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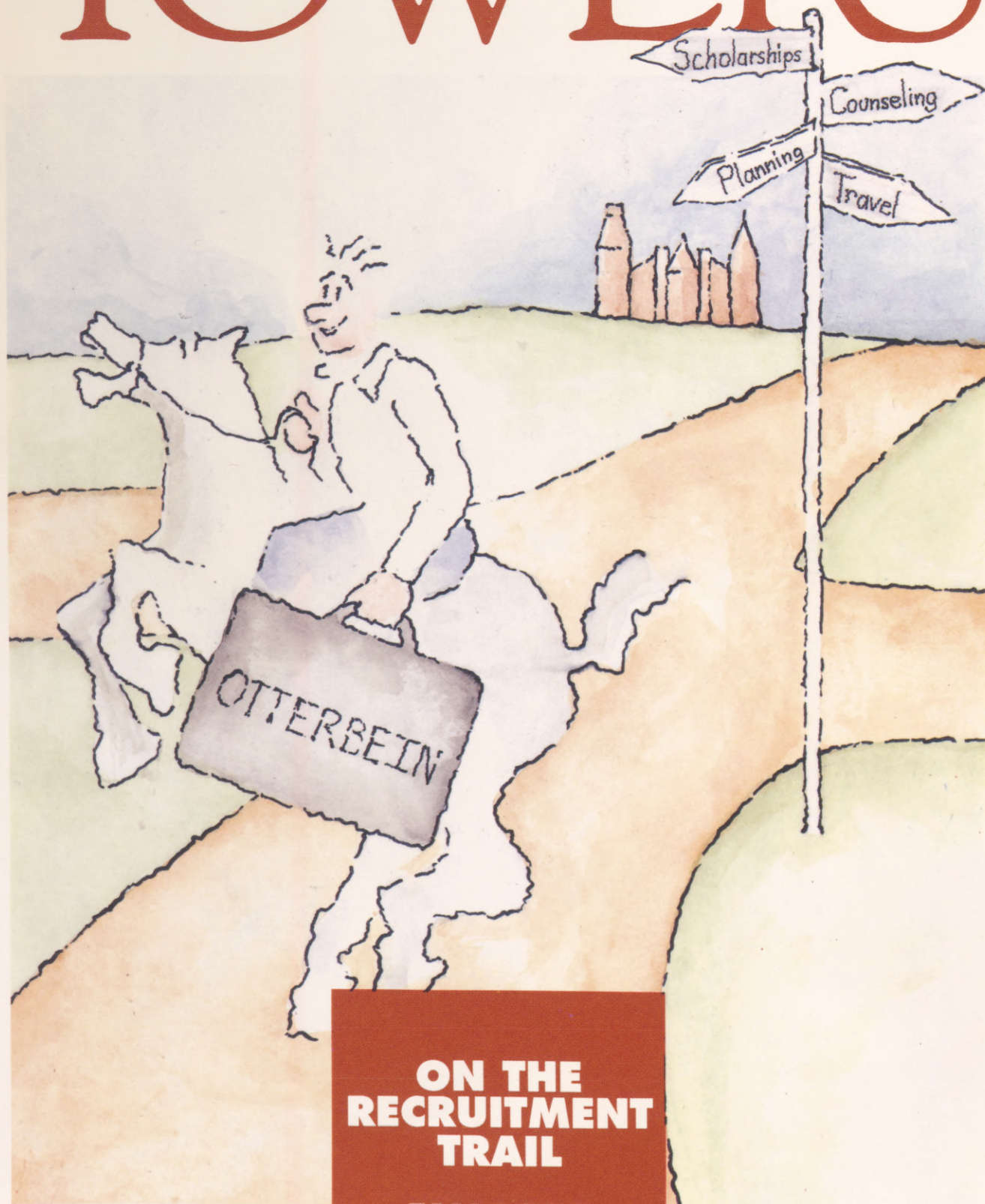
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**ON THE
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TRAIL**

FALL 1990

CALENDAR

Dates and times listed are subject to change. Please contact College closer to date of event for updated information.

- Jan.** 3 Basketball (W) at Marietta, 7:30 p.m.
 3 Basketball (M), Marietta, 7:30 p.m.
 5 Basketball (W), Mt. Union, 2 p.m.
 5 Basketball (M) at Mt. Union, 7:30 p.m.
 7-Feb. 7 Aminah Robinson Art Exhibit, Dunlap Gallery, Battelle Fine Arts Center
 8 Basketball (W) at Heidelberg, 7:30 p.m.
 9 Basketball (M), Heidelberg, 7:30 p.m.
 10 Artist Series presents "Winter Solstice Concert," Cowan Hall, 7:30 p.m.
 12 Basketball (W), Baldwin-Wallace, 2 p.m.
 12 Basketball (M) at Baldwin-Wallace, 7:30 p.m.
 12-13 Dance Concert/Workshop, Cowan Hall, 7:30 p.m.
 15 Basketball (W) at Ohio Northern, 7:30 p.m.
 16 Basketball (M), Ohio Northern, 7:30 p.m.
 18 Faculty Recital Series: Lyle Barkhymer, clarinet, Battelle Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.
 19 Basketball (W), Capital, 2 p.m.
 19 Basketball (M) at Capital, 7:30 p.m.
 19 Ohio Private College International Conductors Association Honor Orchestra and Otterbein College Wind Ensemble, Battelle Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.
 20 Ohio Private College International Conductors Association Honor Band and Otterbein College Concert Band and Otterbein College Concert Band, Cowan Hall, 3 p.m.
 20 Early Music Ensemble, Battelle Fine Arts Center, 7 p.m.
 22 Basketball (W) at Hiram, 7:30 p.m.
 30-Feb. 3 Otterbein College Theatre presents "Good,"
 Feb. 5-10 Campus Center Arena Theatre, 7:30 p.m. opening night, 2 p.m. Sunday matinees, 8 p.m. all other performances (8 p.m. performance in addition to matinee on Feb. 3)
 23 Basketball (M), Hiram, 7:30 p.m.
 25 Jazz Lab Band, Battelle Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.
 26 Basketball (W), John Carroll, 2 p.m.
 26 Basketball (M) at John Carroll, 7:30 p.m.
 29 Basketball (W), Marietta, 7:30 p.m.
 30 Basketball (M) at Marietta, 7:30 p.m.
- Feb.** 1 Faculty Recital Series: Members of Otterbein's Voice Faculty, Battelle Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.
 2 Basketball (W) at Mt. Union, 2 p.m.
 2 Basketball (M), Mt. Union, 7:30 p.m.
 5 Basketball (W), Ohio Northern, 7:30 p.m.
 6 Basketball (M) at Ohio Northern, 7:30 p.m.
 9 Basketball (W) at Baldwin-Wallace, 2 p.m.
 9 Basketball (M), Baldwin-Wallace, 7:30 p.m.
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 Mar. 20 Battelle Fine Arts Center
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 13 Basketball (M) at Heidelberg, 7:30 p.m.
 16 Basketball (W) at Muskingum, 2 p.m.
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 18-23 Basketball (W), OAC Tournament
 22- 24 Opera Theatre, Battelle Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.; Sunday matinee 2 p.m.
- Mar.** 2 Otterbein Chorale, Battelle Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.
 3 Women's Chamber Singers and Otterbein Kinderchor, Battelle Fine Arts Center, 7 p.m.
 6 Tennis (W), Exhibition, 3 p.m.
 9 Concert Choir, Battelle Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.
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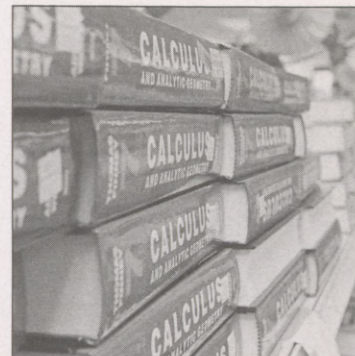
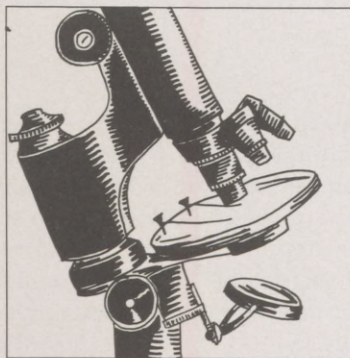
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About the cover: The life of a college recruiter takes many turns, especially during the fall travel season. We followed an Otterbein admission counselor on her travels which brings to mind a number of themes: "Happy Trails Until We Meet Again" or "If It's Tuesday, This Must Be Oxford" or, the anthem of all recruiting types, "On the Road Again, I Can't Wait to Get on the Road Again..." At any rate, read Bill Stahler's "ForeWord" on page 2 for an overview; read the "Campus" feature on pages 14-19 for the inside scoop.

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FOREWORD

DEMOGRAPHICS and "marketing" are words that 30 years ago were not mentioned often in discussions about higher education, particularly in the field of college admission counseling. College enrollment was surging and it appeared there would be no end to the demand for higher education. In the 1990s we know that the impact of the demographic factors that shape the nation will also shape future college enrollments. By studying demographic trends we know that America is rapidly becoming a more diverse, multi-cultural nation. Since the 1960s minority and foreign student enrollment in America's colleges has increased. We also have witnessed an increasing feminization of American higher education. In 1988, for the first time, more women than men attended colleges in America. We also are experiencing an increase in the number of adults who are resuming their education or who, for a variety of reasons, could not enroll in college immediately after graduating from high school. A major portion of our student population, however, remains the traditional student (age 18-22) who attends college immediately after high school.

In the mid-1970s, colleges became much more familiar with the term marketing and began utilizing marketing techniques which have been long established practices in American business. At first, the whole concept of marketing seemed repugnant to most college communities. However, today enlightened faculty, students and college administrators understand that in order to continue the strength of the institution, colleges must develop active recruitment and retention programs which utilize marketing techniques. The "marketing" methods which have been successful at Otterbein over the past few years center

around a recruitment schedule that is demanding and, ultimately, rewarding. Prospective students and their parents have important questions about the quality of the academic and extracurricular programs, cost and financial aid, safety, housing, academic advising and the diversity of the faculty and student body, which must be addressed.

Admission counselors at Otterbein function in several ways to promote the College. They travel and spend roughly 12 weeks per year on the road visiting high schools, attending college fairs, and talking to students, parents and guidance counselors. In this issue of *Towers*, the admission story beginning on page 12 offers a snapshot of what an admission counselor (in this case Stacey Gleine) experiences in a two-day time frame during a very hectic travel season.

Soon after the travel season ends, roughly in mid-November, the admission counselors enter a new cycle during which they read and review applications for admission and scholarships, and conduct intensive in-office interviews.

Starting in January and intensifying during the months of March and April, financial aid counseling becomes a very important aspect of the admission counselor's function. Financial aid counseling is especially important to our students because cost is an extremely important factor in determining whether they can afford to attend Otterbein. This process continues through mid-June at which time our fall class of new students has been established.

The goals of our admission office are generally very easy to understand. There are basically three ways by which we measure our success. First is the area of diversity. We feel very proud of the fact that in recent years we have done a much better job of recruiting multi-ethnic students to our

campus. As mentioned in the admission story, the 1990-91 freshman class enjoys the highest minority rate Otterbein has ever seen.

A second measure of our work relates to the quality of the students. Here again, it's during the last decade of the 1980s that the ability level of our students, as measured by grade point averages and test scores, has increased dramatically.

Another measure is quantity: the number of new students. Otterbein has significantly increased its market share in a declining pool of students in the past 10 years. For example, in 1980 through 1985 our target goal for new freshmen was 340. In the late 1980s our freshman class size has ranged from 401 to 435. This growth of new students and the improvement in their academic ability has helped to improve the overall enrollment and retention rate of the College.

The themes that we emphasize in talking to students revolve around the words "excellence," "access" and "diversity." As we enter the 1990s we urge you, as alumni of the College, to continue to refer students to us who you think will contribute to our college community. With your support we can build upon our recent successes. I believe Otterbein's admission and financial aid staff is second to none in Ohio. We have a campus-wide commitment to offer an outstanding academic and extracurricular program which relies on the support of our faculty, administrative staff, students and alumni. With your support, we can help Otterbein College continue to develop as one of the outstanding independent colleges in Ohio. ■

—William J. Stahler
Vice President for Admission

IN BRIEF

WOBN Is Back On the Air

Otterbein's radio station, WOBN 101.5 FM, received authorization from the Federal Communication Commission to begin broadcasting at its new frequency in September. The station lost its frequency in April to a commercial station in Marysville. The Marysville station, categorized as Class A, had priority because of their size and transmission power. WOBN is a Class D station (100 watts or under).

To kick off broadcasting at their new frequency, the station held a ceremony and 24-hour marathon featuring a "rock-sit," a fund raiser which benefited the Mayor's Task Force on Drugs and the Drug and Alcohol Resistance Education Program (D.A.R.E.).

Work of Former Student Displayed

A past student's architectural talent was featured in the J. Robert Turner Memorial Exhibition displayed at Otterbein's Dunlap Gallery during fall quarter.

J. Robert Turner (1951-1988) began his art major at Otterbein College where he attended from 1969 to 1971. He continued his studies at Syracuse University, the London School of Architecture and graduated from Pratt Institute in 1979. Turner held many positions at the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, working his way up to Administrative Design Consultant in 1985.

The exhibit included pictures of Turner's works and a setting he designed for the 1985 Venetian Ball, an international event held at the museum where he worked. Some of Turner's architectural work included restorations of Soho lofts, including his own, and the pre-Revolutionary house he and his wife owned at Cold Springs, N.Y. He also designed a house in Chautauqua, N.Y., utilizing the design principles of well known architect J. Buckminster Fuller.

The exhibition was sponsored in part by parents Chester '43 and Margaret Biehn Turner '43.

Art Collection Benefits from Donations

Original paintings and tools used by C.Y. Woo were donated to the College by the family of the late artist. Master Woo, whose works were displayed at Otterbein on several separate occasions, was an internationally recognized Chinese water color artist. Earl Hassenpflug, associate professor of visual arts and chairperson of the department, says the pieces represent a "substantial addition to the College's international art collection featuring a number of different cultures."

Also added to the College's collection are 11 contemporary prints from the personal collection of William E. Ward and the late Evelyn Svec Ward '43. The prints were donated to the College in memory of Mrs. Ward, a fiber artist whose work will be featured in an exhibition at Dunlap Gallery April 1 through May 5.

Language Alliance Helps Area High School Students

Otterbein has a new academic alliance in foreign languages and literatures. LINC-OHIO (Languages in North Central Ohio), is a collaborative effort between Otterbein's Foreign Language Department and the foreign

language departments of area high schools. LINC-OHIO is one of a national network of alliances established to provide support and enhance professional growth at the grass-roots level.

Otterbein's alliance group has been awarded a \$500 grant from the American Association for Higher Education and the MacArthur Foundation to cover starting costs over the next 12 months.

In November, representatives from some 20 new alliances around the state met on Otterbein's campus to assess their first year's work and discuss future directions.

Area alumnae who have participated include Beverly Marckel Larson '68, Carol Sue Andrew Spessard '68, Patricia Spessard Shramm '71, Karen Ruegg Montgomery '64, Marcia Hudson Garcia '71, Terra Baker McCanney '68, Jill Britton '80 and Louise Mampieri Losego '70. This year's steering committee includes Dr. Roger Neff, professor of foreign languages and chairperson of the department, and alumnae Beverly Larson and Karen Montgomery '64.

Other Otterbein foreign language graduates have been involved in organizing similar alliances around the state of Ohio: Jill Britton '80, Beth LeSueur Phelps '72, Joyce Bradford Riepenhoff '71, and Deborah Johnston Sehlmeier '70. ■

Conference Examines Cultural Diversity

Cultural diversity is a major movement in higher education these days and more and more is considered part of a complete education. Otterbein College explored cultural diversity at this year's Fall Faculty Conference with Dr. James Anderson, psychology professor at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, as the keynote speaker.

"There is a practical reason for diversity in the curriculum," Anderson claims. "It makes them [students] more marketable."

"Diversity is not a fad and it's more than demographics," he asserts. "Traditional, conservative schools ignore trends and in about five years will play catch-up. Futuristic, progressive schools head trends."

Diversity is inevitable, says Anderson. He explains the pool of middle-class white

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SPORTS

Football

Forty-eight players, including ten seniors, lettered in football this season.

Wide receiver Ron Severance, a junior from Worthington, Ohio, received the Harry Ewing Award, presented annually by the Otterbein "O" Club to the most outstanding football player.

Defensive tackle Patrick Engle, a sophomore from Westerville, and quarterback Luke Hanks, a freshman from Hilliard, Ohio, were chosen by teammates and coaches as most valuable on defense and offense, respectively. Hanks was also chosen most valuable freshman.

The league's coaches named Engle and Severance to the all-Ohio Athletic Conference (OAC) first team. Free safety Joe Loth, a senior from Painesville, Ohio, was named second team all-OAC. Hanks and offensive tackle Robert Dent, a sophomore from Columbus, earned honorable mention all-OAC honors.

Severance, who set several school and Ohio Athletic Conference (OAC) receiving records this season, was chosen by the league's coaches to receive the Ed Sherman Award.

The Sherman Award, presented to the conference's top receiver, was established in 1988 by Muskingum College in honor of the winningest football coach in that school's history. Ed Sherman guided Muskingum to a 141-43-8 record in 22 seasons from 1945 to 1966.

Severance caught a single-season school and OAC record 92 receptions in 1990. The former conference mark, 86, was set by Kenyon's Chris Myers in 1968. The wide receiver churned out a school-record 1,049 yards on 92 catches, and finished one receiving touchdown away from tying the single-season school record of nine.

Otterbein, 3-5-2 overall, ended the season in a fifth-place tie with Ohio Northern (5-5, 4-5) in the OAC. Under third-year head coach Mark Asher (10-18-2), the Cards played to a 3-4-2 conference mark. Back-to-back ties at Hiram and Baldwin-Wallace late in the season ended Otterbein's arithmetic progression which spanned five seasons. Beginning with an 0-10 mark in

1985, the Cards improved their overall record by one win each season: 1-9 in 1986, 2-8 in 1987, 3-7 in 1988 and 4-6 in 1989.

Otterbein set five single-season passing records this season: net yards, 2,213; pass attempts, 400; pass completions, 214; passes intercepted, 27; and first downs passing, 95.

Freshman quarterback Hanks, who led the OAC in total offense, collected three single-season Otterbein records this season: total offense, 2,064 yards; pass attempts, 370; and pass completions, 199. His pass attempts and completions place him second on both all-time OAC lists.

Men's Cross Country

The men's cross country team, under 21st-year head coach David Lehman, placed second at the OAC Championship. The finish qualified the squad for the NCAA Great Lakes Regional.

