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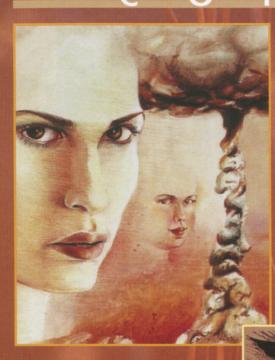
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The Associate Professor of English believes in praying for our leaders. Now he's taken it a step further and sent the First Lady a poem.



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Catch the Action from Alumni Weekend in Alumni Notes! Compiled by Patti Kennedy

Reinberger Foundation Will Help Otterbein

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Otterbein College was awarded \$210,129 recently from The Reinberger Foundation to "Electrify the Arts" at the College. The gift will prepare students of the arts for careers in today's technological workplace and will significantly enhance the quality of the College's arts performances.

Part of the grant will fund the Reinberger Electronic Design Studio, a computerized arts network connecting Battelle Fine Arts Center, Roush and Cowan Halls. It will enable students and faculty to collaborate jointly on multidisciplinary arts projects with shared software and connections with both campus and worldwide communication.

The money, to be paid to the College over a threeyear period, will also be used to upgrade the lighting systems in Cowan Hall and Riley Auditorium and purchase several musical instruments.

Otterbein's Department of Theatre and Dance stages 11 productions and one dance concert annually. Including repeat performances, the students and faculty create an average of 100 performances annually for more than 33,000 people.

The Department of Music presents nearly 100 public concerts and recitals annually in addition to community outreach programs including the Westerville Civic Symphony, a college/community orchestra; Kinderchor, a children's choir; and the Jefferson Academy of Music, a preparatory school for junior/senior high school string students.

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# Otterbein Grant Awards Update

#### **Teachers Software Institution**

\$19,775 from the Martha Holden Jennings Foundation This grant allows Otterbein to continue a successful program initiated in the summer of 1995. It provides intensive software training and technical support to Central Ohio teachers who then take what they have learned to their individual schools. The goal for this year is to increase the already high teacher satisfaction with the workshop content and format and to increase the quality of the teachers' learning.

#### Indianola After-School Project

\$1,701.86 from the Westerville Fund

This project brings inner-city students to the Westerville community to enhance their education and social experiences through a mentor and role-model relationship with college-age volunteers. The students also will interact with senior citizens to provide an intergenerational experience and to link the students to the wider community.

photo illustration by Roger Routson

# It's 1996, but Racism is Still With Us The Soulful Voices of Young Writers

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since I've been at Otterbein about a year and a half now, I guess I should realize how talented our students are. But they still take me by surprise with their intelligence and energy.

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*Phantom* was an incredible production with outstanding performances. My wife cried all the way home. It's so easy to forget, when sitting enthralled in Cowan Hall, that you're watching a college production, that college students spent long, long hours on such a spectacular set, that those are college students on the stage singing and performing their hearts out. Listen, don't look for a critic's take here; I am unabashedly biased toward Otterbein and proud as I can be of our students.

I have also thoroughly enjoyed much of this year's *Quiz and Quill*, listening to our young students' voices, sometime eloquent, sometimes awkward, but always in earnest. It's a wondrous thing that what youth lack in worldliness, what they lack in literary ability gained through years of hard work, they make up for in honesty. It seems that only youth have the ability to pour out their souls so completely with the written word.

Lisa Davis's apologetic and emotional essay, "Letter to My Younger Brother," is a snapshot of growing up. Who hasn't hated their sister or brother growing up? Lisa's poignantly personal letter shows her movement from a younger stage into a new-found maturity, wherein she realizes the love she has for brother and tells him of that love. My wife cried when she read it. (As you may have guessed, my wife likes to cry.)

Kara Putinsky's "Writer's Block" was entertaining and light, but Kara's story was atypical. Most writers had an axe to grind, wounds to heal, pressing pressing matters of the heart and soul to bring out and examine. Some pieces had very harsh edges—the irremediable aftermath of date rape, the guilt and pain of child molestation. And in "Just Another Night," Aaron Martin confronts the amorphous fear of a white family when he, a young black man, approaches in the dark.

Aaron's voice is one that we on campus have heard many times this year in the *Tan* and *Cardinal*. His voice is that of a young man angry and aggrieved at the injustices he sees coming his way because of the color of his skin. And he sees racism as being prevalent in our society still in 1996.

I know many of us want to think that's not so. It's easy enough to say that age and wisdom will temper Aaron's voice, that he will see in time that not every white person is racist, intentionally or otherwise. But that doesn't help him now. Aaron is justified with many of his indictments, for we still live in a society where racism rears its ugly head to burn churches, hurt children, and put a malaise on *all* our lives.

> The legacy of slavery is not something that can be swept under history's rug. It is a *reality* that most people of color have had a very different heritage than white Americans. If you're white, and you say, "Slavery happened over a hundred years ago, and now black Americans have every opportunity that whites have (some would even say more, because of affirmative action)," you're probably not being real sensitive to the racism that African-Americans still face today.

Aaron will have to learn (and he probably already has) that even if he sees reparation for the legacy of slavery as just and right, it will not be forthcoming. And that if he is to be successful and happy in his life, it will be up to him to make it so. And that in order to do so, he will need to overcome certain kinds of obstacles with which a white person will probably never be confronted.

Aaron's language often seems to be vitriolic and confrontational, but perhaps it's simply because he's tired of the ignorance that carves "nigger" in the bulletin board outside his room, tired of the ignorance that sees him only as a face of crime and violence, tired of the ignorance that fears him. I'm sure some see Aaron with a chip on his shoulder, but I give him a lot of credit. At least he has prodded people into

talking about race, even though that discussion is painful and volatile. So much of the discourse going back and forth in the *T&C* this year—on both sides—has been defensive and accusatory. Much finger-pointing, less listening.

It has been my experience that there is something extra in the offing when two individuals from different ethnicities come together. When you make a good friend, when you make a deep connection with another human being, it is special and it feels wonderful. But when that connection is made across what Anna Deavere Smith called the "chasm of race," it seems to me to be extra special. It is a joy to be cherished, a joy to be pursued, some of the best salve for the heart and soul you can find. It is my hope that our students will discover this joy for themselves, and they will develop a hunger for more of the same. And when that happens, I think we will see a million bridges across that chasm of race.

Roger Routson, Editor

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The Department of Visual Arts annually hosts nine art exhibitions with accompanying public lectures by contemporary artists from throughout the United States. The Otterbein Collection contains more than 300 works of African, Japanese and pre-Colombian objects as well as several hundred works by 20th century artists.

The Reinberger Foundation is a Cleveland-based organization founded in 1968 by Clarence Thompson Reinberger and Louise Fischer Reinberger. One of the foundation's aims is to support the arts and higher education in the Cleveland and Columbus areas.

#### Kappa Delta Pi New on Campus

In a ceremony held April 16,several individuals associated with the Department of Education became a chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, an international honor society in education.

The ceremony was led by Beth Tankersley, director of Field Services for Kappa Delta Pi. Otterbein initiated 24 members into Kappa Delta Pi this year, including seniors, graduate students and alumni who are currently teaching.

The installation ceremony was followed by a speech by Chris Soentpiet, an illustrator and author of children's literature.

Born in Korea in 1970, Soentpiet and his sister were adopted by an American family when he was eight years old. He remained in contact with his Korean family and this year visited his family and native country.

Soentpiet attended Pratt Institute, an art college in Brooklyn, New York, where he studied advertising illustration, graphic design and art education. After graduating with honors, he returned to his love of painting.

With five paintings in his portfolio, he began visiting publishers in New York and eventually gained the opportunity to write and illustrate his first children's picture book, *Around Town*, about the many places a child could visit in New York City.

Since then he has written and illustrated The Last Dragon and More

Than Anything Else, a true story of young Booker T. Washington.

His next books are *The Peace-bound Train*, to be published in Fall, 1996, and *Silver Boxes*, to be published Fall, 1997.

#### Faculty/Staff Achievements

#### Business/Accounting/Economics

**David C. Jones** has been invited to join the Crichton Club. This organization was formed just after W.W. I to bring to Columbus some of the most important figures in literary, political, scientific and artistic fields. The club is named after scholar and adventurer James Crichton. Membership in the club, limited to 500, is divided between the leading business and professional interests of the city and those in the academic community.

Professor J. Patrick Lewis' winter tale, *The Christmas of the Reddle Moon*, was named the winner of the Kentucky Bluegrass Award, the state's Best Children's Book of the Year Award for 1996.

Random House/Knopf accepted If the Earth Should Bump the Moon, his 26th children's book. Atheneum has accepted At the Wish of the Fish, a retold Russian folk tale, for publication. Lewis's next book — Riddleicious (Knopf), a collection of riddle poems appearing in March — is a Book-of-the-Month Club Selection.

He also has new poems appearing in the Bedford Introduction to Literature (4th ed.), The Slate, Far Gone, Light Quarterly, Pegasus Review, Light, Wordwrights, The New Oxford Anthology of Children's Verse, and a short story in Sonoma Mandala Review. A previously published short story has been included in Jon Saari's hard cover collection, Ohio Short Fiction.

#### College Relations

Executive Director of College Relations **Patricia Kessler** presented a session on Otterbein's experience with CompuServe at the CASE V conference held in Chicago recently. She and Linda Crossley, vice president of communications at The Ohio State University, gave a view of the large university and the small college perspective on developing their alumni forums. They also discussed advantages and disadvantages of using a subscriber service to communicate as opposed to home pages on the Internet.

#### Communication

James Grissinger, chairman emeritus, recently performed as the leader of the turn-of-the-century Koreshan settlement in Estero, FL, during their "Ghost Walk" presentation. The historic site is administered by the Florida Department of Natural Resources.

In 10 performances under full moons in January and February, visitors to the restored historic community walked silently to important locations in the settlement where volunteers, in costume, recreated short scenes depicting life as it might have been in the 1900s.

Grissinger, playing the part of founder Cyrus R. Teed, discussed the problems and opportunities facing the struggling community.

The Koreshan Unity was based on totally cooperative living and working as Teed's "illumination" had revealed to him. In many ways the Florida settlement mirrored similar communities such as New Harmony in Indiana and Zoar, Ohio.

Grissinger relates that one fascinating element of the Koreshan beliefs was their conviction (accompanied by careful scientific proof) that we are living on the inside of the earth and that the stars and sun and moon are all inside the globe.

**Lynnan Grissinger '94** joined her father in the "Ghost Walk" presentation as Teed's second-in-command.

#### Education

**Paula Knight**, assistant professor, was featured in a PBS Special on Ohio's School Net. The focus of the show was on how Westerville's Emerson Magnet School students, teachers, and parents interact with community members. The segment featured Knight's work with the third grade classes on playground physics



Paula Knight

and their input and analysis of data in Otterbein's computer lab.

#### Equine Science

Professor and Chairperson **Maria Calderone** and Assistant Professor **Lynn Taylor** attended the American Association of Equine Practitioners 41st annual meeting in Lexington, KY.

Calderone and Taylor attended a private meeting concerning recommendations for feeding the horses at the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta. Those in attendance included the U.S. Olympic Team veterinarian, and nutrition experts from Kentucky, Virginia, and England. The intense heat and humidity have raised concern about animal well-being, and some of the recommendations given to the competing teams are based on Taylor's research into high fat diets and the athletic horse.

Intercollegiate riding coach **Lucy Cryan** attended the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) board meeting in Ft. Worth, TX. Cryan, president of Zone VI, Region III, worked with 24 other board members and the executive committee to solve problems and provide information to region heads.

#### Foreign Languages

Associate Professor of Spanish **Carmen Galarce** gave a presentation on "Politica y Cultura en Chile hoy" at Denison University. She was invited by the Department of Modern Languages to talk in a seminar on Spanish and Latin American studies.

Galarce spent the fall quarter in Chile. While there, she participated in a seminar organized by the United



Joanne VanSant

Nations and the Chilean Ministry of Culture and Education.

