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## ★ BICENTENNIAL CORNER ★

### STUDENT PRANKS: A TRADITION by Harold B. Hancock Chairman of the Department of History

Since the founding of the College, pranks of one kind or another have occurred every year. Those that were most successful did harm to no one, but showed a spirit of creativeness and originality. In a Bicentennial Year it is interesting to recall something of this heritage.

One tradition that began in the 1850's was the issuing of parodies of College programs and events in a publication called "The Bogus". On one occasion, the editors announced in a parody of a College advertisement, "Only 20 minutes from Columbus, but if you are drunk, it will take less time." The editors also stated that the past year had been the most successful of the College in terms of debauchery, theft, and wickedness, and that prospects for the future along those lines were unusually bright.

No wonder that the faculty and trustees were upset by such an issue, and a reward of \$100 was offered to try to locate the perpetrators. Today the tradition established in "The Bogus" is carried on in the April Fool issue of the "Tan and Cardinal".

The 1890's was a golden age of pranks. A freshman class sleighed to Sunbury to enjoy a banquet. Upon arrival the freshmen found that someone, presumably a sophomore, had telephoned ahead to cancel it!

In the same decade, the rostrum in the college chapel had a habit of disappearing. Upon one such occasion an anonymous letter was sent to the President, announcing that the rostrum could be located in a nearby field where the corn had been harvested in shock. The owner of the field refused to permit the shocks to be torn apart unless the corn was transported to his barn. This work was undertaken, but the note had been a hoax and the rostrum was not found. Several days later it reappeared in the chapel.

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## Campus News

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### New TOWERS Editor Appointed



Jo Alice Bailey, '74, officially began her duties as editor of THE TOWERS on March 1. Prior to assuming her new responsibilities she had served as Assistant Director of Alumni Relations and Development.

In announcing her appointment Elwyn M. Williams, Vice President for Development and Public Relations said, "We are pleased to have Jo Alice accept this position. Her strong awareness of the importance of alumni work and her experience to date in the office are valuable assets to the College."

A speech and psychology major while at Otterbein, Jo Alice keeps in touch with the College community not only through her duties as editor but also as advisor to Tau Epsilon Mu sorority and as second vice-president of the Westerville Otterbein Women's Club.

### Faculty/Staff News

#### NEWCOMERS

**Grant E. G. Healey** has joined the Alumni Development staff as Assistant Director of Development. A resident of Baltimore since 1963, Healey is a 1975 graduate of Dartmouth College with a major in philosophy. In the fall of 1972, Healey studied philosophy at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland. While a student, he was president of his fraternity, worked in the college library and spent three summers teaching tennis at the Bob Bradley Tennis Camp and the Steveman Racquet Club in Baltimore.

The beginning of winter term saw **Anthony L. Ledford** come to Otterbein as a member of the history and political science faculty. A native of Lewisburg, Tennessee, Ledford is a graduate of the University of Tennessee. He also received a masters degree from The Ohio State University where he is

currently completing doctoral requirements. Classes taught by Mr. Ledford include international relations, a seminar in political science, modern European history and American foreign policy.

A 1971 Otterbein graduate, **Meredith Martin** has returned to the College as an admissions counselor. Her activities before coming back to Otterbein included teaching high school art for two years in Ontario, Ohio and doing post-graduate work in art at The Ohio State University concentrating in animal and welded sculpture.

### PROMOTIONS

**Robert J. Moon**, a 1975 graduate of Bowling Green State University, has been promoted to Assistant Director of Public Relations. Moon has served as staff assistant in that office since last July. He replaces David L. Bradford, who accepted a public relations position with General Telephone Company in Marion, Ohio.

### Alumni Director Recovering From Accident

Chester R. Turner, '43, director of alumni and church relations, and his wife Margaret were injured in an automobile accident, Thursday, April 15, near Chautauqua, New York. Suffering a broken leg, bruises and lacerations, Chet is currently recovering in Grant Hospital. Margaret Biehn Turner, '43, suffered extensive bruises in the accident. Chet and Margaret live at 474 Delaware Ct., Westerville, Ohio 43081.



## E.W.E. Schear Hall to be Dedicated

The west wing of Otterbein's Science Center will be dedicated in memory of Dr. Edward Waldo Emerson Schear, '07 on Alumni Day, Saturday, June 12, 1976 at 4:30 p.m.

The original science building was built in 1919 and named McFadden Hall. The west wing was added during 1967-69 while McFadden Hall was being renovated. The Science Center will now be composed of McFadden Hall and E.W.E. Schear Hall.

Dr. Schear served at Otterbein as Professor of Biology and Geology from 1912 to 1951 when he was retired as Professor Emeritus.

During his teaching career, Dr. Schear was a member of many scientific as well as non-scientific organizations. He was a 50 year member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a Fellow of the Academy of Science and in 1944 and again in 1962 served that Academy as Vice President, a charter member of the Otterbein Academy of Science and in 1930 served as National President of Sigma Zeta Science Fraternity. The list could go on and on.

Dr. Schear also took interest in and held membership in the Boy Scout Council, the Westerville and Franklin County Historical Societies and the Benjamin Franklin Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. He also sponsored Zeta Phi Fraternity.

Following retirement, Dr. Schear was a hematologist for a Department of Agriculture laboratory in New Knoxville, Ohio and later set up a similar laboratory in Geneva, Wisconsin. He also spent some time at the King Ranch

in Kentucky testing thorough-bred horses.

Dr. Schear died September 3, 1971. He is survived by his wife, Marian, son, Evan, and a granddaughter.

There will be a special table for Mrs. Schear and her party at the annual alumni luncheon.



E.W.E. Schear

## Rising Costs Cause Tuition Increase

Faced with increasing costs for goods and services, the Otterbein College Executive and Budget Control Committees of the Board of Trustees recently voted to increase fees for the 1976-77 academic year.

On-campus students will be billed an additional \$340 in tuition and fees and commuters an additional \$240. However, \$10 of both of these figures is not an increase but a reassignment of the \$10 health fee now paid by each student in a separate billing.

The comprehensive fee increase reflects a \$20 per term boost in meal ticket costs and a \$10 per term increase for rooms.

On the brighter side, an additional \$30,000 in next year's budget has been set aside for financial aid.

"Extensive efforts throughout this year to cut costs have enabled us to hold total increases below what they otherwise have been," President Thomas J. Kerr, IV commented.

Vice President Woodrow Macke noted that "We have cut our utility usage 31 per cent in the last 2 years." He explained, however, that rising utility rates have blunted the dollar savings on these items.

Other rising fixed costs, such as the federal increase of 30 per cent for postal service, have contributed to fee boost. Trustees also noted a \$6000 annual loss in rental revenue with Westerville High Schools building and using their own stadium.

Comparing Otterbein's increase with those of other Ohio colleges, board members noted Wittenberg (\$300), Oberlin (\$332) and Capital (\$320) all making similar fee adjustment.

Ohio colleges announcing larger increases include Wooster (\$450), Ohio Wesleyan (\$400), Case Western (\$425) and Denison (\$355).



## Bishop Joseph H. Yeakel to Speak at 1976 Commencement Exercises



Bishop Joseph H. Yeakel of Syracuse, New York will be the featured speaker at the 120th annual commencement on June 13, 1976.

Bishop Yeakel is a native of Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania, however he grew up and received his elementary and secondary education in Pottsville, Pennsylvania.

Prior to continuing his education he served with the U.S. Navy (Seabees) on Guam, Marianna Islands from 1945-46. He was later graduated from Lebanon Valley College at Annville, Pennsylvania, and United Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio. He was ordained by

the Pennsylvania Conference of The Evangelical United Brethren Church in 1952. He received the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Lebanon Valley College in 1968.

