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Campus News

Decision for Arts Campaign Announced

The Otterbein College Trustees have approved a \$1.4 million renovation of the 48-year-old Alumni Gymnasium into a music and arts center as part of a \$2.5 million Decision for the Arts Campaign.

The campaign has already received a major boost with the announcement of a \$250,000 pledge from the Vida S. Clements Foundation.

"The Clements Foundation gift means the Decision for the Arts campaign is off to a great beginning toward meeting the \$2.5 million goal. We are most grateful to the Foundation for this very generous demonstration of support," stated President Thomas J. Kerr, IV.

The Decision for the Arts project is an extension of the efforts begun in the early 1970's to consolidate and improve campus facilities. The new arts center will include music, art and dance programs and a 275-seat auditorium. The classrooms, offices and art and dance studios will help meet the physical needs of these academic disciplines.

Also included among the projects to be funded by the \$2.5 million campaign are the addition of a scene shop to Cowan Hall, continued interior renovation of Towers Hall and the funding of energy saving steps taken during the past six years.

In announcing the campaign kickoff, Pres. Kerr also named the members of the campaign's leadership group.

Serving as national chairman for Otterbein's fund-raising campaign for the arts program is Elmer Funkhouser Jr., chairman of the Otterbein College Board of Trustees and special assistant to the Dean of the Harvard Business

School.

Others on the campaign staff include William E. LeMay, president of Dayton Flexible Products, as Leadership Gifts Chairman; Thomas Bromeley, a member of the Otterbein College Board of Trustees since 1975, as Trustee Gifts Chairman; Harold L. Boda, retired assistant superintendent of Dayton Public Schools, as Chairman of the Campaign Steering Committee and Herman F. Lehman, a retired vice president of General Motors, as Honorary National Chairman.

Elwyn M. Williams, vice president for development and public relations at Otterbein College, has announced the appointment of Michael J. Doyle as director of the Decision for the Arts campaign. Mike comes to Otterbein from Ohio Dominican College where he served as director of alumni affairs and annual funds.



*Michael J. Doyle
Director of the Decision for
the Arts Campaign*

1977-78 Senior Fellows Announced

The Otterbein Senior Fellows for the 1977-78 academic year are Evan Whallon, musical director of the Columbus Symphony Orchestra, Hannah Dillard, executive director of Community Coordinated Child Care, and Clyde R. Tipton, Jr., president of Battelle Commons Company. Each Fellow will spend two days on campus during fall, winter and spring terms respectively.

The Otterbein Fellowship Program, which is in its third year, provides a liaison between the College classroom and the world of practical affairs the student will encounter after graduation.

Dr. Whallon, who holds Doctor of Music Degrees from Denison, Ohio Dominican and Otterbein Colleges, has worked with the Cleveland, Buffalo, Dayton, Akron, Baltimore, Connecticut, Prague and Budapest Orchestras as well as the Antioch, Boston, and Spoleto festivals and the San Francisco, Rochester, New York City and Mozart opera companies. His artistic efforts have been recognized by citations from Columbus City Council, the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Art League.

Ms. Dillard served as Neighborhood Projects Coordinator and Administrator of the Day Care Consortium before assuming her executive directorship. Listed in the 1975 edition of WHO'S WHO IN AMERICAN WOMEN, she has also served as Model Cities Field Representative to the State of Ohio Department of Economic and Community Development.

Mr. Tipton first joined Battelle Memorial Institute in 1947 and has held various technical and managerial

positions during three tours of duty with the Institute. He has served as a consultant to the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, assisting in the "Atoms For Peace" program in Japan, India and Brazil.

Cooperative Education Program Receives \$20,000 Grant

For the second consecutive year, the College's Cooperative Education program has received a \$20,000 grant from the U.S. Office of Education, Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Cooperative education provides for integration of classroom work and practical work experience.

Currently participating in the program are Vickie Archer, '80 at East Livingston Animal Hospital as a veterinary assistant; Fred Benedict, '79 at Doctors Hospital as a medical orderly; Bob Brazis, '79 at Doctors Hospital as a medical orderly; Jim Carter, '80 at Nuclear Consulting Services as a hot lab assistant; Anna Kopelziw, '80 at Ashland Chemical Company as a lab assistant; Dave McKee, '78 at Main Federal Savings and Loan as a teller; Ricardo Murph, '78 at the Huntington Bank as a management trainee; Norma Sims, '78 at the Union Company as an assistant buyer and salesperson; Mary Louise Sokolowski, '80 with Nutrition Involving Columbus Elderly (NICE) studying meal preparation; Vicki Williams, '79 at Northwest Ohio Development Center as a counselor to the retarded and Marshall Wise, '79 at the Columbus-Sheraton as a management trainee.

Weekly Chapel Services Available to Students

Weekly chapel services are again available to interested Otterbein students.

Organized largely through the efforts of students, the new chapel is completely optional. Chapel services are designed to approach worshipful experiences through performing and creative arts as well as through more traditional means of communication.

Dr. James A. Grissinger Named Outstanding Teacher

Dr. James A. Grissinger, professor of speech and chairman of the Speech and Theatre Department at Otterbein College, has been named Outstanding Teacher by the Speech Communication Association of Ohio. Dr. Grissinger received the award at the Association's annual convention October 7-8 in Columbus.

The award, open to all teachers of speech communication in Ohio, recognized outstanding teaching, as well as service to the speech communication profession in Ohio. "I'm pleased, not only for myself," said the professor, "but also that the award recognized that there are many excellent teachers in the smaller colleges — you needn't go to a university to find them."

A member of the Otterbein College faculty and chairman of the department since 1950, Dr. Grissinger holds B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from The Ohio State University.

He is a past president of the Ohio

Speech Association, past National Vice President of Pi Kappa Delta national forensics honorary, and has published articles on public speaking and speech education in CENTRAL STATES SPEECH JOURNAL, SPEECH MONOGRAPHS and OHIO SPEECH JOURNAL.

He has served as a consultant in speech and communication for the Firestone Tire and Rubber Co., Ohio Bell, Sohio, the National Christian Science Church, the Ohio Consumer Loan Association, U.S. Air Force, and Ohio School Boards Association.

College Has Largest Enrollment in History

Otterbein College began the 1977-78 academic year with the largest enrollment in its history — 1,670 students. This is an increase of 185 students (12.5%) over last year's total.

This year's freshman class contains 362 students compared to 369 students last year. Good retention and transfers brought the upperclass student total to 824.

The total of 1,186 regular students compares to a total of 1,161 last year. Adult Degree students, nurses and special students push the total to 1,670.

New Faculty/Staff Begin School Year

Twelve new members of the Otterbein faculty and administrative staff began their duties with the opening of fall term.

They are Vinod Bavishi, assistant professor of economics and business administration; Mary Ann Bradford, as assistant professor in Otterbein's new nursing department; Barbara Chapman, chairperson of the nursing department; Samuel Covault, member of the men's health and physical education staff; Cynthia Godbey, part-time instructor in history and political science; Jennifer Goins, instructor of speech and theatre; Duff Helvoigt, assistant professor of education; Barbara Lehman, '76, admissions counselor; Terry McFarland, '70, assistant dean for student development (women); Robert Meyer, '65, bookstore manager; Gail Miller, '66, assistant professor of economics and business administration and Donna Patterson, reading specialist.

College Represented at Inaugural Ceremonies

Larry A. Kantner, '60, associate professor of art and education at the University of Missouri-Columbia, represented Otterbein College at the inauguration of John M. Bartholomy as President of Drury College, Springfield, Missouri on October 8, 1977.

Lynn W. Turner, president emeritus of Otterbein College, represented Otterbein at the inauguration of Daniel D. Gilbert as President of Eureka College, Eureka, Illinois on October 1, 1977.

Cochran Hall Cornerstone Reveals Historical Items

A commodius and elegant hall for accommodation of the young women of the college is in process of erection. It will be built and furnished in the most modern style, affording all the latest conveniences and comforts . . . It will be known as the Philip G. Cochran Memorial Hall. Mr. Cochran was a student at Otterbein, and to his memory Mrs. Cochran, his wife, erects this building.

