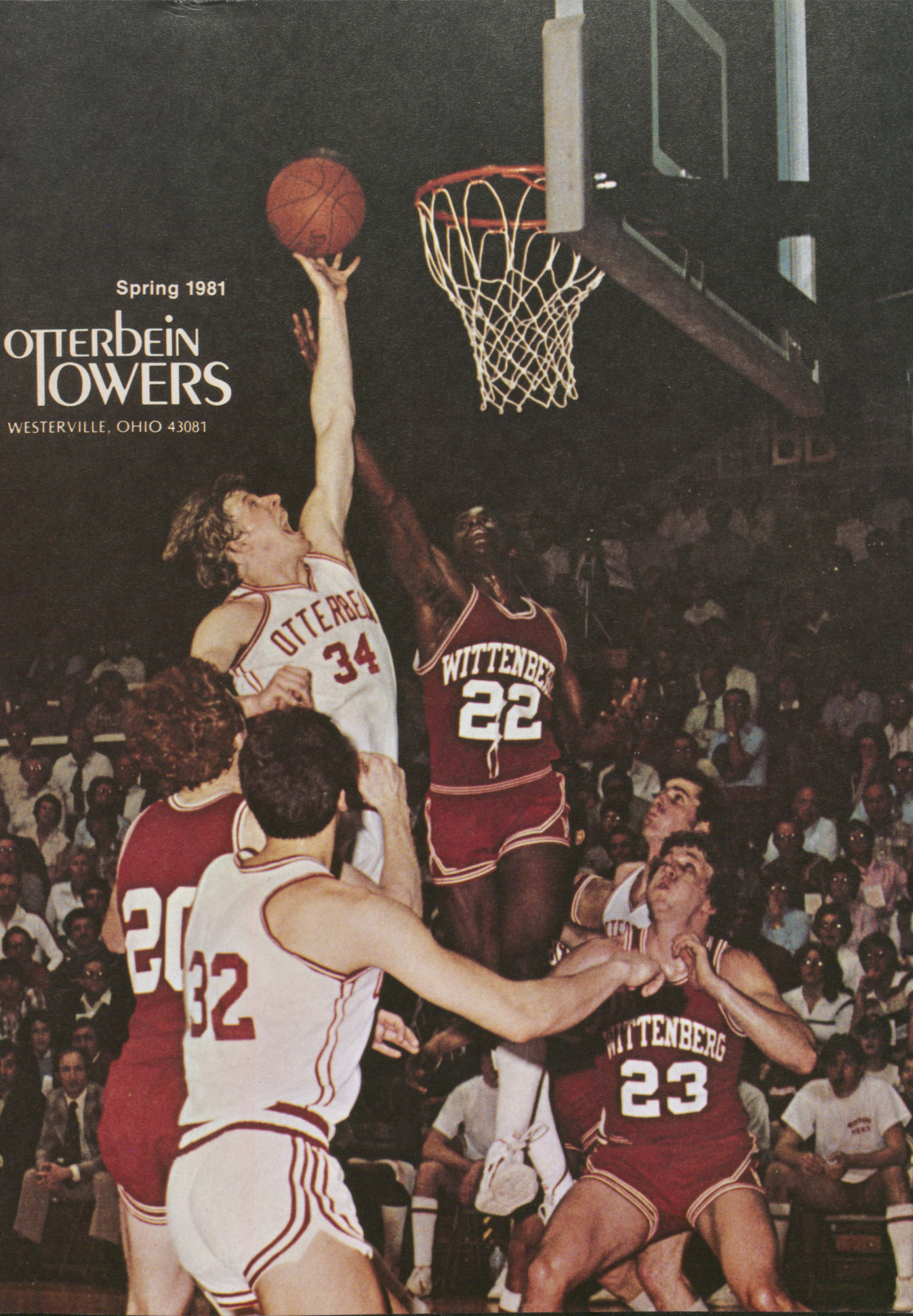


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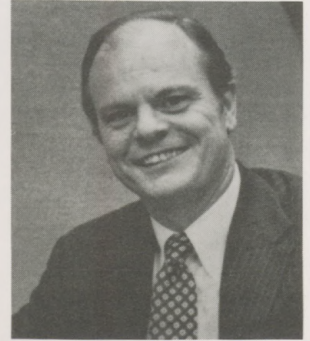
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# Message from the President

Dear Otterbein Alumni and Friends:



Return to Otterbein! You have cause for pride. In 1980-1981 athletic achievement provided an exceptional rallying point. The exciting basketball team reached the final four in the NCAA Division III Tournament, the deepest penetration by any Otterbein team in NCAA competition. The cross country team won its first Ohio Athletic Conference title and the football team had a winning season that included the Fall Homecoming and Capital game victories. Baseball and track offer promise of spring bloom.

Sports accomplishments only reflect Otterbein's deeper drive for excellence. The College offers a dynamic academic program, responsive to new needs while traditional in commitment to quality, the liberal arts and Christian value concerns. Remarkable faculty professional leadership and achievements assume their most important meaning through caring concern for students.

I am proud of you. You have helped us move ahead. In 1980 more of you gave to our Development Program than ever before. I challenge you to help Otterbein fulfill its promise by exceeding this 1980 record. In 1981, LET'S DO IT AGAIN! I challenge you to help Otterbein fulfill its promise by assisting us in recruiting high school seniors as yet undecided on a college and by identifying juniors who have potential to benefit from an Otterbein education.

Come home to Otterbein. Otterbein is personal. Talk to faculty, staff and students. Explore our program. Visit our fine campus. Your pride will run deep. Join us in the promise of tomorrow—the commitment to excellence. Come home to Otterbein—at Alumni Day, at Homecoming, any time. We welcome you! We need you!

Enthusiastically yours,

THOMAS J. KERR, IV  
 President



# Campus News

## Washington Semester Plan highlights History/Political Science program

Want to spend several months working in a fascinating city, meeting political leaders, and seeing government at work?

The Washington Semester Plan offers Otterbein students just such a chance to study and work in Washington, D.C. Students can intern with a congressman, a federal office, or a government bureau. They attend stimulating seminars at which top government officials and public leaders lecture. Students also have the opportunity to tour various places of interest in the Washington area and to take a course at American University.

The Washington Semester Plan is administered each fall term by American University in Washington, D.C. Otterbein's Department of History and Political Science has been offering the plan as an option since 1955. Current students earn three to four credits by participating in the program.

Students are alerted to the plan in several different ways. Some have seen posters advertising the plan while others have had professors mention it in class.

Otterbein senior Jayne Bean from Columbus heard about the program even before she entered college. She exclaimed, "I knew I wanted to participate before I came to Otterbein for my freshman year!"

Jayne took part in the program in the fall of 1979. While interning two days a week with the Department of Commerce, she also attended three days of seminars weekly. In addition, she took a business law class at American University.

Full of praise for the plan, Jayne said: "It's such a great experience because you're right on top of everything. I highly recommend the program."

As a political science major, Jayne said she feels her semester in Washington aided her in setting

career goals for working in international relations. Another important lesson she learned from the experience was how to relate better to people.

Six Otterbein students participated in the plan during the fall term of 1980. One of them was Dave Yaussy, a senior from Willoughby, who is majoring in political science and history.

Dave interned with the Department of Energy in the Office of Small Scale Inventions and Technology. Working at his post two days each week, Dave attended seminars the other three weekdays and took a history course at American University.

According to Dave, the seminars were the most beneficial part of the program. "I liked the variety that was presented," he explained.

Another benefit Dave said was "sampling the cultural diversions" in Washington, D.C. His experiences during the semester also helped to confirm his decision to enter law school following his graduation from Otterbein.

"I would advise others who are going into the program to select their internship very carefully, and not to set their sights too low," reflected Dave. "There certainly is no lack of opportunity!"

Dave and Jayne both enthusiastically recommended the program and the rich background of experience it offers. They encouraged students to take advantage of this option while attending Otterbein.

Dr. John Laubach, professor of political science at Otterbein College, is the advisor for the Washington Semester Plan. According to Dr. Laubach, most Otterbein graduates who have participated in the program have also chosen law or government-related jobs.

Students must apply for acceptance to the program during winter term at Otterbein. The semester



Forty-eight winners of endowed named scholarships were honored April 11 at a recognition luncheon in the Campus Center. Here (r-l) Wendy Peterson, winner of the Junk Scholarship, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Peterson of Kettering, chat with Dr. Jeanne Willis, chairman of Life and Earth Sciences, and her husband, Clyde.

ends before Christmas, enabling students to return to Otterbein for the following winter term.

*This story was written by Lois Reeser, an Otterbein senior. Ms. Reeser, a 1978 graduate of Pequea Valley High School, is majoring in speech communications with a concentration in broadcasting. She is from Gap, Pennsylvania.*

## Athletic director to tour Europe

Otterbein's director of athletics, Elmer "Bud" Yoest '53, will conduct a series of track and field clinics in Europe in late May and June. Dr. Yoest was invited by Otterbein alumnus, John D. (Jack) Pietila '62 who serves the United States Air Force in Europe (USAFE) as chief of morale, welfare and recreation. Major Pietila, married to the former Mary Jean Barnhard '61, is stationed at Rhein Main Air Force Base in Frankfurt, West Germany.

Dr. Yoest will run six two-day clinics in six different countries as part of the USAFE clinic program. The sessions will be designed to offer instruction in track and field events to service personnel who range in experience in track from zero to twenty years and who participate as athletes, coaches and officials. Dr. Yoest will conduct clinics in the United Kingdom on May 25 and 26, West Germany on May 28 and 29, Spain on June 3 and 4, Turkey on June 6 and 7, Greece on June 11 and 12, and in Italy June 14 and 15.





## Otterbein hosts 20th Annual Otterbein-Battelle Science Fair

Young and aspiring Central Ohio scientists have been provided the opportunity to display their scientific skills for the 20th consecutive year at the Otterbein-Battelle Science Fair held April 9-10 in the Rike Center.

This year nearly 35 high school students from throughout the Central Ohio area competed in the fair, according to Dr. George J. Phinney, professor of life science and director of the science fair. For the second consecutive year Dr. Phinney was joined by Duane A. Yothers '55, of Battelle Memorial Institute as the fair's associate director.

The Otterbein-Battelle Science Fair began in 1962 largely through the efforts of the late Dr. Lyle J. Michael '19, chairman of Otterbein's chemistry department from 1937 until his retirement in 1964. Even after he left active faculty status, Dr. Michael remained director of the fair through 1973. Dr. Phinney has been the fair's director since 1974.

"We feel that the science fair not only affords students an opportunity to display their exhibits, but it gives them an opportunity to observe what others in the area are doing," Dr. Phinney states. "It enables them to discuss their projects with other students and with judges in various scientific fields."

The judging of the exhibits is done both rigorously and expertly by a panel of more than 60 judges

consisting of Otterbein faculty, advanced science students, Battelle scientists, and other practicing scientists from throughout the area.

The Otterbein-Battelle Science Fair is affiliated with the International Science and Engineering Fair administered by Science Service of Washington, D.C. The two first-place winners from the Otterbein fair will participate in the international fair in Milwaukee during May.

And winners from the Otterbein-Battelle fair have made themselves well-known in past international fairs. They have won some award or recognition most years, and their success reached its peak in 1979 when a local winner became one of three international winners and received a trip to the Nobel Prize awards ceremony in Sweden.

## Alumni Skills Bank receives support

The Alumni Skills Bank, reported on in the Spring, 1980 issue of *Towers*, is helping to provide students with a glimpse of life beyond college. The program is designed to link students with alumni and friends of Otterbein who can pass on valuable insights into the work-a-day world. The bank currently contains better than two hundred names of volunteers, or sponsors, as they are referred to in the program.

Last November, three alumni, Barb Jacoby, Dick Beckner and Bob Ostrander, spoke to seniors about careers in the field of accounting. Barb, a 1977 graduate, majored in business administration and accounting while at Otterbein and currently serves as an accounting senior systems analyst at Ross Labs. Dick, a graduate in 1969, was a business and economics major and is a supervisor for excise tax and audit entry for the State of Ohio. Bob graduated in 1968 with a major in math and business and is now self employed as a certified financial planner.

A presentation featuring the field of marketing was delivered last February by Steve Fackler, a 1980 graduate, and Jeff Hartnell, a product manager at Adria Labora-



**Two first prize winners were named at the 1981 Otterbein-Battelle Science Fair. Rod Stebelton (top), a senior at Bloom Carroll High School in Fairfield County, and Timothy Trolano, a sophomore at Bishop Watterson High School in Columbus, advanced to the International Science and Engineering Fair in Milwaukee in May. Rod's project was titled "Solid State Control of Automated Industrial Spotwelding," and Timothy's was called "The Induction and Study of Maxillae and Premaxillae Clefts in Albino Mice."**



stories. Steve majored in business at Otterbein and now works for Burroughs Corporation in sales to large accounts.

