describing him as "the most influential foreign policy adviser of his generation," *Esquire* named him "one of the 21 most important people of the 21st Century."

Zakaria is editor of *Newsweek International*, which has a global audience of 3.5 million. Since 2001, he has overseen *Newsweek's* eight editions throughout Asia, Latin America, Europe, Australia and the Middle East. He also writes a column that appears in *Newsweek (USA)*, *Newsweek International*, and, often, *The Washington Post*, making it one of the most widely circulated columns of its kind in the world.

He offers political analysis on ABC's *This Week* with George Stephanopoulos, where he serves as a regular member of the roundtable. He also appears as an analyst on other ABC news programs.

Trained as an academic at Yale and Harvard universities, Zakaria, at age 28, became the youngest manag-

ing editor in the history of *Foreign Affairs*, the leading journal of international politics and economics.

The Indian-born Zakaria is co-editor of *The American Encounter: The United States and the Making of the Modern World* and author of *From Wealth to Power*, a provocative examination of America's role on the world stage that received glowing reviews.

An expert in world affairs, Zakaria has given speeches at home and abroad, from universities to investment confer-

ences and the World Economic Forum at Davos. He captivates audiences with his knowledge of globalization and what it means for countries, individuals and corporations. He has appeared on such programs as *Charlie Rose*, *Firing Line*, *The Newshour with Jim Lehrer*, *The McLaughlin Group*, *The BBC World News* and *Meet the Press*.

Zakaria writes frequently for such publications as *The New York Times*, *The New Yorker* and *The Wall Street Journal*. He has received many accolades for his work, including the Overseas Press Club Award, the National Press Club's Edwin Hood Award, two National Magazine Award nominations and the Deadline Club Award for Best Columnist.

Before joining *Foreign Affairs*, he ran the "Project on the Changing Security Environment" at Harvard University, where he also taught international politics and economics. He has been an adjunct professor at Columbia University and Case Western Reserve University.

His latest book, *The Future of Freedom*, a *New York Times* bestseller, sheds light on the complex interaction between economics and politics, on America's role in the world, and on the way in which democracy is changing every aspect of our lives — from economics and technology to politics and culture.



Fareed Zakaria

Gus Van Sant Filmography:

1. Elephant (2003)
2. Best of Bowie, The (2002) (V)
3. Gerry (2002)
4. Finding Forrester (2000)
5. Psycho (1998)
6. Good Will Hunting (1997)
7. Ballad of the Skeletons (1996)
8. Understanding (1996) (TV)
9. To Die For (1995)
10. Bowie: The Video Collection (1993) (V)
11. Even Cowgirls Get the Blues (1993)
12. Thanksgiving Prayer (1991)
13. My Own Private Idaho (1991)
14. Drugstore Cowboy (1989) (as Gus Van Sant Jr.)
15. Ken Death Gets Out of Jail (1987)
16. My New Friend (1987)
17. Five Ways to Kill Yourself (1987)
18. Mala Noche (1985)

Cynthia Jackson, Paula Knight Bread and Roses Winners

The Otterbein College Women's Forum celebrated the 11th anniversary of the Bread and Roses Award on May 20 by honoring two outstanding members of the Otterbein community—Cynthia Jackson, associate professor and chairperson of the Department of Health and Physical Education, and Paula Knight, associate professor and chairperson of the Department of Education.

Cynthia's anonymous nominator said, "Cynthia Jackson has been a role model for the female dominated academic staff and for female students in all five majors of the Health and Physical Education Department. She teaches courses that focus on leadership styles and teamwork. She (runs) her department using those same leadership techniques she teaches in the classroom. Every staff member plays an integral role in all department decisions. She listens to all ideas, comments and concerns with compassion, understanding and thoughtful insight. She also has been instrumental in the overhaul of the Health and Physical Education student requirements that now take on a more contemporary focus of lifetime wellness, as reflected in the College mission statement. All of this was initiated due to the vision that Cynthia has to not only have this department grow, but to make it a leader among small private institutions."

Paula's nominator said, "I have worked with Paula on various committees as well as in assisting education students. I've always admired her for her dedication to providing students with a quality education here at Otterbein and for her sunny, cheerful attitude in problem solving and dealing with difficult issues. She is always positive yet realistic when a tough decision needs to be made. I admire her even more now because despite her own battle with cancer, Paula has selflessly channeled her energy toward helping others through her work with Jan's Place, a

support system for women dealing with cancer and chemotherapy. She is a living example of putting others first."

The Bread and Roses Award was established in 1992 to honor members of the Otterbein community who have made significant contributions in support of women. This award honors an individual's accomplishments and efforts in the area of women's issues.

The award's name was inspired by a strike banner in 1912 with the slogan "We want bread and roses too!" The strike took place in Lawrence, Massachusetts, where a state law reduced the workweek for children from 56 to 54 hours. In response, company owners retaliated by reducing all workers' hours to 54 while demanding the same output, which increased their workloads without an increase in wages. More than 20,000 men, women and children stayed out of work for 10 weeks before winning concessions from the woolen mill owners.

The recipient of the award must demonstrate a notable and/or sus-

tained contribution to women's issues; serve as a role model or advocate for women; make an exceptional contribution to Otterbein College and have a recognizable connection to Otterbein College, such as faculty, staff, alumni and friends.

Past winners of the award include the Otterbein Women's Club (1992), Joanne Van Sant (1993), Karen Schwartzwalder (1994), Jeanne Talley (1995), Edna Smith Zech (1996), Marilyn Day (1997), Becky Smith and Sylvia Vance (1998), Grace Ross (1999), The Otterbein College Support Staff Council (2000), Ann Pryfogle (2001) and Joanne Stichweh (2002).

The Women's Forum is a group of Otterbein employees who organize one or two information sessions each quarter to present issues pertaining to women that are open to the entire College community. Past topics have included self-defense, women and Islam, women and retirement and a historical look at women's clothing featuring the Otterbein College historic costume collection.

Otterbein Again Ranks High in College Guide

In the *U.S. News and World Report's 2004 Guide to America's Best Colleges*, Otterbein College is ranked eighth among the Midwest's Comprehensive Colleges.

According to the guide, Comprehensive Colleges are "institutions that focus on undergraduate education and offer a range of degree programs—in the liberal arts, which account for fewer than half of their bachelor's degrees, and in professional fields such as business, nursing and education." Of the 109 Comprehensive Colleges located in the Midwest, 96 were private colleges and 13 were public.

This year, Otterbein was ranked fourth in its assessment by peer colleges, earning the highest peer assessment of comprehensive colleges in Ohio.

"We are especially pleased that our peer institutions have recognized Otterbein for our commitment to academic excellence. Such an accomplishment is the result of a campus-wide effort to provide the best possible environment for teaching and learning," said Otterbein President Brent DeVore.

Otterbein competed with colleges from Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa and Missouri for this top honor. The rankings are based on 15 measures of "academic excellence," which fall into seven categories, peer assessment being the most important. Other categories include retention rates, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources, graduation rate performances and alumni giving rates.

Exciting Year in Store for the Fine Arts

An exciting line-up of music and theatre events and art exhibits are coming up at Otterbein this year.

Otterbein College Theatre is pleased to welcome one of Central Ohio's award-winning actors, Mark Mann, in the role of Eddie Carbone for the winter production of *A View from the Bridge*. Set in a tight-knit Italian community, *A View from the Bridge* is a powerful story of forbidden desires and cruel betrayal. Longshoreman Eddie Carbone, driven by an obsession he can neither understand nor acknowledge, searches for a desperate attempt to restore his family and takes action without fully realizing the far-reaching effects in the community.

"I am so pleased that Mark Mann is available and eager to play this role," said Artistic Director Dennis Romer. "What impresses me is his immense power and strength, and yet his ability to show incredible vulnerability through his acting. He truly understands this character."

Mann has produced, directed, written, or performed in over 80 productions in the last 12 years for such theatres as The Arden Shakespeare Company, Actor's Theatre, CATCO, Reality Theatre, Gallery Players and Metro Music Theatre. He has won Best Actor of the Year awards from area critics for his performances in *The Lion in Winter*, *Richard the Third* and *I*

Hate Hamlet and was mentioned as giving one of *Columbus Alive's* performances of the decade for his portrayal of Lord Byron in *Childe Byron*.

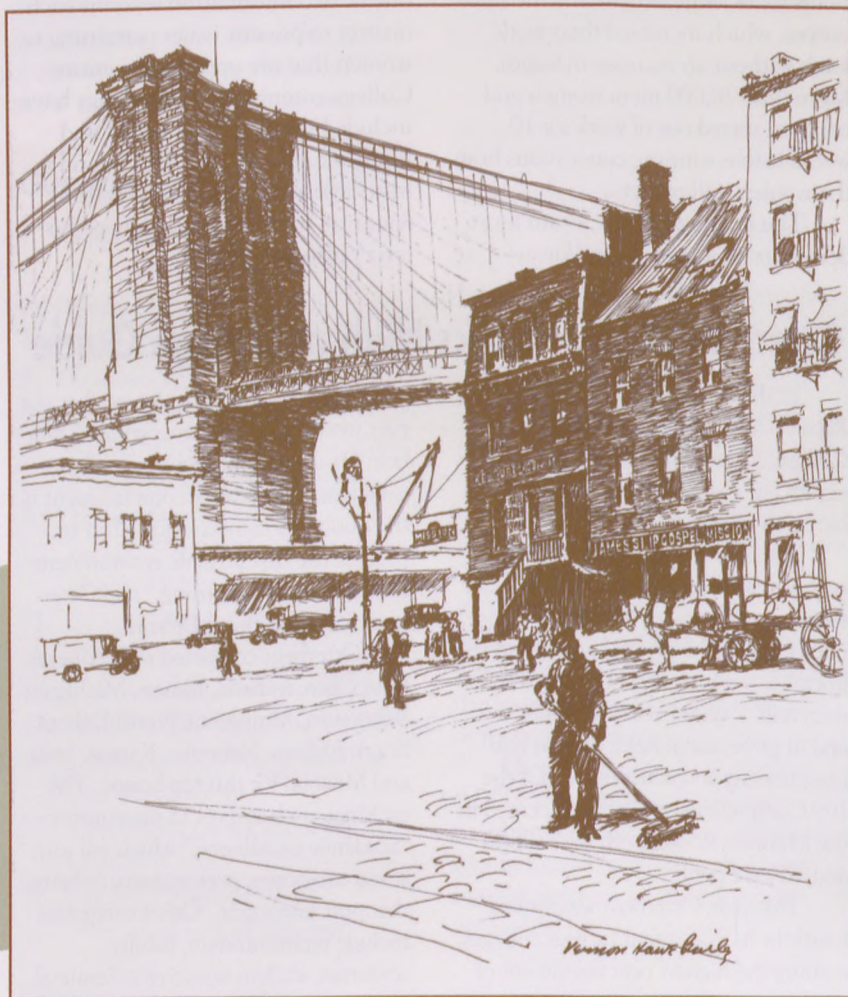
Romer feels that Mann will be "a terrific influence on our students as he works with them daily throughout the rehearsal process. His level of work ethic and versatility are qualities every actor should work to achieve."

A View from the Bridge will run from Jan. 29-Feb. 7, 2004, in Cowan Hall. For information about obtaining tickets, please phone the box office at (614) 823-1109.

Also during winter quarter, The Otterbein College Department of Music will present its annual Valentine's event, Music and Romance. Began in 2002 to raise funds to assist music students who require financial support in order to tour abroad with Otterbein ensembles, Music and Romance is organized by the honorary music service fraternity, Delta Omicron. It features music by two Otterbein jazz ensembles, Opus One (vocal jazz ensemble) and Big Band, which provide music for guests to dance or listen to as they indulge in gourmet desserts in a romantic, candlelit atmosphere. Guests also have chances to win prizes such as free concert tickets and restaurant gift certificates.

The performing ensembles of Music and Romance emphasize classic jazz and swing music from the 1930s-50s, featuring music by jazz greats such as Glenn Miller, Benny Goodman, Count Basie, George Gershwin, and Duke Ellington. The evening alternates sets by Opus One and Big Band with drawings for prizes. Last year, professional swing dancers attended the event to demonstrate swing dancing styles; the dance floor was packed all evening, and the dancers repeatedly shouted for "more!"

Opus One, conducted by Dr. Gayle Walker, is one of eight choral ensembles at Otterbein College. The



Otterbein College Theatre will produce *A View from the Bridge* this winter.

ensemble's specialty is vocal jazz and a cappella music in the tradition of Manhattan Transfer and the New York Voices. The group consists of sixteen singers who are selected by audition each fall. The Otterbein Big Band consists of the traditional big band instrumentation. Conducted by Ben Huntoon, the select ensemble performs music from all jazz eras.

Music and Romance will take place at 8:00 p.m. on Jan. 31, 2004, at the Makoy Center Emerald Room at 5462 Center St. in Hilliard. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Gayle Walker at (614) 823-1318.

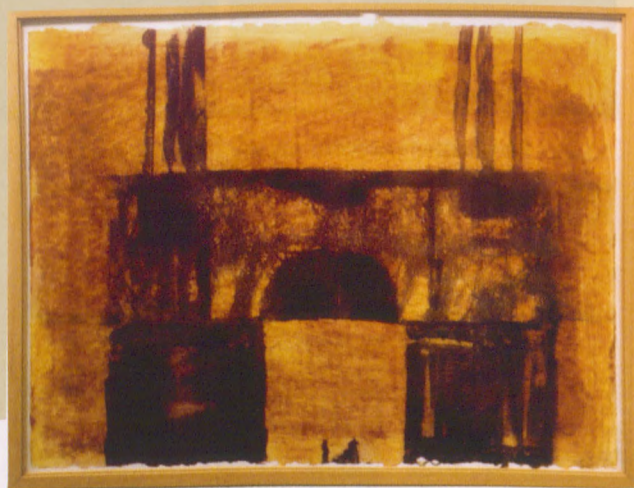
In conjunction with the Otterbein College Signature Series, the Art Department will present "Portraits: Black & white photographs" by Academy Award® nominated director Gus Van Sant from Jan. 9-March 12, 2004, in Fisher Gallery of Roush Hall. The portrait images were originally collected for publication in the book "108 Portraits" by Gus Van Sant published in 1992 by Twin Palms Publishers. Although the exhibition is a small selection of images from the book, it represents the spirit of the photography project. Initially, Van Sant created many of the images of actors as a visual guide to casting the movie *Drugstore Cowboy*. He made other images during video projects or meetings for video projects.

In the book, Van Sant states: "As I look closely at the pictures, I am reminded about the power a single person carries around with them. Everyone is different, and yet they all look somehow the same... They remind me of the moment the picture was actually taken, and how that moment is linked to their past, their present, and their future."

The critically acclaimed director, who will be on campus to present lectures from Feb. 20-21, 2004, studied art in college and is also a screenwriter and musician. The College also will present a festival of his films during winter quarter. For more information about the photography exhibit, contact the Department of Art at (614) 823-1792.



From the Barry Andersen collection of digital photography in the Fisher Gallery in Roush Hall. Speaking of his practice of altering photographs digitally, Andersen says, "I am not a documentary photographer. My allegiance is with the picture and the pursuit of a compelling visual experience. Someone else can fret about accuracy." Andersen's art is part of the "Traditional Values ~ New Directions" exhibition that runs through Dec. 19.