This statement appears in the catalog number of the Otterbein University Bulletin of April, 1906. This Bulletin and twenty-nine other items of the period were recovered when workmen of the Welch Wrecking Company opened the cornerstone box of Cochran Hall at 12:20 p.m. on Tuesday, August 9, 1977. Also included in the box were commencement, literary society, alumni luncheon and musical programs, contemporary issues of the PUBLIC OPINION, OTTERBEIN WEEKLY and OTTERBEIN AEGIS, cornerstone addresses of Mayor Charles Snavely (in manuscript) and Dr. W. R. Funk, signatures of the graduating class of 1906 and other publications.

The handwritten comments in a 1905-06 YMCA HANDBOOK, probably those of a friend of W. E. Hanger, are interesting. (W. E. or E. W. Hanger's name is printed in the handbook, but the handwriting does not resemble the printed name. Furthermore, the class schedule in the handbook does not agree with the schedule in Hanger's college transcript.) The writer gives the scores of the 1905 football season, which include a 6-6 tie with Ohio State, a 6-5 victory over Ohio University and a 24-5 loss to Ohio Medical University, a

schedule of classes for the fall and winter terms of 1905-06 and the following data concerning radium:

Curie - Poles. 1897

Process of obtaining it - pitchblende - a very complex substance containing some thirty elements combined in various ways. Start in with a tone or more of uranite powder obtained from pitchblende - Six weeks work produces 25 grams of white crystals. These are refined until only enough remains to cover the point of a small knife blade. Radium chloride is worth \$150 per ounce, if pure \$1,000 or more. We have only one gram of radium. Uses - illumination, on account of the power to charge a vessel with electricity it is claimed it will some day be a means of warfare used to explode magazines of powder. Its peculiar effect on animals causes growth of hair, but white. It is the coming thing in the field of medicine. Consumption may be cured and also cancer.

First Battelle Scholar Named

Kris Lehman of Westerville has been named Otterbein College's first recipient of the Battelle Scholarship.

The Battelle Scholarship program was established earlier this year by Battelle Memorial Institute Foundation. The program is designed to assist students with leadership potential beyond intellectual promise.

Kris was graduated first in his class at Westerville North High School in June with a 4.0 grade point average.

While at North he served as president of the band in 1976-77 and as student

director of the pep band. He also received the Director's Award as the top music student and as a junior received the John Philip Sousa Award, the first non-senior in 26 years to do so.

Other activities included membership in the National Honor Society, Key Club and Quill and Scroll. He was also on the staff of the school's literary magazine.

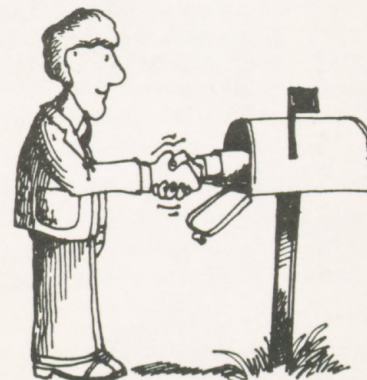
Alumni Information Request Policy

In accordance with the Family Rights and Privacy Act for disclosure of information such as "name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, dates of attendance, degrees, awards received and most recent previous educational agency or institution attended and other similar information" of an alumnus, Otterbein will continue its present policy of giving information requested in so far as we have the information. Our policy is to limit this information to those persons directly connected with the college and to alumni.

Under new governmental regulations we must keep the following records: Name of person making the request, purpose and date of request, and person giving the information. The request must be in writing. Those directly connected with the college are college related institutions, organizations (such as the Greeks or classes) and employees of the college.

An alumnus who does not want any of the above information given must notify Chester R. Turner, Alumni Director, Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio 43081 prior to December 31, 1977. This does not mean you will no longer receive TOWERS, alumni news, etc.

Stay in Touch



Please notify the Alumni Office if you change your address. It costs the College 25¢ to receive address changes or notification of no forwarding address from the post office.

RAY HARM — WILDLIFE ARTIST EXTRAORDINARY

by
Dick Sanders, '29

Dick Sanders, '29 has presented Otterbein College with several of the duplicates from his Ray Harm collection along with a set of twelve Spode china dessert plates fired with color prints of Harm's bird pictures. A few of these gorgeous prints have been framed and hung in various college offices. Others will be used as educational aids in the art department. Dick intends to hold his basic collection in his home for a few more years but has stated it will also ultimately come to the College.

Ray Harm, "Wildlife Artist Extraordinary," painted the picture reproduced on the cover of this issue of TOWERS.

Although born in the West Virginia mountains, the major portion of his "settled" life has been as an Ohioan.

Harm's parents were of very humble origins, but both were artistically oriented, being accomplished violinists. Additionally, Harm's father had great knowledge of and love for all wildlife.

Harm inherited these characteristics. At age thirteen, when his parents' divorce caused him to seek his fame and fortune out West, he could play anything with strings on it and had already displayed a competency with a pencil and pad — sketching wildlife, of course.

Harm's next five or six years were spent knocking about the West, leading a tough hand-to-mouth existence as a handyman, circus roustabout, cowboy,



Roadrunner



The Spode China dessert plates have been fired with color prints of Harm's bird pictures.

wild west show participant, dude ranch helper and rodeo performer. With the advent of World War II he joined the Navy and served in the Pacific theatre as a radio operator from 1945 to 1947.

Meanwhile his love of sketching and painting grew, his abilities increased and he found himself spending all spare time pursuing his avocation of painting wildlife.

Following his discharge from the Navy he decided to devote all his time to painting. But his rise to pre-eminence in his field was very slow and rocky. His meager income from his infrequent sales had to be augmented by odd jobs, cowboying and truck driving. However, in the 1960's his work came to the attention of some wealthy Kentuckians who appreciated the genius of the man.

Harm's patrons were among the first to recognize the value-enhancing and sales promotional worth of "planned rarity." They would create prints of Harm's paintings, sell a limited number (usually 1,000 to 5,000) and destroy the plates from which the prints were made. Some of Harm's patrons were connected with a Kentucky printing house that specialized in the art of lithography. Hence the work of a top artist was merged with high-quality lithography in producing prints of unsurpassed quality.

I first learned of Ray Harm when a showing of his work was held in Atlanta in 1964. I found Harm to be a man of great charm and humility, yet of quiet confidence. I am a lover of wildlife and have sufficient knowledge thereof to appreciate quality realism in a painting. I was immediately struck with the sheer

genius displayed in his work. There have been other great wildlife painters in the past and a few others exist today, but none seem to have had the ability to match Harm's presentation of detail and technical accuracy. His work is almost photographic; but, even more importantly, his extraordinary knowledge of his subjects enables him to incorporate into his work a realism and naturalness which make his drawings unbelievably life-like.

So it developed that I found myself absolutely "hooked" on the acquisition of Ray Harm's work. At that 1964 showing I purchased the several prints available except two which seemed, then, to be rather expensive, but which (as all others) have increased in value many, many fold. Over the years I have acquired one or more copies of each of the Harm prints as they became available. There are nearly 100 by now.



Blue Jay



California Ground Squirrel

Today Ray Harm makes his home in the mountains of Kentucky. His paintings have brought him many honors including a White House invitation, an appointment as Artist in Residence at the University of Kentucky and honorary doctorate degrees from three colleges. His work has hung at numerous museums and galleries. Ray Harm is also a nature writer and is in high demand as a lecturer.

"Roles and Relationships in Aging"

by
Joyce Mauler, '76
and edited by
Albert Lovejoy,
Professor of Sociology

There are several ways in which a student may become a distinguished member of his or her graduating class. Achieving a superabundance of A's, serving on college governance committees, performing athletic feats of record-breaking caliber, exhibiting musical or artistic talent to a prodigious degree, and being a star of our outstanding theatre troupe are some of these avenues to high collegiate honor.

The most characteristically academic distinction at Otterbein, however, may come to the student who successfully completes a project, produces an artistic creation, or researches an intellectual problem. "Doing a distinction project" has a long and honorable history among Otterbein "Distinction" graduates who usually have possessed traits of intellectual curiosity; persistence in the face of disappointment, frustration, and elusive academic trade-offs; and the stamina to carry out a difficult assignment.

Having had such a student in the 1976 graduating class, I would like to share with the readers of TOWERS some of her very useful findings in the field of aging.

