“Friend”ly Correspondence

Mystery Solved!!

Annual Meeting a HUGE success!!

Professor Joanne Stichweh
Designer of Friends
2000-2001 Bookmark

By: President, Sylvia Vance

The Friends group is most grateful to Prof. Joanne Stichweh of the Department of Art at Otterbein for her gift of design for our new bookmark for the 2000-2001 academic year. She commented on what she created in a note, which I received soon after the design itself:

“I am glad that you are pleased with the design for the bookmark. Do you remember the TV commercial in which the monk has no trouble producing illuminated manuscripts instantly – he just uses a Xerox machine? That’s what gave me the idea for the bookmark. I thought it would be interesting to create something in the style of an illuminated manuscript, but to design it on the computer. The flower part of the design is hand-drawn, but the rest utilizes various fonts from my computer. Thank you for offering me the challenge and opportunity to try my hand at designing.”

Prof. Stichweh is an alumna of Otterbein (B.A. 1967), with majors in Visual Arts and Spanish. She holds a M.F.A. degree from the Ohio State University, granted in 1969. Since 1980 she has taught at Otterbein, holding at present the rank of Associate Professor. She served as Acting Chair of the Department of Art in the Spring of 1990 and again during the 1996-1997 year. From 1984 to 1991 she was Lecturer in Art History at the Pontifical College Josephium, concurrently with her Otterbein appointment.

Her service to Otterbein has been and continues to be extensive. An early supporter of the Integrative Studies program, she regularly teaches a Freshman Seminar in that department “Images and Ideas: Responding to Art,” as well as I.S. 310, “Art and Human Nature.” In her home department, she teaches a wide range of courses, including the three-term Art History Survey, and Drawing, Design and Painting courses. She taught “Women Artists in History” for the first time in 1995. In June of 1999 she received Otterbein’s “Master Teacher of the Year” award.

On campus her service has included the College Honors Program, the Women’s Studies Festival Planning Group, the Women’s Forum Steering Committee, the Academic Honors Convocation Committee, the Philomathean Room Committee, the Integrative Studies Advisory group, the Library committee, and numerous exhibition committees through the years.

The list of her professional and organizational memberships is long, representing her many interests. She is a frequent campus guest lecturer in Integrative Studies, History, English and other classes, and has made many guest appearances off campus for academic, religious and art-oriented groups. Several of her paintings and drawings have appeared on the cover of textbooks (such as “The Very Rich..."
Hours: Icarus and Capricorn” on the cover of Women, Culture, and Society, Fonow, Allan, Bailey, eds., Simon and Schuster, 1997), and within various books and journals. Listing of her work at exhibitions (along with her awards) covers more than four single-spaced pages. These on the list range from Otterbein College exhibitions to the Ohio State Fair, the juried exhibition of the Columbus Art League, the East Central Colleges Consortium Faculty Art Show, and one person exhibitions at the OSU Faculty Club and the Ohio University—Lancaster Campus.

Prof. Stichweh’s contributions to community service are many, including work for the Seal of Ohio Girl Scout Council, for the “Art for Life” auction for the benefit of the Columbus Aids Task Force, and numerous projects for secondary schools in central Ohio.

The above represents only small selections from the impressive list of accomplishments the name Joanne Stichweh represents. I thank her for the ever-willing spirit, which led her to add the Friends of Courtright Memorial Library to the groups – artistic, academic, and charitable – for which she has done so much. Thank you, Joanne, beyond what words can express, for your bookmark design given to all of us.

**Friends Officers, 1999–2000**
Sylvia Vance, President
Waid Vance, Vice President
Phil Barnhart, Secretary
Lois Szudy, Treasurer
Mary Pat Knight, Program Chair
Beth Daugherty, Membership Chair
Joanne VanSant & Marilyn Day, Fund-raising Co-Chairs

A big THANK YOU to these wonderful people for all of their work this past year!

**Friends Officers, 2000–2001**
President: John Wells
Vice President: Jim Grissinger
Secretary: Mary Cay Wells
Treasurer: Lois Szudy

Congratulations to our new officers and Best Wishes for the coming year!

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**In the Piggy Bank**
By: Treasurer, Lois Szudy

As of May 24th, the Friends Treasury has $8,132.37. So far this year we have spent $3,875. At the April annual meeting, the Friends voted to use a portion of this money to purchase a public address system for the library. This system will improve the security of the library allowing us to notify people about closing times and weather emergencies.

**A Penny for your thoughts …or your Library!!**

Bring or send your pennies to the Courtright Memorial Library by June 30, 2000 and help the Friends of the Library collect a mile of pennies (rolls end-to-end). Money raised will be used to purchase heavy-duty outdoor furniture for “under the overhang” of the library. As part of Otterbein’s strategic plan, the Friends of the Library is interested in creating an inviting, informal, and comfortable gathering place for faculty, staff, students, and community members. Your pennies (and nickels, dimes, quarters and dollars) can make a difference in the look and feel of the library. If you prefer, you may donate funds sufficient to purchase a bench or a set of table and chairs. A plaque honoring your gift will be created and proudly displayed.