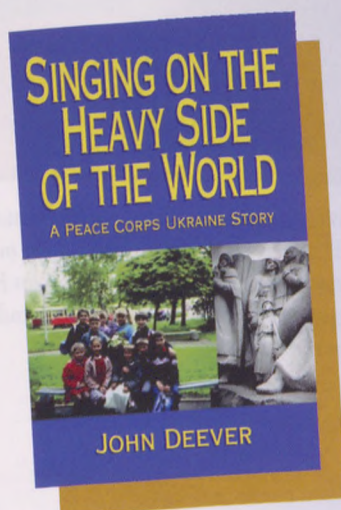


From the collection "Indelible Impressions – The Dresden Journal" displayed in the Dunlap Gallery in the Battelle Fine Arts Center. The collection is by Nicholas Hill, chair of the Art Department. This piece is a carbon-undum aquatint. The exhibition ran from Sept. 11 to Oct. 18.

Singing on the Heavy Side of the World



Victory Day posters in a public square, 1995, for the 50 year anniversary of "Liberation from the Fascists" (driving out the Nazis).



John Deever '90 had more life changing experiences in two years with the Peace Corps than most people have in a lifetime. Now living back on American soil in Washington, D.C., John is sharing his experiences with readers everywhere with his Peace Corps memoir, *Singing on the Heavy Side of the World* (Xlibris, 2002).

When John became one of the first Peace Corps volunteers in the newly independent country of Ukraine in 1993, he found people living under an incredible weight — oppressive economic conditions, perpetually overcast skies, diet dominated by heavy root vegetables and alcohol. Yet in that place where even his young students carried the difficulty of daily life like a heavy burden, he also found new friends who took joy in the simplest pleasures and were thrilled to encounter the wider world through the first American most had ever known.

A Westerville native, John, after a year at a college in Minnesota, came to Otterbein because of his family's deep roots with the College. Along with a myriad of John's cousins, aunt, uncles and grandparents, John's parents, **David '61** and **Sara Elberfeld Deever '61** graduated from the College as did his sister **Amy '95**. Both his father and his grandfather, **Philip Deever '34**, were professors at Otterbein.

Because of these connections, as well as the United Methodist affiliation, John transferred to Otterbein to major in English and minor in German. While at Otterbein, he was



Peace Corp volunteers Sherry Baer, Lisa Swaim (now Mrs. John Deever) and John Deever view the castle ruins in the Western Ukrainian village of Kamenets-Podilsky. The castle ruins/museum, is a nearly unvisited 15th century architectural marvel.

a member of the *Tan and Cardinal* staff, Jazz Band and Marching Band.

After receiving his bachelor's degree from Otterbein in 1990 and his master's degree from Ohio State in 1992, John served in the Peace Corps from 1993-95. His essay, "To Peel Potatoes," won the 1996 Peace Corps Experience Award given by RPCV Writers and Readers and appeared in *Peace Corps: The Great Adventure*. In April 2003, John returned to his alma mater to give a lecture about his experiences teaching English in a public school in Zhitomir, Ukraine.

John said his decision to join the Peace Corps was based partly on a desire for adventure, partly on a desire to serve. "I wanted to teach, but I wanted to do something outside of what I already knew."

"In 1989, the Berlin Wall came down, and in 1991 the Soviet Union collapsed, so those events were such a prominent part of my life at that time. When I decided to take a

teaching position in the Peace Corps, I wanted Eastern Europe. I was drawn to the 'soot-covered chic' of Eastern Europe, but the decision was up to the Peace Corps."

When the Peace Corps ultimately decided to place John in Eastern Europe, he learned that he would be stationed in Ukraine. "Until then, I knew very little about Ukraine. I knew Chernobyl, the 'Breadbasket of Europe,' and Chicken Kiev, which I never ate once while I was there."

John's memoir tells his story of service, as well as a later visit to Ukraine. Many of his old friends are recounted in the epilogue of the book. He poignantly combines narratives with his thoughts and impressions of the people and places he encountered. His story combines fellow teachers at his school, friends and their families and other Peace Corps volunteers with whom he had contact, including Lisa Swaim, who was also known as "Liza" in Ukraine and now is John's wife.

Colorful characters made John's experience unforgettable, including the young and enthusiastic Misha, a college student living in John's building; the matronly Svetlana Adamovna, who adopted John into her family; and the younger teachers at the school who were not only John's colleagues, but also his friends.

He recounts such amusing stories as his local celebrity, the Ukrainian obsession with the cancelled American soap opera *Santa Barbara* and the popularity of the song BINGO, which John introduced to school children and English teachers alike.

He also recalls the inconveniences of daily life and the harsh realities of post-Soviet Ukraine. He talks about the meager wages that the teachers made – when they were paid at all; the lack of hot water; the inconvenience of crowded bus travel; the "dachas" or small out of town plots of land that were needed to make enough vegetables for a family to survive; the widespread use of



Ukraine's rural traditions and Soviet development pattern made for many scenes like this, which were common even in cities of 300,000 people. With the Great Depression that has plagued Ukraine since 1992, a very large percentage of apartment dwellers need their kitchen gardens (often located outside town at their "dachas") to afford adequate food.

alcohol; and life during the harsh winters. But he also tells of the generosity of the Ukrainians, their pride and the pleasure they would find in the small things.

He writes about the feeling of being alone in a strange country, separated from his family and friends, having no contact with Americans on a regular basis, dealing with language and cultural barriers. As part of the first group of volunteers to work in Ukraine, John had to pave his own way and teach himself how to get by in his daily life, from teaching less than prepared students to shopping for groceries. To be true to his subjects, John portrays the good with the bad and everything in between.

It might seem that Ukraine is a world away from his homeland, but John said he found similar themes in life in both places. "The language and historical values differ, but they

share some of the same choices in life. For instance, many of us must decide between staying in a small town or going to a bigger city for greater success. In Ukraine, they also had to decide between remaining in their villages where they might help and make a difference, or going to the larger cities where they had more choices and opportunities."

While *Singing on the Heavy Side of the World* is a memoir of John's experiences in Ukraine, he only speaks for his own experiences. "I caution people who read my book from thinking that is how Ukraine is now. That is how it was at one point in time ten years ago. Now the people are more comfortable with their independence and there is more western business and wealth. But some of the conditions I wrote about still exist. It is a slow transition."

John also experienced a transition in his own perspective. "You

look at yourself differently when you see how others look at you. I also learned a lot about my own country. People would ask me questions – like, is Nebraska bigger than Iowa? – and I wouldn't know the answers."

After finishing his Peace Corps service, John joined with fellow Peace Corps volunteer Lisa and traveled through the "friendliest, most interesting country in Europe — Poland — and then to Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria on our way to Greece, then Italy." Lisa continued her travels while John returned home, and the pair met up again later in the United States.

When John returned to the United States, the Peace Corps prepared him for certain realities that he would encounter. "The World Wide Web basically took off in two years while I was gone. And I missed two years of TV shows, movies and music."

John said Otterbein prepared him for his career in the Peace Corps through its service component. "The service ethic was an essential part of the education, partly because of its Christian tradition. But the Peace Corps was the glamorous way out. It is much harder to go into downtown Columbus and help the homeless. There are fewer rewards – cultural or otherwise – that come with that kind of service."

John and Lisa moved around once they returned, from Oakland, CA, to Boston, MA, to Voronezh, Russia, and finally to Washington, D.C., where they were married on Oct. 7, 2001.

John spent two years working for a textbook company by day and writing his book in the evenings based on the journals he kept while in Ukraine. "I wanted to tell my stories but people weren't interested, which is partly why I wrote the book. I had so much to share, and it wasn't going to happen at dinner parties."

Despite the completion of his book, John said, "I don't think of myself so much as a writer as I do an editor and environmental activist. I just kept a good journal and worked on it later. And a good editor makes a huge difference."

John still lives in Washington, D.C., with Lisa. The two are the proud parents of baby Alexandra Josephine Deever, born May 29, 2002. Nicknamed "Sasha," she is John's pride and joy. "Lisa was the best thing I brought back from Ukraine, but Sasha is the best souvenir that came out of it."

John currently works for ISAR: Initiative for Social Action and Renewal in Eurasia (formerly the Institute for Soviet-American Relations until 1991), a non-profit environmental organization that supports independent citizen initiatives across the former Soviet Union. For ISAR, he is in charge of managing the website (www.ISAR.org) and is the publications editor. His book can be ordered online at www.deever.com. ■



"Mr. John" and some "school-leaver" students, Zhitomir School #23, graduation day 1995 (a few months before John left).



Above: May 1995, the day Deever left the Ukraine. He had this to say of the photo: "This shot was taken from inside the bus that I took the day I left. Seeing me off are teachers Larisa (Svetlana Adamovna's daughter), Svetlana Adamova (waving), Galina Vasilievna (vice principal for English), Tanya Kukuyuk; and Misha (in my Ohio State t-shirt, waving a thumbs-up), with his girlfriend Natasha and her roommate Vika (with whom Lisa first stayed the night she came to my dorm and could not find me). I thought at that moment that it might be the last I would ever see of any of them, though I saw almost all of them when Lisa and I visited again 4 years later."



Current day Deever with daughter Sasha.

The "O" Club

The "O" Club Will Honor All-Americans, Others at Dinner

The Otterbein "O" Club will host its annual dinner program on Saturday, November 1, at the Little Turtle Country Club. The event includes a cocktail hour from 5:00 - 6:00 (cash bar), a buffet at 6:00, followed by the program. The event is open to the public and we encourage you to attend. The cost is \$25 per person and may be paid at the door. If possible, please make your reservations by October 24 by calling the "O" Club office. However, a limited amount of extra seating will be available for walk-ins.

This year's honorees include

John W. Magaw '57 - Outstanding Service Award

Fred Martinelli '51 - Excel Award

Skip Ford '80 - Athletic Director's Award of Distinction

Former All-Americans

Jim Hoyle '83

Doug McCombs '81

Dave Vulgamore '81



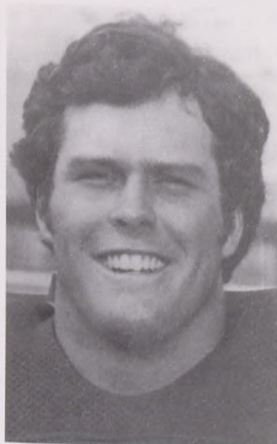
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John Magaw '57



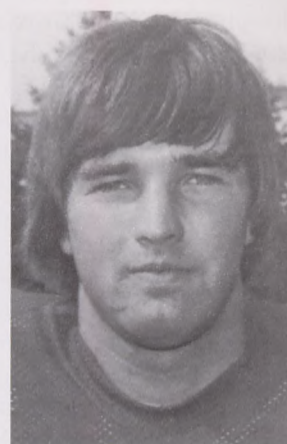
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Rebekah M. Carlisle '81, Executive Director

*Commencement Speaker
Roderick G.W. Chu
receives an Honorary
Doctor of Public Service
degree from President
Brent DeVore. Chu is
chancellor of the Ohio
Board of Regents.*

Commencement

2003



Not a Typical Graduation Ceremony

Otterbein College honored the accomplishments of 660 members of the class of 2003, the largest graduating class in Otterbein history, on June 15 in the Rike Center. It was not a typical ceremony, as one student was 80 years old, a family of a recently deceased student accepted his degree posthumously, and a West African dignitary visited Otterbein to see his son receive his master's degree.

Guests to the ceremony were greeted by music from the Wind Ensemble and Alumni Band, directed by Associate Professor Gary Tirey. Otterbein's 156th commencement ceremony was opened by Trustee **John Huston '57**, with an invocation by Alison Jones, coordinator of student activities.

President C. Brent DeVore then bestowed the Honorary Doctor of Public Service degree on commencement speaker Roderick G. W. Chu, chancellor of the Ohio Board of

Regents, the planning and coordinating agency for higher education in Ohio. The Board of Regents is responsible for leading Ohio's comprehensive and diverse system of public and private colleges and universities to develop in ways that will serve the needs of the people of the state. It operates in partnership with Governor Bob Taft, the Ohio General Assembly and higher education, business and community leaders. Ohio's higher education system is comprised of more than 140 public and private colleges and universities, which currently enroll more than 571,000 students.

A native of New York City, Chancellor Chu holds a bachelor's degree in mathematics and physics from the University of Michigan (1969) and a master's degree in business administration with distinction from Cornell University (1971).

Before being named Chancellor, Mr. Chu served on the Board of

Trustees of the State University of New York — the largest comprehensive university system in the United States, with nearly 400,000 students on 64 campuses. He began his career in the consulting division of Arthur Andersen & Co. in 1971 in New York City. Former New York Governor Mario Cuomo appointed Mr. Chu as Commissioner of Taxation and Finance and President of the New York State Tax Commission in 1983. Chu rejoined Accenture in 1988, the management consulting practice of Andersen Worldwide. He led the firm's services for government clients and was a member of the firm's Global Management Council. He was one of 40 people invited to Vice President Al Gore's Reinventing Government Summit in 1993. He has advised numerous agency heads of state, provincial and national governments — including the Russian Federation, Singapore, the United Kingdom and Canada — on

reinventing their governments, departments and ministries.

Chu discussed the world of change that Otterbein's graduates were entering, and Otterbein's role in preparing them for that world. "You are here to enrich the world and you impoverish yourselves if you forget that errand," he said. "Otterbein College has helped you prepare for that errand."

Other attendees included the family of Timothy "Timmy J" Jesser, an Otterbein senior music performance major who died suddenly on Oct. 27, 2002. His mother Kathy, brother, Andrew, and sister, Christine, accepted his degree posthumously to a standing ovation.

"We were very surprised to find out that we could receive his diploma," Kathy Jesser said. "My hope was to attend and watch as his classmates graduated. Accepting a diploma far exceeded our expectations."

She went on to say, "It is difficult to put into words how wonderful it was to hear my son's name called and to accept his diploma. It is even more difficult to express how overwhelming it was to see and hear how much his classmates cared for him. Walking across the stage, hearing the loud clapping of hands, seeing everyone on their feet, knowing this was for Timmy J is yet another priceless memory all of you have given to us."

Jesser was vice president of Lambda Gamma Epsilon (Kings fraternity) and played the trombone in the marching band, concert band and jazz band. He worked for the Ohio Department of Education while preparing to graduate with the class of 2003.

In his hometown of Akron, Ohio, he was member of the National Honor Society, the 4.0 Club and graduated in 1998 from East High School.

Also in the audience was His Excellency Ogbonnaya Nduaka, Nigeria Ambassador to Liberia and Director of the Nduaka Education Foundation, who is well known in West Africa for his advocacy of peace

in West Africa and HIV/AIDS prevention efforts. Ambassador Nduaka, formerly a university lecturer in Nigeria, is the father of Otterbein student Chijioke "Chyke" Obinna Nduaka, who received his master's degree in Business Administration with the class of 2003.

After the graduates were honored, President DeVore came to the podium and announced, "We searched the historic records of Otterbein College and we believe that Mr. Boardman ... is the oldest person to receive a degree from Otterbein College." Eighty-year old **Jim Boardman '03** stood to wild applause and a standing ovation from the crowd.

The 2003 commencement ceremony also offered the College community the opportunity to thank two of its loyal professors, James Bailey



Tim Jesser '03

and Eva Sebo, by granting them emeritus status.

The ceremony ended with a benediction from **Jason Walker '03** and the singing of the Otterbein Love Song, led by **Heather Capple '03**.