Joyce Mauler's distinction paper title is "Roles and Relationships in Aging." Her mission was to take this global topic and search out the relevant information on it. It would be a shame to allow her thesis to be buried on a library shelf before extracting some

items (with my own added editorial comments) in order to look at a stage of life we shall all experience if the dread alternative does not strike first.

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AGING IS NATURAL

The pronounced youth orientation of American society and the problematic way of viewing the aging process may indeed prevent our seeing it as a natural, unique, and valuable stage of life in its own right.

If people over 65 can have significant parts to play in the drama of life and if they can maintain meaningful and significant relationships, would this not mean that many of the "problems" of aging could turn out to be solutions and opportunities? One writer, Simone de Beauvoir, in *THE COMING OF AGE*, contends that most people over 65 are neither ill nor disabled. Comparatively good health and fairly significant levels of social activity are the norm for 85% of the aged population, and yet, these persons are seen as being the exception, rather than the rule.

We must recognize that the elderly do not represent a homogeneous group. Their reactions to the biological and environmental stimuli of the latter years may be sharpened and fear-infused because of youth-oriented values which are still held by most of us. As people age, they may lose certain functions, but they learn to process experience in other ways and continue to cope with life quite successfully, given the proper encouragement and facilities. If these diminutions of function and declining levels of efficiency (e.g. impaired eyesight, hearing, memory, mobility, etc.) were not so continuously pointed out to them, many old people would do

quite well by using other faculties or operating at a less rapid pace.

Another area of cultural ambiguity is death itself. How do we view this final and inevitable stage of the life process? If we view it as the enemy, the final spoiler, or the cosmic dirty trick to end all dirty tricks, our last roles and relationships will be different and perhaps much less pleasant than they might otherwise be. But if we can view death as the final process in earthly life, then we might exit the land of the living with dignity and satisfaction. We would realize that our last gift to human kind was to make room for new persons who might make the planet a better place than we left it.

How to make these latter days better would seem to be a problem that is within our competence to solve. Providing adequate nutrition, affirming and supporting the conditions necessary for good health, and supplying intellectual stimuli could turn mere existence into a rich living experience. These supports might enhance the aging process and turn passive spectators into active participants. Happy old people might become the foundation for or culmination of a caring, creative, and accepting human enterprise.

DISENGAGEMENT IS NOT THE ANSWER

The goal of the good society, then, is to prevent the disengagement of any age segment of our population, but particularly that of the elderly, some of whom in the past have been prematurely returned to the rear lines. Whether such sterile withdrawal can be prevented best by mixing population cohorts or by segregating them is a controversial issue, but we do know that some kind of close intergenerational communication must be maintained in

order to prevent socio-psychological isolation. It is important to provide avenues and opportunities for meaningful and productive life styles. These avenues will include the chances to make new friends, especially among younger people (a certain necessity as one becomes a senior of seniors). If life can be seen as a process, if we can understand that maturity is not a status, but a goal-not-quite-attainable but always worth the quest, if adaptability can be seen as fun and as a rewarding activity rather than as embarrassing and possibly threatening, then we shall be on our way toward the ideal of fully engaged, productively-oriented, and extroverted elderly people. Such old people might be able to look back, view the present, and glimpse the future with a kind of serenity today only vouchsafed to a few outstanding individuals such as Margaret Mead.

Williams, Tibbitts and Donahue in *PROCESS OF AGING* say that old relationships must be replaced by new ones, as evidenced by the fact that the suicide rate for persons over 55 is inversely related to the opportunities which society provides for elderly persons to play purposive roles and to engage in significant social relationships. The question arises as to how older people attract younger people so these roles and relationships may be augmented and continued. Older persons with traits of openness, tolerance and acceptance of others may be more attractive to younger people. The secret of this attractiveness is that some old people have developed self-understanding, self-acceptance and have even kept their sense of humor! Those fortunate older persons who have developed such a philosophy can more serenely accept the foibles and struggles of their younger



Mr. James Arnett, a Westerville resident, is enrolled in art classes at Otterbein under the college's senior citizen program.

contemporaries. With a kind of wise smile, plus a benign warmth of the eye, they can accept the presence of other age groups and may even come to feel that they can love them, not because they are perfect, but because they are fellow human beings!

The obverse of this mature self-acceptance and tolerance of others is the hatred that oldsters sometimes direct inward, a kind of internalization of a societal anti-old age prejudice. Analogously some ethnics tend to depreciate and dissociate from the group that gave them life and clothed them in their very ethnicity.

RETIREMENT: THREAT OR OPPORTUNITY?

Turning to the rather pedestrian question of retirement, what are the variables that should be kept in view? They would seem to include the peculiar interaction among these factors: the state of one's health, one's living standard, the degree in which society needs one's skills or talents, the societal expectations concerning when it is proper for one to withdraw partially or fully from his vocational role, and formal retirement policies, such as those built into our Social Security system. One of the personal problems associated with forced retirement is a

self concept of uselessness which may also permeate other areas of life.

Keeping a realistic sense of self-worth and competence alive is very important to older people and so is a sense of independence and autonomy. A summary list of ways this can be socially implemented comes from the pen of Aaron Lipman in Thomason (ed.) **POTENTIALITIES FOR LATER LIVING.**

"Special housing, home health care, nutritious meals, recreational facilities, employment opportunities, increased social security payments, educational opportunities, referral agencies, and legal aid are all important means by which old people's desires to remain independent may be met." Of special interest to us here at Otterbein is the fact that longevity gives people the chance to extend the application and depth of their knowledge. They can do this in our Adult Degree Program or by taking advantage of the opportunities for senior citizens to take regular courses free. Only in the leisure of semi-disengagement or in full retirement can ambitious educational goals be fully pursued with minimum stress and frustration.

These educational and avocational goals are increasingly being made possible for older people, but we must keep in mind different age-stages and self-help competencies. According to Blanchard in **MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR RETIREMENT**, there are three stages of old age. The first stage includes persons past retirement age who are independent and capable of living in their own homes and of functioning adequately in their communities. The next stage includes those who are relatively independent, but who need help in meeting some of the requirements of independent living. Those in the third stage may often

suffer from chronic illnesses or physical problems of such a nature that they cannot remain in their own homes. Thus they need occasional-to-constant care and help, both physically and psychologically. We, as their children, and friends and/or citizens of a humane society, have the responsibility to recognize these stages and deal with them realistically, sensitively, and adequately.

As we come to understand different and individual needs more clearly and as we develop appropriate living arrangements to meet these, we must see what the various alternatives are. One is for low-cost services to those elderly people living independently in our midst. The "young old", who in many instances may be retired professionals, may provide such aid. They must always be aware that services beyond their skill may be performed by other community persons and agencies to whom they may refer their older "clients." These retired professionals may also wish to offer their services, whether they be medical, nursing care, social work, counseling, nutritional, legal, business, or recreational to the wider community, thus building a human bridge between the gap often separating the old and young.

OLD AGE WITH DIGNITY

When elderly folk in stages two or three find it necessary to move from their own home or their children's home to nursing or convalescent homes, what may they expect? One tragic and terribly sad answer to that question may be routinization, warehousing, and financial exploitation, but a far happier response is the loving sensitive care of concerned, skilled people who try to provide places and services at a cost that is reasonable and dependent on

their ability to pay. For the former here are the problems as suggested by Clare Townsend in **OLD AGE: THE LAST SEGREGATION**: difficulties of organization, invisibility of the owners, inadequate inspection procedures, Medicare pressures and semi-criminal procedures, an absence or at least scarcity of trained nursing personnel, misuse of drugs, and the profit-making priority of such enterprises.

One way to institutionally avoid some of the terribly unfortunate nursing home problems is to promote the social invention of having old people look after youngsters. The mutual growth, understanding, and companionship needs of both ends of the age spectrum may be better met in this symbiotic relationship. Both need love and expressions of genuine concern. Both need to know that empathetic and caring people come in various age categories. Both need to be needed. Both are at a stage of life where materialistic values and anxieties haven't become or are no longer very important.

We can help each other at all stages of life and it may just be true that the elderly can provide a much needed gyroscope for the ship of society. The openness, experimental mood, light-hearted honesty of youth may find their analogous components in the tolerance, mellow acceptance, and wisdom of age.