Bishop Yeakel served parishes in Dayton, Ohio; Hagerstown, Maryland; York, Pennsylvania; and Silver Springs, Maryland until his election to the Board of Evangelism of the Evangelical United Brethren Church as Assistant Secretary, April 29, 1963. He became Executive Secretary April 1, 1965. At the time of the church union in 1968, he became General Secretary of the Board of Evangelism of The United Methodist Church. On July 11, 1972 he was elected to the Episcopacy and assigned to the Syracuse Area.

In addition to having held numerous offices in the Susquehanna Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, he has also served on numerous interboard and church union committees. He currently serves as trustee and chairman of the board of Scarritt College, Nashville, Tennessee and trustee of Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York.

Bishop Yeakel and his wife, Louis, are parents of five children. Two of their children are graduates of Otterbein — Claudia (Mrs. D. John McIntyre), '72, and Douglas, '74. His daughter, Josie, will be graduated this year.

## Commencement Day Schedule of Events

### Sunday, June 13, 1976

9:00 a.m. Baccalaureate  
Service in  
Cowan Hall

10:00 a.m. Brunch  
Campus Center  
Dining Room

11:30 a.m. 120th Annual  
Commencement  
Dr. Joseph Yeakel,  
Bishop-Syracuse Area  
of the United Methodist  
Church, Speaker  
Rike Center





## RABBIT ON THE LAWN Available

THE RABBIT ON THE LAWN, a book of poems by Dr. Robert Price, has been reprinted for public distribution through the sponsorship of the Quiz and Quill Foundation.

The small volume of selected poetry was originally printed privately for limited circulation. Requests for the book outnumbered available copies, however, and the Quiz and Quill Foundation was given permission to conduct the larger printing.

Represented in THE RABBIT ON THE LAWN are poems which reflect different periods in the writing life of the author. Dr. Price's long association with Otterbein College is recalled in "Journeyer: For P.L.F.", "Faculty Retreat" and "Old Prof Comes Back to Earth". His response to the natural world around him is captured in "Screech Owl", "Mercury at Zero Fahrenheit", and the title poem.

Copies of the book are available from the Otterbein Bookstore located in the Campus Center or through Sarah Skaates, Executive Secretary of the Quiz and Quill Foundation.

Persons wishing to order copies of the book by mail should send \$1 per book (plus 30¢ for handling) to Mrs. William Skaates, 53 Glenwood Drive, Westerville, Ohio 43081. Checks should be made out to the Quiz and Quill Foundation.



### Otterbein Receives Bicentennial Grant

Otterbein College has been chosen to receive a \$1,500 grant from The George Gund Foundation to assist in funding required for a slide-tape program on the meaning of the American Revolution. The program is designed for elementary-aged children.

This grant was approved as part of the Ohio College Bicentennial Program within the Ohio American Revolution Bicentennial Advisory Commission. The remainder of the funds necessary to complete this project will be provided by Otterbein College, Westerville Public Schools and the Westerville Bicentennial Committee.

### New Scholarship Fund Established

The Lawrence S. Frank Memorial Scholarship Fund has been established in recognition of the dedicated service of Lawrence S. Frank who taught in the Music Department from 1948 to 1972. Scholarships shall be awarded on an annual basis to students who have chosen to major in music. Financial need will be taken into consideration.

### New Student and Faculty Trustees Elected

**James E. Black**, a junior from Waterville, Ohio, was elected student trustee in a run-off election on April 28, 1976.

Jim majors in political science and is also a member of Lambda Gamma Epsilon (Kings) fraternity. He is the newly elected Inter-Fraternity Council president and has served on the Curriculum Committee, College Senate and is presently treasurer for the Otterbein Young Democrats.

**Michael S. Herschler**, associate professor of life science, has been elected as the new faculty trustee.

Herschler has taught at Otterbein since 1964 and holds degrees from Cornell University (B.S.) and The Ohio State University (M.Sc.; Ph.D.).

### Service Department News

The Otterbein College Service Department by a vote of 17 to 16 elected the United Auto Workers as their bargaining agent for the department. Certification of the election has been received from the National Labor Relations Board.



## What to do about Cochran Hall

That will be a question put before the Otterbein Board of Trustees at their June meeting, according to Vice President for Business Affairs Woodrow Macke. "We are preparing the claim for insurance, making a study of the building, and of the cost to bring it up to present-day building codes," Macke says. Macke says that he and other college staff members will be working with architects to determine what must be done with the building, preparing an estimate of costs involved and then submitting that report to trustees at their June 5 session.

For story about the Cochran Hall fire see pages 8-10.



## Bicentennial Corner *continued*

Some students worked hard for several hours one night to take apart a heavy farm wagon and pass the parts through a chapel window for reassembling, in order to see the astonishment on the faces of their friends and faculty members the next morning at the daily service. Most of the audience wondered how the wagon could possibly have gotten there.

In the forties and fifties faculty members sometimes found barnyard animals in their rooms, chairs stacked, or classroom furniture carefully arranged in rows on the lawn!

Also during the forties, one ingenious student fastened a fishing line to the clapper of the College bell and to the branches of a tree, so that the bell rang according to the will of the wind. College officials were a long time in locating the reason for the bell's disturbing clatter during the day and night.

In the 1950's a prominent alumnus, who recently received an honorary degree, spearheaded a plan on "Senior Night Out" to set up the tables in the library with plates, glasses, and knives and forks as if for breakfast. The librarian, who had remained on duty all night long to safeguard the library, was driven home at 6:30 a.m. by a solicitous member of the senior class. The seniors then proceeded with their prank after that time.

In a Bicentennial Year it is interesting to recall some of the social heritage of the College and to realize that students did not spend all their time in study, even though college regulations at that time might make you think so. Students of the nineteenth century found plenty of recreational outlets in an age without automobiles, TV, radio, tapes and movies.

**Editor's note:** Otterbein College has been named an official bicentennial school, according to information received by President Thomas J. Kerr, IV from the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration.

Founded in 1847 by the United Brethren Church, Otterbein is the oldest institution of higher learning in Franklin County.



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The morning Cochran Hall caught on fire something was happening on Otterbein's campus that wouldn't make the newspaper headlines later that day.

That something could be seen on the faces of many students as they stood quietly, arm-in-arm watching the roaring blaze that was attempting to consume one of the College's oldest and most popular women's residence halls.

It could be seen in the expressions of other students as they comforted the girls whose home and personal belongings were being destroyed. It could be seen as roommate embraced roommate.

It could also be witnessed as students and firemen worked side by side to save the campus landmark and, as fire hoses were being dragged across the lawn, when one fireman uttered, "Don't step on the tulips, please."

Tender loving care. A lot of that special feeling was generated on campus Tuesday, April 6, 1976 when Cochran Hall broke into flames. A sense of closeness, warmth and unity touched the souls of many as individuals worked together to prevent a tragedy from becoming a disaster.

It touched volunteer fireman John Bokros, who works in the College service department, when he made an outstanding individual contribution by rescuing freshman Karen Sgarro of Fairborn, Ohio from the second floor of the building. Both Karen and John were treated for smoke inhalation.

It touched many members of the Westerville/Columbus community. Soon after the last flames were brought under control, enough faculty members, off-campus students and community residents had offered space enough to house **500** students. (Cochran Hall housed 66 girls.)