Otterbein, gunning for its third straight OAC title, placed three runners among the top five, but could not hold off Mount Union, who nipped the Cards by five points, 31 to 36. Scoring for Otterbein were Steve Tallman, a senior from Mt. Sterling, Ohio, second (24:06); Steve Stobart, a sophomore from Canal Winchester, Ohio, third (24:15); Steve Rose, a senior from Kinsman, Ohio, fifth (22:45); Doug Babcock, a sophomore from Columbus, eleventh (24:54); and Matt Whitis, a senior from New Philadelphia, Ohio, fifteenth (25:01).

Two weeks later at the Great Lakes Regional, Otterbein just missed qualifying the entire team for the nationals, finishing third, with 102 points, behind Calvin (31) and Hope (92). Stobart, finishing fourth (27:23), and Rose, eighth (27:34), qualified for the NCAA Division III Championship where they finished 110th (26:43.7) and 156th (27:36.0), respectively.

Women's Cross Country

The women's cross country team, under second-year head coach Mary Beth Kennedy, placed four runners among the top 12, finishing second to Mount Union at the OAC Championship. The finish qualified the team for the NCAA Great Lakes Regional.

Otterbein, runner-up for the second straight season, scored 56 points.

Mount Union, with four runners among the top ten, tallied 33.

Scoring for Otterbein were Elaine Gonya, a junior from Fremont, Ohio, second (17:17); Sharon Hathaway, a senior from Berea, Ohio, sixth (17:39); Janet Curtis, a junior from Westerville, seventh (17:47); Becky Kok, a junior from Dublin, Ohio, twelfth (18:33); and Jennifer Hagquist, a sophomore from Twinsburg, Ohio, twenty-ninth (19:29).

At the Great Lakes Regional, Otterbein finished seventh. Gonya led the Otterbein squad with a 14th-place finish (20:30).

Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team, under 19th-year head coach Dick Reynolds (305-176), heads into the 1990-91 season as the top choice of coaches and media to win the OAC title. Otterbein has been ranked fifth by *Sports Illustrated*, sixth by *Basketball Digest* and 11th by *NCAA Basketball Preview* in a trio of NCAA Division III pre-season top 20 polls.

Otterbein returns seven lettermen, including four starters, from last season's 20-9 squad, which captured the OAC championship.

Diversity, from page 3

students is growing smaller and as colleges attempt to keep enrollment figures high, those colleges will be drawing from a more diverse group of students.

The afternoon sessions at the conference began with a speech from Dr. Mac Stewart, acting dean of The Ohio State University's University College. His topic was "Cultural Diversity in the Classroom: Revisited."

Stewart says Otterbein is to be "commended for addressing what is sometimes called 'The Difficult Dialogue.'"

However, he says the emergence of black and women's studies as electives is not enough and a way must be found to integrate those into the regular curriculum.

In this process, Stewart believes the professors will play a crucial part. He says minority faculty members are needed as role models and because minority students are more comfortable in discussions with those faculty members. ■

LETTERS

We want to hear from you! Please send letters intended for publication to Letters to the Editor, Towers, Otterbein College, Office of College Relations, Westerville, Ohio 43081.

Cheers for Volunteerism

Thank you for your fabulous article about Otterbein volunteer programs! I thought [Cyndi Miller] did an outstanding job covering the many phases of student, alumni and faculty volunteerism. A special thanks for sharing our program with alumni.

Elizabeth Glor Allen '64
Tucson, Arizona

That's My Dad!

What a nice surprise it was to see the picture of my father, A.T. Howard on the cover of the Summer Towers! My two brothers, J.Gordon Howard '25, president of Otterbein from 1945 to 1957, and Donald S. Howard '25, a professor and dean at UCLA for 35 years, are both deceased.

This football picture of my father was always in our collection of family photographs when I was growing up. It's good to see it again now. The picture must have been taken between 1890 and 1893 because my father (and mother) graduated from the college in 1894. They were married on the evening of graduation day and sailed to Sierra Leone as young missionaries three months later.

My father is also in the picture of the team on page 20. He is standing in the middle of the back row wearing a hat. The student to his right was his life long friend, Marshall Fanning, also Class of 1894.

My father never boasted about his football days and I'm sure he'd be amazed that his picture had found its way to the Towers 100 years after it was taken! My best wishes to you and your staff.

Florence Howard Norris '28
Lebanon, Ohio

P.S. I read in a sketch of Father written some time ago that he alternated at center and guard in football and frequently was pivot man in the "famous flying wedge."

And Now, A Word from ...

At the risk of becoming an uninvited pen pal, let me comment on a few items in your most recent issue of Towers (Summer 1990).

1. Hurrah for Dr. Kenneth Foltz' conviction and personal example that creativity is appropriate at any age! His advice, simply and forcefully put, is "just do it!"

2. It is heartening to read that Otterbein students (and faculty, administrators and alumni) are involved in community service projects. In these activities, students may blend their volunteer efforts with their career goals and their extra-curricular activities to produce a rich educational feast. When Keith Pohly ['72] talked to me about SCOPE in the mid-'60s, he confessed that Deborah Barndt ['67] had already worked up a plan for the organization before he had arrived on campus. Deborah, a student form Worthington, was the key motivator and recruiter for the various volunteer efforts. As a student, social activist, writer, world citizen, she has always exemplified the liberal arts ideal. Her interest and talent in art, music, the social sciences, foreign languages, and humanitarian improvement of the lot of the have-nots of this world have been inspirational to me and many others.

3. Dave Stichweh's Photography 150 students' works ["Images"] show me how colorful and beautiful black and white pictures can be. He lauded black and white photography to a group of us years ago and now I believe! Color photography is beautiful, but black and white pictures are sublime.

4. Finally, as I read about Otterbein's football history, I was reminded that Dr. A.P. Rosselot told me with genuine pride that, as a student, he was on the football team that defeated OSU. Dr. Rosselot [year], as other old-timers will recall, was a revered professor of French, history, and economics who, at 78, when I knew him, was spry of limb and sound of mind, a great role model of the world citizen and astute student of world affairs. I was proud to be on the same faculty with this tireless teacher, whose zest for life and inimitable Gallic humor brightened many a hum-drum day for me.

Albert E. Lovejoy
Prescott, Arizona

The Core of the Matter

I appreciated the Summer 1990 issue of Towers for its rich coverage of college activities, past and present. I would like, though, to include additional detail or two, to help readers understand one of your items.

In the "In Brief" section, mention is made of a grant recently received by Otterbein to participate in a program called "Engaging Cultural Legacies." This program, funded by NEH, is a project created by the American Association of Colleges, and is a rare example of a national program to support core curricula, that is, the general education component of a college education. Your brief story did not mention that it was Otterbein's core curriculum Integrative Studies, which received this recognition.

Your readers have, I know, many memories of Integrative Studies, or the Common Courses as they were once called. I think they would find it interesting to see that this distinctive Otterbein approach to general education has received national recognition (one of 27 schools chosen out of 185 applicants to the AAC-NEH program). This is the second year in a row that Integrative Studies has been honored: last year the program was one of six liberal arts programs in private colleges in Ohio awarded grants for excellence by the Ohio Board of Regents.

Thank you for bringing this to the attention of your readers.

Dr. Alison H. Prindle
Chairperson, Integrative Studies

Bias Is Ingrained

When time allows, I hope to have time to comment more fully on the "genderless curriculum" issue [Towers, Fall 1989]. For the time being, however, please convey to Dr. Rosser my congratulations.

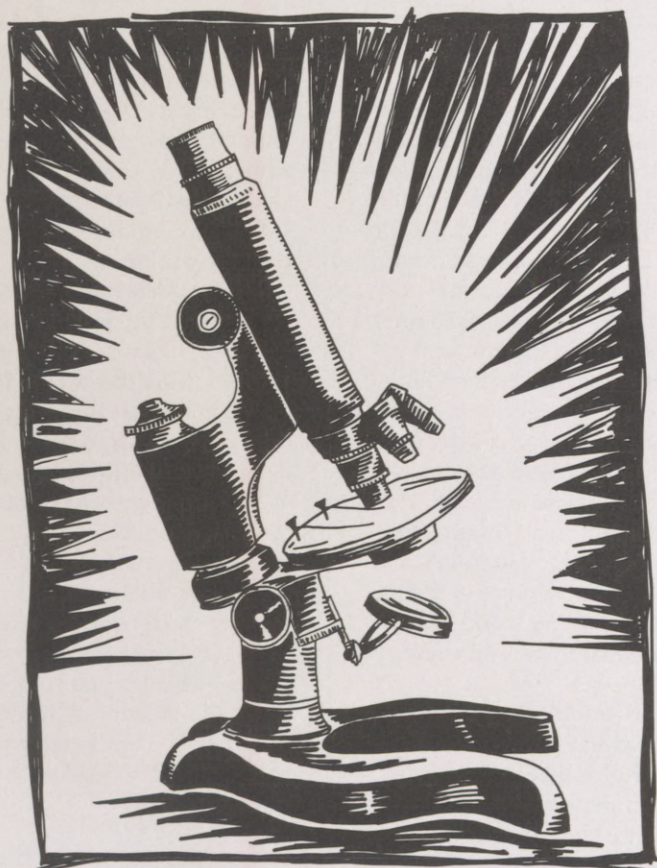
As I pointed out in a recent teaching tool I developed for real estate instructors, this sexual bias in teaching is deeply ingrained.

Ray Cartwright '58
Camp Hill, Pennsylvania

Mr. Cartwright refers to a paper he authored titled "Teaching Sensitivities Sensibly," a copy of which he graciously shared with our office. He is director of housing for the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission and was recently published in the Journal of Real Estate Educators.

ALUMNI

IN THE INTEREST OF



SCIENCE

THREE SCIENTISTS WHO HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE—WHO ARE STILL MAKING A DIFFERENCE.
FOUR OTHERS WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE THEM.
WHO IS TO SAY HOW MANY WILL FOLLOW? WE
EXPLORE OTTERBEIN'S PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE
IN SCIENCE.

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OTTERBEIN'S OWN SCIENCE HALL OF FAME

Through the years many Otterbein graduates have pursued careers in science and medicine. Some will be remembered in history for their discoveries and dedication. The following have left their mark in their respective fields.

Francis Marion Pottenger, Class of 1892, was a pioneer in the prevention and cure of tuberculosis and acquired international fame in his dedicated fight against that disease.

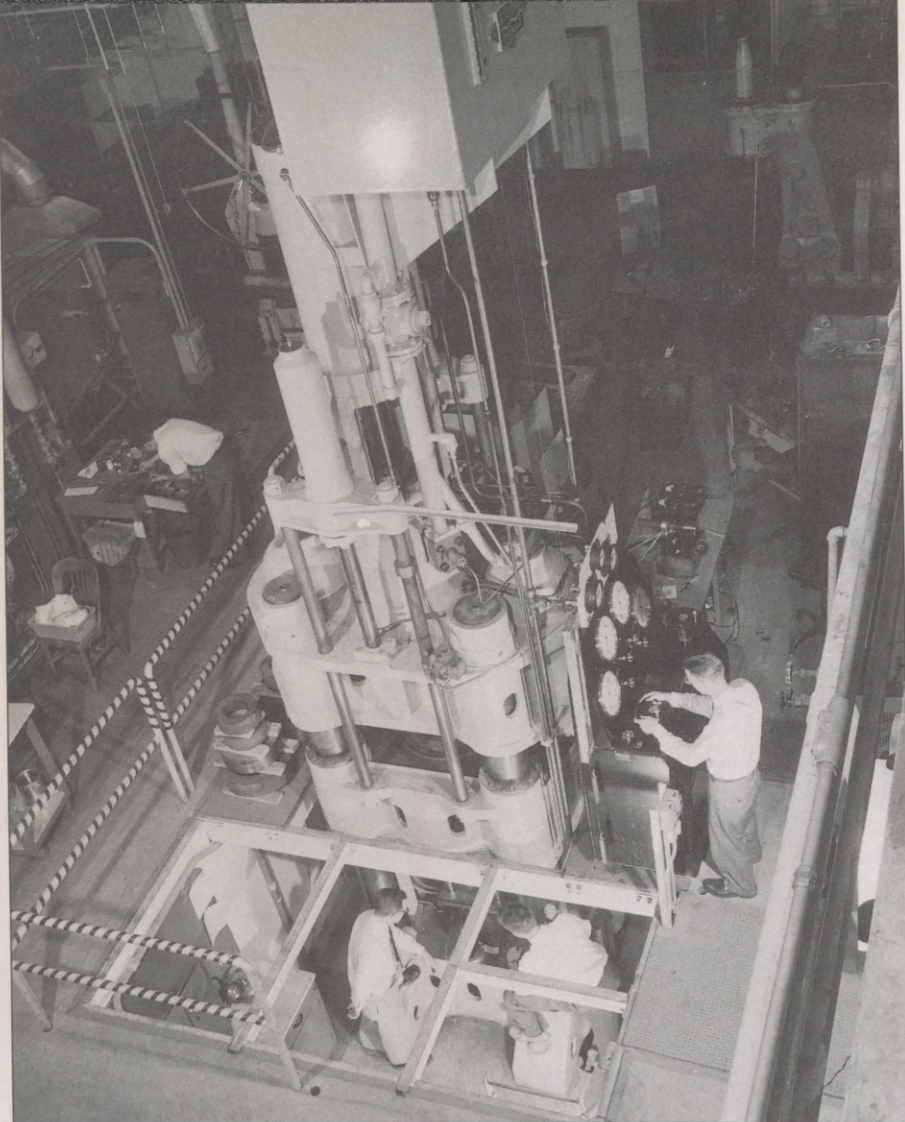
When his wife contracted tuberculosis in 1894, Pottenger decided to devote his life and medical experience to researching tuberculosis. Unfortunately, he was unable to help his wife who died four years after developing the illness. He was the first doctor on the West Coast to devote his entire attention to tuberculosis and to instigate tuberculosis prevention.

Pottenger continued his work in the field to develop methods of treatment and became a world-wide expert on tuberculosis. He helped organize regional, national and international health organizations. He also founded the Pottenger Sanatorium for Diseases of the Chest and Throat in Monrovia, Calif. His autobiography is titled *The Fight Against Tuberculosis*.

The College gave him the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1952 and he was inducted into the Otterbein College Hall of Fame in 1972.

Richard Bradfield '17 dedicated his life to combating world hunger. He was the co-founder and driving force behind the "Green Revolution" of the 1950s and 1960s. Bradfield was a renowned agronomist who was influential in the worldwide effort to increase food production.

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Bundy at the control station (right) of General Electric's 1000-ton Birdsboro "Diamond Press" in 1955. (photo courtesy of General Electric Research and Development Center via Francis Bundy)

FRANCIS BUNDY: ON THE CUTTING EDGE

by Patricia Kessler

Dr. Francis Bundy '31 is a natural-born man of science. As a little boy in Ohio he remembers a fascination with watching the steam-engine threshing machine on his grandparents' farm. An unassuming matter-of-fact demeanor would give no hint that he was a member of a four-man team responsible for a major scientific breakthrough in 1955.

A physicist with General Electric Research Laboratory during the '50s, he and his team members developed the first reproducible process for fabricating "man-made" diamond grit. Research for the project began in 1951 and by 1955 the process for producing diamonds in the laboratory was announced. By 1957 the diamond grit for grinding wheel use was on the marketplace. It was a discovery that startled

the world and revolutionized industry.

The diamond grit particles were not gems in the sense of precious stones used in jewelry, but were hard, sharp, abrasive particles used in the glass, oil production and automotive industries, where the diamond is used as the cutting edge material for sawing, grinding, drilling and polishing. "Over 85 percent of the diamond abrasive material used in industry today is man-made," Bundy estimates.

Not to be confused with some advertised "artificial diamonds," these man-made diamonds are pure crystalline carbon diamond simulating the probable high-pressure, high-temperature processes of nature. Graphite and a metal catalyst are subjected to simultaneous pressures of nearly one million pounds per square inch and tempera-

tures above 2,200 degrees Fahrenheit. "Since 1797, when it was first scientifically proven by chemists that diamond is a crystalline form of pure carbon, people had been trying to form diamond from carbon and carbon compounds, under laboratory conditions," Bundy says.

The first two successful experiments occurred just before Christmas 1954, and naturally excitement rose to fever pitch. The team then worked night and day to try to reproduce the results, and to understand clearly in the scientific sense what went on in the processes so they could be described accurately for patent purposes—not to mention intellectual satisfaction. Patent disclosures were prepared and filed—and the famous public announcement of the success was made Feb. 15, 1955.

Over the years Bundy has garnered many awards for his work. The most prestigious was the Bridgman Gold Medal of the International Association for the Advancement of High Pressure Science and Technology at Kiev, Soviet Union, in 1987. The award was named for the 1946 Nobel prize winner in physics, Dr. Percy William Bridgman of Harvard University, for his discoveries in high-pressure physics. Bundy also was the recipient of numerous awards presented by his peers and several professional societies.

Bundy's devotion to his chosen vocation manifested itself during his college years. "At Otterbein," he says, "I wasn't involved much in campus activities because, to earn my way through college, I spent all my time working at my parents' greenhouse located where the Westerville post office now is. In fact that's how I built my first chimney," he laughs. He built the chimney in 1928 from old street bricks for the greenhouse boiler but the government later tore it down to make way for the post office when the greenhouse property was purchased in the mid-'70s.

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Bradfield, the first to receive a Ph.D. in soil science from The Ohio State University, was a professor of soils at the University of Missouri and professor of agronomy at Ohio State before being named head of the Department of Agriculture at Cornell University.

In 1943, Bradfield was one of three scientists asked by the Mexican government and Rockefeller Foundation to study Mexico's agricultural needs. Their findings were published in a book named *Campaigns Against Hunger* which became the basis of the Green Revolution in developing countries in Asia, Africa, South and Central America.

Bradfield served as Far East Regional Director of Agricultural Programs for the Rockefeller Foundation. In that position, he studied how to rotate various crops to increase and diversify the yield from the land in the belief that people shouldn't depend on rice alone for the basis of their diet. As a trustee of the Rockefeller Foundation, he helped establish the Rice Research Institute.

The College awarded him an honorary Doctor of Science degree in 1941 and gave him the Distinguished Scientific Achievement Award in 1970.

Alcines Clair Siddall '19 was a physician, missionary, scholar and teacher. In 1923 he traveled to Canton, China, as a medical missionary. During his nine years in that country, he spent three as the head of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology of the Canton Hospital.

While in China, he developed a milk substitute from soybeans for infant feeding and in 1928 developed the first hormone test for pregnancy, a forerunner of the modern pregnancy test used today, which was named the Siddall Test.

