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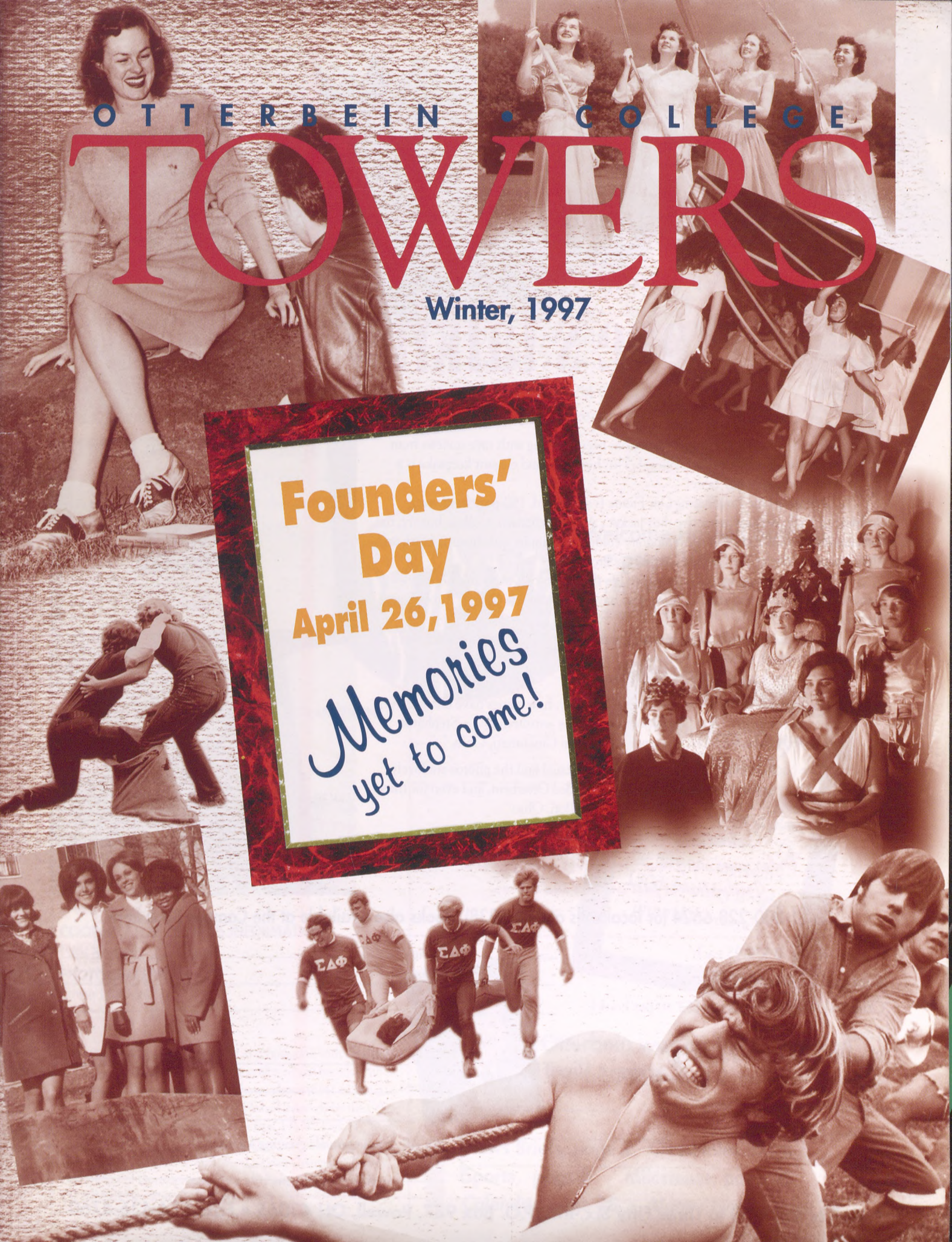

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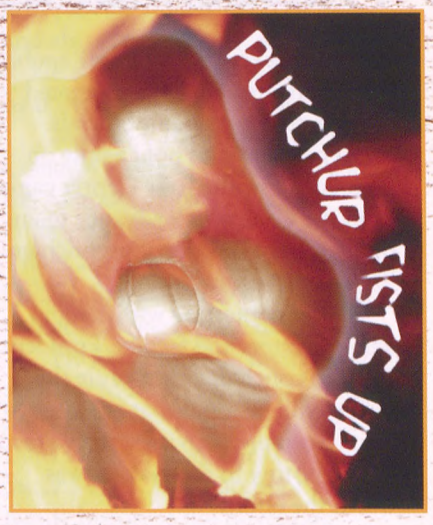

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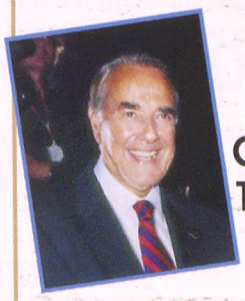

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Presidential Candidate Visit a First for Otterbein

An unexpected visit by Republican candidate Bob Dole prompted quick action by campus officials.

The request to hold a rally on October 22 in the Rike Center came from the Campaign's advance team on October 17. Brian Cunningham '89 was part of the team.

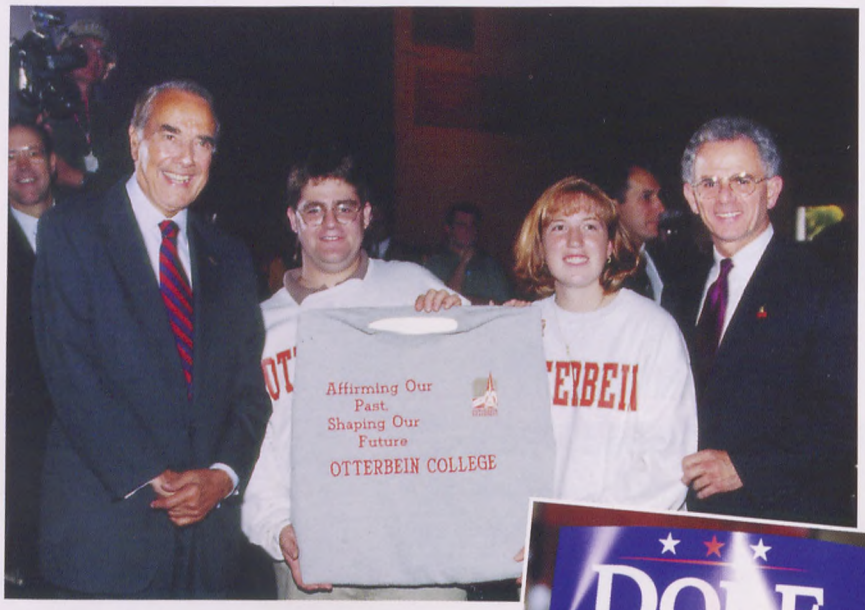
After conferring with campus administrators and faculty, President DeVore concluded that while the visit would be somewhat of a disruption to campus activities, the value of seeing history in the making was worth the effort.

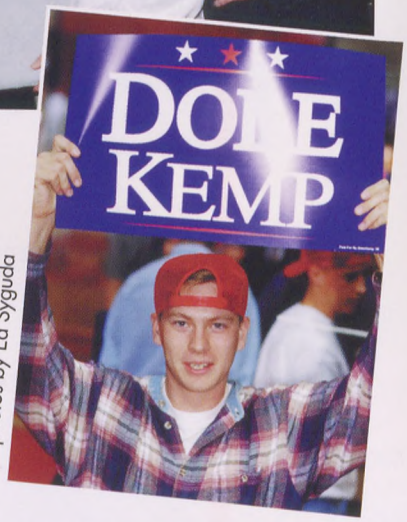
With less than three days to prepare for the event, the campus community managed to deal with the Secret Service and Campaign representatives to host its first presidential campaign rally.

Newspapers reported a crowd of 6,000 attending with half of them having to congregate outside the Rike Center.

An energetic and noisy crowd filled the Rike with bands playing (including Otterbein's) and balloons poised to drop on cue.

The platform included Columbus Mayor Greg Lashutka, Ohio Governor George Voinovich, State Representative JoAnn Davidson, Ohio Representative John Kasich and a surprise visit from The Green Bay Packers.





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Above: *Bob Dole with President DeVore and students Matt Crall and Stacie Oliver displaying the t-shirt they presented to the Republican nominee as a gift.* ***Right:*** *Steve Cawley, a junior, shows his enthusiastic support for the candidate.*

Campus Frequented by Many Diverse Writers Recently

This fall brought a wide variety of authors to campus. Novelists, a poet and essayists came to Otterbein to expose students to many forms of literature.

Beth Daugherty, professor of English and chair of Integrative Studies, arranged for several of the authors to visit campus. She says the exposure to these published authors gave students a new perspective on writers today.

She says, "One of the things I think happens with all of us, not just students, is that we tend to think of good writers as being dead. They're in the past. We forget there are lots of good writers working right now. There is an exciting world out there of writers producing work and getting published.

"One important result of having so many writers on campus is that we get in touch with that writing community. That whole world of writers opens up to us. We learn they have families and problems; that they have to figure out how to work and how to write. It expands our world to suddenly realize the people we see today may be read 200 years from now. We don't know that but it creates an ongoing conversation about literature."

The first to come to campus this fall was Louise DeSalvo, author of the recently released memoir *Vertigo*, who began her national book tour with a reading at Otterbein in September during New Student Weekend. DeSalvo read a moving account of her first day and weeks at college as a working class student on scholarship. She connected that to the new students arriving at Otterbein that very day for their first encounter with college.

DeSalvo, who was earlier recognized in the literary world for the acclaimed *Virginia Woolf: The Impact of Childhood Sexual Abuse on Her Life*

and Work, has written a compelling account of her own conflicted and emotional childhood.

Seven years ago DeSalvo stunned the literary world with an unflinching portrait of Virginia Woolf that unraveled the mystery of Woolf's "madness" and reinterpreted her life and work in light of the sexual abuse she suffered as a child. Daring to venture into territory no previous biographer had been willing to explore, DeSalvo changed forever the way childhood is viewed in literary biography.

DeSalvo is a professor of English at Hunter College where she teaches memoir and fiction writing. She has written and edited nine books.

Scott Russell Sanders, acclaimed author of *The Paradise of Bombs* and *Writing from the Center*, visited Otterbein in late October as part of the College's Sesquicentennial celebration.

Sanders was on campus for two days and during that time talked to classes, was interviewed for a local radio program and gave two addresses to the general public.

On Oct. 24, as part of Otterbein's Sesquicentennial focus on "Educating for Community," he talked on the topic "Living Together," followed by a question and answer session. The following evening he read from his personal essays followed by a book signing.

"He did so many different things while he was here," Daugherty says. "My impression of him is of a man who is deeply committed to family and community and land. It was wonderful to hear from someone who cares so deeply about things that are so important."

Sanders' visit was made possible by a grant from the Ohio Humanities Council.

Sanders' book of personal essays, *The Paradise of Bombs* (1987), won the Associated Writing Programs Award for Creative Nonfiction.

Writing from the Center (Indiana U.P., 1995), a personal account of the quest for a meaningful and moral life, won the 1996 Great Lakes Book Award. His essays often focus on man's relation to nature, issues of social justice, the character of community, and the impact of science on our lives. Sanders is now at work on a book about hope, a collection of stories, and a novel.

Daugherty adds that Sanders' visit made some students in her class realize their own experiences are worth writing about. She says students think they grew up in a small town where nothing happens and Sanders made them realize "something happens everywhere. A lot of students began to see their own experiences can be material to write about."

In addition to these visits, the Otterbein Writers Series brought essayist and novelist Hilary Masters and poet Billy Collins to the College this fall for readings. Also, Gus Lee was this year's Common Book author (see page 12), and James Horton visited as part of the Town and Gown program. Ex-hostage and writer Terry Anderson also came to the campus as part of the Otterbein Artist series.

James Horton

The Otterbein Writers Series brings poets and writers to campus for readings and workshops. Its purpose is to provide students and faculty, and also area residents, with chances to meet contemporary writers and to hear literary works performed.

Masters is the author of *The Common Pasture* (1967), *An American Marriage* (1969), *Palace of Strangers* (1971), *The Harlem Valley Trio: Clemmons* (1985), *Cooper* (1987), *Strickland* (1990) and, most recently, *Home Is the Exile* (1996).

He also wrote the mystery *Manuscript for Murder* (1987) under a pseudonym and the short story collections *Hammertown Tales* (1986) and *Success* (1992). His account of his family history is the novel *Last Stands: Notes from Memory* (1982).

Otterbein is a member of the Ohio Poetry Circuit, a consortium of nine Ohio colleges that cooperate to bring nationally known poets to Ohio. Collins' visit to Otterbein was arranged through the efforts of the Ohio Poetry Circuit.

Collins is the author of five books of poetry including *The Art of Drowning* (University of Pittsburgh Press, 1995), *The Apple That Astonished Paris* (University of Arkansas Press, 1988), and *Questions About Angels* (William Morrow & Co., 1991), which was selected by Edward Hirsch for the National Poetry Series.

In recent years, the Writers Series has been assisted by grants from the Percival Fund of the Columbus Foundation and the Ohio Arts Council. ■

Horton Talks On Underground Railroad

On Sunday, October 27, Riley Auditorium in Battelle Fine Arts Center was the well-filled setting for the first Town and Gown program of the Sesquicentennial year. Planned by a subgroup of the campus and community Town and Gown committee, the afternoon's events were entitled "The Underground Railroad: Pathway to Freedom," and featured as speaker Dr. James Horton of George Washington University. Prof. James Bailey (English) prepared the associated locally-based materials related to the Hanby family, and these oral history samplings were presented by Otterbein students Katie Adams and Scott Wilson. The Hanby House Museum was open for tours following the program, and two other docu-

mented Underground Railroad sites in Westerville were staffed by history department interpreters—chair Elizabeth MacLean at Stoner House on State Street, and Assistant Professor Lorrie Glover at the site of the Lewis Davis house on Grove Street.

The program was under the direction of Thomas Szudy and Beth Weinhardt of the Westerville Public Library staff. The African American Student Union, advised by Darryl Peal, Coordinator of Ethnic Diversity, was on-campus co-sponsor of the event. In addition to those named above who served on the committee were Marilyn Gale, president of the Westerville Historical Society, and Sylvia Vance, coordinator of the Town and Gown programs.

The Otterbein campus and the central Ohio community were especially privileged to have James Horton as the speaker for the day. With a title of "Links to Bondage: Free Blacks, Slaves, and the Underground Railroad," he brought into clear focus the nature and meaning of the struggle for liberty which the "railroad" represented, along with the role assumed by free blacks and white abolitionist sympathizers.

Dr. Horton, in addition to his teaching position at George Washington University, is also Director of the Afro-American Communities project of the National Museum of American History at the Smithsonian Institution. In 1991 he assisted the German government in developing American Studies programs in the former East Germany, and has lectured in France, Sweden, Austria, Thailand and Japan. His most recent books are *Free People of Color: Inside the African American Community* (1993), *The History of the African American People* (1995, co-edited with Lois E. Horton), and *In Hope of Liberty: Culture, Protest and Community Among Northern Free Blacks, 1700-1860* (1996).

Thanksgiving Dinner, Lighting of Tree Part of Seasonal Celebration

"Educating for Community: Celebrations of the Season." This was the theme of a multifaceted seasonal and Sesquicentennial celebration on Friday, November 22, when the lighting of the campus Christmas tree in front of Towers Hall was accompanied by the stories of the Hanukkah commemoration, the Kwanzaa observance, and the Christian Christmas.

A community Thanksgiving dinner in the Campus Center dining room, attended by students, administrators, faculty and staff and their families, and emeriti faculty and staff, preceded the tree lighting with its accompanying music by Otterbein brass and choral groups.

Music by the Otterbein Kinderchor was a feature of the continuation (over hot chocolate and cookies) in the Campus Center Lounge, and St. Nicholas put in a timely appearance for the children present.

Working as an arm of the Sesquicentennial Committee, the Otterbein Staff Council took responsibility for this event, and for inviting Westerville residents—especially those close to campus—to share in the festivities. The committee was headed by Alma Nash (Academic Affairs) and included Gretchen Sasfy (Campus Center), Kathi Morgan (Grants Office), Helen Keyse (Service Department), Willie Franklin (Instructional Media Center), Darcie Gribler (student assistant in the Campus Center), Becky Smith (Associate Dean of Students), and Bea Bush (Advancement). Many others assisted, especially in the preparation of the luminaria along the Towers Hall walkways, for this community occasion.

The Hanby House, now an historical site open to visitors upon request, was the home of William Hanby and a Westerville stop on the Underground Railroad.

Sesquicentennial Convocation Committee Recognized

Editor's Note: We wish to recognize the members of the Sesquicentennial Convocation Committee who were responsible for the opening convocation of the 150th anniversary year on September 24:

Dan Thompson, Co-chair
Alma Nash, Co-chair
Ray Bertelsen
Monty Bradley
Michael Christian
Beth Rigel Daugherty
James Freshour
Glenna Jackson
Paul Laughlin
Frank Luchsinger
Becky Smith
Gary Tirey
Sylvia Vance.