*The blaze ignited about 10:30 a.m. and was not extinguished until after 11:30 a.m.*

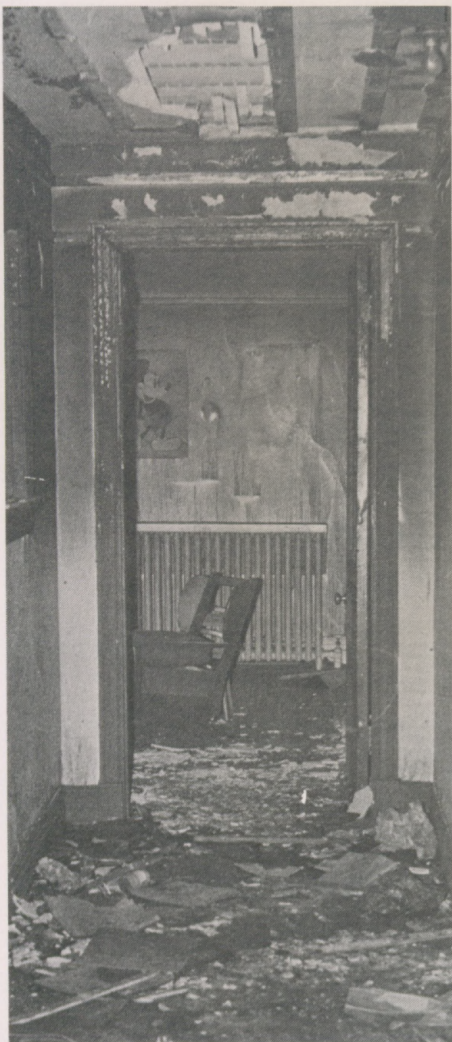


*Fire departments from Westerville, Columbus, Minerva, Sharon and several nearby communities were at the scene.*



*Although the fire was confined to the north end of Cochran Hall, smoke damage was extensive throughout the building.*





*Initial investigations indicate that no serious structural damage was done to the building. However such items as complete rewiring, replacement of doors, carpeting and windows, plastering and painting will be among the necessities to make the building habitable.*



*The exact cause of the fire still has not been determined but evidence indicates that it started in a sofa in the Cochran Hall lounge.*



*Local merchants contributed many articles of clothing and other necessary items.*

Several local businesses and merchants donated clothes, soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, towels and other needed items.

It touched the Otterbein student body. By mid-afternoon, after the building had been checked by the fire marshall, the girls returned to the charred Cochran Hall to salvage some of their possessions. Many men students volunteered their time and energy to help the girls move their sooty belongings to the basement of the Campus Center. Other students formed a relay line to remove the computers and supplies from the data processing center located underneath Cochran Hall. And all over campus smiles were being coupled with special looks that said, "I understand and I want to help."

On the Wednesday following the fire, Rev. Robert Clarke led a thanksgiving service to give thanks that no lives were lost. The service ended after the names of all 66 girls who resided in Cochran Hall were read aloud and individually remembered.

To date, no decision has been made as to what to do with the residence hall. Such a decision will probably wait until the close of the school year in June. (See article on page 7).

A Cochran Hall Fire Fund has been established. Thus far, \$1,709.82 has been received from 28 individuals, churches, and groups. This is being distributed to Cochran Hall girls through the Student Personnel Office.

The campus crusade made several contacts with churches and individuals and was responsible for \$387.00 of the above total.

The Cochran Hall fire affected the lives of everyone on campus. Not only did it cause the girls who lived there much personal grief and loss but it also inconvenienced many others on campus. However, the Otterbein community faced the challenge, accepted the inconveniences and came out looking like a winner. ■



Alumni Day. The words conjure a bright June day outside the Campus Center and long rows of tables filling the dining room inside. There are all the traditional ingredients which are the stuff of nostalgia and renewed friendships: coffee hours, class pictures, picnics and the noon luncheon with its speeches and alumni awards.

About those alumni awards. Are they merely an extra bit of trimming on an already full program? To those alumni who instituted each of the four awards and to those charged with the responsibility for selection of each year's recipients, the awards represent a special privilege. In their own individual ways, they are a public expression of pride, affection and appreciation.

The oldest of the awards names an honorary alumnus and alumna. Instituted in 1950 as a means of expanding the "Otterbein family circle" to include close friends, the Honorary Alumnus Award has been given to a succession of beloved and revered faculty, staff members and friends. To be considered for this award, an individual who has not attended Otterbein will have demonstrated exemplary loyalty, support and service to the College. Faculty and staff who have been at Otterbein for 15 years or longer are automatically listed for consideration by the Awards Committee.

The year following the first Honorary Alumnus Award to B. C. Glover, the Alumni Association established its most prestigious recognition to a graduate of the College. Since 1951 when the first award was given to E. L. Weinland, the Distinguished Alumnus Award has been given to men and women who are conspicuous in their service to Otterbein, their own profession and their community. Because it recognizes an individual's total spectrum of service and accomplishment, the Distinguished

Alumnus Award represents the highest accolade given by the Alumni Association.

Both the Honorary Alumnus and the Distinguished Alumnus Awards are determined solely by the Awards Committee of the Alumni Association. This committee, composed of members of the Executive Committee of Alumni Council and the Alumni Director, considers all persons nominated for an award. Nominations may be made by any member of the Alumni Association at any time by notifying the Alumni Director or the president of the Alumni Association. If not elected in the same

## Alumni Awards: Who What & Why

by Sarah Rose Skaates, '56

year nominated, a nominee's name will be kept in the active file for consideration another year. In addition, the Nominating Committee gives close attention to the lists of reunion year graduates who may qualify for an award.

More recently, two additional awards have been established to be presented by the Alumni Association in conjunction with college administrators.

The Distinguished Service Award

seeks to recognize those individuals who have given outstanding service to Otterbein, and is not limited to graduates of the College. This award is made when merited, not necessarily on an annual basis. When initiated in 1964, the Alumni Association and the college administration honored the following persons: Ed Begley, Carl Copp, Ray W. Gifford, Joe P. Hendrix and John F. Smith.

The Special Achievement Award was established two years later, in 1966, to provide a means of saluting those individuals who had achieved eminence in their chosen fields. Upon occasion, a certain field may be represented exclusively. This was the case in 1970 when five scientists were recognized.

A fifth category for recognition provides for the posthumous election of individuals to the Otterbein Alumni Hall of Fame. Those so honored are Otterbein graduates who have achieved national or international renown through their contributions to society.

No, the Alumni Awards are definitely not merely the trimmings on an already full day. They are instead, a symbol of the substance of what Otterbein College means to the world community as reflected through those who represent her.

**Ed. note:** The following people will be presented with awards at this year's alumni luncheon.

### HONORARY ALUMNAE AWARDS

Mrs. Emerson Miller  
Dr. Jeanne Willis

### DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

Mr. Morris Allton '36  
Mr. Richard Sanders '29

### SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Dr. Samuel Ziegler '36  
Mrs. Isabel Ziegler '40  
Dr. Carl Eschbach '26

### DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD

Dr. William Messmer '36



# from the Alumni Center

by Chet Turner, '43  
Alumni Director

## Alumni Tours Reminder

Come join other Otterbein alumni for a trip to Ireland (August 4-12, 1976) or The Riviera (October 14-22, 1976).

### IRELAND

The low price of \$469.00 plus 10% includes round-trip air transportation by charter jet from Cleveland to Shannon, 8 days and 7 nights in a first class hotel with breakfast daily, free use of a rental car and much more.

### THE RIVIERA

For only \$599.00 plus 10% taxes and services, visit the world's most renowned vacation resort. Features of the trip include accommodations in a beautiful hotel in San Remo (not far from Monte Carlo), continental breakfast served daily, optional use of unlimited mileage car plus much more.

For more details, contact Chet Turner, Alumni Director, Alumni Development Center, Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio 43081.

## SPECIAL NOTICE TO CLASSES OF 1910-1916

You and your spouses are cordially invited to be the guests of the Class of 1913 at their annual Class Reunion Dinner, Friday, June 11, 1976 at the Otterbein Campus Center. Meet there at 5:30 p.m. This year we honor the Class of 1911 on their 65th anniversary and the Class of 1916 on their 60th anniversary. All those who can attend are urged to join us at this celebration. Make reservations by June 4, 1976 with Lucylle E. Welch, Secretary of the Class of 1913. Address: 108 West Plum St., Westerville, Ohio 43081. Phone: (614) 882-3403.

## Helen Clymer Receives "Woman of the Year" Award

Helen Clymer, a member of class of 1938, has been honored by the Westerville Otterbein Women's Club as "Woman of the Year."

Mrs. Clymer was honored at the annual guest dinner at which time she moved everyone present with her talk and a slide presentation illustrating her work with the Otterbein pre-school/child care program.