Also in February, a management presentation featured Monique Clark, George Brooks, and Mike Knapp, Jr. Monique, a 1976 graduate in business, was formerly in personnel with The Limited before coming to Otterbein this year as office manager in the Admissions office. George graduated from Otterbein in 1964 and now holds the position of vice president for commercial lending at the Huntington National Bank. Mike, like Jeff Hartnell, is not an alumnus of Otterbein. He also serves as a production manager at Adria Laboratories.

Through the efforts of these individuals, students have a better idea of the opportunities and pitfalls of their particular fields and, as a result, are better prepared for their life's work.

## Richer Scholarship to aid Otterbein ministerial students

Combined assets from 40 acres of farm land and a cash bequest will endow scholarship assistance for future Otterbein College students planning to enter the ministry of the United Methodist Church.

Benjamin F. Richer '11, a retired United Methodist minister, and his wife, Edith Hahn Richer '19, have given the College a 40-acre farm located in Miami County, Indiana. Proceeds from the sale of that property are being combined with cash willed to the College by the late Mrs. Harry E. Richer (Ethel Shupe '14) to create the Richer Brothers Scholarship. The new scholarship will be awarded annually to a full-time student whose declared intention with the church is to become a minister in the United Methodist Church.

Benjamin Richer and his late brother, Harry E. Richer '14, were evangelists and ministers in the United Methodist Church for more

## Foreign Language department continues to grow

For years, students have brought apples for their teachers.

This year, an "apple" was brought to the students at Otterbein—in the form of Apple II. Apple II is a micro-computer that is the newest "faculty member" of the Department of Foreign Language.

By programming the computer for a specific exercise, the student can drill himself in foreign vocabulary and grammar. If the student types in the wrong answer, Apple II will correct him.

Foreign Language Department Chairperson Dr. Roger Neff discovered Computer Assisted Instruction (CAI) while attending a conference in New York City. Dr. Neff explained that he thought Apple II was very useful in teaching critical languages such as Italian and Russian. "Apple II

allows the student to do language drills on his own time and work as quickly as he desires," he said.

Eighteen countries are represented on the Otterbein campus. To help foreign students who need to learn or improve their English in order to participate in regular college classes, the foreign language department offers the English as a Second Language (ESL) program.

After taking the Test of English as a Foreign Language, students are placed into one of two categories, intense or semi-intense. Intense students are placed in a complete five hour-a-day program consisting of language, grammar and communication skills. Semi-intense students normally take one additional college course and spend two hours a day studying reading, writing and library skills.

Dr. Neff commented that the ESL program gives American and foreign Otterbein students the opportunity to learn a great deal about foreign culture. Another advantage is that some of these foreign students remain on campus to complete their education after they have become fluent in the English language.

"Although the ESL program has been growing slowly, the foreign language department is optimistic about its future," said Mrs. Susan Klopp, director of the program. "The staff has decided to devote additional time to recruiting foreign students. With a greater amount of effort, the program should continue to expand."

The curriculum in the foreign language department is also expanding. Two classes have been added. The first is Commercial French, which combines business and French for students interested in international business. The class also helps prepare students for a test developed and graded by the Paris Chamber of Commerce. Upon passing the test, the student receives a certificate stating he is capable of handling business on an international level.

"At the present, this type of class is only offered in French,"

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than 55 years each.

"This major scholarship will honor and memorialize the Richers for their outstanding service to the church, the community, and to Otterbein College," stated Franklin D. Fite, vice president for development and public relations. "It will provide great incentive and assistance to many future Otterbein students who want to prepare for the ministry."

Vice President Fite also pointed out that outright gifts of real estate can be used toward the establishment of endowed scholarships or other forms of endowment at Otterbein.

"The College often receives gifts of cash or stocks for endowment purposes. Those are excellent means of establishing scholarships, but real estate gifts can be easily used for endowment purposes too," he added.



**Benjamin and Edith Hahn Richer are shown with President Thomas J. Kerr, IV at an Alumni Day gathering. The generosity of the Richer family has provided a new endowed scholarship for Otterbein students who plan careers in the United Methodist ministry.**





# Flying High with the Cardinals

by **Mike Belek**  
Sports Information Director

Jangling telephones cause nervous tension...so do quiet ones. A silent telephone on the eve of NCAA basketball tournament bids was not what Otterbein coach Dick Reynolds wanted to hear.

The call finally came, the offer was accepted and the Cardinals, who had already been OAC co-champions, were off on their most productive excursion into post-season play which ended with the Division III Final Four in Rock Island, Illinois. Not bad for a team picked to finish sixth in the Ohio Conference preseason polls.

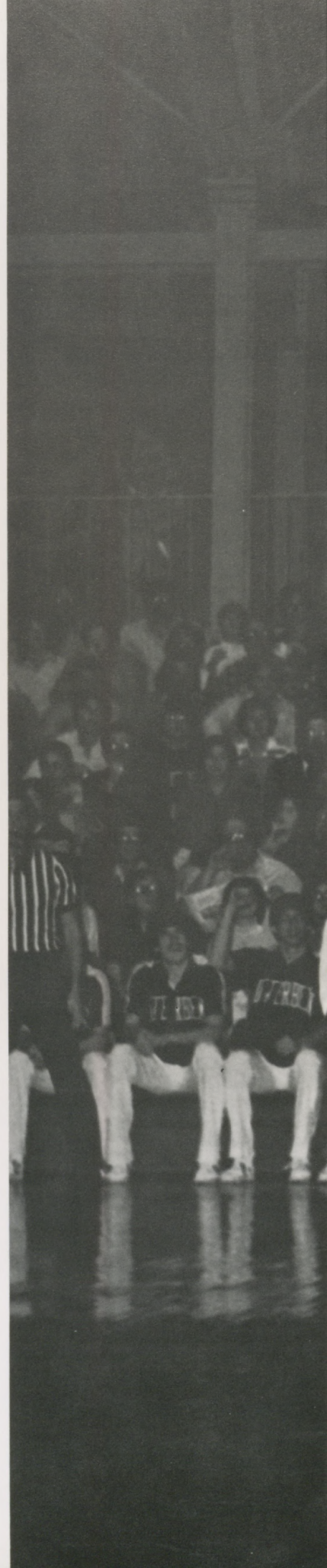
The NCAA tournament trail proved a difficult one to take, but only the finest four teams finished at the 4,200 seat arena on the Augustana College campus. The final four—Otterbein, Augustana, Potsdam State and Ursinus—had to win one of eight regional tournaments and take a quarterfinal win on March 14 to participate in the March 20-21 bash.

Basketball success quickly became a rallying point for the Otterbein community as students, alumni, faculty, staff and friends were buzzing about to make continuing plans for each successive weekend. The Great Lakes Regional in Springfield, Ohio was the first stop.

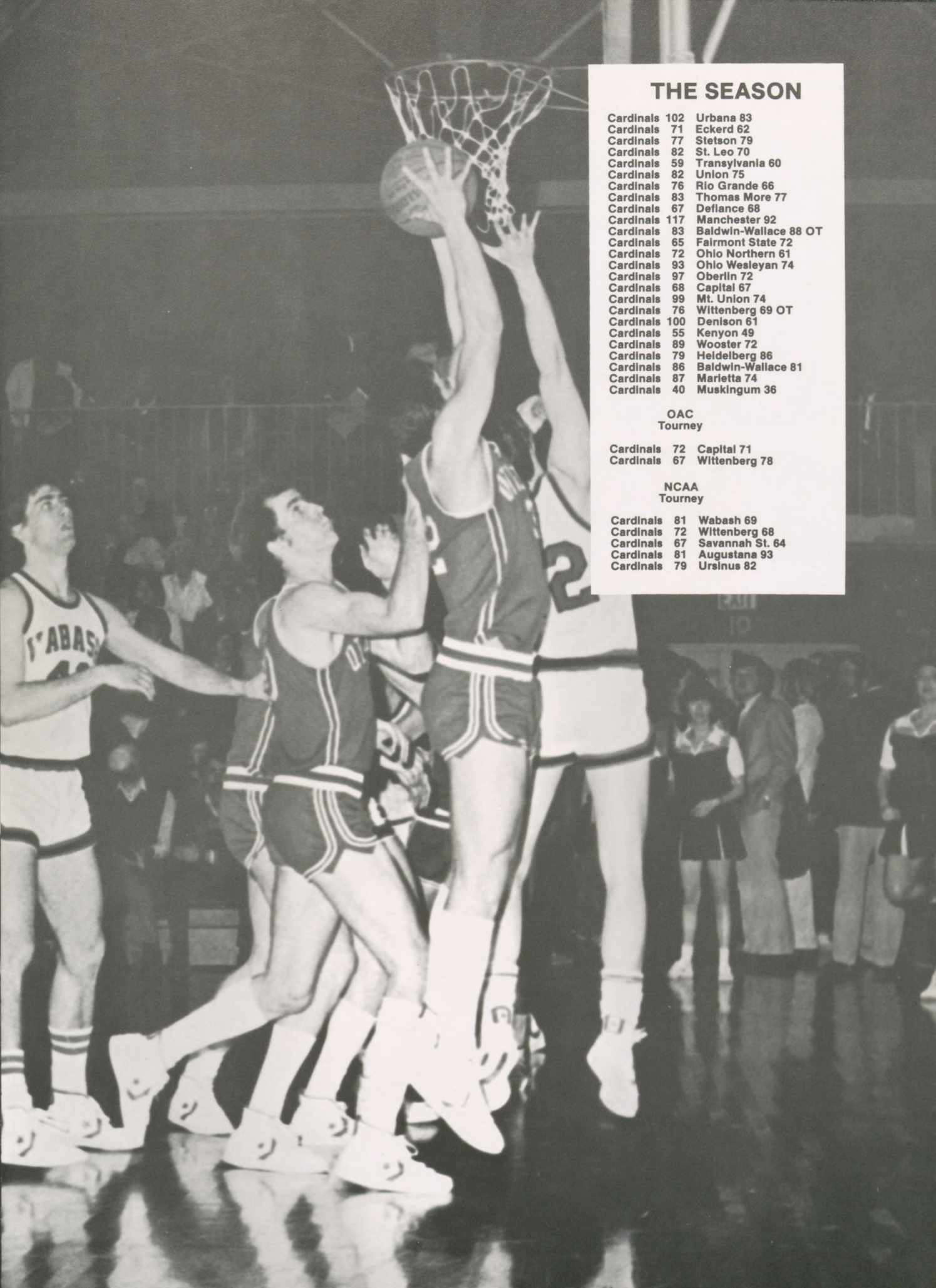
With only 250 tickets allocated each school at Wittenberg field house, there was a rush to Rike Center for placement on the priority list—first come, first serve. Each week was the same story, only 250 tickets, and for three weeks Pam Verne, secretary to Ath-

## Season Highlights—

- Most Otterbein basketball victories ever in one season (23)
- Ohio Athletic Conference Co-champions (12-1)
- NCAA Great Lakes Regional Champions
- NCAA National Semi-finalists
- Coach Dick Reynolds became winningest basketball coach in Otterbein history (146 wins)
- Coach Reynolds named Ohio Athletic Conference Coach of the Year for the third time in the past six years
- Ron Stewart named to All-OAC 1st team; Tom Dill, Steve Johnston receive honorable mention
- Ron Stewart named MVP and Dino Guanciale named to All-tournament team at Great Lakes Regional
- Ron Stewart named to All-tournament team in NCAA Final Four and to third team All-America
- Ron Stewart breaks NCAA Division III five game tournament scoring record (119 points)







## THE SEASON

Cardinals	102	Urbana	83
Cardinals	71	Eckerd	62
Cardinals	77	Stetson	79
Cardinals	82	St. Leo	70
Cardinals	59	Transylvania	60
Cardinals	82	Union	75
Cardinals	76	Rio Grande	66
Cardinals	83	Thomas More	77
Cardinals	67	Defiance	68
Cardinals	117	Manchester	92
Cardinals	83	Baldwin-Wallace	88 OT
Cardinals	65	Fairmont State	72
Cardinals	72	Ohio Northern	61
Cardinals	93	Ohio Wesleyan	74
Cardinals	97	Oberlin	72
Cardinals	68	Capital	67
Cardinals	99	Mt. Union	74
Cardinals	76	Wittenberg	69 OT
Cardinals	100	Denison	61
Cardinals	55	Kenyon	49
Cardinals	89	Wooster	72
Cardinals	79	Heidelberg	86
Cardinals	86	Baldwin-Wallace	81
Cardinals	87	Marietta	74
Cardinals	40	Muskingum	36

### OAC Tourney

Cardinals	72	Capital	71
Cardinals	67	Wittenberg	78

### NCAA Tourney

Cardinals	81	Wabash	69
Cardinals	72	Wittenberg	68
Cardinals	67	Savannah St.	64
Cardinals	81	Augustana	93
Cardinals	79	Ursinus	82





letic Director E. W. "Bud" Yoest became the most harried person on campus. "We've never had quite this much demand," she sighed after each sellout.