All the great Otterbein musical traditions on one CD!

TRADITIONS



Otterbein College Bands

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Under the direction of Professors Gary Tirey and Jeffrey Boehm, the CD showcases many of the College's historic pieces, such as Kris Lehman's and Paul Shartle's arrangement of "The Otterbein Love Song," Glenn Grabill's "Fight Song," arranged by both Lehman and Tirey, as well as many other favorites. In addition, the CD features spoken commentaries by several of the composers and arrangers represented on the recording, includ-

ing Anthony Zilincik, Jim Shackson and Grammy Award winner Marvin Hamlisch. An added attraction is a complete history of the Otterbein College bands written by music alumnus and College archivist Stephen Grinch.

CDs are available for \$20 each. Proceeds beyond the costs of the recording will benefit the band program.

To purchase, call Professor Tirey at 614-823-1608 or email him at gtirey@otterbein.edu.

Eighty-year-old Graduate Says Degree Worth the Wait

By Jordan Grubich (reprinted in part from the Tan and Cardinal)

As the senior class of 2003 go on to earn their masters degrees or start their careers, one graduate has no such plans. Instead, **Jim Boardman '03**, the oldest graduate in Otterbein's history, is traveling with his wife and spending time with his children and grandchildren.

The unusual part of the story is not what Boardman is doing after graduation, but the road he traveled to get there. Boardman, who turned 81 two days after graduation, first began his college endeavors in 1940 as a full-time student at The Ohio State University. Boardman studied chemistry and accounting at OSU until January of 1943 when he began his service in the army.

During his time in the army, Boardman was in the combat infantry and eventually was sent to the Philippines to fight in World War II. After the war he married, had a daughter and got a job to support them. College would have to wait.

Boardman worked in the same private, family-owned business for 41 years before retiring in 1987. When he began working there, it was an ice manufacturing business. Throughout the years, the business expanded to many other aspects, including buying a warehouse in 1958 and renting the storage space to other businesses. The warehouse stored frozen materials, including food and other raw materials.

"We had some unusual products. One company stored cores of ice samples from the Antarctic," Boardman said.

After retiring, Boardman decided to return to the unfinished task of obtaining a college degree. In Sept. of 1996, he went back to college once again.

Boardman looked at Capital University and OSU before deciding to work towards a history degree at Otterbein. "I got more instruction and interest from Otterbein," Boardman said. "It seemed to be a better campus, more casual. I appreciate the campus because they haven't gone for size. They've gone for quality."

Boardman decided to come back to school in part because he had always stressed how important education was to his children. Between his three daughters and one son, they have three bachelor's degrees, one master's degree and one legal secretary certification.

"My children encouraged me. They said, 'You helped us get a degree. Now it's time to get yours.' I just wanted to show my kids that I could do it," Boardman said.

Boardman said he has enjoyed his time at Otterbein, although college is a much different place than it was when he began in the 1940s. "When I was in school in the 40s, the men wore suits. It's been a little bit eye opening because of the casualness of students from what they were,"

Boardman said, adding that he has been fortunate to gain a quality education.

"I have had about 11 or 12 different teachers. I think they've all been excellent," Boardman said. "Any one of the instructors will do what they can to help you get through a course. I've been treated like an ordinary student."

Chuck Zimmerman, one of his professors in the religion and philosophy department, said he also gained a lot from the experience. "The man has led a fascinating life. That means at a number of points he's been able to teach me stuff, a lot of stuff," he said.

Boardman said he hopes other students appreciate the education they have received at Otterbein. "Getting a college education, particularly liberal arts, sometimes they have a better chance to get a job. A liberal arts education can do a lot of things," Boardman said.

During the course of his college education, Boardman has continued to challenge himself. "In a research course on social protest movements, I was impressed by his decision to select a topic that involved an extensive investigation of unpublished original documents available here at the Otterbein archives," Elizabeth MacLean, a professor in the history and political science department said. "The result was a fascinating study of the turn of the century, student-organized Intercollegiate Prohibition Association."

In addition to his accomplishments in the classroom, Boardman has also impressed people with his attitude outside of class.

"He is a very kind and caring person. He has a genuinely inquisitive mind. I have nothing but admiration for this man," Zimmerman said.

"Jim never ceases to be upbeat and is always cordial, personable and thoughtful," MacLean said. "Over the years, he has stopped in often just to share a personal story or anecdote or simply to ask how my family and I are doing."

Although Boardman may never use his degree in the traditional sense, he said he has already received what he wanted out of it.

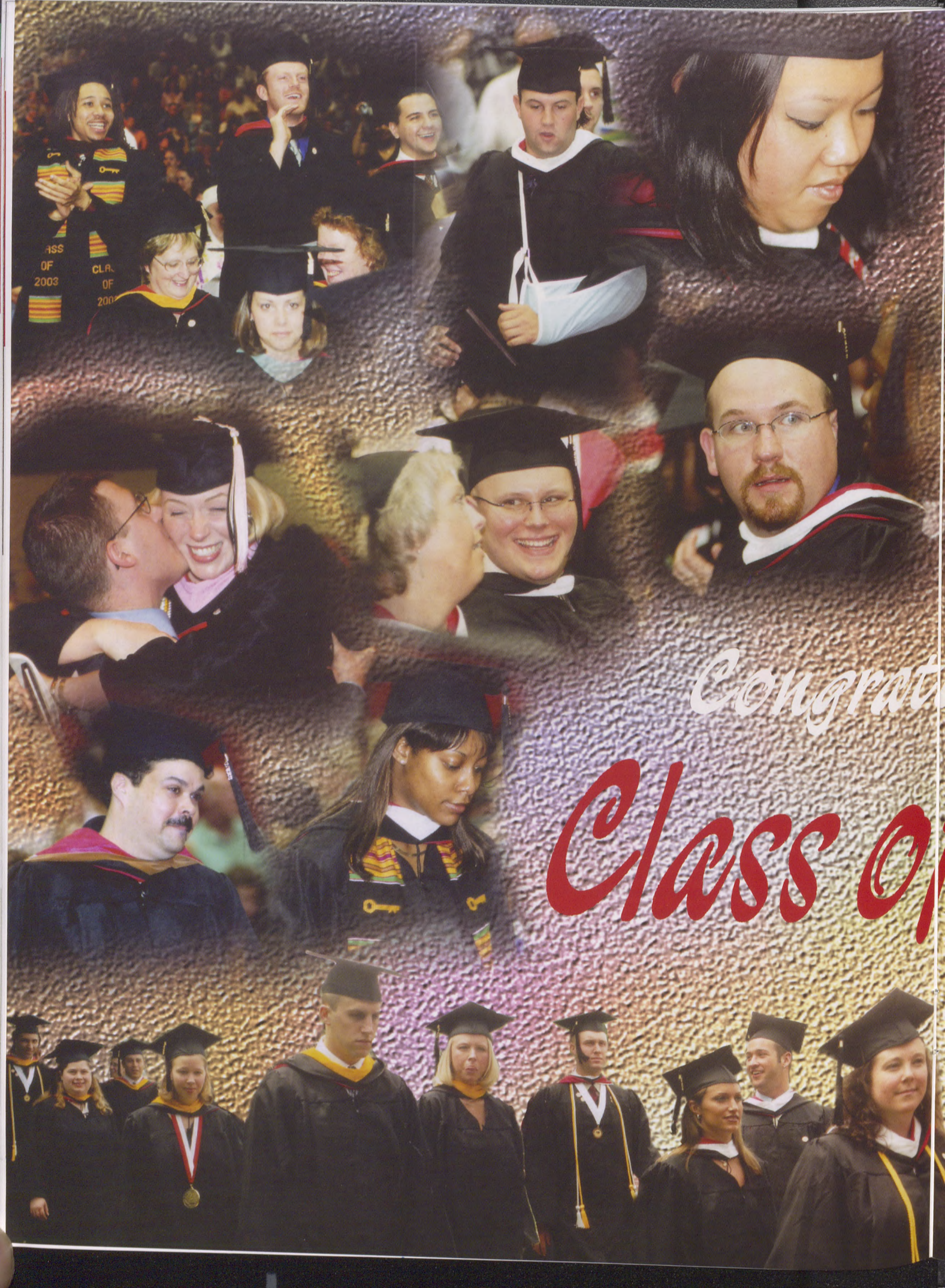
"It is simply a sign of accomplishment that I did it, and could do it," Boardman said.

Zimmerman said he hopes that students haven't missed out on the opportunity to learn from Boardman.

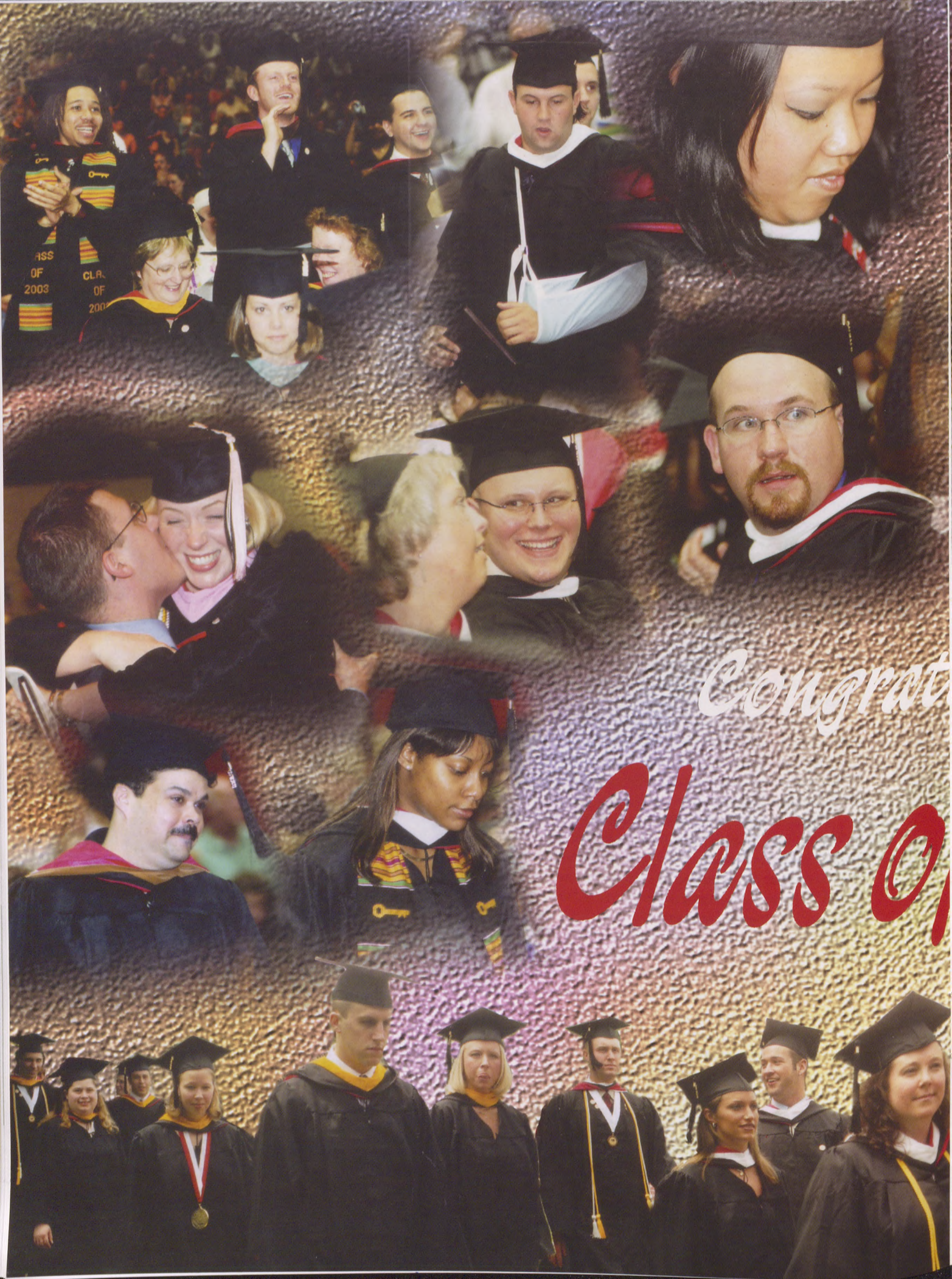
"When I was 19 or 20, I would look at a guy with gray hair and just think, 'He's old. What does he know?'" Zimmerman said. "If people dismiss Jim that way, they lose a lot. If they say, 'He's just a gray-headed old guy, what does he know?' The answer is a lot."



Jim Boardman



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1. Anne Decker and Helene "Mike" Miller '53. 2. Gene Riblet '53 (in beanie) and Bill Lehman '53. 3. M. Eugene Davis '50 and Harold Augspurger '41. 4. Alice Carlson Mickey '53 and Emma McCreary Curtice '53. 5. Judy Wells Baker '69. 6. Chris Kapostasy Jansing '78 with members of her family.

2003

Alumni

Rain fell in Westerville during Alumni Weekend 2003, but spirits did not fall on the Otterbein Campus. Over 375 alumni shared smiles and stories in the Campus Center, where many of the activities were relocated. Despite close quarters, the building was filled with fellowship and those in attendance enjoyed visiting with friends old and new.

Twenty-five reunion committee members planned the weekend of events designed to make these honored alumni reminisce and relive their years at Otterbein. Held on June 13-15, Alumni Weekend 2003 featured some new activities, including Lifelong Learning courses taught by Otterbein's finest faculty and outstanding alumni, and van tours of campus and Uptown Westerville as well as guided walking tours of campus. The tours were accompanied by an informative self-guided tour brochure researched and written by College Archivist **Stephen Grinch '98**.



7. Roger Wiley '52 and Mike Duckworth '63. 8. Mollie MacKenzie Rechin '53 and Jean Leffler Stanley '53. 9. Philip Mowrey '78 and Pam Mowrey. 10. Lois Abbott Yost '52 and Jean Reed Burris '53. 11. Marilyn Day '53 and Dan Mariniello '53. 12. Eric Van Wagner '99 (bass) and Jonathan Stewart '01 (piano).

Weekend

The most popular of the Lifelong Learning courses was the "History of Otterbein College," which was attended by 176 people. Wood Dining Service taught 27 alumni the art of cooking finger foods fit for a king in "How to Prepare Hors D'Oeuvres" and 16 people attended a session on "Wealth Management."

In addition, the weekend featured other new activities, such as a reunion Rise & Shine Fitness Gathering at the new Clements Recreation and Fitness Center and a parade of classes, emeriti and honored alumni. Other annual events included the Quiz and Quill Strawberry Breakfast, class pictures for *Towers* and the Otterbein College archives, class dinners and special chapel services.

During Alumni Weekend, special recognition was given to the Golden Reunion Class of 1953. For this 50-year reunion class, special activities included a reception, social and dinners. In addition, members of the Golden Reunion Class were given medallions to wear throughout the weekend.

This year's Alumni Interest Group — Music, Band, Choir and Orchestra Alumni — had something to sing about as they were honored throughout the weekend with receptions and special performances of the Alumni Band and Concert Choir. Past Alumni Interest Groups have included war veterans in 2000, Otterbein's Greek community in 2001 and speech and theatre alumni in 2002.