Mrs. Clymer has been with Otterbein College in association with the pre-school/child care program for 23 years. She is presently the director of the Otterbein Children's Center. An upcoming issue of TOWERS will contain a feature on the Center.

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**NOTE:** TOWERS is published as a special service to Otterbein alumni. Why not make the most of it? Send class notes, letters and address and name changes to the Alumni Office, Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio 43081.



# Alumni Day

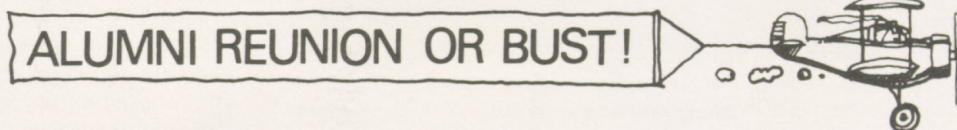
## Schedule of Events

**Saturday, June 12, 1976**

10:00 - 12:00 noon

Class Reunions and Pictures

Class	Location	Picture Schedule
Golden Agers	Listening Room, Campus Center	10:30 a.m.
1926	Faculty Lounge, Campus Center	10:30 a.m.
1930	West End, Campus Center Lounge	10:50 a.m.
1931	West End, Campus Center Lounge	11:10 a.m.
1932	West End, Campus Center Lounge	11:30 a.m.
1936	Faculty Dining Room, Campus Center	11:00 a.m.
1951	Clements Hall Lounge	10:30 a.m.
1955	East End, Campus Center Lounge	10:50 a.m.
1956	East End, Campus Center Lounge	11:10 a.m.
1957	East End, Campus Center Lounge	11:30 a.m.
1966	Mayne Hall Lounge	11:30 a.m.
12:15 p.m.	Alumni Luncheon with Reunion Tables	
2:30 p.m.	President's Reception and Dessert for everyone in honor of all retired faculty and staff. Hosted by Westerville Otterbein Women's Club.	
4:30 p.m.	Dedication of the E.W.E. Schear Hall of Science Center	
6:00 p.m.	Centurion Banquet	

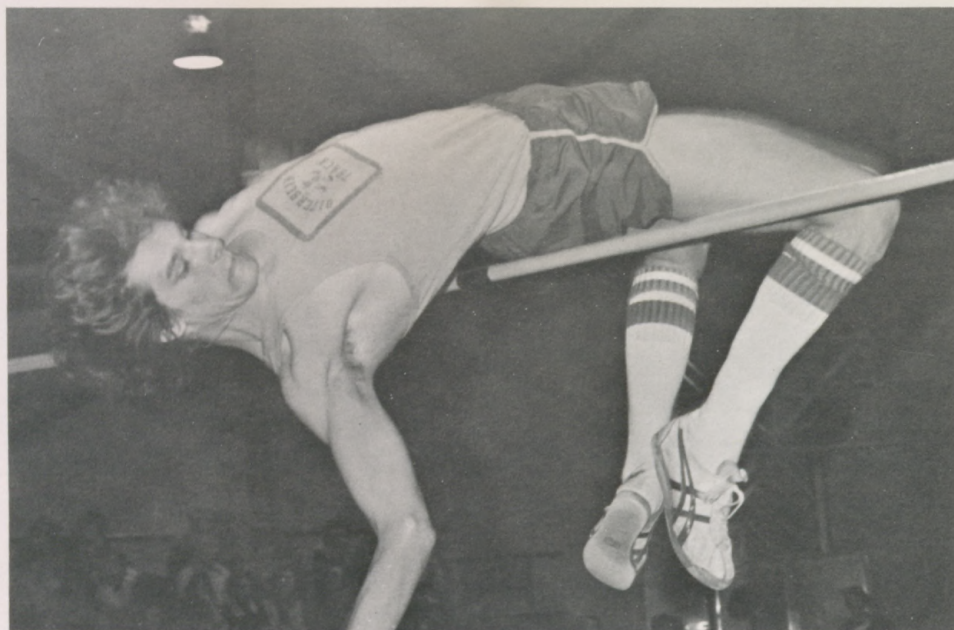






by Bob Moon

## Otterbein Track and Baseball Programs on the Upswing



*Steve Biancone clears the bar at 6-6 during the indoor track season. The Otter freshman has become the top high jumper in the Ohio Conference this season after winning both indoor titles, the outdoor relays and seven of eight dual meet tries.*

Otterbein's track and baseball teams each had one key problem to solve in 1976.

In track, it was field events. In baseball, it was pitching.

But with less than half the spring sports seasons remaining, it was clear that freshmen were doing the most to find the solutions.

The Otter thinclads have no worries in the running events. Led by All-American Roger Retherford and Dave Paul, the Otters have the best set of runners in the Ohio Athletic Conference.

Field events have been another story. Not so, however, in the high jump where freshman Steve Biancone has emerged as the league's frontrunner. Already Biancone has won the OAC's indoor relay, outdoor relay and indoor championships titles, setting a conference record of 6-8 in the latter. He also set a new Otter outdoor mark of 6-9 in late April.

Both Biancone and his backup, Barry Newlin, have qualified for the NCAA championships in Chicago in late May. Newlin likewise is a freshman.

Last season, the Otter baseball team had no trouble hitting as their .313 average indicated. But opponents were also hitting because the Otter pitching staff came away with a less-than-spectacular 5.06 ERA.

Into the picture has stepped Wes Williams, a tall, lanky freshman right-hander who had the team's best ERA (3.19) and won-loss record (3-2) through the rebuilding Otters' first 25 games. Williams has the best velocity on the staff.

Another pitcher with promise is Dan Griffith, another freshman who looks too frail to hold the ball, but fired a one-hitter in his first start.

Most of the Otter varsity teams have been rebuilding over the past school year and each has been laden with freshmen and sophomores. Few will question that the entire program is on the upswing.



# Class Notes

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

## Hon. '66

**Bishop R. H. Mueller** has moved to the Franklin United Methodist Home at Franklin, Indiana. Friends can write him at Franklin United Methodist Home, 1070 W. Jefferson St., Apt. E-125, Franklin, Indiana 46131.

## '06 next reunion June 1976

**Ethel Miller Schleppi**, who majored in art while at Otterbein, continues to pursue her creative interests. She continues to paint for her personal enjoyment and is trying to teach her grandchildren painting and woodcarving.

## '24 next reunion June 1976

Although **Wayne Winkle** retired from the teaching profession seven years ago, he still leads an active life helping his son who owns a drug store.

## '30 next reunion June 1976

**John Henry Baker**, who is a lawyer practicing privately in Columbus, Ohio has become well-known for his various jazz collections. In 1971 he sold his jazz record collection which was the third in the world and the most outstanding collection in 1971. His jazz-stomp-rag-blues piano roll collection was also the most outstanding collection



ever assembled when it was sold in 1965.

Since 1943 Mr. Baker has been the world's pioneer jazz film collector. He is known as the "grand-daddy" of the 300 known jazz film collectors. He is a consultant with worldwide audio-visual media, with his services being used by NBC, CBS, NET, PBS, ABC, BBC and others. His films have been exhibited in over 100 colleges and universities in the U.S. and Canada. He and his wife will be guests of the Cultural Affairs Office of France, and he has been invited to show his films at the International Film Fest in Rotterdam in 1977. He has also been offered to head both the Berkeley and the Tulane jazz film foundations.

**Ralph F. Gibson** of Boise, Idaho has been appointed director of operations in Sao Paulo, Brazil for the International Executive Service Corps. IESC is the United States not-for-profit corporation which recruits mainly retired U.S. businessmen and technical specialists to serve as volunteer advisers to locally-owned enterprises in the developing nations.

## '33 next reunion June 1979

**Dr. and Mrs. John A. Smith (Virginia Norris '36)** have moved from Humaco, Puerto Rico, to Newport, Tennessee where Dr. Smith will be working at the Cocke County Memorial Hospital under the National Health Service Corps. Formerly, Dr. Smith served as a missionary doctor in Puerto Rico, and was the medical director of the Ryder Memorial Hospital in Humacao.