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The above were a few of the very useful conclusions and implications (over-coated with a Lovejoy patina) which I drew from Joyce Mauler's "Roles and Relationships in Aging," a distinction manuscript that survived the Cochran Hall conflagration and many smaller inconveniences!

from the Alumni Center

by Chet Turner, 43

Shades of "The Godfather?"

Yes! We're making you an offer you can't refuse!

December 17 is Alumni Night at the Rike Center when Otterbein meets Ashland on the basketball court. All tickets are \$2.00 each or (now here comes the good part) \$3.00 per family. That's aunts, uncles, moms, dads, even godfathers! There will be a reception in the lounge following the game.

Tickets must be paid for in advance. The deadline is December 16.

Make all checks payable to Otterbein College and mail to Chet Turner, Alumni Director, Alumni-Development Center, Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio 43081. Tickets may be picked up at the Ticket Office in the Rike Center the night of the game.

See you there!

Alumni Trustee Nominations Wanted

The Otterbein College Alumni Association invites your suggestions for alumni trustee nominations. The Association elects one trustee each year for a four-year term. The nominee must be a graduate of Otterbein College.

Nominations should be in the hands of the Alumni Director before January 6, 1978.

Florida Bound? Read on . . .

If you are heading for Florida in January, you are invited to attend any of the alumni meetings that are being scheduled there.

Preliminary plans show that President Thomas J. Kerr, IV will be visiting the Miami, Orlando, St. Petersburg-Tampa and Gainesville areas January 17-22.

If you plan to be in those areas then and would like to visit with Florida alumni, write Chet Turner at the Alumni Center or call 614-890-3000 ext. 400 for details.

1977 Telethon is Financial Success

The 1977 telethon for the Otterbein Fund proved to be not only a financial success but also gave everyone calling the opportunity to talk with friends and former classmates.

Serving as co-chairmen of the telethon were L. William Steck, '37 and Michael Cochran, '66. Team captains, who were in charge of recruiting callers, were John Becker, '50, Mike Herschler, Phil Barnhart and Dave Peters (all from the faculty or administration), Jim Augspurger, '71, Brian Johnston, '67, Reg Ferrell, '67, Jerry Sellman, '72, Mike Bridgman, '73 and Olivetta McCoy Yohn, '51.

During the nine nights and two afternoons of calling, over sixty alumni, faculty members and students called 1,730 alumni and friends of the College to raise over \$41,000 in pledges and gifts. Through the efforts of a follow-up program, that figure is still increasing. The goal of \$50,000 is expected to be reached.

The alumni-development staff wishes to thank all those involved for making the 1977 telethon a successful endeavor.

Otterbein Alumni Association Awards Nominations Form

I would like to nominate _____
(Full name)

for the _____ Award.

AWARD

The Honorary Alumnus Award

The Distinguished Alumnus Award

The Distinguished Service Award

The Special Achievement Award

The Hall of Fame

CRITERIA

The Alumni Association seeks to bestow upon individuals the honorary alumnus award because of loyalty and interest in Otterbein.

The Alumni Association seeks to bestow upon an Otterbein graduate the distinguished alumnus award because of outstanding service to the College, his own profession and to his community.

The Alumni Association in conjunction with college administrators seeks to bestow upon individuals the distinguished service award because of outstanding service to Otterbein.

The Alumni Association in conjunction with college administrators seeks to bestow upon an individual the special achievement award because of eminence in his chosen field.

The Alumni Association seeks to give posthumous recognition to an Otterbein graduate who had achieved national or international renown through his contribution to society.

More than one nomination may be submitted by attaching extra names and background material. Above nominations submitted by: _____

(Your name, please)

Mail with substantiating background information to:

Alumni Director
Alumni-Development Center
Otterbein College
Westerville, Ohio 43081

Alumni are invited to submit nominations for these awards. We ask that you clip this form and send it with supportive information. Nominations should be in the hands of the Alumni Director before December 16, 1977. Those received will be considered by the Awards Committee of the Alumni Council.



by Bob Moon

If . . .

It will be a season of "ifs" for Otterbein's 1977-78 basketball team.

If forwards Don Brough and Jeff Benson can perform consistently well in their first season as full-time starters.

If two starting guards can emerge from a host of upperclass candidates.

If injuries don't evaporate the Otters' admittedly-shallow depth.

If it can play with consistency.

If it can win the close ones.

Everything must fall into place for the Otters to challenge the top spot in the Ohio Athletic Conference and improve on last season's 14-11 overall record. If it does, then they have the potential for a year similar to their 21-6 Southern Division co-championship season of 1975-76.

Juniors Brough (6-6) and Benson (6-4) hold the key to the front line where last year's co-captains, Larry Downing and Muff Jones, roamed before graduating. Brough has the greater experience as a result of spot-starting and serving as the lineup's "sixth man" the past two seasons.

Guard candidates include last year's starters, senior Doug Addis (5-8) and junior Mike Wohlheter (6-0), plus juniors John Phillips (6-1) and Darrell Miller (6-0) and sophomores Doug Petty (6-0) and Bob Clay (5-10)

The Otters' fast-breaking, running offense relies heavily on a strong bench to spell tired regulars and keep the team moving.

That may already be a problem on the front line where as many as four forwards have split playing time in a single game in recent years. Doug Hart, a highly-regarded freshman from Columbus-Westland was counted on for back-up strength before a pre-season knee injury sidelined him for the season.

Injury-free thus far has been center Ed Williams (6-7), who has gone into the past two seasons without the same luck. In 1975-76, he wore a knee brace while still recovering from surgery. Last year a twisted ankle, suffered during the summer, kept inflaming.

Williams' health, not to mention his rebounding, shooting touch and muscle underneath, will hold a key to the Otter offense, which not only runs, but utilizes a strong inside game.

An all-conference selection and this year's captain, Williams will also be counted on for leadership as he is one of only two seniors. (Addis is the other.) The relative youth of the Otter squad, combined with the revamped lineup, could pose a consistency problem.

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Forward Don Brough will be counted on for scoring and rebounding on the Otter front court.

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One thing the Otters did consistently last year was lose close games. Seven were lost by four points or less. That will have to reverse itself in '77-78 for the Otters to contend.

"I'm very encouraged by our team's fine attitude and with our returning nucleus," said sixth-year head coach Dick Reynolds. "We should be able to compete with the top teams in the conference."

1977-78 Basketball Schedule

Nov. 30	Miami
Dec. 3	DE PAUW
6	RIO GRANDE
8	Steubenville
10	URBANA
17	ASHLAND (Alumni Night)
21-22	Indiana Central Tournament
28-29	Kenyon Tournament
Jan. 4	Marietta
7	WITTENBERG
11	Muskingum
14	Capital
18	OHIO WESLEYAN
21	DENISON
25	Ohio Northern
28	MARIETTA
Feb. 1	Wittenberg
4	MUSKINGUM
8	CAPITAL
11	Ohio Wesleyan
15	Denison
21	O.A.C. Tournament at Otterbein
24-25	O.A.C. Tournament at Ohio Wesleyan
27	O.A.C. Tournament at Baldwin-Wallace

Class Notes

Everyone is listed under his/her preferred class year, not necessarily the year a degree was granted.

'19 next reunion June 1978

A. Clair Siddall has been elected vice president of the Ohio Academy of Medical History.

'21 next reunion June 1978

Bertha Fox Davis wrote the following poem while a student at Otterbein on April 20, 1921.

'Tis gone, the north wind's chilling breeze

The snow has left the pine;

The southern zephyrs through the trees

Sing songs to Otterbein.

We love so much the early spring

Our life preparing time

That college song will ever sing

"Beloved Otterbein."

Our good old State which we adore

With love and pride entwined,

But there's a name which we love more

'Tis our own Otterbein.

Our college years are fleeting by

Swift as the river Rhine;

And after all we'd rather stay

Than leave old Otterbein.

'23 next reunion June 1978

Henry W. Olson has been elected emeritus painting member of the Arts Club of Washington, D.C. and president of the Washington Association of Watercolors Club. Mr. Olson was recently represented in two regional art shows.

Horace W. Troop, Sr., veteran Franklin County legislator and jurist, was honored by the Ohio Supreme Court and the Ohio General Assembly. He received commendations from both bodies for his public service, which includes setting up the Ohio Court of Claims and serving, until recently, as its first judge.