She also took literary workshops directed by Pia Barros and other Chilean writers in October and November. The rest of her time was spent interviewing women writers, sociologists and psychologists who have gone back to Chile after being in exile for more than 15 years.

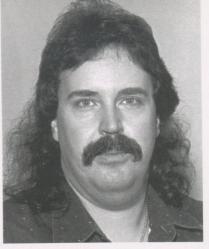
In December, the Northeast Modern Language Association invited her to participate in the panel "The Significance of Women's Writing for a Different Reading Democracy in Latin America" at the 1995 Convention of the Modern Language Association of America in Chicago.

The Department of Modern Languages and Literatures of the Catholic University of America, based in Washington, D.C., asked Galarce to serve as an outside reviewer for a faculty member who was being evaluated for tenure and promotion.

Galarce also was invited to participate in the Fifth Annual Conference on Ibero American Culture and Society: Latin American Women Writers — Discourse on/of the Feminine. The conference was organized by the University of New Mexico. While there she presented the paper "We, Chile. Personal Testimonies of the Chilean Arpilleristas: Del Reenceuntro personal a la Crónica social."

#### Institutional Advancement

Special Consultant to Institutional Advancement **Joanne VanSant** was chosen to receive the Denison University Alumni Citation. The Alumni Citation is an honor held in high esteem because only a small number of Denison's



Jeff Kunkel

most distinguished graduates receive this award. VanSant received the award during Denison's Reunion Weekend in May.

#### Mathematical Sciences

Professor **John Hinton** and Assistant Professor **Zengxiang Tong** attended the Joint Mathematics Meeting of the American Mathematical Society (AMS) and the Mathematical Association of America (MAA) in Orlando. Tong gave a presentation on "Operations of Fuzzy Numbers Under the General Extension Principle (1)."

#### Music

Kinderchor's Cadet Choir, directed by Assistant Professor **Amy Chivington**, was featured in an Ohio Music Education Association conference session, Feb. 3 at the Dayton Convention Center. Chivington presented "Young Children CAN Sing in Choirs." The session offered choral teaching techniques for young children to members of OMEA.

The Ohio Private Colleges and Institutions Conductors Association held its 9th annual honors band at Wittenberg University. The 19 member institutions of OPCICA made 135 nominations for the honors band. From those nominations, 90 students were picked for the honors band and five of those were Otterbein students. Associate Professor Gary Tirey is the current OPCICA president and Assistant Professor Jeff Kunkel served as one of the five guest conductors. Otterbein was one of the founding institutions for OPCICA and has twice hosted the honors band concert.

#### Golf Team Finishes 13th at NCAA Championships

The Otterbein men's golf team finished in a three-way tie for 13th at the NCAA Division III Golf Championships held May 21-24 at Saratoga Spa State Park Championship Course in Saratoga, New York. Two-time defending national champion Methodist (NC) took its third straight title (sixth in the last seven years) with a 72-hole score of 1,184 (288-303-306-287). Otterbein, under seventh-year head coach Dave McLaughlin, fired a final

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round 295 to vault from 20th into a share of 13th with a four-day total of 1,228 (307-314-312-295).

Matt Ehlinger, a junior from New Carlisle, Ohio, earned honorable mention All-America honors by finishing 20th at the championships. Ehlinger scored 301 (74-80-73-74).

Rounding out the Otterbein team were: Dan Winar, a sophomore from Strongsville, Ohio, 35th with a 305 (75-76-81-73); Andy Fisher, a junior from New Carlisle, Ohio, 71st with a 314 (79-78-83-74); Chad Lee, a sophomore from Zanesville, Ohio, 81st with a 316 (81-80-81-74); and Eric Mohler, a sophomore from Elida, Ohio, 84th with a 317 (79-81-77-80).

> This marked Otterbein's fourth straight trip to the national championship. The Cards, finished second last season, fifth in 1994 and eighth in 1993.

> > Otterbein captured the Ohio Athletic Conference (OAC) Championship at the rainshortened 27-hole tournament held May 9-10 at the Tannenhauf Golf Club in Alliance, Ohio. It was Otterbein's third OAC title in the last four seasons. The Cards captured championships in 1993 and 1992.

Lee, Ehlinger and Fisher earned All-OAC honors by finishing in the top ten at the conference championships. Lee placed second, 110 (74-36), and was followed by Ehlinger, third,

Shelley Rice takes control of the net enroute to her OAC championship victory at number one singles.

111 (76-35), and Fisher, fourth, 114 (76-38).

#### Marcia Foulke Captures Track All-America Honors

Marcia Foulke, a senior from Lewis Center, Ohio, captured All-America honors a second time this school year, finishing sixth in the 10,000-meter run (school record time of 36:59.77) at the NCAA Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships May 25 in Naperville, Illinois. The top eight finishers earn All-America status. Foulke earned All-America honors in cross country last fall.

The long distance standout was chosen "most outstanding runner" at the OAC Championships. Foulke won the 3,000 (10:43.6), 5,000 (18:07.7) and 10,000 (38:28.0). Her time in the 5,000 was an OAC record.

#### Women's Tennis Team Wins Second Straight OAC Title

The Otterbein women's tennis team, under first-year head coach Tina Rimer, turned back nine other schools to capture its second straight, third overall, OAC championship.

Cardinal players captured championships at first, fifth and sixth singles; and first and second doubles.

Otterbein, with 34 points, bested Baldwin-Wallace (26), Mount Union (13), John Carroll (12), Capital (12), Ohio Northern (10), Marietta (5), Muskingum (3), Hiram (2) and Heidelberg (1) at the championships.

Individual championships were won by Shelley Rice, a junior from Mount Vernon, Ohio, at first singles; Nicole Buran, a sophomore from Avon Lake, Ohio, at fifth singles; and Naomi Miller, a senior from Groveport, Ohio, at sixth singles. Rice and Miller are repeat champions, both winning championships at first and sixth singles in 1995.

Rice and Mamula teamed up to win first doubles for the second straight year. Miller and Jill Kapui, a senior from Medina, captured second doubles. The pair captured third doubles in 1995.

Dawn Mamula, a sophomore from New Philadelphia, Ohio, finished second at second singles and earned all-conference honors.

#### Baseball Team Closes Strong Finishes Second in the OAC

Under 30th-year head coach Dick Fishbaugh (565-444-12), the baseball Cardinals compiled a 17-5 record over the final month of regular-season play to finish second in the Ohio Athletic Conference.

Otterbein, 25-18-1 overall, chalked up a 13-4 conference record to finish a game and a half behind Marietta (42-13), 15-3 in OAC. The Cards advanced into the four-team OAC Playoffs and finished second to host Marietta.

Twenty-five players lettered. Steve Stewart, a freshman from Reynoldsburg, Ohio, was chosen "most valuable" by teammates. The first baseman led his team with a .399 batting average. Stewart, a first team All-OAC and honorable mention All-Mideast Region pick, tallied 49 RBI, nine home runs and 12 doubles.

Matt Lattig, a junior right-hander from Newark, Ohio, compiled a 6-2 record and 3.53 ERA to lead the Cardinal pitching staff. He struck out 39, a team best. Lattig earned honorable mention All-OAC and All-Mideast Region honors.

Bill Colopy, a junior from Gahanna, Ohio, earned first team All-OAC honors at second base. Colopy batted .353, including 14 doubles and three triples, and scored 44 runs, a team high.

Other players of note include pitcher Tim Crabtree and right fielder Kevin McFarland.

Crabtree, a junior right-hander from Columbus, compiled a 5-3 slate and a 4.09 ERA. He walked just five batters, while striking out 28 over 61-2/3 innings. McFarland, a sophomore from Hebron, Ohio, was chosen "most improved" by teammates. The right fielder, batting .350, tallied ten doubles and 24 RBI. He earned honorable mention All-OAC honors.

#### Cards Capture Second at OAC Men's Track and Field Championships

The Otterbein men's track team, under fifth-year head coach Doug Welsh, placed second at the OAC Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

Mount Union took home the title with 242 points and was followed by Otterbein (190), Baldwin-Wallace (133), Ohio Northern (82), Muskingum (57), John Carroll (47), Heidelberg (43) and Hiram (29).

Otterbein took individual titles in the discus, javelin and 10,000meter run.

Nelson Karshner, a junior from Circleville, Ohio, won the discus (141-6) and placed third in the shot put (50-1). Chad Beller, a senior from Canal Winchester, Ohio, cap-

tured the javelin (172-7), and placed second in the discus (136-7) and fifth in the shot put (47-4-1/2). Chad Myers, a senior from Rushville, Ohio, won the 10,000 (32:25.4) and placed fifth in the 5,000 (15:20.9).

Jumpers Brad Budreau, a junior from Reynoldsburg, Ohio, and Brad Pickering, a freshman from Pataskala, Ohio, qualified for the NCAA Division III Track and Field Championships. Budreau advanced into the long jump finals, but fouled on all three attempts and did not score. Pickering fell short in the preliminaries and did not qualify for the triple jump finals.

#### Men's Tennis Sixth at OAC Championships

Otterbein players finished second at sixth singles and second doubles at the OAC Championships.

Scott Arthur, a freshman from Dublin, Ohio, advanced to the finals in sixth singles. John Castor, a junior from Worthington, Ohio, and Marcus Kempton, a junior from Mount Vernon, Ohio, advanced to the final round in second doubles. All three earned all-conference honors.

Ohio Northern won its secondstraight title, scoring 32 points, and was followed by John Carroll (27), Baldwin-Wallace (18), Mount Union (11), Heidelberg (10), Hiram (7), Otterbein (7), Capital (6), Muskingum (2), and Marietta (0).

Matt Ehlinger blasts to a 20th place finish at the NCAA Division III golf championships. The junior from New Carlisle, Ohio, earned honorable mention All American honors.



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#### Margaret Anderson

**Telian**, former dean of women at Otterbein, 1934-1938, celebrated 50 years of living in Corning, NY where she has one son, six step-children, 18 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren. She has also written an autobiography entitled, Margaret Anderson Telian and her Golden Jubilee.

#### 1933

Zeller Henry celebrated his 87th birthday on Feb. 2, along with an assortment of aches and pains. He sends greetings to all 1933 class members.

#### 1939

Bonne Gillespie McDannald continues to be involved in preserving local (Westerville and Central College) history. She has been working with the Westerville Library and Historical Society in presenting the 2nd Cemetery Walk to honor and recognize those who helped build the Westerville/Central College community.

#### 1942

**Paul Shartle** is in his 37th year as founder and conductor of the Kettering Civic Band—an all volunteer 75 piece concert band. The band has made three European concert tours and two Canadian concert tours. Paul worked in the Kettering City School System for 31 years.

#### 1943

John Perry was named Distinguished Surgeon by the board of trustees of Hermann Hospital, the teaching hospital for the University of Texas School of Medicine. He continues as Clinical Professor of Surgery.

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**1947 Byron Esch** and his wife celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary, April 23.

**1948** Harold Daup retired from Ashland University, Jan. 1, 1996.

#### 1949

David Geehring won the "shoot out" golf tournament at Monterey Yacht and Country Club in Stuart, FL recently. He also placed third in the recent club championship. Also, Carol Lefferson '46 had two hole-in-ones. Other Otterbein winter residents at Monterey are Bill Lefferson '47, Helen Swisher Beachler '48 and Fred Beachler '49, Dean Gross '49, and Jim Buck '50.

#### 1950

**Donald Loker** has taken advantage of New York State's early retirement plan and retired from his position as local history specialist with the Niagara Falls Public Library. He stays involved in local history by volunteering three afternoons each week for the director of the library.

#### **Richard Whitehead**

received the Berkshire Community College's service award and was honored at a recognition dinner. He has served on the BCC board of trustees for five years and is now the vice chairman, having previously served as chairman of the finance committee.

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#### 1952

**Faye Murphy Jacob** had original poetry published in *Shadows and Light*, a treasury of today's poetry compiled by The National Library of Poetry. Her poem was entitled "Be Still and Know" and the main subject is God.