This Year's Freshman Class is Largest Ever for Otterbein

photo by Ed Syguda

Jessica Gordon, a freshman from Shadyside, Ohio, catches up on her studies. She said she visited several campuses, but made a connection with Otterbein. The 473 freshmen topped the 1970 class of 457 students.

Otterbein College this year welcomed the largest freshman class in the institution's 150 year history with 473 new students arriving on campus this fall. This eclipses the previous record of 457 set in 1970.

The freshman class is also more geographically diverse than any in recent history with 22 percent of its members residing outside Ohio.

With a total freshmen enrollment of 473 and 987 returning upperclassmen, the College now has 1,635 full-time students and total enrollment of 2,526 including transfer, foreign, full-time, part-time and graduate students.

In addition to the full-time students, the College has 891 part-time students. There are 819 students in the Continuing Studies program and 156 graduate students pursuing masters degrees in education or nursing.

Diversity of the Otterbein community improved this year in both the faculty and the student populations. Students of color represent eight percent of the enrollment and minorities make up 12 percent of the faculty.

The success of Otterbein students as shown in the retention rate (or percentage of freshmen who go on to graduate) is strong with a 78 percent graduation rate. This compares exceptionally well with the national average of 53 percent and places Otterbein second among 136 midwest liberal arts colleges in the retention category.

Otterbein Gets into High Tech Training

Through the Office of Continuing Studies, Otterbein is now able to offer practical, self-paced computer based training to individuals and organizations. Students can come to Otterbein to learn more than 40 different computer programs and networking concepts through interactive courses delivered via personal computer. Individual progress is measured all along the way giving both employees and organizations a solid understanding of individual achievement in any given subject.

This computer-based training is being made possible though an agreement with CBT Systems USA Ltd., a leading provider of interactive education software designed to meet information technology education and training needs of businesses and other organizations worldwide. CBT's software library covers a range of information technology education from client/server to the Internet and corporate intranets. The company has alliances with Microsoft, Oracle, Netscape, Cisco, IBM/Lotus, Informix, Novel and Sybase/Powersoft to develop and market vendor specific training.

Students can even choose to have CBT courses count as credit toward a degree from Otterbein. A maximum of 12 CBT credits may be applied toward an Otterbein degree. These credits will be considered general electives and cannot be used to satisfy requirements in any major including Computer Science.

All CBT courses will be taken in Otterbein's Instructional Media Center, located on the ground level of Courtright Memorial Library. Students can set their own schedule and work on these courses at their own pace. A mentor will be available during the evening and Saturday hours to assist students.

Otterbein to Offer MBA Program

A new Master's in Business Administration (MBA) program is expected to begin at the College in Autumn, 1997. The Otterbein College Senate approved the new degree, and the College will now seek approval from the College's accrediting agencies, the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and the Ohio Board of Regents.

The MBA will be a comprehensive, innovative degree that will meld liberal arts with business studies; use components that emphasize practical applications; and be technology-focused with heavy use of the Internet and electronic research. Accreditation will be through the American Assembly of Colleges and Schools of Business (AACSB).

The Senate approval culminated a year and a half of work on the creation of the new MBA degree. Local and regional surveys were conducted to assess market demand and curriculum was carefully developed with input from the business community and the College.

The 16-course program is designed for the full-time working student and may be completed in two years.

CLASS NOTES

compiled by Shirley Seymour

1931

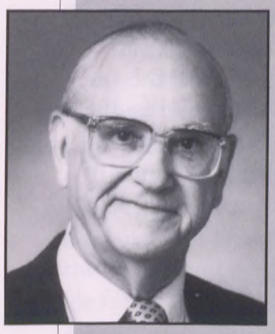
Dr. Francis Bundy looks down at the rest of the folks at the Otterbein Home-Lebanon Retirement Facility. Why? "As a licensed instructor in gliding, Dr. Bundy is a regular at the Caesar Creek Soaring Club and frequently soars over the Otterbein Lebanon campus," says Arthur West, writer for Lebanon's *Western Star* newspaper. Francis and his wife **Hazel Forwood Bundy '34** are both enjoying full and active lifestyles as they serve the Otterbein-Lebanon community with their many talents. The Bundys celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in October 1996.

PROFILE

Alumnus Inducted into Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame

by Ken Goodrich

He has stayed close to Otterbein, yet traveled the world – always living a life of service to others. He is **Norman Dohn '43**, long-time practicing journalist, emeritus college professor, former Otterbein Trustee, and recent inductee into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame.



Four years ago the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame began with the posthumous induction of Ohio's six U.S. veteran-presidents. Norm Dohn was added to this distinguished group with a citation that well describes his career: "His lifetime achievements ... that distinguish him most have all been directed to the benefit of others: to his country, to veterans, to his community, to his profession, to students, and to untold thousands of readers of his columns. He has been an unwavering voice for freedom, a dedicated supporter of Ohio's veterans, and an enduring example to the youth of America."

Dohn recalls several Otterbein teachers as particularly influential in his life, including Professor Altman (creative writing), Professor Snavely (history) and Professor Troop (business). Especially helpful were Professor Bunce (political science and history) and President Howe – men who assisted him later during work with the U. S. government abroad. Also important for his long career in journalism was his work on the *Tan & Cardinal*, including two years as editor.

Returning to central Ohio after the World War II, he earned a master's degree in journalism from OSU and taught English for a year at Otterbein before beginning a distinguished 20-year career in print journalism, radio, and TV as reporter, feature writer, and editor for the *Columbus Dispatch* and as newscaster and consultant for WBNS radio and TV.

With the help of Otterbein friends, he then took up consecutive international posts that entailed extensive travel and contact with world leaders. For two years he worked with the Africa division of the Voice of America, followed by two years as information officer for the American Embassy in the Philippines. Among the international dignitaries he met during these years were King Hassan of Morocco, President Nyerere of Tanzania, and Emperor Haile Salassie of Ethiopia. In several instances he traveled with heads of state to the White House.

Ohio University invited Dohn in 1968 to accept a full professorship, a position he occupied with distinction until retirement in 1992.

Dohn's recent election to the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame is only the most recent of many high honors earned over the years. In Columbus he was admitted to the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi and won the Press Club of Ohio's award for Best Editorial of the Year. He is listed in the National Register of Prominent Americans. His 40-year editorship of the *Ohio VFW News* resulted in 15 first-place awards for best VFW newspaper in America. In 1992 the Ohio State Senate voted him its Citation for Outstanding Achievement, and in 1993 the Society of Professional Journalists awarded him its Distinguished Service Award.

Norm Dohn continues to pursue a life of outstanding service as he co-chairs the Otterbein Sesquicentennial Celebration from his home in Westerville.

1933

Roy Bowen was honored by The Ohio State University Theater Department for his 31 years of distinguished service to the university as theater educator and director. A portrait of Bowen was unveiled during the tribute.

1948

Don McCaulsky is on the staff at Scarborough Tennis Club in Columbus from May to December. From December to May you'll find him in St. Petersburg — next to Eckerd College where the Cardinals play some pre-season games. Don plays a great deal of tennis.

1949

Robert Corbin was featured in a news article in the *Dayton Daily News*. He and two comrades escaped from a prisoner of war camp in Germany 51 years ago. The three survivors got together last fall for the first time since the war. Corbin serves as a Republican representative from the 42nd District in the Ohio House.

1952

Marjorie Abbott Denham retired in June, 1996, from Hillsborough County Schools after teaching 32 years.

1955

Nita Shannon Leland '55 has announced the release of her first video, *Exploring*

Color Workshops, Volume One: Basic Color Mixing. The video is based on the workshops she teaches throughout the U.S. and Canada. Her three books, *Exploring Color*, *The Creative Artist*, and *Creative Collage Techniques*, have sold a combined total of over 100,000 copies.

1957

Bruce Beavers performed his 19,150th wedding on Dec. 5, 1996.

Donald Whitmer retired from teaching in 1993. He is in his 42nd year of coaching basketball.

1958

Robert Blinzley retired from JSA Healthcare Corp in December after six years. He retired from Westinghouse Electric in 1989 after 27 years.

Lewis Taylor has been the owner and operator of Taylor Funeral Home in Amanda, OH, since 1959.

1960

Janet Christy Chamberlin teaches Spanish and French at Bowling Green High School. She and her husband traveled to Bregenz, Austria last summer and studied German for five weeks. In the summer of 1995, she spent a month in Costa Rica.

Bradley Cox retired in August as superintendent of the Hancock County Educational Service Center after 36 years in education. Thirty of those years were in administration.

Charles Dillman is professor of religion at Spring Arbor College and part-time pastor of South Jackson Community Church. He is listed in the 1997 edition of *Who's Who in America*.

Bruce Keck has been appointed chief of reference and circulation at the US Geological Survey Library in Reston, VA.

1962

David Ewing retired in 1992 after 30 years in education with the Columbus Public School system. Since retiring, he's been the pitching coach for Dick Fishbaugh's Otterbein baseball team.

Cathie Hawkins Hickin retired in June after 30 years of teaching. Her last 22 were as a first grade teacher in Westerville.

George Hogg retired June 30, 1995, after 30+ years with the US Postal Service — all as postmaster of the Galena, OH 43021 Post Office.

Dan Jordan is retired from the education profession.

Jack Pietila was named Outstanding Rotary Club President at the district conference.

1963

Connie Hellwarth Leonard is the director of curriculum and instruction for Green Local Schools.

1964

Larry Bowers has opened his practice of otolaryngology with offices in Union Hospital, Dover, OH. He and his wife Harriet are residents of New Philadelphia.

Michael Doney is the principal of Solon High School, Solon, Ohio.

Tom Kreimeier is semi-retired and getting back to God's country. He enjoys hiking and meditating in the mountains, and taking life one day at a time.

Dennis Rose is the owner of Rose Financial Services in Lexington, Ohio. He was awarded the Chartered Financial Consultant designation from the American College in Bryn Mawr, PA.

Darlene Shull is enjoying her retirement after teaching Spanish for 31 years at Marysville High School.

1965

David Fais has served as a Franklin County Common Pleas Judge since 1988. Last fall, he presided over the much-publicized murder trial of Jerry Hessler. Judge Fais received the Judicial Excellence Award from the Franklin County Trial Lawyers Association in 1991.

Margaret Lloyd Trent has been elected president of the National Council of State Board of Education Executives.

Raymond White has completed consecutive terms as vice president and president of the Kiwanis Club of Clinton, NY, and is now the Lt. Governor of the central division, NY District of Kiwanis International.

1967

MacCanon Brown (formerly Marilyn MacCanon) was awarded the community activist award by the Progressive Milwaukee Organization in Wisconsin.

Jim Cooper retired in June after 30 years in the Gahanna Jefferson schools as principal and teacher. He has joined the Associated Insurance Agencies, Inc. (formerly Elliott-Cooper-Barr).

Dianne Jones Kehl is teaching third grade in Bellville. She would like to hear from some former classmates. Address: 333 Alexander East, Bellville, OH 44813.

Elaine Mollencopf retired from teaching at Swanton High School. She wants her alumni friends to know

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Celebrating Sociologists!

On Friday, June 6, 1997 at noon, **the sociology department** will have a **get-together luncheon** with its alumni and friends. We scheduled the event to be able to include Dr. Albert E. Lovejoy and his wife, Eunice, in the group! The event will be held in the faculty dining room of the Campus Center. Sociology alums and friends: note the date on your calendar and make plans to join us for this occasion!

There will be opportunity to catch up with old friends, to make new ones and to get to know the faculty. You can find out how the department has changed and what its plans are. We can all celebrate alumni accomplishments, enjoy a reunion on campus and observe the 150th anniversary of Otterbein College.

Look for a letter soon with details on how you can make the needed arrangements. We look forward to seeing you there.

Compiled by Ed Syguda

Football Cardinals Close Strong

The Otterbein Cardinals, under head coach Wally Hood (95-89-8), closed out the 1996 season strong, turning back cross-town rival Capital, 46-21, Nov. 16 in Columbus. Freshman quarterback Matt D'Orazio, from Westerville, accounted for five touchdowns in the win and was named "OAC Player of the Week." D'Orazio threw touchdown passes of three, 14, 83 and 26 yards, and ran four yards for the fifth score.

Otterbein, finishing at 2-8, showed marked improvement over the final weeks of the season, losing a pair of heart-breakers at home to Ohio Northern, 33-25, and Muskingum, 9-7, before winning big at Capital in the season finale.

Forty-seven players received letters at the annual awards banquet. Tight end Jason Pattee, a senior from Gahanna, Ohio, was chosen to receive the Harry Ewing Award, presented to the football player who best exhibits scholarship, leadership and team play.

Other team honors went to Jeff Stark (outstanding offensive lineman), a junior offensive guard from Bolivar, Ohio: D'Orazio (outstanding offensive back); Steve Jones (outstanding defensive back), a sophomore from Columbus; Tobin Bacon (outstanding defensive lineman), a junior defensive tackle from Columbiana, Ohio; and Joe Kacsandi (outstanding special teams), a senior punter from Maple Heights, Ohio.

Five Named to All-OAC Football Teams

Kacsandi was named to the first team defense by the OAC coaches. Kacsandi led the OAC with a 37.9-yard punting average. He made 69 punts, including one for a career-long 67 yards, for a total of 2,614 yards. Kacsandi was also named to the NCAA Division III All-North Region by *Football Gazette*.

Second team All-OAC honors went to tight end Jason Pattee and offensive tackle Jeff Stark. Pattee made 30 receptions for 335 yards and two touchdowns. Pattee finished eighth in the OAC, averaging 3.3 receptions a game.

Defensive back Steve Jones and linebacker Aaron Wiechman, a sophomore from Port Clinton, Ohio, earned honorable mention all-conference honors. Jones led his team with 93 tackles and made two interceptions. Wiechman tallied 76 tackles, including two for a loss and one pass sack.

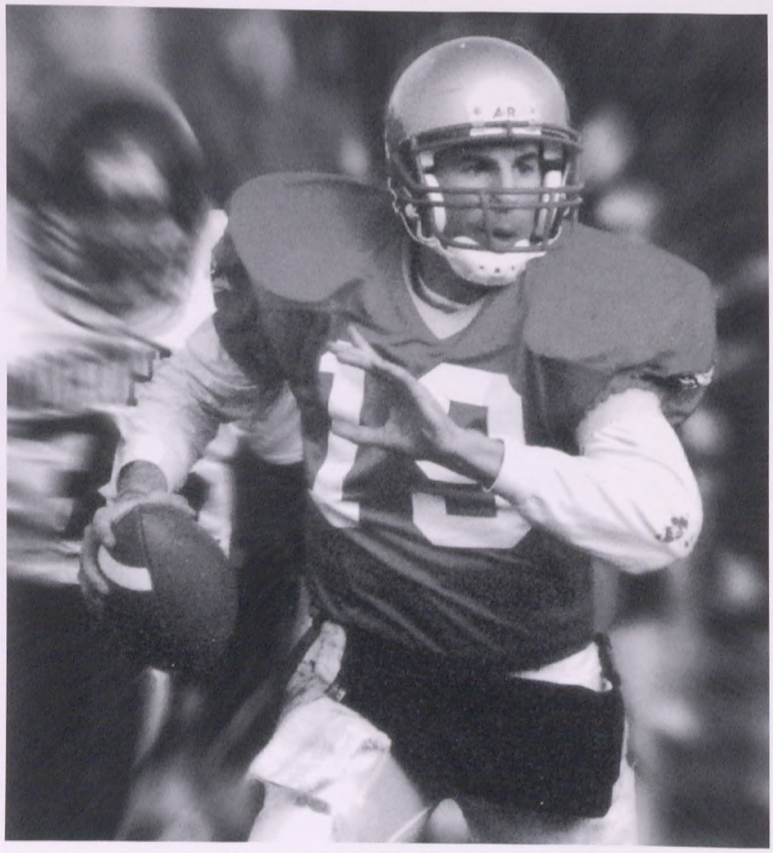

photo by Ed Syguda

Freshman quarterback Matt D'Orazio of Westerville threw four touchdown passes and ran for another score against crosstown rival Capital and was named "OAC Player of the Week."

Distance Runners Converge on Otterbein

Some of the best distance runners from the states of Indiana, Ohio and Michigan converged on the Otterbein campus last fall to compete for the right to advance to the NCAA Division III Cross Country Championships.

Otterbein hosted the Great Lakes Regional Nov. 9. Twenty-five men's teams and twenty-four women's teams competed. Calvin College (MI) won both the men's and women's championships. The Otterbein men, under 27th-year head coach Dave Lehman, took seventh place, and the women, under first-year head coach Jennifer Hagquist, finished 19th.

Three Garner All-OAC Honors in Men's Cross Country

Three Otterbein runners placed in the top ten to earn All-OAC honors at the conference championship held Oct. 26 at the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds in Berea, Ohio. Jason Loughman, a sophomore from Galion, Ohio, finished seventh

(26:48.53), and was followed by Jeff Ressler, a junior from Napoleon, Ohio, eighth (26:57.71), and A. J. Wheeler, a sophomore from Lancaster, Ohio, tenth (26:58.26). Otterbein, with 73 points, finished third behind Mount Union (26) and Heidelberg (55) in the nine-team field.