'24 next reunion June 1978

The fiftieth anniversary of the ordination of **Dr. Virgil E. Myers**, pastor emeritus of the First Congregational Church in Springfield, Illinois, was observed by the congregation on May 22, 1977.

Following his graduation from Otterbein, Dr. Myers received his Bachelor of Divinity degree from the Oberlin Graduate School of Theology in 1927. He was then called to be the minister of The First Congregational Church in Lodi, Ohio where he was ordained. Prior to serving the church in Illinois, he also served as minister of The First Congregational Church in Marietta, Ohio.

'25 next reunion June 1978

Earl Kearns, who retired as biology teacher and coach from Wilkinsburg High School (Pittsburgh) in 1963, was honored with a testimonial dinner and picnic by his former students on September 17, 1977.

'26 next reunion June 1978

Mr. & Mrs. William C. Myers (Catherine Darst) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 26, 1977.

'33 next reunion June 1979

The Rev. Mr. Glenn Biddle retired as director of the Jackson Area Ministries (JAM) in June. The main objective of JAM is to work with pastors and lay people in planning things churches can do together.

'34 next reunion June 1979

Alice Dick Kick has retired after 26 years of teaching. She spent the last 20 years in the Loudonville-Perryville System teaching vocal music.

'36 next reunion June 1982

Morris Allton, recipient of Otterbein's Distinguished Service Award in June of 1976, retired as vice president of the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation (OFBF) public affairs in February of 1977.

'37 next reunion June 1982

Carol Beachler Severs will be listed in the 1977-78 edition of WHO'S WHO OF AMERICAN WOMEN. Dr. Severs is associate professor of French and Humanities at Lorain County Community College.

'39 next reunion June 1979

Thelma Denbrook Houser is project director for W.I.C.S., Women in Community Service in Detroit, Michigan.

'40 next reunion June 1980

Randall O. Campbell has completed his masters degree in elementary education with a concentration in arts.

The Rev. Mr. Ferd Wagner has been appointed superintendent of the United Methodist Church's Peninsula District which contains 33 pastoral charges with 21,659 members. Mr. Wagner had been serving First Church of Martinsville, Va. since 1972.



'43 next reunion June 1983

The Rev. Mr. Demi Edwards has retired after thirteen years of service at Park

Avenue United Methodist Church, Hamilton, Ohio. He now has a part-time job as director of the Sesqui-Centennial Chapel at Miami University.

Dr. Raymond L. Jennings, a family practitioner from the Athens, Ohio area has joined the Holzer Clinic staff full time. Dr. Jennings' duties will continue to include coverage in the Holzer Medical Center Emergency Room, which he started last fall on a part-time basis, and seeing private patients in the Clinic's Family Practice Department.

'46 next reunion June 1980

Gwendolyn Blum Garrison has been elected president of the Montgomery County Medical Society Auxiliary.

'47 next reunion June 1978

Margaret Brock is past president of the Tri-County chapter of the Alpha Chi chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Honorary Teachers Society. She is now the State chairman of the chapter's research committee.

'50 next reunion June 1981

The Dr. Joseph Albrecht family was named Musical Family of the Year of Montgomery County and the State.

Kathryn Haney Godwin, a member of the University of Maine at Orono Bureau of Public Administration since 1968, has been named director of the bureau.



'51 next reunion June 1981

Constance Bailey Brandenburg is a kindergarten teacher in the Franklin City school system. She is also treasurer of the Franklin Public Library Board of Trustees.

Richard McKinniss has a new position as superintendent of schools of the New Richmond Exempted Village. Mr. McKinniss was formerly superintendent of Blanchester Schools.

'54 next reunion June 1979

The Rev. Mr. James Bloom has assumed the duties of pastor at Washington Street United Methodist Church, Tiffin, Ohio.

Dorothy Cramer writes that her son Bob recently honored her with a birthday party in honor of her 70th birthday. She is also enjoying Senior Citizen Tours having recently journeyed to The Thousand Islands and Cape Cod.

'55 next reunion June 1980

Nita Shannon Leland exhibited her watercolors in October with the First Tuesday Painters, a Dayton-based group of on-location painters. In addition to this organization, Nita is also a member of the Tri-Art Club, an semi-professional women's art association and the Ohio Watercolor Society.

'56 next reunion June 1981

William E. Downey, Jr. is a district sales manager for the southwestern region for Diamond Shamrock Industrial Chemical Division.

Dave Fisher, athletic director at Wayne High School for three years, has resigned that position to become general manager of Hara Sports Arena in Dayton.

JoAnna Evans Kalber, assistant director of National Rehabilitation Training Institute, Inc. in Virginia, was recently elected as Woman of the Year of 1977-78 by the Lee Custis Chapter of the American Business Women's Association, a national organization.

Lola McWherter Smith reports she is still teaching in the Clarkstown School District, New City, New York.

'57 next reunion June 1982

Craig South is currently director of the Alcoholism Treatment Center at Borgess Hospital in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Melvin Staats has been appointed the new assistant principal-athletic director for LaBrae High School.

'59 next reunion June 1979

Lt. Col. Richard W. Morain is now serving at Neubrucke, Germany with the U.S. Air Forces in Europe.

'60 next reunion June 1979

John Lloyd attended a four-week workshop in "Shakespeare and Classic Theatre" at The Royal Academy of Dramatic Art in London, England in August.

William Marshall has been appointed principal of the ninth grade of Fairfield Schools.

'61 next reunion June 1982

Michael W. Christian is now Minister of Education at the Medina United Methodist Church.

'62 next reunion June 1982

New York Telephone has assigned **Thomas Q. Kintigh** as a loaned-executive to the Economic Development Council (EDC) of New York City. EDC is an independent, non-profit organization of leading businessmen which undertakes projects in public service. Tom will be working with an EDC Task Force developing recommendations to improve the management of New York City's Probation Department. Tom, wife **Judy Eckner**, '65 and son Stephen live in Katonah, New York.

'63 next reunion June 1982

Sharon Hept Blakeman is a math teacher and assistant head of the department at Carleton Schools in Ottawa, Ontario.

Lewis R. Rose, second vice president of the National Bank of Detroit, has completed the one-week resident session of the National School of Bank Investments held annually at Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

William B. Messmer is teaching for Boston University in their overseas program this year. He will be in Berlin, Germany this fall and in Heidelberg after Christmas.

Larry L. Wilson has completed his fourth year as head basketball coach of Perry High School. The team was Canton AAA district runner-up. Larry was honored as Stark County Coach of the Year by the Akron Beacon Journal and was named District #4 AAA Coach of the Year by O.H.S.R.C.A.

'64 next reunion June 1980

Capt. Kenneth H. Aldrich has arrived for duty at Wright-Patterson, A.F.B., Dayton, Ohio. Capt. Aldrich, a budget officer with a unit of the Air Force Systems Command, previously served at Grand Forks. A.F.B., N.D.

Karla Hambel Lortz and her husband Robert are coordinators of a \$700,000 federally-funded program called "Project Employ." It is the nation's first such project for the unemployed handicapped that is operated by counselors who are also handicapped.

Sandra Holby Torresani has completed a two year program in Conjoint Marital and Family therapy.

Major Dale E. Weston, a logistics plans, program and mobility officer at Kincheloe A.F.B., Michigan, is now wearing a distinctive service ribbon as a member of an organization which recently received the U.S. Air Force Outstanding Unit Award.

Roger U. Williams has been promoted to accountant II with the City of Columbus government.

'65 next reunion June 1980

Margaret Lloyd,

director of Ohio's Right to Read Effort, has been installed as president of the Ohio Council International Reading Association.



Linda Matthews Robinson, director of the Steubenville County Retired Senior Volunteers (RSVP), has been elected chairperson of the Board of the Area Agency on Aging. Linda has also been selected to serve on Gov. Carey's Advisory Board for Rural Poor and Migrants and on Congressman Lundine's Advisory Committee on the Elderly. Linda is currently doing graduate work at Cornell University.

'66 next reunion June 1980

Larry L. Motz received a masters degree from Kent State University on August 27, 1977 in English supervision and curriculum design. In May of 1977 he was awarded the Green Education Association's Service in Education Award and was designated the school system's 1977 Teacher of the Year.

'67 next reunion June 1983

Bruce Turner is archivist and library assistant at State University of New York at Oswego.