#### 1953

Lowell Bassett retired May 27. 1994. His career included 10 years of pastoral ministry in E.U.B. churches, 12 years with the Ohio State Rehabilitation Services Commission, 1-1/2 years with the Ohio Union County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, and 16 years with the Ohio Franklin County Board of M.R. and D.D. He is now focusing his time on activities at the Hilliard United Methodist Church and his family of five children and six grandchildren.

#### Attention Eta Phi Mu Alumni!

I am compiling a history of Eta Phi Mu (Jonda) for our fraternity's 75th anniversary and would appreciate receiving information on significant dates, events, etc. from our alumni members and/or their spouses, children or anyone with something to contribute. Contact A. Duane Frayer, 4471 South Habersham Lane, Richmond Heights, OH 44143. Phone 216-481-7717. Thanks!

#### 1954 Don and Waneta Williams Shilling retired

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in June, 1996. Waneta taught kindergarten, preschool and college. She was also a trainer of volunteers in a crisis intervention and drug education center in Kent, Ohio, Don retires as the first district superintendent in the East Ohio Conference, U.M. Church, to have served eight consecutive years. He also served 11 years as a campus minister at Kent State and 20 years as pastor of local churches.

#### 1955

**Donna Shafer Blackwood** is entertaining passengers on the Holland-America Motor Vessel Noordam cruising out of Tampa to ports in the Caribbean. She plays the piano in the Crow's Nest lounge of the ship. Home is Newport Beach, Calif.

#### 1957

**Bruce Beavers** performed his 17,800th wedding in March.

Lois Vore has been granted tenure and promoted to assistant professor of biology at Mansfield University, Mansfield, Penn.

#### 1959

**Amy Brown South** opened the Holistic Health Center in Battle Creek, Mich., in November 1994. She received her Master's in Counseling from Western Michigan Univ. in 1994 and her PhD in Hypnotherapy in 1985. Amy is now a state licensed professional counselor. **Gary Termeer** was named Honorary Dean of the 1996 Dublin Fire Education Conference in April of this year. Under his leadership as Chief of the Washington-Perry Township Fire Department, the department became the first township fire department in the state to provide paramedic service. Termeer is retired, but teaches part-time at Columbus State.

#### 1960

**Bradley Cox** is retiring in June as Hancock County School Superintendent having completed 36 years in education, 30 of those in administration.

#### Beverly Easterday Krall is

completing her 35th year of teaching English, the last 30 in the Chicago Public School system. This is her third year as a Mellon-Annenberg Fellow at the Univ. of Chicago and she has been nominated by former students for the fourth year to Who's Who Among America's Teachers. Beverly is preparing for retirement in three years by beginning a career in real estate.

#### 1962

**Judith Hunt Ward** is a counselor at Berkshire High School in Burton, Ohio.

#### 1963

Jeanne Leohner Wood-

yard is teaching 4th grade at West Elementary in St. Marys. She also directs the West Ohio Singing Wives of Ministers—a unique group made up of ministers' wives of United Methodist clergy in the West Ohio Conference.

#### 1965

**Ronald Marks** has been re-elected for a third consecutive two-year term as the Chief Judge of the Virginia Beach Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court. 1966 Dianne Garverick Rundell and her husband, Fred, of Rundell's Goldsmiths in Mt. Vernon were commissioned to design a presidential medallion for Kenyon College to serve as an emblem of the office for the new president and his successors. The medallion will be worn by the President at official College functions and kept on display in the archives.

**1967 George Biggs** took an early retirement from the Ohio Public Child

## Alumnus Stayed at the YMCA...for Over 44 Years

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by Ken Goodrich

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H is greatest career satisfaction was preparing people to serve others. Teacher? College professor? Clergyman? Not exactly. Otterbein alumnus **Robert Knight '28** was trainer and mentor for several generations of YMCA workers over 44 years of YMCA leadership.

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Knight's most recent honor was election to the YMCA Hall of Fame this past spring. The award recognized his "outstanding career of YMCA service" and his "life as an exceptional person." The letter announcing the award described him as a "mentor and an inspiration to many in the YMCA" who has "left a legacy of noteworthy achievements."



Knight, now retired and living in Columbus with his wife of 66 years, went to work for the Dayton YMCA immediately following his Otterbein graduation. A few years later he moved to the Columbus Central YMCA, where he administered the first comprehensive short course of informal adult education in Central Ohio and developed the still-functioning Central Ohio Hiking Club.

While in Columbus, Knight earned a master's degree in social administration from The Ohio State University in 1939.

His career path took him next to Toledo in 1941, where he became the first Executive of the newly-organized Toledo Central YMCA. In 1967 he became the first full-time Executive Director of the Association of Professional Directors of YMCAs in the U.S. For 12 years he served on the governing board of the World Federation of Associations of YMCA Secretaries.

Retirement in 1972 did not end his service to his profession. During the next 10 years he served as vice president, then president, of the International Association of Retired Directors.

At Otterbein, Knight majored in French and completed a minor in sociology. He was president of his sophomore class, editor of the yearbook, and a four-year member of the varsity debate team. He served on the YMCA board. He made the varsity football team in his senior year, and "although they did not count on me to win games, I played some in most of them." In his senior year he was selected as one of two "Otterbein Representative Men."

Following graduation, he was for a time president of the Alumni Association, and in 1984 he received the Otterbein Special Achievement Award. One of his two sons, Douglas, is an Otterbein graduate and currently serves on the Board of Trustees.

Knight speaks warmly of his Otterbein experience and views it as invaluable in his subsequent life and career. He credits Otterbein with encouraging participation in a wide variety of activities and helping him "find a focus for my life."

His community involvement continues to this day. At present he serves on the steering committee of the Men's Group at Friendship Village of Columbus, helping to secure monthly speakers for the group. He also remains active in the Summit United Methodist Church and in the regional chapter of the International Association of Retired YMCA Directors.

Welfare System and is now the director of admissions at Norworth Convalescent Center in Worthington.

#### Vivian Morgan-Mendez

received her MA degree from George Mason University.

#### 1968

**Pat Peters Dunn** is a third grade teacher in the New Philadelphia Schools.

**Rick Pinson** is a VP and partner in a new mortgage brokerage firm, Access Mortgage Services. He is also owner/manager of a

#### PROFILE

Mary Catherine Lord Blazes Trail for Women in Law by Ken Goodrich



er mother was afraid she would take on unladylike habits like cursing and playing poker. But her father encouraged Mary Catherine Lord '45 to go to law school, and she has practiced the law with distinction since earning her law degree from The Ohio State University in 1951.

Lord, long-time resident of Middletown, Ohio, had few women colleagues at the start of her law career. She was one of only three among 115 who graduated. She applauds the fact that today women are about 25 percent of law school graduates.

The law is a wonderful profession for women, she says. Women lawyers today can to a considerable degree achieve independence, be

from 1945 Sibyl "their own bosses," and plan their schedules around their personal lives. Lord's life seems to have been guided at every turn by a commitment to justice and service. It led to law school and her career as a practicing attorney, including admission to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States. It led also to elective office – eight years on the Middletown (OH) city commission – where as the first woman elected she served three years as its vice chairperson, and where she was known for speaking her mind and defending the underdog. And it led to civic involvement in the arts.

Her commitment to seeing justice done is well illustrated by the case of an elderly man accused of embezzlement. Its outcome was worthy of Perry Mason. Convinced the man was innocent because she knew his family, Lord unearthed evidence that led to his exoneration and the conviction of his secretary for the crime. And she was not even the man's attorney.

A major in social studies and history at Otterbein, Lord recalls being especially interested in courses in European history, English literature, and sociology. She was editor for a time of the *Tan and Cardinal*, a member of the publications board, and active in student government. She was also involved in women's athletics, with a special interest in basketball.

"Otterbein," she says, "had a special small-college mystique and was very important to me." She added that the faculty and administrators were "excellent role models." "Perhaps most important to my life since student days," she said, "were the contacts and friendships that began then."

Lord has been described as a "tireless supporter of the arts in Middletown," most notably the Sorg Opera company, a vigorous regional organization that produces three major operas each year, where she is a member of the Board and served as president from 1990 to 1992. She has been a participant in many other community activities and organizations, including Faith United Methodist Church, and has been active also in Democratic Party politics, continuing an involvement in liberal causes that began while a student at Otterbein. She is her Otterbein class representative and attended her 50th class reunion last year.

Lord's many professional and community contributions have not gone unrecognized by the citizens of Middletown. Awards and honors include Woman of the Year, Executive of the Year, and Citizen of the Year.

new RE/MAX real estate office in Winter Springs, Fla.

Kathleen Bump Weisenberg teaches first grade at Hawthorne Elementary in Westerville.

David L. Widder was awarded membership

#### in the Columbus Board of Realtors 25 Million Dollar Club during the President's Ball in December 1995. Only 48 members have received this exclusive designation.

#### 1970

Jeanne Goodman Boin is teaching ESL and French at Willow Glen Middle School and is Coordinator for LEP student services in San Jose, CA.

#### 1971

**Robert McGee** is a biostatistician for the West Virginia Medical Institute in Charleston.

#### 1974

**Carol Amlin Hardisty** is still teaching French at Miamisburg High School and will be taking a group of students to France and Italy for 15 days this summer.

Jay Hone is practicing law in Albuquerque, NM. He and his wife Heather went on a Caribbean cruise to see their son Scott entertain on board.

#### **Dennis Roberts** was

appointed to the First State Bank Board of Directors in 1996. He was also re-elected to the Tri County North-Preble Co. Board of Education for a four year term in November of 1995.

**Douglas Yeakel** was named president-elect at Aultman Hospital in Canton.

#### 1975

John Diman is the director of Basic Sciences and Teaching Facility at the University of Louisville, Dept. of Orthopedics residency. He is also a staff member for the Leatherman Spine Center as well as a Fellow of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, Scoliosis Research Society, and North American Spine Society. In the past year, he has presented papers at each of these organizations and published six medical papers he either authored or co-authored. In his spare time, he is a Colonel in the USAF Reserve and is an orthopedic peer consultant.

#### Christine Warthen Jette is

an adjunct faculty member at Cincinnati State TCC. She is also a volunteer grief counselor at the Fernside Center.

Jim Minehart, vice president and chief gift officer at United Church Homes, spoke on the role of philanthropy in society and shared advice on successful charitable fund-raising at the Marion Sales Ad Club meeting.

#### 1976

Mariann Grace Bowden received a PhD in psychology from Kent State in 1995 and is now a psychologist at the Counseling Center of Wayne and

Holmes counties.

Tim Kish is an assistant coach at Northwestern University. He coaches outside linebackers and defensive ends. He is responsible for recruiting out of the southeast. Proud dad is **Mike Kish**, former head basketball coach at Otterbein.

**David S. Rogers** has completed a Fellowship in Algology and has been appointed Medical Director of the Headache Program at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston.

**Carol Ventresca** received a PhD in Sociology from The Ohio State University.

1977 Cynthia Snodgrass Nie-

**mann** has served as Executive Director of the Arts Council of Mercer County, PA and Community School for the Arts which she founded. She also taught theatre and communications courses at Westminster and Thiel colleges. She has moved to Houston, Texas, where she hopes to continue her career in arts and education.

#### Pati Shambaugh has

opened Picking Up the Pieces Quilt Shop, in German Village. She is waiting to hear from the U.S. Patent Office regarding her new and innovative technique and tool for the quilting community...Quilt Patis.

**Chet Simmons** was promoted to controller at Plasti-Kote, Medina, Ohio. He and his wife and three children live in Medina.

#### 1978

**Kevin Carter** is an institutional account representative for Hoechst Marion Roussel, Inc., the pharmaceutical firm covering the Johns Hopkins Health system.

Anne Petrie Gleaves ran in the 100th running of the Boston Marathon. Her time was 3 hrs. 51 mins.

**Susan Henthorn** was promoted to assistant professor at Berea College, KY and received a national Mortar Board Alumni Achievement Award. She gave a presentation on Berea's Library Instruction program at the American Library Association Conference in June 1995 and taught a short term course on Internet use earlier this year.

J. Cabot Rea, newly elected vice president for the National Alumni Association and co-anchor for WCMH-TV4, was the keynote speaker at the Richard Moore Men's Fellowship Banquet in the First Presbyterian Church of Granville.