Beth Woodward Captures 4th at OAC Meet

Beth Woodward, a senior from Orrville, Ohio, finished fourth (19:35.07) to earn All-OAC honors at the conference cross country championship Oct. 26 in Berea. Otterbein, with 169 points, finished seventh in the eight-team meet, which was won by Baldwin-Wallace (53 points).

Smart, Very Smart

The 1995-96 women's basketball team led the nation's Division III schools with a combined 3.531 grade-point average. The Cardinals, under sixth-year head coach Connie Richardson, edged Wartburg (IA), who checked in at 3.53. The list was compiled by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association and was released Nov. 1.

Golf Cards Ranked Third in NCAA Division III

The Otterbein men's golf team ranks third nationally, behind Skidmore (NY) and Methodist (NC), according to a poll of NCAA Division III golf coaches released Oct. 28.

The team, under eighth-year head coach Dave McLaughlin, swept through its fall schedule, compiling a 44-0 record on its way to four invitational wins.

Matt Ehlinger, a senior from Tecumseh, Ohio, leads his teammates with a 74.2 average. Matt Smith, a sophomore from Columbus, follows at 76.7. Dan Winar, a junior from Strongsville, Ohio, sits third at 77.8. Rounding out the top five are Andy Fisher, a senior from New Carlisle, Ohio, with a 78; and James Brandon, a sophomore from Toledo, Ohio, at 79.2.

Otterbein will host the NCAA Division III Men's Golf Championship May 13-16 at The Medallion Club in Westerville.

Castor Earns All-Mideast Honors in Soccer

John Castor, a senior forward from Worthington, Ohio, was named to the All-Mideast second team.

Castor, who led his team in scoring, was also a second team All-OAC pick. Castor averaged 1.65 points a game, fourth best in the OAC. He tallied 12 goals and four assists in 1996.

The Cardinals, under seventh-year head coach Gerry D'Arcy, finished 8-7-2 overall and sixth at 4-3-2 in the OAC.

All-Conference Roundup

Other Otterbein athletes earning all-conference honors in fall sports were: Brendan Radtke, a junior midfielder from Worthington, Ohio, second team socccer; Amy Matthews, a senior midfielder from Milford, Ohio, second team soccer; Shari Halbart, a sophomore defender from Gahanna, Ohio, honorable mention soccer; and Tammy Requardt, a senior middle hitter from New Concord, Ohio, honorable mention volleyball. ■

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she's enjoying her leisure time.

1968

Susan Daly Buckwalter was elected to the Board of the National Community Mental Healthcare Council—a trade association for behavioral health agencies. She is the executive director of The Counseling Center in Wooster.

1969

Judith Wells Baker is working at Doctors Hospital in Columbus, as a nurse case manager in critical care.

1970

John Ciampa was honored for 25 years of ministry as an ordained minister of the United Methodist Church in the Western PA Conference. A reception was held following a worship celebration in June sponsored by Zion PPR and his spouse **Patsy Schar Ciampa '69.**

Linda Zimmerman Funk is the director of development for Clarkson College, Omaha, Neb. Her previous employment was director of Duchesne Academy in Omaha.

1971

Carol Strout Jones is teaching at McVay and Central College elementary schools in Westerville.

1972

Shirley Dillon Dassylva is in her 25th year of teaching at River Valley Middle School in Marion County. She teaches 7th grade English and is advisor to the school newspaper.

Ron Jones is teaching biology at Dublin Scioto High School and coaching freshman boys basketball.

1973

John Aber, associate professor of humanities at the College of Mount St. Joseph, has received a fellowship from the Ohio Arts Council. He was one of 24 recipients of the 1996 Individual Artist Fellowship in Creative Writing.

Laura Martin Andreas is a business/systems analyst in Atlanta. She and her husband, Lloyd, work for Marcam Corp., a software development company. In their spare time, they enjoy singing in the choir and traveling.

Rick Baker is with Columbus Public Schools in the NPSS program as a guidance counselor for DeSales HS. He is also head coach for DeSales' Girls Track and Brookhaven HS wrestling. As coach, his Bearcats won the City League Wrestling Championship for 95-96.

Gerald Driggs is the president and chief executive officer of Corporation for Standards & Outcomes. The Pittsburgh-based firm provides information services that help to measure the effectiveness of publicly funded human services programs.

Frances Williams Shoemaker is teaching third grade at La Mendola Elementary in Huber Hts., OH.

1974

Jane Gebler Baker is in her 18th year working with pre-schoolers at Creative Play Center in Worthington.

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Welcome Home, Champs!

The 1946 OAC Football Champions Reunite After 50 Years

This past year's homecoming brought the reunion of a very special group of Otterbein athletes — the football team of 1946, the only Otterbein football team ever to win an OAC championship.

With 1996 marking the 50th anniversary of that accomplishment and heading into the Sesquicentennial year, it seemed the perfect time to invite all the members of the team back to campus.

"I really thought it was an outstanding weekend," says Robert "Moe" Agler '48. "For all of us players who hadn't seen each other since college days it was very interesting to find out what they had done with their lives and to hear about their families. It was just a very emotional weekend for all of us."

The "O" Club organized the weekend's events for the 19 former football players who came for Homecoming. Players came from as far west as California and as far south as Florida. "It was one of the finest events I have experienced in my life," says Florida resident Dick Pflieger '48. "My wife [Dorothy] and I were college sweethearts. I enjoyed coming back and seeing what a fine institution Otterbein has become. The highlight of the weekend for me was talking with Otterbein people about the past and the present — mostly the past. We talked about the '40s, the good times we had and the sweethearts we married. It was an outstanding and enjoyable event for us."

Robert Bradfield, who came from his home in Orinda, California, was one of the youngest members of the 1946 team. He and Snuffy Smith joined the team right out of high school while the majority of the players were returning soldiers. Bradfield, who had graduated early from high school, was only 16 and remembers those ex-Marines as "mountains." He adds, "I had never seen people that big."

On coming back for the reunion, Bradfield admits he worried whether he would recognize anyone. "I was glad we were going to have nametags but then I would see someone I hadn't seen for 50 years and it was like I saw them last week. We were a good team and we had a really good spirit. It was just one of those groups that clicked. I guess probably 85 percent of the team was there. That's unusual for that kind of reunion. I hope we do it again in 10 years."

On Friday evening, the men visited football practice and met with Coach Wally Hood to talk about the state of football today at Otterbein. "O" Club Executive Director Craig Gifford '57 says the players, who never got to play in a stadium on campus, were impressed with the College's athletic facilities, especially the Rike Center. At a luncheon in the Rike Center Lounge the next day, the former players enjoyed looking out over the football field.

On Friday evening they enjoyed a buffet dinner and "old-fashioned story telling." Gifford says everyone got up to tell a story from that 1946 season.

"Friday evening was probably the best part of the weekend because it was so informal," Agler concurs. "Each guy talked about his life. I think that

Above**: Edwin "Dubbs" '47 and Marilou Harold Roush '45, center, enjoy friends at the reunion.* ***Right: *L-R, Ralph Picklesimer '50, Craig Gifford '57, Dick Pflieger '48, and Robert "Moe" Agler '48 at the Medallion Club.*

evening was really the highlight for the team."

Gifford says, "They had a good time telling stories on each other. The one game they all remember is the Denison game against Woody Hayes," Gifford says. Hayes was the coach of Denison at that time. "They won the game in the last minutes. Roush pitched out to Paul Davis. It bounced on the ground and up into his arms and he ran around the end for the touchdown.

"There were half a dozen references to that game — people who had run into Woody Hayes in subsequent years and found he had never forgotten that game or Otterbein and knew all the players from that day. Everyone had a Woody Hayes story from that game."

On Saturday the 1946 squad rode in the Homecoming Parade, had lunch in the Rike Center Lounge and were recognized and honored during halftime. Gifford says a number of people from the community came out to see the 1946 team. "That '46 team played at Westerville high school. They didn't have a stadium and a lot of the community followed that season. And that weekend a lot of people from Westerville came to see the players they remembered as the big heroes."

The weekend ended with a banquet at the Medallion Country Club where each player was presented with a watch commemorating that OAC Championship. Ten members of the team have died, and at that dinner their widows were presented with similar watches.

A booklet was created to preserve the memories of the players and the season. The scores of the 1946 season were printed in the booklet and not quite accurately as many were quick to point out.

"One thing I thought was interesting that the guys picked up on right away was that the score of the Capital game was wrong," Gifford explains. That score has been printed and reprinted everywhere and forever as 50 to 8. The players all say the score was 50 to 6 and research shows that is accurate."

Gifford says, "I think they genuinely had a great time, and that's what we wanted." ■

The Best Small College Team Woody Hayes Ever Saw

Editor's Note: This story is partially reprinted from a story on the 100th anniversary of Otterbein football that appeared in the summer 1990 issue of Towers *magazine.*

by Ed Syguda

Otterbein's first sustained strong period of football began shortly before the start of World War II, as the Cardinals strung together six consecutive winning seasons, culminating with the school's first and only Ohio Athletic Conference (OAC) championship in 1946. Three times since 1946, Otterbein teams have come within a game of a perfect season and another OAC championship.

The Cards, laden with returning World War II veterans, dropped a heart-breaker at West Virginia, 13-7, then went on to win their final seven games of the 1946 season. One player from that team, Robert "Moe" Agler '48, returned to his alma mater as head football coach and later, athletic director, leading Otterbein to back-to-back seasons of 8-1 in 1960 and 1961. The 1977 squad, under head coach Rich Seils, was the last to hit the 8-1 pinnacle.

"We were a montage of characters," describes Edwin "Dubbs" Roush '47 about that OAC championship squad. "We'd been kicked around in the service so it was a pretty tough bunch of guys. In scrimmage, we would just knock the heck out of each other. So after we got started, we didn't scrimmage much."

It was an unusual period in Otterbein athletics. Most of the better players, who had left school for the war, returned at the same time in 1946, forming one of the best small college football teams to date. Roush, captain and quarterback; Agler, fullback; and Paul Davis '48, halfback, all went on to careers, although short-lived, in professional football.

"In general, the 1946 team was probably the best team Otterbein ever had," says George Novotny, who was in his first of five seasons as Otterbein head coach. He took over the reins from Harry Ewing, who kept the Otterbein athletic program alive during the war by serving as head coach in football and basketball, and as athletic director.

"It was not my doing," Novotny says. "It was all these G.I.s coming back from the service. Around 100 men showed up for football. I don't know where Harry Ewing got all the uniforms."

Despite the worldliness of the players, who were about three or four years older than the normal college student, Novotny found little trouble in managing the club thanks to field leader Roush, who would go on to a prosperous career in the hardware, automobile, and sporting goods businesses in the Westerville area.

"Dubbs Roush was like having a coach on the field," Novotny says. "He didn't take any lip from anybody."

Otterbein out-scored its opposition by a whopping 240 points, 278 to 38, that season, which included shutouts over Detroit Tech, Heidelberg, Albion and Kenyon.

One of the biggest games, though, was Denison, a team they had lost to ten consecutive times dating back to 1917. Behind 13-12 with less than a minute remaining, according to the 1947 *Sibyl*, Cardinal halfback Paul Davis picked up a fumbled ball and raced 20 yards for the game-winning tally.

"I took a couple of courses after that from Woody Hayes," Agler recalls, "and each time I was in his course, he always would talk about the '46 team that we had as being the best small college team he had ever seen."

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Mary Ellenberger Colombini is teaching health and PE at Blendon Middle School in Westerville. This is her 20th year. She has no children except one very spoiled schnauzer named Midnight.

Ted Downing is the principal at Eastern Brown High School in Sardinia, OH.

1975

Mary Jane Jones Borden has earned inclusion in *Who's Who of American Women, 1997-98*. She currently teaches the Internet through the Greater Columbus Free-Net and lives in Westerville with husband, Chuck, and son, Matt.

Debbie Stokes Corey was one of 12 teachers from Ohio nominated for "Teacher of the Year." She was also awarded the National Science Foundation State Award for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics and Science and was nominated for the Presidential Award.

Susan DeLay has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Chicago Book Clinic—a midwest area organization of the publishing community.

Thomas Flippo has joined R.D. Zande & Associates in Columbus as manager of Solid and Hazardous Wastes.

Mary Lynn Miller Westfall has been partnered with Maggie, her golden retriever, since they graduated from the Canine Companions for Independence program in Delaware, OH. Maggie is a trained service dog who helps Mary Lynn, a multiple sclerosis victim, remain independent. They work and go everywhere together. They have formed an incredible bond.

1976

Ed Brookover is political director of the Republican National Congressional Committee.

Steven Calhoun is senior vice president of Commercial Credit Corp., a subsidiary of the Travelers Group. He is in charge of 45 branch offices in Florida and Louisiana. Steve and his family reside in Orlando.

Martin Greenham and wife Heather moved to California. He is representing the Semester at Sea study abroad program and Heather is with Kaiser Permanente Hospitals.

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PROFILE

Dave Burger Recognized for Distinguished Career at Cleveland State

by Ken Goodrich

A former colleague at Cleveland State University said succinctly of **Dave Burger '59**, "He's done it all." Burger entered CSU's Athletic Hall of Fame last April. Coming three years after his early retirement in 1993, the award recognized a distinguished 28-year track and cross country coaching career. Starting with non-scholarship athletes, Dave Burger took a program that had been eliminated altogether a few years earlier to the heights of Division I success.

A young man coming out of Lewis Center, Ohio who wanted to play college football but who knew he was too small to play at a major university, Burger chose Otterbein, a decision he has never regretted. He played football and ran track for four years, and competed for one year in junior varsity basketball and golf, the latter simultaneously with track in his senior year. The high point of his football career, he says, came in his senior year when he scored the winning touchdown in the last seconds of the Oberlin game.

Burger is grateful for the personal attention he received at Otterbein, mentioning athletic director Harry Ewing, who coached track and was "like a second father," and Professor Deever in the Religion department. He felt especially close to "Prof Smith," a former faculty member who after retirement had returned to work as a janitor and was for some years a friend and confidant of many students.

Following graduation from Otterbein with a major in Physical Education and a minor in Biological Sciences, Dave taught general science and coached football and basketball in the Coshocton County Schools for one year, then served four years as a junior high school physical education director in the Columbus schools before moving to Cleveland. After a year as assistant track and head cross country coach at Western Reserve University, he began his long and distinguished coaching and teaching career at Cleveland State, concluding with a Mid-Continent Conference championship in cross country in the fall of 1992. In the year of his retirement, 1993, he was named Ohio Collegiate Coach of the Year and Central Collegiate Coach of the Year, the latter encompassing Division I programs in the Midwest "from Minneapolis to Pittsburgh." For the last three years he has taught golf part time at Lakeland Community College in Mentor, Ohio.

Coach Burger has worked with athletes and coaches on three continents. In July 1980 he conducted seminars on sprints, relays, and distance training for hundreds of athletes on the Greek National and Olympic teams. Beginning in 1990 he became involved with a U. S. State Department program to promote track and field programs in "third world" countries. That summer found him in Haiti to help establish a program there. In 1994 he worked with some 57 top athletes in Cambodia in preparation for the Asian games that year.

Happy with his post-retirement teaching at Lakeland, Dave hopes also that Clinton administration funding will be available for further international outreach. He speaks with evident enthusiasm about New Guinea and Borneo as distinct possibilities.

Group Makes Pilgrimage to Birthplace of Otterbein

This fall a group of 23 people from Otterbein consisting of emeriti faculty and current faculty and staff made the "pilgrimage" to Ashville, Ohio, to visit a monument that commemorates the decision to found the College.

The monument is placed on the former site of the Bethlehem Church where, 150 years ago, the Scioto Conference of the United Brethren Church voted to purchase Blendon Seminary in Westerville to create Otterbein University. The group visited the monument on Oct. 28, the same date in 1846 on which the historic vote was made.

During the College's Centennial celebration, this monument was created in cooperation with the Southeast Ohio Conference of the United Brethren Church. In 1947, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hay, owners of the property, donated a small tract of land on which the church formerly stood to the college and the conference. The marker was erected and the area made into a roadside park.

With the passing of the years, and the merger of the denominations and changes in conference properties, the land reverted to the Hay family, who have themselves cared for the monument.

The day-long trip included a tour of the Moor House in Circleville with information on the years that William Hanby and Jonathon Dresbach, two of Otterbein's founding trustees, lived in the city.

"It was a rewarding day," says Sesquicentennial Coordinating Committee Co-Chair Sylvia Vance. "I was so pleased that so many wanted to make the trip. I thought some of us from Otterbein ought to make a pilgrimage to the place where the process of founding Otterbein began."