'68 next reunion June 1978

Anna Van Tassel has been appointed instructor of health and physical education at Chadron State College, Chadron, Nebraska. She is also assistant basketball coach (women) and head softball coach.

Frederick Wolfe is curriculum director for Claymont City Schools. He recently served as a judge for the annual Carnation Queen Pageant held at Alliance High School.

'69 next reunion June 1979

J. L. Benner has been appointed chemist at the Product Development and Quality Control Laboratory of Universal Cooperative, Inc. in Alliance, Ohio.

Dennis and DeeDee (Carolyn Krumm) Heffner are United Methodist home missionaries. Dennis is now pastor of the Valley View Church, New Mexico as well as acting coordinator of Espanola Valley Group Ministry. DeeDee teaches English part-time at McCurdy School.

Patricia Spreng has moved to Lima, Ohio as commercial Manager for the Lima business office of United Telephone.

'70 next reunion June 1981

Lowell Bacon is head football coach at Marion Catholic High School. He also serves as assistant track coach.

Karla Courtright Banning has been teaching seventh and eighth grade home economics in Norwood, Ohio for the past seven years.

Fredric L. Dray has been promoted to supervisor in administrative services at Ohio Bell Telephone Company.

Brian E. Hartzell of Cleveland Heights has been promoted to account executive in the collateral services department of Carr Liggett Advertising Inc. In his new position he will be responsible for numerous collateral and public relations projects for a variety of industrial and consumer accounts.

Janet Husted is a guidance counselor for Fremont City Schools, Fremont, Ohio.

Having successfully defended a thesis on his design of a special input/output technique to be used by the French paper industry, **Max Lee** has received the third cycle degree in "Informatique Documentaire" from Universite de Lyon. He is presently employed by the Hewlett Packard Company

in Grenoble, France where he and his wife Anna-Marie have been living since last year. Anna-Marie is employed by EFCIS, a custom designer of integrated circuits, where she is executive secretary to the Commercial Sales Division.

Rob Perkins graduated from United Theological Seminary in June 1976 and was placed in his first pastoral position at Van Buren United Methodist Church, Van Buren, Ohio.

Harley Verrill is director of the clinical chemistry laboratory at Hurley Medical Center in Flint, Michigan. He is also faculty member in the medical technology program.

'71 next reunion June 1981

Jon W. Banning received his masters in physiology from Miami U. and his Ph.D. in pharmacology from the University of Cincinnati.

Molly Beason Bowell received her masters degree in specific learning disabilities from the University of South Florida, Tampa. She is currently a learning disabilities specialist for the elementary level in Clearwater, Florida. Her husband, Tom, '68 is a claims adjustor for Liberty Mutual Insurance Company out of the St. Petersburg, Florida office.

David Crooks has received a masters degree in science from Miami University.

John Fisher works for the Dayco Corporation in Dayton, Ohio.

Russell J. McFarren and his wife **Marticia Day**, '72 are moving to Kansas City, Kansas where Russ has been appointed office manager of the Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation's Kansas City District Sales Office.

John McIntyre received his doctorate in education from Syracuse University. He has accepted an appointment as an assistant professor in the department of curriculum,

instruction and media in the School of Education at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois.

'72 next reunion June 1978

Linda Blair Tevis has received her real estate license. She and her husband Robert reside at 5439 N. Green Bay Ave., Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Since graduation **Joe and Nancy (Sowers) Cantrell** have been quite busy. They lived in Oberlin, Ohio for four years where Nancy taught sixth grade English and social studies at Firelands Middle School. Joe taught choral music in grades 7-12 at Midview Local until last year when he left teaching to own and operate a photography studio in Vermilion, Ohio. This past July they sold the studio and moved to Lexington, Ohio where Joe is building a choral program at Lexington in grades 7-12. Nancy is teaching a self-contained sixth grade there.

Tim Chandler is working for the New York Shakespeare Festival as administrative assistant to the producer. The company produces free shows in Central Park as well as "A Chorus Line" (which is not free!).

Deborah Sopp Lloyd has received a masters degree in education from Ohio University. She was graduated with honors with a major in elementary school counseling.

Richard Foster is a territorial sales manager (Cincinnati) for the C. F. Hathaway Company of Waterville, Maine.

James R. Fox has been named acting librarian at Dickinson School of Law, Carlisle, Pa.

Linda Sheppard Vaughn teaches English on the high school level for the Southwest School District (Ohio).

Ann Williams has received her Master of Science Degree in home economics from The Ohio State University.

'73 next reunion June 1978
1st Lt. Thomas Booth and Christine (Hayes) Booth, '72 are stationed at Sheppard A.F.B., Texas where Tom is an instructor of Iranian student pilots. He is also working on a masters degree in psychology of education through Oklahoma University.

Dixie Dooley II, D.P.M., is associated with Ronald C. Hetman D.P.M. for the practice of podiatry in Centerville, Ohio.

Bonnie LeMay Eaton is self-employed as the owner of H.B. and Me Gift Shop in Waynesville, Ohio.

Thom Heavey is currently studying at the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law while his wife, **Carol Brock**, is studying to become a LaMaze childbirth instructor.

Steven A. Jesseph has received his M.S. in corrections from Xavier University.

Susan Harrison Lahoski teaches first grade at Whitehouse Elementary School.

Keith Malick and his wife, **Ruth Ruggles**, '75 teach at Grand Valley State Colleges. He is the designer/technical director while Ruth is the assistant costume designer.

1st Lt. Robert D. McCaskey has entered the Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT) to study for a degree in logistics management.

Rose Moore is presently employed at Yale-New Haven Hospital in the clinical chemistry laboratory.

Miriam L. Rugh has been working for the past year for the Collier Printing Company in Wooster, Ohio. She does typesetting and graphic layouts.

'74 next reunion June 1978
John Dietz is a salesman for Equitable Life Assurance Sociation of U.S. He works out of Cleveland.

Patty "P.J." Elliott is a graduate assistant at the University of Illinois. She is working on a masters in physical education and is the assistant girls' basketball coach.

Daniel T. Fagan has finished his studies for a Ph.D. in chemistry. Currently he is a research associate in the chemistry department at Case Western Reserve University.

Shelly Jacobs is appearing as soloist at the Carrousel Inn in Columbus, Ohio.

Bec Pfahler has received her M.A. in student personnel work in higher education from The Ohio State University. She is now area coordinator at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, N.C. She supervises three head residents and eighteen resident assistants.

Judy Tardell is adjuster-in-charge of the Harrisburg branch claims office of J. C. Penney Casualty Ins.

'75 next reunion June 1981
Jerry Confer is performing for the third season in the world-famous outdoor drama, "The Book of Job," at Pineville, Kentucky. He has also been working for the past two seasons with the Hillberry Classic Repertory Theatre of Wayne University.
Dennis Cockayne teaches high school science and is assistant football and baseball coach at Big Walnut High School near Columbus.

Russell Shields has been appointed supervisor of the Admitting and Service Representative Department at Grant Hospital.

'76 next reunion June 1981
Linda Davis directed a special recreational ministry program at Hyde Park Bethlehem United Methodist Church in Oakley this past summer. She is currently studying for the ministry at Asbury Theological Seminary.

Art Holden is on the sports staff of the DAILY RECORD, Wooster, Ohio.

Julia Kinney is administrative secretary for the National Electostatics Corporation in Madison, Wisconsin. She also plays regularly with the community symphony and with a Saturday morning "on-the-square" group.

Geoff Mayfield is a contributing music editor for COLUMBUS TONIGHT ENTERTAINMENT TABLOID. He is also a jazz disc jockey for WBBY radio in Westerville.

marriages

'50 **Kenneth O. Shively** to Marie Henry on July 16, 1977 in Centerville.

'52 **Marilyn Wallingford Buchanan** to Max Grandey on June 25, 1977 in Hamilton.

'65 **William P. Varga** to Susan Kitt Potter on September 4, 1977 in Dublin.

'70 **Charlene Simmers** to Frank Pershing III on August 20, 1977 in Westbrook Park.

Paulette Titus to Jack McGreevey on September 18, 1977.

'71 **Richard Coldwell** to Teresa Weddington on July 10, 1976 in Marion.

Catherine McIlvaine to Clay Herrod on June 4, 1976.

'72 **Joanne Anderson** to Roger Coker on June 25, 1977 in Columbus.