**Mark Thresher** has been elected vice president and treasurer of Nationwide Insurance in Columbus. He is also the treasurer of the Griffith Foundation for Insurance Education and MADD, Ohio.

#### 1980

**Brenda Henry Phousongphouang** is a midwife registered with the Arkansas Dept. of Health. She completed the Neonatal Rescusitation Certification through the American Academy of Pediatrics.

#### 1981

John Hulkenberg, associate sports editor of Suburban News Publications, has been named the Sports Writer of the Year for weekly newspapers in Ohio by the Ohio Prep Sports Writers Association.

## Tau Delta to Celebrate 75th Anniversary

Tomo Dachi, Japanese for "circle of friends," has meant more than just a Japanese phrase to the Sisters of Tau Delta over the years. It has been a belief that they committed to when they chose to join Tau Delta. Members of the alumni chapter are in search of lost Deltas who would like to see old friends and make new ones.

This fall Tau Delta will be celebrating its 75th anniversary and if you have lost touch with the alumnae chapter, or we have lost touch with you, now is the perfect time to become reacquainted. Tau Delta is having a party at the Medallion Club in Westerville, Oct. 12 (Otterbein Homecoming Weekend) to celebrate more than 75 years of a "circle of friends" that ever widens.

The alumni chapter knows that there are so many women that we have lost touch with over the years and we would love to share with you the past 75 years of Tau Delta. The younger alumni, as well as the active chapter, are eager to meet the women who provided a strong foundation for our "circle of friends" that extends around the globe.

If you would like to receive more information regarding the 75th anniversary dinner or what the active chapter of Tau Delta has been doing over the past years, drop a line to Cheri Smith, Alumni Chapter Secretary, c/o Tau Delta, 166 W. Main St., Westerville, Ohio 43081.

Homecoming 1996 will be a memorable one for Tau Delta. Each member that returns will make it even more special.

#### Elaine Clinger Sturtz, a

United Methodist Minister in the West Ohio Conference, has written and published her second book, *Glimpses Of God.* It is a devotional book expressing through people, events and moments glimpses of God's love and grace, and will be available in bookstores. Her first book, *Love Lighted Path* is also available

#### Laurie Strang Yakubek is

in Manchester, England, assisting in bringing new technology to Americhem's newly acquired Manchester plant.

1982

**Carol Addy** will graduate from the University of Massachusetts Medical School and begin her residency in internal medicine at U Mass Medical Center in Worcester, MA.

**Eric M. Hall** has been named to the board of directors of the National Consumer Education Foundation. He is director of public relations for Grange Insurance Cos.

#### 1983

Michele Burns Blackwell owns and operates Blackwell Stables which has an Arabian and half-Arabian training barn. She was just named the 1996 Female Western trainer of the year. She says this was a life-long dream come true.

Phil D. Helser has been promoted to Vice President, Director of Finance and elected to serve on the Lord, Sullivan & Yoder board of directors.

1984 J.C. Church was a guest speaker on the Trinity Broadcasting Network. He is pastor for Praise Cathedral Ministries in Bucyrus.

**Dean Miller** is the director of customer solutions for UPS Worldwide Logistics in Atlanta. His family will be relocating to Alpharetta, GA.

#### Jodie Oder Goodroe is

teaching jazzercise in Orlando, FL. She has two daughters: Mollie, 4, and Jenna, 2-1/2. She says she loves reading about all her old friends from the 'Bein!

#### 1985

**Lisa Applegate** received the degree of Master of Science in Social Administration from Case Western Reserve University. She reports she is at the end of a career path in child welfare and is ready to embark on different challenges.

Jayme Rone Denney was promoted to PC analyst in the information systems support center at St. Ann's Hospital in Westerville, where she has worked for over ten years.

#### Karen Raab Johnson is

the evening traffic-reporter for LA's #1 talk-radio station, KFI-AM640. She has been a traffic reporter/ newscaster for Air-Traffic Communications for four and one-half years.

#### 1986

**Carlton Bates** of Dallas, TX is in his second year of a pediatric neurology fellowship. He completed his residency in pediatrics at Columbus Children's Hospital in 1994.

John T. Compton has been promoted to assistant vice president at State Savings Bank in Newark, OH.

#### Jane Maxie Friend has

been named assistant manager and children's librarian at the Parsons Branch of the Columbus Metropolitan Library.

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

#### 1987

**Candace Viers-Hartzler** is working as a master level counselor at Amethyst, Inc., doing expressive art therapy and chemical dependency counseling.

**Bob Monds** has joined the Village of Obetz staff as an administrative assistant serving as the community liaison for the Mayor and Village Council.

#### 1988

**Linda Price Huff** is teaching music K-5 at Scioto Elementary in Teays Valley Schools. She has been married eight years to Mitchell Huff and they have two children: Joel, 3 adn John, 1-1/2.

**Pat McRoberts** has joined the First National tour of Miss Saigon. He has also appeared in Yoko Ono's off-Broadway musical *New York Rock* as well as in *Buddy: The Buddy Holly Story, The Fantasticks, Forever Plaid* and *Prelude to a Kiss.* 

**Cynthia Abrams Rich** was promoted to Program Relations Specialist for The Caring Program for Children, Ohio Caring Foundation.

#### 1989

J. Brian Cunningham has joined the Ohio Department of Administrative Services as head of its Office of Legislative Affairs.

Jill McKeever McCullough has opened her own freelance public relations business, McCullough Communications.

Jennifer Olin-Hitt has been named the interim pastor at New Franklin United Methodist Church.

**Martina Miller Walters** 

has been promoted to senior programmer/analyst for the Columbia Gas Distribution Companies.

#### 1990

John Finley is the athletic trainer for the Kansas City Royals minor league team in Newark, DE.

**Mike Fondy** is the head chef at Jay's Restaurant located in Dayton's historic Oregon District.

Kyle Wolfe is teaching reading and 10th-grade English in Teays Valley High School where he is the head varsity basketball coach. He lives with his wife Kellie Little '89 in Asheville, OH.

#### 1991

**Kimberly Juzwiak Brown** has joined the law firm of Bricker & Eckler as an associate in the firm's OSHA group.

Kathryn Cale Eichlin has been named Director of Public Relations for Cramer & Sweeney in Cherry Hill, New Jersey.

**Dean Fox** is a sports writer for the *Leaf Chronicle* in Clarksville, Tenn.

**Jeffrey Jones** received his MAT in 1994. He is a

# You drove in the winning run!

biology teacher and varsity football coach for Hilliard City Schools.

#### Tiffany Stephenson Psyho-

**gios** was promoted to Senior Associate at O'Brien and Roof Executive Search. She was also selected for the Programming Committee of the Columbus Area Women's Business Council and Fundraising Committee member for "I Know I Can."

#### Aisling Reynolds was

elected to the Board of Trustees of the Short North Business Association and will serve as chairperson of the public relations committee for Christmas in April, an organization that rehabilitates the homes of elderly and disabled persons.

**Brad Whitis** has received a degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from The Ohio State University and is associated with Columbus Veterinary Emergency Services/MED-VET Veterinary specialists in Westerville.

#### 1992

**Connie Kester** is a physical therapist at a rehabilitation hospital for the brain injured and will be working as a P.T. AT.C for the Para Olympics this August in Atlanta.

**Craig Kisner** is a video producer for the Plano Independent School District's television station.

Marine lst Lt. J. D. Peterson recently completed his

#### Thank you!

The final at bat of this past fiscal year drove in the winning runs for the Otterbein Fund! We exceeded our goal of \$540,000 with a total of \$566,835 raised. High fives to all who gave so graciously.

first solo flight. He is undergoing primary flight training with Helicopter Training Squadron Eight, Naval Air Station Whiting Field, Milton, FL.

**Dawn Sampson** is the marketing programs coordinator at Palmer-Donavin Mfg. Co. in Columbus.

#### Michelle Tuell Trimble

passed the CPA exam and is working at a Grandview CPA firm.

#### **Dustin Winters** has

received a Master of Health Administration degree from The University of North Florida and is now a senior proposal analyst with The Prudential HealthCare System in Atlanta.

#### 1993

**Doug Babcock** has received a Master's in Political Science from Ohio University. He is still working at the White House for Vice President Gore.

#### Kathleen Miner Kisner is

finishing her last semester at Perkin's School of Theology at SMU and is setting up her last year of internship.

#### Krista Mundschenk Pear-

**son** appeared in USA Today in a regional ad for the National Science Teacher's Association/ Toshiba ExploraVision awards. This is the world's largest science contest. A team of four fourth grade girls from Conestoga Elementary in Gillette, WY, with Krista as teacher/advisor created the idea of a Correcting Pencil as their vision of how technology would be used 20 years from now. Krista credits her Otterbein teaching preparation as a basis for guiding her team to the national finals.

#### 1994

Jeff Evans works for Metatec Company in Dublin, OH, designing and reviewing multimedia software.

**Bradley Scheiber** passed the National Board Certified Pedorthic exam and is certified an O.S.T. (orthopedic shoe technician). He will join his grandfather and aunt in the family business at Miletti's Shoe and Lab.

**Erin M. Varley** has recently been hired as a sales representative for M.H. Eby Inc. She previously was substitute teaching in the Morrow County School District. M.H. Eby is owned by Menno Eby, father of **Travis Eby '94**, and manufactures aluminum livestock trailers and truck bodies.

#### 1996

**Cheryl Crane** was awarded a \$500 scholarship from the National Order of Omega. The program recognizes students based upon their contributions to the Greek community, their fraternity or sorority, the Order of Omega and to their compus community.



## Sesquicentennial is a Time to Remember... and to get your memorabilia items!

Available soon will be memorabilia items to remember the Sesquicentennial! Stationery, carrying bags, pennants, golf shirts, and prints of Otterbein buildings old and new by R. E. Miner. And our memorabilia centerpiece is a beautiful ceramic tile created by one of our own, Suzanne Stilson Edgar '79, President and Owner of Epro Tile in Westerville. These great pieces will feature the 150th logo and the true school colors. Items available in the bookstore by September 1 of this year.

Look for the order form in the Fall Towers! Also available from the Office of Institutional Advancement Call Greg Johnson @ 614-823-1400 or Mike Christian '61 @ 614-823-1206 if you have questions. Fanning the Flames op the Literary Urge

# 1970 alumna writes prize-winning, 400-word novel

#### by Patti Kennedy

o compress a lifetime into 400 words. To write a complete novel in just 400 words. Sound like an impossible task? Not to alumna Margaret Tabor '70, who was featured in the April 28 issue of *The Columbus Dispatch* as one of four winners in the newspaper's "Short Short Novel Contest."

"This one story is the greatest success I've had so far [in fiction writing] and that's why it's so meaningful to me," she explains. "A lot of people try very hard to write and don't always get recognition. It's hard to achieve success in this area and that's why it means so much to me."

After graduating from Otterbein in 1970, Tabor moved to Urbana, Ohio, where she has been teaching English to high school students, freshmen through seniors, for 26 years. She received a M.Ed. from Wright State University and is now pursuing a second graduate degree in English.

"In the last 15 years or so I've been writing more for myself. I haven't published very much but I've written a lot." She's been taking workshops at Miami University and Wright State and has written a science fiction fulllength book and several short stories.

Tabor says she has had several "incidental items" published such as being included in a newspaper article on wedding disasters. *Holiday Magazine* used her tale about a vacation gone bad in an article on vacation catastrophes.

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small professional articles published

that were only read by other English teachers," Tabor laughs. "I'm a good example of the kind of person who has one profession but is working at another and hoping for a breakthrough."

Tabor had taken some classes from author James Thomas, who wrote *Flash Fiction* and *Sudden Fiction*. "I was fascinated by the idea of writing the short, short story," she says. "But I don't see how you can call 400 words a novel. With 400 words you can only telegraph a novel. My solution was to write a short, short, short story that takes place over several years."