In 1932, Siddall went into private practice in Oberlin, Ohio, and during his career completed

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THE MOST IMPORTANT QUALITIES OF A GOOD SCIENTIST: INTELLECTUAL HONESTY, THE ABILITY TO BE A GOOD OBSERVER, TO REASON WELL, AND TO BE INDUSTRIOUS.

—BUNDY



Bundy feels Otterbein prepared him well for the scientific world; he majored in chemistry, math and physics. He considers himself to be a multi-disciplinary scientist with skills in physics, chemistry, the material sciences and engineering.

The major differences he sees in today's scientific world are computers and the other sophisticated monitoring tools available. The computer has reversed the old two-thirds/one-third rule of experimentation and analysis. With the computer the majority of time is spent on calculation before the experimentation begins, to try to establish from known science where the "ball park" of experimentation should be.

"Nowadays scientists are repeating some of the same experiments I did 25 years ago and doing it in a more refined manner," he says, and adds with a smile, "but they find my results still are quite correct."

He also warns that computers have limitations.

"They can't think. They can only do accurately what you program them to do," he says.

Bundy obviously has had a life-long love of science but he also enjoys other pursuits. He and his wife, Hazel Forwood Bundy '34, engage in an active life with their church and various hobbies.

The hand-built glider trailer parked in his yard houses a state-of-the-art sailplane from Germany giving testimony to his second love—glider flying, an interest that began during his days at Otterbein. Mrs. Bundy has participated in this activity with him. Other forms of recreation that occupy their time are gardening, camping, hiking, bird-watching and horseback riding. Mrs. Bundy is the musician in the family and still gives frequent piano recitals to local audiences.

One of their greatest joys is their family, which includes four grown children, three of whom live within

150 miles of them in the Albany area where the Bundys have lived for 45 years.

A man with an inherent curiosity about the world around him, he keeps current in his field since retirement in 1975. "I was a working consultant for General Electric until 1987 and still keep in touch with people working in the field at Cornell, Berkeley, Harvard, Japan, Germany and Russia," he says.

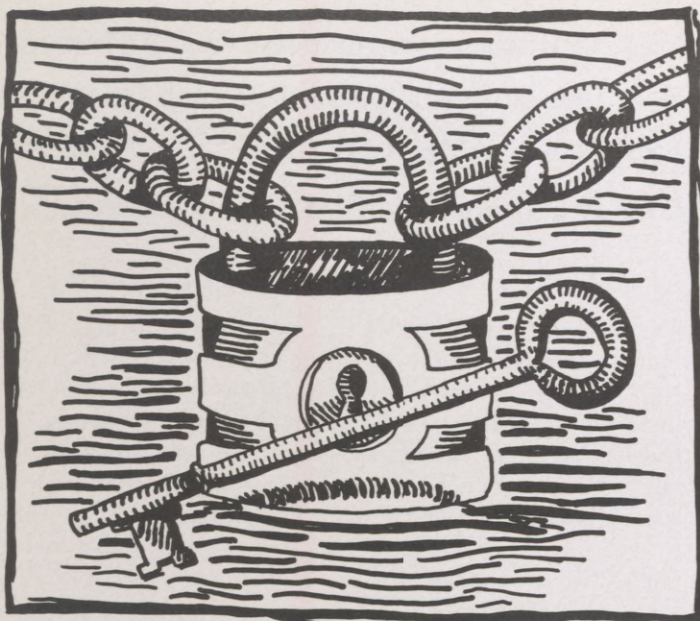
When asked what are the most important qualities of a good scientist, he answers without hesitation, "Intellectual honesty, the ability to be a good observer, to reason well, and to be industrious."

One of the technological pitfalls of the future that he sees is in some of the research being done in the biological sciences with genetic experimentation.

"Altering the genes can be tricky, with desirable and undesirable possible effects," he says. "There have been some irresponsible and fanciful forecasts of what might be done in being able to correct a defective cell or fertilized egg. Finding the defect is one thing, but being able to do something about it is another matter. The techniques may not be perfected enough yet and, of course, great claims are made that often raise basic legal, moral and social issues. The experimentation should be done, and the knowledge gained, but it should be done in a safe and disciplined manner."

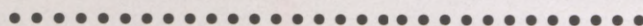
Today if Francis Bundy were just starting his career as a scientist and with the discovery of the man-made diamond behind him, what would he be most interested in inventing?

"A substance that's even harder than diamond," he answers with a twinkle in his eye. ■



MARILYNN ETZLER: UNLOCKING THE SECRETS OF LECTINS

by Patti Kennedy



Otterbein College introduced her to the world of scientific research and now Marilyn Etzler's credentials as a biochemist command world-wide respect.

"My credentials are well-known world wide but I think success is something to achieve in the future," says the '62 graduate. "Each step you take leads you to more and more things to explore."

She may be best known for her breakthrough in the area of lectins, which are proteins that have the ability to specifically combine with particular types of carbohydrates.

This technology has practical uses such as in bone marrow transplants. The bone marrow can be treated with a specific lectin which will bind with cells that should not be transplanted and those "bad" cells removed.

This research also can be used in blood typing and cancer research because lectins may have the ability to combine with cancer cells for identification and removal.

Etzler began her research on lectins in the late '60s to examine the purpose of lectins in nature.

"I was interested in the structure of proteins and their ability to function," Etzler comments. "In the course of re-

search, we have found the lectins are ubiquitous in the plant and animal kingdom but predominant in plants. What they're doing in plants, we still don't know."

This breakthrough comes after many years of hard work in the field of biochemistry, and a little luck. Etzler has been working in this field for 21 years at the University of California-Davis but the discovery was an unplanned yet pleasant result. "It's nice when you stumble onto something," she smiles modestly.

While she is now doing her research at the large facility at UC-Davis, Etzler credits her undergraduate work at Otterbein for fostering her interest in the sciences.

"All my work goes back to Otterbein. I became interested in biological science and the faculty encouraged that interest and allowed me to gain experience in research. Certainly, without that background at Otterbein, I wouldn't be where I am today. Being a small school and a school where students had a lot of interaction with faculty gave you direction but allowed you to be an individual and pursue research....I couldn't have gotten [that] at a larger school. With the firm background it gave me, I was ex-

tremely well prepared for graduate school and what I pursued after that. In fact, many fine scientists come from small liberal arts colleges."

Etzler particularly remembers professors Jeanne Willis, Bob Grodner and chemist Roy Turley. "They were extremely encouraging. Without them, who knows what I would have ended up doing," she says.

In specific, Etzler remembers a botany class she was required to take from Willis, although that was not her interest. Rather than memorize characteristics of the trees around campus for a class assignment, Etzler memorized where the various trees were located so when the class toured the campus, she would be able to identify the trees.

Her best laid plan went awry when Willis brought a branch from each tree into the class because one student was confined to a wheel chair and could not make the trip around campus. Etzler says luckily her lab partner knew more about trees than she did.

"Marilynn was ornery," Willis chuckles. "But very bright. I knew she'd do something because she had tremendous determination and drive."

Not only were the science faculty encouraging, Etzler credits Dean Joanne VanSant with once talking her into continuing her studies when she was thinking about dropping out of school.

"The whole Otterbein family was so important," she affirms. "They really helped to guide me at an important point in my life."

Etzler returned to Otterbein last spring, breaking a vow she made as an undergraduate that she would never come back as "an old fogey alumna." But she did return to visit Willis and speak to classes. She says she saw many changes in the campus but not so many in the people.

When Etzler gave a lecture in one of Otterbein's chemistry laboratories,

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extensive research into the incidence of cancer in women. He was among the first to use the Pap test for early detection of cervical cancer.

The College awarded him an honorary Doctor of Science degree in 1969.

Frank Van Sickle '41 joined the space division of the Chrysler Corporation in 1953 where he worked under "Father of Rocketry" Werner von Braun on a technical team organized to design and develop a ballistic missile weapon system for the U.S. Army. He headed an organization which created and kept up-to-date a 55-volume set of technical manuals for field operation, maintenance and repair of the Redstone missile and its related ground equipment.

Van Sickle spent 35 years in the fields of aeronautics and astronautics and was closely associated with the early manned space program. He was responsible for the development and administration of scientific computer programs which helped design space hardware, predict and evaluate space vehicles performance and monitored the flow of data and materials through the engineering, manufacturing and flight operation of the projects.

His developments were applied to the Apollo and Saturn space rockets which led to manned flights to the moon, the launch of Skylab, America's first manned space station, and Apollo-Soyuz, the joint U.S.-Soviet space experiment.

In 1975, at the end of America's first generation of manned space exploration, Van Sickle retired from this first career to pursue a career in real estate.

The College awarded Van Sickle an honorary Doctor of Science degree in 1967 and he received the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1981. ■

ETZLER TOOK QUANTITATIVE CHEMISTRY FROM A PROFESSOR WHO THOUGHT MEN AND WOMEN SHOULD NOT WORK TOGETHER IN THE SAME LABORATORY. "...SO I HAD MY OWN SEPARATE ROOM FOR A SEPARATE LABORATORY."

physical changes in the science building also pointed out changes in the times.

As an undergraduate, Etzler took quantitative chemistry from a professor who thought men and women should not work together in the same laboratory.

"There were 20 in the class and I was the only woman. He thought men and women should not work in the same room together and did not allow me to work in the same lab with the men. So I had my own separate room for a separate laboratory," she explains.

When she returned to lecture about lectins, she realized the building had been remodeled and she was standing at the same site where the all-male chemistry lab had been located.

"I was taken into the room where I had once been banned. It was the previous site of the 'forbidden laboratory!' " she says.

Following her studies at Otterbein, Etzler completed her graduate work at Washington University in St. Louis. She went to the medical school at Columbia University to do her post-doctorate work and went to Davis University in the fall of 1969.

She first learned about lectin development at Columbia and continued her research at Davis. "Once you work on a lectin, it's hard to put down," she laughs.

What makes a good scientist? Etzler says she looks for a mixture of qualities in a student including motivation, interest, an enthusiasm for science.

"We put in long, hard hours seven days a week," Etzler concedes. "I look for a person with drive and motivation of the individual. Someone who's conscientious and follows through."

Etzler admits biochemistry is a "consuming profession" but she does have hobbies outside the lab including music and chess. In fact, while at Otterbein, she minored in music.

She also enjoys traveling so it is

fortunate her job allows her to visit many different places, although Etzler says she wasn't sure she would make it back from a recent trip to Estonia.

Etzler was a lecturer at an international meeting that was being held in Estonia because that is where lectins were originally discovered one hundred years earlier, in 1888.

"I knew I had to give a talk and I wanted to show I was in sympathy with their drive for independence [from the Soviet bloc]," she declares. "For my first two slides, I had information printed against the background of an Estonian flag."

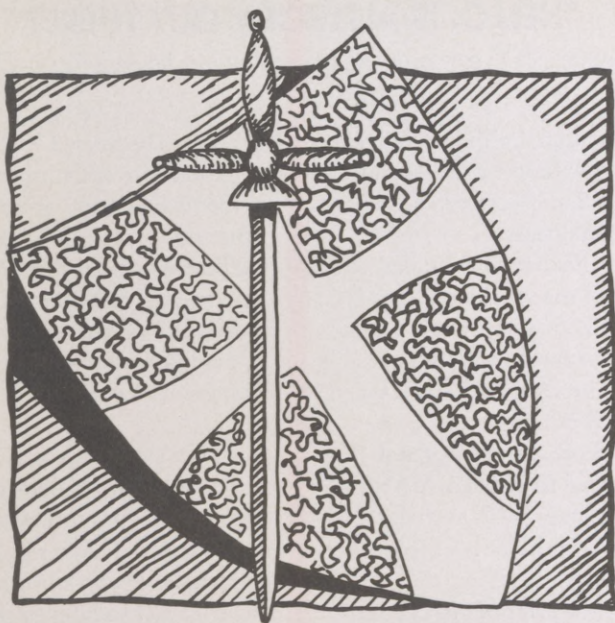
When it came time to give her speech, Etzler and her colleagues were bused into a restricted area. As she became aware of the number of people and the program she realized she was to present the major scientific keynote address.

"I started to get nervous as I realized I was in the Soviet Union with my first two slides clearly showing the Estonia flag. Well, I decided if I was going to Siberia, I was going in style. When I got to the slides, I made a point of saying, 'This was made especially for Estonia.'"

"Well, the whole place just came alive. No one came to drag me away so I also said with the second slide that it was made especially for Estonia. At the end there was this incredible applause and I found out later they had just been given permission to fly their flag.

"I became very popular for the few days I was there and people followed me to get my autograph. But a few months earlier, I might have been dragged away."

She did make it back to Davis however and continues to find lectins "hard to put down" as she carries on her revolutionary research in the field of biochemistry. ■



DAVID YOHN: BATTLING THE BIG "C"

by Patti Kennedy

Cancer is a disease often mentioned in the media as doctors and researchers continue efforts to discover new breakthroughs and treatments in combating its many forms. Otterbein graduate David Yohn '51 has played an important role in the battle against that disease and was part of a team that developed the only vaccine commercially available to prevent a particular form of cancer.

Yohn, currently an administrator at The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center, hasn't been a "hands on" researcher for about 10 years now, but during the time he spent in the laboratory, he was part of a team that developed a vaccine to prevent leukemia in cats.

Yohn admits that he didn't choose science as a major until his senior year at Otterbein and that his decision was greatly influenced by Professor Charles Botts.

His interest in science and research became serious when he took a class in bacteriology with Botts. During Yohn's senior year, Botts was at Ohio State University working on his doctorate. The men remained close friends and when Yohn graduated, Botts convinced him to pursue advanced degrees in bacteriology at Ohio State.

"I got a very broad background at

Otterbein," he says. "I started out as a theological student to begin with. I also had minors in English and Spanish. I was not a science major until my senior year. It gave me a feel for many different arenas to operate in and taught me flexibility which is very important in the area I am now in—administration."

After leaving Ohio State with a Ph.D. in 1957, Yohn went to the University of Pittsburgh's graduate school of public health. While in Pittsburgh, he worked with Jonas Salk on polio research.

It was also in Pittsburgh that he began his involvement in cancer research when the university received a grant to study viruses in human cancer.

"As we began to undertake the project, it became apparent that resources could be better supplied at an institution dedicated exclusively to cancer research," Yohn explains.

He then moved on to Roswell Park Memorial Institute in Buffalo, N.Y., where he worked for seven years before returning to Ohio State's cancer center in 1969 to continue his research. He also served as a professor of veterinary pathobiology and microbiology at Ohio State.

"When I came to OSU, I came pri-

marily to work on cat leukemia," he maintains. "I came here because they had a large colony of illness-free cats and that was a resource not equalled anywhere else in the world."

Yohn was part of a team that isolated the virus that caused cat leukemia and developed a vaccine to prevent that disease. From the time the research began at Roswell Park until the vaccine was fully developed, tested and implemented, the scientists invested about 10 years in the project.

"That vaccine, which is available commercially from vets, was developed at Ohio State by the people I brought with me from Roswell Park," Yohn says. "There is no other commercially available vaccine against a form of cancer. They are working on relating that work to man."

He explains while research on that virus is continuing with hopes of applying what was learned to human leukemia, the work is progressing slowly because monkeys for research purposes are in short supply.

In addition to the vaccine, Yohn counts among his successes his work toward establishing the comprehensive cancer center.

"I didn't play a major role but I think our team contributed to developing the research area of the cancer center," he comments. "We were able to attract scientists from all over the world."

After an unsuccessful bid for federal backing in 1974, the facility applied for and was assigned the designation of "comprehensive" cancer center two years later and began to receive federal support. Yohn points to the continual growth and expansion of the cancer center as a major factor in being awarded state funds to build the Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Research Institute in Columbus.

Yohn was "drafted" in 1977 to lead the cancer program at Ohio State which moved him from laboratory to

"HELLO, IS ANYBODY OUT THERE?"

Science 2000 explores the origins—and boundaries—of life.

administrative duties. He is now Deputy Director of the Comprehensive Cancer Center at Ohio State, having served as director from 1973 to 1988.

In 1981, Otterbein awarded Yohn the Special Achievement Award in recognition of his extraordinary accomplishments in cancer research and higher education. While Yohn is no longer a hands-on researcher, he still keeps abreast of developments in the field primarily through reading medical journals and scientific publications. He says a good scientist must be inquisitive and satisfied with the intellectual stimulation from inquiry alone.

"Experiments might not work so you have the fun of figuring out why it didn't work," he says. "You have to persist." Yohn concedes that he misses constructing experiments and sifting through data looking for answers that only lead to more questions.

In the next decade, Yohn expects genetics to become important in the fight against cancer.

"What we're looking for, of course, are new discoveries, better therapies and treatment and perhaps prevention. Before the year 2000, I think new treatments will involve genetics. These studies are in their infancy and will blossom in the next 10 years," he predicts.

For Yohn himself, he plans to retire in four or five years. When he does retire, Yohn will be able to pursue his hobbies which include stamp and coin collecting, golf, cross country skiing and gardening.

He and his wife, Olivetta '51, who now live in Upper Arlington, have begun to think about where they would like to retire but have made no decisions. They have two sons, two daughters and three grandchildren to visit during their retirement. A third daughter has passed away.

"We have a son in Colorado and a son in California and each would like us to retire near them," he says. "There are lots of possibilities." ■

Earth is 55 to 65 million years old and the evolution of life began with the first blue-green algae. This is how it all began according to paleontologist Leonard Krishtalka, who was one of the speakers at this year's Science 2000 symposium.

This fall Otterbein tackled questions about "The Origins of Life" at the annual two-day seminar. To answer some of those questions, guest speakers included Krishtalka, NASA research astronomer Jill Tarter and ABC medical correspondent George Strait.

Krishtalka, the symposium's convocation speaker, is curator and editor of Scientific Publications at Carnegie Museum of Natural History in Pittsburgh, where he is also assistant director for Science. In addition, he is an adjunct professor in the Department of Geology and Planetary Sciences and the Department of Anthropology at the University of Pittsburgh where he teaches a number of courses in evolutionary biology.

In his speech, Krishtalka reviewed the 1976 discovery of footprints of early humans in Ethiopia. Researchers in Ethiopia found the footprints of a three people, not quite like modern man. Krishtalka says from those footprints, experts were able to recreate pictures of what this man, woman and child must have looked like. This was done in much the way footprints are analyzed in detective novels or shows. The footprint can reveal the size, weight and gait of the person.

The people who left these footprints were small, the tallest being about four feet tall, and had a different gait as though they walked not quite erect.

Krishtalka asserts that man and the ape probably have a common ancestor, not that man evolved from the apes, an idea commonly believed by many and objected to by others.