Top to Bottom: *The monument that marks Otterbein's birthplace. Inset: Delegates from the College in 1947 visit the marker during Otterbein's Centennial celebration. Naomi and Dorwin Hay (Glenn Hay's son) are the current caretakers of the monument. At bottom, the Otterbein group that made the trip.*

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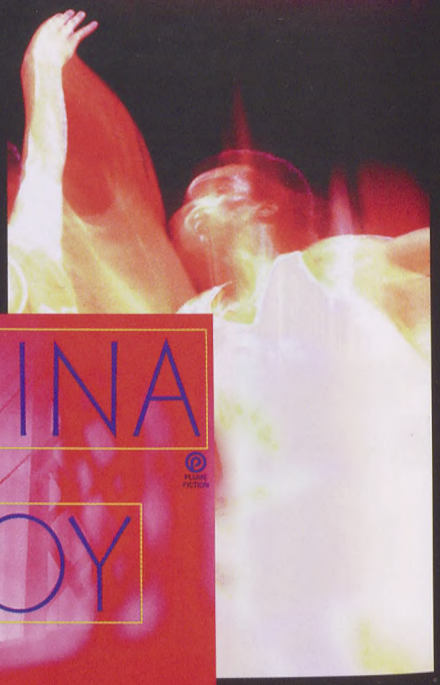
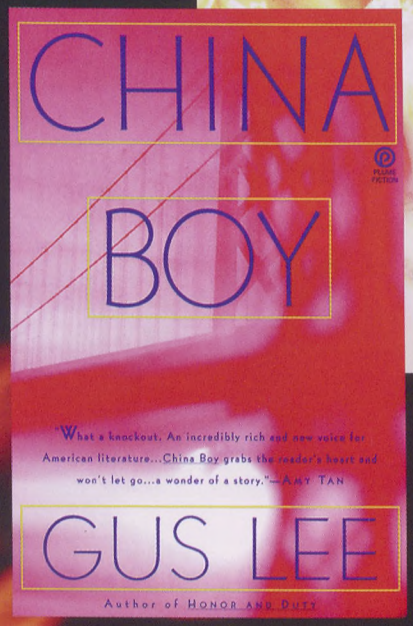




China, ya'lls gotta fight

PUTCHUR FISTS UP

we be BASHIN China Boy from da get-go

Don havta WIN Jes FIGHT

I ain't fo' yo' pickin-on no mo'!

Common Book Author Says

Be Responsible *for* Your Children

Gus Lee, author of *China Boy*, visits campus as part of the Common Book Experience.

Story and photo-illustration by Roger Routson

Truth be told, and despite our gripings, most of us had it pretty easy when we were kids. Age five, six, seven—my biggest concerns went something like this: I hoped I didn't forget to go to the bathroom and wet my pants; I hoped everyone else at school didn't find me out for the dork that I knew I was; I hoped that Debbie Rider would smile my way.

Gus Lee, author of *China Boy*, this year's Common Book, had other concerns—his blood on the street, staying alive, and something so fundamentally basic as how to get a drink of water.

Lee grew up the only Chinese boy in a rough, African-American slum neighborhood in the Panhandle of San Francisco. His stepmother (his mother died when he was five) destroyed all his toys, wouldn't let him in the house, wouldn't give him a drink of water even after he'd suffered yet another beating and his clothes were soaked in blood. *China Boy* is the autobiographical novel of how Lee came to survive and triumph over such beginnings.

That the novel was even written happened, according to Lee, quite by accident. His daughter asked him about her grandmother, Lee's mother. "I had to confess that I knew nothing about my mother," Lee said, "and it struck me how incorrect and how immoral it was for the errors and the silences of the family to be conveyed to the next generation."

So Lee interviewed his three older sisters about their mother, and wrote the interviews into a journal. "If someone had told me, this journal you're writing will be published and well-reviewed, and you will be regarded as a novelist—I think the knowledge of that would have created a self-consciousness which would have botched the work. There is an inner truth to writing which each of us possesses within ourselves. And it's only compromised by thoughts of success or publication."

Lee wrote *China Boy* in three months. "It wrote itself," he said. "The writing came as a gift, the primary gift being not that I'm a writer, but that I'm a father." It was when his own son turned five that Lee "was beginning to fail as a father. I was replaying the tapes of my own childhood, which we all do. I wanted to prepare him for what I faced in childhood. But no writing, no therapy, would save my son from me without God. I went from a self-satisfied agnostic to a questioning Christian."

Lee spent three days at Otterbein as part of the second annual Common Book Experience, in which all incoming freshmen read a significant current work of literature. The Common Book Experience is part of the Thomas Academic Excellence Series made possible by an endowment from **Mary B. Thomas '28**. Lee participated in several class discussions and campus activities and spoke to the campus community in Cowan Hall in an address entitled "What's It All About, Kai Ting?" Kai Ting was the fictitious name of the character of Gus Lee in *China Boy*.

The book, which was published by Dutton in 1991 and was a best-seller, is currently in its fourth printing. Lee's other books (which he admits were much harder to write) are *Honor and Duty* (Knopf 1994), another best-seller and required reading at West Point, and *Tiger's Tail* (Knopf 1996), yes, another best-seller.

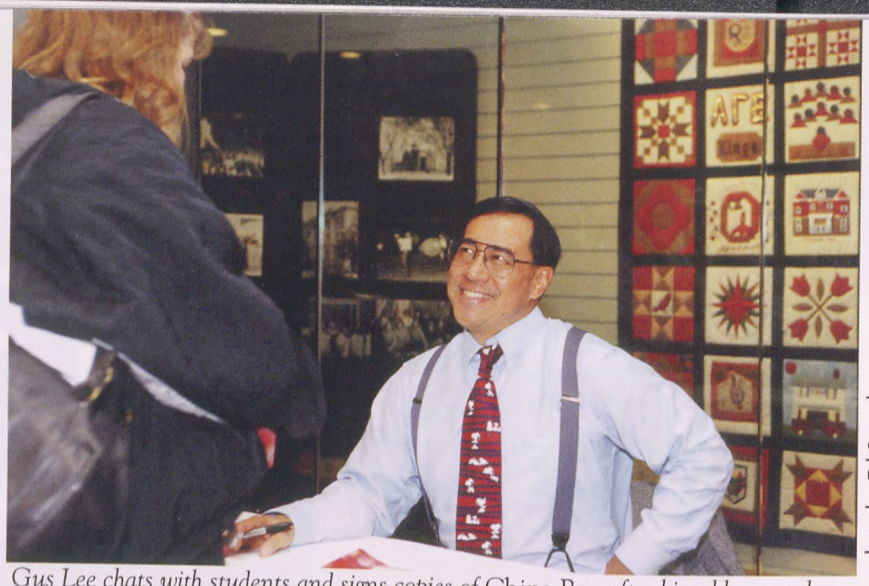
China Boy recounts how Lee survived by learning boxing at the local YMCA. Lee said that in boxing, kids learn to respect each other and that violence's charm is taken away. "As one who came out of the slums, I must say there was a method of salvation in taking stewardship from men who understood violence and taught us to respect it. Not to honor it, not to bend down to it, but to respect it."

The Thomas Academic Excellence Series

Alumna and loyal supporter of Otterbein, Mary B. Thomas '28 has endowed an exciting program for Otterbein College called The Thomas Academic Excellence Series. Her endowment is presented in honor of her parents, Fred N. and Emma B. Thomas.

The Thomas Academic Excellence Series is intended to create intellectual excitement and strengthen bonds on campus by providing a shared experience for many.

Mary B. Thomas graduated "cum laude" from Otterbein College in 1928 and has a lasting love of literature. An English major, Miss Thomas won the Barnes Short Story Award and several other literary prizes.



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Gus Lee chats with students and signs copies of China Boy *after his address at the Common Book Convocation.*

Larry Cox, associate professor of pyschology, introduced Gus Lee at the convocation by relating an incident he and his wife had hiking in the Gaudalupe mountains. "We had an incredible sense of the presence of other people even though we were alone," Cox said. "That we could feel the diverse people from previous centuries were there with us. More and more, I've had that experience at Otterbein. We have had wonderful travelers who have left their energy here." Cox said he could feel this special energy in Gus Lee's book.

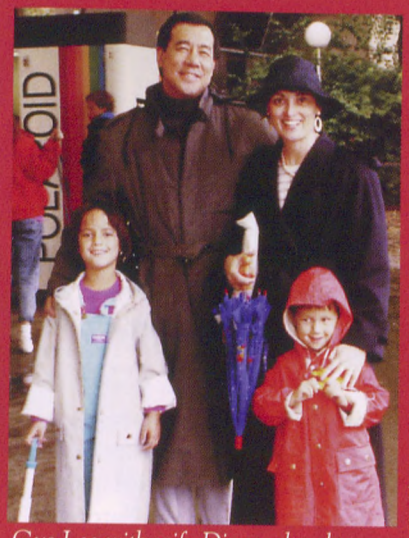
Lee told Otterbein students, "Your job in life is to be humane, to seek truth, to enjoy the process, and to ultimately be responsible for your own children." Lee said the importance of parenthood is the bottom-line message of *China Boy*. "I'm not a social scientist, I'm just a guy who had an interesting background, who had a variety of different jobs in the world, and who is now facing his most important job and that's being a father. All of my other tasks are menial. There are thousands of men and thousands of women who could have done every job on my résumé better than I. But there's only one person, one man, who is supposed to be the father of my children. It's the only job I cannot morally transfer to another man."

In closing his convocation address, Lee said, "If Uncle Shim (Kai Ting's Old World Chinese mentor in *China Boy*) were here, if he could convert much of his Confucian thinking, and merge it with my mother's Christian thinking, he would say something like this: 'Go into the world in peace, render to no one evil for evil, support the weak, aid the afflicted, honor all persons, rejoice in life, obey God.'" ■

Gus Lee: God's Gift to a Writer Looking for Quotes...

On China Boy being selected as the Common Book:
"I find myself flattered to be here, honored that my book was chosen for the Common Book, and embarrassed that you were required to read it."

On writing:
"I have been asked if writers are born or made. I am living proof that writers are made. I came to English with the same burning confidence that a chicken would experience enroute to a kitchen interview with Colonel Sanders."



Gus Lee with wife Diane, daughter Jena, and son Eric.

On his training for a writing career:
"I did my best to prepare for fiction by going to that famous writing college, West Point."

On freedom:
"What makes the U.S. special is we make a great noise and a great commitment about freedom. I don't think the purpose of that freedom is to become indebted. Freedom is to be used in order to fulfill what you can be and never at the cost of anyone else."

About parenting:
"When you pick a partner, pick a partner who will make the best parent. If the marriage falters, stay with the children. Do whatever is necessary to maintain the civility, the respect, to provide a home for those kids 'til they're grown. We are all, collectively, responsible for all kids."

On living in Colorado:
"I cannot go to Walmart or Lucky's without someone asking me what I am. I know it's not intended to be an offensive question, but I find it burdensome. I am American, ethnic Chinese, cultural Black. But that's too much to say in Walmart."

About fighting racism:
"I think I've fought the good fight against intolerance, bigotry, racism. The older I get, I find myself working in smaller groups, attempting to influence only those in my immediate company. I've tried the macro solutions and they're hard. I'm not a politician. I don't enjoy the political process. I don't read the future of this country, or the destiny of us as a people, in the passage of enactments. If I did, I'd be in despair. I read it in the faces of the kids I'm with. I read it in the faces of my own children."

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Sincerely,

Greg Johnson

Greg Johnson
Director, Alumni Relations

T/YT

Design #1

Design #2

Design #3

Design #4

Design #5

Design #6

Design #7

T-Shirts
White 100% Cotton Jersey Fabric.
Sizes: M-2X.

T-1 White T-Shirt with Design #1
T-2 White T-Shirt with Design #2
T-3 White T-Shirt with Design #3
T-4 White T-Shirt with Design #4
T-5 White T-Shirt with Design #5
T-6 White T-Shirt with Design #6
T-7 White T-Shirt with Design #7

$11.95

Youth T-Shirts
White 100% Cotton Youth Heavyweight.
Sizes: S-L.

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A. Chevron Stitch V-Neck **Sweater Vest**. Natural colored sweater vest with "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in red. Sizes: M-2X. **$38.95**

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B-1 Natural Sweater with red embroid
(not shown)
B-2 Red Sweater with white embroide
(Available B-1 or B-2)

Embroidery illustrated is used on garments **G. thru J.**

E-1

E-2

S/YS

Sweatshirts
White 50/50 (Polyester/Cotton)
9 oz. Heavyweight. Sizes: M-2X.

S-1 White Sweatshirt with Design #1
S-2 White Sweatshirt with Design #2
S-3 White Sweatshirt with Design #3
S-4 White Sweatshirt with Design #4
S-5 White Sweatshirt with Design #5
S-6 White Sweatshirt with Design #6
S-7 White Sweatshirt with Design #7

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Youth Sweatshirts
White 50/50 (Polyester/Cotton)
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G. Extra Heavyweight 100% Cotton (7 oz.) **Long Sleeve Henley**. "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in black with a choice of cardinal or otter picture. Sizes: M-2X.

G-1 Natural with Cardinal.
G-2 Natural with Otter. *(not shown)*
G-3 White with Cardinal. *(not shown)*
G-4 White with Otter. *(not shown)*
G-5 Ash gray with Cardinal. *(not shown)*
G-6 Ash gray with Otter. *(not shown)*

$23.95

H. Extra Heavyweight 100% Cotton (7 oz.) **Short Sleeve Henley**. "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in black with a choice of cardinal or otter picture. Sizes: M-2X.

H-1 Natural with Cardinal.
H-2 Natural with Otter. *(not shown)*
H-3 White with Cardinal. *(not shown)*
H-4 White with Otter. *(not shown)*
H-5 Ash gray with Cardinal. *(not shown)*
H-6 Ash gray with Otter. *(not shown)*

$20.45

G.

H.

I.

I. Faded Blue Denim Long Sleeve **Button Down Collar Shirt**. 100% Cotton. "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in black with a choice of Cardinal or Otter picture over the left chest pocket. Sizes: M-2X.

I-1 With Cardinal. *(not shown)*
I-2 With Otter.

$41.95

J. Heavyweight 100% Cotton Pique **Short Sleeve Shirt**. "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in black with a choice of Cardinal or Otter picture. Sizes: M-2X.

J-1 Natural colored shirt with "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in black with Cardinal.

J-2 Natural colored shirt with "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in black with Otter. *(not shown)*

J-3 Birch colored shirt with "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in black with Cardinal. *(not shown)*

J-4 Birch colored shirt with "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in black with Otter. *(not shown)*

J-5 White colored shirt with "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in black with Cardinal. *(not shown)*

J-6 White colored shirt with "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in black with Otter. *(not shown)*

$27.95

E. Brushed Cotton **Cap**. Adjustable velcro closure. Red bill with natural crown. "OTTERBEIN" embroidered on front with choice of embroidered "CARDINALS" or "OTTERS" on back of cap.

E-1 Cap with "CARDINALS" embroidered on back.

E-2 Cap with "OTTERS" embroidered on back.

$14.45

F.

F. 100% Cotton **Adult Heavyweight Short** (7.5 oz.) "OTTERBEIN" embroidered on left front leg. Sizes: M-XL

F-1 Red Shorts with "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in white.

F-2 Black Shorts with "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in white. *(not shown)*

$18.95

F-3 Ash Gray Shorts with "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in red. *(not shown)*

K.

K. 100% Cotton Pique Short Sleeve **Golf Shirt** with Jacquard Collar and Sleeve Bands. Body of shirt is sand color. "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in black. Sizes: M-2X.

$38.45

M. Red Nylon Fabric **Pants** with Elastic Waistband and Drawstring, Elastic Leg Cuffs with Slide Zippers and Slash Pockets. Sizes: M-2X. **$28.95**

N. Black Stadium Blanket, 100% Polyester Fleece with an Applique' with Suede Banner. Blanket is 50" x 60". **$54.95**

O. Red Stadium Blanket, 100% Polyester Fleece with "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in white. Blanket is 50" x 60". **$52.95**

L. Red and White Nylon Fabric **Jacket** with Front Zipper, Elastic Cuffs and Bottom Band. "OTTERBEIN" embroidered in white on left chest area. Sizes M-2X. **$49.95**

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Item Number	Description	Size	Quantity	Price	Total

Method of Payment

☐ Master Card ☐ Visa ☐ Discover Card ☐ Check ***(make payable to: Otterbein College)***

Account Number

Expiration Date

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$100.01-$200.00	$7.50
$200.01 and over	$8.50

There is an additional charge for orders shipped outside the continental United States.