The Columbus Dispatch received 298 entries and four were selected, including Tabor's. George Myers, Jr., who organized the contest for the *Dispatch*, said of Tabor's story, "The language was imaginative and original. The images were the most striking of the four chosen."

He adds the only rules were that it had to be imagined as a novel, have character and action and, "I had to like it."

"I was amazed (that my story was chosen) because I had submitted to smaller magazines and reviews. What you usually get back isn't even a letter. It's just a slip of paper that says, 'Your story does not fit our needs at this time,' and that's it. I was assuming I would get another of those. "I'm a good example of a struggling writer. I like writing and I need to write but I don't expect much recognition, partly because there are so many talented writers. Sometimes I wonder why I bother and this made me think there is some hope."



Tabor admits her writing usually contains some component relating

to her own life. "It's not autobiographical but I take a scene from my youth and take off from there. I can't make up something unless there is a connection to my life. I can't create out of nothing."

For example, like the woman in Atomic Heat, Tabor did live on an Air Force Base after World War II. She remembers that there were guard dogs loose at night and that she discovered someone's stash of *Playboy* magazines.

While the contest has given her a boost of confidence, Tabor's days are still filled with teaching. She explains that her profession has changed a great deal since she became a teacher.

"Teachers today need to be on a mission. They need to be a kind of social worker. Those of us who went into teaching because of our love of the subject don't fit in as well anymore. So many students come from broken homes and so many have problems. And they don't keep things to themselves. They blurt it out and then you have to deal with it."

That's not how Tabor envisioned teaching when she was a student at Otterbein gaining her passion for the subject of English literature. She says she most remembers her English professors including Jim Bailey, Allen Martin and John Coulter, and the other English majors in her classes.

"I studied John Donne with Dr. Martin and loved John Donne. It was just a great department to be in. It was exciting to take courses and discuss literature with professors who cared so much."

She also was the editor of *Quiz and Quill.* "I edited an anthology version," she recollects.

Tabor returned to campus last fall when playwright Anna Deavere-Smith lectured as part of the Common Book Experience. "I talked to her briefly about words and the power of words and that meant a great deal because to me words are everything," Tabor emphasizes. "I appreciated getting to see her. That sort of program is great."

Every summer Tabor revisits her Otterbein roots by getting together with a group of classmates who also graduated in 1970 — Gayle Comstock, Bobbie Stiles, Linda Dixon and Nancy Driftmyer. "We still stay in touch and meet every summer. We call it the Old Broads Reunion," Tabor laughs.

After retiring, Tabor hopes to spend a great deal of her day writing. "I don't expect to be famous or to make a lot of money but I hope to be published here or there so I know my stuff is read sometime, somewhere."

# **Atomic Heat**

by Margaret Tabor '70

nce, Allie lived on an Air Force ammunition depot deep in Japan's hills. On this post-World War II base, her play was bounded by don'ts: Don't eat the steaks in the mess hall; the kitchen cats are always disappearing. Don't lollygag after dark; a guard dog might be loose. Don't open that door into the squared-off bunker behind the white-picket-fenced house; bombs are stacked still in these cavelike corridors.

One night Allie scrabbled under her captain father's bed for a stack of Playboys. Instead, she fished out a manila folder crammed with photographs of the Mushroom Bomb. In black and white, charred humanoids shamed the camera. Hair, trees, rivers, and skin flamed and liquefied.

Afterward, even the ravenous guard dogs bellowing in the night lost the force of nightmare.

In high school, back in Ohio, Alicia searched out another kind of fire. On cold autumn nights after football games, she and Lonnie parked in trees just over the hill from Lonnie's house. Her heat mushrooming under the cavern of Lonnie's body, Alicia scrunched her eyes to see blobs of golden white, like little suns.

"Don't, Lonnie, don't," she'd say, holding him, listening to the dogs baying in his yard.

In college, Alice and her roomate tramped through Virginia wilderness for a week, building fires with scrounged brush, seeking out safe mushrooms, peeing behind trees festooned with poison ivy, hiding from rain in shallow caves. One night, when something wolflike howled across the mountain, Alice and Rosa clutched sleeping bag to sleeping bag, their eyes wide under the blazing stars.

"Damn, Rosa," said Alice. "Why am I all the time so cold?"

Volunteering in a clinic on a burned-out Bronx street, Alice the med student ministered to children with cigarette burns, children scrabbling for love and shelter, children in thin sweat shirts and sockless Keds against the freeze. On the corner, a group of the homeless made caves of their hands over a mushrooming flame in a garbage can.

"Hey, Doc," they'd mumble, "got a buck for some smokes?"

Dr. Alice, clutching her cold arms under her thin white lab coat, volunteered the late shift at Planned Parenthood. Outside, abortion protestors dogged women searching for calm entrance. In a dark, close office, Alice's head jerked up at a cry, a crash of glass and a boom.

Down the corridor mushroomed a cloud of smoke and flame, her final heat.

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arvin Hamlisch used music to help deliver his message of learning at this year's commencement ceremonies.

Hamlisch related that he didn't think he needed college because, at age 18, he was already in show business. Much at his

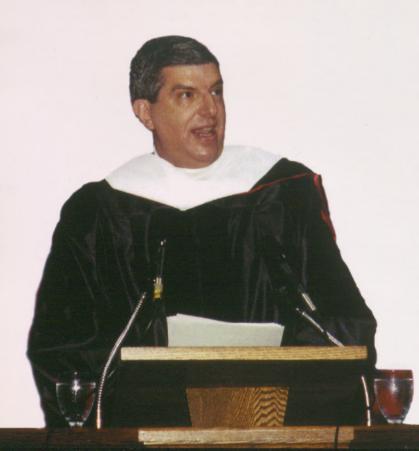
parent's insistence, he attended Queens College in New York City. But his college career was interrupted when he was commissioned to write the score for Sam Spiegel's *The Swimmer*. Hamlisch played the theme he wrote over 25 years ago and then continued his address to the commencement audience.

Hamlisch returned to Queens College after writing the score and eventually graduated. And now he has an honorary doctoral degree from Otterbein College.

Hamlisch said he appreciates college now because it helped him recognize opportunity and the ability to seize it. "All of you here will, I promise, be able to discern the moment of your opportunity. It is that moment for which you have been trained in college," he said.

The composer of such well-known fare as "The Way We Were," the theme from the movie *The Sting*, and the score for *a Chorus Line* is married to Terre Blair Hamlisch '77, a former Columbus TV personality. Hamlisch is also working on a contemporary piece for Otterbein called "Always Something Sings," which will debut at the college's Sesquicentennial Convocation on Sept. 24 of this year.

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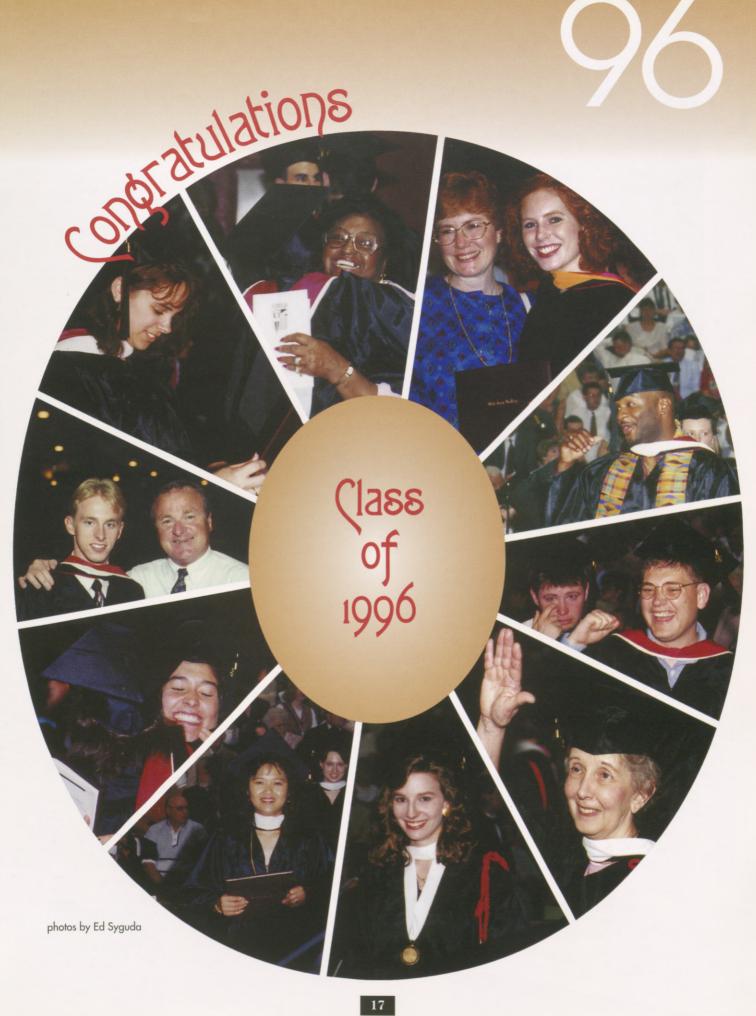








Top: Priscilla Lopez, from the original cast of A Chorus Line, sings while Hamlisch accompanies on the piano. Center: Hamlisch and President DeVore. Bottom: Hamlisch receives an honorary doctorate degree from Otterbein. Academic Dean Patricia Frick helps straighten Hamlisch's new duds.



by Patti Kennedy

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THE WHITE HOUSE

March 1, 1996

Dr. Lonnell E. Johnson Associate Professor English Department Otterbein College Westerville, Ohio 43081 Dear Dr. Johnson: I appreciated receiving a copy of your poen, "All Blues." Thank you for your thoughtfulness in sharing it with me. Thank you for your thoughtfulness in sharing it with me. With kind regards and gratitude for your prayerful support for both the President and me, I am for both the President and me, I am Sincerely yours, Will any College the start of t

P.S. I have possil on a copy of your letter and porm to iteler Robinim.

hen sorting through the mail, one weeds out the junk mail, hopes there are no bills and looks forward to letters from friends. But not everyone finds a note from First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton as Associate Professor of English Lonnell Johnson did recently.

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A friend of his in California mentioned that he heard a radio interview with Hillary Clinton in which she was asked about her favorite color. Her reply was, "Blue. I love all shades of blue."

For Johnson, this brought to mind a poem he had written, "All Blues. His friend encouraged him to send a copy to Mrs. Clinton.

Johnson says the poem was inspired by a particular painting.\* "It was a rendering of African American music. I heard the music as I saw the painting and so I wrote the poem."

The poem was later published in a chapbook published in 1994 by Persephone Press. The chapbook, *Sacred Jazz: Music, Mood, and Mind,* was the runner-up for the Persephone Press Book Publication Award.

In February, Johnson sent a laminated copy of "All Blues" on blue paper to Mrs. Clinton. In early March he received a personal note from the First Lady thanking him for the poem.

"I thought it was very gracious of her to respond and respond so quickly. I am pleased she liked it," Johnson says. While he doesn't want to discuss politics, Johnson wrote to Mrs. Clinton that "I was praying for the president and her in these challenging times. In that way, I am supportive of them. I believe in praying for our leaders." The poem was sent when the First Lady was under heavy fire concerning the Whitewater hearings and the firing of employees in the White House travel office.

Johnson does have another connection to the First Family. Before coming to Otterbein, Johnson taught at Fayetteville State University in North Carolina. While he was there, Fayetteville State chose a new chancellor who came from the University of Arkansas in Pine Bluff. In that position the chancellor had become friends with then-Governor Clinton. In fact, Clinton gave the inaugural address when the chancellor was welcomed at Fayetteville.

At that time, Johnson and his wife, Brenda, met and became friends with Helen Robinson, who worked in the governor's office. Robinson was later invited to serve on Mrs. Clinton's staff in Washington, D.C. after the presidential election.

Brenda Johnson got in touch with Robinson when Johnson was thinking of sending his poem. Robinson said she was sure Mrs. Clinton would appreciate it, and in his letter Johnson made mention of his friendship with Robinson.

Johnson, however, is not the first member of his family to receive a letter from the Clinton family. His daughter Melissa, who is a sophomore public relations major at Otterbein, received a letter from President Clinton after Robinson made him aware of a service project she had developed.