Pamela Beatty to Dana Brehm on July 30, 1977 in Brookville, N.Y.

Linda Blair to Robert Tevis on July 2, 1977 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Sara Catherine Lord to David Foster on June 9, 1977.

'73 Lynette Davis to Don Yeagle on August 7, 1976.

Margaret Earley to Stephen DeVolt, '77 on July 23, 1977.

'75 Kay Callendine to Tim Stark on July 31, 1977.

Deborah Shuey to W. Robert Midden on August 27, 1977 in Zanesville.

'76 Betsy Augspurger to Allen Duncan on August 20, 1977 in Dayton.

Anna Marie Ciampa to Chet Cady, '77 on June 17, 1977 in Beaverdale, Pa.

Marilyn Doyle to James Dittoe on August 27, 1977 in Central College.

Patricia Lutz to Larry Harmon on August 20, 1977 in Fairhope.

births

'56 Mr. & Mrs. Bernard C. Comito (Jacqueline Cooper) a daughter, Rhea Christy, July 1, 1977. She joins brother Christopher, 2½.

'59 Mr. & Mrs. Bob Hansen (Anita Hayden) a son, Rolf Lester, December 14, 1976.

Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Ribley a son, Douglas Hargrove, June 17, 1977.

'63 Mr. & Mrs. Philip E. Hankins (Diane Fichner) adopted a daughter, Sara Elizabeth, June 21, 1977. The Hankins received Sara July 29, 1977. She joins brother Mark, 4.
Mr. & Mrs. Chuck Tressler (Susan Gribler) a son, Brandon Lee, July 22, 1977. He joins brothers Paul, 6 and Jeremy, 5.

'64 Mr. & Mrs. David Sturges a daughter, Melissa, March 23, 1977.

Mr. & Mrs. Roger U. Williams a son, July 2, 1976. He joins sister Shelly Sue, 5½.

'65 Mr. & Mrs. Ted Love (Linda Painter) a daughter, Brooke Leslie, July 18, 1977.

Capt. & Mrs. David Samson a daughter, Megan Ann, June 1, 1977 in Germany.

Mr. & Mrs. Sam Wallace (Sally McCoy) a daughter, Rebekah Jane, July 14, 1976.

'66 Mr. & Mrs. Charles Nelson (Elizabeth Beezley, '65) a son, Erik Anders, September 18, 1977. He joins brother Lars Christian, 5.

Mr. & Mrs. David Rule (Dotty Deturck, '67) a son, Andrew Deturck, April 17, 1977. He joins sister Molly, 3 and brother Wesley, 1½.

Mr. & Mrs. Jere A. Straccia (Kam McClure) a daughter, Kate, April 27, 1977.

'67 Mr. & Mrs. H.H.P. Barlay (Princess Caulker) a daughter, Sangima, March 17, 1977. She joins brothers Hederick, 7 and Thua, 2.

Mr. & Mrs. Curt Fellers (Kathy Hughey, '68) a son, William David, August 3, 1977. He joins sister Laurie, 5½ and brother Ryan, 2½.

Mr. & Mrs. Charles W. Hearp (Kathleen Seese) a daughter, Kristin Tiffany, September 22, 1976.

Mr. & Mrs. Roy Kehl (Dianne Jones) a son, Andrew James, July 1, 1977. He joins brothers Steve, 7 and Mike, 3½.

Mr. & Mrs. Larry Ketron (Beverly Appleton) a son, Jonathon David, November 11, 1976. He joins brother Gregory, 3½.

'68 Mr. & Mrs. Dale Fisher (Joyce Abella, '69) a daughter, Jamie Lynn, September 5, 1977. She joins sister Jody, 4.

Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Gatchell a daughter, Lisa Michelle, February 4, 1977. She joins brother Jason, 1½.

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Zimmerman (Norma Worley) a daughter, Emily Faye, July 13, 1977. She joins sister Aimee.

'69 Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Bernards (Patience Cox) twin sons, Steven Allen and Peter LeGrand, May 24, 1976.

Mr. & Mrs. David Brashears (Nancy Scheiner) a daughter, Julie Ann, December 2, 1975.

Mr. & Mrs. Jim Demo (Virginia Biemel) a daughter, Melanie Suzanne, May 5, 1977.

Mr. & Mrs. John Finch a daughter, Joanna Leigh, September 10, 1977.

Mr. & Mrs. Lyle Stetzer (Sheryl Morrison, '71) a son, Lyle Edward, June 14, 1977. He joins sister Cynthia Dawn, 4.

'70 Mr. & Mrs. Dean Gibbons (Marilyn Pohly) a son, Edgar Dean, April 12, 1977.

Mr. & Mrs. Tim Heaton (Sharon Mack) a son, Gregory Mack, April 19, 1977. He joins sister Lisa Renee, 2½.

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Perkins (Linda Haddox, '73) a son, Aaron James, February 6, 1977. He joins sister Jennifer, 4.

Mr. & Mrs. Gary Price a son, Christopher Darren, May 16, 1977.

'71 Mr. & Mrs. James Brubaker (Joy Roberts, '72) a son, Joshua James, August 8, 1977.

Mr. & Mrs. Dale E. Miller (Linda Wilkins) a daughter, Kristie Sue, July 25, 1977. She joins brother Kyle Eric.

Mr. & Mrs. Phil Smart (Judy Decker, '70) a son, Eric Philip, June 22, 1977. He joins sister Renee Annette, 2.

'72 Mr. & Mrs. Jung M. Choi a son, Michael, November 11, 1976.

Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Sellman a daughter, Megan Elizabeth, June 7, 1977.

'73 1st Lt. and Mrs. Thomas Booth (Christine Hayes, '72) a son, Kyle Richard, October 12, 1976.

Alanson Monroe Courtright, publisher of THE PUBLIC OPINION and a strong, guiding voice in Westerville for 31 years, died Wednesday morning (August 3, 1977) in his home. He was 60.

Courtright was a fiercely independent man, and brave enough to speak his mind when his opinion was contrary to prevailing public thought.

But whatever his personal feelings, he always thought first of what he felt were the best interests of the community. His family, his town and his newspaper were his foremost considerations.

Courtright was a leading voice in the growth that Westerville has experienced over the years. City officials knew he could be counted on to help the city in whatever way he could.

Courtright was graduated from Columbus South High School about 1936. He attended Duke University in Durham, N.C. for one year on a football scholarship, but transferred to Otterbein College after suffering a football injury.

He was graduated from Otterbein in 1940 with a Bachelor of Arts degree and had been active in Otterbein affairs ever since.

Courtright was a staff member of the former COLUMBUS CITIZEN prior to World War II. He served in the Army Air Corps during the war, and bought THE PUBLIC OPINION shortly after leaving the service.

In his early ownership days, he ran a one-man operation, typical of many weekly newspapers of that day. He wrote the stories and editorials, sold advertising, and set the type.

An avid pilot after the war, he flew and sold airplanes for many years, and was a distributor for Mooney Aircraft in central Ohio.

In 1961 Courtright and Don Campbell merged Westerville Press and the Campbell Printing Co. into West-Camp Press, of which Courtright was

In Memory of A. Monroe Courtright

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president from December, 1960 through 1968. He sold all but a few of his shares of West-Camp stock a few years later, but continued to serve the firm as a consultant in finance and public relations.

He was a staunch backer of his alma mater, Otterbein College, and was connected with the school in many capacities for years.

He received his B.A. in 1940 with majors in business and psychology. At Otterbein he was editor of the SIBYL, the college yearbook, and was a staff member of THE TAN AND CARDINAL, the school newspaper.

He participated in football, track and debate, was business manager of the Glee Club and was president of Sigma Delta Phi (Sphinx) fraternity.

From 1954 to 1955 he served as

president of the Otterbein Alumni Association, and also was chairman of the campaign to raise funds for Otterbein Memorial Stadium.

Courtright currently had been chairman of the college's Development Board, and had been a member of the board since its inception. He also served as an alumni representative on both the college Personnel Committee and the Administrative Council.

He was also Westerville chairman of the Special Gifts Committee of the Venture Into Opportunity campaign, which raised funds to build Rike Center and to renovate Towers Hall, among other projects.