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Total	

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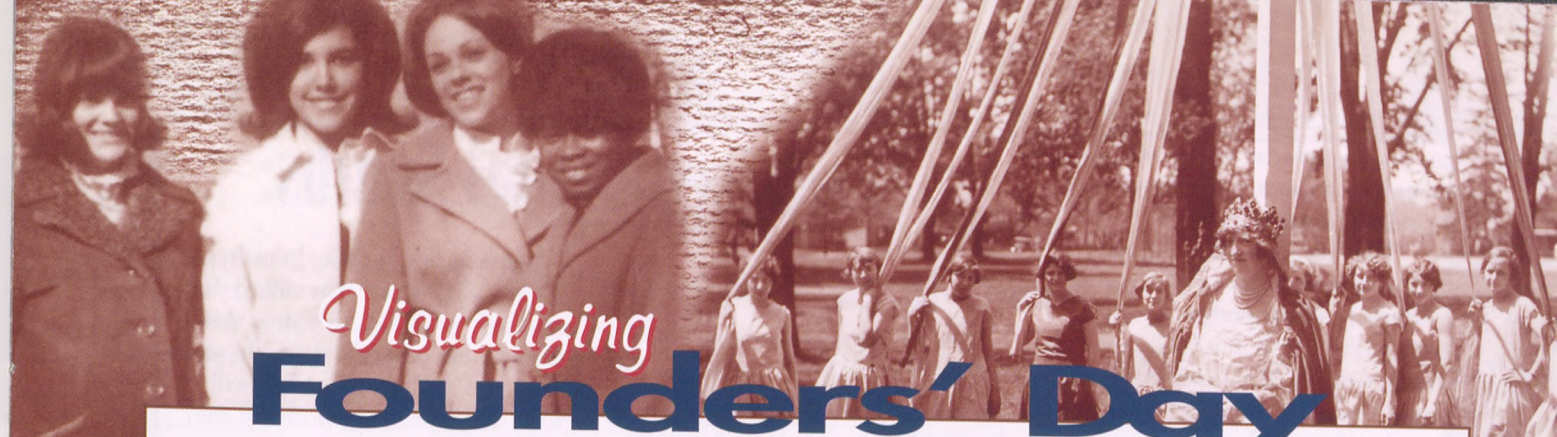

Visualizing Founders' Day

by Heidi Matzke Kellett '86, Chairperson - Founders' Day Subcommittee

On a beautiful, mild spring morning, **music from the band**, the smell of a **pig roast fire**, and a general air of excitement, greet the crowds of people who are approaching the lawn of Towers Hall.

The band begins to play, directing spectators' attention to the speakers' platform at Towers Hall. Greetings are extended, proclamations are announced, dedications are celebrated, and surprises are unveiled; these are followed by the **beautiful Maypole Dance.** The **choir sings,** setting the cheerful mood of the morning. Many proceed to the temporary post office established on campus for the day to get their **historical stamp cancellation**. The pictorial stamp cancellation is a one-time opportunity for stamp collectors as well as the Otterbein community to obtain another item to add to their collections.

Groups of alumni, students, and friends then disperse to the many interesting activities. Some reacquaint themselves with the campus by going on tours, while others learn more about our history on the fascinating **Heritage Walk**. The Heritage Walk features short talks about events in Otterbein's past. A map pinpoints presenters, such as former President Thomas Kerr, Joanne VanSant, Marilyn Day, and many others talking about events and people such as Dr. Harold Hancock, Sandy Frye, John Becker, Dr. Rosselot, J. F. Smith, early founding fathers, literary society halls, and various Otterbein traditions.

Others catch up with old friends, and then enjoy an **old fashioned quilting bee** with **Edna Zech '33** and other members of the Westerville Otterbein Women's Club. (Although the quilt might not get done that day!)

Parents smile as they watch their children happily join in at the **well-staffed children's activity center** at the Church of the Master, then enjoy their own walks down memory lane. Children's activities will be made possible through the efforts of Lynne Logel '94 and Cindi Whitney '93. Both are elementary education majors who are currently teaching in the Columbus area. Lynne is a mother of four and proud grandmother of two. Activities for infants to 10 year olds will include spring crafts, puppets, games, puzzles, Disney videos, songs and storytime. In order to insure a good adult to child ratio, reservations for use of the activities center must be made on the preregistration form. Children's nap facilities will be available at a nearby church from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please bring a portable crib and/or snacks, and plan to stay with your child.

Spontaneous political debates, literary readings and **strolling entertainers** add to the liveliness of the morning. Several parasols appear as the sun warms the noon sky. **Lunch** is nostalgic and delicious, a sack lunch consisting of 2 pieces of cold fried chicken, cole slaw, fruit and a cookie ($5 for persons over 12.) **A child's sack lunch** of peanut butter and jelly sandwich, fruit and cookie is also available for $4.

Suddenly, and to many a child's delight, musket shots ring out from behind the Campus Center. **The 91st Ohio Volunteer Infantry** (which includes Dave DeClark '80) **will portray people of the 1800's** in daily activities which may include camp life, marching drill, punishment, education and recreation. There is also an **old fashioned baseball game** and a **reenactment of a college rhetoric class.**

After lunch you may wish to reminisce as you are transported along the route of the **Two Mile Walk** or join in on the **Westerville Walking Tour** to learn more of Westerville's historic happenings.

Shivers of excitement are felt by many as they hear the **Towers bell** begin its **salute to Otterbein's 150 years**. Have you sent in your contribution so you can be part of this historic ringing? A wonderful memento will be yours to keep. You have one last chance on the registration form.

The outdoor crowd thins a little as some go into the Campus Center to watch the matinee, **an historical play called** *Miller and Winter*, a comedy/drama by **Les Epstein '83.** Set in the 1850's, the play presents the lives of four students—**Benjamin Hanby**; his roommate, **Jacob Weiker**; Hanby's girlfriend, **Mary Katherine Winter**; and her cousin, **Jennie Miller**. The show delves into campus, social and political life of the era, which was anything but "quiet and peaceful." The play will be directed by **Pamela Hill '75** and will feature alumni actors and designers.

Some also remain out in the sunshine—to enjoy **carriage rides, a kite show, croquet, badminton,** or just to chat with friends and watch talented alumni and friends perform in front of the Campus Center.

Some spectators head for the football stadium to watch **freshmen once again compete with sophomores in Scrap Day activities such as sack races and tug of war.** Nostal-

April 26, 1997

Editor's note: This story essentially includes activities planned for Founders' Day and a little wishful thinking too. We hope it will be a mild and beautiful spring day!

gic photographs, as well as videos and snapshots, promise to preserve the wonderful memories for all.

The delicious smell of food makes mouths water in anticipation of **dinner**. **Roast pork** is served in style with sweet potatoes, green beans, whole kernel corn, relish tray, apple sauce and dinner rolls or corn bread. (Cost for dinner is $10 per adult, $6 for children 6-12, and under age 6 for free.)

After dinner, groups of people prepare to celebrate this birthday like no other. **President DeVore** sets the tone, then the **unveiling of the cake** brings gasps of delight. You've never seen a cake like this one! Hot air balloons gracefully ascend over the campus, eliciting cheers of joy from children. The smiles in the crowd are softly illuminated by the **lighting of 150 candles**. The **Alumni Choir** and **Concert Band** put on a moving show, leaving not a dry eye by the end of the Otterbein Love Song.

As the finishing touch of the day, **the dance** will be an event in itself. Special entertainment will include **Otterbein dance students** showcasing dances of various eras from the mid-1800's through today, and guest **DJ's** (perhaps someone you graduated with) will play the music. A videotape of your **video greetings** will be played. (Have you sent yours? See page 22 of the Fall issue of Towers or send a video greeting wishing Otterbein a happy 150th to **Fred Glasser '69**, 5149 Longview Drive, Hilliard, Ohio 43206.)

We hope to have a **picture wall at the dance**. If you have a picture or memento to share, send it to Heidi Kellett, 6065 Kilbury-Huber Rd., Plain City, Ohio 43064. If you want it returned, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope, and put your name and address on the back of the photo.

Tired yet? Well hurry and get some sleep, because on Sunday morning you can join your friends again for a Chapel service, lunch in the Campus Center, and that matinee you missed yesterday.

Happy Founders' Day! ■

Sesquicentennial Squibs:

Commemorate the Past, Ring in the Future!

As Britain is preparing all church bells to ring in the new millenium, we too at Otterbein are preparing to ring in our new era. The Towers Bell has been a symbol of Otterbein for over 100 years. It has told the community the time of day, of athletic victories, of special events, and was even to be rung in a special (secret code) way to warn the faculty of impending trouble. Fortunately, it never had to do the latter.

The Founders' Day Committee is seeking 150 volunteers to contribute a minimum of $15 each for the opportunity to be a bell ringer. We will gather at 1:45 p.m. in front of Towers Hall, form a large "O" and have a brief ceremony before beginning to ring the bell at 1:50 p.m. Since the bell is no longer rung by pulling the rope in the bell tower, a device outside Towers will allow each bell ringer to activate the bell.

Each bell ringer will receive a plaque with a piece of the original rope to remind them of our continual ties to Otterbein and the ringing of the bell will proclaim to the community the continual influence of Otterbein to the area and the world.

Affirm our past, shape our future by volunteering to be a bell ringer. Make checks payable to: Otterbein College/Bell Ringer, Otterbein College Development Office, Westerville, Ohio 43081. Attn: Edie Walters Cole

Of Special Note to Alumni Researchers:

We often associate research with universities and colleges, yet research has impact well beyond the academic community. **The Sesquicentennial Symposium will honor research and especially Otterbein researchers in their mini-conference, "Research and Community," on April 23, 1997, from 2:30-9:00 p.m.** In two afternoon sessions of three panels apiece, alumni, faculty, and student researchers will describe what they do, how they got into research, what their research means to them, how they found a community that valued that research, and what challenges their research has posed for them. In an evening roundtable, panelists will have the opportunity to discuss the larger relationships they see between research and community and to answer questions from the audience.

The panels and roundtable will not be directed at specialists in any particular fields, but will be open to all those interested in research and its influence on our lives.

As part of the Sesquicentennial goal to "educate for community," organizers will end the miniconference by asking all alumni researchers present to join the Otterbein Research Network, a way for alumni researchers in all fields to serve as research resources for Otterbein students.

Some of the alumni planning to participate in the mini-conference are: Marty Trudeau (Psychology, '85), Sandra Bennett (Theatre, '64), Grant Paullo (Economics, '92), Nancy Grace (History, '73), Aaron Kerr (History, '91), Becky Mizer Chamberlin (Journalism, '93), and Barbara Reynolds Manno (Biology, '57).

Buffet Before the Play

On Friday, April 25, preceding the opening night performance of *Miller and Winter*, there will be **a buffet-style dinner served in the elegant atmosphere of the redecorated Campus Center.** The menu includes top round, vegetarian lasagna, baked potato, salads and desserts. Entertainment will include songs from the musicals *Knickerbocker Holiday* and *Cabaret* presented by the Otterbein College Theatre Department. The dinner is $13.50 and will be at 6 p.m. followed by the play at 7:30 in the Campus Center Theatre. There is no charge for the play. Please make your reservations by returning the preregistration form by April 14th, c/o Founders' Day, Becky Smith, Otterbein College, Westerville, OH 43081. Make checks payable to Otterbein College. ■

FOUNDERS' DAY - April 26, 1997

"Affirming our past, shaping our future"

Tentative Schedule of Events

(Please indicate the nunmber of people attending each event.)

Saturday	Event	Location	Cost	Number	Total$:
	Gathering in the quiet, peaceful village to honor the one we love so true…				
9:45 a.m.	Concert Band prelude	Towers Hall Lawn			
10:00	Opening ceremony	Towers Hall Lawn			
10:30	Stamp cancellation (stamps/postcards avail.)	Campus Center			
	She ever bids a welcome to her friends both old and new				
10:30 – 11:30	Reminisce in Towers, or enjoy "Traditions of the Past" in or near the Campus Center				
	Children's activities (donations on-site)	Church of the Master			
	Tours of campus	Campus Center			
	Heritage Walk (10:30 - noon)	Campus Center			
	Re-enactment of 1800's classroom	Towers Hall			
	Literary Society-style readings	Campus Center			
	Quilting Bee	Campus Center			
	and more....	Everywhere!			
11:30 – 1 p.m.	Old-Fashioned Picnic Lunch	Campus Center	$5 adult		
	($6 on-site)		$4 child		
	'Neath treetops green,				
12:45 p.m.	Civil War skirmish re-enactment	Campus Center			
1:30	Two Mile Walk (tour by bus)	Campus Center			
1:30	Westerville walking tour (1:30 - 2:30)	Campus Center			
1:50	Bell ringing (150 times)	Towers Hall	$15 min.		
2:00	Historic exhibition baseball game	Behind Rike Ctr.			
3:00– 4:30 p.m.	Historic Play Matinee *Miller and Winter*	Campus Center			
4:00	Scrap Day Activities	Football field			
4:00– 5:30 p.m.	Heritage Walk	Campus Center			
1:30-5:00	Children's activities				
	Join in, or just watch the old-fashioned fun, games, badminton, croquet, horseshoes, hoops, kite flying,	Behind Campus Center			
	nostalgic photographs,	Campus Center			
	carriage rides (on-site cost)	Campus Center			
	kite show				
	hot air balloons (subject to availability and appropriate weather)				
5:00-7:00	Pig Roast Dinner	Campus Center	$10 adult		
	($12 on-site)		$6 (age 6-12)		
			free (under six)		
	Our memories 'round thee linger…				
7:00	150th Anniversary Cake Lighting Ceremony and concert on the green	Campus Center			
8:00 -11:00	Dance through the Decades ...and enjoy an evening of special entertainment (concessions available)	Rike Center			
	We pledge anew we will be true…				
Sunday					
10:30 a.m.	Chapel Service	Chapel			
Noon	Lunch ($4.95 at door)	Campus Center			
2:00 p.m.	Historic Play Matinee *Miller and Winter*	Campus Center			
	…dear Otterbein!				
			Total Enclosed:	$	

Founders' Day Preregistration

To take advantage of preregistration prices, deadline is March 31, 1997. (On-site registration available)

Name _____

Address _____

_____

Phone (_____)_____ Year Graduated_____
(or years enrolled)

Family/Friends attending with you:

Name	Child's age	or	Otterbein Class of

deadline April 14, 1997

❑ _____(#) will be attending the **Montage Reception** on Monday, April 21, 4 p.m., Library (historical photographic display, see page 18 of the fall issue of *Towers*.)

❑ I need _____ tickets for **Friday's dinner** at $13.50 apiece.
(Reservations needed by April 14 to Becky Smith/Founders' Day, Campus Center, Westerville, OH 43081)

deadline March 31, 1997

❑ I need free tickets for the play ***Miller and Winter***:
Friday evening performance at 7:30 p.m. _____ tickets. Saturday matinee at 3 pm _____ tickets
Sunday matinee at 2 pm_____tickets

❑ I need _____ Saturday **adult lunch** tickets at $5. ❑ I need _____Saturday **child lunch** tickets at $4.

❑ I need _____ Saturday **pig roast** tickets at $10. ❑ I need _____Saturday **child** (6-12) **dinner** tickets at $6.

***Please indicate in the number column on the reverse side the number of people who will be attending events so we can plan appropriately.**

Hotel Reservations can be made by calling the Signature Inn at 614-890-8111. Rooms are available at a special rate to Founders' Day participants at $57 per night. Guests can call directly, but must refer to the reservation code **OTTFOUND** to obtain the special rate.

❑ Enclosed is my $15 donation (give more if you want!) to **ring the Towers bell**.
(Please enclose a **separate check** payable to Otterbein College/Bell Ringers.)

❑ I plan to leave _____ child(ren) at the **children's activities center** from _____ a.m./p.m. to _____ a.m./p.m.
(Maximum time: two hours.) For evening baby-sitting info call Kim Ticknor (891-1256) or Heidi Kellet (873-8551)

❑ I plan to use the **children's nap facilities**. Number of children_____

❑ I am interested in **assisting** with the following events:

_____

❑ I would like _____ hot air balloon ride tickets at $125 apiece. ***Please enclose separate check for this so it can be easily returned to you in case of inclement weather.**

Questions? Call Gretchen Chorey Sasfy at 614-823-1140 or gchorey@ocalpha.otterbein.edu
Please make checks payable to Otterbein College and return to
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Make sure to order your Otterbein Sesquicentennial Pictorial History! See ad on inside front cover.

>>> *from page 12*

They live in Santa Rosa, heart of California's wine country.

1977

Timothy Hayes is a principal research scientist at Battelle Laboratories in Columbus. His wife **Pam Burns Hayes '78** is the science department chair at Heritage Middle School in Westerville. She coaches softball and also helps direct the Drama Club. They have two children: TJ, 15 and Abbie, 13.

Patricia Call Riner has three children: Abbie, 14, Molly, 10, and Bradley, 5. She is vice president of My-T Acres, a 7000 acre family vegetable and grain farm in Western NY state. Her husband Don owns and operates a plant-growing business.

Tom Shanks was promoted to partner-in-charge of the Arthur Andersen LLP Public Tax Group in Cleveland.

Stephen Walker has been promoted to the rank of Lt. Colonel, Ohio Air National Guard. He is the maintenance squadron commander at Springfield Air National Guard Base. Lt. Col. Walker has served a variety of active duty, most recently in Kuwait. He lives in Westerville with his wife Susan and two children: April, 21, and Joshua, 15.

Benjamin Weisbrod has been appointed by the West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church to minister of education and outreach at Armstrong Chapel United Methodist Church.

1978

Ann Black Ihnat is living on a farm north of Kittanning, PA, raising her two children, some ducks and goats. Her family is busy remodeling their home.