Melissa Johnson, in her role as Miss Teen Fayetteville, developed a project called REACH (Remember to Extend a Caring Hand). Through this project, she worked with 40 students doing a wide range of community service projects. They tutored younger students, visited a nursing home, organized a community cleanup effort and helped Habitat for Humanity.

President Clinton sent her a letter commending her initiative. Melissa also sent him a t-shirt with the REACH logo.

\* from a series of murals based on African American musical forms.

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# ALL BLUES

by LONNELL E. JOHNSON

pitch-black blue bluer than the toothless gums of a black blues singer screamin moanin bout how his baby done left him

can no anodyne soothe this state of mind can no elixir elevate this mood indigo

midnight blue this thick blue funk rises etherizes swirls, eddies makes folk giddy done stunk up they minds with stinkin thinkin suffocatin in self-pity

dazed, crazy from this haze of blue funk

I got these blues reason I'm not satisfied I got these blues reason I'm not satisfied that's the reason why I stole away and cried

mm mmm soon one mornin

till it caused my heart to moan

blues come fallin down

blues come fallin down

freight-train blue trailin down the track lonesome echoes blowin from a steel blue dark harmonica navy blue notes wailin for Miles from that long-gone train

> took my baby to meet the mornin train took my baby to meet the mornin train and the blues come down baby-like showers of rain

A Penelope Press Broadside from SACRED JAZZ, Music, Mood & Mind printed on the occasion of Lonnell E. Johnson's reading at Sandhills Community College Pinehurst, NC 1993 pastel blue lighter, brighter subtle twinge of powder blue like Betty Lou hop-scotchin up to sky blue and back peacock blue glimmers shimmering like the lining of Queen Esther's royal blue robe. penetrates this thick blue upon blueness in a lighter vein

bright sea-blue swirling like burgundy blue new wine springing from an inner fountain blue from the soul of a man who swapped his blues for joys

> trouble in mind I'm blue but I won't be blue always trouble in mind I'm blue but I won't be blue always cause the sun's conna shine in my front door someday.

just what is the blues?

is it somethin you get a show nuff dis ease like de rheumatiz or de rockin pneumonia and de boogie-woogie flu or is it like Lightnin said somethin you just borned with whatsonever it is somethin gets a holt of you dis mornin dis evenin soooo blue just what is the blues maybe Lady Day summed it up when she said, "The blues is everything."

the sea, the sky, the blues and i know all colors; sea and sky, the blues and I know all colors: all shades all hues all blues



# OTTERBEIN & THE CIVIL WAR

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Top: A painting of General Grant from the Ohio Historical Society. Above left: An 1882 cover of a song booklet that featured Benjamin Hanby's "Darling Nelly Gray." Above right: An 1861 recruitment poster from the Ohio Historical Society. Right: Thomas McFadden's sword. Note the word "medical" on the blade.

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# Affirming Our Past

# Editor's Note: Part of this article was taken from Affirming Our Past, Shaping Our Future, the new Sesquicentennial pictorial history. See inside cover of this issue for more information.

bronze plaque set in a stone monument on the Otterbein campus honors the men who served in the Union Army during the Civil War. According to

Harold Hancock's History of Otterbein College, things looked dim for the College in 1860, and the outbreak of war in 1861 brought even more complications.

In 1860, before the Civil War began, Otterbein boasted an enrollment of 267. But in the next five years, men from the College served in the Union Army in 53 different regiments, batteries and battalions. Otterbein was represented in every major battle of the Civil War including Gettysburg, Chickamauga, Vicksburg, Shiloh and Antietam.

According to Hancock, 171 persons affiliated with Otterbein University as alumni, students, or veterans who enrolled upon their return from military service participated in the Civil War.

Even Otterbein's president, Lewis Davis, joined the fight along with more than 100 students. A newspaper clipping in August 1863 told that "President Davis of Otterbein University joined an independent company of Ohio militia. He will look well in a blue coat with a musket on his shoulder. The president is about 50 years of age."

# The Underground Railroad Came This Way

"Choose you this day whom ye will serve..." Joshua 24:15

#### By Connie Lenzer

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It was the early 1800s. Slavery was legal in parts of the United States, illegal in others. Federal laws forced those in free states to aid in the return of runaway slaves. Many citizens felt torn between the law of the land and the law of God.

William Hanby was one such Christian. Hanby, a bishop in the United Brethren Church and one of the founders of Otterbein College, is quoted as saying: "A law founded on righteousness must be obeyed at all costs... But I say to you that when a law keeps a people from humanity, it is no longer the voice of God... As for me, my path is plain, I have chosen whom I will serve."

Hanby's choice led him to a secret profession — a title worn by many of his day. He was a conductor on the underground railroad.

The underground railroad (UGRR) was not a real railroad and was not underground. It was a name coined to describe the spiriting of fugitive slaves from one hiding place to another as they made their way toward freedom. Their ultimate goal was usually Canada. It is believed that Ohio, which was located between the south and freedom, had more traffic on its "rails" than any other state.

According to Wilbur H. Siebert, author of *The Underground Railroad* From Slavery to Freedom, the UGRR in Ohio began around 1812. By the time it ended around 1867, about 40,000 runaway slaves had passed through Ohio homes, barns and businesses — some of them belonging to members of the United Brethren and Methodist denominations.

Perhaps the most well-documented instance of those connected with the current United Methodist church working with the UGRR is Otterbein College in Westerville, a United Methodist-related institution. It was there that Bishop Hanby helped conduct many slaves to freedom with the help of another conductor, Rev. Lewis Davis. Davis, who was President of Otterbein, would later become a United Brethren bishop.

Despite the fact that no official records were kept of the UGRR, Hanby's home is one of the best-known stops on the railroad in Ohio. As a result, the home has been preserved as an Ohio Historical Society State Memorial >>> to page 22

In Henry Garst's History of Otterbein, he writes that "no great progress was tried or even attempted during the war. It was no simple task just to maintain when so many men had gone to field or were called home to take the place of fathers and brothers who had gone."

G.A. Funkhouser wrote an article for the Sibyl in 1908 about his experiences in the Civil War and those of his fellow classmates. According to Funkhouser, early in the war students who enlisted were lured by the "glamor of brass buttons, neatly fitting uniforms and glittering shoulder straps."

Funkhouser himself enlisted on Aug. 4, 1862. On that day the largest single group of Otterbein students entered the war. Otterbein officials wondered if anyone would be left to enter school in the fall and indeed a third of those men never returned.

Funkhouser was wounded and captured by the Confederacy the same month he enlisted. He was paroled on Sept. 1 after signing a pledge swearing that he would "not take up arms against the Confederate States."

He then made his way back to Westerville to recuperate from his wounds. Ignoring the pledge he signed to gain his freedom, Funkhouser returned to the fray in January of 1863. In the last battle of the war, he met up with classmate G.W. Schrock who was mortally wounded on April 8, 1865, just one day before General Robert E. Lee surrendered on behalf of the Confederacy.

Of those who enlisted at the same time, only four—including Funkhouser—returned to study at Otterbein and graduate.

Instructors also answered the call. Professor Thomas McFadden joined the 46th Regiment of the Ohio Volunteer Infantry as a surgeon in early October 1861. Although he was never wounded or captured, the Civil War devastated Professor McFadden. Serving as a surgeon on the steamship Memphis during the battle of Shiloh, McFadden

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experienced the full horror of war. With the deafening noise and violent concussion of artillery pieces less than a half mile away, he and other doctors stumbled among the bodies of hundreds of wounded men lying on every deck "so thick that surgeons could scarcely move ten steps without causing someone to scream." Day and night McFadden worked. "Oh, how tired I became of the sight of bleeding mangled bodies and of amputated legs and arms," he wrote.

After Shiloh, McFadden received an honorable discharge to allow him time to recover. In 1863, however, he re-enlisted and was assigned to Camp Chase near Columbus. In 1865, he returned to the College, but never had the stamina to resume his medical practice.

Hancock's history details the campus attitude toward the end of slavery. "Faculty and students looked forward eagerly to the freeing of the slaves in the South, celebrating Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation with special chapel services on January 1, 1863. When the copperhead Clement L. Vallandigham, exiled in Canada, dared run for the gubernatorial office in Ohio, the members of the Philomathean Literary Society passed resolutions rejecting for membership anyone who supported his candidacy."

Hancock adds, "With the disturbances of the Civil War behind them, the trustees in June, 1865 hoped 'for a brighter day to dawn upon Otterbein University."

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operated by the Westerville Historical Society. According to Carol Krumm, curator of the Hanby House, the home has been moved onto the campus and is open to visitors by request. The story of the Hanby House has been documented in a publication called "Choose You This Day" by Dacia Custer Shoemaker. That document mentions an instance where Hanby and I.L. Buckwalter, a United Brethren minister, helped three fugitives out of town to the home of Jonathan Dresbach, another well-known United Brethren churchman.

"Quakers and the members and ministers of the United Brethren church, like William Hanby, were in the vanguard of the abolitionist movement and often helped runaways escape," the document states.

Although few today have knowledge of Bishop Hanby's efforts on the railroad, some may have heard of his son, Benjamin, who wrote the song "Darling Nelly Gray." The song was based on a story told by a runaway slave who died of pneumonia at the Hanby home in 1842. The slave, Joe Selby, was attempting to reach Canada to earn money to purchase his sweetheart's freedom. The story made an impression on Benjamin, who was nine years old at the time. While in college in 1856, he put the story into song form.

The younger Hanby, who later became a United Brethren pastor, also wrote the Christmas song, "Up On the Housetop," and the hymn "Who Is He in Yonder Stall?"

# Class of 1995 Update

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#### No Mental Health Days for this History Teacher! by Ken Goodrich

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Some habits last a life time. **Robert ("Bobb") Woodruff '67** says he never cut classes while at Otterbein, and since then has compiled the remarkable record of 28 years as a school teacher without missing a single day of work at Blendon Middle School in Westerville.

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Woodruff (who adopted the nick name "Bobb" while in high school because there were so many "Bobs") is modest about his record, saying, "I am lucky; I like coming to school." He says his bouts with colds or the flu have tended to come during school vacations or weekends, and he points out that because he has no children, he has not had to miss work to care for them.



He acknowledges, however, that on occasion he has had to report to work with laryngitis. On these days he writes a "script" which a student reads to the class. "I am like Vanna White on these days," he says, "motioning with my hands." He adds that his students are sympathetic on such days and enjoy the change from the usual routine.

At Otterbein, Woodruff majored in history and completed a minor in English. He especially admired one of his history professors, Dr. Holterman, who wove into her teaching her experiences in escaping to England from Nazi Germany. His middle school students continue to find that these same stories bring history to life.

While at Otterbein, he did some page paste-up work with the student newspaper, was elected to Phi Alpha Theta, the history honorary, and participated in an "education club."

He joined the staff of Blendon Middle School when it opened in 1969 and has taught American history there ever since. He credits the Otterbein teacher education program with giving him an inside track on a job in Westerville.

He says he has never regretted his decision to attend Otterbein, although it almost did not happen. He was probably headed toward attendance at a large state university when his hometown minister brought him for a visit to Otterbein. He decided this small college was a good fit for a boy from a small town. Since graduation he has maintained contact with Otterbein by frequent use of the library (including research for his 1977 master's degree in Social Studies Education at The Ohio State University) and welcoming to his classroom "participant observers" and student teachers from the College.

Woodruff's hobbies include submitting articles on Blendon athletic events to a local newspaper. This has resulted, he says, in greater press coverage of sports events at his school than at other Westerville schools – a situation that has not gone unnoticed by friends who teach at those schools. Additional hobbies include yard work and bicycling.

Although he will be eligible for retirement before long (after 30 years of teaching in Ohio), Woodruff says he will not retire while he is still enjoying teaching, "which I still am."

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# **Endowed Awards Update**



Mike Christian, Endowed Awards Officer; President C. Brent DeVore; and Debby Cramer '71.