## '36 next reunion June 1976

**Harold R. Cheek**, City Manager of High Point, N.C. has been named a life member of the International City Management Association.

## '37 next reunion June 1977

The **Rev. Roy M. Shoaf** has been asked by the Park Vista Advisory Council and Eastminster Presbytery to serve as the

Chaplain of the Ohio Presbyterian Home - Park Vista located on Fifth Avenue in Youngstown. Duties will include calling on residents, counseling and helping coordinate the morning devotions and the Sunday afternoon chapel service.

## '38 next reunion June 1978

**Dorothy Allsup Sanders**, Director of Special Events for Rikes, has been named chairman of the Special Events Managers' group of the Associated Merchandising Corporation.

The Jaycee's named **George D. Russell** as their Outstanding Man of the Year. George and his wife, Elaine, now reside in Willard. He retired from the navy in 1971 but still enjoys an active life in the Willard community.

## '40 next reunion June 1980

During January of this year **Fred Wagner** served as the chaplain of the S.S. Veendam of the Holland-America Liner. His ship was on a cruise to the West Indies which visited about five islands.

## '44 next reunion June 1980

**Albert Allen Bartlett**, who is a Professor of Physics at the University of Colorado, Boulder, became the new Vice-president of the American Association of Physics Teachers at its annual meeting in New York City on Feb. 5, 1976. Founded in 1930, the Association is devoted to the improvement of physical science instruction for all students. Mr. Bartlett has been a faculty member at Boulder since 1950.

**Howard and Kathleen Fox** are a busy couple. Howard is the state chairman of CROP in Ohio and is looking forward to building a new sanctuary in the church he is pastoring. Kathleen is teaching third grade. She was also selected as a Martha Jennings Scholar this year.



**Dr. Ray W. Gifford**, who is head of the Department of Hypertension and Nephrology at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation, has been elected President of the American Society for Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics. The election took place at the society's 77th Annual Meeting in Seattle, Washington on March 18-19, 1976. Before joining the Cleveland Staff in 1961, Dr. Gifford was on the staff at the Mayo Clinic.



**'49** next reunion June 1978

**Richard H. Bridgman**, who currently serves as principal at Van Buren Junior High School in Kettering, Ohio, has been appointed to the new position of director of secondary education of the Kettering school system. Mr. Bridgman has been principal since 1961, after being assistant principal for seven years. His new appointment becomes effective on August 1, 1976.

**Roland G. Mehl** has been appointed supervisor of health, safety, physical education, intramurals and interscholastic athletics at Van Buren Junior High School in Kettering. The appointment becomes effective August 1, 1976.

**'51** next reunion June 1976

**Ralph W. Hughes** was recently promoted to Division Manager for the Seed and Fertilizer Division of the Landmark Incorporation.

The new Managing Director of the American Society for Nondestructive Testing is **Donald J. Walter**. He is also the president of the National Association of Exposition Managers. In his new position Don will be responsible for inspecting testing and evaluating materials and structures using methods which do not harm the material in any way.

**'52** next reunion June 1977

The 1975 Joe Rathbun Award for Memorial Service to Mankind was given to **Dr. Ann C. Brown**, a Zanesville pediatrician. Dr. Brown has initiated many child health care programs focusing mainly on those children with learning disabilities. Presently she is receiving training in the area of child psychology.

**Philip A. Knall, Jr.** is serving as the District Sales Manager for Transon Lines in Los Angeles, California.

**E. P. "Tex" Levering** has joined Central Soya's Commodity Futures Department as senior commodity hedging specialist. Mr. Levering, who joined Central Soya in 1952, has been a sales manager of the Buckeye Division at Marion, Ohio. His new position will involve developing national futures trading accounts with major grain, feed, poultry and livestock producers and processors.



**'54** next reunion June 1979

**Lloyd Lewis** directed the Otterbein spring musical "Showboat". Mr. Lewis is widely known in the Central Ohio area as well as for his theatre work in Indiana and Illinois.

**Mary (Hoffer) Starling** and her husband, Okey, are busy owning and operating Okey's Alignment in Wooster, Ohio. They have two children: Rebecca, 13 and Ed, 11.

**'55** next reunion June 1976

**David C. Davis**, who is currently the Director of Pastoral Care at the Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo, Michigan, was certified as a Chaplain and admitted as a Fellow of the College of Chaplains during the annual convention of the College of Chaplains in Cincinnati, Ohio, on March 8. The College of Chaplains is the major interfaith professional organization for clergypersons who serve primarily in institutional settings in the U.S., Canada, and several foreign countries.

**'56** next reunion June 1976

**Lt. Col. and Mrs. Robert L. Arledge (Gail Bunch)** and their three children are now at





Andrews AFB in Maryland. Robert recently received the United States Air Force Meritorious Service award for work as chief physical therapist, USAF Academy Hospital from 1970 to 1975.

'57 next reunion June 1976

State Representative **Alan Norris** of Westerville, Ohio has been appointed to the Advisory Panel of the Federal Elections Commission (FEC) Clearinghouse on Election Administration. The Advisory Panel will investigate election costs, equipment, registration and other procedures.

'58 next reunion June 1979

**Ruth (Schilling) Wonder** received her B.S. in elementary education at Miami University in June, 1975. She is presently teaching in the Milford school system.

**Thomas E. Wetzel** has been promoted to Regional Loan Manager of the Northland branch of Buckeye Federal Savings.

'60 next reunion June 1979

**Phyllis Bench Letton** received her M.B.A. at Xavier University in May of 1975. She is currently employed as Administrative Assistant at Cincinnati General Hospital.

'61 next reunion June 1977

**Maj. Donald G. Hooper** has been assigned to Offutt AFB, Nebraska. He will serve with a unit of the Strategic Air Command developing and supervising computer programs and operations.

Columbus Mutual announced the promotion of **L. David Reynolds** to second vice president in charge of data processing. He has been with the company for ten years and served in the areas of programming. He and his wife, Janet, and their two daughters are residents of Westerville.

'62 next reunion June 1977

**Myra (Hiett) Traxler** is teaching fourth grade in Ada, Ohio and is active in the Ada

Education Association. Her husband, Don, is on the faculty at Ohio Northern University and is also quite involved in the Education Association. They have enjoyed trips to Los Angeles and Washington, D.C. this past year.

'63 next reunion June 1977

**Michael (Mick) Donato** has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for county commissioner in June. Mr. Donato has been an Indian Valley South teacher and coach for thirteen years, and a member of the village council for more than six years.

Honored with the 1975-76 young educator award by the Ashville Jaycees is **Judith (Mack) Luft**. She is currently teaching English at Teays Valley Junior High. Beyond her teaching responsibilities she directs the school plays, supervises the school newspaper and yearbook and has created a new reading program for the junior high.

**Janet (Lacey) McCann** has been promoted to Assistant Professor of English at Texas A & M University. Her husband, Hugh, is in Texas A & M's Philosophy Department.

'64 next reunion June 1980

The **Rev. David L. Andrews** was elected president of the board of the Family Counseling Services for Western Stark County for both 1975 and 1976. He has great interest in family education not only for the church community but for the community at large.

**Sandra Williams Bennett** has written a special section on professional updating for the third edition of Robert Hilliard's popular college text, **Writing for Television and Radio**. Included also is a television script of a health education program which Dr. Bennett produced.

**David Allan Brown** is involved in private practice in psychology and in working for the Pinellas County School Board. His position includes working as a Psychologist, Educational Administrator, and a Consultant

in Rational Behavior Therapy. Mr. Brown is very active in civic and professional capacities, and graduated with honors from USIU and John Carroll University.

**Captain Clyde H. Butler**, an air force navigator, has been assigned to Lowry Air Force Base in Colorado. He will be working with the 2nd Communications Squadron. Captain Butler was previously stationed at the Korat Royal AFB in Thailand.