At the Annual Alumni Luncheon, the 2003 Alumni Awards were presented. These awards are given to very special alumni and friends who have given endlessly of themselves to "our dear Otterbein." Robert Gatti, Otterbein's Vice President and Dean for Student Affairs, was the recipient of the Honorary Alumnus Award. **Jane Morrison Horn '50** and **Leslie Mokry '47** received the Service to Otterbein Award for devoting their time, tal-

ents and services for the betterment of Otterbein. **Chris Kapostasy Jansing '78** and **Karl Kempf '69** received the Special Achievement Award for their outstanding levels of excellence in their individual career fields.

Other groups celebrating reunions at this year's festivities were the classes of 1953, 1958, 1963, 1968, 1973 and 1978, as well as Honored Alumni Classes that graduated prior to 1953 and emeriti professors.

More photos from Alumni Weekend!



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1. The Alumni Choir in Riley Auditorium. 2. Judith Schutz and Roy Schutz '53. 3. Evan Hughes '02 4. Anne Decker, Bud Yoest '53 and Joe Carlisle '50. 5. Roy Logston '53 greeting a classmate. 6. An Alumni Weekend UFH (unidentified flying hug). 7. The Alumni Band performs in the balcony of Riley Auditorium. 8. Betty Marsh Ray '53, Miriam Wise Keller '53 and Patty Packer Neilson '53.



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Alumni Award Winners



Karl Kempf '69
Special Achievement
Award

Bob Gatti H'03
Honorary Alumnus
Award

Leslie Mokry '47
Service to Otterbein
Award

**Jane Morrison
Horn '47**
Service to Otterbein
Award

**Chris Kapostasy
Jansing '78**
Special Achievement
Award

Alumni Award Winners

Chris Kapostasy Jansing '78 - Special Achievement

Chris Jansing is an accomplished news anchor who has covered some of the top stories around the world and earned praise among her peers for her reports and interviews.

Currently a daytime anchor on MSNBC and a correspondent for MSNBC and NBC News, Chris joined NBC News in June 1998 as an NBC News correspondent and anchor for MSNBC. She anchored MSNBC's coverage as the events of September 11 unfolded. She has been on the scene of most major stories during her tenure, including Pope John Paul's 2000 pilgrimage to the Holy Land live from Jerusalem; 2000 presidential election and the ensuing Florida recounts; the Columbine school shootings; the death of JFK, Jr. and the Elian Gonzalez saga, among other top stories.

A native of Fairport Harbor, Ohio, Chris has interviewed major newsmakers around the world, and received a National Headliners Award for her coverage of the Timothy McVeigh execution. In addition to working at MSNBC, Chris' duties include work as a correspondent for "Dateline NBC" and as a substitute anchor for "Weekend Today" and the weekend edition of "NBC Nightly News."

Before joining the NBC News team, Chris worked as a journalist in print, radio and television, most recently co-anchoring the nightly news at WNYT-TV Albany. While there, Chris was honored with numerous awards for excellence in journalism, including two Emmys, one for her coverage of the 1996 Olympic bombing in Atlanta, and a "Best Documentary" award from the New York State Broadcasters Association. Chris has also received many community service awards for her commitment to children.

Chris has stayed close to Otterbein, and visited the campus in February 2003 as Otterbein MBA Program's Executive Lecturer to share with current students what she has learned through the years. She presented several lectures on a variety of topics. She continues to report the latest news for MSNBC.

Karl G. Kempf '69 - Special Achievement

Karl Kempf was born in Lima, Ohio, and gained a strong interest in mathematics and technology from his father and two grandfathers, all of whom were engineers. While attending Lima Senior High School, he worked at a variety of labor-intensive jobs during the summers in the machine shop that his father managed. While this reduced time to hone his golf skills, it dramatically heightened his desire to attend college.

Karl began his career at Otterbein as a mathematics major, and through his interest in applied mathematics took most of the courses offered by the physics and the chemistry departments. During this time, Professors Bamforth, Bulthaup, Turley and Place made lasting impressions on Karl's approach to scientific problem solving and instilled a particular interest in control theory. Membership in Pi Beta Sigma fraternity and lettering on the golf team rounded out his Otterbein experience. At graduation,

he was awarded a bachelor's degree in chemistry (with honors) and a bachelor's degree in physics.

Karl's graduate education started at Stanford University and continued at the University of Akron, culminating in a doctorate degree in applied mathematics in 1974.

Goodyear offered Karl a job in their Racing Division stationed in England. Karl was the first to mount computers on racing cars to collect data. This helped Ferrari win three consecutive World Championships. It also led Karl, while working with the Tyrrell Racing team, to use the onboard computer to dynamically control suspension geometry at racing speeds initiating the age of "active suspension" in motor racing.

In *Star Wars* and *Superman*, movie makers initiated the extensive use of computers to create special effects. Karl computerized the robotic mechanism used to create the flying effects in the Superman series of movies. Filmed at Pinewood Studios outside London, this development helped the Superman special effects team win an Academy Award.

Homesick for America, Karl moved to St. Louis and joined McDonnell Douglas. He split his time between developing intelligent robotic systems for the manufacture of fighter aircraft and helping design the automation system for the initial NASA Space Station. He was also an adjunct professor of computer science at the University of Missouri.

In 1987, he joined Intel Corporation and used his applied mathematics skills to refine the design, construction and operation of Intel's factories worldwide. The results led to billions of dollars of increased revenue and in 1999 Karl was elected Fellow, the highest technical position at Intel. In addition, he has served as an adjunct professor of Industrial Engineering at Arizona State University since 1992.

Early in 2003, Karl was elected to the National Academy of Engineering, one of the highest professional distinctions accorded an engineer. He was cited for the development and implementation of control and decision systems that have improved the performance of semiconductor manufacturing systems, and for pioneering work in the application of micro-processors in the automotive, entertainment and aerospace industries.

Karl and his wife Sharon live in Phoenix, Arizona.

Jane Morrison Horn '50 - Service to Otterbein

When Jane Morrison Horn came to Otterbein, she was following in the footsteps of many relatives before her. Perhaps they were big footsteps to fill, but through her selfless devotion to service, education and her alma mater, it is clear that she has succeeded.

Jane was born in Dayton, Ohio, in 1927. By the time she came to Otterbein, it was already a family tradition. The first Morrisons, a brother and sister by the name of Samuel and Olive, graduated from Otterbein in the late 1800s and her father James H. Morrison graduated in 1922.

The Otterbein legacy did not end there. Jane met her husband, **Bert Horn '49**, while at Otterbein. They were married in April 1950 by **Maurice Gribler '45**. Jane's son **John Horn '80** and daughter-in-law **Melissa McCoy Horn '84** also graduated from the College. While her other sons, Tom and Bill, did not attend Otterbein, they also appreciated growing up in the Otterbein community.

While at Otterbein, Jane majored in elementary education and was active as a member of the Student Court, Sibyl Staff, Tau Epsilon Mu and the Elementary Education Club.

After graduating, Jane taught for two years in Cincinnati before returning to Westerville with Bert, who became the Otterbein treasurer. She left teaching after two more years to rear her family. When her sons were grown, she returned to work teaching neurologically handicapped children and then to full time teaching in the Westerville schools.

She has been involved with the Otterbein Women's Club, the Friends of Courtright Memorial Library, Otterbein's Sesqui-centennial Celebration in 1997 and the Emeriti Group. She was also co-chair of the Class of 1950 Golden Reunion and holds an annual Alumni Weekend Brunch at her home.

Jane enjoys participating in an antique club and book club. She volunteers at the local school library, the Otterbein Women's Club Thrift Shop and the Church of the Master United Methodist. She also volunteers as a guide at the Hanby House. Whenever she can, she also enjoys visiting her eight grandchildren, and she has hopes that some of them will carry on the Otterbein tradition.

Leslie E. Mokry '47 - Service to Otterbein

Les Mokry was born and raised in Middletown, Ohio. He entered Otterbein as a freshman in the fall of 1939. His college days were interrupted by World War II. Les enlisted in the Naval Air Corps in April 1942. He was ordered to active duty in June 1942. He completed flight training in June 1943 and was commissioned as an ensign, USNR. He served in three different squadrons and flew combat missions in all three theatres of operation.

He re-enrolled in Otterbein in September 1946 and graduated in the Centennial class of 1947 with a bachelor's degree in business administration and began his career in finance and banking with Universal C.I.T. Credit Corporation. He was recalled to active duty by the Navy in 1952 and served two years during the Korean Conflict (War).

Les returned to civilian life, resumed his career with UCIT and attained the position of district manager. In 1970 his company downsized and the position of district manager was eliminated. He secured employment with Buckeye Savings Association of Cincinnati. After a series of mergers and buyouts, the final one by Citizens Federal of Dayton, he was appointed an assistant vice president and held this position until retirement in 1985.

As a naval officer, Les was required to remain in the Naval Reserve. During his tenure, he was a squadron commander and an assistant air wing staff commander, he retired as a captain in 1976.

Throughout his dual careers as a civilian and a naval reserve officer, Les has been active in his church, his community and his alma mater, and is a life member of several veterans organizations.

Les has actively stayed in contact with Otterbein through his alumni involvement in the Dayton area. His participation has been demonstrated by his support in planning Otterbein golf outings, assisting in the planning of the Annual June Bug Jamboree for seven years and serving as chairman for the World War II Veterans Reunion during Alumni Weekend 2000. He believes in Otterbein and honors the purpose for which it was established. His commitment to Otterbein has never wavered.

Les and his wife **Mickey (Steiner) '49** live in Lebanon, Ohio, they have two children who attended Otterbein and two grandchildren who hopefully will be in the classes of 2014 and 2015.

Robert M. Gatti - Honorary Alumnus

When Robert M. Gatti came to Otterbein, he told his wife Jackie they would stay for a couple of years and then move back south. Every winter she asks him when they will move back!

Beginning his 26th year at Otterbein College, Bob has progressed through a variety of positions. Bob started his career at Otterbein in August of 1978 as assistant dean for Student Development. Currently he is vice president and dean for Student Affairs. In this position, Bob is responsible for Student Affairs long-range planning, program development and evaluation, staff development and activities, policy research and development and division personnel matters. Bob provides direct supervision for the offices of residence life, career development, security, chaplain, student activities, orientation, Greek life, intercollegiate athletics, ethnic diversity, health services, international students and counseling services. He serves as a member of the President's Cabinet and is very active in campus committee work, serving on the College Senate, Administrative Council, Academic Council, Admission Subcommittee and as chair of the Student Life Committee.

Bob served as president of the Ohio College Personnel Association, directorate of Commission I of the American College Personnel Association and president of the Ohio Association of Student Personnel Administrators. He also served on the Advisory Board of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators Region IV East, as Ohio representative and chaired the NASPA Region IV East Conference for 1999.

Bob is the recipient of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators Region IV East Outstanding Performance as a dean, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Award for Peace and Justice from Otterbein College and the Phillip A. Tripp Distinguished Service Award from the Ohio College Personnel Association.

Born in 1954 in Indiana, Pennsylvania, Bob earned his master of arts degree in student personnel services from Indiana University of Pennsylvania in 1978 and his bachelor of arts degree in journalism from the University of South Carolina in 1977.

Bob and his wife, Jackie, live in Delaware, Ohio. They have two sons: Michael and James. Michael is a freshman at Stetson University in Florida and James is a high school junior.



Golden Anniversary Class of 1953

Row #1 Robert Seibert, Pat Packer Neilson, Betty Marsh Rea, Miriam Wise Keller, Evelyn Stump Lee, Mary Lou Poorman Flanagan, John G. Swank, Jean Reed Burris, Mary Alyce Holmes, Eldoris J. McFarland, Betty Wolfe Bailey, Erma Boehm Sorrell **Row #2** Janet Painter Kemp, Jean Leffler Stanley, Anne Tell Laib, Alice Carlson Mickey, Marilyn Day, Charlayne Huggins Phillips, Carolyn Brown Sherrick, Helen Haines Carlisle, Mollie MacKenzie Rechin, Barbara Croy Baughman, Dorothy Schaser Cook, Wilma Reed Browning **Row #3** Joyce Stauffer Schlitt, Carolyn Hooper Hovik, Martha Calland Gidich, Jay Welliver, Helene "Mike" Miller, Bob Laib, Gerald Jacoby, Roy Logston, Bill Lehman, Bud Yoest, Samuel Gayton, Gene Keel, Jack Cook, Donna Rice Holland, Ann Yost Ickes, Stan Ickes **Row #4** Jerry Neff, Stan Czerwinski, Lowell Bassett, Jay Jacoby, Oliver Lugbihl, Rollie King, Stan Kagel, Ted Kelley, Tommie Tomb Davis, Jeanne Graham McPherson, Emma Jean McCreary Currice, Mike Phillips, Bill Kern, Dick Borg, Dan Mariniello **Row #5** James Heinisch, Bob Dunham, Robert Callihan, Joe Shumway, Myron Williams, Dick Yantis, George Beachler, Gene Riblet, Bob Myers, Duane Frayer, Richard Dilgard, Robert Sherman, Robert McMullen, Ralph Wileman, Al Leonard, Bob Boring, Bill Lehr



Music Alumni

Row #1 Marsha Siefker '94, Laurena Kaufman '76, Sandra Ralph '63, Janice Gunn Dunphy '57, Cheryl Freeman Hill '87, John Hill '83, Kathy Sellers '72, Karen Summers Jayne '68, Heather Leach Rea '78, Martha Slack Kinkead '63, Mary Ickes Jamison '49, Dee Fowler '54, Judie Mack Salyer '63, Olivetta Yohn '51, Mary Menke Neff '54, Suzi Shelley Jones '62, Martha Deaver Matteson '64, Sandy Hartsock Turner '68, Mary Rose Molinaro '81, Jeff Boehm '82, Lloyd Savage '48, Norma Jean Kreischer Savage '49, Miriam King '47. Row #2 Kris Lehman '81, Anne Vittur Kennedy '77, Jamie Nicholson Nordlund '00, Melissa Lively Allen '00, Cindy Swartz '02, Evan Hughes '02, Lynn Marshall Artabane '78, Jane Carter '76, Betz Lowe Hull '74, Tommie Davis '53, Joanne Albright Seith '59, Barbara Puderbaugh Gribler '60, Susan Henthorn '78, Lisa Rosenbaum Robinson-Boyer '80, Linda Keim Huseman '68, Charlotte Smalley Ricard '63, Gretchen Steck Hortsman '73, Amy Chivington '69, Margaret Lloyd Trent '65, Linda Yohn '73, Janet Davidson '71. Row #3 Craig Johnson, Phil Mowrey '78, Ted Kelley '53, Sharlet Fuller '63, Jonathon Stewart '01, Merv Matteson '60, Richard Sherrick '54, Cabot Rea '78, Doug MacCallum '78, Thomas Lloyd '74, Jerry Gribler '60, Brandon Moss '05, Eugene Davis '50, Brent Chivington '69, Henry Molinaro '78, Don Shaffer, Dave Warner '56, Chet Doc Cady '77, Rebecca Raeske '96. Row #4 John Bullis '56, Jess Hanks '92, Jim Shackson '61, Ken Tilger '99, Stephen Grinch '98.