He also was very active and well-known in Ohio newspaper circles. He was current vice president of the Ohio Newspaper Association, and was

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to assume the presidency of the group in February of 1978. He had served in many other capacities of the ONA and other newspaper organizations, including the Buckeye Press Association, the National Newspaper Association, and the Society of Professional Journalists/Sigma Delta Chi, of which he was a past president.

He was a member of the Church of Master United Methodist, and was chairman of the finance committee; the Westerville Rotary Club, of which he was the current president; Mercator; Otterbein "O" Club; Eastern Star; Masonic Lodge; Shrine; Delaware Country Club; Young-Budd post of the American Legion; the Press Club of Ohio and was an honorary Kentucky

Colonel.

Courtright is survived by his wife, Jean; two daughters and sons-in-law, **Capt. and Mrs. Richard (Kris) Burrows**, '68, of Okinawa and **Mr. and Mrs. Jon (Karla) Banning**, '69 and '70 of Cincinnati; sister, **Mrs. John (June) Stewart**, '40, of Westerville; stepson Jason Wornstaff, of Houston, Texas and three grandchildren.

Mr. & Mrs. Steven A. Jesseph a son, Lane, March 3, 1977. He joins brother Jason.

'75 Mr. & Mrs. Eric Mohrman (Rita Dean) a son, Eric David, December 30, 1976.

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Pester (Kathleen Ronan) a daughter, Jennifer Michelle, August 22, 1977.

Mr. & Mrs. John E. Schneider (Mary Alice Hard) a son, John Robert, July 21, 1977.

deaths

'13 Carrie Webber Barnthouse died July 8, 1977. Born in Hutchinson, Kansas, she worked at Marion (Ohio) Public Library from 1943 to 1966. She was a member of the Trinity Baptist Church in Marion.

'16 Zella Groff Fenner died May 30, 1977 in Brooklyn.

She practiced chiropractics with her late husband, Dr. Lewis Fenner for many years in Brooklyn.

She is survived by her sister, **Esther Groff Penick**, '14, two sons and four grandchildren.

'21 Thomas V. Bancroft, principal and curriculum director of Westerville School System from 1936 to 1969, died July 23, 1977.

Mr. Bancroft began his teaching career in 1921 at Union College in Barberville, Kentucky. From 1922 to 1925 he was a teacher and principal at Utica (Ohio) High School. In the 1925-26 school year he was at Linden High School in Linden, New Jersey.

In 1926 he began a 10-year stay at Franklin University as a director. He left Franklin in 1936 to come to Westerville.

Long active in Masonic circles, he was a past master of the Blendon Lodge 339 F and AM and was a member of Horeb Chapter Zabud Council. He was also a member of Young-Budd Post 171 of the American Legion, the Church of the Master United Methodist, and many educational organizations.

'22 Ohla Cave Cole passed away June 19, 1977 at the Otterbein Home in Lebanon, Ohio. Her husband, Ray, who preceded her in death, was a 1923 Otterbein graduate.

She is survived by three children, **Irene Cole**, '44, **Virginia Kramer**, '49 and **Robert**, '60.

Lauren (Frenchy) D. Rayot passed away in Cincinnati, Ohio April 11, 1977 after a lengthy illness.

Mr. Rayot retired in 1967 after 42 years of service with the B. F. Goodrich Company. For 39 years he served as supervisor of the timekeeping and payroll department for the plant's 1,600 employees.

He is survived by two sisters, **Rena Rayot Harmelink**, '18 and **Lenore Rayot Hare**, '19.

'23 George Calvin Heitz died March 5, 1976.

'24 Esther Bearss Kinery died September 8, 1977. She was a retired U.S. government employee.

'25 Lucille Judy Reid passed away October 7, 1977.

Survivors include her sister and brother-in-law, **Evelyn and Paul Sprout**, '22 and '23.

'26 Vera Rexroad Spessard died July 29, 1977. Mrs. Spessard was the widow of professor Arthur Ray Spessard, retired head of Otterbein College's music department.

She directed choirs in Harrisonburg, Va. and taught violin. Later she served as choir director of the Otterbein United Methodist Church in Hagerstown and also directed the Washington County Homemakers Chorus. Mrs. Spessard was a former Worthy Matron and State Official in the Eastern Star in Harrisonburg, Va.

She is survived by her stepson.

'28 Nelle Ambrose Taylor of New Holland died June 23, 1977.

She was a school teacher in the Marengo, Orange and Berlin school districts.

She is survived by her husband, son and daughter-in-law and daughter and son-in-law.

'33 Fred R. Cheek died August 3, 1977.

He was a retired engineer for the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG). While with SEMCOG he developed a solid waste management program for the six-county area.

Mr. Cheek was past president of the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers and past director of the National Society of Professional Engineers. In 1955 he was given a distinguished service award by the Detroit chapter of the national society and in 1973 he was named engineer of the year by the Detroit chapter.

He served as state president of the American Public Works Association and was listed in WHO'S WHO IN ENGINEERING. He was an elder in Faith United Methodist Church.

Surviving are his wife, **Mary Weekley**, '35, son **David**, '63, daughter-in-law **Carol Schweitzer**, '64, daughter **Susan Jean Lumley**, '68, five brothers, including **Harold**, '36, **Don**, '40 and **Wayne**, '28, two sisters and four grandchildren.

'51 Janet Sprout Craig died May 27, 1977.

She is survived by her husband, a daughter and two sons and her parents, **Paul**, '22 and **Evelyn (Judy) Sprout**, '23.

Paul E. Thomas died July 11, 1977. He was an assistant vice-president of State Fidelity Savings and Loan Association in Kettering where he served for many years as collection manager. He was active in the Kettering school PTA serving as PTA president of J. E. Prass Elementary school. He also served as an officer of the John F. Kennedy Jr. High PTA.

He is survived by his wife, **Bonnie Brooks**, '51, a son and a daughter, his father, two brothers, Edward and **Victor**, '48 and two sisters.

'79 Julie Schaub, who would have been a junior at Otterbein, this year, was killed in an automobile accident August 3, 1977.

Miss Schaub was a Spanish major at Otterbein and was to have gone to Spain in September to study for a semester.

She is survived by her parents and brother.

CAMPUS EVENTS*

- December** 22-23 Christmas Holidays
Offices Closed
25 Christmas Day
26 Christmas Holiday
Offices Closed
- January** 1 New Year's Day
2 New Year's Holiday
Offices Closed
3 Classes Begin 8 a.m.
14 Trustees Budget Control &
Executive Committee Meeting
9:30 a.m.
19 Women's Basketball at Ohio
Northern 6:30 p.m.
19-21 Opera Theatre: Gilbert & Sullivan's
"The Gondoliers" 8:15 p.m.
21 Women's Basketball at Oberlin 1 p.m.
25 Women's Basketball at Ohio Dominican
7 p.m.
28 Women's Basketball: MARIETTA 1 p.m.
- February** 1 Women's Basketball at Kenyon 7 p.m.
3-4 WINTER WEEKEND
4 Women's Basketball: OHIO WESLEYAN
10 a.m.
8 Women's Basketball: DEFIANCE
6:30 p.m.
8-11 Theatre: "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's
Nest" 8:15 p.m.
11-12 MOTHER'S WEEKEND
11 Women's Basketball: DENISON 10 a.m.

- 15 Women's Basketball: RIO GRANDE
6:30 p.m.
17-18 Ohio Forensics Association
State I. E. Championships
18 Women's Basketball: MUSKINGUM
10 a.m.
20 Presidents' Birthdays
Offices Closed-No Classes
21 Women's Basketball at Wilmington
7 p.m.
25 Women's Basketball at B.W. 10 a.m.
Artist Series: Theatre of the Open Eye
presents "Op Odyssey" 8:15 p.m.
28 Women's Basketball at Capital 7:30 p.m.
- March** 1-3 OASIS Small College Basketball
Tournament at Ashland
1 Opus Zero Concert 8:15 p.m.
3 Concert Band 8:15 p.m.
8 Artist Series: Robert Guralnik in
"Tonight: Franz Liszt" 8:15 p.m.
10 Concert Choir 8:15 p.m.
13-15 Exams
15 Winter Term Ends
16-27 Spring Interim
24 Good Friday
Offices Closed
26 Easter
27 Classes Begin 8 a.m.

* See page 15 for men's basketball schedule.

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