### CARDINALS WHIP WABASH, WITTENBERG

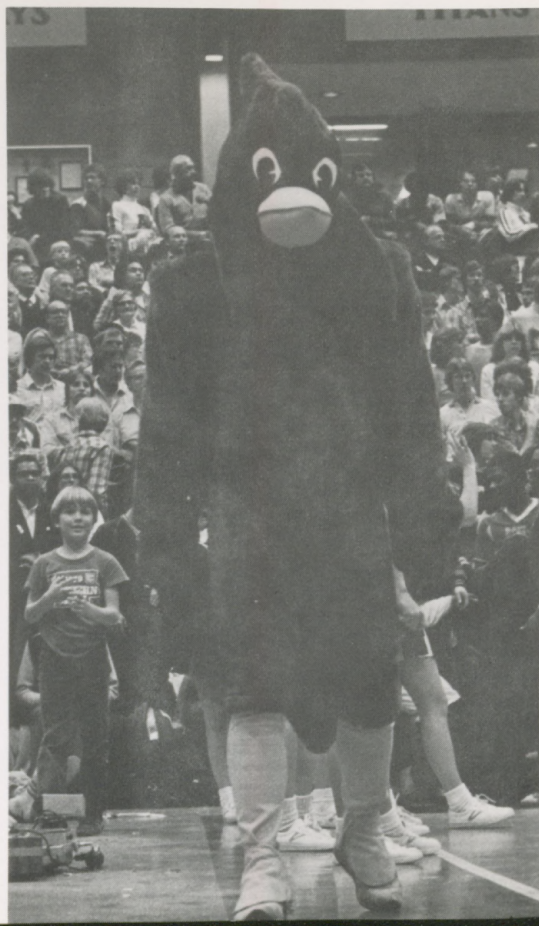
With ticket in hand, each Otterfan motored over to Springfield to watch the Cardinals slay the Little Giants of Wabash 81-69. Despite Wabash having a 6'8" center and 6'4" forwards, Otterbein's "ankle biters," as Reynolds described them, took control of the second half as sophomore guard Ron Stewart hit 18 of his 22 points while 6'5" Cardinal center Tom Dill grabbed 12 rebounds. Following Stewart in scoring were five regulars in double figures: Dino Guancia, Steve Johnston, Jeff Kessler and John Denen. A three-guard offense and outside shooting had carried Otterbein to a 21-7 record, but could it get the best two-out-of-three falls to whip Wittenberg on their home court before 2,100 raging Tiger fans?

The sign at Wittenberg's ticket gate stated "Sold Out, Ticket Holders Only." Scribbled below was "come early and pack a lunch." Many did just that as pre-game scents included fried chicken, hamburgers, popcorn and fish. The stands were two-thirds full an hour before the Wabash-Calvin consolation game. Cardinal fans were packed into one corner, the Otterbein pep band in the other. Location didn't thwart enthusiasm as the Cardinals had something to yell about—a second win over Wittenberg (72-68) and the Great Lakes Region championship nets ceremoniously cut from the Tiger backboards.

"We're going to Georgia! I can't believe it," squealed several cheerleaders.

"I don't even know where Savannah is," declared reserve center Carl Weaver. "But I know it's going to be a lot warmer than Ohio."

"Unreal," Stewart utters, "unreal."





Springfield Sun sports editor Steve Hubbard noticed how quickly the final score disappeared. "...the scoreboard shows the final score: 72-68. And then just as quickly, the '2' lights flicker off. And then the whole scoreboard is blank. The scoreboard operator, a Tiger fan, obviously, does not delight in the loss and acts quickly, feverishly, hoping his single move might erase the outcome. It can't, of course, and an Otterbein fan quickly rubs it in, heckling, 'What was the score?'"

Among the post game confusion is announcement of the All-Tournament team for the Great Lakes District. Ron Stewart is named MVP, Dino Guanciale, wearing a big smile, is included for his hot shooting. Also named are Wittenberg's Tyrone Curtis, Greg Neese of Wabash and Paul TenBrink of Calvin.

Then the rush to the nets; center Tom Dill cradles the game ball. Captains, Steve Johnston and Keith Riggs, boosted by their teammates, simultaneously unhitch the net; others join the action, climbing on shoulders, reaching for the rim as cameras and flashbulbs are clicking, saving the moment for family albums.

### OTTERBEIN—GREAT LAKES CHAMPS

"It's the best win I've had since I've been here," declared Coach Reynolds, citing the two victories over Wittenberg and an NCAA quarterfinal berth. It was quite a weekend for Reynolds, he was named OAC Coach-Of-The-Year and three of his players made All-OAC—Ron Stewart on first team, Tom Dill and Steve Johnston were honorable mention.

Postgame euphoria did not wear off for players and fans, but the following Monday Reynolds slumps in his office chair with a long face. "Those guys are giants. I haven't figured how we'll match-up," he says of Savannah State College. The Blue and Orange Tigers were 25-3, started a front line with an average height of 6'6", and hadn't lost on their home court in

four years. It was not totally new. Most teams Otterbein played this season were taller.

Dr. Yoest sat in his office across the hall, pad and pencil in hand, calculating costs for meals, motels, travel, etc. The NCAA picks up travel and per diem costs for 16 "official party" members, but school officials know there will be hidden expenses lurking at every rest stop. And the dilemma of 250 tickets, Otterbein fan headquarters, receptions and chartered buses again confront administrators—this time with a destination 800 miles away.

"Be listening to WOBN when the lights go out in Georgia," jested Otterbein sportscaster Dom Tiberi, confident the Cards would win on the road.

For many players the Delta flight to Savannah was their first trip via aircraft. Forward Joe Benson was razzed often for alleged acrophobia; Stewart reportedly sat steely-eyed by the aisle, glancing infrequently out the window at the distant earth.

Meanwhile, half the coaching staff and some unofficial parties were transporting the equipment by van through the West Virginia Turnpike, where "you pay 80 cents to have your fillings shaken out," a coach said.

Best Western greets our arrival with "Good Luck Otterbein" on its marquee and a sunny 70-degree day makes the Ohioans think it's summer. Alumni Director Jim Scarfpin begins hawking "Great Lakes Champions" tee-shirts and before long the entire motel is crawling with red-shirted fans in S, M, L and XL.

### OTTER FANS CHEER SAVANNAH'S FALL

"There're folks here I haven't seen all year," notes an Otterbein woman. Evidence of fan solidarity is clear as over a hundred backers meet at a pre-game reception and over 250 invade the packed 2500-seat Wiley Gymnasium at Savannah State. The support was well-appreciated as 250-plus fans yelled until

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Counterclockwise: Cutting down the net after the NCAA Great Lakes Regional victory at Wittenberg... Some fast action from the Ursinus game... The Cardinals depart Port Columbus for Savannah... The mascot adds color courtside... Savannah motel welcomes Otterbein fans... Smokey ("Stretch") Ballenger, Coach Dick Reynolds, Zaum ("Zoom") Gellerman and Athletic Director Bud Yoest.



hoarse to maintain a balance of noise for Cardinal players.

"Otterbein's loud band," as Savannah *News-Press* sports writer Bill Pennington put it, may have saved the day. Director Don Wolfe's band raised the roof with the Cardinal fight song, whipping even sedate Otterbein supporters into a basketball frenzy that kept a boisterous Savannah crowd at bay.

The cards showed they could play with the big guys, shooting outside and holding a lead in the second half until Savannah went up three points with 2:17 left. A few free throws and Dino's last minute shot sent the game into overtime at 64-apiece. With a one-point lead, Otterbein stalled the overtime until Stewart canned two free throws for the 67-64 final and some wild celebration by the tan and cardinal crew. A hero's welcome awaited the players as 200 school supporters amassed at the airport.

#### CARDS AND FANS TRAVEL TO QUAD-CITIES

"We're landing at the Pixley airport," forward John Denen said, alluding to the "Green Acres" TV comedy. The Rock Island airport is rather modest, but the NCAA supervises the arrival and the team is introduced to honorary coach (team host) Zalm Gellerman, a Quad-Cities grocery wholesaler.

Standing about 5'5", Zalm is a gracious and helpful host. His grocery connections assure the Cards

that no one will go hungry. After checking into the Davenport Ramada, Zalm has each room supplied with pimento cheese, crackers, pretzels, etc. The whole weekend became a banquet of pizzas, lasagna, chips, and more.

"O" Club president Smokey Ballenger and Zalm worked together on team training meals and, misunderstanding each other's names, began calling each other "Stretch" (for Smokey's 6'5" stature) and "Zoom," an appropriate description of Mr. Gellerman's speedy road trips across the Mississippi River to Augustana's Carver Center.

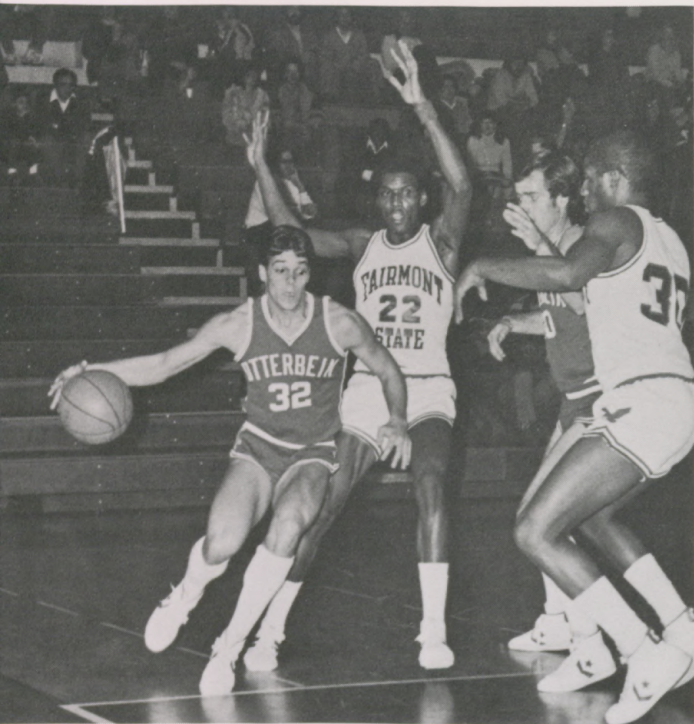
"Zalm must know some highly influential city officials," Reynolds jests at an NCAA brunch. "As fast as he drives, no policemen have stopped us."

At an NCAA banquet Augustana's Jim Borcherd-ing, Potsdam's Jerry Welsh and Ursinus' Skip Werley assure tournament officials that their teams are "glad to be among the illustrious final four," but Reynolds steals the show, explaining his kids are so happy to be in Rock Island, they "act like they came to spend the egg money."

Forward Steve Johnston will only act happy if United finds his luggage or buys him new coveralls.

#### OTTERBEIN FINISHES 4th IN NATION

As tip-off time draws nye, Reynolds is again looking at a huge opponent, noting that "the odds have



## "Basket by Stewart..."

A warm ray of sunlight was streaming through the windows of Chicago's O'Hare Field, covering Ron Stewart with a golden-orange glow as he rested in the airport departure lounge.

"It's been a long season," a guy says in light conversation.

"Yeh. It's over now, though," Stewart says quietly. It's hard to tell if the dark-haired young man is glad it is over or is already looking forward to another season.

Stewart's countenance is unchanging. The same semi-smile rarely wavers. Emotion is not part of his external being. But inside a three-ring circus must be at full force, driving his athletic ambition and only escaping in moments of ecstasy at the end of a big game.

Ron's eyelids are at halfmast as he waits out a flight lay-over for the final leg to Columbus. Otterbein's basketball journeys were coming to a close after six long months and 32 games. Ahead of Stewart and some buddies was a

20-hour drive to Florida for some spring break R&R. Behind him lay a sparkling season that included All-America honors, All-Ohio Conference stature, scoring championships and numerous individual pinnacles. Beyond the individual acclaim, Stewart and a collection of hot-shooting, team-concept players put together a dream season that finished at fourth place in the NCAA Division III Championship.

After seeing so many good athletes become "hot shots" with the starring role, it is refreshing to watch the cool, calculating Stewart offensively dismantle his opponent, defensively hassle their passing game, yet never yield to cockiness that irritates. He hustles on the court, is humble in victory and is proud of his and his team's accomplishments.

Sports writers trying to get the inside story on Stewart's success always find him passing out compliments and sharing the glory with his teammates.



been against us each week in the tournament. We've had to play harder to overcome those odds." Augustana is the semi-final opponent, ranked ninth nationally (Otterbein is 13th), and it also starts tall timber up front.

"I'm probably going against the best guy I've faced in the tournament," Tom Dill says of 6'8" center Shane Price. To prepare himself, Dill explains to *Columbus Dispatch* sports writer Tim May, "I think back to that David and Goliath Story. Goliath is this big dude and this little junior high kid went out there and slew him. That's what I plan to do."

Reynolds tells his squad to "respect the opponent," and after a shaky start the Cardinals open a 14-point lead as Stewart puts on a clinic—how to be an all-star guard. Ron finishes the first half with 22 of his 31 total points, but the Vikings trim the lead to only four points at the half. The bubble burst the second half—victim of a tough Viking press and 13 free-throws that gave Augustana a 93-81 win.

