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Fond Memories

The article featuring Rees Edgar Tulloss in the Autumn 2005 edition of the Wittenberg Magazine brought back some fond memories to me. It was 1932 that Dr. Tulloss paid a visit to my home to personally invite me to attend Wittenberg College.

My extracurricular activities (non-athletic) at Warren G. Harding Senior High School in Warren, Ohio, outweighed my scholastic record, which nevertheless, seemed to appeal to universities of higher learning as several colleges showed enough interest to dangle a few offers before me.

When Rees Edgar Tulloss called my home asking if he could visit us, my parents, who were born and died Lutherans, never attended college, but knew of the wonderful Dr. Tulloss, were absolutely elated to think he was actually going to be in our home.

As could be expected, Dr. Tulloss was an excellent goodwill ambassador, a very impressive man and an excellent salesman for Wittenberg, which he dearly loved. We were all so impressed that a man of his stature would personally invite me to attend the college of which he was president. There was little doubt as to

where my higher education would take place. I never regretted that decision, and I don't think he did either.

William G. Frick '36
Savannah, Ga.

Geiger House Revisited

A number of alumni have asked for an update on the Geiger House, which we featured in our Spring 2005 issue. Exterior restoration work on the house has been completed, including cleaning and sealing

the brick wall surface, rebuilding the window shutters, applying new storm windows to protect the original sash and glass, painting, replacing the porch, re-grading the land and installing an attractive fence to help to protect the property.

An assessment of the house, located south of College Avenue on Woodlawn Avenue, will be included in the updated Campus Master Plan being prepared by Dober, Lidsky and Craig. The Geiger House will likely be renovated inside to provide a meeting and gathering space for the Wittenberg and Springfield communities.



Exterior restoration work on the historic Geiger House has been completed.



Heeding the Call

Students Spend Spring Break in Service

Spring Break in contemporary American vernacular generally conjures up images of fun in the sun, relaxation and wild parties. To the contrary, nearly 80 Wittenberg students spent their vacation in the hurricane-ravaged United States gulf coast region, participating in a pair of Spring Break trips focused on charitable volunteer work.

As part of "What a Relief," a national effort organized by Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR), 26 Wittenberg students and five staff members joined 1,100 volunteers representing more than 60 academic institutions in the gulf coast from March 5-10. One of five universities in the state of Ohio participating in the relief effort, Wittenberg sent students to Biloxi, Miss., one of four designated work sites for the LDR relief effort in Mississippi and Alabama.

An additional 50 Wittenberg students participated in an even larger relief effort through the national organization Campus Crusade for Christ. Members of the affiliated Wittenberg organization, Primetime, traveled to Pass Christian, Miss., to join more than 6,000 college students representing more than 100 universities. This relief effort was spread out among several locations, including New Orleans and Slidell, La.

The Wittenberg contingent also included one student from another college that is not participating, two community volunteers and a Campus Crusade for Christ staff member. The entire party rode a chartered bus to and from Mississippi thanks to private donations.

University Pastor Rachel Tune, Director of Community Service Kristen Collier and Laura Seaman, an AmeriCorps VISTA volunteer in the Community Service Office, helped to organize both trips. The students, however, displayed significant initiative and a heart-warming desire to make a difference.

"Everywhere we went, we wanted to do more," said Amy Fickert '08 from Springfield, Ohio. "Talking to the people made it feel so much more real. Being here changed my view."

Ashley Buroff '06 from Hilliard, Ohio, agreed.

"The experience expanded my definition of love and made me see a whole new perspective," Buroff said. "The spirit of the people — they are picking up the pieces

and moving on. We left sharing a piece of ourselves with others."

Pass Christian was one of the hardest hit areas in the entire gulf coast when Hurricane Katrina brought a 38-foot storm surge ashore, destroying more than 70 percent of the homes in the town of approximately 7,000 people.

"The need is so enormous that I can't imagine not being involved with this relief effort," Tune said.