Pre-1953 Alumni



Row #1 James A. Bright '28, Edna Smith Zech '33, Richard A. Sanders '29, Patricia Orndorff Ermsberger '43, Marilyn Steiner Mokry '49, Judy Mokry Degrandchamp '45, Hazel E. Brehm Hayes '47, Virginia Jeremiah Garcia '41 **Row #2** Lois Bachtel Sommer '48, Lois Abbott Yost '52, Marjie Abbott Denham '52, Nancy Longmire Seibert '52, Marty Weller Shand '51, Jane Morrison Horn '52, Miriam Woodford King '47, Dorothy Allsup Harbach '38, Joan Hopkins Albrecht '50
Row #3 Jim Yost '51, Jim Shand '51, Bert Horn '49, Anita Ranck Morris '51, James Morgan '51, Clara Liesmann Warren '50, Wendell King '48, Dick Sellers '50, Leslie E. Mokry '47, Harold E. Wilson '42, Bob Keller '50, Warren Ermsberger '43, John B. Albrecht '49, M. Eugene Davis '50, Warren H. Hayes '49, Kathleen Mollett Bright '41, Harold Augspurger '41

Class of 1958



Row #1 Joyce Miller Kepke, Barbara Cox Thompson, Mary Ellen Hankinson Crimmel, Joanne Hickok Budd, Donna Griffith Hale Row #2 Larry Rood, Marjorie Lambert Hopkins, Don Bell, Ed Mentzer, Joyce Shannon Warner, Thomas E. Dipko Row #3 Edmund Cox, JP Morgan, Ronald Harmon, Richard L. Myers, Donald Metzler

Class of 1963



Row #1 Charlotte Smalley Ricard, Marie Fast Baughman, Jo Porter Morriss, Brenda Wilson Waltman, Marilyn Bamberger Lyke, Liz Arnold, Marty Slack Kinhead, Christine Fetter Greene, Marilyn Gorsuch Cromer Row #2 Jim Thomas, Jean Berry, Lois Axline Campolo, Diane Fichner Hankins, Judie Mack Salyer, Virginia Tyson, Jeanne Leohner Woodyard, Sandra Wilson Ralph Row #3 Carol Simmons Shackson, Sharlet Bly Fuller, Ed Henn, Elaine Koehler Henn, Jean Gorsuch Hubbard, Norma Smith Stockman, Rebecca Harbaugh Hutchings Row #4 Roger Allison, David Moser, R. Kelley Boyer, Doug Knight, David Truxal, Tom Martin, L. Michael Duckworth, David Cheek, Richard Berry Stockman, Rebecca Harbaugh Hutchings

Class of 1968



Row #1 Karen Summers Jayne, Shirley Gill Close, Meg Clark Barkhymer, Letha McClead, Ellen Troup Reynolds, Sandy Hartsook Turner Row #2 Carol Staudt Steele, Cathy Alspach Boring, Jerri Scott Wood, Nancy E. Smith Evans, Frank Jayne, Denny Brookover Row #3 Fred Wolfe, Chuck Taylor, Bill Watts, Linda Keim Huseman

Class of 1973



Row #1 Dee Weaston Standish, Nancy Garrison, Laurie Martin, Diana Kay Miller Ready, Cheryn Alten Houston Row #2 Peg Montgomery, Cindy Robertson Kent, Kaye Kline Schlosser, Charlie Ernst, Gretchen Steck Horstman, Linda Yohn Row #3 Brett Reardon, Alan A. Shaffer, John Codella, Jon France, Deb Scott Vedder, Kevin Witt, Bill Standish, John Harvey, Steve Kennedy

Class of 1978



Row #1 Cheryl Lantz Kehlmer, Heather Leach Rea, Henry L. Molinaro, Tamara Miller Proper Row #2 Dianne Grote Adams, Rebecca Hill May, Susan Henthorn, Lynn Marshall Artabane Row #3 Doug MacCallum, Cabot Rea, Dan Starling, Philip Mowrey

High-Steppin' it, 54 Years Later!



Members of the Golden Reunion Class of '53 get their kicks on the lawn of Howard House (right photo) at this year's Alumni Weekend, just as they did 54 years ago, in the fall of 1949, as incoming freshmen (left photo). Posing in the photo at right are Helene "Mike" Miller, Betty Marsh Rea, Miriam Wise Keller, Charlie Huggins Phillips, and Pat Packer Neilson.

Class Notes

compiled by Mindy Harsha

1943

Patsy Orndorff Ernsberger and husband **Warren "Ernie" Ernsberger '43** celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Nov. 18, 2002. Ernie retired last year at age eighty. The Westerville Historical Society published a book Patsy wrote, titled *A Bicentennial Journal*. The book records the events of 1976 as celebrated in Westerville and also includes reminiscences of people and places from the late nineteenth century and the twentieth century up to 1976. Several local groups including the Otterbein Community Book Club have used the journal for discussion. Ernie and Patsy think fondly of the many students who lived in their houses through the years and keep track of many of them through the *Otterbein Alumni Directory*.

1949

Arthur Schultz served as the grand marshal for the 2003 Westerville Rotary July 4th parade.

1952

George Liston was named Ohio Art Educator of the

Dear Editor

On page eight of the Spring-Summer issue of *Towers*, the date of 1940 (for the caption of the photo with Jeanette McDonald) should have been 1937. I couldn't have been there in 1940 for I graduated in 1939 as did several of my classmates who were also pictured.

I enjoy this publication very much. It is getting better every year.

Respectfully,
James C. Carter '39

Year by the National Association of Art Educators. What makes the award more remarkable is that George is retired, but he stays active in art education by giving presentations on art of the U.S. Southwest, particularly on Kachina dolls. He also manages an art gallery in Dayton that promotes the works of local artists. George worked in Kettering City Schools for over 30 years before his retirement.

1957

Jeannette "Brownie" Brown plays on a 65+ softball team sponsored by Freedom Square of Seminole, FL. The last four Senior Olympics, the team has won either the bronze, silver or gold medal. This past June, the team defeated Canada

in Hampton, VA, to bring home the gold.

1959

Howard Huston retired from active ministry during the East Ohio Conference at Lakeside held June 15-20. This is his second retirement; he first retired 13 years ago after 31 years

as a public school teacher and administrator.

1962

Ronald Ruble received the Distinguished Creative Scholar Award at Bowling Green State University's Recognition Program, July 2003 at the East Lounge of Foundation Hall. The award may be given annually to any full-time faculty member of BGSU Firelands for outstanding creative or scholarly accomplishments during the previous three years.

1967

Tom Pascoe was re-elected chairman of the Ohio Waterways Safety Council. He is a Perkins Township trustee and has served since 1991.

1968

Sandy Manning Moser has retired from the Mount Healthy City School district, Cincinnati, OH, with 35 years of teaching. She has taken a half-day kindergarten position at Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy (CHCA).

Inducted into Senior Citizens Hall of Fame

Bill '56 and **Sonya Stauffer Evans '56** were inducted into the Central Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame this past May. They were nominated to honor their leadership in service to a variety of educational, religious and charitable groups. This exemplary couple make community service a way of life.



1969

Amy Doan Chivington was one of the 2003 Ovation Award Recipients, given at the Ovation Awards 2003 benefit banquet, May 17, 2003.

1970

Cea Cohen-Elliott was the keynote speaker for the 2003 Senior Extravaganza and Conference-“Boomers and Beyond: The Next Chapter,” on May 23, 2003 at Bowling Green State University.

1972

David Mittler, assistant principal of Saint Richard School, had a dream of getting his book published. His book, *Love Eddie* was written in the mid-1980s and finally published in 2000. His book is available in any major bookstore.

1973

Diana Miller Ready qualified for seven events at the National Senior Olympic Games in Hampton Beach, VA, by placing either first or second in the Ohio Games. She competed May 26-June 1 in the 5K, 10K, 20K, 40K bicycling and the triathlon. Diana also competes in 5K and 5 mile runs. She works at Mt. Vernon YMCA as a lifeguard and swimming instructor and at Geneva Hills Presbyterian Camp as a canoe instructor. She and her husband **Bob '74**, have four children, and two are still at home.

1977

James Brush is president of the Ohio Psychology Association; his term started in Sept. 2003.

1979

Nancy Bocskor has been named to the Board of Directors of the Women's Campaign School at Yale. She began her professional career in 1979 in the office of former House Speaker Newt Gingrich, ultimately serving as his chief legislative assistant. She has guest lectured at the Women's Campaign School at Yale for eight years, teaching women how to raise money.

Paul Bremigan Jr. coached the South squad in the Division III and IV game of the North/South All-Star Classic at Capital University's Capital Center. He is the head coach of Russia High School, Russia, OH.

1984

Melanie Miles Stanton is the costume shop supervisor for the Contemporary American Theatre Company. Her husband, Tom, is an information specialist at Ashland Chemical Company. The couple reside in Columbus.

1988

Jolene Thompson received the American Public Power Association's (APPA) Harold Kramer-John Preston Award at the association's National Conference in Nashville, TN, June 17, 2003.

1989

Craig Sutherland won the Ohio 2003 Financial Planner of the Year award.

1990

John Deeever gave a discussion on his Peace Corps experience on April 24, 2003 at Otterbein College. He also read from his Peace Corps memoir, *Singing on the Heavy Side of the World*.

Jay Snyder has joined Orlando Regional Police and Fire Pipes and Drums as an apprentice bagpiper.

Richard Uhrick was hired as the scenic studio supervisor for the Department of Theatre and Dance at Otterbein College. He has a master's of fine arts from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. He now lives in Columbus with his wife Lisa. They work with Ohio Pug Rescue to provide for



She's Got a Thing for Champions

Lori Sutton '90 recently had the experience of a lifetime in seeing both her alma maters win national championships. As a graduate of Otterbein, she was excited to see her school win its first national championship in NCAA Division III Men's Basketball in 2002. Lori received her M.A. in education from The Ohio State University in 1999. She traveled to the January, 2003 Fiesta Bowl where Ohio State claimed the national championship in football. "What a thrill," Lori says, "to be in Salem, VA and Tempe, AZ to see both of my schools succeed by winning the big one! I am truly blessed."

Pugs (a breed of dog) who have been abandoned or surrendered.

1991

Christopher Owens

received his master's in business administration from Illinois Benedictine University in 2003.

Beth Payne Sanders interviewed her 85-year-old grandmother in 1993 and six years later she decided to document her life story. That gave Beth the idea to help others document their life history. With help from her computer-savvy husband, Jeff, a website was launched and anyone in the world can use "Life Bio Memory Journal" as an interviewing tool.

Steve Strosnider received a master's of business administration degree from McGill University in Montreal on June 2, 2003.

1992

Todd Cordisco has recently accepted the position of director of alumni relations and communications at Bishop Verot High School in Ft. Meyers, FL.

1993

Tylar Bacome, a reporter and anchorman at WCMH-TV (Channel 4) moved to Atlanta's CBS affiliate, WGCL, where he will be a reporter.

Melissa DeVore-Bruney recently has been appointed to director of fund development for the Girl Scouts

of Chaparral Council, Inc. in Albuquerque, NM. She was previously the council's product sales manager and has been with the council for three years.

1994

Gary Baker II is up for election for one of the four seats on the Greater Hilltop Area Commission, June 28, 2003.

Richard Fisher was appointed Columbus district sales manager for SmartSide siding and exterior trim products, May 29, 2003. He will help area building product distributors introduce Columbus-area homebuilders and contractors to SmartSide siding and exterior trim products.

1996

Charles Hastings recently graduated from the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine with a Doctorate of Podiatric Medicine. He has accepted a dual appointment at the prestigious Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, a Harvard University teaching hospital in Boston. His first appointment is as a surgery resident specializing in foot and ankle reconstruction. His second appointment is as a clinical fellow at Harvard Medical School. He grew up in Avon Lake, OH and hopes to eventually return to Ohio to practice and teach.

Keith Mangine received his master's of business administration from Baldwin-Wallace College on May 10, 2003.

Mary Chambers Sandberg is the pastor at Warrensburg United Methodist Church. She will start the residency program as a chaplain at Riverside Hospital in the fall.

1997

Matthew Crall is the newly appointed assistant law director for the city of Bucyrus, OH.

Jesse Lucas joined The Realty Group in its Vandalia, OH office.

Sara Rath was hired as a part-time police officer for Genoa Township near Westerville.

Jennifer Debolt Ulery is currently a flight instructor at Ohio State University.

1998

Sara Shupert Cupp successfully completed the certification process with the National Association of Certified Valuation Analysts (NACVA) to earn her designation of Certified Valuation Analyst (CVA). Requirements to earn the CVA designation include being a licensed certified public accountant, completing NACVA's five-day training program, and successfully completing the association's comprehensive examination. She has over five years of experience in public accounting and is currently employed at Ickert & Company, LLC, a Columbus accounting firm specializing in litigation support services, including business valuations.

Jason Pattee, district manager of Vector Marketing's Rocky River, OH office, has reached his \$2 million career sales milestone as a manager. He resides in Rocky River with his wife Karen.

1999

Brooke Preston Moore received her teaching license in business education from Ashland University. She will be teaching at Central Crossing High School in Grove City, OH. Her husband, **Brian '00**, is a financial consultant for Smith Barney.

Tracy Sturtz is a certified rehabilitation nurse, who works with brain and spinal cord injury patients and recently became the nurse manager on her unit at Ohio State University.

2000

Jim Cooney was the boys' dance captain in the touring show, *The Music Man*.

Nicole Edwards taught English for five years in the Columbus Public School system and was recently promoted to assistant principal at Dominion Middle School. She also has been accepted into Ohio State's doctoral program in educational administration and has begun her first year of PhD coursework.

Anthony Fulton is a first year graduate student at the University of Dayton, working towards his master's in English. He is writing business valuations.

ing for their publications department and trying to grow a beard.

Kristina Roggenkamp and her sister Marcia Roggenkamp are aiming big with a lifetime goal of running a marathon in every state in the country.

2001

Tamala Gourley was appointed manager of sales and marketing at The Diamond Hill Investment Group, Inc.

Leslie Walker joined the Ohio Bicentennial Commission team in December 2000 as an intern and went full-time with the group after graduation in 2001.

2001

Crystal Edwards Wolford landed her first professional lead in the Contemporary American Theatre Company's production of *Proof*.

2003

Megan Primm was hired as a public relations assistant at Griffin Communications, a marketing communications firm, Columbus, OH. She will be implementing marketing communication plans and providing writing, editing, event planning and internal communications support for many of Griffin's corporate, health care and not-for-profit clients. ■

Milestones

compiled by Mindy Harsha

Marriages

1992

Matthew Garman to Jennifer Schissler, June 21, 2003.

1997

Molly Maiyer to Eddy Garcia, Oct. 20, 2001.

1998

Myra Ross to Stephen Hozdic, Aug. 23, 2003.

1999

Bethany Barbarotta to Anthony Ciora, May 10, 2003.

Scott Voigt to **Sara Chisnell '02**, June 21, 2003.

2000

John Burk to Amy Ordakowski, Aug. 2003.

Tara Light to Kristopher Mowry, April 19, 2003.

2001

Matthew Carpenter to Heather Hynus, May 3, 2003.

Amanda Pershing to **John Nash '00**, March 14, 2003.

Carlos Segovia to Lynn Metz, July 26, 2003.

Angela Styers to Jonathan Gordon, July 5, 2003.

2003

Angela Lowe to **Brian Foos '03**, June 21, 2003.

Additions

1976

Debra Lewis Starbird and partner Sheryl, adopted a son, Michael McKenzie, Jan. 6, 2003. He was born March 1, 2000. He joins other adopted siblings, Mark, 10, Mindy, 9, and Heather, 5.

1983

Kim Collier and partner Ellen Begley, a girl, Emma Anaise, Nov. 12, 2002.