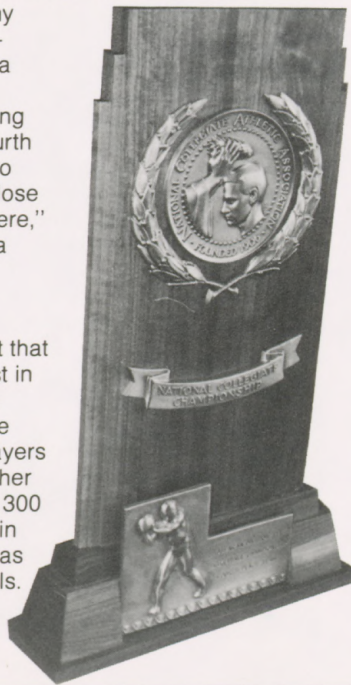
A relaxed atmosphere pervades Ramada's poolside the next day. Otterbein supporters 500 miles from home aren't complaining about the loss. The players feel comforted that a home-style environment exists.

Over two hundred Otterbein alumni, staff, parents and students gather at a poolside reception hosted by the Alumni Relations staff before the consolation game. "Everyone is really excited about this tourna-

ment, even if we did lose the first game," one of the staff members said. "We're so far from home and this is one of the best get-togethers we've had," another added.

The oreo-cookie milkshakes in Carver Center did not make defeat any easier to swallow—Otterbein dropped a see-saw battle to Ursinus 82-79 putting the Cardinals at fourth in the nation. "It's so sad, we came so close but didn't win out here," laments a girl with a Cardinal "rah-rag" in hand.

Later Coach Reynolds points out that "We didn't finish last in the tournament, we finished fourth in the nation." And the players agree, only three other teams of the nearly 300 Division III schools in the country soared as high as the Cardinals.



For the record, Stewart is an incredible athlete. His basketball success at Otterbein has earned him selection to All-America teams (both third team) from *Basketball Weekly* and National Association of Basketball Coaches. He was MVP in the Great Lakes Tournament and was named to all-tourney teams at the NCAA Championship and the "O" Club Classic.

Scoring is most noticed in basketball and Ron has delighted Cardinal fans with 1,154 points in two seasons, 708 this year. His 119 points in the five-game NCAA tournament eclipsed a five-year-old record of 117. He has 43 straight games in double figures, led the OAC in scoring this season with a 22.1 average, was named first team All-OAC this year and Honorable Mention All-OAC last year.

Not only did he shoot well (50%) but he had 63 steals, 68 assists and averaged 3.4 rebounds—a lot of hustle for a 5'10" guard. He also

set a modern OAC record of 144 freethrows this season.

Opposing coaches are stymied in defending Stewart. If the outside shot isn't there, his quickness gets the drive—and often a three-point-play. If opponents key too much on Stewart, they must be sloughing off of another Cardinal, and the Cards all love to shoot.

How can a guy this good be playing Division III ball? Coach Dick Reynolds is quick to defend his young star. "No one recruited him! The big schools saw Ron was 5'10" and overlooked him. He plays a lot bigger than that."

Ron agrees. "I checked some Mid-American schools (MAC) but none really showed an interest in me. I wanted to play ball, and I know I can, so schools like Otterbein were the alternative." After considering programs at Capital, Ohio Wesleyan, Mt. Union and the like, Otterbein and Coach Reynolds "appeared to be the best place," he noted.

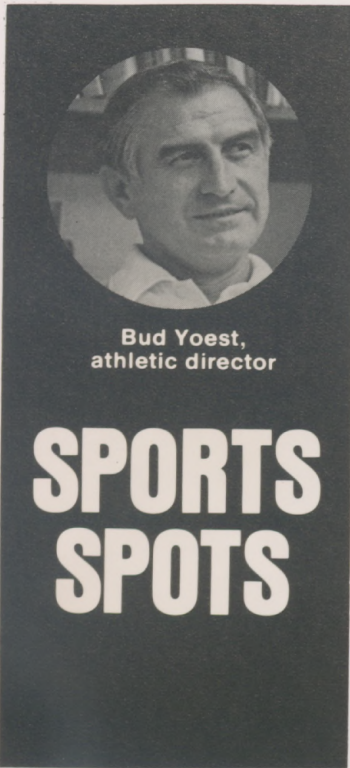
"I didn't want to go so far away to school that my family couldn't follow the team," he said with respect for parents Max and Phyllis who live in nearby New Albany with several of his brothers and sisters.

So far the Otterbein experience is well regarded by Stewart. Division III athletics hold no illusions for Ron and many athletes like him. On a radio sports talk show on which Steve Johnston and Stewart were guests, he underlined the fact that "at this level, you're here for the education.

"Basketball is part of that learning and I love the competition, but when it's over I know I'll be prepared for other things in life," he told radio listeners.

It's not over yet, and for two more years PA announcer Dwight Rutledge will often announce... "basket by Stewart."

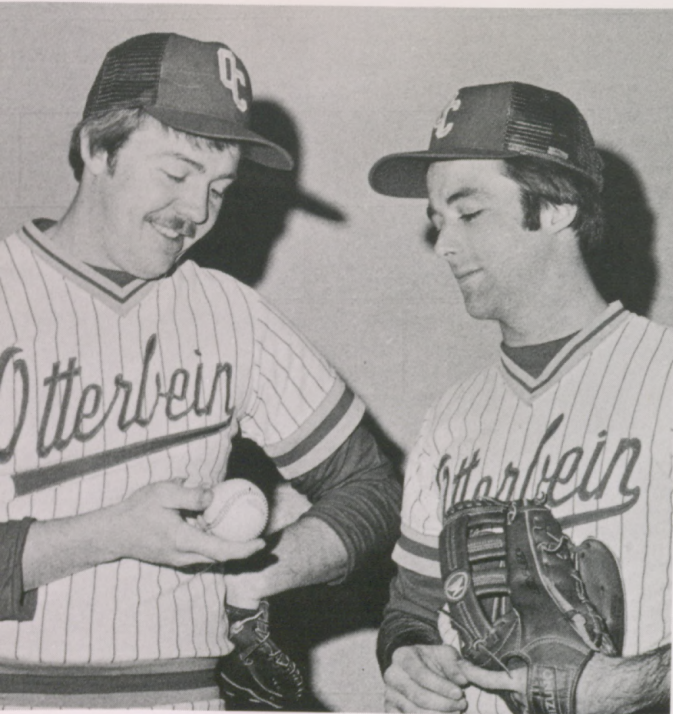




Bud Yoest,  
athletic director

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Co-captains of the 1981 Otterbein baseball team are Doug Barr (left) and Randy Pontius (right).

## Diamond men vie for OAC, NCAA honors

A variety of men's sports are vying for the spotlight this spring as strong contenders are fielded in baseball, track, tennis and golf.

In 14 years at the helm of Otterbein baseball, coach Dick Fishbaugh is optimistic about his 15th season because of numerous quality pitchers and the always tough batting order. "We've had a steadily increasing batting average over three years (fifth in NCAA Division III at .339). If we keep up the hitting and improve pitching we'll do alright." The Cards had their best spring trip with a 10-6 mark and started the conference with wins over Marietta and Muskingum.

Key moundsmen are junior Andy Swope who ranked third nationally with 62 strike outs. Junior Jeff Harper posted a good spring trip with a 4-1 record, including an early OAC win over Marietta. Don Atwell posted 28 strike outs in 26 innings of pre-conference pitching while senior Chuck Senne looked good in relief.

Fishbaugh contends he has "the best catching staff I've had" when looking at senior Jeff Brindley and junior Brad Tucker who hit well. Contenders for outfield include sophomore Jim Hoyle who was hitting .431 in April, Don Good who had .345 and Randy Pontius who was .415 and 27th nationally last year.

Shortstop Lee Cooperrider was a pleasant surprise at .413 and had six doubles in 63 at-bats early this year. Senior Doug Barr hit an early .359 and lofted five homers in the first 16 games.

### TRACK TEAM SETS GOALS

Track & field coach Porter Miller was realistic in assessing the OAC race this year—after Baldwin-Wallace dominates first place, Miller feels the Cardinals would grab a solid second to unseat Mount Union.

"Distances from 800 meters up are our strong points," he said. "We won the cross country championship. With the addition of the steeplechase and 10,000 meters outdoors we should be in good shape." Sophomore Mark Burns, junior Jeff Kneice, junior Hal Hopkins and senior co-captain Bob Gold are capable of dominating the distances.

Senior co-captain Wayne Woodruff hopes to return to NCAA championship form after being an All-America in 1979. Woodruff qualified for the 1981 NCAA meet with an early 53.7 second clocking in the 400 meter hurdles.

Field event strengths are the javelin with sophomore Silas Rose, a few untested pole vaulters, discusman Steve Conley and former OAC shot put champ Doug McCombs, a senior.

During the indoor season the Cardinals took third in the OAC championships at OWU's Branch Rickey Field House. The top five teams were B-W (163½), Mt. Union (96), Otterbein (77½), OWU (56) and Wittenberg (37).

Woodruff and Burns were the only individual champions as Woodruff finished first in the 440 (50.02) and second in the 300 (32.72) to be named Athlete-of-the-Meet. Burns took first in the 1000 with a 2:17.8 minute mark.

### MEN'S TENNIS UNDER NEW COACH

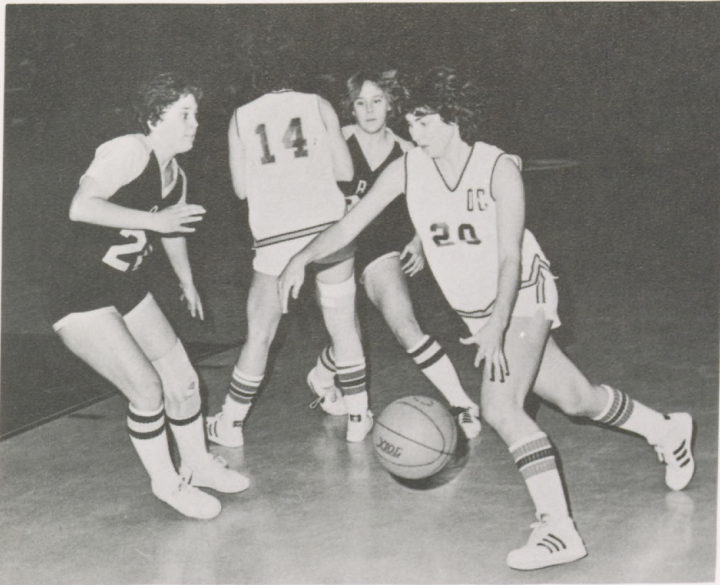
Phil Marrow took over tennis coaching duties this spring, replacing Bill Hillier. A lot of new faces and untried positions confronted Marrow, who will also be coaching football next fall.

Westerville native Jeff Jones was in the first singles slot followed by 6'3" Greg Ocke, a transfer from Bowling Green who teamed with Jones for doubles. Others vying for top spots were sophomore Dave Fox, who showed good ground strokes, and Mark Holm, a hard hitter. Southpaw Dan Pohl and sophomore Joe Shoopman teamed up for a third doubles combination.

### GOLFERS ARE WELL TRAVELED

Coach Rich Seils' golfers were a well-traveled crew after a season opener at Glenville, West Virginia and matches at Marietta, Taylor, Indiana, Mount Union and other OAC sites. Returning lettermen included senior John Toeller, juniors Scott Smart and Bob Smolinski and sophomore Mike Connor. "A nice group of newcomers" for coach Seils were transfer student Steve Wiley, who was medalist in the first two spring tournaments, John Yantis and freshman Scott Simmons.





The women's basketball team showed marked improvement as the season wound to a close, with a first round tournament victory over Marietta before losing to an excellent Rio Grande team.

## Women cagers finish season on upswing

Otterbein's women cagers finished at 6-13 after improving rapidly toward the end of the season. The Cardinals took a first round tournament win 87-62 over Marietta but were bumped 94-78 by a very good Rio Grande team.

Junior Vicki Hartsough of Cincinnati led Otterbein with 20 points and 11 rebounds against Marietta and finished the season with a team-leading 12.5 point average. Hartsough and freshman Kay Lucas of Upper Arlington combined for 33 points against Rio Grande. Lucas averaged 10.7 points and 10.9 rebounds.

Junior Mindy Gossett of Greenfield proved a steady performer with a 9.1 average while freshman Deb Trager (Newark) hit double figures seven times and averaged 7.8 points.

"I think Deb Trager showed a lot of leadership out there for a freshman this year," said first-year coach Amy Riddle of the 5'5" guard. Riddle is enthusiastic about next year's program, noting "we may not lose anyone and I'm anxious to try a few new things."

### TENNIS OUTLOOK FOR WOMEN IS STRONG

Long after most college women close their tennis season, Otterbein women may still be at the nets competing for regional and

national honors. The team which went 8-3 last year has a "possibility of going to tournament play" through May if they live up to coach JoAnn Tyler's projections.