"Evolution is working quietly in the background and it will occur," Krishtalka says. "The question is, will we understand or be ignorant? ...And we are not the center of the universe. Humans are not a special species. When we go extinct, life will go on.

We won't be missed."

And if evolution can occur on this planet, why not on other planets in other universes? Jill Tarter spoke about the search for extraterrestrial technology through radio signals. She was joined by Bob Dixon, deputy director of the Instructional and Research Computer Center at The Ohio State University.

Tarter's main focus as a research astronomer is the implementation of high spectral resolution searches for extraterrestrial radio signals however and wherever possible. She has explored topics in biology, geophysics, chemistry, paleontology and many other fields that related to the question of the existence of life elsewhere in the universe. She is the project scientist for NASA's SETI Microwave Observing Project.

Tarter says people cannot expect to find physical evidence of alien life forms or expect to see spaceships landing on the White House lawn. However, if scientists on Earth can detect radio signals from a source outside this planet, she says they can reasonably assume somewhere a life form has evolved enough to develop technology.

This search is known as SETI or the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence. For now, scientists are conducting that search by looking for radio signals that could not have been produced by anything on Earth.

"The same laws of science and nature occur elsewhere," Dixon agrees. "Earth is not unique. If life evolved here and similar conditions exist elsewhere, why wouldn't the same thing happen elsewhere, with billions of stars and billions of chances? In fact, it would be stranger if life didn't evolve elsewhere."

Dixon says with the immense distance between solar systems, by the time a radio signal travels to Earth, the civilization which sent the transmission could be extinct.

"We're not trying for two-way communication but anything would still be useful, like reading about past Greek civilization," he says.

If scientists do detect signals from somewhere beyond our solar system, should the Earth form an answer? Dixon says in reality it is too late to worry about that because signals have already been sent out but some scientists continue the debate of how Earth should reply and some argue that Earth should not make its existence known at all.

He says there is nothing to worry about in terms of aliens arriving to conquer the planet because any resources alien cultures could want, they could find cheaper on their own planet.

"The energy to travel here would be too expensive," he says. "There is no material thing they would want to come seize. But would they come for things they don't have or can't conceive of?"

Tarter insists the planet must form a consensus on what kind of signal to send out and speak as one globe when signals are clearly being received. She says in the past, messages, in the form of video discs, have been attached to satellites but argues such messages are lies because they depict Earth as a beautiful, ideal place with no war, illness or famine.

"It's a very tricky issue," she says. "Scientists are no more expert than anyone else."

Tarter currently is working on a committee to formulate a consensus document outlining how Earth as a whole should respond if signals are detected.

For now, scientists are only conducting passive searches for evidence of extraterrestrial technology but Tarter maintains that those who reply without reaching a consensus are committing future generations to their decision.

Today there are two continuous searches for radio signals being conducted by Harvard and Ohio State. Tarter, who is involved in preparing for a similar search through NASA, says those scientists must look for signals nature could never produce, repeatable signals that can be independently verified and can be distinguished from existing groundbased facilities.

Dixon says in 1977, the Ohio State project discovered exactly what scientists are looking for—a signal from in-

telligence outside the earth. He claims those researchers pinpointed a brief signal from outside Earth's atmosphere which cannot be passed off as a hoax or equipment failure. However, that signal, known as the "Wow" object because of a notation someone made on a data sheet indicating evidence of the signal, was never again picked up.

With more and more radio frequencies being licensed and more signals sent around the globe, Dixon says this search may someday have to be continued from an object orbiting around Earth because transmissions from the ground create too much background noise and interference.

And the question of unidentified flying objects? Not a question at all, according to Tarter. She says she has never been presented with any credible evidence of UFOs.

While Tarter, Krishtalka and Dixon continue work in their respective fields, the general public learns of discoveries and breakthroughs primarily through the general media.

The symposium's keynote speaker was George Strait, ABC News medical correspondent. He spoke on his experience covering some of the major medical developments of our time,



such as the artificial heart and AIDS epidemic, and journalistic ethics that develop out of covering scientific and medical breakthroughs.

He said there is an inherent conflict between journalism and science because journalists want facts reported as truth and scientists examine facts to see if they hold true.

"The journalist takes words to be the truth and don't want to know that that is only the truth of the moment," Strait says. "We've determined that scientists need to be left alone to determine what is true."

Strait said in his coverage of the first artificial heart recipients, he and

other reporters learned that scientists should sometimes be left alone to conduct experiments, that they should be judged by their peers and not the press and public.

"We've learned from our past mistakes but we have a long way to go," he says.

"Most [scientists] realize they have to answer to the public but don't have to like it," Strait says. "We've made scientists work harder as they have to explain their findings to laymen and they have the frustration when a reporter gets it wrong."

Toward ending the scientists' frustration and reporters' mistakes, Strait recommends reporters become more expert. Strait himself has a science degree in bio-chemistry. He said that education in the field often helps in forming a bond with his sources.

He also recommends scientists become more precise in explaining their work and results and reporters take on not only the responsibility of telling the public the news but the importance of the news.

Over the years, Strait says he has grown to believe educating the public is part of his job. "I grew up thinking I only had to report facts and any education people got from that was okay but not my job." He says he now understands the importance of explaining the implications of medical and scientific breakthroughs.

Having been burned in the past by jumping into a subject before all the findings were in, Strait says ABC now waits until scientific breakthroughs are peer-reviewed and published.

"We don't report early results, no matter how promising. We can't go from the test tube to a person," he says.

Strait contends that journalists need to achieve a balance between wanting to report scientific and medical breakthroughs first and best, and allowing scientists time to verify and test results.

"It is a brave new world out there and we have to have the courage to fund and continue the work," he says. "But we also have to realize there are ethical questions that need to be asked and answered." ■

—Patti Kennedy

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ON THE ROAD AGAIN



A hearty "heigh-ho Silver" and they're away...

On the recruitment trail

with an Otterbein admission counselor

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Admission counselors are upbeat people, definitely upbeat. They can slide through a pitch on Otterbein and never let their speech sound canned or rehearsed.

On the road they see it all—table displays in the school lunch room where no self-respecting high school student would dare approach the recruiting table for fear of looking "un-cool"; meetings with small groups of potential recruits whose only interest is cutting 7th period study hall; college fairs with hoards passing the table feverishly grabbing literature.

Then there are the visits that make the job worthwhile. When counselors sit down and talk to students who are truly interested in exploring their college options—students who ask good, thoughtful questions. Those are the times admission counselors feel like

they're making contact and actually helping students. Actually making a difference.

"Lots of things can happen when you walk into a high school, and you're never sure what's going to take place," says Otterbein admission counselor Stacey Gleine. "You might talk to a group of about 10 students and have a good talk with them, asking meaningful questions. That's the best. The worst is when you come in and hand the college literature to a guidance counselor, or sometimes it's just the secretary you meet. Those are the worst but those are the ones you remember."

Otterbein College has four admission counselors who are on the road at least four days a week during the heavy fall recruiting season, and three who visit high schools near the College in the fall. This year the roving band of counselors include Beth Reddig, Steve Huprich, Mark Curtis and Stacey

Gleine. During the 12-week intensive period of recruiting students, the four hope to visit about 450 schools.

"I believe we have the absolute best admission staff in the state of Ohio," Otterbein's Vice President for Admission Bill Stahler says proudly.

Stahler cites the College's continued high enrollment as proof of his team's excellence. While other colleges and universities are facing smaller freshman classes because of the shrinking pool of high school graduates, Otterbein boasts record high enrollment figures.

He also commended the admission staff for its work toward boosting minority enrollment. While the College wants to further increase its overall number of minority students, this year's freshman class had a record seven percent minority population.

To achieve those kinds of results, a typical two days on the recruitment trail for the typical admission counselor, in this case Stacey Gleine, includes visiting six different high schools in southwest Ohio and one evening college fair.

For Gleine, this two-day trip means leaving Westerville at 6:30 a.m. before the sun has even started to peek through the clouds to drive 138 miles to her first visit. During the first leg of the journey, Gleine sticks mainly to the highway. Later in the day she drives hundreds of rural miles, up and down hills and around curves with only farm houses to break up the scenery. When she returns to Westerville the next evening, she will have covered nearly 400 miles in two days.

Fortunately, these two sunshine-filled days were a great time to take long drives over the hills in rural southwest Ohio. "But on days when it's raining and gray, you wish you were back in the office, inside and out of the weather," Gleine laments.

Gleine is a 1990 Otterbein graduate and completed an internship with the admission office. Now working as a fulltime representative for Otterbein means dedication, long days and maintaining that upbeat attitude.

"I like to think of this as more counseling than sales," Gleine declares. "As a business administration major I was turned off by the drive for profit, profit, profit. This is different. I think being honest with a student is a better technique than just grabbing them and telling them to come to Otterbein."

Each admission counselor is assigned a specific territory and follows potential recruits within that region throughout the application process. Gleine will personally correspond with each student she meets if they request more information about the College. She contends that personal contact where the students hear from the same person at each step of the process is a feature that often draws students to Otterbein.

"I've met a lot of great students this year. We're one of the first schools to get out [on the road]," she says.

What are the drawing points for Otterbein? Gleine thinks some of the big ones that attract students are the location and the College's programs. "Many of them have lived in small towns all their lives and want to escape to a big city. Still, they want the smallness they're used to but with access to a city," she explains. "And many need a small college. Like those who have 45 in their graduating class would never feel at ease at a large university. They need to keep that one-on-one feeling."

She says they also are drawn to a private college because they don't have to major in a particular field to participate in some of the extracurricu-

inquiries in order to receive 1,600 applications that will hopefully result in 400 freshmen enrolling at Otterbein.

"The road work is only part of the process but it is an important part," he says. "When our counselors out there, they are Otterbein to those high schools and they have to be informed and represent us well."

One of Gleine's first visits of the two-day stint on the road is at a high

On her feet for long stretches of time, but always cheerful, Otterbein Admission Counselor Stacey Gleine meets and greets students and parents at a local high school "College Night" and encourages them to pick up Otterbein literature.



The College needs to generate 16,000 inquiries in order to receive 1,600 applications that will hopefully result in 400 freshmen enrolling at Otterbein, thus "the road work is only part of the process but it is an important part."

lar activities. For example, the marching band is not limited to music majors.

Cost is often a deciding factor and when talking to high school students Otterbein admission counselors stress that the College meets 100 percent of a student's financial need, often through scholarships to high-achieving students.

The goal of all this traveling and talking is, of course, to bring students to Otterbein. According to Stahler, the College needs to generate 16,000

school near Hamilton. The guidance counselor, who was hurrying to lunch, pointed out where Gleine could set up her display and left her on her own. Hundreds of students passed by on their way to the cafeteria but less than a handful stopped to talk or take any information.

Because she hasn't eaten lunch yet, the aroma from the cafeteria prompts Gleine to count the minutes until she can leave in search of a restaurant. That is, until a teacher walks by with a

Conversion of a skeptic? Gleine distributes cards for students to fill out for more information on specific topics.

lunch tray containing mystery meat and what appears to be potatoes swimming in oily gravy. "It certainly smells better than it looks," she grimaces.

Gleine doesn't fare much better though when her lunch turns out to be a quick stop at Kentucky Fried Chicken before moving on to the next high school.

The next visit was more encouraging though. At a high school in Oxford, Gleine met with eight girls who showed genuine interest in the College and asked many questions about programs, visitation days, financial aid, enrollment figures, the greek system at Otterbein, study abroad opportunities, and sports and intramurals.

"This is the kind [of visit] I like," Gleine says with a grin. "This is the kind that makes me excited about my job."

College fairs are a means for admission counselors to meet a wide range and large number of potential students in a short time. It is also a chance to see what other colleges are displaying.

After visiting three high schools and checking into the local Econo Lodge, Gleine spent her first evening on the road with about 50 other admission counselors at a college fair set up in a barn-like building outside Eaton. As counselors show up for the college fair, those who see each other often shout greetings back and forth while filling cases with college literature from their trunks.

The equipment is the same for all the counselors. They each have a huge



brown case filled with brochures, table displays, applications and inquiry cards—the tools for a successful recruiting mission. Only the macho admission counselors try to carry the heavy cases and most strap their cases on dollies like those used to transport luggage around an airport. Their "wheels," as they call them, hum across the parking lot and the group can be likened to bees buzzing to a hive. The buzz becomes a steady drone as more arrive.

As counselors greet each other and talk, the conversation inevitably turns to food. Within two minutes of meeting, admission counselors will start swapping stories about great little diners they've found in out-of-the-way spots and how much food they can buy for how little money. They also discuss motels, particularly which ones to avoid; i.e., those with cockroaches or rowdy truck drivers.

The college fair goes by quickly even though Gleine has spent two hours on her feet greeting people and answering many of the same questions time and time again.

"I love this," she exclaims. "I get so excited when I'm doing this part and

"When I was in high school, I wish counselors had given me that extra little bit of advice. I'd rather tell students where to find information they're looking for rather than just say, 'No, we don't have it.'"

the students are asking good questions. I don't feel tired at all. I think, 'Where has the time gone?'"

After the college fair, Gleine heads off to Pizza Hut with fellow admission counselor Tracy Stuck from Ohio Northern University. They catch up on the gossip about mutual acquaintances and trade rumors of how different colleges are faring this fall in terms



of recruitment. Stuck also shares her most recent road story.

One of Stuck's high school visits ran long and upon leaving, she quickly exceeded the speed limit in an effort to reach her next appointment on time. Before long, a police cruiser's flashing lights loomed in her rear view mirror.

She pulled over and politely explained her situation—she was late and not sure where the high school was located. The kindly police officer offered her an escort and before she could refuse or explain further, she was following the cruiser—right back to the high school she had left a few minutes earlier.

Stuck says she was too embarrassed to explain the mistake. She continued on with the charade and waved goodbye to the well-intentioned officer as she walked back to the high school. She waited a few minutes just inside the high school door hoping no one would ask why she came back and praying the policeman wouldn't be lurking nearby when she left. Luckily, no one stopped her as she sped out of town the second time.

When the pizza is gone, Gleine drives back to the motel to catch up on correspondence to students from her territory and looks over plans for the next day before dropping into bed about 11 p.m.

The second day begins with a breakfast from Dairy Mart consisting of mini powdered donuts and a bottle of orange juice. Not totally nutritious but Gleine eats while reading a



Clutching her promotional literature, Gleine surveys students on their interests before launching into the virtues of Otterbein.

map and driving to her first appointment at a high school in New Madison.

She arrives early and spends her spare moments writing more correspondence. In the high school Gleine is able to give only a 20-minute presentation to seven students before the bell rings and they rush off to their next class. Gleine didn't have time to cover all the information she wanted, but the guidance counselor at that school was very interested and took the time to talk.

Admission counselors meet many high school guidance counselors through the course of their work—some are better than others. Some barely take time to shake her hand or merely send a student to show the college representative where to set up. Gleine praises the guidance counselors who take an interest in what is new at each college, know the names and interests of their students, and make an effort to turn the visit into an experience from which the students will benefit.

Likewise, high school students who meet with admission counselors in order to cut class don't earn high marks with Gleine. And sometimes the counselors' best-laid efforts glean little response. During the next stint of her road trip, Gleine joined about a dozen other college representatives in a small college fair set up in a high school library. A handful of high school students filtered by during their lunch

hour and Gleine herself talked to three girls interested in Otterbein's nursing program. It can be discouraging, says Gleine. "I didn't get to talk to the counselor or even that many students. Those I did talk to, I wasn't able to give a full presentation."

But no time to dwell on such efforts as Gleine searches the map for the quickest route to the next high school and the last visit on her two-day agenda. She speeds along the two-lane rural road hoping to not encounter any slow-moving farm implements.

Gleine's final stop on her two-day journey lands her at a high school in Union City where a dozen or so less-than-wildly enthusiastic students are gathered to collect college brochures. Afterward, she turns the car back to Otterbein, but not before stopping at an out-of-the-way diner called Red Ruth's where they serve a great shrimp dinner for under \$5.

Looking back over the two days, six high schools and one college fair, Gleine points to the college fair as the best of the two-day itinerary. "The reason being, there weren't too many [students] at one time. I could spend time talking thoroughly with each student and I think that's more beneficial for the student. I'm used to going to schools and just seeing the counselors but there I was also seeing students. Even if they don't come to Otterbein maybe something I've said will sink in that helps in their college decision."

"When I was in high school, I wish counselors had given me that extra little bit of advice. I'd rather tell students where to find information

Schmoozing with the high school guidance counselor is all in a day's work. Here Ned Toms and Gleine discuss what's new at Otterbein this year, the students who have expressed interest in the College and, of course, where Gleine can find a good place to eat.

they're looking for rather than just say, 'No, we don't have it.'

But enough time spent on reflection, it's back into the car yet again for the three-hour drive returning her to Westerville. A traffic tie-up on I-70 means Gleine hits Columbus right at rush hour and even more traffic slow-downs on I-270.

Finally she pulls into the parking lot across from the admission office. She will have time to check in at the office, refill her trunk with Otterbein literature and eat one meal at home before hitting the road again.

She drives to Cincinnati that evening and checks into another motel in order to be at a high school by 7:30 the next morning.

In many ways, travel dominates the counselors' lives as they study maps, try to estimate travel time and decide which motels are inexpensive but safe places to stay.

"The car is my domain," Gleine states. "My life revolves around this car four days a week."

Thus the tricks of traveling are born, such as the towel trick. Anyone who wants that morning cup of coffee but doesn't want to risk coffee stains on their clothes before an early morning meeting knows the towel trick.

The tidy traveler covers herself (or himself—spills favor no gender) with a bath towel from neck to knee, holding it in place with the safety belt and shoulder harness. Then no slopped



coffee or white powdered sugar from doughnuts will mar the perfect attire. "You feel really stupid the first time you do it but it's better than spilling something on yourself," Gleine advises.

Other "war" stories from the road include the mix-up of the two Lakota's, where an admission counselor arrived at a high school to discover it had the right name but the wrong school. She walked into Lakota High School in West Chester for the pre-arranged appointment only to find out the arrangements for the visit had been made with Lakota High School in Kansas, Ohio.

The guidance counselor assured her people often mix up the two, graciously accepted the packet of information about Otterbein and offered to reschedule a time for her to come back and talk to students.

"In that situation, I tried to smooth it over as best I could," the admission counselor explains. "I don't want the [guidance] counselor to feel they have to take a lot of time out of their day to talk to me. But I definitely will reschedule and come back. That's a big school for us."

She then placed a quick call to the Lakota high school in northwest Ohio that was expecting her. The guidance counselor there also assured her the mix-up was no problem. "I wondered why a college rep would want to come here," he had laughed. "We only have 41 seniors. We don't get many colleges

to visit."