1989

Cheryl Wall Frost and husband Jack, a girl, Carolyn Ann, Sept. 21, 2002.

1990

Lori Stampers Peters and husband Bill, a girl, Lauren Elizabeth, April 7, 2003.

1991

Barbara Cabot Roubanes and husband Matthew, a girl, Katherine Grace, June 18, 2003. She joins older brother Blake, 2.

Brenda Frey Kraner and husband Todd, a boy, Christian, Nov. 23, 2002. He joins sister Kennedy, 2; brother Kyle, 3; and sister Courtney, 6.

1992

Laura Holbrook Roberto and husband **Frank '90**, a girl, Gabrielle Marie, Feb. 9, 2003. She joins older brothers Anthony, 8 and Philip, 4. **Rebecca Holbrook '98** is a proud aunt.

1993

Mark McNichols and wife Lori, a boy, Ethan Gregory, March 7, 2003.

1995

Todd Heffner and wife Angela, a boy, Hayden Anthony, Feb. 28, 2003.

Profile

Fun Project Turns into Musical Fundraiser

When **Mark Puskarich** '86 first proposed that he and his friends record a Christmas CD, it began as a fun project to share with their friends and family. Four years later, the group's efforts have raised nearly \$35,000 for The James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute.

Mark came to Otterbein from his hometown of Cadiz, Ohio. He was very active on campus, graduating with a double major in business administration and computer science. He was president of Zeta Phi during his senior year, and remained their advisor until 1997. As a student, he also was a member of Torch & Key and lettered in track in 1985.

After graduating, he began working for Worthington Industries, where he is now application management director in the Information Systems department.

Before entering Otterbein, Mark was in a band during his teenage years in the 1980s. The band, called Aereon, included his good friends Lorne VanFossen, Cody Romshak and Dave Clo.

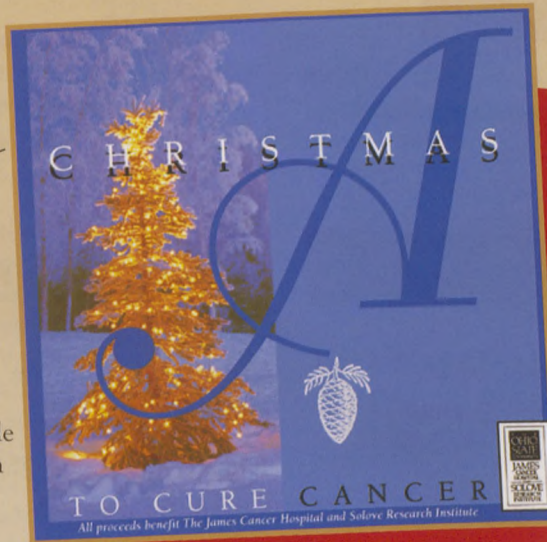
"About four years ago, I proposed the idea of recording a Christmas album just for the fun of it," Mark said. "It would be a way to preserve their talents and to share it with family and friends."

The friends planned to use Cody's garage studio to record their album. But their plans faced a challenge early in 2000 when Lorne, the guitar player for the band, was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma cancer.

A yearlong battle ensued that included chemotherapy, radiation treatments and complications that left Lorne's six-foot frame at 120 with water around his heart and right lung.

By the summer of 2001, Lorne was well on his way to recovery and a new idea surfaced. Mark presented to Cody at a Christmas party the idea to proceed with making the CD, but using it to raise funds for cancer research. The seeds were sewn for *A Christmas to Cure Cancer*.

A Christmas to Cure Cancer consists of Christmas and seasonal music and contains diverse musical styles



including blues, country, folk and even heavy metal. Musicians on the album include the four childhood friends who make up the band Aereon, along with contributions from Corrina VanFossen, Rob Ragsdale, Lois Puskarich, Jan Roll, Mitch Fox, Rick Brown, Janet Gallucci, Julie Lucas and Michele Clay.

Since its inception, the album has been a huge success. "We've raised nearly \$35,000 for The James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute since October, 2002 when the CD first went on sale," Mark said. "We held a Christmas con-

cert benefit last year at the Holiday Inn in Worthington. About 400 people attended the event and we raised nearly \$10,000 that evening."

Mark said the childhood friends have made future plans for the fundraising efforts. "I am currently in the process of incorporating *A Christmas to Cure Cancer* as a non-profit entity under IRS regulations 501(c)(3). This will qualify all donations to the charity as tax deductible and enable us to host larger events in the future," Mark said.

"A second Christmas CD will be started this next year for release in 2005," he added. "We hope to feature more artists from the area to continue the diverse styles of music we established on the first CD."

The musicians also are planning more benefit concerts for the upcoming holiday season, including one on Dec. 5, 2003, at the Villa Milano on Schrock Road and a second on Dec. 7, 2003, at Dover High School Theater. More information about these events and samples of songs from the album and other bonus material can be found on the website at www.achristmastocurecancer.com.

People interested in buying a copy of the CD can write to Mark at 5226 Columbine Ct., Columbus, OH 43230. "We're asking that people make a minimum donation of \$15 per CD," Mark said, stressing that buyers include their return addresses. Mark asks that checks should be made out to The James, and may qualify as a tax deductible donation.

1996

Renee De Lozier Jordan and husband Jeff, a girl, Julia Claire Jordan, Aug. 15, 2002. They also had a girl, Emily Grace, March 2, 2001.

1997

Christy Borin Budreau and husband **Brad '97**, a boy, Parker, May 14, 2003.

Susan Ashley Crawford and husband Randy, a girl, Kara Ashley, April 15, 2003.

Whitney Signoracci and husband Rick, a boy, Zane Neuhardt, Jan. 16, 2003.

Jennifer Debolt Ulery and husband Tony, a boy, Adam Anthony, April 19, 2003.

1998

Jennifer Zablocki Stacey and husband **Dustin '00**, a girl, Erin Nicole, May 15, 2003.

2001

Amy Jo Meyer Lieb and husband Jason, a girl, Emmy Jo, May 30, 2003.

Deaths

1922

Lois Hendrickson passed away May 14, 2003. She was a teacher at Emerson Elementary School and later became a music instructor at Edison Middle School, both in Wheaton, IL. After more than fifteen

years she left teaching and worked in the office of Tynedale House Publishers in Carol Stream, IL. She played piano and organ for churches for many years.

1931

Otterbein has learned that **Maxine Ebersole Coppess** passed away May 11, 2003.

Otterbein has learned that **Harold Coppess** passed away March 11, 2003.

Otterbein has learned that **Mildred Moore** passed away April 30, 2003.

Dorothy Schrader Norris passed away March 24, 2003. She worked many years as an accountant and bookkeeper for her husband's retail clothing store, E.J. Norris and Son in Westerville. She was a member of the Church of The Master United Methodist Church and active in several local service organizations including Citizenship Club, American Association of University of Women and the Otterbein Thrift Shop. Survived by son James Norris and daughter-in-law **Pat Noble Norris '55**, son **Alan Norris '57** and daughter-in-law Carol, son David Norris '61 and daughter-in-law Sally; brother **Alan Schrader '32**; six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. She was proceeded in death by her husband **James Norris '24**, brother and sister-in-law Robert and Sarah Schrader.

1932

Edwin Eberly passed away June 11, 2003. As a young teenager he committed his life to Christ, felt the call to preach, and was granted a license at age 19. While serving at his first church at Union Ridge, he met and married Mary Goddard in 1927. She died in 1985. While attending Otterbein, he taught school and preached at Jersey. He served as a trustee for eighteen years at Otterbein and in 1961 he received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree. He was a minister for thirty-two years, serving in Cambridge, Warren, Lorain and Akron. He was part of the negotiations for Union with the Methodists in 1968. Surviving are his wife, Hazel; daughter-in-law, Shirley Eberly; grandson, Eric Eberly and wife, Christine; great-granddaughter, Brielle Eberly and stepdaughter Pamela Myers. He was preceded in death by son **Edwin Eberly '55**, grandsons, Kim and Bill Eberly, three sisters and one brother.

1934

Alice Dick Kick passed away May 23, 2003. She taught vocal music from 1957 until her retirement in 1975. She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church, the church choir, Women's Circle and Bible study, was the first woman on Zion Church Council. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Stephen and Kay Kick; her daughter and son-in-law, Sue Ann and Elmer Stein-

gass; her grandchildren and their spouses, Ellen Kay and Seung Kwak, Phillip S. Kick, Andrew R. Kick, Matthew D. and Kerri Borwn-Parker, and Daniel J. Parker; and her sister and brother-in-law, **Helen '38** and Bob Clymer. She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald D. Kick, her son, Donald D. Kick, Jr. and her brother, Marion Dick.

Otterbein received word that **Mildred Stahl** passed away June 11, 2003.

1937

Kathleen Norris Figgins passed away April 7, 2003. She was a retired school-teacher for Grandview Schools for twenty five years. She was a member of First Community Church and Group L-M of the church, Gamma Nu Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, Norwester Women's Club, honorary member of Grandview Garden Club and a volunteer at the Trading Post of First Community Church. Surviving is her daughter, Virginia Selck; grandsons, Eric (Kristi) Selck and Paul (Wendy) Selck; great-grandchildren, Chris, Travis and Aspen Selck; sister, Dee (Ted) Sykes; sisters-in-law, Bernice Cowman, Audra Norris and Dorothy Thomassin; nephews, Dick, David and Don Norris.

Otterbein has learned that **Katherine Newton Martin** passed away April 5, 2003.

1938

William G. Holzwarth

passed away April 18, 2003. He was a former teacher and coach at Cygnet School System and was a former teacher, coach, counselor and school physiologist for the Louisville School System. He was also in private practice with Louisville Psychological Services until his retirement. Survived by his wife, Dorothy; daughter, Holly Beth Holzwarth; two nephews, Dean Brandt and Jack Brandt. He was preceded in death by brother, Ralph and two sisters, Mildred Cordray and Helen Hudson.

J. Castro Smith passed away April 24, 2003. His first pastoral appointment was to a rural charge in Knox County. He remained in the pastorate until 1959 when he was elected superintendent of the Tennessee Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church. In 1969 he was appointed district superintendent of the Morristown District of Holston Conference. He served as a pastor of area churches up until his retirement at Central United Methodist Church in Lenoir City, TN. Survived by wife Katherine Stuart Agee Smith; sister, Louise Booker; sister-in-law, Anna Lee Smith; brother and sister-in-law, William M. (Bill) and Nona R. Agee; son, Larry Smith; grandsons, Wesley Smith, Scott Smith and Scott Johnson; and many great-grandchildren and nieces

and nephews. He was preceded in death by parents, Edgar and Opal Smith; first wife French Smith and brothers Vincent and Samuel.

1939

Roland Steinmetz passed away April 8, 2003. He joined the Army Air Corps, where he held the rank of Staff Sergeant. In 1942 he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant and was assigned to a photo reconnaissance base at Colorado Springs, CO. He took two photographs of the atomic blast at Bikini Island. In 1947 he returned to Cincinnati, OH and taught at the Webster School. Surviving are his wife, Joanna; son, David; and daughter, Carol Minto.

1940

Otterbein has learned that **Harry Adams** passed away Oct. 31, 2002.

1943

Roy Metz passed away June 23, 2003. After graduating from Otterbein College he served as a paratrooper with the 511th Infantry Regiment of the 11th Airborne Division in World War II. In 1957 he formed the Metz & Bailey law firm with Francis S. Bailey. In 1950 he was named Westerville's assistant village solicitor, and in 1964 was named law director when Westerville became a city. He retired from the city in 1986. He was a member of the Church of the Master United Methodist, Rotary Club of Westerville and was past president of the

Westerville Lions Club. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, **Doris Boston Metz '45**; daughter and son-in-law Jill and Tom Stift; daughter Kellen Smith; grandsons Zach and Nick; and nieces, Kathie Guss and Bette Brown.

1949

Delbert Krumm passed away Jan. 25, 2003. He was a veteran of World War II and having never graduated from high school, he was very proud of his education and degree from Otterbein. After Otterbein, he attended Bonebrake (now United Theological Seminary) and served several churches in the West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church. He is survived by his wife, Florence Metzger Krumm, his daughter and son-in-law, **Dee Dee '69** and **Dennis '69 Heffner**; three grandchildren, **Todd Heffner '95**, Heidi Heffner Chav, and Andrew Heffner; and two great grandsons.

1950

Ralph Picklesimer passed away March 23, 2003. While at Otterbein College he played football and basketball and was subsequently inducted into the Otterbein Hall of Fame. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II and was a recipient of the Purple Heart. After the war he played professional football for the New York Giants. In 1954 he obtained his master's degree in arts and education at East Carolina University,

and in 1958, his Ph.D. from the University of Colorado. Surviving are his wife, Sonny Picklesimer; a daughter, Susan Dayle Picklesimer; stepson, Stanley Reinike; stepdaughter, Kimberly Conley and husband, Burke; and a sister, Veva Nell.

1951

Richard Howard passed away March 26, 2003. In 1949 he married Mary Queen. He was co-founder of Design for Leadership Development at Defiance College, founder of Teen Outreach for Christian Help and Volunteer of the Year at the Corrections Center of Northwest Ohio. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and received the national Outstanding Educator Award from the National United Church of Christ and was a member of the Board for Homeland Ministries. Surviving are his wife, Mary; son, Jeffrey; two daughters, Claudia Howard Queen and Ann Howard Sabo; sister Virginia Howard; and two grandsons.

Otterbein has learned that **Grace Sapp Leedy** passed away April 6, 2003.

Russell Glen Miller passed away June 12, 2003. He was a retired school teacher and was a treasurer of the Pi Beta Sigma Scholarship Foundation. He was preceded in death by parents Clark and Iva, wife Jo Claire, brother Roy, and infant sister. He is survived by wife, Mabel; son, Gary (Lynda); daughters, Terri (Chuck) Schleve and

Linda; stepson, John Fryer; stepdaughter, Lynne (Geoffrey) Lieberman; and nine grandchildren.

William Shanahan passed away Feb. 27, 2003. He is survived by his wife, **Patricia Peterson Shanahan '51**, six children and thirteen grandchildren.

1952

Otterbein has learned that **R. Carl Stoufer** passed away April 14, 2003.

1953

Otterbein has learned that **H. Jay Clark** passed away Feb. 23, 2003. He is survived by son **Richard Clark '75**.

Marilyn MacDonald Friend passed away April 18, 2003. She had a long and distinguished career at the General Electric Company Flight Propulsion Laboratory in Evendale, OH. She was a wind tunnel test engineer on the GE J-79 engine development. She began programming digital computers at GE Evendale on the first IBM 704. In 1959 she moved to Whippany, NJ to become involved with the Nike-Zeus ICBM interceptor project. She later moved to White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico to help develop programs for some of the world's most powerful radars. She moved to Phoenix, AZ to be one of the first GE employees to work on the computer time-sharing system developed at Dartmouth College. In 1967 she moved with the GE Information

Services Division to Bethesda, MD as a senior systems analyst, later serving as a technical manager in Watertown, MA and for almost twenty years in Dallas, TX. She retired from the GE Information Services Company in 1994 after 42 years of loyal service. Surviving are her husband, George; two stepdaughters, Kathleen Friend and Patricia Seguin; sister, Virginia MacDonald; brother, Willis (Bud) MacDonald and wife Joan; brother-in-law, Pat Friend and wife Kathy; many nephews and nieces and friends.