"The attitude and skills of our players have improved this year and the team was bolstered by transfers," she said. "Lou Slater of Lancaster played very well last year and went alone to tournament play. She and her sister Beth are a tough doubles combination."

Tyler pointed out that the team is strengthened by nationally ranked Michelle Fox of Mt. Vernon, who transferred from Ohio Wesleyan, and the consistent play of Lynn Ballenger of Gahanna. Senior Polly Subich of Mansfield and Lori O'Brian of Seattle, Washington lend experience to the Cards, playing four and three years, respectively, for Otterbein.

### WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD

First year coach Barbara Belek fielded nine athletes for the indoor track team which "showed considerable improvement" over three meets in the six-week season in preparation for outdoor meets.

Only four returning members are among the 16 women on the outdoor team. The very young team has "eagerness, enthusiasm and dedication" which should build momentum over the season,

coach Belek noted. The women's schedule includes many invitationals and competition in state meets.

### SOFTBALL HAS NEW TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Slo-pitch softball season may last a bit longer for a few top teams as a national tournament has been established. "With the introduction of a new national tournament for slo-pitch softball, this year's team has more to look forward to than just the state finals," explained first year coach Amy Riddle.

Otterbein carries a lot of experience as returning players include Carolyn Barnhill of Findlay, Barb Connelly of Mansfield, Vicki Hartsough of Cincinnati, Linda Wappner of Mansfield, Mindy Gossett of Greenfield, Jackie Cave of Circleville and Joy Jackson of Columbus.

"Fundamentals will be the name of the game, along with speed and conditioning," Riddle said. "This year's squad can only be more experienced and ready to play the quality of softball the state teams have to offer." The Cards will be shooting to improve on last season's 8-12 record. Volleyball coach Terri Hazuche will be assisting Riddle in the 20-game schedule.

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Marilyn Day,  
chairperson,  
women's health and  
physical education

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# Notes from Howard House

## Following the team . . .

by James W. Scarfpin

Otterbein's involvement in the NCAA tournament provided an unparalleled opportunity for alumni, parents, friends and students to join together in a common spirit and sense of unity. Those following the team to Georgia and Illinois shared two wonderfully exciting weekends and developed a bond that became apparent during the two Otterbein get-togethers sponsored by the Alumni Relations Office.

The first reception was held as a pre-game rally at the Best Western Savannah before the Cardinals squared off against Savannah State. In attendance were nearly seventy Otterbein supporters, many of whom had driven all night just to arrive by Saturday afternoon. The late afternoon sunshine filled the patio where the reception was held and provided a real treat for the visiting northerners. Some of those who made the trip included **Bill Skaates '58** and his wife **Marilyn, Lanny Ross '74, Randy Moomaw '78, John** and **Virginia Rowland, Ed** and **Sandy Clark, John** and **Helen Thompson, Gene Phillips, Dan Starling '78, Marianna, Ted** and

**Robert Chaney, and Oscar and Patti Lord.** Parents and family of team members included **Max** and **Phyllis Stewart, Ralph** and **Joe Johnston, Jim** and **Ruth Dill, Joe** and **Mary Denen, Dan, Patti** and **Tina Guanciale.** Otterbein alumni living in the South who greeted us at the reception were **Dorothy Deane Schmidt '50; William J. (Jay)** and **Patricia Finney Hawk '52, '51; John** and **Edie Freymeyer '49, '49** of Savannah and **Rose Marie Leibolt Huff '65** of Charleston, South Carolina. **Wally** and **Jane Marie Newell Cochran '60, '61** and their two boys drove over from Marietta, Georgia to join in support of the Cardinals.

The Ramada Inn of Davenport, Iowa served as Otterbein's headquarters the next week when nearly the entire college and community traveled to the Quad Cities to support the Cardinals in the Final Four. The drive west was marred by unexpected ice on the interstate just outside of Springfield, Ohio. Dubbed "Wittenberg's Revenge" by Otterbein backer **Lester Noble,** the ice slowed the caravan of Otterbein fans and

caused the wreck of **Jay Kegley's** car. Jay, a '79 graduate now employed at the College, was unhurt.

Over two hundred Otterbein people gathered at the Saturday afternoon, poolside reception. Many commented that it seemed odd to travel so far to bring so many Westerville area people together. In addition to the many Columbus and Westerville area alumni, parents and friends who joined in on the celebration, several Illinois and Iowa alumni attended including: Dr. **J. H. Murray '22** and his wife, **Marie, Dean** and **Sarah Truxal Wisleder '34, Margaret Burtner Hubbard '53,** and **David** and **Mary Lou Healy Cannon '42.** Also attending were **Shirley Wharton,** former secretary to Otterbein vice-president Woody Macke, and her family of Bettendorf, Iowa and **Bill** and **Flo Amy** of Monmouth, Illinois. Dr. Amy, an honorary alumnus, is a former professor at Otterbein and his wife Flo worked in the alumni office. **Wally Cochran '50,** who flew up from Georgia, probably traveled the farthest to support the Cardinals.

Through victory and defeat, those who followed the team and who attended the two Otterbein gatherings shared a unique and very special experience.

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Warm, sunny weather was a treat for Otterbein fans who traveled to Savannah for the NCAA quarterfinals.



At a poolside reception before the consolation game in Rock Island, Illinois, alumni fans rehash the semi-final loss with President Kerr.





## Reunion class members to receive awards

The recognition of Otterbein alumni and friends for outstanding accomplishments and dedicated service to the College will highlight the 1981 Alumni Day Luncheon on June 13. The affair, which serves as the annual meeting of the Alumni Association, will also feature a report on "The State of the College" by the president of Otterbein, Dr. Thomas J. Kerr, IV; the announcement of the results of the annual Alumni Association election and the singing of the Otterbein Love Song, led by the Alumni Choir.

Frank M. Van Sickle '41 will be presented the Distinguished Alumnus Award which is annually bestowed upon an Otterbein graduate in recognition of his outstanding service to the College, his own profession and to his community. Dr. Van Sickle, currently a vice president with Wagner and Truax Company, Better Homes and Gardens—one of the major realtors in southeastern Louisiana—for 35 years followed a career which was interwoven with several major developments in the fields of aeronautics and astronautics.

The Special Achievement Award is given in recognition of

**Frank Van Sickle**  
1981 Distinguished Alumnus



eminence in a chosen field, and this year John R. Wilson '38 and David S. Yohn '51 will be honored. Dr. Wilson, dean emeritus of The Ohio State University Dental School, is now in the private practice of periodontics. Dr. Yohn is the director of The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center, is active on the boards of many cancer-related associations nationally, and has authored or co-authored more than 120 publications in the fields of virology, immunology and oncology.

Distinguished Service Awards will be presented to Harold F. Augspurger '41 and Robert C. Barr '50 in recognition of outstanding service to Otterbein College. Dr. Augspurger, in the private practice of dentistry, is a member of the Otterbein Board of Trustees and a past president of the National Alumni Association. Mr. Barr is the director of public information at Sinclair Community College, a member of the Development Board at Otterbein and also is a past president of the Alumni Association.

Four individuals will be made Honorary Alumni in recognition of their loyalty and interest in Otterbein College: Jean Courtright, publisher/editor of the "Public Opinion" and long-time supporter of Otterbein; Dr. Ursula Holtermann, professor of history since 1955; Kitty Kahn and Mary Schrock, members of the Westerville Otterbein Women's Club and tireless volunteers in the Thrift Shop operated by that organization.

Following the luncheon, Dr. Kerr and his wife, Donna, will host a dessert reception. All alumni, faculty and friends are invited to attend both events which will be held in the Rike Physical Education-Recreation Center.

**Ruth Gerstner and Melinda Sadar**, new members of the public relations staff.

## Public Relations announces new staff members

Two new members have joined the staff in the Office of Public Relations.

Ms. Ruth Gerstner is the new assistant director of public relations for publications. Ms. Gerstner, who holds a bachelor's degree in journalism from the Ohio State University, is responsible for the planning, coordination and production of all college publications. She was previously employed as the editor of *The Lamp of Delta Zeta*, a quarterly magazine published by Delta Zeta Sorority for its 73,000 members.

Mrs. Melinda Sadar is the new part-time staff writer in public relations. Mrs. Sadar who received a bachelor's degree in English from Case Western Reserve University will assist with writing, editing, and proofreading in all areas of public relations. She was employed as a staff writer at The University of Virginia for two years and as a reporter for *The Cleveland Press* for three years.

Ms. Gerstner is filling a vacancy brought about by the resignation of Mrs. Jo Alice Bailey Povolny '74, who has accepted a position as account executive with DAV/AD, an advertising agency in Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. Sadar is replacing Pam Weiss, who left in order to secure full-time employment.





# CLASS NOTES

'20 *next reunion June 1981*

**CHARLES L. FOX** has been honored by Springfield High School where the new sports complex has been dedicated and named in his honor. Mr. Fox came to Springfield High School in 1922 as a teacher. He taught chemistry for 16 years, until he became principal in 1938. He held that position until his retirement in 1964. Throughout his years at Springfield (South) High School and ever since, C. L. Fox has been an enthusiastic spectator and supporter of high school sports and physical education.

'21 *next reunion June 1981*

**MARGARET G. PIFER** has retired from the staff of the First United Methodist Church, Cleveland and is now living in Florida.

'25 *next reunion June 1981*

**HAROLD L. BODA** was recently honored by Sinclair Community College who placed a bronze plaque in the library recognizing his 27 years of service as a member of the Board of Trustees. He was also one of three persons honored by the Dayton Chapter of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. His wife, **MARGUERITE**, who received an honorary degree from Otterbein in 1972, has been busy working as a volunteer at Miami Valley Hospital.

'26 *next reunion June 1981*

**EARL R. HOOVER** recently received the Silver Good Citizenship Award from the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

'35 *next reunion June 1985*

**HARRY J. FISHER** has served as chaplain of Arbutus Park Retirement Community in Johnstown, Pennsylvania for the last eight years. His wife, **MYRTLE REID FISHER '33**, is his able assistant from her wheel chair. They expect to go to Hawaii July 21-28, 1981. Harry is a tour host for Educational Opportunities, Inc.

**KENNETH HOLLAND** accompanied the Toledo Youth Orchestra when they performed on campus in April. He was their conductor for many years and mentor of the present conductor, Michael Miller.

'36 *next reunion June 1982*

**MORRIS ALLTON** was chosen "Kiwanian of the Year" by the Westerville Kiwanis Club. He was cited for his leadership in the public and business affairs area as well as his spiritual guidance and enthusiasm.

'37 *next reunion June 1982*

**FRED McLAUGHLIN** retired from Landmark Inc. in April of this year. Mr. McLaughlin has been with the regional cooperative since 1937 and has been executive vice president and chief executive officer since 1976.

**DONNA LOVE LORD** is the first woman to become president of the 21-year old Cuyahoga Valley Civil War Roundtable. Both Mrs. Lord and her husband, **S. CLARK '39**, have long been

interested in the Civil War, railroads and travel and have combined these things in vacations.

'40 *next reunion June 1985*

**LOUISE M. ERBAUGH** has been appointed treasurer, pro-tem, for the College Corner Local School District. She is retiring as treasurer of the New Lebanon Local Board of Education. Mrs. Erbaugh is also president of the Miami Valley Chapter of the Ohio School Business Officials Association.

'47 *next reunion June 1983*

**MARILYN SHUCK BEATTIE** was presented an award in February, 1981 as one of Bowling Green, Ohio's Outstanding Citizens for 1981. Mrs. Beattie has served on the Home Health Board Advisory Committee of the Wood County Hospital Guild. She also has been extremely active in the First Presbyterian Church.

'48 *next reunion June 1983*

**DEAN DeLONG** retired from Washington Local Schools, Toledo, Ohio, as associate superintendent on March 1, 1981. He will be located in Traverse City, Michigan after that date.

'49 *next reunion June 1983*

**RICHARD H. BRIDGMAN**, director of secondary education for Kettering schools since 1976, has announced his retirement,

effective July 31, 1981. Bridgman was principal of Van Buren Junior High School from 1961 to 1976 and assistant principal there from 1954 to 1961. He and his wife, **CAROLYN BODA BRIDGMAN '50** reside in Kettering.

**JAMES M. HUELF** has been elected a vice president by the Board of Directors, BancOhio National Bank. He joined BancOhio in personal trust administration in 1960 and has since served in employee benefits administration/business development and in trust business development. Mr. Huefl has also been active in the American Institute of Banking and is a member of the Central Ohio Estate Planning Council.

'52 *next reunion June 1981*

**HELEN V. REDINGER BACKLUND** has been appointed as operations field representative by the Rural Electrification Administration, Dept. of Agriculture, to serve South Central Texas, the first woman in the history of the agency to be appointed in a field job. She was recently married to John B. Backlund, who is the field engineer, and they are the first married team to be working the same area.