Steven Kovach is now general manager of Titus Mfg. Co., Inc. in Kent, WA.

Rebecca Princehorn was one of three Bricker & Eckler partners to participate in the 41st annual Ohio School Boards Association Capital Conference held in November at the Columbus Convention Center. She provided an overview of the 20 mill floor and its relationship to levy planning and financing permanent improvements to the nearly 8,000 people in attendance.

Lorraine Federer Studer is a registered nurse/nutritionist currently on leave with plans to return to nursing in the future.

1979

Mark Bailey received his MA in vocational business education in June from The Ohio State University. He is teaching business and social studies at Hilliard High School.

Christine Markley McDowd has worked for Farmers Insurance the past 16 years and is now a claims manager in Denver. She has three children: Ben, 14, Sarah, 12 and Luke, 8.

Mark Princehorn is now the director of athletics at Olentangy Local Schools having served the past five years as athletic director at Buckeye Valley. He was recognized as Athletic Director of the Year (1996) for the Central District of the Ohio Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association.

Kent Stuckey has published a book, titled *Internet and OnLine Law*. The book may be ordered on the Internet, of course.

1980

Pete Bible has been promoted to chief accounting officer for General Motors.

Barbara Hawkins-Scott has taken over as artistic director of the Aurora Theatre near Atlanta.

Apologies to **Karen Fishbaugh Linder**. In the last issue of *Towers*, we announced she had accepted the position of head softball coach at Ashland. She actually accepted that

Endowed Scholarships and Awards

The Elmer A.R. '24 and Alice Flegal Schultz '24 Memorial Endowed Award

Established by Dr. Arthur '49 and Louis Schultz '49, and family and friends. Elmer Schultz, Arthur's father, served for many years on the Otterbein Board of Trustees and also received an honorary degree from the College. The award is to alternate between a religion and education major. It will be awarded for the first time at this year's Honors Convocation in June.

The Merriss '33 and Carol Cornell Endowed Research Fund for the Study of Women in Society

This is the second endowed special project by Carol Cornell of Westerville. The fund is to promote research focused on her previous gift of the Lucinda Lenore Merriss Cornell Diaries. Merriss, Carol's late husband, is the grandson and namesake of Lucinda and the great grandson of Angeline Bishop Cornell, who was one of the first women at Otterbein. The research is to focus on women in society, their lifestyles, writings and history. The project will be conducted under the auspices of the sociology department.

Theta Nu, We're Looking for You!

Alumni meeting and cookout, Sat. April 26, 1997 at 64 W. Home St. at 11 a.m. Please help us update our alumni roster. We need your help in completing this form.

Name (maiden)_____Yr.____

Address_____

City_____ST____Zip_____

Phone_____E-Mail address_____

Fax_____ Active (name)_____

Pledge (name)_____ Dues paid? Y N

Lifetime member? Y N Do you want your name listed in the roster? Y N ❑ I will attend April 26 cookout.

Please reply by March 10 to Sue Roy, 64. W. Home St., Westerville, OH 43081(891-0886)

position at Kent State University.

Jill Britton Matticola loves her job as French teacher at Fort Hayes Arts and Academic HS in Columbus. She has formed a partnership with Lycee Rimbaud in the south of France and will be taking 11 students there for a three week exchange in April. Jill is also enjoying summer travels in France and Italy with her husband, Brian.

Jeffrey Myers is the president of the Ohio Optometric Association.

Janice Harrell Sing is a senior analyst for the Technical & Business Solutions operation of Science Applications International Corp. in Dayton.

1981

Mary Cunnyngham is communications officer for The Ohio Humanities Council.

Janice Dragon Kowell is vice president and northwest marine practice leader with Johnson & Higgins. She has been with Johnson & Higgins for 15 years and is now living in Portland, OR.

1982

Cathy Myers Hahn is teaching the "Heartstrings" classes for the Columbus-based company, WeJoySing. "Heartstrings" is a music enrichment program for preschoolers and their parents.

Steve Hakes is director, National Accounts, with Frigidaire, in Dublin, Ohio. He lives in Dublin with his wife Dana and three children: Scott, Sean and Courtney.

Hal Hopkins received his MBA from Loyola University in Chicago. He is the quality assurance manager, Europe, for Abbott Laboratories Diagnostics Division and will be located in Wiesbaden, Germany.

Craig Merz is a sports reporter for the *Columbus Dispatch* covering The Columbus Chill (hockey) and Columbus Crew (soccer). He is also the assistant men's cross country coach and assistant track coach at Otterbein.

1983

Michele Burns Blackwell reports the 1996 Arabian Horse Show season ended in October bringing the total Blackwell Stables wins to: 17 National Champions, 22 Reserve National Champions and 184 Top Tens. The first show of the season is in February in Scottsdale, Ariz.

Silas Rose is the executive vice president for Modern Office Methods, in Cincinnati. He has four children: Boy/Girl twins, 7 and sons, 4 and 2.

1984

Tony and Beth Schreiber '85 Navarro have moved to Sparta, NJ, where Tony is the logistics finance manager for North American Logistics Service, a division of Mars, Inc.

Michael Price was awarded the Ohio YMCA Youth in Government Distinguished Service Award.

Chris Roark has been appointed dean of students and assistant to the principal at Lehman Catholic High School in Sidney, OH.

Mary Beth Robinson is the costume shop manager/designer for Ohio Wesleyan University.

1985

Jeffrey Barber is a major in the Marine Corps stationed at Twenty Nine Palms Marine Base in California. He and his wife Sonia are the proud parents of two-year-old twin daughters Jaydie and Janah.

With the merger of St. Ann's Hospital and Mt. Carmel Health System, **Jayme Rone Denney** has received a promotion to customer support specialist, Information Resources.

Christine Dudero is a staff RN, Sharp Hospice, Vista, CA and is the "first to be on a laptop and have not found the axe or the any key." Christine says she is "grateful for the challenges I received to 'think it through, look it up, decide and take the initiative,'" and wishes to thank Sharon Carlson, Judy Strayer and Dr. Place.

Allison Dixon Smith graduated from Ohio Northern University School of Law, 1990.

1986

Amy Cedargren is a pediatrician at the Jackson County Clinic in Jackson, Ohio.

Bruce Gifford has been inducted into the Westerville North High School Alumni Hall of Fame.

Barbara Harmer is enrolled in the Landscape Design Program at Columbus State where she was named to the 1996 All-American Academic Volleyball team.

Jim McGovern is in his last year of fellowship training in pediatric cardiology at Duke University Medical Center. He enjoys mountain biking in his spare time. His wife Maureen is in private practice in Durham as an OB/GYN physician.

Selena Swisher is living in Wooster and is the store director of the new Toys R Us store in Mansfield, Ohio.

1987

Michele Davis Berkes is on the staff of the operating agent for the International Energy Agency's Energy Technology Data Exchange (ETDE). She develops marketing materials and technical documentation and maintains the ETDE World Wide Web site. **Scott Berkes '87** is an intern architect for Falconnier Accessible Design Architect. They live in Knoxville, TN.

Judy Amy Hagemann is the technology coordinator at St. Francis Episcopal Day School in Potomac, Maryland.

Lori Kuhn completed her MBA with a specialization in management in Dec. 1996, at LaSalle University, Philadelphia.

Lisa Fischer Macri is administrative assistant/buyer for Micro Center.

Melissa Marsh has joined WSAZ News Channel 3, an NBC affiliate in Huntington, WV, as a broadcast meteorologist. She previously worked at the NBC

affiliate in Youngstown, OH.

Carole Griswold Shaw, who has spent 33 years in the nursing field, is presently at the Ohio State University Medical Center Surgical ICU. She is married to Gregory Shaw and enjoying life, work and relaxation.

1988

Dan Gifford is a senior manager at KPMG Peat Marwick LLP. He is at the E. Lansing, Michigan office where he serves insurance clients throughout Michigan and Ohio.

Sandra West Gordon received her master's degree in May 1996 from Christopher Newport University in Newport News, VA. She earned an MAT in Secondary Mathematics.

Keith Green has been promoted to director of Cooperative Education and Internship in the College of Business at the University of Akron.

Matt Puskarich was elected prosecuting attorney for Harrison County (Cadiz).

1989

Lori Patterson Cook is the Project Manager/Writer for the Sant Corporation in Cincinnati. Sant is a software company that creates customized proposal automation systems.

John Gadd received his Master's degree in Public Policy from the Univ. of Chicago. He is now the assistant press secretary for the New York City Dept. of Health.

William Gordon earned an MS in Computer Science from Dominion University in Norfolk.

Shawn Miller lives in Clayton, NC, and is a sales representative for American Woodmark Cabinet Co.

Valerie Klawitter Scherer is communications specialist, corporate communications at Metatec Corporation in Dublin, OH.

1990

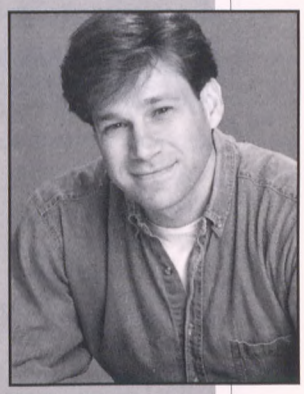
Jim Amick has accepted a position with the Dunwoody Country Club, Dunwoody, GA., a suburb of Atlanta.

Paul Erwin received his Master's degree in journalism from Temple University in Philadelphia. He was selected to join the national honor society for journalism students. Paul is employed as an assistant editor for *CompuServe* Magazine in Columbus.

PROFILE

Theatre Grad a Gypsy in Pursuit of his Career

by Ken Goodrich



Globe-trotting **David DeCooman '85** describes his pursuit of a theatre career that has taken him across the U.S. and through eight other countries since graduation as "My crazy life of a gypsy." This year found him in South Korea, where he worked four months in a production of *42nd Street* – eight weeks helping Korean dancers with American tap dance techniques, five weeks in rehearsal, and the remainder performing – in the Korean language! – with his new Korean colleagues.

David unhesitatingly credits Otterbein with his intense commitment to theatre and his successes to date. Now a resident of New York City (when he is not performing on the road), he grew up in a very different place, Howard, Ohio, where there were all of 54 students in his high school class. Otterbein's theatre reputation, and annual visits with his high school English class to campus productions, drew him to the College, where he says doors and windows were opened for him that he had hardly known existed. "I never imagined myself a dancer before I got to Otterbein." He majored in theatre, minored in dance and sociology.

Like many serious students in the performing arts, David immersed himself deeply in theatre, music, and dance – acting and assisting back-stage in the theatre, performing and choreographing with Opus Zero, singing in the Concert Choir and Men's Glee Club, and even playing in the Marching Band. Among faculty who he feels powerfully influenced his life were Ginny Adams in dance, Craig Johnson in music, and Ed Vaughn in theatre. To this day he uses vocal warm-ups and exercises he learned at Otterbein.

Following graduation he stayed in Columbus for a few years where he had a "job job" (his term for what an actor-dancer does to support himself while seeking work in theatre) doing fund-raising with the Columbus Symphony. Since moving to New York City some seven years ago, he has appeared there and elsewhere in *Gentlemen Prefer Blonds*, *The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas*, *Guys and Dolls*, *Sugar Babies*, and *The Student Prince*, among others.

Reflecting on the obstacles and disappointments that must be overcome by aspiring thespians, David recommends to theatre graduates that only if they feel they were "born to be in the theatre" and would not be happy elsewhere should they commit to this road. If they believe they could be happy doing something else, they should take that other path.

David himself appears thoroughly commited to a theatre career, which at present means supporting himself with two part-time "job jobs." He is lucky, he says, because both are related to his professional aspirations. One is in the arts and humanities office of the Rockefeller Foundation. The other actually pays him to attend Broadway shows where he hands out infrared handsets to hearing-impaired attendees.

What does the future hold for David DeCooman? He aspires, of course, to more roles, and bigger and better roles. The "crazy gypsy life" continues.

Mark Obenchain was recognized at the Fall Awards Banquet sponsored by the Kentucky Society of Certified Public Accounts honoring new CPAs and successful candidates from the May 1996 CPA exam.

Amanda Slager Pickerill has received her PhD in School Psychology. She is a school psychologist for Franklin County Educational Service Center. Her husband **Craig '90** is president of Sleep Care, Inc. which provides sleep disorder testing services through hospitals.

Art Stovall has been appointed varsity football coach at Columbus South High School.

1991

Apologies to **Greg Gramke**. The last issue of *Towers* reported Greg as a school psychologist. He is, in fact, the manager of Events and Promotions at the Cincinnati Zoo.

Robert Humphrey is in music sales for Colonial Music in Westerville, Newark, Hilliard and Mt. Vernon.

Diana Fraley Johnson received her MBA from Ohio State in June.

Jennifer Keefer is the general manager of the Pro-Musica Chamber Orchestra of Columbus.

Lisa Parks is manager of administrative services for Optimum Technologies.

Beth Payne Sanders lives in Clintonville with her husband of five years, Jeff, and their daughter, Melissa. She is an account manager at Corporate Sales Micro Center. Beth received the Rising Star Award in 1995 for an outstanding rookie year in sales at CSMC.

1992

Lora Bishop was awarded an Ashland 1996 Golden Apple Achiever Award. She was one of 232 Ohio teachers to receive the award which recognizes teachers for their teaching methods, philosophies and concerns for individual student needs.

Jennifer Brown is teaching third grade at Maitland Elementary in Morgan City, LA where she has been teaching for the past five years. She is pursuing her master's degree at Nicholls State University.

Dawn Dietrick is a site technology contact person and computer lab teacher at an elementary school near Houston, Texas.

Martha Murphy Donley is the acting branch chief for the Customer Service Branch at the Defense Industrial Security Clearance Office. She works with other government agencies and contractors both stateside and overseas.

Kim Clouse Gramke is a school psychologist in the Kettering School system.

Linda Siemer Harris has been promoted to administrative manager for Fairfield National Bank, Lancaster, Ohio.

Michele Hord received her Master's of Science in Counselor Education from the University of Dayton in August 1996. She is supervisor of a protective services unit at Marion County Children Services Board.

1993

Doug Babcock is assistant to the deputy national security advisor in the Vice President's Office, Washington DC.

Adam Bihl was one of four students chosen to receive the Alden B. Oakes Scholarship for the 96-97 school term. He is a third-year medical student at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. He will be attending his fourth year at the Cleveland Clinic.

Dwight Newell is the owner and director of marketing for the Ohio Health Consortium, Inc. Their primary business is third-party administration of drug and alcohol testing programs.

Kimberly Colvin Yennis is teaching kindergarten at Millersport Elementary in the Walnut Twp. Local Schools.

1994

Karrie Poling Hanning is teaching seventh grade social studies in Alexander Local Schools in Athens County.

Gerald McSwords is at Westerville North HS where he teaches algebra and integrated math. He is also coaching football, wrestling and baseball.

1995

Kristina Cooper is the evening supervisor at Baron-Forners Library at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

Melissa Crohen is an LD tutor at Heritage Middle School in Hilliard, Ohio. She will begin graduate school in January at OSU.

Lynn Harroun is teaching seventh grade science at Zebulon Middle School in the Wake County Public Schools in Raleigh, NC.

Corrections! Corrections!

We apologize for the following errors in the 1996 Honor Roll of Donors that appeared in the fall issue of *Towers* magazine.

The following were not listed and should have been listed in the Tan and Cardinal club: **Robert Agler, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Alspaugh, Vincent Arnold, Harold and Grace Augspurger, Joseph and Helen Carlisle, James Clary, Leonardo Gonzalez, George Meechean, and Harold Petersen**.

The following were listed in the Tan and Cardinal club and should have been listed in the Towers club: **Irvin Bence, Jane and Wallace Cochran, William Davis, Roger Hamm, Ron and Suzanne Jones, Howard Newton, John Rowland, and C. Gary and Bonnie Steck**.

In addition, **Curtis and Wavelene Tong** were listed in the President's Bronze Circle and should have been listed in the Towers club; **Richard and Shirley Whitehead** was not listed and should have been listed in the Towers club; and **Mark Coldiron** was listed in the Towers club and should have been listed in the President's Bronze Circle.

Again, our apologies for the errors.

Kimberly Johnson is teaching seventh grade math and science at St. Mary middle school in Lancaster.

Neil Juliano is the high ropes and intiatives facilitator at the Adventure Education Center in Delaware, Ohio.

Brian Korn is a second year medical student at The Ohio University College of Osteopathic medicine.

Andy Mahle is an agent for The Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Columbus.

Melissa Swedersky is enrolled in the allied medicine division of occupational therapy at OSU.

Jeffrey White is the operations manager for Safelite Glass Co. He and his wife **Deana Harris '81** live in Noblesville, Ind. with their daughters, Rachel, 10 and Kristen, 7.

Todd Zets is a clinical nurse I practicing in the critical care and intensive care unit at Columbia Hospital in Lexington, KY.

1996

Jill Bush is the public relations specialist in the Community Relations/ Marketing Department, at Samaritan Regional Health Systems.

Renee DeLozier is teaching third grade at Broadleigh Elementary in Columbus.