**Robert E. and Mary Elizabeth Cramer Endowed Award** Recently, **Debby Cramer '71** came all the way from Australia and visited the campus. She and her husband, Bill Caukill, established the Robert E. and Mary Elizabeth Cramer Endowed Award in honor of her parents. The endowed award is for students selected by the English Department and will be awarded for the first time at the Honors Convocation in 1997.

John H. Becker '50 Memorial Endowed Library Book Fund John's wife/widow, Marian Havens Becker '50, family, friends, and colleagues have established this special project endowed fund to honor John's devotion to the college and the college library. (John was head librarian from 1954 to 1985.)

#### Ellen M. Jones '23 Memorial Endowed Award

Albert '49 and Jane Morrison Horn '50 have established this award to honor Ellen's devotion to the college and her years of operating the bookstore in downtown Westerville. The award will be assigned to the Music Department and begins in May of 1996. Ct., Westerville, OH 43081, is a self-employed daycare provider.

Zenia Dacio, 2373 Hildale Dr. NW, Dover, OH 44622, is an outdoor education instructor at Nature's Classroom in Bellville, OH.

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**Rochelle Lowery**, 3200 Cedar Hill Rd., Canal Winchester, OH 43110, is a staff RN at Mount Carmel East in Columbus.

**Barbara Mackinaw**, 5320 Shannon Lane, Columbus, OH 43235, is attending OSU in a PhD program in child clinical psychology.

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J.W. Morrissette, 3651 Smith, Lambertville, MI 48144, is an actor with Madcap Productions. He is also seeking his MFA at the Univ. of Illinois.

Karlie Mossman, 45 University St., Westerville, OH 43081 is the "voice of the Capital Area Humane Society" and has assisted with radio and television spots in addition to her duties as receptionist. She is also associated with Shado Art Productions where she has contributed both on-stage and backstage in various cabaret productions. Karlie is excited to be understudying the lead dancers in the rock-opera *Evolution* which opens at the Tribeca Theatre off-Broadway in New York City.

**Tiffany Napolitano**, 5528 Rockwood Rd., Columbus, OH 43229, is an exercise instructor for the YMCA of Central Ohio. She has been accepted and will be attending John Marshall Law School in August of this year.

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#### Georgiana Jewell

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### MILESTONES

Compiled by Shirley Seymour

#### MARRIAGES

1968 Pat Peters to Roger Dunn, Dec. 2, 1995.

**1975 Craig Charleston** to Pam Hallberg, July 1, 1995.

1985 Jerry Thaman to Michelle Waldruff, Sept. 8, 1995.

1988 Cynthia Abrams to Tom Rich, April 1, 1995

1991 Kathryn Cale to Brian Eichlin, Sept. 23, 1995.

Sally Kammer to John Buckles, Mar. 16, 1996.

**Tiffany Stephenson** to Bill Psyhogios, Nov. 26, 1994.

**1992** Janice Holland to Duane Inghram, Sept. 29, 1995. Nicole Shadwick to Kirt Moritz, July 15, 1995.

**Molly Sweeney** to Gregory Price, Sept. 9, 1996.

**Michelle Tuell** to Scott Trimble, July 17, 1993.

#### 1993

**Christine Dreisbach** to Bradley Pope, Mar. 9, 1996.

**Kim Grossi** to Kevin Orr, June 10, 1995.

Jennifer Shanta to Keith Willis, Mar. 30, 1996.

**Elizabeth Thomas** to Mark Otto, Oct. 21, 1995.

**1994** Kerry Poling to David Hanning, Dec. 30, 1995.

**Russ Raber** to **Christie Weininger '95**, August 19, 1995.

#### 1995

**Gabriela Arriaga** to Charles Wasserstrom, Nov. 28, 1995.

Julie Bailey to Todd Meyers, August 19, 1995.

**Rebecca Dixon** to Jeff Eschmeyer, August 12, 1995.

Misti Fox to Howard Saur, March 30, 1996.

Robert E. Hull to Julie Austin '95, August 5, 1995.

**Diana Lee** to Chad Dickson, July 22, 1995.

**Julie Longstreth** to Chad Moorehead, September 9, 1995.

**Nancy Marple** to Jerome Weddle, June 23, 1995.

Katrina Seymour to Doug Glitt, Aug. 12, 1995.

William Stobart to Jana McRoberts, August 5, 1995.

**Kimberly Weaver** to Kyle Snider, December 16, 1995.

#### BIRTHS

#### 1981

Julie Roush Cooper and husband Ron, a boy, Nicholas James, born Dec. 16, 1995. He joins sister Sarah, 4.

#### Cheryl McDonald Moss

and husband Trent, a boy, Scott Daniel, born Aug. 6, 1995. He joins sister Jennah, 9, and brother Brian, 7.

1982 Michael Puskarich and wife Judy, a boy, Michael Steven, born July 3, 1995. He joins sister Jenna, 8.

#### 1983

Jackie Cave Congrove and husband Tom, a boy, Trent Nicholas, born Mar. 5, 1996. He joins brothers Ty, 8, and Tim, 5

#### Cheryl Fehn Kuisti and

husband Jeff, a girl, Erin Elizabeth, born Feb. 9, 1996. She joins sister Maureen, 5 and brother Kevin, 3.

#### Charlene Baggs McDon-

**ald** and husband Stephen, a boy, Timothy Patrick, born Aug. 29, 1995. He joins brother Stevie, 2. Proud aunt is **Cheryl McDonald Moss '81**.

#### 1984

**Ron Jones** and wife Cammy, a boy, Ryan Matthew, born Feb. 16, 1996. He joins big brother, Hamilton, 4.

William R. Ulmer and wife Ellen, a boy, William Jr., born Feb. 4, 1995. He joins sisters Claire, 5-1/2, and Anne, 3-1/2.

#### 1986

Scott and Mary Bravard Alpeter '87, a girl, Elaina Margaret, born March 6, 1996. She joins proud brothers Aaron, 7 and Austin, 2 and sister Erika, 5.

#### Kathryn Holder

**Danzeisen** and husband David, a girl, Gabrielle An-Mei, born Dec. 15, 1995, in Okinawa, Japan.

**Mike Huston** and wife **Lisa Collins '88**, a boy, Peter Edward, born July 4, 1995.

#### 1987

Laurie Zintel Landon and husband Larry, a girl,

Rachel Ann, born Feb. 21, 1996. She joins big sister Kathryn, 3.

**Douglas Martin** and wife Diane, a girl, Meagan Christine, born July 2, 1995. She joins brother Corey, 3.

#### 1988

Leslie Shenkel Wagner and husband James '88, a girl, Cathryn Grace, born Jan. 26, 1996. She joins siblings Bobby, 6, Tyler, 5, Lacey, 3, and Sam 1.

#### **1989** Jill McKeever McCullough and husband Mark, a girl, Nicole Jordan, born Mar. 9, 1996.

Leigh Ann Inskeep Simpson and husband Michael, a boy, Burr, born Jan. 10, 1996.

**Andrea Shiffer Tullis** and husband Sean, a girl, Jamie Lynn, born Jan. 20, 1996. She joins sister Katie.

#### 1990

Kristen Reynolds Bond and husband Hobie, a boy, Benjamin Forest, born Nov. 10, 1995.

#### Michelle Brown Hart-

**sough** and husband Mark, a boy, Nicolas Anthony, born Apr. 27, 1996. He joins big sister Madison, 4.

**Patrick McNulty** and wife Lillian, a boy, James Patrick, born Mar. 4, 1996.

**1991** Joyce Gilliland Bauder and husband Michael, a boy, Tyler James, born Oct. 13, 1995.

1993 Amanda Reynolds Rammelsberg and husband Steve, a girl, Miranda Dawn, born Apr. 12, 1996. Coach **Dick Reynolds '65** and wife **Ellen Trout Reynolds '76**, are the proud grandparents.

#### 1995

**Megan Goodson Bell** and husband Brian, a girl, Emily, born November 14, 1995.

**Denise Howes Juhola** and husband Michael, a girl, Emily Jane, born February 16, 1996.

**Ting Kreminski** and husband Ed, a boy, Maxwell Orion, May 27, 1995.

**Scott Maxwell** and wife **Missy Lundy '95**, twins, a boy, Jacob, and a girl, Jasmine, born Dec. 23, 1995.

**Frank Polito** and wife Antoinette, a girl, Alexandria Rose, born December 8, 1995.

#### DEATHS

#### 1925

#### Annabel Wiley

Carpenter, 93, of Ft. Lauderdale, FL, died Jan. 26, 1996, of congestive heart failure in Palm Court Nursing Home, Prior to retirement, she was a teacher for the Delaware. Ohio School District. Her memberships included the Plantation United Methodist Church and its Women's Society, Order of the Eastern Star, and the Delta Kappa Gamma sorority. She is survived by her daughter, Diane Morgan of Plantation, FL.; a brother, James Wiley of North Port, FL; a sister, Mary Wiley of Plantation, FL; two grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

**1927 Evelyn Frost Carpenter**, 89, of Washington C.H.,

died Dec. 22, 1995 in the Court House Manor Nursing Home where she had been a resident and in failing health for several years. She had been a teacher at Roosevelt High School in East Chicago where she taught Latin, English and Art. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church. Preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, she is survived by a daughter, Ann Stephens of Houston, TX; a son and daughter-in-law, the Rev. Dr. John William Carpenter and his wife, Beth of Morton, PA; six grandchildren; three greatgrandchildren; a sister, Louise Halliday of Washington C.H.; and sister-inlaw, Grace Frost of Bloomingburg.

#### 1928

Frances Wurm, 91, of Westerville, died March 20, 1996, at the Village at Westerville. Retired from the Westerville Public Schools, she was a member of First Presbyterian Church, Mizpah Chapter 38 OES, New Century, the Westerville, Ohio, and National Education Associations, AAUW and was a volunteer at Hanby House. She is survived by her brother-in-law Charles Fick of Westerville; niece, Linda (Mike) Orlich of Westerville; great-niece and great-nephews, Rob (Kim) Corey, Chad, Amy, Matte, and Nick.

#### 1931

W. G. Clippinger, 87, passed away Mar. 31, 1996, at Miami Valley Hospital, Dayton. Born in Dayton, Mr. Clippinger spent his youth in Westerville while his father was President of Otterbein. He retired after 33 years as a printing and journalism teacher at Dayton's Kiser High School. Survivors include his wife, Lenore '32: daughters Linda Miller '63 and husband Thomas '58 of Arvada, CO, and Robin Grove and her husband David of Punta Gorda, FL; sister, Charlotte Cummins '33 of Chagrin Falls, OH.; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. His parents and brother Donald '25 preceded him in death. Walter donated his body to The Wright State University School of Medicine.

We have received word that **Margaret Welty** passed away July 2, 1994, at the age of 85. She had a rare type of sarcoma.

#### 1932

Homer Huffman, 92, of Piqua, died Jan. 22, 1996, in the Trinity Center of Dayton. He was a teacher and supervisor of music for 35 years in Marion, Upper Sandusky and Piqua. Survivors include his wife, Helen; daughter Mrs. Robert (Phyllis) Mayne of Dayton; three step-grandchildren and two step-great grandchildren; and a sister. Mrs. Maxine Silvers of Piqua. He was predeceased by his parents, six brothers and one sister.

#### 1934

Albert M. Banbury, died April 22, 1995. Mr. Banbury's family has been associated with Otterbein for many years. His sister, Ada May Banbury, attended Otterbein in the midtwenties. She died May 28, 1995. His daughter, Sally Banbury Anspach, was in the Class of 1964, her husband, Nicholas Anspach was Class of 1966. Daughter Sharon Banbury Shoaf and her husband, Thomas Shoaf, were in the Class of 1967. A nephew, Mark Banbury, was Class of 1972.

We have received word that **lone Elliott**, Piketon, OH, passed away Jan. 15, 1996.

**1944** We have received word that **Edwin Gourley**, Cocoa Beach, FL, passed away Mar. 18, 1996.

#### 1949

Margaret Turner Howard passed away Dec. 25, 1995, after a lengthy bout with Alzheimer's disease. A former teacher in the Lakewood school system, she also enjoyed teaching Sunday school and was an avid bird watcher. Survivors include her husband John who cared for her during her illness; daughters, Cindy and Elaine; and son William.