**GEORGE LISTON** was recently recognized as one of three outstanding art teachers in Western Ohio by the Ohio Art Education Association. Mr. Liston teaches art at Fairmont West High School and Van Buren Junior High School in Kettering, Ohio. He is married to the former **JANE DEVERS '54**, also a teacher in the Kettering school system. A son, **JEFFERSON LISTON '75** is practicing law in Columbus, Ohio.

'53 *next reunion June 1984*

**WILLIAM O. SNYDER** has been transferred to Findlay, Ohio by Marathon Oil Company to serve as senior staff engineer of production operations, United States and Canada. Bill, a Findlay native, had served previously as northeastern district engineer for the company at Bridgeport, Illinois.

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**JOHN G. SWANK** will retire from Indiana Central University July 1, 1981 after 17 years at the University. He had been a pastor in the Michigan Conference 11 years before coming to Central in 1964. He has been chairman of the Speech and Theatre Department, director of public relations and professor of speech communication.

'54 next reunion June 1984

**REV. ROBERT M. ESCHBACH** has moved to the Gilltonia United Methodist Church, Columbus, from Spring Valley, Ohio.

'56 next reunion June 1981

**SHIRLEY HODAPP**, director of the Defiance area Young People's Theatre Guild, recently directed "The Wizard of Oz." Response to the production was so great, two complete casts were selected, with more than 60 youths auditioning for parts.

'58 next reunion June 1983

**ANNA REDER FREVERT** is now living in Khartoum, Sudan with her husband, **PETER '59**, a professor in economics at Khartoum University, and their four children. She is employed in the consular section of the United States Embassy in Khartoum processing refugees for immigration to the United States.

**FRED NOCERA** was enshrined in the Ohio High School Coach's Association Hall of Fame recently in ceremonies at Ohio State University. Mr. Nocera was head coach for 17 years at Mifflin and Whetstone High Schools in Columbus. He produced one Mid-Eight crown, three City League championships, and five City League North crowns. In post-season play, Nocera-coached teams captured seven sectional championships, five times played in the district finals, and landed one state championship. Nocera is taking a year's leave of absence from teaching and coaching this year.

'59 next reunion June 1984

**OATIS H. PAGE** received his master's degree in Business Administration from the University of New Haven, Connecticut in January, 1981. He is presently employed at Pitney Bowes, Copier Division, Danbury, Connecticut as a program manager.

'60 next reunion June 1985

**ARLINE SPEELMAN DILLMAN** received her Ph.D. from U.C.L.A. in 1980.

**WILLIAM V. GOODWIN** has been named director of advertising at Nationwide Insurance. In his new post, Mr. Goodwin directs and coordinates local advertising by Nationwide agents, the company's direct-mail ads, and multi-media advertising prepared by Nationwide's New York advertising agency.

'61 next reunion June 1982

**GARY ALLEN**, former wrestling coach and athletic director at Beechcroft, is the new coordinator of athletics for the Columbus Schools. Mr. Allen, who had three City League championship wrestling teams during 13 years at Brookhaven and five more at Beechcroft, will oversee the day-to-day athletic activities of boys and girls sports on the high school and middle school level.

**BECCY BERRY** owns and operates The Hayloft Gallery in the Alley Shops in Uptown Westerville. Mrs. Berry opened Hayloft in 1975 with 170 feet of working area. Today the gallery

has expanded to 2300 square feet. Mrs. Berry is a former English instructor at Westerville High School and Otterbein College.

**NANCY MEYERS NORRIS** has been appointed vice president, public relations services for Durborow Associates Inc. The position carries with it membership on the company board of directors. Mrs. Norris joined Durborow Associates in February, 1979 and has been serving as director of public relations for the past year. She is also serving as vice president of communications for Cable Marketing Management, Inc., Durborow's subsidiary company. Mrs. Norris holds a master's degree in public address from The Ohio State University. Prior to her employment at Durborow Associates, she served as publicity coordinator for the Otterbein College Theatre and Artist Series program; as executive secretary of the Ohio Theatre Alliance; and as national office coordinator for Theta Alpha Phi national honors fraternity.

**GLENN E. AIDT** has been promoted to the position of vice president of the Investment Service Division of Gem Savings, based in Dayton. Mr. Aidt joined Gem Savings in 1979 as funds acquisition officer.

**REV. RAYMOND L. WIBLIN**, former associate pastor of the Fairborn United Methodist Church, is now connected with the Dayton Electra Media Workshop and is pastor of the Phillipsburg United Methodist Church. He is active in the Dayton community assisting local churches in developing religious programming through closed-circuit television and cable-vision. He is married to the former **JUDITH ANN BUCKLEY '64**.

'63 next reunion 1983

**RAY C. BOLL** has been appointed president of the newly-formed Vantage Realty Company. Mr. Boll is a veteran real estate broker who comes to the position after three years as president of Ruscilli Realty in Columbus.

'64 next reunion June 1984

**GEORGES S. BROOKES** has been promoted to senior vice president of the Huntington National Bank. He joined Huntington in 1969 as assistant to the personnel director and was appointed to the position of manager in 1979.

**DR. WILLIAM J. CATALONA** recently reported to the annual clinical congress of the American College of Surgeons that a rare type of interferon, possibly the body's chief chemical weapon against cancer cells has been produced by scientists at the Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis. Called type 2 interferon, the chemical is 100 times more powerful as an anti-cancer agent than type 1 interferon.

**JANET A. HARRIS** is the new president of the Portland-based National College of Naturopathic Medicine, one of four naturopathic institutions in the nation. Naturopathy, which is recognized as an alternative to conventional medical practice and subscribes to natural healing methods instead of synthetic drugs and major surgery, is designed to treat the total patient—mind, body and spirit.

**MR. AND MRS. ALBERT E. KOHLER (JEAN ANNE RIFFER '63)** have two children, Mark Eugene, 9, and Kevin Joseph, 6.

**JANIS PERI (JANIS ROZENA PERRY)** recently returned to the campus to give a lecture-demonstration and perform a recital.

**BOYD D. ROBINSON** has been appointed sales manager for the western half of the United States by the Nelson Division of TRW Inc., Lorain, Ohio. Mr. Robinson, who joined Nelson

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**Highlights:**  
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Otterbein College Theatre  
Reception hosted by President  
and Mrs. Kerr  
Fraternity and Sorority Reunions  
Women's Sports Breakfast  
"O" Club and other special  
dinners  
Alumni Baseball Game

in 1967, as a sales representative in Columbus, Ohio, has been market manager—industrial for the past two years. He is married to the former **MARY JO ALLEN '67**.

**SUSAN M. SAIN** has been promoted to supervisor of the blood bank at the Walter Reed Medical Center. She has also been recently elected secretary of the Washington/Baltimore Blood Study Group.

'66 next reunion June 1985

**REV. RONALD BOTTS** has been added to the staff of *The Catholic Times* as a columnist for the "Point of View" column. This column was established by the Metropolitan Area Church Board, of which Mr. Botts is the newly elected chairperson, and *The Catholic Times* in 1972 as a forum for Protestant, Jewish and Unitarian perspectives.

**MARTHA MERCER COONS** is now teaching 11th and 12th grade English at John Marshall High, Northside District in San Antonio, Texas. She has been teaching at John Marshall for ten years.

**EMILY HEFT RUCKER** was recently awarded a grant by the Women's Auxiliary to

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**We regret to announce that the Rhine River Tour scheduled for this summer has been cancelled. Plans are now being made for future tours and will be announced as soon as available.**

the Iowa Chiropractic Association, to be used at the chiropractic college of her choice. Selection for the grant was based on essays submitted by candidates entitled, "Why I Am Considering Chiropractic As a Career." Emily is in her second year at National College of Chiropractic in Lombard, Illinois and is the first woman to receive this award. She resides in Villa Park, Illinois with her two sons, Eric, 12 and Chad, 10.

**WOLFGANG R. SCHMITT** has been promoted to vice president, marketing, for the Home Products Division of Rubbermaid Incorporated. Mr. Schmitt is a member of Rubbermaid's operating committee and was vice president, research and development, prior to this promotion. He and his wife, the former

**REBECCA KEISTER '66**, live with their two children in Wooster, Ohio.

**JOHN A. WHALEN** has been elected to the West Side Savings and Loan Association's Board of Directors, Hamilton, Ohio. He is presently manager of Shearson Lobe, Rhoades, Inc. Investment Company. He is married to the former **KAREN PERSSON '67** and they have three sons, Jon, 9, Jared, 6, and Jamey, 2.

'67 next reunion June 1983

**DANIEL F. BOWELL** works for the State of Ohio, Department of Natural Resources in Gahanna, Ohio. He and his wife have two children, Jeff, 9, and Jennifer, 7.

'68 next reunion June 1983

**JERRY BOBB** has been elected a vice president by the Board of Directors, BancOhio National Bank. Mr. Bobb joined BancOhio as a management trainee in 1970 and was elected a banking officer in 1973 and was elected assistant vice president in March, 1980. He is a member of the American Institute of Banking.

**THOMAS E. BOWELL** is now a supervisor for Liberty Mutual Insurance Company in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. He is married to the former **MOLLY D. BEASON '71**.

**JAMES C. GRANGER** recently played the title role in "Mister Roberts" at Players Theatre of Columbus. Mr. Granger, who has performed often at PTC, was described by the critic of the Columbus Dispatch as "a natural in the role of Roberts."

**KAREN WILLIAMS HOLT** has recently been added to the staff of Coil Gymnastics in Columbus, Ohio. She will teach the pre-school, tiny tot and school-age children.

**FRANK J. JAYNE** has recently assumed a new position as the head wrestling coach of Elyria High School, one of the largest in Ohio. In his first season, he had a winning record, 10-4, winning his own Pioneer Tournament, getting second in the conference, fourth in the sectionals, and getting one boy, a 105 pounder, to the state wrestling tournament. His wife, the former **KAREN SUMMERS '68**, after teaching for twelve years in Columbus, has also assumed a new position in the Elyria public school system as a kindergarten teacher at Roosevelt Elementary School.

**DENNIS W. WEAVER** has been promoted to marketing manager of the Tool and Hoist Product Group of The Aro Corporation, Bryan, Ohio. Mr. Weaver formerly held the position of sales manager for Aro.

**DAVID L. WIDDER** has been promoted to vice president of Red Carpet Beachler-White, Inc. Realtors. He was recently named outstanding producer for 1980, an award he has earned each of the past six years. He is a member of both the Columbus Board of Realtors and the Ohio Association of Realtors exclusive Five Million Dollar Clubs. He is married to the former **CYNDA KAY SCHULER '70**.

**TOM WONDERLING** is now acting as Director of Athletics at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, California.

'69 next reunion June 1983

**JANE M. GRIGGS** was recently featured in an article in the *Mount Vernon News* telling about her experiences instructing students from a wheelchair. Miss Griggs has been teaching at Utica Junior High School in Licking County for 12 years.

**ROBERT E. WOODS**, assistant principal oboe with the Cleveland Orchestra, recently



won a "Grammy" as classical producer of the year for his work on Telarc digital recordings.

'70 *next reunion June 1986*

**JAMES P. FRESHOUR** is presently pastor of three United Methodist churches in the Athens District.

'71 *next reunion June 1981*

**MOLLY BEASON BOWELL** is a teacher for children with learning disabilities in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. She is married to **THOMAS E. BOWELL** '68.

**DR. RICHARD F. MAYHEW** began the practice of gastroenterology in Canton, Ohio in July, 1980. He is married to the former **CAROL WILHELM** '72 and they have a two-year old son, Ryan.

**DENNIS M. ROMER** recently returned to the Otterbein campus to direct the production of "And Miss Reardon Drinks A Little." Mr. Romer, who holds a master's degree in directing from Wayne State University, is a skilled stage director as well as an experienced actor in both theatre and television productions. He has appeared in more than 50 professional stage productions and spent more than two and a half years portraying two regular characters in television soap operas, "As the World Turns," and "For Richer, For Poorer."

'72 *next reunion June 1982*

**MARY ANN EVERHART** is now enrolled in the Ohio State University College of Medicine.

**DR. GINNY A. PAINE** has just recently been appointed by Clermont County Hospital as the first director of its new Department of Education and Staff Development. Dr. Paine, a former faculty member at the University of Cincinnati in its College of Education, is not a newcomer to medical education. She conducted medical education seminars at Bethesda Hospital, Cincinnati, during her seven years at U. of C. and also conducted maternal and infant research at University Hospital, Columbus.

**CAPT. JOSEPH P. PALLAY**, after completing a master's of science in international relations at Troy State University, attended the U. S. Air Force Academic Instructor School at Maxwell Air Force Base, and upon successful completion in July, has been assigned to the Air Force ROTC detachment 520, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. Capt. Pallay has assumed the duties of assistant professor of aerospace studies.