There are other mishaps—hitting a deer in the College's car, trying to find North Olmstead High School which had been relocated because of a major fire, and trying to decide whether to cross a teachers' picket line for a college fair.

Stahler, who had confronted the striking teachers, says the picket line did not turn out to be an issue when he arrived at the high school because the teachers had allowed the college fair to take place. However, when he was enroute to the fair and heard about the strike on the radio, Stahler says he had to question how to handle the situation both personally and as a representative of Otterbein.

"[Our counselors] never know what they're going to confront," says Stahler. "They need to be ready for any presentation. They have to have complete flexibility."

And while they may get out of the car on the weekends, the Otterbein College admission counselors don't get away from the job. Even on the weekends, they are catching up on paperwork that has piled up in their absence and writing correspondence to all the students they met while on the road. Otterbein has a rolling application process which means counselors process the applications as they come in so



So this is what a college fair looks like...

When it comes to college fairs, Otterbein hosts one of the biggest in central Ohio every fall. The Rike Center is opened up to nearly 200 college recruiters. The names on table covers draped over the rows of tables include those as prestigious as Harvard-Radcliffe, Bryn Mawr and Cornell and come from as far away as Wisconsin, Florida and Rhode Island.

This year the Otterbein College Fair was held Oct. 16 and about 4,000 people herded through the Rike Center during the two-hour event, picking up literature and talking to college representatives. Director of Admission Cass Johnson explains Otterbein's fair is popular with college recruiters because the students they see definitely plan on attending college. It is popular with high school students and their parents because there is such an array of colleges represented.

"The kids who come here are from suburban schools and are college-bound," Johnson says. "The students have pretty high college expectations and those are the students colleges want to talk to. It kind of feeds on itself."

David Warren, an admission counselor from West Virginia Wesleyan College, credits Otterbein's college fair as an excellent opportunity for most representatives to talk to serious students. "There are good students in Columbus and this is a great place to recruit in Ohio. As a city, Columbus is the place to recruit and this is a good chance for representatives to see a lot of those students," Warren says.

"This is a fantastic college fair," Thomas Glick, a recruiter from Bowling Green State University, compliments the College and the admission staff. "Stahler does a fantastic job and the people he has working with him are all good." And they're all in place, performing their own particular duties.

The long evening begins in the parking lot long before the students arrive as Otterbein students scurry back and forth, helping the visiting college representatives unload cases bulging with literature from their cars. Admission Vice President Bill Stahler directs traffic.

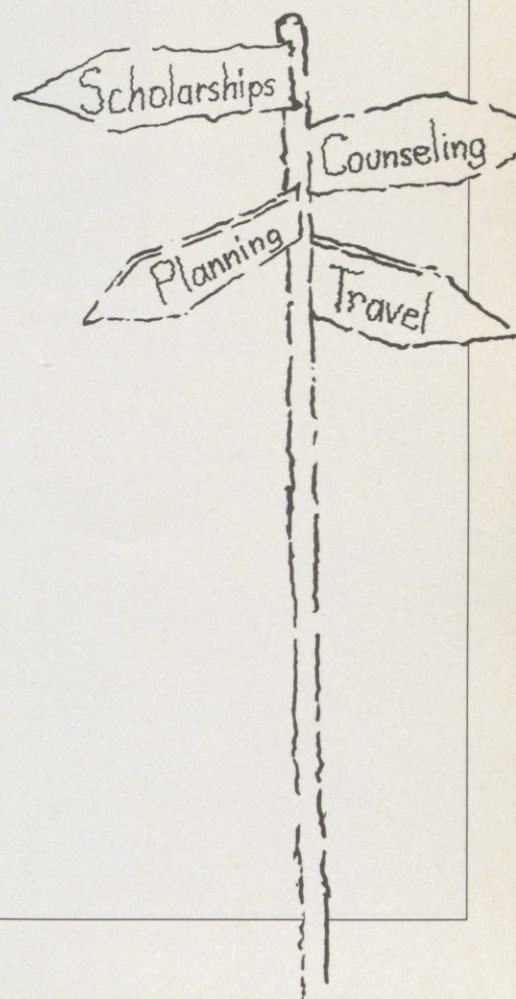
Laughs Johnson, "You don't often see a vice president parking cars." Hey, somebody's got to do it. ■

students can know in two or three weeks if they have been accepted.

"On the weekends you pretend to have a social life," Gleine smiles ruefully. "I work six or seven days a week because I get so into this stuff. I get to the point where I have to force myself to take time off."

When she is on the road, if Gleine has a few hours between appointments, she sometimes will slip on her sneakers and go for a walk in a park or around a mall. She says that gives her a chance to escape the confines of the car, get some exercise and clear her mind so she will be sharp and fresh when she meets the next batch of students.

And for those 12 weeks of constant traveling, there is always another group of students waiting at the next high school. ■



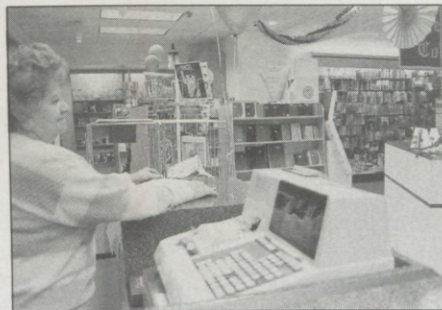
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Introducing...our new bookstore

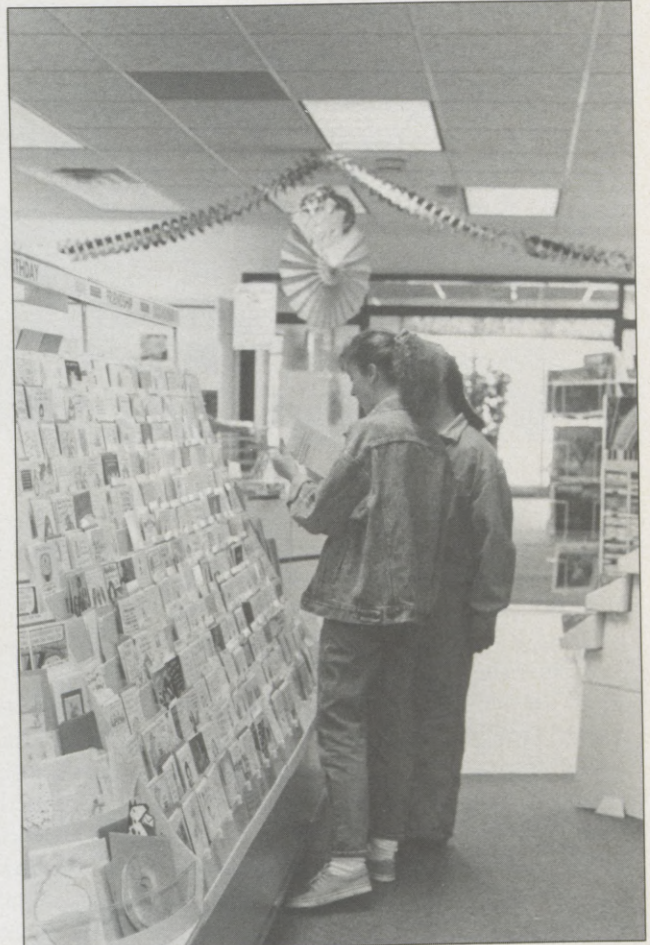
"More books!" cried the professors. "More convenience items!" pleaded the students. About \$150,000 and double the space later, the new, improved Otterbein College bookstore opened to a flurry of activity at the beginning of fall quarter. Still located in the southwest corner of the Campus Center, the bookstore has been leased to Brennan College Service and features textbook sales (no more queuing in the basement each term), enhanced display of retail items (Otterbein boxer shorts?) and a greater variety of school and office supplies (yes, they still sell blue books). What more could any campus community wish for?



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Bedecked in a Halloween theme (upper left), the bookstore entrance is located where the storage room used to be. Sweatshirts to the front, textbooks to the rear. Her sales counters gleaming (left), Barbara Lindsey prepares for the next onslaught of customers between classes. "When you care enough to send the very best..." a greeting card for the folks back home? (above)



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If it says "Otterbein," you can buy it here. Business was brusque the day of homecoming (above left). A display of not-to-be-found-elsewhere Otterbein memorabilia—t-shirts, ties, and teddy bears among them (above). And what would a bookstore be without...books? The ever-popular Calculus and Analytic Geometry keeps 'em coming back for more (left).

RETROSPECTIVE

THE CORMANY DIARIES



The Cormany Diaries: A Northern Family in the Civil War features a unique pair of diaries. One was kept by Rachel Bowman from the autumn of 1858 through the summer of 1865. The other was written by Samuel Cormany from the spring of 1859 through the summer of 1865. Excerpted here are passages from each reflecting life at then Otterbein University in 1858-59.

Both diaries are rich sources of historical insight. Rachel's diary by itself is an even more fascinating document than Samuel's. Rachel was one of only a few hundred women in the United States to graduate from a coeducational college prior to the Civil War, and her impressions of undergraduate life are valuable. So also are her firsthand accounts of how difficult it was for a single woman of the common classes to establish secure place for herself in antebellum America, even with a college education.

Her diary contains several deft descriptions of rural family life in Ohio and Pennsylvania that help peel away old generalizations and expose the variety and complexity that actually existed: good marriages and bad, intergenerational squabbling and bucolic harmony, public spirit and narrow selfishness, religious commitment and debilitating alcoholism.

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The Diarists

Rachel Bowman had been born April 12, 1836, on her father's farm near the tiny agricultural hamlet of Carlisle Hill in what was then called Canada West (now the province of Ontario). She had lived her early life there before coming to the United States to seek an education. She had studied in the preparatory department at Oberlin College in Oberlin, Ohio, during the 1854-55 school year and in Oberlin's literary course during the 1855-56 school year, before persuading her family to let her continue toward a collegiate degree at Otterbein University in Westerville.

In October 1858, as the surviving sections of her diary begin, Rachel Bowman was in the fall semester of her senior year at Otterbein. She was 22 years old and quite stout. She had dark hair, dark eyes, and plain features. She lived directly across the street from the College in a large house owned by her father, Benjamin B. Bowman, located at the corner of Grove and Main streets. Benjamin Bowman himself was in Canada, tending to post-harvest business and preparing to move his family back there, but Rachel's mother, Mary Clemens Bowman, and five younger sisters were in Westerville.

To finance their residence in Westerville the Bowman women opened their large house to student boarders. Boarding was a common practice in nineteenth-century Amer-

Oct. 30—Just as we entered town we met six nuns...I wanted to convince them of their error.

ica, particularly in college towns. Westerville had a permanent population of 275 people at this time; Otterbein registered 267 students for the spring term of 1859. Since the College provided only a few dormitory rooms and no food services whatsoever, boarding was an important element of the local economy. The Bowmans had temporarily become hotel keepers in order to allow Rachel to attend Otterbein. Notwithstanding Rachel's frequent annoyance with many of the details of this arrangement (she complains often about the division of labor among the six sisters), it shows a remarkable commitment to education by the Bowman family at a time when few women were sent to college and few colleges accepted them.

In addition to her five younger sisters, Rachel also had two brothers and an older sister. According to Rachel's accounts, another sister had died at childbirth.

Samuel Eckerman Cormany was the son of Jacob Cormany, a Pennsylvania farmer, and Mary Eckerman Cormany, Jacob's third wife. Samuel had grown up where he had been born May 24, 1838: on his father's farm eight miles north of Chambersburg in the Cumberland Valley. Samuel had four older half-sisters, two older half-brothers and two younger sisters. Samuel had also seen his parents lose three children in infancy.

When Samuel's father died in 1855, the farm passed jointly to his mother and his oldest half-brother, John. The other siblings received modest cash settlements, and Samuel decided to use part of his inheritance to pursue a college education. He enrolled at tiny Mount Pleasant College, a United Brethren school in Pennsylvania, but the college closed during the economic slump that followed the panic of 1857. In the spring of 1859, he accompanied several other Pennsylvanians who left Mount Pleasant to enroll at the

nation's only remaining United Brethren college, Otterbein University. He was 21 when he began the diary published here, slightly under five feet six inches tall, and he weighed a little over 130 pounds. He had hazel eyes, a light complexion and dark hair.

It is significant that these two adults encountered one another at a church-related school, for both Rachel and Samuel were steeped in the traditions of evangelical Protestantism. Theologically the United Brethren might be characterized as Germanic Methodists; indeed, the United Brethren and the Methodists began to cooperate closely after the Civil War and eventually merged into the present United Methodist church. Their personal spirituality was intense, their commitment to ethical behavior was unwavering (some of the most dramatic incidents in Samuel's diary later deal with his personal agonies over the sale and use of alcohol), but their doctrinal positions and their forms of worship were remarkably flexible and tolerant (the Cormany's frequently attend the services of other evangelical denominations). Otterbein University, founded by the United Brethren in 1847, was in no uncertain terms a denominational college.

Notwithstanding the important ways in which Samuel and Rachel illuminate the social history of nineteenth-century America, their diaries are ultimately most compelling and authentic as individual statements. Both writers have distinctive personalities, and readers quickly come to know them not as archetypes but as unique individuals. These committed evangelicals, for example, reveal redeeming human frailties. Samuel struggles with alcohol, ingratiates himself with his superiors in order to realize his obvious ambitions, and has a hard time resisting the urge to flirt. Rachel has a tendency to complain, takes offense easily, and often indulges

her suspicion that the fates have conspired to keep her in a station beneath her merits. Both writers occasionally disappoint themselves, one another, and their readers. But on balance they emerge as honest, admirable people who deserve their victories as well as their setbacks. In the end, it seems fitting that their war experience concludes with the greatest of their triumphs in their own eyes: the preservation of their love and marriage under circumstances that strained the spirits and broke the social relationships of many of the people around them.

[Misspellings, some grammar and a few missing words have been corrected in Towers in the interest of readership. Samuel often used dashes in lieu of commas and periods, and Rachel's punctuation was irregular. Both diarists occasionally capitalized words that would normally be printed in lower case, and both diarists frequently failed to capitalize the first word of a sentence. Those singularities of orthography and punctuation appear exactly as written in the book from which this text was taken. Readers will note the use of brackets to clarify or explain passages. The editor of The Cormany Diaries made use of footnotes in order to do the same.]

Rachel at Otterbein

October 30, 1858—June 26, 1859

Rachel's diary opens when she is a senior at Otterbein University and continues through her graduation with the antebellum equivalent of a B.S. degree. Although the first entry records an excursion into Columbus, most of this section is set in Westerville. Most of the characters are Rachel's classmates or members of her household.

Otterbein was founded in 1847 by the Ohio Conference of the United Brethren Church, but did not award its first two baccalaureate degrees until

Dec. 5- I am going to write my resolutions on a paper and carry them in my pocket...

1857. In 1858 it conferred seven more. Rachel's class of nine seniors was the third to complete one of the three college courses—or majors—prescribed by the Otterbein board of trustees. Rachel was taking the science course, which included modern subjects and was taught in English.

Several of Rachel's entries deal with the social pressures of her senior year. Her classmates were beginning to pair off, but Rachel's own relationships—with Wilberforce Boggs and Jacob Burgner—turn sour. In the frustration of those relationships, however, and in her acid comments on the widower Hellane, Rachel reveals that she has both strong views and high expectations regarding marriage.

October 30, 1858

This morning we got up at 8 o'clock to get ready to go to Columbus to market for the purpose of seeing how it goes there. Mr. Pennell [a fellow student], Mother, Mary Miller [another fellow student] and I were the ones that went.

We got to Columbus at about 9 a.m. Just as we entered town we met six nuns walking two and two. I felt as though I would like very much to talk with them and convince them of their error. Poor things, I pitied them.

We next came on Market Street, and such a crowd of wagons and people I scarcely ever saw before in one place. On passing some turnips Mother and I got dreadful hungry for some. We wished to buy a few to eat, and asked the man to sell us two or three to eat. He laughed at us and told us we might have as many as we wished to eat for nothing and would not accept our money. After we got tired of market, we went shopping and had quite a time at the auction store. Got through shopping till dinner.

After dinner we with Mr. Wiebling [friend of the Bowman family, from Westerville] went to the asylums. [Rachel probably refers here to the Central

Lunatic Asylum, the State Asylum for the Blind, and the Hospital for the Deaf and Dumb, all located in Columbus. They attracted sightseers in part because of their size and impressive architecture. Moreover, it is believed many nineteenth-century Americans viewed such institutions as reassuring symbols that their form of government worked well to protect the unfortunate and to solidify community spirit.]

The hack went and left Mr. Wiebling. They then came home with us. We had six for one horse. Almost a respectable Methodist load. Within about a mile from home we met young Mr. Wiebling on his way to Columbus to fetch his parents. We got home safe but were very tired. [The hack is a small stagecoach. Westerville lay on the so-called State Road between Cleveland and Columbus, so townsfolk could use the regularly scheduled stage for transportation to and from Columbus. Mr. and Mrs. Wiebling (who had also gone to Columbus for the day) had missed the departure of the public coach so Rachel's group offered them a lift in their one-horse buggy. Both Rachel and Samuel often refer to families and to couples simply by the name of the male head of the house.]

October 5, 1858

[actually November]

This has been a very unpleasant rainy day. Mother is sick this evening. I did not go to society on that account. [The Philaethean Society, a literary society for undergraduate women at Otterbein. Literary societies, which were common on American campuses, functioned as joint-stock library associations, providers of entertainment, debating and composing teams, and proto-fraternities and sororities. Much of the extracurricular college life available to students like Rachel was organized by and around these societies.]

Wrote a composition for tomorrow morning. Received a letter from Ella Chambers; she is going to come here to school. I see that I have some influ-

ence. I got acquainted with her while teaching in their district. Answered her letter, and now am going to sew at the little girls' bonnets. Yesterday evening instead of lecture, Dr. McFadden tried chemical experiments, exploded some powder on land, and some under water. Had quite a time in getting the rope across the stream. [Thomas McFadden, M.D., was professor of natural sciences and scientific agriculture at Otterbein. He resigned from the faculty during the Civil War to become an army surgeon with the 46th Ohio, then returned to the College to occupy an endowed chair. He was professor of natural sciences until his death in 1883. At the time, Otterbein taught natural sciences but also offered its students rudimentary laboratory work and geology field trips.]

November 18, 1858

I see it is quite a while since I last wrote in my journal. Miss Chambers is here now; we three room together, that is Mary [Rachel's sister], Miss C., and I. Hope we will get along well.... Last Friday I was elected secretary in literary society. I am afraid I won't fill the chair well.