'65 next reunion June 1980

**Mr. Glen R. Calihan** has been elected an assistant secretary of the Hartford Life Insurance Company and Hartford Life and Accident Insurance Company, member companies of the Hartford Insurance Group. Mr. Calihan joined the Hartford in 1969 and has been assistant director-group actuarial since 1974.



**Captain David R. Samson** was selected to serve as Aide to the Commander of Allied Air Forces Central Europe and commander in chief at Ramstein Air Base, Germany.



'66 next reunion June 1976

**Mike Cochran** was recently admitted to the Federal Bar. Mike continues in private law practice in Columbus and also as City Attorney of Reynoldsburg. He was retained as city attorney after a successful "Keep Cochran" campaign during the November election of 1975.

**George W. Miles** has assumed the position of Payments Project Manager for Chase Manhattan Bank in New York City. He and his wife, **Donna Lust**, '66, have two children, Michael, 6, and Lori, 3.



After leaving his position in the Air Force of directing the operation of seven radio and television facilities in Japan, **James B. Miskimen** joined the staff of WMUB radio. He is the program manager for the station.

**Sharon (Kite) Plank** is working part-time at the Ashland Public Library, Ashland, Ohio. Her husband, Doug, teaches special education at Polk, Ohio. They have two children: Aaron, age 5 and Eben, age 2.

The new manager of Research and Development for the Consumer Products Division of Rubbermaid Inc. is **Wolf Schmitt**. He has been responsible for new product and market evaluation for the company in Wooster, Ohio.



'67 next reunion June 1977

**Richard D. Taylor** has accepted a position with Maryville College in Tennessee as an instructor in physical education. He also serves as assistant football coach and head track coach.

**Howard B. Walker** and **Sandra Webster Walker** are living in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Howard is employed by Phillips Petroleum Company as a wire and cable manager, while Sandra is employed by "From the Ground Up" as a salesperson. She is in training to manage the shop which promotes professional weaving as an art form.

'68 next reunion June 1978

**Larry E. Granger** of Potsdam, Ohio has been named director of the Children's Services Board (CSB). His previous responsibilities in the organization have been as a case worker, foster care recruitment, licensing, and placement.

**Keith Turner** is now a Marketing Representative in the office products division of IBM, Columbus, Ohio.

'69 next reunion June 1979

**Steve and Marlene (Lansman) Deringer** are now living in Celina, Ohio where Steve accepted a position in August as principal and sixth grade teacher of Franklin Elementary School.

After a trip around the world, **Christina L. Jones** has settled down for her second year in Isfahan, Iran. She is teaching third grade again this year.

**Mary Mahoney** is currently employed by the Phoenix Schools as a Title I reading teacher.

**N. Douglas Mazza** was promoted in October to Midwest Regional Sales Manager for U.S. Suzuki Motor Corporation. He and his wife, **Sally** '66, live with their two sons: Donny, 5 and Mark, 1.

The new tutor for the deprived pupil program in the Newcomerstown school system is **Mary Fetter Smith**.

'70 next reunion June 1980

**Betsy Bridwell** has been named manager of the faculty club at the University of Washington, Seattle.

'71 next reunion June 1981

**Jim Augspurger**, D.D.S. is taking a one year residency in General Dentistry in Denver. His wife **Linda (Ancik) Augspurger** is teaching preschool at a Montessori Learning Center in suburbia Denver.

**Debby Cramer** will be spending July and August of this year in northern Greece as a member of the Archaeological Expedition from the University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia. The members of the team of twelve come from the United Kingdom, the United States as well as Australia.

**Ronda Fritz** has been placed as a member of a teaching team in Nigeria, West Africa after three months training at Agape International Training (AIT) in California.

The **Rev. Branson J. Hawkes** was ordained an Elder in the United Methodist Church in ceremonies held at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, Circleville on January 11,

1976. He is currently serving as associate pastor to the Wapakoneta First United Methodist Church.

**Kenneth Jackson** has been promoted to Administrative Supervisor in the Cincinnati Accounting Office of Procter and Gamble.

**Meredith Martin** is employed by Otterbein as an admissions counselor.

An article by **John McIntyre**, who lectures in Education at Syracuse University, was published in the National Council of the Teachers of English most recent book, **On Righting Writing**. The article was entitled, "Methods to Motivate Composition Students."

The **Rev. Richard L. Thomas**, who is associate pastor of Vandalia United Methodist Church, was ordained an Elder in the United Methodist Church in ceremonies held at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, Circleville on January 11, 1976.

**Richard F. Wittler** has been promoted by the U.S. Air Force to the rank of captain. Captain Wittler is serving at Mather AFB, California, as an instructor pilot.

'72 next reunion June 1978

**Debra Ann Andrews** is now working as an admissions counselor for Youngstown State University after receiving her M.A. in July from Bowling Green State University.

**Pamela Beatty** has completed her M.S. in early childhood education at Wheelock College in Boston, Massachusetts.

Brookhaven High School health and physical education teacher, **Mary Ann Everhart**, was named Outstanding Young Educator for 1976 by the North Columbus Jaycees. Mary Ann is Brookhaven's girls' gymnastics and Girls' Activities Association advisor.

We apologize to **Paula Kay Kauffman** who was incorrectly listed in the Fall 1975 Towers as receiving a B.S. in Special Education. Paula received a masters' degree in special education.

**Deborah Ann Gunter Marshall** is living with her husband, a U.S. Diplomat, in



# LOST ALUMNI:

Please notify the alumni office if you know the whereabouts of the following people.

## Class of 1930

(45th reunion year)  
Bargdill, Wilburn  
Bell, Erma Mae  
(Mrs. Arthur McDonald)  
Bump, Mrs. Allen L.  
(Mildred U. Adams)  
Butler, Mrs. G. R.  
(Mary Trout)  
Chaney, Faye  
Cline, Forest  
Coleman, Eugenia  
Grant, Sara Jane  
Gregg, Mamie Ruth  
Hoff, Claud  
Horner, William  
Jenkinson, Ralph  
Jordan, Irene  
Kaufman, Sam  
Keltchner, Helen  
(Mrs. Helen Shoupe)  
Keys, Ruth Elizabeth  
(Smith, Mrs. F. L.)  
Kunze, Mildred  
Landis, Victor  
Lee, Davis O.  
Leigh, Paul  
Long, Alice R.  
Long, Kathryn Margaret  
Morrow, Mrs. W. Y.  
(Leona Shimer)

McMullin, Whitmore  
Reck, Hilbert  
Rennison, Boyd  
Ritchey, Rev. William J.  
Robinson, Joseph  
Rupe, Caryl Howard  
Ruppenthal, Oakla  
Schneider, Marie C.  
Schaffer, Arlie  
Sheesley, Anna C.  
Snively, Mrs. Fred C.  
(Spring, Viola Mae)  
Stevenson, Josephine E.