'73 *next reunion June 1983*

**DENNIS DRENNEN** is now working as an account executive for Laukus & Diffenderfer, Inc. in Irwin, Pennsylvania.

**RICHARD E. FETTER JR.**, vice president of Morral Oil Co., was elected to the board of directors of the National Fertilizer Solutions Association during the NFSA's annual convention held recently in Las Vegas. He will serve a three-year term and represent the Midwest District of the organization.

**HELEN BERNICE LEMAY (BONNIE)** is the owner of Eaton's H.B. & Me in Centerville, a gift store boasting one of the largest selections of pigs, ceramic, soft sculpture or otherwise, in the state. Other gift merchandise includes jewelry, both costume and sterling silver, scented candles, and hand-crafted furniture.

**CARTER LEWIS**, who has served as manager of Otterbein Summer Theatre, directed the recent production of Shakespeare's "As You

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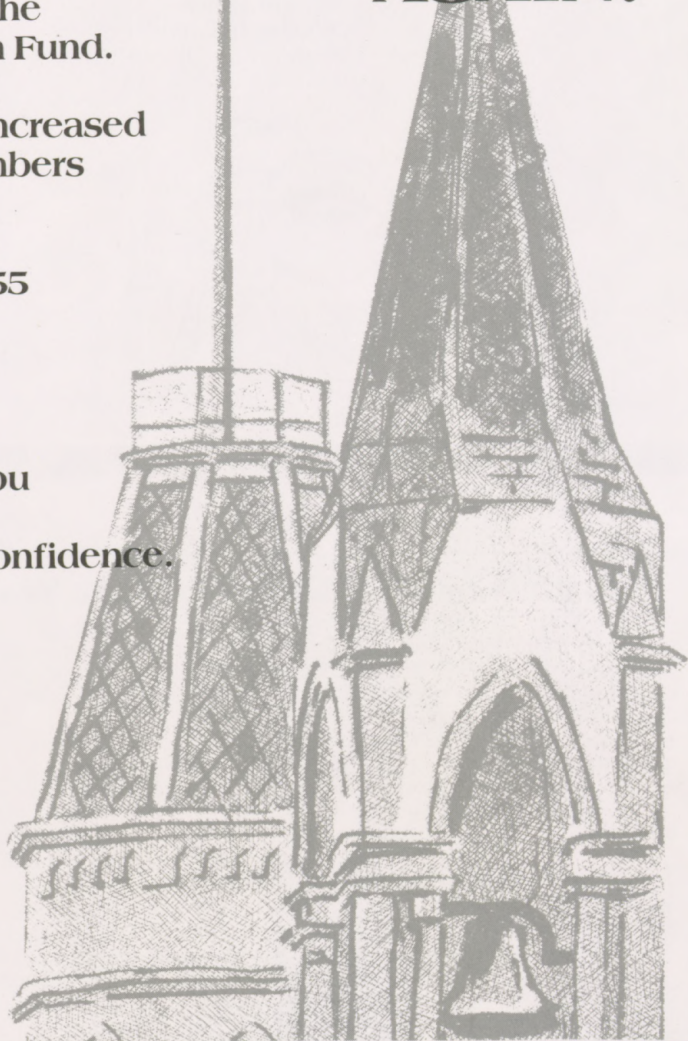
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Like It" which was presented February 4-7 in Cowan Hall.

**DOUGLAS BRETT REARDON** has completed the initial training at Delta Air Lines' training school at the Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport and is now assigned to the airline's Dalls/Ft. Worth pilot base as a second officer. Mr. Reardon is a veteran of the United States Air Force.

'74 *next reunion June 1984*

**DEE HOTY** recently was mentioned in Earl Wilson's column. After almost falling into the orchestra pit and onto the conductor's head in "Five O'Clock Girl," she went right into "Shakespeare's Cabaret," and producers are

interested in her. Earl also mentions that Dee is married to actor-composer Tom Spivey.

**BARBARA GREEN WEST** has been hired by the Bucyrus City School District Board of Education as a substitute teacher.

'75 *next reunion June 1981*

**RICK MAURER** has joined the staff of Howard Swink Advertising as account executive in the promotion services department. He will be working on incentive, premium and travel development for Swink clients. Mr. Maurer was previously with Top Value Enterprises as trip director in the incentive division and with Sheraton Inn properties as director of sales as well as catering manager and general manager of the Columbus firm.



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### Alumnus receives Chaplain of the Year award

The Reverend Mr. David C. Davis, '55 was awarded the United Methodist Chaplain of the Year Award on March 1, 1981 at the 41st Annual Convention of the National Association of Health and Welfare Ministries in San Antonio, Texas.

Concerned with the provision of better conditions for dying persons and their families, Chaplain Davis was a leader in



The Rev. Mr. David Davis

getting the Hospice concept of health care started in the Kalamazoo area. A group of community leaders in health care facilities, agencies and education institutions, which he helped coordinate, organized and planned a Hospice service. Even though administration of this program has now been placed in the hands of the community, Mr. Davis still retains a position on the Board of Directors and is a member of the Michigan House of Representatives Task Force on Death and Dying and the Michigan House of Representatives Subcommittees on Hospice Concept and Hospice Organization.

Chaplain Davis has also been interested in the problems of the disabled. He has been instrumental in providing clinical pastoral education for ministers working with disabled persons. In the early seventies, in his capacity of staff chaplain at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Washington, D.C., he worked on one of the first mental health programs for the deaf in the country.

Mr. Davis is now serving as the director of the Department for Human Resources for Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo, Michigan which includes the pastoral care, medical social work and patient representative departments.

**JAMES E. MINEHART, JR.** has been named an associate member of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives. Mr. Minehart is the associate director of development for United Church Homes, a non-profit agency of the United Church of Christ operating five multi-level care retirement homes in Ohio and Indiana, with central offices in Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

'76 next reunion June 1981

**JOHN L. LANE**, a WNCI radio announcer, has found a special way to use his radio announcing talents to help those who may not be able to read with a program called "Columbus Connection." For the past year, Mr. Lane and Bob Nunnally, also a WNCI announcer, have been producing the program they created designed to help "connect" print-handicapped young people with information about contemporary recording artists. The program is broadcast over a special closed circuit radio for the blind and physically handicapped in coordination with the Central Ohio Radio Reading Service (CORRS).

**DEBBIE J. LEWIS** recently passed her C.P.A. exam. She works for John Gerlach and Company.

'77 next reunion June 1981

**THOMAS E. BACHTEL**, along with his sister Betsy, has been chosen to represent the United States at the 1981 World Games for the Deaf in Cologne, West Germany in July, 1981. Tom will compete in the 300 meter steeplechase, the 500 meter run, and the 25,000 meter mini-marathon.

**MIRIAM (MIM) GOEHRING BRIDGMAN** is the director of the Children's After School Program at Otterbein United Methodist Church in Dayton, Ohio.

**JOHN F. HILES** has recently joined a popular Mt. Vernon musical group, "Mystique." He is also a member of the Mt. Vernon Concert Band, plays in a jazz ensemble and is an instructor of instrumental music.

**JEANINE ANN TRESSLER HOWELL** is now employed as a secondary teacher in special education in St. Henry, 14 miles from Celina, Ohio.

**JAMES H. McCURDY** received an M.B.A. from the University of Dayton on December 24, 1980 and is now working for James W. Heine & Co. in Sunbury, Ohio as an accountant. He is married to the former **MOLLY A. McMULLEN '79**.

'78 next reunion June 1984

**JEFF A. ANKROM** received his M.A. in economics from the University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana in 1980. He is married to the former **SUZANNE L. OGLE '79**.

**DAVID H. BRIDGMAN** was ordained a deacon in the United Methodist Church in June, 1980. Rev. Bridgman is now associate pastor of Otterbein United Methodist Church in Dayton, Ohio.

#### CORRECTION:

In the last issue of Towers, we reported incorrectly that Oma Moomaw Bradley '26 had moved to Waterford Towers and that Doris Jean Moomaw Hinton '45, was building a new home. Oma Moomaw Bradley will be moving to Waterford once the Juno Beach residence is completed. Mrs. Hinton will continue to reside in her condominium in Tequesta. We apologize for our error.





## Annual Fund Spring Telethon

Alumni and students spent six evenings in April telephoning alumni to ask for support of the Otterbein Fund. Thanks are extended to callers, to all who responded so generously and to Bank One of Columbus, which donated the use of its WATS long distance telephone lines.

**MONIQUE D. CLARK** is now working as administrative assistant in the Office of Admissions at Otterbein College.

**KERRY E. GOULD** has been named public information coordinator for Franklin County Engineer John Circle. Mr. Gould was employed as general manager of Gene Gould Dodge until the family's auto dealership closed last September. He is also a former news anchorman for WHTH radio in Heath, a part-time reporter for the *Westerville Public Opinion* and *Dublin Villager* newspapers and has written and modeled for *Living Single* magazine in Columbus.

**PAT WALLEN** was director for Hayes Interpretive Theatre's production of "Hey God, Listen" presented in December, 1980. While studying elementary education and music, he worked for three years as the musical director of Otterbein College's summer children's productions as well as studying creative dramatics.

'79 next reunion June 1984

**ENSIGN KEVIN F. BOYLE** is attending the U. S. Navy's Advanced Nuclear Reactor School in New York. He recently completed a nuclear power course in Orlando, Florida and will be assigned to the Nuclear Submarine Service after completion of the present course.

**MARTHA MONTGOMERY** is now working as an activity co-ordinator for Oil City Presbyterian Nursing Home in Oil City, Pennsylvania.

'80 next reunion June 1984

**RICHARD W. EMMERT** has been named to the dean's list at the Ohio State College of Dentistry for the fall term.

**STEVE FACKLER** is a salesman in large accounts for Burroughs, Columbus, Ohio.

**JACQUELINE FRANZ** has been promoted to budgets and planning manager at J. C. Penney Casualty Insurance Co. In her new position, she will be responsible for the coordination and preparation of the annual and five-year information services plan. Ms. Franz joined the company in 1973 as customer services supervisor and has advanced through a series of positions of increased responsibilities.

**LARY KORN** has recently started his first quarter at the Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine in Athens. He plans to be an osteopathic physician in the field of radiology or allergy.

**LOIS McCULLEN** has been appointed press secretary and legislative assistant to

Michigan State Senator Mitch Irwin (D-Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan). In a news advisory issued February 16, Mr. Irwin said: "Lois is a real asset to my staff as a competent writer and an aggressive worker who is consistently reaching for new challenges."

**SHARON NELSON**, a member of the Scioto-Darby (Hilliard, Ohio) Board of Education, was selected to be a speaker at the National School Boards' Association national convention in Dallas in April.

**KAREN RADCLIFFE**, who lives in New York City, returned to Columbus recently to play a female lead in the movie, "The 2nd Degree" being produced in Grandview. This feature is unusual in that for the first time the writers, producer, director and most of the actors are from Columbus. It was first designed to become a television movie for the Public Broadcasting Service at WOSU-TV in Columbus.

**KIM ROBINSON** has returned to her hometown, Willard, Ohio, to teach fourth grade at Central School.

## faculty

**DR. MICHAEL HABERKORN** was recently featured as a soloist when the Otterbein Artist Series presented the Mozart Festival Orchestra of New York. He performed Mozart's "Piano Concerto in E Flat." A member of the Otterbein Trio and pianist with the recently formed Columbus Chorale, Haberkorn has given several solo piano recitals on the east coast, including one at New York's Lincoln Center.

**EARL HASSENPFUG**, chairperson of Otterbein's Department of Visual Arts, was one of the Columbus area artists featured in an exhibit during the months of February and March at the Battelle Fine Arts Center on the Otterbein campus.

Two chemistry professors have recently been selected to serve on positions for the American Chemical Society. **DR. JERRY A. JENKINS** was elected chairman-elect and **DR. P. REXFORD OGLE** was elected to the position of counselor of the Columbus Section of ACS.

## former faculty and staff

**DAVID E. NICHOLS**, former intramurals coordinator, started his new job as Grove City's

recreation supervisor on December 8, 1980. Besides Otterbein, Mr. Nichols had previous experience in the field as a recreation leader with the Columbus Department of Parks and Recreation.

## marriages

'52 **HELEN V. REDINGER** to John B. Backlund on June 21, 1980.

'61 **SUE ANNE ROGERS** to Arthur R. Ruth on November 28, 1980.

'77 **JEANINE ANNE TRESSLER** to Denny C. Howell on December 27, 1980.

'79 **CYNTHIA P. DAY** to Carl Kosof on November 29, 1980.

**MARGARET L. DINE** to Alan B. Pickett on October 4, 1980.

**ROBERT THOMAS DODGE** to Francine Del Valle on March 21, 1981.

'80 **SUSAN ELIZABETH SHAW** to Robert W. Weiland on August 30, 1980.

## births

'68 **MR. AND MRS. THOMAS E. BOWELL (MOLLY D. BEASON '71)**, a son, Benjamin Clayton, born January 1, 1981. Benjamin was the first New Year's baby born in Broward County and made the front page of the Fort Lauderdale paper.

**MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM J. DAVIS (ANNE BARR)**, a daughter, Jill Elizabeth, October 31, 1980. She joins Leigh Anne, age 2½.