Saturday night M. Miller and I sat up with a sick girl. Sewed nearly all night. I have to read in "public" in a week from Saturday. Those public exercises do take me down dreadfully; wish it was over. [The public recitation of original essays was a standard pedagogical technique in nineteenth-century colleges.]

December 5, 1858

I have been contemplating on my bad heart. Read some in Mrs. Sigourney's letters to her pupils. [Although her work is considered excessively sentimental and moralistic by modern standards, Lydia Howard Sigourney was one of the most popular versifiers and authors of the nineteenth century. Among her 67 published books was *Letters to My Pupils: With Narrative and Bio-*

Jan. 20 - Had quite a nice talk with Mr. B. He asked for my company regularly - next session in the parlor.

graphical Sketches, to which Rachel refers here.] Was reading of their amiable dispositions. How I have to deplore my unamiable one. By my horrid temper I lose friends, but never gain any.

I feel as though our family could and would gladly spare me. I have been accustomed to look on their treatment as though they thought me not smart and tried to impose on me, and that is what made me act as I did. I see now that is is my own doing. Would to God that I could overcome. I wish from my heart to be a true Christian, to fit myself to do good. But without that true love and pure religion in my heart I cannot expect to do much. I have made a resolution to act so that my folks here can love me. I am very easily discouraged naturally, and am often only taunted when I express it. But I expect if I would act right all would be better.

I generally do the dress fitting and cutting and bonnet making. This year I had to make two by fixing old foundations into new ones, which of course did not look as well as new. The girls (sisters) acted so about them that I felt that I could almost pray to be delivered from bonnet making. I think their actions make the owners of the bonnets dislike them as they do, when the bonnets are plenty good enough. [The Bowman women supplemented their income by dressmaking and bonnet-making. Sewing was an extremely common source of extra money in low-income households, especially where daughters were still at home. Sons could earn money outside the home; daughters, at least in pre-industrial towns like Westerville, generally could not. Rachel will return to needlework, first as a struggling newlywed with an unemployed husband and then as a soldier's wife during the war.]

I am going to write my resolutions on a paper and carry them in my pocket, and mark it every time I don't come up to the mark, and also when I do right at the close of each. It seems

to me that victory is sure.

Had missionary meeting this evening. Prof. Walker addressed the society, advanced the idea of colonies emigrating to evangelize the world. An essay was also read by Mr. Garst. [Ralph Manning Walker was professor of Latin languages and literature in 1858. The missionary society to which Rachel refers was founded in 1852. The fact that the United Brethren's missionary secretary, John C. Bright, resided in Westerville and sat on the Otterbein board of trustees no doubt helped sustain interest in foreign missions among the faculty and students. Otterbein functioned as the unofficial headquarters for the United Brethren missionary effort around the world. The "Mr. Garst" Rachel mentions is Henry Garst, a fellow student and later professor of Latin at Otterbein. President of the College from 1886 to 1889, Garst published the first definitive history of the school in 1907.]

December 21, 1858

Have just returned from our Christmas ride. We started from here at 10 o'clock Friday evening and went to Columbus. We had intended to go to Catholic church but we came too late for the midnight church. We stayed at a little market tavern till four in the morning. When we went, the church was very prettily fixed off; they had about 322 wax candles on the rostrum. Of all flowers and strange things, that Catholic church had the most I ever saw, and the priest has the most curious actions I ever heard of.

After church we went to market, which was very full. After we got tired of that, we went back to our little hotel to warm and then went up on High Street to do some shopping... We went to the printing office, saw them setting some type. We ran around a great deal. We even went to the china store. We had a great deal of fun.

January 3, 1859

Have been attending my classes as usual. Misses Smith and McClure paid us a little visit. E. Walker [classmate and next-door neighbor; daughter of Prof. Walker] called too. She told me some of the party at Mr. Hanby's. [The Reverend William Hanby was a founding father of Otterbein but also played a critical role in helping the College through the financially troubled 1850s. His son, Benjamin Russell Hanby wrote the popular antislavery ballad "Darling Nelly Gray" while he was a sophomore at Otterbein. The Hanbys' house was just across Main Street from the Bowmans' house.] I felt very much slighted and insulted by their actions. Whenever they have any sickness they can be here in a short time to have us come and help them. But at parties they never think of us [and then] don't feel quite right about it and try to smooth it over presuming we are so green and will take it all. If they don't want us there, just let them hush up and not try to plaster it up afterwards.

January 11, 1859

Yesterday was to Columbus, to a musical concert by the continentals, four gentlemen dressed in continental style, or in the continental style of 1776. They looked real pretty and sung real well. One of them had the prettiest hands for a gentleman I ever saw. I cannot begin to enumerate the pieces sung, but they were very good. We went down in the omnibus. [The omnibus was a large coach. The one introduced on the Westerville-to-Columbus route in 1859 was drawn by four horses and held 32 passengers.]

January 20, 1859

School has closed now, passed through all my examinations pretty well, better than I expected. Last Saturday evening was to a party at Prof. Walker's. Had quite a nice time... Mr. B. [Wilberforce Boggs] brought me home. Had quite a

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talk after we came home. He asked for my company regularly—next session in the parlor. I granted it.

February 2, 1859

School has commenced today. Quite a number of students are here, but not all the old ones yet. I have my studies made out; this session finishes my school life for some time, perhaps forever.

Mr. Boggs has not called on me yet. I am not going to give him a chance to speak to me in public if I can help it. I am going to test his sincerity, and if he does as he did last session, he is awful mean. It is worth considerable to get to know a man. I judge him to be a true-hearted man, and above mean deceit or coquetry, and just about the fellow. But this session will tell and I bet too, if he don't fulfill all his promises he will learn what I think. I am not going to take such things from any fellow. By the last interview I have accomplished what I desired to, this long time...I am going to assert more independence and act more dignified now and I am going to let Mr. Boggs understand that I can live without his attentions.

It has been raining all day. It has made a fair start for school too I guess. I am the only girl in the chemistry class. I want to do my best and let the world know that I can do as well as the boys. I want to do well in all my classes.

Evening. Already I have broken over my above resolutions. [As Miss Chambers and I were running an errand], Mr. Boggs caught up to us and commenced talking to us so pleasant, and laughing at our being out such a rainy evening.

February 12, 1859

Am not well, am troubled with headache, have been all this week...Leah and M.E. Spade went last night to sit up with Mrs. Hellane who was sick

with consumption. They were there but a short time when she died. The old man (her husband), even while she was in the agony of death, was amusing himself with the pictures in an agricultural book. And as soon as she was dead, went and got his smoke pipe, saying that he guessed that he might smoke now again, that Mommy did not allow him to; she could not stand it. The old brute said too that he thought he would wait one whole year before he would get another wife. I hope in my heart that he may never get another; he is not fit to have one. But if he does get one, I hope he may get his match, one that will pay him up in a measure at least.

February 19, 1859

...Of late, I have thought much about missionary life. I think sometime that I am yet to be one. I sometimes think of talking to Miss Gilbert or say something at class meeting, but then again it seems to me that I am not good enough to have so much money spent for me, and were I good enough, am perhaps not talented enough. I pray God daily to direct me and make me truly good and fit me for the place he would have me occupy.

February 24, 1859

...This is a very pleasant and warm day; it seems like spring. I have been thinking very much about the missionary work, but the more I think of it the more I feel that I must get better. I would do some good. I cannot bear the idea of being a mere blank in this world, but if Christ help me not, I shall not be able to accomplish anything. I feel that if I live as I ought, all will be right. I took a walk down the plank with some of the girls this evening. Enjoyed very much. [The main road to Columbus had been "planked"—covered with wooden boards—in 1853 by a private road company, which then charged a toll for its use.]

March 1, 1859

...Mr. J. Weaver addressed the people here on the subject of temperance. Did pretty well. At one time Mr. Dorcas screamed out "Amen" when it was altogether out of place. It created quite a laugh.

April 20, 1859

Mary and Leah started [home for Canada] yesterday morning. I have scarcely a minute to run round or think. My studies and work take up all my time. I tremble when I think of my graduating essay and clothes. I can't see where or when I can get time to write or sew. I ought to have some time to read, but that is out of the question. How I will get along is more than I can tell. I did not like for the girls to go on account of the work but I only got snapped up when I said anything. I sometimes doubt whether I have a true friend in the world. Those ever changing ones I do not like. Religiously I get along as usual. I feel as though I could desire nothing more than be permitted to do some good, would that my heart were better. I desire to live right.

We have two more boarders, Pennsylvanians. Right good fellows, I guess.

Undated

Do not receive letters from Mr. Boggs. Don't care either; he is not the man for me. I guess it is best that it went as it did...I must study now and leave writing.

May 18, 1859

Yesterday the geology class went out on a geological excursion. There were 20 of us besides the teacher. We all took our dinners along. Had the two omnibuses to take us. Started at five in the morning. We went to the Whetstone first, which is just beyond Worthington. Did not find anything of importance so we went on farther, to the Scioto at Dublin. We all got out of the hacks and in one lot started up the

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river. We walked along the river's edge, climbed the rocky mountainous banks. In some places it was almost impossible to get along, but the gentlemen were such good gallants and helped us along...and helped us get our specimens...We walked until we were all nearly tired to death.

At nearly dinner time we all went to the bus and got our baskets and again took up our line of march up the river until we got to some shady trees. There we spread our cloths and laid our dinners on and all sat round there in a circle on the ground and ate.

After dinner we went up the river, had to go over the worst, rockiest road I ever saw. At some places we had to leap from one rock on the other. Got to one ravine, then went on further to another. Walked nearly quarter of a mile till we got to the upper end. There was a very pretty clear spring of clear, cold water at the way far end. The walls on either side of the ravine are nearly perpendicular. Two caves were partly explored by some of our company. We were very tired till we got back to the buses. E. Walker lost her duster. I forgot to speak about the panorama. J. Burgner [*Jacob Burgner, fellow classmate*] took me down.

May 25, 1859

I am very irregular in writing my journal. Last Saturday evening had quite a talk with Mr. Boggs. I don't like him much. I think he could improve considerable yet, but he seems rather self-conceited, thinking that he is about right. I often feel ashamed of myself that I cannot keep up a more interesting conversation. I sometimes think that perhaps let my love of fun carry me too far. Religiously I am still not any better. I often feel that I desire very much to be entirely given up to God. I want to do some good. I have written some of my graduating essay

but know it not near finished yet. Don't know what I shall do; I fear I won't get my things ready.

June 2, 1859

Have been feeling bad for some time and scarcely know about what. One thing is that I expect I will have to stay here this summer and teach somewhere not far off. I expect it will all be right. I pray God daily to guide me and lead me into just such places as he would have me go. I feel so much as though there was not a soul in the universe that cared for me. I have the blues most awful bad in general and about everything. It is very hard to give up the idea of going to Canada. Parents don't know it, and I am not going to tell them; if they say I should stay, I will stay. Old matters too will come up sometimes. I think of Mr. Kilbourne very often. I still can't get quite over that, but guess it was for the best. [*I.B.Kilbourne, Rachel's first serious boyfriend, still lived in Canada near the Bowman's home farm.*]

June 5, 1859

Last evening, had a call from J. Burgner. I dislike the man so that I can hardly bear to talk with him. He is certainly a verdant youth and as self-conceited as he can be and horribly jealous and sensitive. He tried to rake up a fuss out of nothing. I let him understand a little what I thought of it. It makes me feel quite indignant when I think of it. Yesterday some of our boarders were to Columbus. Mr. Cormany brought me the nicest bunch of cherries. He is such a good fellow. He tells me that he is going to be my good brother since my sisters and brothers have all left.

June 8, 1859

I expect all is finished up with Mr. Burgner. He said some things in notes that were a little more than I could bear so I just closed all up and won't

have a thing to do with him. Sent all old notes and stuff of his back that I did not destroy. He looks rather down today, but he need not think that I can take all his impudence.

June 26, 1859

The commencement is all over now. I left many things that I ought to have written. Mr. Burgner and I are friends but would have nothing to do with him as a beau.

I had to work pretty hard to get my things ready. Had to work till after midnight some nights. I liked my dress, but was not so well satisfied with my essay. I thought I was not scared one bit, but I must have been for all, for Sis tells me that I was cheered and I never heard it. I got along very well. I have the satisfaction of knowing that my essay was liked by some, by the Honorable J.R. Giddings for one, although it was not so entertaining to the crowd. Nearly all the students have left. It is beginning to get lonely.

[*Joshua R. Giddings was the first avowed abolitionist to serve in Congress. He was elected to the House of Representatives by his northern Ohio district in 1838 and was continuously reelected until he decided to retire rather than run again in 1858. As a warhorse of the anti-slavery cause, his willingness to deliver the principal address made Rachel's graduation a notable event. Rachel's speech, her own copy of which has survived, was a rather typical graduation piece: full of generalized truisms, references to past human achievements, and exhortations to strive onward in the future. Rachel urged her classmates to emulate Amos Lawrence, for his philanthropy, and Florence Nightingale, for her selfless service to others during the recent Crimean War.*]

Thus ends Rachel's writings about her days at Otterbein. After graduation, she ventures to New York City and stays with her brother while she seeks a job. After an unsuccessful search, she falls back on the

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support of relatives, friends and co-religionists in eastern Pennsylvania. She finally obtains a position as the sole teacher in the Quakertown public school.

Samuel Comes to Ohio

Samuel's diary opens with retrospective summaries covering the period from his arrival at Otterbein in the spring of 1859 through the end of his summer vacation. His affection for Rachel, in whose home he boards, is apparent from the outset.

April, 1859

I left my old home in Franklin County, Pennsylvania, for Otterbein University at Westerville, Ohio, in April 1859 in company of Tiras Enterline. We entered the spring term of O.U.

I roomed and boarded at B.B. Bowman's across from Saum Hall. We were a jolly crowd, Tiras Enterline and I, and Israil, Stephen and Job Light, John Mutch, Jerry Nicklas and Mills.

The Bowman family are a wholesome lot. Clem and Amos away; Rachel, Mary, Leah, Susie, Lizzie and Carrie. The last two, half grown, bouncing, day school girls and Susie about full grown. An evening party, our first Saturday night, in the home dining room. Students and family—brought us all together and made us better acquainted.

We enjoyed the new play "Consequences." It occasioned fun, better freedom in each other's company all around. How strange that Miss Rachel and I should be several times mixed up in Consequences! At once, Miss Rachel strikes me as an exceptionally fine specimen of young Christian womanhood. In fact, all the girls are decidedly sisterly to me. Rachel seems somehow just a little more so than the others. I wonder why!

(A whisper! Miss Lydia Strock [a young woman whom Samuel had courted before leaving Pennsylvania] has for years seemed to me the best and most

lovable girl in the world. But the last night I was in her company, she said she would never go west. Would never go so far away from her parents. And I responded, "Then I'd as well quit coming to see you. Since I'm pretty certain to go west to educate, and most likely would settle there.)"

Well, Rachel seemed to me like one who would go to the ends of the earth with the man who won her love. But I can scarcely hope to win her. I only a prep and she graduates in June. [Prior to the Civil War many American institutions of higher education, even those designated universities, had preparatory departments or divisions. Hence, many "university" students were actually seeking a level of education later provided by separate high schools.] The Lord knows best about such things, and I've been committing all my ways to Him.

May, 1859

I enjoy student life and association and my studies. I find close application to study is not agreeing well with me. I lack in the out-door-hustling I have been accustomed to.

My old throat troubles are showing up at times again. I do hope I do not have "cankered sore throat" again—and away from home. Lord help me!

May 24, 1859

This is my twenty-first birthday anniversary. Yes! And I have been having a fearful time with my throat. I had thought I was forever cured of that plague, but here the siege has been on again.

The Bowman family—the sisters—all have been so interested in me in my illness. Especially Rachel, who seems to be ever ready to do little things to help me out, or when she is crowded with her preparations for graduation sets the others to doing.

Being away from home, and under-par and suffering and weak is not so bad after all with such surroundings as

this home affords, and especially with Miss Rachel's attentions and interest. I am able withal to keep up all my studies. Had to miss some recitations, but on examination passed after all.

May 30, 1859

I have so many such good talks with Miss Rachel these days in social and religious topics. She says I help her so much in her religious life. On matters of common life as social beings we agree so fully too. Some way we happen to get together quite frequently, and have talks on the most important problems of life—social, intellectual and spiritual.

May 31, 1859

I have written Miss Lydia Strock that I wish her to hand to my sister Sarah my picture locket in her possession and that my future home and work is to be chiefly in the west, and that I surely wish for her a happy and most useful life in the east.

June, 1859

Commencement over and past! Miss Rachel Bowman read a good address. Original, fresh sound, just what one would expect of a lady of her make-up. Her passing appearance and manner throughout were winning. Strikingly modest and unassuming though impressing one with decided force of character.

How nice does seem this vacation freedom. Free from constant hard study and also more free to associate with the family of girls, and it happens some way that Miss Rachel and I quite often meet, so unexpectedly and on the hall stairway, and have time to sit on the wide steps and talk over our past studies and future prospects.

Most of the students have gone home. I decide to spend the long vacation in Ohio.

George Beam, Jacob F. Wilt and I decide to do up southern Ohio and

Sept. 1859 - My old desire to "go west and grow up with the country" comes bobbing up...

canvass to pay our expenses and add to our treasury.

We buy commercial note paper by the ream. Envelopes by the thousand. Steel pens and holders and lead pencils by the gross, and large envelopes by the thousand. Then together we place into a large envelope: 24 sheets of paper (different kinds), 24 envelopes, two steel pens, a pen holder and lead pencil with eraser. We sell the package for 25 cents, costing us 12 cents.

We rushed business and sight-seeing as well. Operating in Springfield, Xenia, Lebanon, Dayton, Urbana, Cincinnati, Covington and Newport, Kentucky, and whenever special sights, scenes, doings, etc., came up anywhere we were free to take a day or days and nights off from business to enjoy them. At the close of vacation we were ready again to take up college work. I had \$90 net profits, besides the instruction, pleasures and experiences incident to such an employment of time.

September 1859

So September found us glad to resume at O.U. SURE! I am glad to return to the Bowman Home. And—I whisper it—delighted to come into closer communication with Miss Rachel, for whom, I actually admit I entertain what I suppose is called love, but being so far away, my superior in college education, I dare scarcely hope for actual return, were I to declare my feelings and desires and actual longings.

The Lord knows all and if He wills it, the way will be made open and clear, and I may win the heart and hand of this charming woman.