## Class of 1931

(45th reunion year)  
Barker, Charlotte Marion  
(Mrs. P. Carl Drenning)  
Bell, Evelyn M.  
(Mrs. Brooks Barker)  
Bell, Iris Thelma  
(Mrs. George Fox)  
Boor, William A.  
Card, Cressed Rose  
(formerly: Mrs. C. C. Broderick)  
Christian, William George  
Cross, John  
Dill, Elizabeth  
Earhart, Nadine  
Ewers, Sylvester James  
McDaniels, Mrs. Roland A.  
(Greenwood, Margaret)  
Ranson, A. Otis

Rogers, Mrs. Kenneth  
(Blauser, Vivian Marie)  
Sabin, Mrs. Herb  
(Woodrum, Elma B.)  
Wagner, Mrs. Russel O.  
Waid, Elvin

## Class of 1955

(20th reunion year)  
Adams, Mary Virginia  
Autenrieth, Mrs. Joseph  
(Slaybaugh, Janice)  
Bates, Donald Brooks  
Bowling, Donald Edward  
Colvin, James Russell  
Dean, Raymond Lee  
Forsyth, Leroy  
Freshour, Frank Ward  
Gilmour, Mrs. Robert  
(Carole Lincoln)  
Grafton, Mary Louise  
Frey, Lucretia  
Kelly, Joyce Marie  
Kraft, Doris Kathleen  
Lincoln, Carole Lee  
(Mrs. Robert Gilmour)  
Lolty, Francis Marion  
Martin, Kenneth Harwood  
Maurer, David N.  
Mumma, Richard Lee  
Nottingham, Captain  
William Henry  
Root, Bob Fowles  
Slaybaugh, Janice

Steahly, David Louis  
Vargo, George Anthony  
Walters, Marilyn Theresa  
Weber, Clyde Douglas  
Yancey, Gloria Veda

## Class of 1956

(20th reunion year)  
Andrus, Lois Louise  
Bergen, Kalman  
Delbore, George Richard  
Evans, Jo Anna  
(Mrs. Fye)  
Gullett, Lillian  
Haller, William Lee  
Hayes, Laird Nelson  
Jackson, Donald Lee  
Jones, Robert Dean  
Leonard, Wayne  
Lewis, Dennis B.  
Magaw, John William  
Mitchell, Ronald Kent  
McCarthy, Raleigh C.  
Patrick, Ellis  
Perryman, Robert R.  
Phillips, Don Lee  
Price, Edmund Scott  
Scholer, Joy Francis  
(Mrs. Schriender)  
Selgo, Ted W.  
Slater, James Keith  
Sloan, James  
Takeda, Mrs. Tadaharu  
(Mirjoko Tsuji)

Wood, Sarah Elizabeth  
**Class of 1957**  
(20th reunion year)  
Augenstein, Ronald Y.  
Bartleson, Robert Harry  
Bricker, John  
Carlisle, Thomas L.  
(Private? US52371220)

Charles, David Montgomery  
Dangler, Clifford  
Davis, Mrs. Jack R.  
(Suzanne Fadley Davis)  
Delauri, Joseph Nicholas  
Eisenhuth, Thomas Eugene  
Grubb, Tommy Dale  
Jacobs, Patricia Lee  
(Mrs. J. G. Johnson)  
Jerman, Tom Phillips  
Kohler, Mrs. Richard L.  
(Dixie Lane Miller)  
Lofton, Donald Oscar  
Murray, Ethel Lee  
McBurney, Marian  
(Levering, Mrs. Roger)  
McCandlish, Carlos Dean  
Patterson, Carl Robert  
Pendleton, James Ansel  
Porter, Lois Joy  
Ritter, Robert Charles  
Scohy, Nestor Russell  
Seward, Rev. Granville  
Shelton, Orla E.  
Weller, Mary Suyon  
Wert, Thomas Vernon  
Williams, James M.  
Wilson, Maureen Kathleen

Australia. They have served in South America for two and a half years.

**Christine (Hart) Silvis** is currently pursuing her M.A. in elementary education at Clarion State College. She teaches first grade in the Cranberry Area School District.

**Keith D. Squires** is doing general contracting work and also installs cellulose fiber insulation in homes and commercial buildings.

'73 next reunion June 1978

**Dennis R. Drennen** is enrolled in the Master of Divinity program at the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He expects to receive his degree in 1979.

**Robert D. McCaskey** has been promoted to first lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force. After having served on the Administrative

Staff of Grant Hospital in Columbus for 16 months **Nicholas B. Munhofen II** has accepted the position as Administrator of the Certificate of Need Program with the Tennessee Health Facilities Commission in Nashville. His responsibilities include interacting with all hospitals and health facilities, health planning agencies, and with the Executive and Legislative bodies of the Tennessee State Government.

'74 next reunion June 1978

**Patricia (Haddox) Adams** moved to New York state when her husband was transferred there in January 1976 from Lansing, Illinois. Her new address is 96 Kensington Ct. Apt. B, Guilderland, New York 12084. Mrs. Adams is employed by a book store in Guilderland.

**Patty Elliott** is teaching health and physical education and coaching girls sports at Johnstown High School.

**E. Zoe McCathrin** has been named public relations officer at Ohio National Bank in Columbus.

**Mary Lee Rubadue** has been promoted to Gas Utilization Representative for Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. She covers the Mansfield and Columbus areas where she provides conservation-oriented programs for groups, churches, schools, and appliance dealers.





**G. Michael Schacherbauer** has been accepted into graduate school at The Ohio State University where he will work towards a Master of Arts degree in early and middle childhood education. He is presently teaching sixth grade in the Westerville City Schools.

**Teri Thomas** is currently employed by the University of Dubuque, Dubuque, Iowa as a campus minister. She is also enrolled in the Master of Divinity program at the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary.

**'75** next reunion June 1981

**Ann Backer** is employed as an assistant buyer for the fashion jewelry department at Rike's Department Store in Dayton, Ohio.

**Robert Becker** is a legislative intern for the House Democratic Caucus. He assists caucus members with problems in areas such as workmen's compensation, unemployment compensation and industrial relations.

**Gary Benadum** is an Ohio representative for the Realtron Corporation.

**Charles Burchinal** is a second lieutenant and rifle platoon commander for the U.S. Marine Corps.

**Kristie (Gilbert) Gregoncza** is a preschool teacher at KinderCare School of Learning in Westerville.

**Mary Kehl** is employed by the Coyle Music Center in Columbus.

**Roman Kolotylo** is the Assistant Director of Employee Relations at Union Carbide Canada Limited in Toronto.

**James Martin** teaches junior high school studies in the Fairbanks Local School District in Milford Center, Ohio.

**Michael E. Martinelli** has graduated from the Strategic Air Command's missile combat crew operational readiness training course at Vandenberg AFB, California. Lieutenant Martinelli will now go to Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota for training and duty as a missile combat crew member.

**Sheryl (Kinsey) Mock** is employed by Automation Industries, Vitro Laboratories. She is also currently pursuing her M.S. Education degree in guidance and counseling at John Hopkins University.

**Suzan Neibarger** teaches fifth grade at Jefferson Local Schools in Gahanna.

**Katharine Reeves** has moved to California where she works for Caman-Nelson Travel.

**Nita Seibel** is a medical technologist at Miami Valley Hospital.

**Deborah Shuey** is a graduate research associate in the biochemistry department at OSU.

**Judith Silver** is employed by the City National Bank and Trust Company as a BankAmericard sales representative.

**Joyce (Simmering) Sistek** is employed by the Unigard Insurance Company in Denver, Colorado.

**Harland Verrill** is a graduate student at the Ohio State University. He is a Ph.D. candidate in clinical chemistry.

**Kim Wells** is the Assistant Director of Press Relations and the Assistant Editor of "Buckeye Farm News" for the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation.





## marriages

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'37 **Mrs. Gifford (Julia Arthur) Landon** to Mr. Howard C. Zimmer on February 25, 1976 in the Worthington United Presbyterian Church. The couple is residing in Columbus, Ohio.

'70 **Martha Day** to Patrick R. Sorohan on November 29, 1975 in Cleveland. Martha is continuing her work as Program Coordinator of The Place To Be of Trinity Episcopal Church on Capitol Square in Columbus. Her husband is with the Ohio Civil Service Employees Association.

'71 **Dr. Keith Girtton** to Pamela Miller on January 3, 1976 in Dayton.  
**Jean E. Ryder** to **Thomas O. McCready** on February 14, 1976 in Columbus.

'72 **Mary Lou Ahrens** to Dale William White on November 27, 1975 in Lincoln, Illinois.  
**Gretchen Parrish** to W. Coburn Johnson on January 3, 1976 in Groveport.

'74 **Cindy Baer** to Dennis Hammond.  
**Kay Marie Bechtel** to **Paul E. Garfinkel** on December 6, 1975 in Amherst. Kay is a first grade teacher at R. F. McMullen Elementary School, Loudenville, while Paul is a therapist for Mohican Youth Camp.  
**Lonica Holmes** to Ed Hartzler on February 14, 1976 in Mansfield.