**Just the Facts:** One roll of pennies (50 cents) = 3 inches. 3 inches x 4 rolls = $2.00 per foot of pennies, which equals $10,560 in a mile of pennies (21,120 rolls). If we collect dollars, quarters, nickels, and dimes too…they can add up quickly.

Please send your donation (of any size) for this worthwhile project to Lois Szudy. Checks should be made out to Otterbein College. Donations also can be delivered to the circulation desk of the library.
Applause! Applause!

A Review of
Midnight at the Millennium: A Movie/Murder Mystery

Written by Thomas Szudy &
Directed by Pat Kessler
Performed Friday April 14, 2000 at the Annual Meeting

The Cast:

Richard Jenkins .........................John Wells
Sally Jenkins ............................Susan Wilson
Cathy Brenner ...........................Mary Pat Knight
Roger Thornhill .........................Rick Dorman
Miss Froy ................................Alison Prindle
Alfred Hitchcock .........................Stephen Grinch
Sound Effects .........................Stephen Grinch
“McGuffin” ...............................Mallory Wilson

About the Play:

Thomas A. Szudy wrote midnight in 2000... is not his first creative writing, but is his first play.

Every writer must deal with the fear that their idea is not original and has been thought of or done by someone else. For Richard and Sally Jenkins the unwelcome realization comes through their Country Inn guests.

The game of Trivial Pursuit and now Who Wants to be a Millionaire have captured audiences interest worldwide. This play combines a trivia game that pits the audience along with the cast to win prizes.

Finally, who has not seen or appreciated the work of the master Alfred Hitchcock? What secrets lie within these movie characters on stage?

Throw in writer’s block, a Trivial Pursuit game, a dash of Alfred Hitchcock, some comedy, romance, and a murder mystery on the last day of the century -- you have “Midnight at the Millennium.”

-- Thomas Szudy

The Setting:

The Action of the play takes place in a Country Inn in December.

Acknowledgements:

I would like to thank Sylvia & Thomas Tallbott, B. Dalton Bookseller, John Wells, Susan & Mallory Wilson, Mary Pat Knight, Alison Prindle, Stephen Grinch, and, of course, my husband, Tom Szudy. Furthermore, I would like to thank a wonderful library staff and all the Friends who have helped to make this night so special.

-- Lois Szudy

Many Thanks to our contributors...


A Farewell to a Friend

We Have Lost

Darrel Poling:

On February 11th, 2000 Darrel L. Poling passed away after a bad Asthma and Emphysema attack. Darrel graduated from Otterbein College in 1951 with a Bachelor of Science in Education degree. He served as an elementary teacher at several schools, including the US Air Force dependent
schools in Istanbul and the OSLO American dependent school in Norway.

Darrel annually donated money to the library to purchase materials in such subject areas as the Arab world, Muslim religion, Turkey and/or Byzantium. The library appreciated his generous donations, which allowed us to improve our collection in these areas.

His sister Donna L. Lehman, is now handling his affairs and estate in Van Wert, Ohio. We extend our sincerest condolences to his family and friends.

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Every Minute Counts
Minutes from
The Annual Meeting,
April 14, 2000
By: Phil Barnhart

Following a meal of real and vegetarian lasagna 121 members and guests of the Friends of the Library enjoyed Tom Szudy’s play, “Midnight at the Millennium” with dessert. Afterwards, prizes were awarded for knowing everything there is to know about Alfred Hitchcock, "Birds", "The Lady Vanishes" and North by Northwest (to say nothing about "The Lodger").

The crowd diminished greatly before the taking up of necessary business. President Sylvia Vance read Joanne Stichweh’s statement concerning the 2000 FOL bookmark. It was suggested the statement appear in the next issue of the newsletter.

Reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting was dispensed with since they had already been published and no changes were demanded.

Prior to the report of the Nominating Committee (Patti Rothermich and Joanne VanSant) Joanne VanSant extended a hearty thanks to the retiring Council members. The following slate (without nominations from the floor) was moved for unanimous election by Marilyn Day, seconded by Phyllis Tillett. The room murmured consent.

President: John Wells
Vice President: Jim Grissinger
Secretary: Mary Cay Wells
Treasurer: Lois Szudy

Waid Vance presented the proposed revision to the by-laws of the organization. Copies of the new by-laws with correction noted were distributed. After brief discussion Paul Burnham moved, Beth Daugherty seconded passage of the modified by-laws. Motion carried without dissent.

Lois Szudy presented the Treasurer's report. March balance in the FOL account was $7209.17. Several suggestions were floated for possible use of the FOL funds, including donation to the penny campaign for sturdy outdoor furniture, re-upholstery of inside furniture, and a P. A. system to facilitate all-library communication and emergency announcements and installation of automatic doors at the main entrance. Esther Barnhart moved, Jane Miller seconded that approximately $5000 be expended on procurement and installation of a library-wide Public Address system as soon as possible. Motion passed unanimously.

Melissa Dardinger was introduced along with the designs for an FOL logo and letterhead, as well as a brochure layout for information and educational purposes.