Otterbein has learned that **Glen Howard** passed away March 23, 2003.

1954

James Gibson passed away July 8, 2003. He served in the U.S. Army Counterintelligence Corps in Japan during the Korean War. He was a high school teacher in Ohio and Indiana, assistant professor of speech at Butler University, and taught at the University of Omaha before going to the University of Missouri in 1967. He was the author and co-author of numerous college level texts and more than 29 articles in scholarly journals and was the editor of the *Central States Speech Journal* from 1970 to 1974. He was the recipient of several awards for outstanding teaching and research, including the Purple Chalk Award. He is survived by wife, Joanne McNamee Gibson; four sons,

Matthew, Stephen, Timothy and James Jr.; a brother, **John Gibson '57** and a sister, Margaret Gibson Traux; and two grandchildren.

1957

Alta Clymer Dauterman passed away May 7, 2003. She was a member of Northwest United Methodist Church of Columbus, Worthington Hill Country Club and the Imperial Golf Club of Naples, FL. Surviving are her husband Fred; sons, Steven and Scott; grandson, Zachary; and daughter-in-law, Arisa. Also surviving are her father, Merritt Clymer; sister, Carolyn Burckridge; brother-in-law Ronald Burckridge; nieces, Denise and Diana; and nephew, Donald; uncle, Wayne Clymer; aunt, Ilene Recob. Preceded in death by her daughter, Michelle.

1967

Jean Chapman passed away July 11, 2003. Jean was a retired teacher who taught in Columbus, OH. In 1977 she moved to Clearwater, FL and started a second successful career in real estate at Lyle Realty. She was a member of the First Church of Christian Scientists. She was an avid athlete and won numerous medals at the Senior Olympics. She was a member of the Freedom Spirit Slow Pitch Soft Ball Team and was inducted into the Fast Pitch/Slow Pitch Ohio Hall of Fame. She was named to the All-American World Slow Pitch and national All-Star teams. She was preceded in death by her parents Essie and

John Chapman; brothers, Russell, Floyd and Donnie; and aunt, Ethel Hughes. She is survived by twin brother, Dean (Betty) Chapman; sister-in-law, Virginia (Floyd) Chapman and Virginia (Russell) Chapman; nephew and niece, John and Joy Chapman; life-long friends, Emma Fancelli and Jeanette Brown; great-nephew, John (Kristen) Condell; many other close nieces, nephews, cousins, and close friends.

1969

Linda Janson passed away April 18, 2003. She was a member of the Epsilon Kappa Tau sorority. She graduated with a degree in education and taught a few years. She then decided to become a flight attendant and joined United Airlines. She loved flying and stayed with United until 2003 when she retired. She battled cancer for the past 23 years. She is survived by her father George Janson; mother Jean Janson; sister Jodi Smenda; and her brother Jerry Janson.

Sarah Michael passed away Aug. 9, 2002 at the Otterbein-Lebanon Retirement Community. She worked and lived in Washington, D.C. for 22 years as a computer technician for American Association of Retired Persons. She was preceded in death by her father, Rodney Michael; and stepfather, James Arnold. She is survived by her mother, Mary Michael Arnold; brothers Edwin and Roger; and five nieces and nephews.

1970

Otterbein has learned that **Mary 'Ginny' Willis** passed away Dec. 21, 2002.

1980

Otterbein has learned that **Sharon Spurio Rice** passed away March 5, 2003.

1993

John B. Kessler passed away June 20, 2003. He loved writing, drawing and the arts and during college had published work in the *Tan and Cardinal* newspaper and the *Quiz and Quill* magazine. He is survived by his parents, John and Patricia Kessler; sisters, **Lisa '89** and Tracy Kessler; grandmother, Donna Paladino; aunts and uncles, Gloria and Tom Wagner, James Paladino, Bernard and Mary Beth Paladino; numerous cousins, many

wonderful friends, and his much loved dogs, Gidget, Rudy, Rocky, Shadow and Raven. A memorial fund has been established in his name for students in ceramics or creative writing. Contributions can be sent in his name to the Otterbein College Development Office.

Friends

Emily E.S. Hardy passed away Jan. 25, 2003. She was a teacher in public schools and a Sunday school teacher for over 70 years. She was committed to supporting church-related colleges. She was a lifelong E.U.B. and Methodist Church member. She is survived by sons **Philip '67** and William.

Jack Hill passed away March 21, 2003. He was a voag teacher in Ostrander, County Extension agent for

Eastern Ohio, Deputy Director of Urban Affairs for State of Ohio under Governor Rhodes. He retired as vice president of the Ohio Farm Bureau. He also was a WW II Air Force veteran. He was preceded in death by wife Anne; parents, Percy and Edith Hill, and brother Robert. Surviving are his wife, Barbara; children, Mike (Libby) Hill, Patti (William) Freeh, Mark Hill, Pam (Jim) Ward, Tom (Linda) Hill; stepsons, Richard (Paula) Laird and Dean (Judy) Laird; eleven grandchildren; sister, Jane (Kenny) Kenworthy.

Mildred Louise Stauffer died on May 22, 2002. She served as an associate professor of education at Otterbein from 1965-1988. She loved to travel and often took students to Europe as part of the Otterbein experience.

She worked as an assistant supervisor of Monroe County schools for five years before coming to Otterbein. In 1974 she was named an Outstanding Educator in America. She is survived by daughters, Luci Beatty (John) and Helen Helvoight (John); sister, Jan Simms (Jack) and brother, Robert James (Wilma); ten grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by sisters Hazel Prodin and Miriam Haley. A number of her former students have created a tree fund in her honor. Next spring a tree will be planted on Otterbein's campus with a memorial plaque at its base.

Marcella Wager passed away June 13, 2003. She is survived by her husband **Russell Wagner, Jr. '50**. They were married for 50 years. ■

Where Are They Now: Class of 2002

Katy Ann Bloxam married **Justin Earl Grimm '98** on Jan. 18, 2003. They were expecting their first child June 3, 2003.

Marjorie Boeshansz is attending the Ohio University graduate College of Education to pursue a M.Ed. in special education.

Kyle Bosh married **Karin Hanson '03** on June 27, 2003.

Steve Cochern married Teniele Marburger. Steve has obtained his profession-

al real estate sales license in the state of Ohio and is selling for Century 21 Joe Walker & Association right on Main St. in Westerville.

Lori Glowski Covert was named assistant vice president of Fifth Third Bank, Columbus, OH.

Erin Deel is a communications assistant at Religion News Writers Association, a professional organization for journalists, Westerville, OH.

Kathryn Delgado is an RN at Riverside Hospital, Columbus, OH. She is engaged to be married Oct. 2003.

Kimberly Denn married Arlon Sparks, Sept. 28, 2002. Kimberly was an Equine Science major at Otterbein College and now works as a registered veterinary technician in Hilliard, OH. Arlon is a computer systems engineer for Intel technologies.

Martina Fissette Easley is a 2nd Lt. in active duty in the

United States Air Force and is stationed at Travis AFB in Fairfield, CA. She is married to Jamie Easley.

Bethany Essex is a sixth grade science teacher, an eighth grade girl's basketball coach and a varsity assistant track coach at Cardington-Lincoln, Cardington, OH.

Heather McLeish Finnell resides in Granville, OH with her husband, Joe. She is employed with Johnstown-Monroe Local Schools as a reading specialist, Johnstown, OH.

Frances Garrison married Moses Garza Jan. 2002 and had a baby girl in Oct. 2002.

Matt Goller is a sales rep for Ikon Office Solutions, Dublin, OH, and was recently given an award for the associate sales representative of the quarter.

Rasheda Hansard has been admitted to the fall 2003 class of Capital University Law School. She is pursuing a Juris Doctorate degree.

Rachael Huvler is a seventh grade English teacher at Lexington Jr. High School. She is also the assistant girls varsity basketball coach at Lexington, Lexington, OH.

Annett Jurkutat is working at the Governor's Office of Multicultural Affairs and started graduate studies at Ohio State University this fall.

Jennifer LaConte had two of her plays produced by Our Lady of the Elms High School, Akron, OH, in Autumn 2002. Competitors from the Elms speech team, who competed at the state finals, performed a selection from one of her plays.

Mary Corbett Logan recently became the director of safety at the Builders

Exchange of Central Ohio, a local trade association for commercial construction.

Jessica Danford Mackey is working at Violet Elementary, Pickerington District, Pickerington, OH.

Katherina Nikzad is going to the University of Kentucky in Lexington to get her Ph.D in Gerontology. She has a full time research assistantship with them. Katherina is also engaged to be married to Jared Heitger of Massillon, OH.

Jennifer Jackson Parker is a third grade teacher at Columbus City Schools. She chose Columbus City Schools because of the need for really good teachers. She has really enjoyed her experience and truly feels that she is changing lives.

Annarose Phillips works in the geriatrics/hospice field. She is also attending the Vineyard Leadership Institute seeking certification in religious work and biblical studies.

Kristen Porter is a music teacher at Navin Elementary in Marysville, OH.

Timothy Sautter married Sarah Lauer, June 28, 2003.

Gretchen Schmelmer married Jon Franklin, Aug. 31, 2002 and had a baby boy,

Noah Benjamin, Nov. 13, 2002.

Heather Shaeffer is a disc jockey at WHOK-FM and WLVQ-FM, Columbus, OH. She also works part-time at WesBanco Bank as a bank teller. She has a bachelor's degree in radio/television broadcasting and plans to get her master's degree in communication.

Rebekah Sheldon is an office manager/assistant at A. Smith and Co. Productions in Santa Monica, CA.

Megan Slater was hired as a promotions executive for Hollywood Records and moved to Detroit, MI. Recently she left the record industry to go back to radio and is now a disc jockey for WRIF-Detroit's premiere rock station.

Shauna Smith is employed by the Columbus Metropolitan Library, Columbus, OH. She is a customer service/circulation associate.

Heidi Solt married John Walker II, June 8, 2002. She works at Children's Hospital as a research assistant for the director of Pediatric Neuropsychological, Columbus, OH.

Emily Stout married Gregory Fitzer, July 2002. She is attending Ohio State

University College of Optometry.

Gretchen Titus married Greg Uhl, July 5, 2003.

Jennifer Tucci married Ricky White, II on May 17, 2003.

Kristine Varga is stationed at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany. She is 1st Lt., Army Nurse Corps.

Scott Von Almen married **Tiffany Jensen '03**, June 21, 2003. Scott is employed by Big Walnut Local Schools, teaching eighth grade math.

Misty Waring married Kevin Moore, Oct. 5, 2002.

Sarah "Hope" Wells lives in Los Angeles, CA. She is studying at the American Musical and Dramatic Academy.

Christopher Williams married Jennifer Dabney in Sept. 2002. She is a kindergarten teacher in Crestline. He is employed by Bright Ideas, an Internet Company of Consolidated Electric in Mansfield, OH.

Jessica Wolfe works for Newark City Schools, as a multi-handicapped intervention specialist, Newark, OH. ■

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A Day We'll Never Forget...



Marilyn Day • 1931 ~ 2003

Otterbein's beloved alumna and professor, chairperson of Health and Physical Education and Women's Athletic Director emeritus **Marilyn E. Day '53** died in her home in Westerville on Sept. 17, 2003, after a long struggle with cancer. She was 72.

Born in Middletown, Ohio on August 27, 1931, Marilyn was the youngest of ten children of Joseph S. and Pearl Farmer Day. She graduated from Middletown High School in 1949 before enrolling at Otterbein College, where she became a popular fixture throughout her life as both a student and a professional, influencing and enhancing the Otterbein experience for students and colleagues alike.

Upon graduation in 1953, Marilyn began a 44-year teaching, coaching and administrative career at Otterbein while also continuing her education. She received a master's degree from the University of Colorado in 1956 and a Ph.D. from The Ohio State University in 1968.

She taught a variety of classes and coached field hockey, volleyball, soft-

ball, tennis, golf and bowling. She became chair of the Women's Health and Physical Education Department in 1962 and chair of the combined Department of Health/Physical Education in 1992. She also served as women's athletic director.

During her time as chair, the department expanded its offering to include a sports medicine major, health major, and sports/wellness management major, and there were some individual programs in sports merchandising. Internships were developed associated with these programs and she was instrumental in initiating the Equine Science program. As women's athletic director, she oversaw eight women's varsity sports and the intramural program.

Marilyn retired in 1997. In an interview with *Towers* magazine that spring, she said, "There were some opportunities to leave and I thought about it a long time but decided this is where I wanted to be.

"Otterbein is very unpretentious; we are what we are," she said. "Otter-

bein people are very real. I've always said we're one of the best-kept secrets in higher education. We have good faculty, caring administrators, great support staff all over the campus, a beautiful campus—there's something very special here."

She participated in almost every aspect of the College. "I can't think of a committee at the College she hasn't been on," commented former Men's Athletic Director/Chair of Men's Health and Physical Education, **Elmer "Bud" Yoeast '53** in an interview in 1997. "She has dedicated a tremendous amount of time, energy and intelligence being dedicated to the College. I think that's the word that comes to my mind associated with Marilyn — dedication. She has spent her lifetime being dedicated to Otterbein."

Marilyn was the first woman faculty member elected to the Otterbein Board of Trustees and served several three-year terms. In 1993 she received the Distinguished Service Award from Otterbein College and in 2003 was co-chair of her class's Golden Reunion.



This group of freshmen in 1950 seem to be saying they believe money grows on trees. Marilyn is fourth from left.

Along with her housemate and dear friend of 50 years, **Joanne "Dean" Van Sant H'70**, Marilyn planned "The London Experience" educational program to England for over 30 years in addition to planning and executing other tours to the British Isles.

"What I'll remember most about my friend, Marilyn Day, is her legacy of giving," said Barbara Brown McCoy, administrative assistant in College Relations. "She gave to her family, to her alma mater, Otterbein, through her teaching, service to the faculty and administration, numerous Otterbein fundraising efforts, and to various clubs and organizations both on and off campus. And her giving will continue with the Marilyn E. Day Endowed Award and the Marilyn E. Day Family Scholarship."

She was active in many professional organizations, including the National Association for Physical Education in Higher Education, the American School Health Association and the Association for the Advancement of Health Education. At the

time of her passing, she was a member of the Board of Directors of the Zonta Club of Columbus, in which she held many leadership positions, including president from 1982-1984.

A celebration of her life was held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 27 at the Church of the Messiah United

Methodist in Westerville. Contributions can be made to the Marilyn E. Day Endowed Award, Advancement Office, One Otterbein College, Westerville, OH 43081 or the Marilyn E. Day Family Scholarship c/o Middletown Community Foundation, 36 Donham Plaza, Middletown, OH 45042.



The women of Health and Physical Education: Kathie Hannie, Dede Duroucher, Joanne Van Sant, JoAnn Tyler and Marilyn Day. Photo circa mid-1960s.

Philanthropy

All About the Annual Fund, Leadership Gift Societies

Fall means the beginning of a wonderful adventure for our freshmen and transfer students, and a return to the warmth and challenges of Otterbein for upperclassmen. Fall is also the time of year we launch our Annual Fund drive. Because it comes around every year, it seems familiar, yet we find that many of our alumni and friends really don't know how the Annual Fund fits into Otterbein's overall financial health.