#### 1950

Arline Starr Hambley passed away April 29,

1996, of pancreatic cancer.

#### 1952

We have received word that **Rev. Harry Hull**, of Johnstown, PA, died of a heart attack on Mar. 3, 1996.

#### 1955

We have received word that **Edwin Eberly**, of N. Lawrence, OH, passed away in July, 1995.

#### 1958

James Vincent Mulby, passed away Jan. 28, 1996. He was an honored athlete with the US Army and a paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne. Mr. Mulby played professional and semi-professional baseball and contributed to maintaining high standards of high school sports officiating. Survived by wife, Ann; daughter Micki and son-in-law Wade Kozich; granddaughter, Kelly; sister Beverly and brother-in-law Don Malnofski; nieces Kim and Amy, and nephew Mike.

#### 1959

We have received word that **George Dwy** passed away May 17, 1995.

#### 1977

Jon E. Turner, 41, of New Concord, died Feb. 1, 1996, at Good Samaritan Medical Center after a brief illness. He was formerly employed at Dick Masheter Ford in Columbus, Classic Ford in Cambridge and Dutro Ford in Zanesville. Surviving are his wife, Connie Sue Tilley Turner; his mother and stepfather Lee Ball Turner Nethers and Ronnie Nethers of Zanesville; maternal grandmother, Ruth White of Zanesville; and aunt Charm Atwood of Miami, Fla.

Our Sympathy to... Brian and **Edith Hajek '66** and **Lisa Hajek**, class of '99, whose son and brother, David, 22, died at the Kobacker House hospice May 14, 1996. In November 1991, David was injured in an auto accident two blocks from his home. He had been in a coma ever since. Our condolences. ■

# Come Home to Otterbein for the 150th Anniversary! Homecoming 1996 October 10-12, 1996

- Reunions planned for Classes of '81, '86 and '91.
- Dept. Alumni Gatherings:
  - Business, Accounting, and Economics
    English
- Women's Physical Education/Athletics Reunion
- Friends of Music Honor Gary Tirey
- Homecoming Parade
- Alumni Band
- \* "O" Club Honors 1946 Football Team

And many other activities and get-togethers planned. Call Greg Johnson at 614-823-1400 for more information.



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#### SAC News

On May 18, members of the National Alumni Council Executive Committee and SAC members enjoyed a cookout at the Hoover Reservoir home of Elizabeth Glor Allen '64 and Hugh Allen '62. Everyone enjoyed taking a pontoon boat ride around the reservoir. Many thanks go to the Allens for graciously opening their home and providing an opportunity for SAC students to get to know Executive Committee members in an informal setting.

The SAC students now have their own theme house on the Otterbein campus. Several of the SAC members will be living in the Mikesell House during the 1996-97 academic year. The house also will serve as a place to hold alumni meetings and as a departure point when alumni meet on campus to travel to various events.

Plans are underway for a SAC visit to Texas, March 24-28. The SAC students will assist Director of Alumni Relations Greg Johnson in hosting alumni gatherings in Dallas, San Antonio and Houston.

#### Lifelong Learning

About 30 alumni and friends of the College visited campus on April 25 to continue their lifelong learning. They came to listen to Assistant Professor of Life and Earth Science Michael Hoggarth speak on ecology and environmentalism. His talk focused on what people can do to protect the earth even as we use its resources. As an expert in the area of aquatic communities, Hoggarth used the community of the freshwater mussel to illustrate a better understanding of man's relationship and responsibility to the community of nature. National Alumni Council Meets On June 8, 34 members of the National Alumni Council met on campus. Ed Mentzer '58



chaired the meeting as outgoing president of the council. Numerous committees made reports that reflected the council's impact on alumni relations throughout the United States.



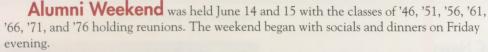
#### A Day at the Zoo

Otterbein alumni, friends and families enjoyed a day at the Columbus Zoo on Saturday, June 29. Alumni hosts Julie Heineger '83, Lisa Mentzer Carter '85 and Patty Royer Nashar '85 created a fun summer event for adults and kids alike. Forty adults and nine children gathered for a picnic at the zoo's Rivers Edge Conference Center, toured the zoo grounds and got a look at this summer's special attraction — DinoRoars!, lifelike robotic dinosaurs on display at the Columbus Zoo this summer.

#### Hound Ears—almost heaven!

Hound Ears Resort, in the Smoky Mountains in North Carolina, was the site for a gathering of Otterbein alumni and friends in late June. Activities included golf, tennis, swimming, sightseeing, shopping, and of course plenty of good food. Bob '46 and Suzie Schmidt served as gracious hosts with assistance from Dale '59 and Betty Crawford. Those attending included (L-R) President DeVore H'86, Linda DeVore '89, Suzie Schmidt, Bob Schmidt '46, Ginger Hill '69, Jack Pietila '62, Dale Crawford '59, Betty Crawford, Wendell Foote '60, Amanda Hofferbert, Judy Lovejoy Foote '58, Dick Hofferbert '50 and Greg Johnson.





More than 50 people from the Class of '56 gathered at the Wyandotte Winery for a social and dinner highlighted by the hijinks of Dave Warner and John Bullis. Their Otterbein "memory" contest was a big hit with the crowd.

Nearly 90 alumni and guests from the classes of '51, '61, '66, and '76 enjoyed a social and dinner at the Graystone Manor in downtown Columbus. The emeriti and Golden Reunion class of 1946 held dinners at the Campus Center which were followed by entertainment provided by the Eleventh Avenue Express Barbershop Quartet.

On Saturday, alumni enjoyed annual events such as the Quiz and Quill breakfast, class pictures, the Alumni Luncheon, Award Winners' Dessert Reception and the Alumni Choir Concert.

This year's lifelong learning course drew more students than any previously offered. Professor of Speech Emeritus James Grissinger gave pointers on how to "Speak the Speech Trippingly."

The fun-filled weekend concluded with socials and dinners on Saturday night for all the reunion classes.



Ed Mentzer '58, outgoing National Alumni Association president, tests his singing talents with the Eleventh Avenue Express Barbershop Quartet.



Alumni relax over Alumni Weekend at the Wyandotte Winery. L-R: Bill Evans '56, Robert Vance '49, Evelyn Bender Vance '51, and Sonya Stauffer Evans '56.

Class photos will appear in the Fall Issue of *Towers*. More Alumni Weekend photos on the back cover!

# 1996 Аluconi Аwaкд Winners Honored

#### Honorary Alumna Award ~ Jane Oman

Jane Oman has served on many boards of trustees for nonprofit organizations. She has been one of the original advisors for the "I Know I Can" program, volunteering at Mifflin High School for five years. Jane was appointed by the Governor to The Ohio Humanities Council in 1993, and is now in her second term on the Otterbein Board of Trustees.

#### Special Achievement Award ~ Frederick Collins '54

Fred Collins, who holds nine U.S. patents in the area of plastics, says his greatest satisfaction has been in the number of jobs he has helped create. His patented work created processes for the manufacture of polyethylene foam used as protective packaging. In 1995, Fred was elected Fellow of the Society of Plastics Engineers in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the plastic industry. Only 116 of the current 38,000 SPE members have achieved this status.

#### Special Achievement Award ~ Robert Eschbach '54

Robert Eschbach became blind at age 10, but he never let that little detail slow his life down. He was ordained in the former EUB Church, has worked as a Licensed Independent Social Worker, and served as Assistant Director for the Bureau of Services for the Visually Impaired for ten years. In 1995, he was appointed as Director for the Bureau of Blindness and Visual Services of Pennsylvania. He has served the National Federation of the Blind at the local, state, and national levels.

#### Special Achievement Award ~ Curtis Tong '56

Curtis Tong has dedicated his life to education through intercollegiate athletics. At Otterbein, Curt earned 11 varsity letters in football, tennis, and baseball and was awarded the Augsberger-Ballenger Award for excellence in athletics. The past 13 years have been spent at Ponoma College where he was challenged to develop a \$25 million sports complex and reshape the department, and where he has shared his philosophy of students learning valuable life-long lessons from athletics.

#### Distinguished Service Award ~ Mary Bivins H'85

Mary Bivins has been an integral part of Otterbein's alumni network for more than 25 years. Mary oversees alumni record-keeping and coordinates all alumni mailings. Mary is a continuing ambassador for Otterbein College and on a number of occasions has served as alumni staff representative for Otterbein travel groups. A native of Kansas City, Mary moved to Westerville in 1965 and immediately "adopted" the community.

#### New 1996-97 Student Alumni Council Officers

President — Jenny Sullivan Vice President — April Kinkade Secretary — Amy Rohr Treasurer — Laura Bush

New 1996-98 National Alumni Council Officers President — Elizabeth Glor Allen '64 Vice President — Cabot Rea '78 Secretary — Carolyn Swartz Royer '60



Back row, L-r: Carl Allen (son of Hugh Allen), Curt Tong, Frederick Collins, Lloyd Allen (son of Hugh Allen). Front row, Robert Eschbach, Jane Oman, Mary Bivins.

#### Distinguished Alumnus Award ~ Hugh Allen '62

Hugh Allen is recognized nationally and internationally as a leader in medicine, education and research, and new methods of health care access. His has been honored as one of the "Best Doctors in America" and as one of the country's "Best Heart Doctors." In 1986 his contributions were recognized by Otterbein with the presentation of an honorary Doctor of Science degree. Doctor Allen was unable to attend Alumni Weekend due to health circumstances, but two of his sons accepted the award for him.

#### World Ambassador Award ~ Lillian Frank H'68

As an "Otterbein World Ambassador," Lillian Frank has broadened the world view of students, colleagues, and friends, both in the classroom and out. She has shown her gracious hospitality to foreign students from many nations at Otterbein, and through her knowledge and enthusiasm has inspired students and faculty to travel and study abroad. It is particularly appropriate as the college names her "World Ambassador" that the Japan Alumni Group also chooses to honor Lillian by establishing the "Lillian Frank Foreign Student Award" in her honor.

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#### Otterbein College National Alumni Calendar, 1996

| Date          | Event                               | Location          |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 9/96          | Central OH Sesqui. Celebration      |                   |
| 9/10/96       | Cleveland Alumni Outing             |                   |
| 9/14/96       | Alumni/Friends Football Seminar     |                   |
| 9/16/96       | National Alumni Ex. Comm. Mtg.      |                   |
| 9/22/96       | Annual Alumni Baseball Game         |                   |
| 10/96         | Dayton Sesqui. Celebration          |                   |
| 10/96         | Philadelphia Sesqui. Celebration    |                   |
| 10/8/96       | Lifelong Education Program          | Otterbein Campus  |
| 10/10/96      | Lifelong Education Program          | Downtown Cols.    |
| 10/11-12/96   | Homecoming '96                      | Otterbein Campus  |
| 10/18-19/96   | Women's Volleyball Outing           | Rochester, NY     |
| 10/18-20/96   | Fall Wkd. Getaway in S.C.           |                   |
| 11/96         | Cincinnati Sesqui Celebration       |                   |
| 11/23/96      | Lifelong Education Program          | Lebanon, OH       |
| 11/30-12/3/96 | Men's Basketball Tournament         | Various sites, TN |
| 11/96-12/96   | Women's Basketball Tournaments      | Various sites     |
| 12/3-12/1796  | The London Experience               | London, England   |
| 12/28/96      | Alumni & Friends Basketball Preview |                   |



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Top left: Edna Smith Zech '33 shares a light moment with Gertrude Knight and J. Robert Knight '28. Top right: Wendell and Elizabeth McConnell Wolf '46. Middle: More members of the golden reunion class of 1946: Jacqueline McCalla Cordle, Dorothy Kohberger Vogler, Mary Ellen Casel Case, and Josephine Case Thomas. Bottom: The classes of '51, '61, '66, and '76 enjoyed the atmosphere of the Greystone manor in downtown Columbus.