Sylvia expressed her gratitude for such a fine working relationship with Lois. Joanne again expressed appreciation to Sylvia for the two years hard work that she has dedicated to the Friends.

Phil Barnhart moved and Waid Vance seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The vote was not unanimous, but passed anyway.

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This was written in memory of my long-time friend, Lillian Frank in January 2000. I miss her!

“Small Bird”
By: Betty Woodworth Clark

On a summer drive
One day
We spoke philosophically about life after death.
I asked her
“Do you believe in reincarnation?”
Her answer was spontaneous,
Eager without hesitation…
“Oh yes! I am going to be
Transformed
Into a small bird!”
How fitting
For this tiny woman
Delicate in all aspects
Fine, white flyaway hair
Like feathers,
Sudden smiles, expressive hands,
Creative spirit, lifetime accomplishments!
What could be more apropos?
Soon after, she left this world at 92,
Now every small bird I see
Is Lillian.

Thanks to Mellisa Dardinger ’95 for designing the new logo for our newsletter!!

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A Little Note of Farewell
By: Editor, Jaimie Philips

Hello, friends. I had a great time at the Annual Meeting, it was great to see so many of you there. Thank you to Sylvia and Waid Vance for so generously providing my dinner and to Lois for the beautiful Otterbein picture frame. It has been a great opportunity to help with this wonderful group of library supports and to have the chance to make so many new “friends.” Though I have not been directly involved with this group for all four of my years at Otterbein, I have been aware of all that you have done for the college and the library. I thank you as a student at Otterbein, for providing all that you do, constantly improving upon that which Otterbein has to offer her students and the greater community. Otterbein and the Courtright Memorial Library have served me well for four years now, and I am comforted by the fact that she will continue to grow and prosper thanks to supporters such as the Friends group. I wish next year’s officers the best of luck and continued success for the entire group. To those of you who are not yet members, I encourage you to join this dedicated group of supporters who are determined to make a difference.

Just as I close this newsletter, so also I am closing my four years of education here at Otterbein. On June 11th I will be graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Education with a minor in Equestrian Studies. Before I do so, I have to take just a moment to say a special thank you to a close “friend,” Lois Szudy for all that she does for the library, for the college, and the impact that she has made on the lives of many

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Thank You,
Jaimie Philips
Otterbein College
Class of 2000
SO...
You would like to become a Friend?

Here are just a few of the Membership Benefits

Your participation will help:

• Encourage an understanding of the part the library plays in educating Otterbein’s students, in supporting faculty and staff, and in cooperating with other libraries to share available resources.
• Provide a medium through which friends of the library may become acquainted, share their enthusiasm for books and reading, and participate in programs sponsored by the library.
• Attract bequests and gifts of money, books, manuscripts, and other library materials.

Membership is open to individuals and families who support these goals.

Friends enjoy:

• Borrowing privileges at the Courtright Memorial Library.
• Borrowing privileges from other OPAL and OhioLink libraries.
• Interlibrary loan privileges.
• Subscription to the Friends of the Library newsletter.
• Invitations to events sponsored by the Friends.
• Voting privileges at the Friends of the Library business meeting(s) each year.
• An opportunity to join others who are committed to the development of a valuable resource – the Courtright Memorial Library.

Service opportunities:

Friends members can serve the group in several ways:
• Become an officer (President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer).
• Participate in committees (Program, Membership, Fund Raising Projects, and Nominations).
• Be an active member of the friends.
• Renew membership annually.
• Encourage others to join the Friends.
• Donate time, money or items to the library.

For additional information, contact Lois Szudy, Library Director by mail at Courtright Memorial Library, Otterbein College, 1 Otterbein College, Westerville, OH 43081 or by phone at (614) 823-1414 or by email at LSzudy@otterbein.edu

Membership Information

Memberships are valid for one year, from July 1 to June 30.

Date: ______________

Renewal or New Member (Please circle one)

Name: ____________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________

City: ____________________________________________ State: ______ Zip: _______________

Telephone: ______________________________ E-mail Address: ________________________

Choose the donation category most appropriate for you:

_______ Imaginative Friend: Generous donation, including special purpose or non-financial
_______ Philanthropist ($500+)
_______ Benefactor ($100-$499)
_______ Contributor ($50-$99)
_______ Family: 2 + people in same household ($35)
_______ Individual Friend ($20)
_______ Otterbein Student ($5)

To insure proper gift credit, please make checks payable to Otterbein College. Contributions are tax deductible in accordance with Internal Revenue Service rules.

One benefit to being a friend is borrowing privileges at the library. Are you interested in receiving borrowing privileges?

q Yes, I would like to have borrowing privileges. Please provide social security number(s) for name verification.

q No, I do not need borrowing privileges.

Please return form to Circulation desk or mail to:

Lois F. Szudy, Library Director
Courtright Memorial Library
1 Otterbein College
Westerville, OH 43081
Enclosed is your latest “Friendly Correspondence,” The Newsletter of the Friends of the Courtright Memorial Library!!!!

Please note that your membership expires on the date shown on your mailing label. If date is blank you need to join & become a member. To renew fill out the enclosed form and mail to Lois Szudy at above address. Thank You.