Tyler Gantz is an English teacher and assistant football coach at St. Francis DeSales HS, Columbus.

Trevor Kielmeyer is teaching history at Newark High School, Newark, OH.

Miriam Laskey is teaching reading to first and second graders at West Elementary in Elgin Local Schools.

James Luneborg is a title I teacher in Sugar Creek, Ohio.

Krista Papania is account coordinator for the Powell Group in Dallas, Texas. ■

MILESTONES

Compiled by Shirley Seymour

MARRIAGES

1962

Dan Jordan to Laura Lee, Aug. 28, 1993

1970

Jan Keller Askren to Robert Smith, Jan. 12, 1996.

1978

Jeffrey Burnett to Jennifer Musser, June 8, 1996.

1987

Lisa Fischer to Christopher Macri, Sept. 7, 1996.

1989

Patrick Baker to Kelly Sack, June 15, 1996.

Gretchen Chorey to Tommy Sasfy, Aug. 17, 1996.

Shana Flavin to Doug Bender.

Michelle Rook to Daniel Helton, Dec. 14, 1990.

Randy Norman to Carole Bedenbaugh, Oct. 26, 1996.

Lori Patterson to Alexander Cook, June 15, 1996.

1990

Rebecca Moellendick to Gerald Hetterscheidt, Feb. 17, 1996.

1991

John Kaltenbach to Angela Harris, Aug. 26, 1995.

1992

Douglas High to Lyssa Beamer, Sept. 21, 1996.

Linda Seimer to Patrick Harris, June 22, 1996.

1993

Stacey Belger to Marc Roberts, June 15, 1996.

Wendy Coble to Scott Okuley, Aug. 3, 1996.

Dave Dove to Christy Cox, Sept. 17, 1996.

Kariann Sneary to Edwin Gillett, Sept. 21, 1996.

1994

Lynnee Jelinek to Robert Brown, Oct. 12, 1996.

Marsha Knoll to Kevin McDaniels, Aug. 3, 1996.

1995

Michele Barringer to Matthew Mills, Oct. 26, 1996

Elizabeth Rufener to John Kemmerer, June 15, 1996.

Jenny Stratton to Ivan Rollit, Jr., Sept. 14, 1996.

1996

James Barker to Rebecca Miller, July 20, 1996.

BIRTHS

1978

Lorraine Federer Studer and husband Dennis, a girl, Dena Ellen, born Oct. 4, 1996.

1981

Janice Dragon Kowell and husband Fred, a girl, Natalie Kimie, born Dec. 2, 1996.

1983

Mary Kindinger Waugh and husband Michael, a girl, Emily Jane, born July 3, 1996. She joins sisters Heather, 9 and Jessica, 8 and brother Robert, 5.

1984

Tony Navarro and wife **Beth Schreiber '85**, a boy, Jake Anthony, born Aug. 21, 1996.

Kent Riggs and wife Pam, a girl, Kristin Anne, born Oct. 8, 1996. She joins brother Anthony, 6-1/2.

Wendy Peterson Ware and husband Cameron, a boy, Carson Nathaniel, born Mar. 29, 1995. He joins brother Austin, 3.

1985

Melinda Selby Juergens and husband James, a girl, Jaclyn Marie, born Oct. 10, 1996. She joins brother Jon, 4-1/2.

Allison Dixon Smith and husband Adam, a girl, Gabrielle, born Aug. 14, 1995.

1986

Cherie O'Donnell Curley and husband Frank, a boy, Sean Patrick, born Mar. 11, 1996.

1987

Lorelei Schluter Mendieta and husband Benjamin, a boy, Gregory Walden, born June 25, 1995.

R. Craig Stone and wife Jenny, a girl, Abigail Taylor, born Oct. 18, 1996.

1988

Amy Puskarich Mirabal and husband George, a boy, Alexander Cameron, born Aug. 11, 1996.

1989

Becky Pasden Chatel and husband Paul, a girl, Teresa Marie, born Dec. 4, 1996. She joins brother Nicholas, 20 months.

Aaron Connell and wife **Beth Herring '90**, a girl, Abigail Elizabeth, born June 27, 1996.

Michelle Rook Helton and husband Daniel, a boy, Kevin Daniel, born Feb. 26, 1995. He joins sister, Jessica Michelle, 4.

John Trippier and wife **Tuesday Beerman '89**, a girl, Emma Victoria, born June 7, 1996. She joins brother Joshua, 4.

1990

Kelly Pifer Stoll and husband Ken, a girl, Jordan Elizabeth, born Oct. 30, 1996.

1991

Brenda Burger Haas and husband Michael, a girl, Elaine McCrea, born Aug. 2, 1996.

Beverly Wheeler Heer and husband Jeremy, a boy, Timothy Noah, born June 8, 1996. He joins brother Justin, 3.

Amy Prather Smith and husband Matt, a boy, Cameron Tyler, born Aug. 17, 1996.

1992

Jennifer O'Bryan Mohr and husband Mark, a boy, Johnathan Howard, born Jan. 23, 1996.

1993

Christy Zecher McDonel and husband **Greg '92**, a boy, Duncan James, born Dec. 21, 1996.

1995

Stashah Hunter Korn and husband **Brian '95**, twin boys, Greyson Rae and Avery Briant, born Mar. 22, 1996.

DEATHS

1918

We have received word of the passing of **Denzel Hall Millikan**.

1930

Anna Bickel Minnich passed away June 10, 1996. She was preceded in death by her husband **Howard '28.**

1931

Helen Mathias Berry, 89, of Lancaster, passed away May 19, 1996 at Fairfield Medical Center. She was a member of the Lancaster United Brethren in Christ Church, and a retired school teacher. She is survived by son Alan (Katie); grandsons, Todd (Shelly) Berry, Michael Berry; two great-grandchildren; and sisters, Mary Deeds and Mable Scholl, Lancaster; brother Charles (Josephine), Logan.

1932

We have received word that **James E. Huston** passed away. He was preceded in death by his wife **Moe Sweitzer '30**.

Mary E. Noble passed away May 30, 1996, after a brief illness.

We have received word that **Norris C. Titley** passed away June 26, 1996.

1933

Daniel C. Bowell passed away Sept. 20, 1996, in Stuart, FL where he had been a resident for 25 years. The Dayton native was 87 years old and had retired after 37 years from the Frigidaire division of General Motors. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, **Releaffa Freeman Bowell '31**; three sons, John of New York City, **Daniel '67** of Pataskala, and **Thomas '68** of Parkland, FL; daughter-in-law **Molly Beason Bowell '71** of Parkland, FL; and five grandchildren. Dan was named twice to the All-Ohio football squad, was a member of Sphinx fraternity and an active contributor of the Alumni Association and "O" Club.

Zeller R. Henry, 87, died Dec. 5, 1996 at Hospice of Dayton. He retired in 1975 as the Manager of Socioeconomic Affairs and Industrial Relations at the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce. Survivors include his wife Frances; daughter, Martha Mycoff of North Fort Myers, FL; son, James of Germantown; and four granddaughters.

Keith S. Hoover, 84, of Granville, died July 15, 1996, at the Inn at Sharon-Brooke, Newark. He retired in 1976 as the Manager of Chemical Research for the A.B. Dick Co., Chicago. The Boy Scouts of America honored him in 1958 for his many years of outstanding service to scouting. Surviving are his wife, Evelyn, Granville; son, Dennis (Claudia) of Bernardsville, NJ; daughter, Linda Snider of Keene, NH; daughter Deborah (Charles) Bonner of East Grand Rapids, Mich.; daughter, Diana Hoover of Redwood City, Calif.; brother Donald (Betty) of Johnstown; brothers-in-law, Dean Ashbrook of Johnstown and William McElroy of Monterey Park, Calif.; grandchildren: Sheryl Hamill, Lori Donnelly, Brian Snider, Chelsea Bonner and Dylan Bonner; great-grandson, Robert Hamill and several nieces and nephews.

1935

We have received word that **Floretta Peters Smock** passed away in July 1994.

1938

Elmer N. Funkhouser, Jr., died unexpectedly at his home in Westwood, MA on Sunday, May 26. He is fondly remembered by many friends in the Westerville area. Funkhouser was elected to the Otterbein Board of Trustees in 1956 and was chairman from 1973 to 1983. He was elected Honorary Trustee in 1991. While serving on the Board of Trustees, Funkhouser served on the finance, budget control, long-range planning and development committees. He chaired the Venture Into Opportunity campaign for Otterbein's 125th anniversary. He received Otterbein's Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1968. Funkhouser's father, also named Elmer, graduated

from Otterbein in 1913 and served on the Board from 1921 to 1964 when he was made an honorary trustee. Both father and son received honorary degrees from Otterbein in 1963 as they celebrated their silver and golden anniversary reunions. Funkhouser is survived by his wife of 57 years, **Gladys '38**, four children, two brothers and 10 grandchildren. In addition to his contributions to Otterbein, Funkhouser was a leader in the field of business and industry. He received an M.S. degree in chemistry from Harvard University and an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School. While a graduate student at Harvard, he started work for Dewey and Almy Chemical Co. and continued with W.R. Grace and Co. after a 1954 merger of the two corporations. He joined American Metal Climax as a senior officer in 1962 and became a senior officer with American Can Co. in 1966. His role in business and industry took him around the world to meet with countless political and economic leaders. After taking an early retirement from American Can Co. in 1972, Funkhouser was selected as a special assistant to the dean at the Harvard School of Business. Throughout his career, Funkhouser worked in the government, with and without pay, to help find ways to improve government services. In addition, Funkhouser served on the Council on Foreign Relations, Institute on Mining Engineers, Mayor's Council, and American Management Association. He was a director for Emerson Hospital and a trustee of St. Johnsbury Academy as well as serving on other civic, professional and social groups.

1939

Lois Breeden Ayers passed away July 9, 1996. She continued to teach adult piano students until April 1995.

Harley B. Learish, 79, passed away Sept. 20, 1996 at Good Samaritan Hospital in Dayton. A long time resident of Englewood, Ohio and a member of the Englewood United Methodist Church, he was retired from Wright Patterson Air Force Base. Harley was a member of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity. His wife, **Virginia Brown '40**, preceded him in death. Survivors include: son, Donald Learish of Cranford, NJ; daughter, Barbara (Steve) Lietzau of Novi, MI; grandchildren, Mark, Micah, Angela and Erica Lietzau; and sisters, Mary Learish of Greenbrook, NJ and **Esther Watrous '46** of Centerville, Ohio.

1942

We have received word of the death of **Paul Sellers**, March 9, 1995.

1953

Jane Catlin Ciampa passed away Aug. 29, 1996. She was preceded in death by husband **J. Paul Ciampa '53.** She is survived by two sons, **Jeff '80** and **Chris '82**, and by her sister **Mary Ellen Catlin Myers '55**.

Lois Fisher Young, 65, passed away Sept. 24, 1996, at her home of a congenital heart condition. She taught in the Columbus school system early in her marriage and was a volunteer at the Richland Pregnancy Services and the Richland County Red Cross. She and her husband, Dr. Charles Young, built a log home in Bellville on their tree farm where they have planted 14,000 trees. In addition to her husband, she is survived by one adopted daughter, Lauri Young of New York City; one adopted son, Scott Young of Maine; one brother, Steven Fisher of Northville Mich.; one sister, Jeanne Miller of DeLand, Fla.; brother and sister -in-law John and Kris Young; several nieces and nephews; and her grand dog, Brutus Buckeye.

1955

We have received word that **Lois Williams Korte** passed away Mar. 26, 1996.

1956

Gilbert "Gibby" Lakeman, 71, died Sept. 16 at Kobacker House. He was a retired teacher and coach in central Ohio schools. A US Navy veteran, he served on the USS Canberra. Survivors include his wife, Margaret; children, Richard (Nancy) of Westerville, Dan (Catherine) of Lewis Center, Matthew (Elizabeth) of Westerville, Laura (David) Mink of Gahanna, Alexander of Westerville; and eight grandchildren.

1959

Charles L. Dickson, died May 2, 1996, from colon cancer. He is survived by his wife **Carolyn Weidel Dickson '61**.

1970

We have received word that **Charles Seward** passed away Nov. 4, 1995.

1972

We have received word that **Thomas J. Cole** passed away Mar. 7, 1996.

1988

We have received word that **Donald Dean Kincaid** passed away Nov. 9, 1996.

Friends

Dorothy R. Horn, 93, passed away Aug. 31, 1996, at Worthington Nursing Home. She is survived by three sons, L.S. Horn, Jr. (Eleanor), Knoxville, Tenn., **Leon '51** (Dorothy) Pennsville, NJ, and **Albert '49 (Jane '50) Horn**, Westerville.

Carol R. Krumm, 73, of Columbus, passed away Sept. 27, 1996 at Riverside Hospital. She was a member of the Church of the Master U.M. Church and the Westerville Historical Society, curator of Hanby House and also active in many other civic organizations, and had a special interest in the McCurdy School. She is survived by daughter **Dee Dee '69 (Dennis '69) Heffner**; grandchildren, **Todd Heffner '96**, Columbus, Heidi Heffner, Calif., Andrew Heffner, Espanola, NM; sister, Marcella Cady, Worthington.

Richard G. Cook, 77, died Sept. 8 at Kobacker House. He worked for 28 years for the Ohio Fuel Gas Co., a predecessor to the Columbus Gas Transmission Co. A US Marine during World War II, he received the Purple Heart. Mr. Cook was a true friend of Otterbein with a special interest in the Theatre Department. He is survived by his wife, Helene; daughter and son-in-law, Kathleen and Perry Moore of Fort Worth, TX. ■

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March, 1997

1 M Basketball OAC Tournament
1 Sesquicentennial Celebration, "Ensemble of Ensembles," Cowan Hall, 8:00 p.m.
2 Electro-Acoustic Workshop, BFAC, 7:00 p.m.
4 W Tennis, at Denison, 4:00 p.m.
6 Theatre Production, *Hamlet*, Campus Center Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
7&8 Theatre Production, *Hamlet*, Campus Center Theatre, 8:00 p.m.
8-9 M&W Indoor Track, NCAA Championships
8 W Tennis at Oberlin, 12:00 p.m.
8 M Tennis at Oberlin, 1:00 p.m.
9 Theatre Production, *Hamlet*, Campus Center Theatre, 2:00 p.m.
9 Westerville Civic Symphony, Cowan Hall, 3:00 p.m.
11 M Outdoor Track at Ohio Wesleyan
13 Baseball, Mt. Vernon Nazarene, Home, 3:30 p.m.
13 W Tennis, Capital, Home, 4:00 p.m.
13-15 Theatre Production, *Hamlet*, Campus Center Theatre, 8:00 p.m.
14 Concert Band & Wind Ensemble, Cowan Hall, 8:00 p.m.
15 Combined Choirs, BFAC, 3:00 p.m.
16 Theatre Production, *Hamlet*, Campus Center Theatre, 2:00 p.m.
17-19 Final Exams for Day & Evening Classes
19-26 Golf, Spring Trip-Kiawah Island, SC
19-26 Softball, Spring Break Trip
19-26 W Tennis Spring Trip to Hilton Head, SC
20-24 M Outdoor Track, Spring Trip (South Carolina)
20-29 Baseball Spring Trip to Panama City, FL
28 Softball at Muskingum, 1:00 p.m.
28-29 Golf at Muskingum Invit., Eagle Sticks Golf Club, Zanesville
29 M& W Outdoor Track, OAC Relays
31 W Tennis at Ohio Wesleyan, 4:00 p.m.
31 Day & Evening Classes Begin