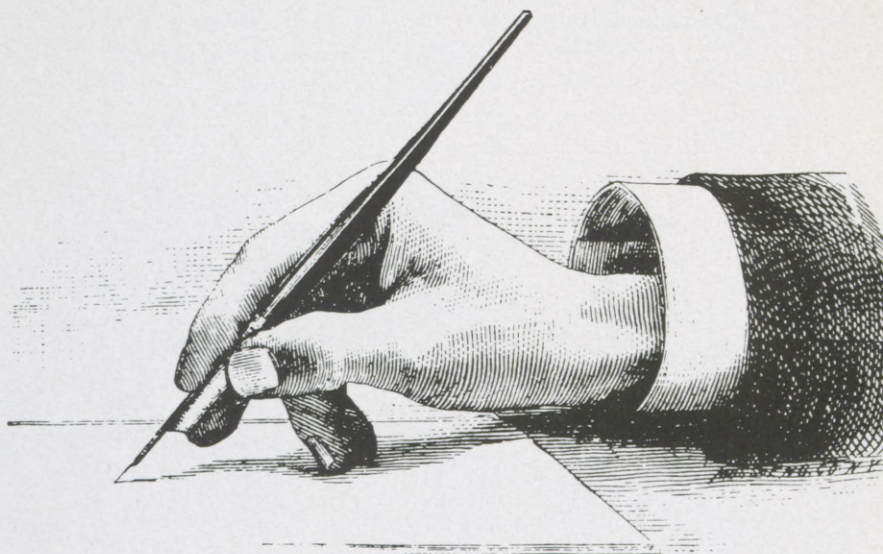
I have a good many drawbacks to my studies. My throat and nerves give me much trouble so that I almost despair of being able to go through with my intended college course.

My old desire to "go west and grow up with the country" comes bobbing

up and increases whenever sedentary life takes a tight grip on my physical structure, and makes my studies a kind of bore. Now I am hearing incidentally of openings in Missouri for young fellows.

Mr. Bowman has some land interests in Macon County, Missouri, and by the way, Mr. and Mrs. Bowman seem to me to be favorable to my attentions to their daughter Rachel. Honest John! I begin to hope I may become acceptable to her ladyship, Miss Rachel herself, in course of time. She certainly gives me indications that she cares a good deal for me.

Samuel's restlessness cannot be overcome and in November he decides to leave Otterbein with the intention of using his inheritance to establish his own farm in Missouri. He also decides to go east to ask Rachel to marry him and share that new life. ■



CLASS NOTES

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1941

Paul W. Kirk was awarded life membership in the Lion's Club by the president of the local Canal Fulton Club of which he is the chaplain.

1943

Norman Dohn, professor emeritus of journalism at Ohio University, has

been re-elected to a four-year term on Otterbein's board of trustees.

1946

William T. Buckingham currently holds the management chair in the school of business at the University of Rio Grande, Ohio. Prof. Buckingham and wife Dorothy reside in Sunbury, Ohio.

'47 Grad Trained with George Bush

Leslie Mokry '47 knew he trained with a George Bush as a U.S. Naval aviator during WWII, he just didn't realize it was the George Bush until then-candidate Bush was introduced at the 1988 Republican convention.

According to a story published in the Lebanon, Ohio, *Western Star*, Mokry remembered the young naval pilot as having two middle names, so when Bush was introduced in New Orleans as George Herbert Walker Bush, Mokry dug through old photos and, sure enough, came upon a very young likeness of our country's next president.

Mokry had completed three years at Otterbein when he enlisted in the

U.S. Navy in 1942. He was among a group of eight commissioned ensigns who completed training at the Fort Lauderdale Naval Air Training Center in Florida in 1943.

After the War, Mokry returned to Otterbein to finish his degree. He married **Marilyn Steiner Mokry '49** and they have two children, **Leslie '72** and **Jana '74**.

Mokry says he wrote the President a letter and enclosed a copy of the photograph. He received a call from an aide and later, a Christmas card from the President and Mrs. Bush.

In the photograph, Mokry is pictured second from the left in the front row. Bush is second from the right in the back row.



1947

Emily Clark Brown and husband **Gardner Brown** have retired from teaching careers at Kings High School in Warren County. They currently live in Lebanon, Ohio.

1950

Robert Webb was assigned to Oak Street United Methodist Church in Dayton.

1951

John H. Baker, a 35-year veteran of BancOhio National Bank and the Zanesville area's president since 1981, has retired.

Glenn Waggamon is director of CCOM-East Ohio in charge of conference camping program. Wife **Edna (Polly) Pollack Waggamon '52** has served as the Canton District United Methodist Women's vice president for four years.

1953

Jerry Neff has received a full-time appointment to the University of Dayton in the department of teacher education. He will be responsible for mathematics education.

1954

Barbara Redinger Davis was appointed by Bishop Woodie White to membership on the World Methodist Council, a 500-member body from 64 separate Methodist and related United churches in 90 countries worldwide. The Council convenes the quinquennial World Methodist Conference attended by some 3,000 appointed delegates. The next conference will be held in Singapore. Husband **David C. Davis '55** will be a delegate to the Conference.

Dayton Alumni Celebrate "Howl-oween"

Over 60 Dayton area alumni converged on the Schlientz and Moore Funeral Home in Centerville, Ohio, for a howling good Halloween party in early November. The event was hosted by **Jim Moore '62**, wife Pam and son Gary. **Milford Ater '41** joined authentic banjo and "thing-a-ma-jig" players for musical entertainment.

Lois Coy '24 was honored as the "elder otter" while **Dave Crippin '66** and **Suellen Cochrane Wassem '66** were recognized as "baby otters." **Helen Hilt LeMay '47** won distinction for "first in line for seconds."

Planning committee members include **Harold Augspurger '41** and wife **Grace Burdge Augspurger '39**, Earl and Mary Baker (parents), **Dorothy Allsup Harbach '38**, **Virginia Jeremiah Garcia '41**, and Jim and Pam Moore.

Others who attended were **Bill LeMay '48**, **Bob Airhart '35** and wife **Wahnita Strahm Airhart '36**, **Bob Arledge '55** and wife **Gail Bunch Arledge '56**, **Dick Bridgman '49** and wife **Carolyn Boda Bridgman '50**, **Connie Crippen**, **Ted Croy '30** and wife Mabel, **Glanna Hammer Earnest '51** and husband **Jim Earnest '52** and daughter **Dorothy**, **Kay Ayers Frazier '62** and husband Ron, **Lucy Jane Layer Jacoby '47** and husband Byron, **Sanford Lauderback '64** and wife Carolyn, **George Liston '52** and wife **Jane Devers Liston '52**, **Howard Longmire '55** and wife **Virginia Phillippi Longmire '55**, **Donna Love Lord '39**, **Ed Mentzer '58** and wife **Connie Myers Mentzer '60**, **Frank Puderbaugh '30** and wife Vivian, **Veda Mae Baskett Salyer '40** and husband Arthur, and **Ken Shively '50** and wife Marie.

Joining the group from the College were Director of Development **Jack Pietila '62** and wife **Mary Jean Barnhard Pietila '61**, and Alumni Coordinator Greg Johnson and wife Mary.



"It's been too long," says Milford Ater as he greets Virginia Garcia at the Dayton gathering. That's Dorothy Harbach in the background, chatting with a friend. (photo by Jack Pietila)



Host Jim Moore (left) enjoys a quick visit with (L-R) Carolyn and Dick Bridgman, and Carolyn and San Lauderback. (photo by Jack Pietila)

1955

Beverly Teeter Althouse, a 22-year employee of the Crawford School District, was a recipient of the employee of the year award. She lives in Bucyrus, Ohio.

1957

John R. Howe, professor of History at the University of Minnesota, and his brother, Charles, of Boulder, Colo., wish to announce the establishment of an endowed scholarship to honor their parents, J. Ruskin and Mary Elizabeth Howe. Dr. J. Ruskin Howe was president of Otterbein College from 1939 through 1945. His widow, "Betsy," is currently residing at the Otterbein Retirement Community in Lebanon, Ohio. Those desiring to contribute to this scholarship may send their contributions to the Development Office, Otterbein College, Westerville, 43081.

Lois Vore has accepted the position of biology instructor at Mansfield University in Mansfield, Pa.

1958

Marlene Lenhardt Finney is employed as an administrator working for community-based services for the elderly and disabled with the State of Kansas.

1959

Lee Elsass has retired from the educational field after 31 years. He had been the principal of East School in Greenville, Ohio, for the last 11 years.

Gary N. Termeer retired as professor of fire science at Columbus State Community College. He is now working as an administrative coordinator for the Ohio Emergency Medical Service Advisory Council and as safety coordinator for Setterlin Construction Company.

1959

Dale Crawford and wife Betty still enjoy traveling. They own a mountain home in Western North Carolina. They have three college-age children.

Tom LeBlanc has opened the "Just in Time" antique shop in downtown Newark, Ohio. Wife **Nancy Greer LeBlanc '61** is a sixth grade teacher at North Elementary School.

Chuck Lembright is working at the Gulfport High School in Mississippi, teaching drama and speech.

1960

James Earnest, a former FBI agent, has been named Jerrold Communications' director of security. He and wife Barbara will be living in the greater Philadelphia area.

1962

Paul R. Gutheil, a family physician with Family Practice West, Inc., was granted board certification in general practice. In addition, Dr. Gutheil recently was appointed clinical assistant professor in the department of family medicine at The Ohio State University.

Alumnus Leads OSU Singing Group to Top

The Ohio State University's Men's Glee Club, directed by **James Gallagher '63**, was named "Choir of the World" in July during an international competition in Wales.

Over 100 choirs from 32 countries competed at the 44th annual International Music Eisteddfod in Llangollen but the Ohio State group won the unanimous decision of nine judges in the "final four" competition, making them the first male chorus ever to win the event.

1963

Gary E. Delk was recently installed as chairman of Area XII, American Guild of English Handbell Ringers (Nevada, California and Hawaii). Delk has developed handbell programs for the public schools at the junior and senior high school levels.

1964

David A. Brown, Ph.D., is presently living and working in Cape Coral, Fla.

Lovelace is President of Professional Group

Linda D. Lovelace '70 was recently elected president of the National Association for Court Management (NACM) at its 1990 annual meeting. Lovelace is administrator of the Butler County Common Pleas Court, Division of Domestic Relations, in Hamilton.

An honorary lifetime member of the Ohio Association of Municipal Court Clerks, Lovelace has served on NACM's board of directors in various capacities.

Lovelace became the first woman court administrator in Butler County in January 1987. She also has served as clerk of courts for the county.

She currently is participating in the Court Executive Development Pro-



gram of the Institute for Court Management of the National Center for State Courts.

1965

Jim Walsh is a production engineer for Honeywell, Inc.-marine systems division in Everett, Wash.

1966

Jim Miskimen was named radio station manager of WNMU-FM at Northern Michigan University in Marquette. He was a contributing writer on a textbook dealing with radio production published by Focal Press. Daughter Julie was selected for *Who's Who Among American High School Students*.

Roy E. Palmer received his Ph.D. from The Ohio State University in vocational education, comprehensive program. Dr. Palmer is currently vice president of Hocking Technical College in Nelsonville, Ohio. He and wife **Esther Burgess Palmer '67** live in Logan, Ohio, with their four children, Marc, 18, Seth, 17, Whitney, 13, and Zachary, 9.

1967

Bruce W. King is an assistant professor of mathematics at Westfield State College in Massachusetts.

Jeff Olson has been named to a newly created position of senior vice president of Marketing for US Marine. Olson joined US Marine in 1987 as

vice president and general manager of Maxus Marine.

Janet Roll is president of the Ohio Section of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA) for this year. The section is 75 years old this year and she is the second woman president.

1969

Larry J. Evans received his Ph.D. in Theater Arts from UCLA. He is an assistant professor of communication arts and director of theater at the University of Wisconsin-Marathon Center in Wausau, Wis.

Kathy Cunningham Woodward

is an attorney with the law firm of Shumaker, Loop and Kendrick. Husband **Mark** is a physical therapist at Mercy Hospital in Toledo. Their son, Ian, is in the second grade.

1970

Betsy Bridwell works as an academic counselor in the Jackson School of International studies at the University of Washington in Seattle. She assisted the People to People organization of Spokane with a business delegation to the Soviet Union this summer.

Jerry Klenke was appointed to the position of director of the division of

teacher education and certification. Dr. Klenke joined the Ohio Department of Education in February 1988 as an educational consultant in the Division of Educational Services.

1973

Miriam Rugh Davisson has joined Wooster Printing & Litho, Inc., as a typesetter/computer operator in its graphic arts department.

1975

Julianne Witsberger Houston assumed chair of the Academic Library Association of Ohio support staff interest group. She has co-authored an article for the new library journal, *Library Mosaics*, titled "We Are All Professionals." She also had received an outstanding leader award recognizing her extensive work for the Helen Crane Service Unit of the Girl Scouts of United States of America.

Christine Warthen Jette is a registered nurse working at Topeka-Shawnee County Health Agency. She also is working on her master's degree in health education at the University of Kansas in Lawrence.

Jeff Liston has joined the law firm of Thomas Tyack and Associates in Columbus.

Tom Oliva was promoted to vice president of sales for Maxwell Communications Graphic Group.

Beth Machlan Sharp was awarded the master of science degree in genetics from Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland. Her field of research was retinitis pigmentosa, a genetic eye disorder which leads to blindness. Her husband, Dr. Paul Sharp, is a lecturer at the university's department of genetics and is also an associate professor at the University of Texas. Her address is 37 The Elms-Mt. Merriam Ave. Blackrock, Co. Dublin, Ireland.

1977

Rebecca L. Becker graduated from Medical College of Ohio, with a medical doctor degree. She has started her internal medicine residency in Kalamazoo, Mich.

L. Daniel Hawk recently joined the faculty of Centenary College in Shreveport, La., as an assistant professor of Religion. He completed his Ph.D. in Old Testament studies from Emory University in Atlanta.

Patricia Buchanan Pierpoint works as a guidance counselor for the Westerville City Schools.

Cheryl Garges Reynolds became a certified professional secretary after passing the six-part CPS exam. Cheryl is vice president of the North Dallas Chapter of Professional Secretaries International and serves on the PSI Northeast Texas Area Council of representatives.

1978

Tom Forman, North Union High School's vice principal and athletic director for the past four years, was named the school's new principal.

1979

Lynette Harville Nadal graduated from Arizona State University with a Ph.D. in curriculum and instruction with an emphasis in English as a second language. She is currently an assistant professor of English at Northwood College in West Palm Beach, Fla.

Louise Rynd has been named general counsel to handle the Pennsylvania Bankers Association's legal affairs. She joined the association in 1982 as resident counsel, primarily working in government relations.

Mike Wilhelm has joined Robin Enterprises Co., Westerville, as a sales representative for new color commercial printing accounts.

Sharon Williams-Webb and her family are still living in Anchorage, Alaska. She is a therapist at South Central Counseling Center.

1980

Linda Eberst Dorsten has been appointed an assistant professor of sociology at Elizabethtown College in Lancaster County, Pa.

Kathleen Lafferty Strine has been named director of nursing at Ashland, Ohio, Manor Nursing Home.

1981

Deann Donaugh Long is the newest staff member at the Sulphur Grove United Methodist Church in Dayton, Ohio, as the minister for Christian Education.



A Return of Royalty

Recognize these former Otterbein homecoming queens? (L-R) **Rebekah Medaugh Carlisle '81**, **Shonda Keckley '86** and **Juanita Gardis Foltz '48** returned to their alma mater to be featured in the 1990 homecoming parade. The three later reigned over the football game (Cardinals over Marietta 24-23) from special seats in the President's Box.

Evan MacKenzie (Toby Uchtman) has completed his second starring role in the motion picture "Children of the Night," which is due for theatrical release in January. He has studied classically at the professional actors training program at the University of Washington. He has worked in many regional theatres which include Los Angeles Theatre Center, the Mark Taper Forum, New Mexico Repertory and Actors Theatre of Louisville. He is also a founding member of the Shakespeare Festival-L.A., now in its fifth season as a full professional company.

Dan Pohl is the alumni director at Wilmington College.

1982

Barbara Bidwell Gray is presently employed by two medical doctors at Riverside Methodist Hospitals, Columbus.

Rick Harle received a master's degree in Educational Administration from The Ohio State University. He is teaching health and physical education at Buckeye Valley High School. Wife **Sonya Spangler Harle '84** received a master's degree in early, middle childhood education from Ohio State. She teaches third grade at Olentangy School.

1983

Kay Atkinson Ball recently joined Mount Carmel Medical Center as director of laser program services. She has also authored several books on laser usage.

1984

H. Frank Swinford has been named assistant plant manager at Griffin Wheel Company, Columbus plant.

Cynthia Osborn Thaman was ordained as an Elder and admitted into membership in full connection with the West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church. She will serve as associate pastor of Church of the Saviour United Methodist in Westerville.

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1985

Allison M. Dixon of Chillicothe, Ohio, has received the juris doctor degree from Ohio Northern University.

Sharon Frisbee Wilson is currently a member of the Sacramento Symphony Chorus.

1986

Cherie O'Donnell-Curley is currently a pilot for United Airlines. She was hired as a Boeing 727 flight engineer and has now upgraded to a first officers position on a Boeing 737-300. The 737 is the new advanced glass cockpit airplane.

Michael E. Huston received a doctor of philosophy degree from The Ohio State University. He will begin a post-doctoral research position at Ohio State in the areas of organic chemistry and materials science. Wife **Lisa A. Collins Huston '88** passed her general examination and admission to candidacy for the Ph.D. degree at Ohio State. Lisa will work toward the completion of her major in analytical chemistry.

Debbie Ketner was recently hired by SOS Productions, Inc., of Columbus as an operations coordinator.

1987

Jacquelyn S. Jones received her master's degree in school psychology from James Madison University in Harrisburg, Va. She currently is enrolled in the educational specialist program in school psychology at J.M.U.

Carrie M. Logsdon is in her final year of study at The Ohio State University College of Dentistry. She is actively involved in ASDA and the American Association of Women Dentists.

1988

Steven A. Davis of Cardington, Ohio, has received a teaching fellowship from Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind. He also will work on a master's degree in French.

Patricia Brodin Grant was promoted to senior benefit analyst at MCA (Managed Care Administrators) in San Diego, Calif.

Debra K. Lamp is the director of greek organizations/hall director at Capital University in Columbus. She graduated from Bowling Green State University with two master's degrees, counselin, and college student personnel.

Tammy Roberts of Dublin, Ohio, was recognized by the Central Ohio Public Relations Society of America as "Rookie of the Year." She is a public relations assistant for Bob Evans Farms Inc.

1989

Angela Hoover is employed by the Hyatt Hotels as a guest relations agent. She lives in Sunbury, Ohio.

Della Iezzi teaches all levels of junior and high school Spanish at St. Peter's High School in Mansfield, Ohio. She is also the "Odyssey of the Mind" coach for the high school.