**Charlene Miller** to **Steven Schnarr** (current student) on March 6, 1976 in Trinity United Methodist Church in Grove City.

**Pamela S. Studer** to Lt. Marion Belloni on December 24, 1975 in Honolulu, Hawaii.

**Timothy J. Wile** to Glenna Marie Rammelsberg on January 3, 1976.

'75 **Crystal Ann Adkins** to **Frederick Leon Kell** '73 on June 21, 1975. Crystal works as a kindergarten teacher in the Ontario Schools. The couple is residing in Mansfield, Ohio.

**Carol Ann Cole** to **James E. Minehart, Jr.** on February 14, 1976 at Trio, Ohio. Carol is employed as a lay worker for Hayes United Methodist Church and James is working as a counselor for alcoholic rehabilitation. The couple is residing in Fremont, Ohio.

'76 **Dianne Ruth Smith** to Sgt. Rick Martin on January 24, 1976 in Westerville.

## births

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'57 **Mr. and Mrs. Clyde V. Payton** (**Shirley McCullough**) a daughter, Lynn Ann, January 16, 1976.

'64 **Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore (Sally Landiver)** a son, Michael Mitchell, October 1, 1975. He joins sister, Laura, 6½.

**Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stadnick (Suzanne Osborn)** a son, Christopher Raymond, November 24, 1975. He joins sister, Catherine, 5, and brother, Michael, 3.

'65 **Mr. and Mrs. Carey F. Oakley** (**Carolyn Osborn**) a daughter, Chawn Renee, September 13, 1971 and a son, Clark Fielding, November 25, 1972. They join their sister Colleen, age 7.

'66 **Captain and Mrs. Timothy Kinnison** a daughter, Michelle Louise Kinnison, May 20, 1975.

'67 **Mr. and Mrs. David Hoover (Carole Buchanan)** a son, David Edward, January 22, 1976. He joins sister, Sarah, 3½.

**Mr. and Mrs. David P. Orbin (Kathleen Morris)** a daughter, Kimberly Beth, July 3, 1975. She joins brother, Michael, 5.

**Mr. and Mrs. Richard D. Taylor** a daughter, Juliana Michelle, January 5, 1975.

**Mr. and Mrs. Warren Wheeler** a son, Eric Warren, September 30, 1975. He joins brother, Stephen, 2.

'68 **Dr. and Mrs. Les Aiello (Ellen Shipman)** a son, Leslie Franklin, December 18, 1975. He joins sister, Allison, 3.

**Mr. and Mrs. Terry Holt (Karen Williams)** a daughter, Allison Leigh, January 21, 1976.

**Mr. and Mrs. Keith Turner (Rachael Stinson)** a son, Kevin Graham, June 20, 1975.

**Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Weaver** a son, Michael Matthew, March 9, 1976.



## deaths

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### Faculty

**H '72 Lawrence S. Frank**, Associate Professor of Music Emeritus, died January 27, 1976. Professor Frank taught at Otterbein from 1948-1972. He is survived by his wife, **Carol**, H '72.

**'01 Dr. Frank Oldt**, Otterbein's oldest living alumnus, died May 24, 1976. Dr. Oldt was 96 years old and had been presented with the traditional Otterbein cane in 1973.

**'10 Floyd H. Menke** died unexpectedly on December 16, 1975. Formerly associated with Otis and Company, Mr. Menke worked as a broker with Bach and Company until his retirement in 1965. Previously he had taught school at Massillon and Mechanicsburg where he was also a principal. He served as councilman and on the board of education in Berea.

Mr. Menke is survived by his wife, Florence, daughter, two grandchildren, and sister, **Nellie Niswonger**, '26.

**'11 Ross M. Crosby** passed away on August 2, 1975.

**'17 Marion L. Reamer** died on February 15, 1976 of smoke inhalation and carbon monoxide poisoning during a fire. She is survived by her brother, Ronald Reamer of Rochester, New York.

**'18 Robert E. Kline, Jr.** passed away on February 13, 1976 at his home in Chevy Chase, Maryland. A graduate of Harvard University law school in 1921, he practiced law in Washington for over 50 years, was assistant general counsel to the SEC, a special assistant to James V. Forrestal when he was under secretary of the Navy, a general counsel to the Naval Affairs Investigating Committee, and a partner of Kirlin, Campbell and Keating and other law firms. He is survived by his wife, Helen, a daughter, son and brother.

**Rev. Ira Lewis** died in 1975 in the Hiawatha Rest Home in Iowa.

**'19 May Freeman Gaskins** passed away November 29, 1975 in a Morgantown nursing home following an extended illness. Mrs. Gaskins taught Sunday School at West Salem UM Church for more than 30 years, and had been very active in civic affairs and organizations. She is preceded in death by her husband, Avery, one daughter and one son; she is survived by one son, **Dr. Avery Gaskins**, '53 professor of English at West Virginia University.

**Russell Palmer** passed away in Zanesville hospital on November 25, 1975 after a long illness. He is survived by his wife, Edna.

**'23 Wilbur Andrew Gettig** passed away on December 4, 1975. He was retired after 41 years with the U.S. Post Office and had been a Lay Pastor of Whitehall UM Church and formerly of Chesaning EUB Church in Michigan. He is survived by his wife, Daisy, a daughter, two sisters, two brothers and two grandchildren.

**'27 Mrs. Albert C. May** (Frances Cooper) died on February 10, 1976. Her husband, **Albert May**, '26 preceded her in death on January 24, 1963. Mrs. May is survived by her daughter, **Jo Ann** '52 and her sister-in-law, **Helen May** '28.

**Mrs. M. M. (Charlotte McRill) McMahon** died in the Barnwell County Nursing Home. She was a retired school teacher and is survived by her husband, who operates a trailer park in South Carolina.

**'30 Paul S. Hance** died March 12, 1976. He was retired after being with the U.S. Post Office for 38 years. He was a member of the Church of the Master UM in Westerville. He is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, 3 grandchildren, 2 brothers, a sister and several nieces and nephews.

**'31 Corvin Gilbert** died on December 31, 1975.

**'35 Evelyn Carter Shaw** died on December 14, 1975 in Dayton, Ohio. A retired teacher of the Dayton Public Schools,



she was also an alumna of the Otterbein Home Children's Home and Otterbein Home High School.

**Harry O. Weaston** of Denver, Colorado died in March, 1976. He is survived by his son, **Daniel**, '68, two daughters, **Mrs. Diane Birckbichler**, '66 and **Mrs. Dee Standish**, '73, a brother, two sisters, two grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

**'44 Mary (Mickey) Bright Brown** of Cuba, New York passed away on January 17, 1976 of rheumatoid arthritis. She taught art in the Olean area. She is survived by her husband, Maynard, and three children, Gary, **Barbara** '72 and Kirk.

**'45 Rev. Maurice D. Gribler**, a secretary of the West Ohio Conference, United Methodist Church, died February 25, 1976. Rev. Gribler had served as pastor of the Fort McKinley United Methodist Church in Dayton since 1959.

Following his graduation from Otterbein, he attended the United Theological Seminary in Dayton. He served as admissions director at Otterbein from 1948-1951 before taking the Dayton Church. He became secretary of the West Ohio Conference in 1970. His wife, **Beryl Harden Gribler**, '47 also attended Otterbein and daughter, **Mrs. Cathy Speelman** and son, **Michael** were graduated from Otterbein in 1971 and 1969 respectively.

**Helen Aydelotte** (Mrs. N. John) **Koda** died on February 12, 1976. She had served as a nurse at Otterbein. She is survived by her husband, **John** '46, and two children.

**'54 Maurice Dudley (Bud) Hill** passed away on December 11, 1975 of a sudden illness. He was the financial vice president of the H. A. Jones Company and was active in civic organization in Oakwood-Dayton. Mr. Hill is survived by his wife, **Lois (Queen) Hill** '53, his parents, one daughter, one son and two sisters.





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