**MR. AND MRS. STEVE G. KUNKEL (ALICE SHANLEY)**, a daughter, Samantha Rochelle on August 14, 1980.

**MR. AND MRS. STEVEN R. LORTON (ANNA LOU TURNER)**, a son, John William, August 27, 1980.

'69 **MR. AND MRS. EDWARD GARTEN (FRANCES J. GUENTHER)**, a boy, Noah Mark Andrew, January 28, 1981.

'70 **MR. AND MRS. JAMES P. FRESHOUR**, a son, Wesley Andrew, born February 14, 1981.

'72 **MR. AND MRS. NATHAN J. VAN WEY (JAE BENSON '71)**, a daughter, Emily Shannon on November 3, 1980. She joins Erin, age 4, and Jason, age 6.



## Many reasons for pride



Dear Alumni,

Alumni far and near can share in the pride of the achievements of the Otterbein basketball team this past season. The entire Alumni Association salutes alumnus Dick Reynolds '65 and his team who proved unselfishness, dedication and hard work can conquer against great odds. Congratulations also to athletic director Bud Yoest '53 for his leadership of a program that is quality across the board.

Alumni have many other reasons to take pride in Otterbein. A tradition of academic excellence is reinforced by distinguished and dedicated faculty who offer quality learning experiences and personal concern for each student. The campus is attractive as well as functional with many recent renovations providing an excellent learning environment.

The pride alumni feel for Otterbein is exhibited by the number who participate in the annual fund. Last year, over 4,400, a record number, alumni, parents and friends contributed to the Otterbein Fund. This year we're looking for even more support. So get on the bandwagon... LET'S DO IT AGAIN.

Sincerely,

*Waid Vance*

Waid W. Vance '47  
President  
Otterbein College  
Alumni Association

'73 **MR. AND MRS. ROBERT I. BARNES (JANET L. BECK '74)**, a daughter, Melinda Margaret, born January 5, 1981. She joins sister, Jennifer Jane, 18 months.

**MR. AND MRS. DENNIS DRENNEN**, a daughter, Megan Joy, December 17, 1980.

**MR. AND MRS. CHRISTOPHER HILL (ANGIE MOGAVERO)**, a son, Maxwell Christopher, January 26, 1981.

**MR. AND MRS. STEVEN W. KENNEDY**, a son, Steven, Jr., August 25, 1980.

**MR. AND MRS. JOHN R. KIRKPATRICK, JR. (PEGGY MALONE)**, a daughter, Erin Malone, September 15, 1980.

'74 **MR. AND MRS. RICHARD K. LANDIS (KAY A. WELLS)**, a son, Benjamin John, born April 23, 1981.

**MR. AND MRS. JON WEISER (JULIANNE WITSBERGER '75)**, a daughter, Cara Janine on March 6, 1980. She was named for **CARA ADAMS '74**.

'75 **MR. AND MRS. ALLEN C. BROWN (DEBORAH A. KASUNIC '76)**, a daughter, Angela Marie, born March 11, 1980.

**MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL B. HAYES**, a son, Nicholas Burton, born October 21, 1980.

**MR. AND MRS. RANDALL A. SMITH (GWEN WELLS '76)**, a son, Bryan Neal, born May 28, 1980.

'76 **MR. AND MRS. JIM JAMES (GLENN L. MILLER '76)**, a son, Ian Edward, February 21, 1980.

### deaths

'12 **IVA M. COE WALKER**, July 3, 1980.

'14 **ETHEL M. OLDS**, December 26, 1981. Ethel was secretary for President Walter G. Clippenger of Otterbein.

**ETHEL SHUPE RICHER**, January 22, 1981 in Peru, Indiana. Through her will, money for a scholarship has been left to Otterbein. Her husband **REV. HARRY E. RICHER '14** preceded her in death.

'15 **OLIVE McFARLAND JOHNSTON**, February 24, 1981. She worked as a bookkeeper for the former Bank of Westerville and was associated with the *Public Opinion* from October, 1930 to December, 1947, serving as editor from 1940. She was preceded in death by sisters, Jennie McFarland Samuel, **GOLDIE McFARLAND CLARK '11**, **LOLA McFARLAND '17** and brother, **GUY McFARLAND '12**. Survivors include her daughter, **JEAN PLOTT ROBINSON '41**, Santa Barbara, with whom she had made her home since 1968; 3 grandchildren, Paulette Wheeler, **JEANETTE ROBINSON THOMAS '71**, and Richard Robinson; 3 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

'16 **WILLIAM RODNEY HUBER**, February 15, 1981.

'20 We received word that **EDYTHE PINNEY TUBBS** passed away.

'24 **W. WARREN (PETE) COGAN**, February 1, 1981, following complications from a heart condition. He retired as president of Ed. Williams Lumber Co. in 1972. He is survived by a sister, **RUTH M. COGAN '15**.

'25 We received word that **MAURICE W. HORLACKER** passed away February 7, 1980 and **KATHRYN M. HORLACKER** passed away April 2, 1980.

'30 **JULIAN R. YANTIS**, February 23, 1981, as a result of a heart attack. He was manager for 30 years for Goodyear Aerospace in Akron, Ohio. After his retirement in 1970, he moved to Florida and was living in Tarpon Springs, Florida at the time of his death. He is survived by his wife, Elsbeth, one daughter and two grandchildren.

'49 **TED B. BARTON**, December 30, 1980.

'60 **ROBERT W. ROYER** died in a two-vehicle double-fatality accident in Morrow County in December, 1980. For the past 12 years, Mr. Royer was athletic director and track coach at Col. Crawford High School in North Robinson. He was a former football coach and lived in Galion, Ohio for 17 years. He also attended Bowling Green State University and was a member of the First Lutheran Church, the Ohio Education Association and the Ohio Athletic Director's Association.

'64 We received word that **AUSTRALIA LEE MASON** passed away. Rev. Mason was pastor of Grace Baptist Church in Columbus from 1948 until the time of his death, and the new edifice was completed under his leadership in 1976.

'69 **RUTH DOUGLASS FLINT**, early in 1981. She was a retired teacher and taught at Minerva Park and Emerson Elementary.

'76 **LYDIA K. McALLISTER MARTIN**, February 13, 1981. We received word that Mrs. Martin died in a car-train accident.

'77 **PAMELA J. BUCKINGHAM**, February 16, 1981, as a result of an auto accident. A native of West Carrollton, Ohio, Pam was an employee of DESC.

### former faculty

**FLORENCE W. PATCH**, February, 1981. Besides teaching Home Economics at Otterbein College, she was also head of the Home Economics department for Adrian College, Adrian, Michigan and a home demonstration agent for Franklin County.

### friends

**ESTHER McGEE**, January, 1981, at Otterbein Home, Lebanon, Ohio. In the 1950's, Mrs. McGee served as hostess of the guest house at Otterbein College. In 1970, she entered Otterbein Home and resided there until her death.



## Westerville Otterbein Women's Club honors 1981 Woman of the Year

Sara Kathryn Kelsner Steck (Mrs. L. William) has been chosen by the Westerville Otterbein Women's Club as its candidate for Woman of the Year for 1981.

A program and reception were held in her honor on Sunday, April 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the Battelle Fine Arts Center on the Otterbein campus.

Mrs. Steck, a lifelong resident of Westerville, is a former high school teacher of English, drama, and girls' physical education. She is an active member of the Church of the Messiah United Methodist and serves the community and Otterbein College in many volunteer capacities.

During college years Mrs. Steck was a member of the Glee Club and Kappa Phi Omega sorority. Later she worked for three years

as assistant director of public relations for the College.

She was a girl scout leader for 10 years, and recently was named Mrs. Westerville and received the Distinguished Service Award from the Otterbein Alumni Association.

Her services to the Westerville Otterbein Women's Club include her present co-chairmanship of the Thrift Shop which operates on Wednesdays and Saturdays throughout the school year. Proceeds go for scholarships and other college needs.

Mr. and Mrs. Steck are parents of three children, all Otterbein graduates: Frederick '69 and Gretchen (Mrs. David Horstman '73), both of Columbus, and Trina (Mrs. Anthony Mescher '72) of Virginia.



## Virginia P. McCullen

Virginia P. McCullen died in Orlando, Florida on May 6, 1981 while on vacation with her husband and son and family. Jinny had worked in the alumni records area since March, 1970, after spending five months with the campus dining service. In her position at the Howard House, Jinny was responsible for recording all gifts to the College and for generating reports of the gift totals during the year. She was an active member of the Church of the Messiah, United Methodist Church of Westerville and a member of the Team Mate Sunday School Class.

Jinny is survived by her mother, Grace Peoples, who made her home with the McCullens; husband, James; sons, Robert, Richard and Phillip; and daughter, Lois, who graduated from Otterbein in 1980.

Gifts in memory of Jinny McCullen may be made to the Otterbein Memorial Scholarship Fund or to the Central Ohio Lung Association.

Jinny was a hard working, valuable member of the staff, and Otterbein College will miss her.

## Foreign Language (Continued from p. 5)

Mrs. Klopp pointed out. "But the foreign language department would like to eventually offer it in other languages."

European Business is also a new course offering. This class is taught in English at the University of Dijon in France and is designed for American students lacking a fluent French background who wish to study international business.

Otterbein's Department of Foreign Language continues to grow and plays an important part in attracting potential students to campus. For the past eight years, the department has sponsored the Annual Foreign Language Festival which draws high school students to campus to enjoy cultural displays and participate in language competitions. Over 800 high school students and their teachers participated in this year's festival in the Rike Center.

*This story was written by Kim Grossl, an Otterbein junior. Ms. Grossl, who is from Columbus, is majoring in English and in speech communication with a concentration in public relations. She is a 1977 graduate of Brookhaven High School in Columbus.*

## Odds and ends about Alumni Day

The Class of '31, celebrating their 50th reunion, and the Emeriti Alumni, all alumni whose class year precedes 1931, will be guests of the College for Alumni Week-end 1981, June 12, 13, 14.

The Alumni Choir will present its annual concert on Saturday evening at 8:00 in the Battelle Fine Arts Center. This year's guest conductor is Roger McMurrin, director of choral activities at Otterbein from 1969 to 1971.

Housing is available Friday and Saturday nights in Clements and Hanby Halls. If you prefer a motel, a block of rooms is being held at the Holiday Inn, 1212 East Dublin-Granville Road (S.R. 161), Columbus, Ohio 43229, (614) 885-8225. Reservations may be made before June 5 by writing or calling. Be sure to mention your association with Otterbein to qualify for our special group rate.

For further information about Alumni Day 1981, contact Eileen Thome or Jim Scarfpin in the office of Alumni Relations, Howard House, Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio 43081, (614) 890-3000, extension 400.



# ALUMNI WEEKEND SCHEDULE

## JUNE 12, 13, 14

### Friday, June 12, 1981

2:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m.	Check-in and Registration	Campus Center
5:00 p.m.	Receptions for Emeriti and Class of '31	Campus Center
6:00 p.m.	Reunion Dinners for Emeriti and Class of '31	Campus Center
7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.	Alumni Choir Rehearsal	Battelle Center
8:00 p.m.	The Liturgical Jazz-Arts Ensemble	Campus Center

### Saturday, June 13, 1981

7:30 a.m.—9:00 a.m.	Breakfast available	Campus Center Roost
9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.	Check-in and Registration	Campus Center
9:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m.	Alumni Choir Rehearsal	Battelle Center
10:00 a.m.—12:00 noon	Class Reunions and Picture Taking	Campus and Rike Centers
12:15 p.m.	Alumni Luncheon with Reunion Tables	Rike Center
2:00 p.m.	Dessert Reception	Battelle Center
2:30 p.m.—4:00 p.m.	Alumni Choir Rehearsal	Battelle Center
2:30 p.m.—4:00 p.m.	Alumni Band Rehearsal	Battelle Center
2:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.	Campus Open House	
6:00 p.m.	Centurion Banquet	Campus Center
8:00 p.m.	Alumni Choir Concert	Battelle Center

### Special Class Activities

Class of '50—Picnic at Troop's Farm	3:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
'51—Dinner—to be announced	
'56—Picnic at Sarah Skaates	
'71—Dinner at Windsong	6:00 p.m.

### Sunday, June 14, 1981

7:30 a.m.—9:00 a.m.	Breakfast available	Campus Center Roost
9:00 a.m.	Baccalaureate Service	Cowan Hall
9:30 a.m.—11:15 a.m.	Bavarian Brunch	Campus Center
11:00 a.m.	Alumni Band Concert	Rike Center
11:30 a.m.	Commencement	Rike Center

The Bookstore will be open Friday afternoon and 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

### 1981 REUNIONS

Class of '30 or earlier	Emeriti Alumni
Class of '31	50th Reunion
Class of '41	40th Reunion
Classes of '50, '51, '52	30th Reunion
Class of '56	25th Reunion
Class of '71	10th Reunion
Classes of '75, '76, '77	5th Reunion

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