Laura Guy Nash is a graphic artist for the Murfin Division which is located in Columbus.

Heidi Youngen is the assistant of travel operations for Youth for Understanding International Exchange at their international headquarters in Washington, D.C.

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BIRTHS

Birth in the Family?

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1972

J.W. (Pete) Grauer and wife Elaine, a son, Robert Wesley. He joins brother Joey, 3.

1973

Don Foster and wife Sharon, a daughter, Kristen Elizabeth, born June 11, 1990.

Carrie Straup Moncrief and husband, a son, David Lester, born July 1, 1990. He joins sister Erica Teresa, 13, and brother Matthew, 4.

1975

Karla Jones Smith and husband Michael, a son, Benjamin Andrew. He joined the Smith family on June 3, 1990.

1976

Lizette Paul Peters and husband Joe, a son, Christopher Ross, born April 3, 1990. He joins sister Laura Beth.

1977

L. Daniel Hawk and wife Linda, a son, Daniel John, born May 3, 1990.

Richard A. Shank and wife Julie, a daughter, Jessica Ashley, born Sept. 5, 1990.

1978

Betsy Martin Harvey and husband Jeff, a daughter, Jillian Elizabeth, born March 6, 1990. She joins twin brothers Jacob and Zachary, 4.

1979

Donald Brough and wife **Karen Horn Brough '80**, a daughter, Olivia Louise, born July 10, 1990. She joins sister Ariel Ann, 2.

P. Kim Bodell Coleman and husband Bill, a son, Michael William, born Dec. 16, 1989. He joins sister Allison, 4.

Sharon Williams Webb and husband Dan, a daughter, Rachel Kay, born June 19, 1990. She joins brother Adam Daniel, 3.

1980

Lori McCullen Parr and husband Clayton, a son, Nathan, born May 25, 1990.

1981

Leslie Olmstead Mertens and husband Christopher, a daughter, Kelly Anne, born May 6, 1990. She joins brother Robert, 20 months.

1982

D. Scott Clark and wife **Kendra Martin Clark**, a son, Adam Martin, born April 18, 1990. He joins sister Courtney, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Rick Harle and wife **Sonya Spangler Harle '84**, a son, Tylor Jordan, born June 12, 1990.

Susan Leonard Holbrook and husband, Mirl, a son, Zachary Mirl, born May 14, 1990.

Mark Johnson and wife **Deborah Hillis Johnson '84**, a daughter, Lauren Elizabeth Mae, born May 31, 1990. She joins brother Evan Raymond, 2.

Timothy Potts and wife **Lisa Meacci Potts '83**, a daughter, Emily Rose, born Dec. 27, 1989.

Julia Hintz Smith and husband Dan, a son, Conner William, born August 2, 1990.

1983

Robin Mcle Kocher and husband Jeffrey, a daughter, Lydia Marie, born Aug. 10, 1990.

Valerie DeVore Yurich and husband **Jack Yurich '84**, a son, Brock Tyler, born May 1, 1989. He joins sister Mackenzie, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$.

1984

Lee Anne Bookmyer Carroll and husband Jeff, a son, Clayton Robert, born July 24, 1990.

Sandy Ramsey Kimmel and husband **David Kimmel '85**, a son, Benjamin Lee, born Sept. 2, 1990.

Caroline Blamble Sanford and husband Don, a son, Ethan Michael, born March 10, 1990.

Denise Deal Momburg and husband Scott, a son, Carey Dacanay, born May 17, 1990. He joins brother Zachary Michael, 4.

LuAnn Ray Riley and husband Aron, a son, Shannon Scott, born Jan. 21, 1989.

Lori Plummer West and husband Gary, a daughter, Kathryn Christine, born May 10, 1990. She joins brother Matthew, 1.

1986

Karen Gibson Davis and husband Jeff, a son, D.J. (Donald Jon), born Aug. 14, 1990. He joins brother Vincent.

Heide Matzke Kellett and husband Andrew, a son, Thomas Andrew, born July 3, 1990.

1987

Becky Barnes Harris and husband **Dan Harris '88**, a son, Adam Michael, born Feb. 1, 1990.

1988

Polly Huston Ekin and husband **Brad Ekin '89**, a son, Caleb Richard, born Sept. 15, 1990.

Lori Ricevuto Moore and husband Richard, a daughter, Samantha JoAnn, born July 3, 1990.

MARRIAGES

1965

Jim Walsh to Theda Pennington on July 7, 1990.

1978

Jane Dugan to Joseph R. Amato on March 17, 1990.

1979

Karen Blythe to Mark Mango on Feb. 17, 1990.

1981

DeAnn D. Donagh to Kenneth M. Long on May 26, 1990.

Dan Pohl to Kimberly Younkin on June 30, 1990.

1982

Amy L. Conrad to Mark S. Levine on July 28, 1990.

Dino A. Guanciale to Christina L. Yannon on June 2, 1990.

Randy Rogers to Lisa Raines on May 5, 1990.

1984

Julia T. Slack to Kevin L. Kline on March 31, 1990.

1985

Paul L. Martell to Kimberly Johnson on Jan. 5, 1990.

Patricia Royer to Jeffrey Nashar on Sept. 8, 1990.

Jeffrey D. Stewart to Theresa M. Dillon on June 20, 1990.

1987

Dawn Calder to **Rob Rode '90** on June 30, 1990.

Patricia A. Fott to Joseph D. Geary on June 24, 1990.

Stephanie R. Haney to **Timothy J. Gerckens '88** on Dec. 6, 1988.

Tim O'Neal to Tracey Bowman on June 1, 1990.

Laurie Zintel to Laurence Landon on June 23, 1990.

1988

Susan Bodell to Todd Miller on Oct. 7, 1989.

Patricia K. Brodin to Jeff C. Grant on April 28, 1990.

Carolyn Donoghue to **Greg Huffer '89** on June 30, 1990.

Shannon Miller to **Julie Hetzel '90** on June 30, 1990.

Kez Ward to **C. David Mitchell '89** on Nov. 3, 1989.

1989

Kimberly K. Allen to **Daniel Wolford '90** on Aug. 8, 1990.

Christina Fehrman to Paul Demas on June 23, 1990.

Robert Finney to Wendy McWhorter on July 21, 1990.

Laura L. Guy to Slater C. Nash Jr. on Aug. 18, 1990.

Michael Hicks to Paula Tankovich on July 26, 1990.

Kelly Patrick to Tom McMillen on May 12, 1990.

Kevin Strous to **Kathy Conte '90** on Sept. 1, 1990.

Michael S. Thomas to Tracy L. McCalla on Aug. 25, 1990.

1990

Michelle L. Brown to John P. West on Sept. 8, 1990.

Kelly J. Chase to Jon F. Mitchell on June 13, 1990

Susan Heitkamp to James Christman on May 19, 1990.

Michael A. Neubig to Caroline M. Rieser on July 7, 1990.

Victoria L. Sherer to Joseph A. Trapp on July 21, 1990.

Rachel Von Seggern to James Schmitz on June 30, 1990.

Former Alumni Presidents Meet

Fourteen former presidents of the Alumni Association met over Homecoming weekend to establish a "Presidents Council." The group will serve as an adjunct "brain trust" for Alumni Council activities and initiatives. Pictured right are (L-R) **Melissa Barr Snider '77**, **Wade Vance '47**, Alumni Coordinator **Greg Johnson** (standing), **David Allaman '30**, **Edna Smith Zech '33**, **Bill Evans '56** (at podium), and **Grace Burdge Augspurger '39**. Others who attended include **Harold Augspurger '41**, **Norman Dohn '43**, **Denton Elliott '37**, **Craig Gifford '57**, **Robert Knight '28**, **Margaret Lloyd Trent '65** and **William Freeman '57**. Representing the College were **Joanne VanSant**, vice president for Student Affairs and dean of students, and **Jack Pietila '62**, director of Development.



DEATHS

Former member of the Otterbein College staff **Josephine G. Skaates**, Oct. 3, 1990, Columbus, Ohio. She had served as secretary to three presidents of the College. She had been an active member of the Church of the Master United Methodist in Westerville, Westerville Garden Club, Westerville Historical Society, Otterbein Women's Club, and the Columbus Coterie Club. Skaates is survived by son and daughter-in-law **William '58** and Marilyn Skaates.

1919

Gladys Swigart, July 29, 1990, Judson Nursing Home, Cleveland. Swigart retired in 1962 from Oberlin College where she had been director of residences and dining halls since 1934. She was a member of Epworth Euclid United Methodist Church and the Cleveland Council on World Affairs. She enjoyed trips sponsored by the Council, including a trip around the world in 1973.

1922

Emily Arnold Seneff, June 8, 1990, Pueblo, Colo. Seneff was preceded in death by husband **John '23**. She is survived by son Gordon.

1924

Kenneth P. Priest, Jan. 27, 1990, Westerville. Priest taught in the Columbus Public School for 41 years. He is survived by wife Hazel, daughter and son-in-law, Marguerite and **Robert Rosensteel '49**, daughter **Meredith Priest Neff '66**, and son **David K. '50**.

1926

Lester B. Cox, May 10, 1990, Newark, Ohio. Cox entered Otterbein when he was 16 years old and had the distinction of being the youngest student to graduate from the College. He was a member of Sigma Delta Phi. During his senior year he was the manager of the basketball team. Cox began his teaching career with the Newark City Schools after graduation and was named Central Junior High School

Missionary Doctor Dies in Puerto Rico

John A. Smith '33 died September 14, 1990 in Humacao, Puerto Rico, at Ryder Memorial Hospital where he had served as medical director for 30 years. Dr. Smith graduated from Otterbein in 1933 and received a bachelor of science degree from the College in 1938. He earned a master of divinity degree from United Seminary in Dayton, and his medical degree from The Ohio State University.

Smith served as a missionary doctor and medical director of Ryder Memorial Hospital until 1976. In 1963 the Council for Health and Welfare of the United Church of Christ presented him with a plaque for his service in the ministry of diakonia. In 1975 he received the Medico del Ano of Puerto Rico.

Smith was named distinguished alumnus of Otterbein College in 1964 and in 1977 was awarded a doctor of humanities degree. He received the special achievement award from the College of Medicine at The Ohio State University in 1986. In 1987, the Health and Welfare Council of the United Church of Christ named him trustee of the year at its national meeting in New Orleans. Dr. Smith is survived by his wife, **Virginia Norris Smith '36**, sons and daughters-in-law, and sisters **Edna Smith Zech '33** and **Ella B. Smith Toedtman '36**.

principal in 1939. He served in that capacity for 21 years. From 1960 to 1967 he was principal for Wilson Junior High and was the director of Juvenile Court. Cox is survived by wife Martha, son Larry, brother **Stewart '35**, and three grandchildren which include **Shari Cox Goodwin '86** and **Gregory '88**.

Mary Viola Priest Menke, June 14, 1990, Lakeland, Fla. Menke is survived by daughter, Barbara Menke Klein.

Paul Upson, March 10, 1990, Cleveland.

1929

We have received word on the death of **Dorothy Phillips Hydorn**.

1930

Rachel Brant, Sept. 22, 1990.

Elsie Bennett Byers, July 15, 1990, Westerville. Mrs. Byers taught school for 27 years in Ohio and Kentucky. She was preceded in death by husband **Waldo '28**. Byers is survived by her children, sister **Mary Bennett Green '27**, and brother **William Bennett '25**.

Ruth C. Frees, Sept. 24, 1990. Frees is survived by brothers **Paul '35** and Louis, and sisters **Gladys Frees Morrison '32** and Mabel L. Warstler.

Harry A. Simmermacher, July 25, 1990, Everett, Wash. Simmermacher retired in 1973 from Everett Community College where he taught chemistry. He is survived by wife Marian.

1931

Kathleen Hancock Runk, March 10, 1990, Harrisburg, Pa. Runk taught school in the Philipsburg School District for several years, where she coached and refereed basketball. She retired in 1975 from the Central Dauphin School District. She was a member of the Paxton Presbyterian Church. Runk is survived by her children.

1932

Jennie Reay Broughton, Nov. 15, 1989. Broughton is survived by daughter Jean Foster.

1937

Jeanette White Miller, Oct. 7, 1990, Lancaster, Ohio. Miller was a retired Fairfield County School teacher. She is survived by husband Berlin, daughter Frances, and sister **Elizabeth White Oyler '27**.

1942

Lillian Bale Roof, June 28, 1990, Jacksonville, Fla.

1943

Dortha Sickler Lockhart, August 13, 1990, Orlando, Fla. Lockhart was a

member of Epsilon Kappa Tau Sorority. She is survived by husband Merl.

1944

Donald E. King, Aug. 13, 1990, Colorado Springs. King had been a professional mediator, court referee and university administrator. He was regional director of the National Conference of Christians and Jews in Denver. He then became the administrator of the Colorado Springs Center, now the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs. Among his affiliations were the American Civil Liberties Union, the Urban League, Pikes Peak Legal Services and various mediator organizations. He was a trustee of the Unitarian Universalist Association of North America for eight years and an active member of All Souls Unitarian Church for 40 years. King is survived by wife Jessie M., and brother **H. Wendell King '48**.

1945

Ray B. Hughes, June 9, 1990, Columbus. Rev. Hughes served as pastor of the Kline Memorial and Pleasant Hill Churches, Enterprise, several churches in Columbus, Cincinnati, Zanesville, Portsmouth and Blanchester. He was a member of Mingo Lodge 171, F.&A.M.; Logan Chapter 75, R.A.M.; and Hock-Hocking Coun-

cil 39. Hughes is survived by wife Lorna and sons Phil and Greg.

Ella Jane Alexander O'Grady, June 9, 1990, Rapid City, S.D. While attending Otterbein, O'Grady was the secretary of the Quiz and Quill Club from 1943 to 1945. After graduation she went to Washington, D.C., where she was a translator of French, Spanish, Portuguese and Italian for the department of the Navy. She is survived by husband William.

1947

Dorothy Henderson Bellware, June 10, 1990, Metucken, N.J. Bellware is survived by daughter Jean Bellware-Lewis.

Jeanne Bilger Gross, Aug. 26, 1990, Westerville. Gross formerly taught for the Westerville school system and had been an adjunct professor at Nova University in Miami. She was a member of the Church of the Master United Methodist in Westerville. Gross is survived by husband, **V. Dean Gross '49**, two children, and sister **Kay Bilger Waggamon '55**.

1959

Dawn Miller Bishop, Aug. 10, 1990, Munroe Falls, Ohio. Bishop was

active in the Stow Presbyterian Church, garden club and the Munroe Falls Historical Society. She is survived by her children, mother and sister **Eve Miller Farrell '57**.

1961

Jacob H. Elberfeld, June 26, 1990, Marysville, Ohio. Elberfeld attended medical school at The Ohio State University. A former staff doctor and general surgeon with Union County Memorial, he worked for the Community Medical Center in Marion, Ohio. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church and an assistant scout master for Troop #101, all of Marysville. He is survived by wife Kathy, and mother **Mary Beth Hansel Elberfeld '54** of Westerville, sister and brother-in-law **Sara '61** and **David Deever '61**.

1962

Alan C. Ford, March 14, 1989, Cape Coral, Fla. Ford was a retired administrator for the Ohio Department of Health. He was a member of the Shelby, Ohio, Lodge No. 350, F.&A.M. Ford is survived by wife Carolyn.

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Alberta	1	Louisiana	23	Ontario	11
Alaska	18	Massachusetts	93	Oregon	26
Alabama	27	Manitoba	1	Pennsylvania	480
Arkansas	12	Maryland	133	Quebec	1
Arizona	108	Maine	27	Puerto Rico	3
British Columbia	9	Michigan	243	Rhode Island	14
California	404	Minnesota	42	South Carolina	42
Colorado	120	Missouri	47	South Dakota	4
Connecticut	66	Mississippi	10	Saskatchewan	2
District of Columbia ..	15	Montana	6	Tennessee	67
Delaware	20	North Carolina	114	Texas	214
Florida	511	North Dakota	5	Utah	9
Georgia	105	New Hampshire	20	Virginia	192
Hawaii	21	New Jersey	120	Vermont	13
Iowa	24	New Mexico	42	Washington	75
Idaho	7	Nova Scotia	1	Wisconsin	42
Illinois	144	Nevada	15	West Virginia	68
Indiana	156	New York	282	Wyoming	7
Kansas	32	Ohio	8,121	Foreign Countries	82
Kentucky	83	Oklahoma	19		

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AFTERWORD

THE HASSLES WITH TASSELS

Eileen Thomas was enlisted into employment at Otterbein in 1965 when dean of students Joanne VanSant was looking for a few good residence hall directors. Mrs. T, as she was known during her tour of duty at the College, was assigned a hazardous mission—to serve as head resident of the women's dorm, which turned out to be Hanby, Mayne and King (for a brief spell) Halls over the years.

Mrs. T accumulated many memories during her ten-year stay at the College while she earned a reputation for being strict but fair ("They thought I had microphones in the potted plants"), and always ready with a wisecrack (ask her "girls" about her "orthopedic underwear") or a Kleenex ("I used to stock up on them at Schottenstein's").

One of her memories centers around that annual ritual of pomp and circumstance—commencement. Those were the days when the ceremonies included a procession which started at the Campus Center, with faculty and graduating seniors in appropriate garb, and ended at Memorial Stadium where the speeches were made, diplomas were awarded, and tears were invariably shed. It was before the days of the Rike Center and the now-familiar hooding rite, symbolic of the graduate's completion of studies*. As Mrs. T recounts, during her Otterbein years other traditions symbolized the student's rite of passage, but they weren't always appreciated by fellow spectators.

"The year was 1966 and I was attending my first Otterbein commencement. I was seated in the bleachers with parents and families.

"As the graduates stepped on stage to receive their diplomas from the president, he in turn, while handing each of them their awards for four years of achievement and hard work, reached up and rearranged the tassel on each student's mortar board by flipping it to the other side. At the time, I didn't understand the significance of this procedure, but down in the recesses of my mind it occurred to me that it meant 'I'm out of here!'

"Suddenly, from the seat behind me, and with utter disgust in his voice, a man (whom I can only assume was a parent) expressed the following statement, 'Well, can you believe after four years and all the expense of educating your children, not one of those graduates had their hats on correctly! The president had to redo every single one of their tassels!'

Eileen Thomas Barnes currently resides in Euclid, Ohio and loves to share her Otterbein memories, of which there are many.

**At that time, the hooding ceremony was held at the baccalaureate services.*

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Individual Class Reunions- Saturday, June 15

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1941 Golden Class Reunion

Members of reunion classes will receive information on Alumni Weekend throughout the year. If you are not a member of a reunion class and would like information on Alumni Weekend, please write to Greg Johnson, Alumni Relations, Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio 43081.

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