Why the Otterbein College Annual Fund is Important

Your contributions to the Annual Fund are an essential component of Otterbein's annual operating budget. These unrestricted gifts help with ongoing expenses in the areas of student scholarship awards, faculty enhancement, new library books, upgrading facilities and equipment, and other important educational needs. As with all colleges and universities, student tuition does not cover the total cost of an education – we have always relied on endowments, grants and other sources such as the Annual Fund, to make up the difference.

Otterbein ranks in the top tier of colleges and universities nationwide in terms of student retention, demonstrating high student satisfaction. Alumni satisfaction is evaluated by their participation in the institution's Annual Fund. Otterbein currently ranks below our peers in this area;

increasing the breadth and depth of alumni participation in our Annual Fund may help the College improve our overall ranking, and thus increase the value of an Otterbein diploma for all graduates, past, present and future. Foundations and corporations also consider the level of alumni giving when awarding grants.

What are the Leadership Gift Societies?

Contributors at the Leadership Gift Society levels are just that – leaders. These donors make a public acknowledgement of the importance of the Otterbein experience in their lives, and demonstrate the importance of supporting Otterbein's current students. Society members' significant commitment inspires other alumni and friends to increase their gifts, or to add Otterbein to their annual philanthropy for the first time.

All Leadership Gift Society members are given special designation in our Annual Report of Donors. You also will receive periodic updates on Otterbein news in our Leadership Newsletter. Of course, we want you to think of Otterbein frequently, so we hope you will enjoy the College memento that we select for our Leadership donors each year.

<i>Tan & Cardinal Society</i>	\$500 – 999
<i>Towers Society</i>	\$1,000 – 2,499
<i>Patrons Society</i>	\$2,500 – 4,999

Your generous commitment to Otterbein College at the President's Society levels is particularly vital to Otterbein's success. President's Society members will hear from the President via letter at least twice a year, or more often if there is important news to share. Wanting to meet and thank all President's Society members personally if possible, the President also will invite members to join him for a campus event, such as a theatrical performance or sporting event. His travel schedule will enable him to meet several investors who live outside the Columbus area as well.

President's Society

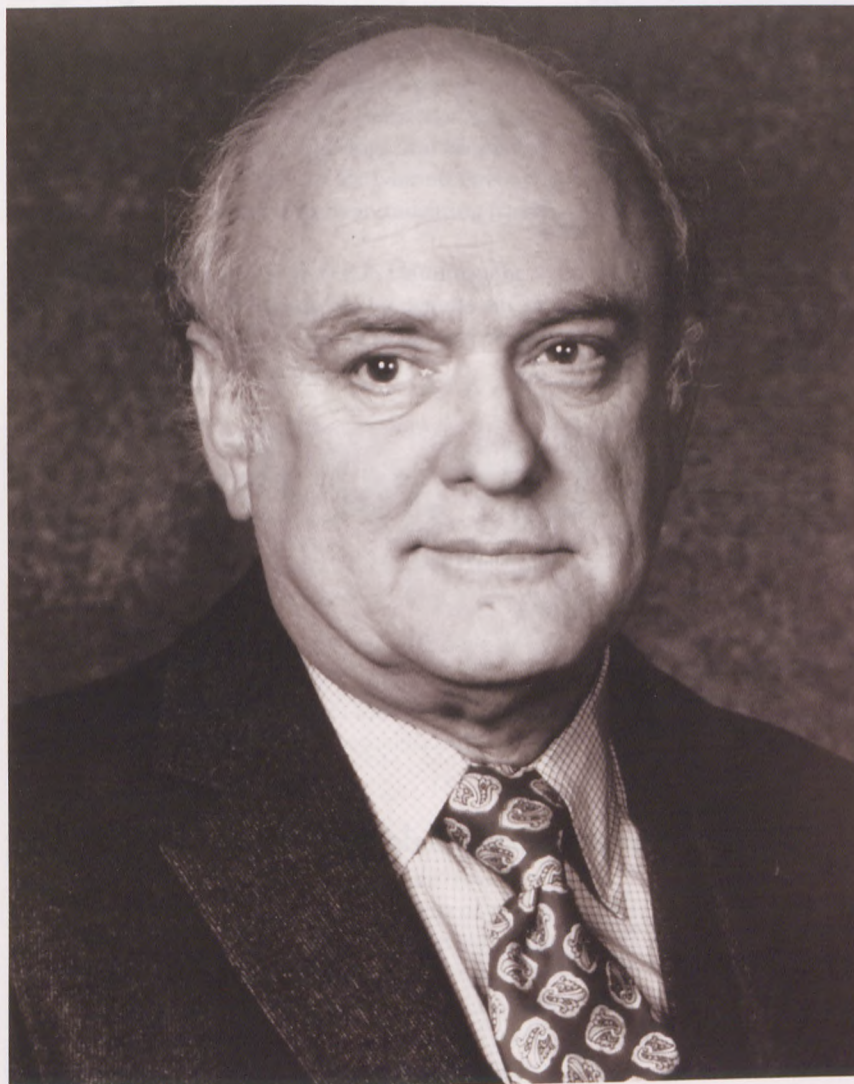
<i>Bronze Circle</i>	\$ 5,000 – 9,999
<i>Silver Circle</i>	\$10,000 – 24,999
<i>Gold Circle</i>	\$25,000 and higher

We Need You

Just as every Otterbein student makes an impact on the College through their studies, activities and presence on campus, every alumnus can make a difference, too. Your leadership contribution to the Annual Fund directly impacts the current year – ensuring the continuity of the Otterbein tradition. Thank you for your support!

Questions? Please contact Carolyn Williams at 614-823-1400 or cwilliams@otterbein.edu.

All Annual Fund contributions are tax deductible.



Gordon Jump Dead at 71

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By Bill Mayr*

Gordon Jump, the Ohio-born actor who died Sept. 22 at age 71 of complications from pulmonary fibrosis, moved to Hollywood decades ago to further his career, but a part of him never left the tree-shaded campus of Otterbein College in Westerville.

Jump, a Dayton native who grew up in Centerville, attended Otterbein only during the 1951-52 school year.

"This is where I learned about what life was all about," Jump said of Otterbein in a 1993 interview with the college's *Tan and Cardinal* newspaper.

He left college for the military; later he finished his education at Kansas State University.

After moving to the West Coast, Jump landed roles in live theater and then in television. In 1978, he was

cast as the befuddled but well-intentioned Arthur Carlson, station manager in the sitcom *WKRP in Cincinnati*.

In one episode, Carlson returned to Otterbein for a class reunion. His office at the radio station included an Otterbein pennant.

In real life, Jump returned as the school's 1981 commencement speaker. He received the Otterbein National Alumni Association Special Achievement Award in 1995.

He gladly helped boost Otterbein," said Patricia Kessler, executive director of college relations, who came to know him through the years.

"If someone from Otterbein was on the West Coast, he always made time to visit and have lunch," she said.

In the 1990s, Jump was West Coast representative of the \$35 million Campaign for Otterbein.

"He was a gentleman, very unassuming. He was a fine guy to know," Kessler said.

Until this summer, Jump played Ol' Lonely, the Maytag repairman, for 15 years in the long-running series of appliance commercials.

"As a human being, he may not have been all that different" from the humble Maytag repairman, said John Stefano, chairman of Otterbein's theatre and dance department.

In 1997, Stefano directed Jump in *Ten Little Indians* at Otterbein.

"He was a wonderful person, a professional. He was great with the students; he struggled and worked along with them."

Jump had roles in a handful of movies and a host of TV series, chiefly comedies. His TV credits include *Get Smart*, *Growing Pains*, *Married . . . With Children*, *The Partridge Family*, *Seinfeld*, *Soap* and *Who's the Boss?*

"He didn't apologize for doing comedy; he loved it," Stefano said. "He saw it as doing something for his community; that laughter is a good thing."

Alumni Notes

compiled by Jenny Hill

Student Send-off

Otterbein College helped Dayton-area parents send their college-bound children off to Otterbein in style at the fourth annual Dayton Area New Student Send-Off on Sept. 2, 2003.

Eleven Otterbein freshmen, 21 parents joined with over a dozen alumni for a cookout at the beautiful home of **Harold Augspurger '41**. New students and parents were treated to delicious deserts and side dishes made by members of the Dayton Otterbein Women's Club, the winner of the 2002 Service to Otterbein Award. The women have officially taken on the annual Dayton Area New Student Send-Off as a special club project.

Also in attendance were Vice President for Enrollment Tom Stein, Director of Alumni Relations Greg Johnson and Admission Counselor Ben Shoemaker.

Special thanks to Harold Augspurger for graciously opening his home for this event.

Junebug Jamboree

It was another great year for the Junebug Jamboree, which drew 109 alumni, family and friends to the home of **Bill '48** and **Helen Hilt '47 LeMay** on Saturday, June 28. Special thanks to Chair **Ed Mentzer '58** and the rest of the Junebug committee for making this annual event so successful!

Basketball in Missouri

Cardinal basketball will play in Missouri Nov. 29-30, 2003, for its annual on-the-road tournament. Information will come to Missouri mailboxes soon about an alumni gathering to celebrate Cardinal basketball in the "Show Me State!"

Reunions

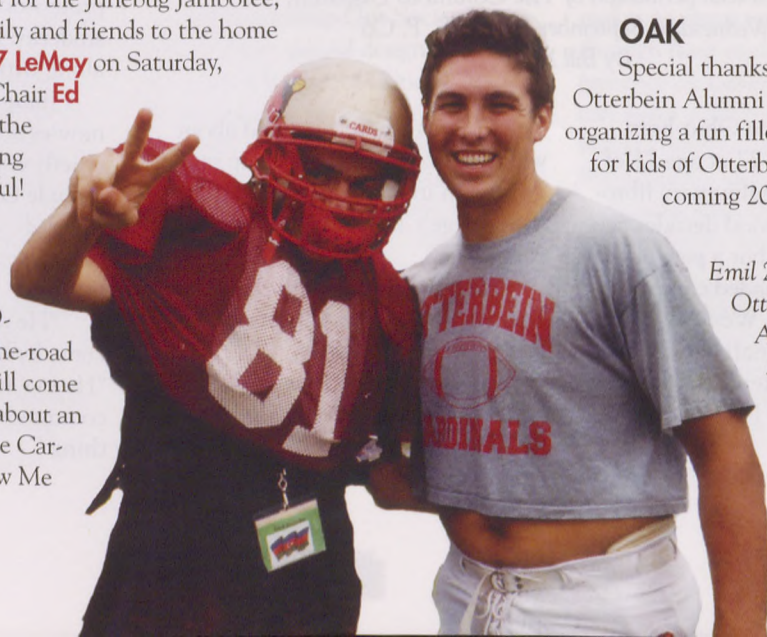
Reunion class committees are currently being formed for the June 11-13 Alumni Weekend 2004. If you would like to be a member of your class committee, please contact Director of Alumni Relations Greg Johnson at (614) 823-1650.

International Students Learn American Football

Cardinal football Coach **Joe Loth '90** and players from the football team gave 27 international students at Otterbein a warm welcome to the game of American football at the Fourth Annual International Student Picnic and Football Seminar in September. These new fans were treated to a picnic and a lesson on the rules of the game, as taught by Coach Loth and two uniformed members of the football team. The players "suited up" and gave the international students an opportunity to try on shoulder pads and helmets. Special thanks go to Director of International Student Programs Charles Vedder for organizing this event in conjunction with the Office of Alumni Relations.

OAK

Special thanks go to members of Otterbein Alumni with Kids (OAK) for organizing a fun filled day of activities for kids of Otterbein alumni at Homecoming 2003.



Emil Zeynalov (left), an Otterbein student from Azerbaijan, tries on some American football gear for size. Posing with him is football player John Chaney.

Tailgating down Marietta Way

Otterbein tailgating season 2003 kicked off with its first of eight tailgating parties in Marietta on Sept. 20. Seventy-five parents attended this party, which preceded a Cardinal victory over Marietta College. Special thanks to Jim and Peg Range and Butch and Janet Friedrich, parent hosts of the Marietta event, as well as all parent hosts of Otterbein tailgating parties this season.

Special thanks also go to Linda Hamilton for making special football jerseys for the parents of Cardinal football players. Look for these parents proudly wearing their jerseys in the stands!



Jim and Peggy Range (left), parents of Ryan Range and Janet and Butch Friedrich, parents of Craig Friedrich hosted the Marietta tailgate party.



Rick and Robin Reed, parents of Michael Reed, brought OC cookies to the Marietta party.

Cardinals Say, "California, Here I Come!"

Explore the natural splendors of Monterey, California, at the 2004 Cardinal Migration from March 18-21. Renown for its natural beauty, drawing sightseers year round, Monterey has a wealth of natural beauty, history and culture in store for Otterbein alumni and friends at the tenth annual Cardinal Migration.

Monterey was the capital of Alta California under the Spanish, Mexican and American flags. The region is a popular year-round playground, boasting some of the world's most beautiful natural sites, including redwood forests and the cliffs of the spectacular Big Sur Coast. Visitors to Monterey will experience unspoiled beauty and the legacy of a parade of cultures, including Native American, Spanish, Mexican and Italian.

Attendees will enjoy a special alumni social and programs, as well as tours that encompass the entire Monterey Peninsula, Pacific Grove, Monterey, Pebble Beach, Carmel and Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Guides will provide a dazzling insight behind the history and folklore of the fabulous Peninsula. Experience the world famous 17 Mile Drive, the Peninsula's dramatic coastline, Del Monte Forest, beautiful mansions and world-class golf courses. Visit the Lone Cypress Tree, Bird and Seal Rock and The Lodge at Pebble Beach. Stop and visit at the Carmel Mission, Cannery Row and the Monterey Bay Aquarium. Also visit the Steinbeck Center, where docents will introduce attendees to the Steinbeck few ever knew. Alumni also will experience

another side of the Salinas Valley – the wine region — as they visit wineries and taste the great wines of the Central Coast, including Smith & Hook and Blackstone.

Optional pre-migration activities include a Point Lobos Walking Tour with lunch on own at Rock Point, Big Sur; or golf at Carmel Valley Ranch; a walking tour; visiting Fisherman's Wharf or the Maritime Museum; strolling through downtown Monterey or taking a whale watching boat tour.

Optional post-migration activities include an Elkhorn Slough Safari Tour by boat or a visit to Moss Landing with time for lunch and shopping in this quaint town.

Special thanks go to Migration committee members **Wendell T. Breithaupt '55, Shirley Server Hubbard '45, Gail G. Nichols '77, Gregory D. Prowell '72, Phyllis L. Shultz '52 and J. Donald Tompkin '65.** You can register online at www.otterbein.edu. Go to Alumni from the menu and then access "Upcoming Events."



The Monterey Peninsula is said to be one of the most beautiful places on Earth.



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A Memory from Alumni Weekend 2003



Thanks

by Betty Rea '53

A soft duet played in my brain
As I walked those well-known halls again.
Though carpet yielded muffled tread,
I heard old floors that creaked, instead;
Saw polished brass and treated wood
Where rows of rustic mailbins stood;
That bench—where once we subtly tried
To sit as though preoccupied
While scanning for some special face—
Had disappeared without a trace.

Outside rare sunshine tricked my eyes
To see another view reprised:
Impressive structures rising tall
Cast shadows of a former hall.
And people walking toward me now
Were topped with gray and seasoned brow;
But no slower step nor sagging chin
Obscured the youth I saw within
(And love today, as I did then!)

Thank you for that symphony
Of new and old in harmony;
For past, rich knowledge shared with all—
And for the present's sweet recall!