April, 1997

1 Softball, Heidelberg, Home, 3:30 p.m.
1 Baseball, Denison, Home, 3:30 p.m.
1 M Tennis, Capital, Home, 3:30 p.m.
2 Softball, Mt. Vernon Nazarene, Home, 3:30 p.m.
2 M Tennis at Findlay, 3:30 p.m.
3 Artist Series, Baroque Ensemble, "Il Gardellino," Cowan Hall, 7:30 p.m.
3 W Tennis at Dayton, 4:00 p.m.
4-5 Golf at Kenyon Invit.-Apple Valley, Howard
5 Baseball, John Carroll, Home, 1:00 p.m.
5 Opus Zero, BFAC, 7:00 & 9:00 p.m.
5 Softball, John Carroll, Home, 1:00 p.m.
5 M&W Outdoor Track at Wittenberg
6 Baseball at Wittenberg (1-9 inning), 1:00 p.m.
6 W Tennis at Marietta, 12:00 p.m.
7 M Tennis, Muskingum, Home, 3:30 p.m.
8 W Tennis at Ohio Northern, 4:00 p.m.
8 Softball, at Marietta, 3:30 p.m.
8 Baseball at Heidelberg, 1:00 p.m.
9 Softball, Denison, Home, 3:30 p.m.
9 M Tennis, Ohio Northern, Home, 3:30 p.m.
10 Baseball, OPEN
10 W Tennis at Muskingum, 4:00 p.m.
11 M Tennis at Cedarville, 3:30 p.m.
11 M Outdoor Track at Ohio Wesleyan
12 W Tennis at John Carroll, 1:00 p.m.
11 W Outdoor Track at Ohio Wesleyan
12 Baseball at Mount Union, 1:00 p.m.
12 Softball at Mount Union, 1:00 p.m.
13 Faculty Recital Series, Craig Johnson, baritone, BFAC, 7:00 p.m.
13-14 Golf at Capital/Denison Invit. (day 1-Granville) (day 2-Players Club/Foxfire, Lockbourne)
13 Baseball at Thomas More (2-7 inning), 1:00 p.m.
14 W Tennis, Heidelberg, Home, 4:00 p.m.
15 Softball, Ohio Northern, Home, 3:30 p.m.
15 M Tennis at Marietta, 3:30 p.m.
15 Baseball, Defiance, Home, 4:00 p.m.
16 Softball at Wittenberg, 3:30 p.m.
16 Baseball, Capital, Home, 1:00 p.m.
17 M Tennis at Heidelberg, 3:30 p.m.
18 Softball at Wilmington, 4:00 p.m.
18 W Tennis, Malone, Home, 3:30 p.m.
18-19 Golf, at Wooster Invit.-Wooster CC
19 Softball at Notre Dame of Ohio, 3:00 p.m.
19 Faculty Recital Series, Jeffrey Kunkel, piano, BFAC, 8:00 p.m.
19 M Tennis, John Carroll, Home, 1:00 p.m.
19 M&W Outdoor Track at Ohio Wesleyan- All Ohio
19 Baseball, Hiram, Home, 1:00 p.m.
20 Baseball, Ohio Wesleyan, Home,1:00 p.m.
20-21 Golf at John Carroll Invit.-Fowlers Mill, Chesterland
21 M Tennis, Wittenberg, Home, 3:30 p.m.
22 M Tennis at Mount Union, 3:30 p.m.
22 Softball at Capital, 3:30 p.m.
22 W Tennis, Hiram, Home, 4:00 p.m.
22 Baseball at Muskingum, 1:00 p.m.
23 Softball, Baldwin-Wallace, Home, 3:30 p.m.
23 M Tennis, Hiram, Home, 3:30 p.m.
24 W Tennis, Mount Union, Home, 1:00 p.m.
25 Softball, Case Western Reserve, Home, 3:30 p.m.
25-27 Baseball at Marietta (Shrine Invit.), 1:00 p.m.
26 M Tennis at Baldwin-Wallace, 1:00 p.m.
26 Softball at Hiram, 1:00 p.m.
26 Founders' Day, Concert Band/ Wind Ensemble
26 W Tennis, Baldwin-Wallace, Home, 1:00 p.m.
26 M&W Outdoor Track, Home Invitational
27 Kinderchor, BFAC, 4:00 & 7:00 p.m.
27-28 Golf, Cardinal Spring Classic, (day 1-Royal Amer. Links, Galena) (day 2-Little Turtle, Westerville
29 M Tennis at Ashland, 3:30 p.m.
30 M Tennis, Ohio Wesleyan, Home, 4:00 p.m.
30 Baseball at Ohio Northern, 1:00 p.m.
30-May 4
Musical *Cabaret* Cowan Hall, 7:30 p.m. opening night, 8:00 p.m. other nights except Sunday, 2:00 p.m. Sunday Matinee

Editor's Note: *This events on this calendar are subject to change. Please check with the appropriate department to verify dates and times.*

Compiled by Patti Kennedy

Homecoming Packed with Activities

Homecoming this Sesquicentennial year was a tremendous success based not only on the number of returning alumni but also in the variety of events that were planned. The classes of '81, '86 and '91 held reunions as part of the weekend's festivities and welcomed many class members back to campus.

The departments of English and Business, Accounting and Economics, supported by the National Alumni Association, held gatherings to welcome back alumni who majored in those areas. On Saturday, open houses also were held for education alumni and physical education and athletics alumnae.

A reception was held to honor all the people who volunteered to work on the Sesquicentennial quilt and the alumni band was welcomed onto the field to provide pre-game music.

Following the football game, the Campus Center took on a carnival atmosphere with live music, games, jugglers, food and fun for everyone.

In the evening, the reunion classes enjoyed socials and dinners as did the 1946 football team — the only football team in Otterbein's history to win an OAC championship. There was also a Sesquicentennial Parent/Student dinner and the Friends of Music at Otterbein honored **Gary Tirey H'90**.

Top: *At the class of '81 homecoming luncheon. Special thanks to Rebekah Medaugh Carlisle '81 and Reunion Committee Members.* ***Above:*** *Part of the 44 present at the class of '91 homecoming dinner (the most present of any 5-year reunion in recent times).*

Alumni Award Nomination Form

1997 ALUMNI AWARDS

Deadline for Nomination:
March 10, 1997

Name of Nominee_____

Address_____

City_____ST____Zip_____

Phone_____Class Yr. (if known)_____

Nomination Process:

1. **INDICATE** which award you think is most appropriate for the nominee. (If you wish to nominate the individual for more than one award, please check appropriate boxes.)
2. **ATTACH** a statement of 50 words or more listing the reasons this individual should be considered for the award(s). This part of the nomination is very important.
3. **CITE** specific examples of service or achievement as appropriate under the categories listed below.

Nomination For:

- ❑ **Distinguished Alumnus**
  Include details of outstanding service to Otterbein, his/her profession and the community.
- ❑ **Special Achievement**
  Include details of how the nominee has attained eminence in his/her chosen field.
- ❑ **Distinguished Service**
  Include examples of service to Otterbein College.
- ❑ **Honorary Alumnus (non-Otterbein grad.)**
  Include examples showing interest in, and loyalty to, Otterbein College.

Nominated by_____

Address_____

City_____ST____Zip_____

Phone_____ Class yr._____

Please mail nominations to:
Greg Johnson
Dir., Alumni Relations
Otterbein College
Westerville, OH 43081-2006
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Sesquicentennial All-Alumni Weekend Coming!

In this Sesquicentennial Celebration, we are inviting all alumni, not just the reunion classes, to return to campus for the **Sesquicentennial All Alumni Weekend 1997, June 20 - 22.** We hope you and your family will be among the many expected to return for this special event at the College .

While several classes will hold reunions that weekend, there are many other great things planned for all alumni and their families.

The weekend will kick off Friday evening with a huge alumni tailgate party behind the Campus Center with special tents set aside for the reunion classes. The party will include a performance by the Philthy Pfaculty Phour and other entertainment as well as plenty of time for catching up and reminiscing. Also, there will be concurrent dinners for the Class of '47 and Pre-'47 Honored Alumni.

Saturday morning, alumni are invited to a mixer at Roush Hall with former and current faculty. The Courtright Memorial Library will hold its 25th anniversary party that morning. Individual departments will hold open houses and the annual Quiz and Quill Strawberry Breakfast will be in the Roost.

With so many alumni expected, the annual Alumni Luncheon will be held in the Rike Center. This year's lunch will feature the Alumni Choir and the "Decades of Fashion at Otterbein" style show.

Saturday night is one of the highlights of the weekend. A Sesquicentennial Dinner will be held at the Clarion Hotel in Worthington. The evening will feature a video of Friday night and Saturday morning's events as well as returning alumni talking about their fondest Otterbein memories and their hopes for the College's future. The other entertainment that evening will be Big Band Music and dancing.

We look forward to seeing you June 20 - 22 for Sesquicentennial All Alumni Weekend '97.

Tentative Schedule for Alumni Weekend
(Subject to Change)

◆ Friday, June 20, 1997

2:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Registration, Information & Residence Hall Check-in, Campus Center
	Special Reunion Events
5:00 p.m.	Class of '47, Pre-'47 Honored Alumni Classes Reception, Campus Center with entertainment by Guy Bishop '47, Campus Center
5:20 p.m.	Class of '47 Pictures, Campus Center
5:40 p.m.	Pre- '47 Honored Alumni Class Pictures, Campus Center
6:00 p.m.	Golden Reunion & Pre-'47 Honored Alumni Dinner, Campus Center
6:00 p.m.	Class of '62 Reunion Dinner, Medallion Club
	Other Reunion Events
6:00 p.m.	Tailgate Party/Dinner - Some reunion classes will have tents, Behind Campus Center
6:45 p.m.	Tailgate Party Entertainment , Behind Campus Center
8:00 p.m.	Special Entertainment, Campus Center
8:30 p.m.	Coffee and Desserts. Campus Center

◆ Saturday, June 21, 1997

8:30-10:30 a.m.	Registration, Information & Residence Hall Check-in, Campus Center
8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast for all alumni and reunion classes, Campus Center with faculty & former presidents
9:00 a.m.	President DeVore's Welcome, Campus Center
9:30 a.m.	Quiz and Quill Strawberry Breakfast, Roost (Campus Center)
9:30 a.m.	Class Pictures, Campus Center
9:30-11:30 a.m.	Reunion Classes Sign-in, Campus Center
11:15 a.m.	Award Winners' Reception, Rike Center Lounge
12 noon	Alumni Luncheon at the Rike Center featuring: ◆ Alumni Awards ◆ Alumni Choir sings hit songs from reunion eras ◆ Decades of Fashion at Otterbein Style Show
2:30 p.m.	Departmental Open Houses, Meet at Campus Center
2:30 - 3:00 p.m.	First Annual Friends of the Library Membership Meeting, Library (late study room)
3:00 p.m.	Courtright Memorial Library 25th Anniversary Party, Library
2:30 & 3:30 p.m.	Tours of campus, sorority & fraternity houses, Leaving from Campus Center Hanby House, City of Westerville
4:30-5:15 p.m.	Alumni Choir Concert, Battelle Fine Arts Center
6:30 p.m.	Reception for Alumni & Friends, Clarion Hotel, Worthington
6:30 p.m.	Class of '47 Social, Hearth & Eagle, Worthington
7:00 p.m.	Class of '47 Dinner, Hearth & Eagle, Worthington
7:00 p.m.	Sesquicentennial Dinner w/ Big Band Music & dancing, Clarion Hotel, Worthington

◆ Sunday, June 22, 1997

	Breakfast on your own - on campus, the Roost will be open
9:00 a.m.	Chapel Service, Chapel (Cochran Alley)

Saturday Reunion Class Pictures ~ Campus Center:

9:30 a.m.	Class of '52 picture
9:50 a.m.	Class of '57 picture
10:10 a.m.	Class of '62 picture
10:30 a.m.	Class of '67 picture
10:50 a.m.	Class of '72 picture
11:10 a.m.	Class of '77 picture

SAC Gets New Home

The school year started for the Student Alumni Council with moving into their own theme house on campus. The 11 members of SAC met in late September to plan a year's worth of events. Watch in upcoming issues of *Towers* of details on what SAC has planned and to learn about exciting opportunities for alumni to get involved with SAC students.

And this fall, a luncheon was held to recognize students who served as summer conference assistants for the Office of Student Affairs. As part of their job, those six students also assisted with making Alumni Weekend and Alumni College run smoothly. Their efforts were invaluable in making both events successful. Director of Alumni Relations Greg Johnson presented each with a stuffed otter as a token of appreciation. Those six hard-working students include Joanna Csokmay, Mark Snyder, Matt Zemanek, Paulette Sandor, Howard McKean and Marina Ourchansky.

Mini-Alumni College Held at Otterbein Home

For the fifth year, the Otterbein Lebanon Retirement Community conducted a mini Alumni College, coordinated by the Alumni Office, with two programs presented on Saturday, Nov. 23.

Robert L. Arledge '55, former Air Force Chief of the Biomedical Science Corp for Physical Therapy, led a lesson in how the body ages and how to stay healthy and exercise more through the later stage of life. The enthusiastic crowd of more than 70 people took great interest in the subject, asked many questions and generally were inspired to become more active in their own lives.

Otterbein Professor and Mathematics Department Chairperson Dr. **David L. Deever '61** talked about "The Impact of Calculators & Computers on the Teaching of Mathematics." He related how modern aids, such as powerful calculators and computers, can be used in the classroom to improve teaching and people's resulting skills.

These programs again proved to be a great success with the residents at the Otterbein Lebanon Retirement Community and many thanks go to **Howard Longmire '55** for serving as alumni host.

Genetics Studied in Lifelong Education

Alumni and friends of the College enjoyed an engrossing lesson in genetics. **Mike Blankenship '96** hosted the evening as professor emeritus of Life Sciences Dr. Thomas Tegenkamp presented "Bioethics in Today's Society." Tegenkamp's expertise and many years of research in the area of medical genetics were evident as he presented a program that was both challenging and thought-provoking. This is just another example of lifelong education in action.

New Alumni Directory Coming!

A new Alumni Directory, Sesquicentennial Edition is currently being assembled for publication later this year. The last directory was published in 1988. Look for questionnaires to arrive sometime in March. The new directories are scheduled to be ready by November.

Alumni Getaway to Sunny Myrtle Beach

Twenty-three alumni traveled south this fall for a weekend getaway at Myrtle Beach. **Don and Jeanie (Pfleger) '64 Sutton** and **Nick '65 and Sally (Banbury) '64 Anspach** served as gracious alumni hosts for the fun-filled weekend.

While enjoying the fine southern weather, the alumni took advantage of several recreational and educational opportunities the area afforded. Some sailed Winyah Bay on the Tall Ship Jolly Rover while others toured the nationally renowned Brookgreen Gardens, which boasts the country's most extensive outdoor exhibitions of figurative sculpture. There were also opportunities to go deep sea fishing or golfing. Others opted for a safari jeep tour which provided a sampling of local history, legends, architecture and several types of ecosystems.

Alumni enjoyed southern hospitality in Myrtle Beach.

Junebug Jamboree Planned

Plan now to join fellow alums, families and friends on Saturday, June 7, 1997 for the Dayton June Bug Jamboree to be held at the home and funeral home of **Jim '62 and Pam Moore** (Schlientz & Moore Funeral Home), 820 W. Centerville Rd. (on Rt. 725) in Centerville, OH.

The Jamboree will be an evening of fun food and festivity beginning at 4 p.m. It will feature an old fashioned barbecue, sing along music, swimming and games for children and adults, and an Otterbein update complete with a Sesquicentennial birthday cake.

So mark your calendars now and watch your mail for a brochure with complete details and a reservation form. Hope to see you there!

Many thanks go to the planning committee that has been working so hard to make sure this event will be a success. The committee members are **Jim '62 and Pam Moore, Ed '58 and Connie '60 Mentzer, Bill '48 and Helen '47 LeMay, Bob '50 and Barbara '51 Barr, Jack '62 and Mary Jean '61 Pietila, George Liston '52, Bob '55 and Gail '56 Arledge, Carl '49 and Millie '48 Schafer** and Greg and Mary Johnson.

Check out all the alumni photos on page 32 and 33!

Lois Coy '24, left, Bob Airhart, '35, center, and David Deever '61 and Howard Longmire '55 at the Otterbein Home Mini-Alumni College.

Left: *Some alumni attending the Myrtle Beach Getaway opted for the safari, Carolina style.* **Upper Left:** *Alumni gather this past October in Scottsdale, AZ at the home of Richard '50 and Amanda Hofferbert.* **Upper Right:** *Rick Dorman, new vice president for Institutional Advancement, speaks at the National Alumni Council homecoming meeting.*

Homecoming '96! *The past was celebrated with past National Alumni Association presidents (top) and former homecoming queens (bottom).*

Local News Anchor and Alumnus to Chair Alumni College

It may be winter outside your window but start planning your summer now by marking this year's Alumni College on the calendar — July 25-27.

Cabot Rea '78, vice president of the National Alumni Association, will serve as chair for Alumni College '97 and this year several courses will focus on the subject of communication. Lectures will cover "Basic Communication Skills," "How the Sexes Communicate" and "How Far Can the Media Go?" You can also learn how a story gets reported with a field trip to WCMH-Channel 4, where Cabot Rea anchors the evening news, to watch a story develop from the news room to its final presentation on the air.

Other classes this year will include session on "The Art of Investing," "Bioethics in Today's Society" and "The Impact of Calculators and Computers on the Teaching of Mathematics" among many others.

Make lifelong learning a part of your summer plans with Alumni College '97 on July 25-27.

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Otterbein College National Alumni Calendar

	Event	Location or Alumni Host
2/8-9/97	Florida Events	
2/22-3/7/97	Jewel of the Nile Egypt Trip	Dr. Paul Laughlin
3/21-3/24/97	Cardinal Migration '97	San Diego
4/17/97	Lifelong Education: Ireland	Dr. Lou Rose
4/18-20/97	SAC District V SAA/SF Conf.	University of Wisconsin
5/13/97	Lifelong Education: Etymology	Dr. Alison Prindle
6/7/97	Dayton Area Alumni Event	Ed Mentzer '58
6/20-21/97	Alumni Weekend '97	Otterbein Campus
7/25-27/97	Alumni College '97	Otterbein Campus
8/17-23/97	Mary Day Cruise	Camden, ME

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Otterbein was a stop on the Presidential campaign trail for the first time ever this past fall when Bob Dole came to the Quiet and Peaceful Village which was anything but for his rally. Story on page 2.

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