"Caring for others flows directly from our identity as a university related to the Lutheran church. It's part of our calling to learn about the world around us, to understand the concerns that others face, and to respond to the neighbor in need — whether near or far — with love and compassion." ■



Close to 80 students and staff members, including the group above, spent spring break cleaning debris and assisting with relief efforts along the hurricane-damaged gulf coast.

Author Selected to Present Commencement Address



Award-winning writer Mark Mathabane will present the keynote address during Wittenberg's 161st Commencement Exercises, Saturday, May 13. The author of *The New York Times*' bestselling autobiography *Kaffir Boy* and several other books celebrating the power of knowledge, the world's common humanity and the resiliency of the human spirit, Mathabane has touched the hearts of millions with his words.

Born of destitute parents whose \$10-a-week wage could not pay the rent for their shack or put food on the table, Mathabane spent the first 18 years of his life as the eldest of seven children in a one-

square-mile ghetto that was home to more than 200,000 blacks in South Africa. Tennis became Mathabane's passport to freedom, and in 1978, with the help of 1972 Wimbledon champion Stan Smith, Mathabane left South Africa to attend an American university on a scholarship. In 1983 he graduated cum laude with a degree in economics from Dowling College in Oakdale, N.Y.

After studies at the Poynter Media Institute and the Columbia Graduate School of Journalism, Mathabane completed the manuscript of *Kaffir Boy*, which later won the prestigious Christopher Award, climbed to No. 3 on *The New York Times*' bestseller's list and secured the No. 1 spot on *The Washington Post*'s bestseller list. The book has been translated into several languages and is currently used in classrooms around the United States. The American Library Association also has included it on its list of "Outstanding Books for the College-Bound."

Mathabane has appeared on *The Oprah Winfrey Show*, *Today*, CNN, NPR and numerous other national TV and radio programs. His provocative articles have also appeared in *The New York Times*, *Newsday*, *U.S. News & World Report* and *USA Today*. In addition, he has been featured in *Time*, *Newsweek* and *People* magazines. A sought-after lecturer, he was nominated for Speaker of the Year by the National Association for Campus Activities. ■



Although Ruth Kunkel Bayley '42 loves to collect miniatures, she and her husband, Robert '39, recently made a big impression at Wittenberg University, which will transform the university's athletic facilities for generations of students.

The Bayleys, both of Springfield, have committed \$500,000 to improve and update the lobby of the campus' Health, Physical Education and Recreation Center (HPERC).

"We had a wonderful education at Wittenberg," Ruth Bayley said. "It's followed us all our lives."

"Wittenberg has always been a big presence in Springfield, and it has brought so many people to Springfield," added Robert Bayley. "We wanted to give to a place that we knew and were confident would use our gift to its advantage."

As Wittenberg alumni, the Bayleys have



Elliott Nguyen '06 assisted with organizing the annual fundraiser.

Empty Bowls Helps Fight Hunger

As many as 50 Wittenberg art students, faculty, staff and alumni personally crafted 600 soup bowls for the annual fundraiser Empty Bowls, April 6.

The event, which raised \$6,056 for Second Harvest Food Bank in Springfield, offered all-you-can-eat soups and breads for a \$10 donation. The beautiful handcrafted keepsake bowls were included in this donation as a reminder of all those in the community who go hungry each day.

Empty Bowls organizer Scott Dooley, assistant professor of art, and Elliott Nguyen '06 from West Chester, Ohio, student organizer for this year's event, were overwhelmed with the response from the community.

"We had tremendous success," Nguyen said, noting that 20-30 students also assisted during the dinner.

IMANI Gospel Choir and Just Eve, Wittenberg's women's a cappella group, provided the entertainment as did Clint Davis '06 from Lebanon, Ohio, Sam McCabe '06 from Greenville, Ohio, and Carly Kuhn '06 from Lakewood, Ohio. ■

Lasting Legacy

Alumni Couple Commits \$500,000 To Improve Athletic Facilities



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consistently remembered their alma mater throughout the years. In 1994, the couple provided the lead gift to renovate the former Phi Kappa Psi fraternity into the Bayley Alumni House, home to Wittenberg's Office of Advancement. They also created an endowed scholarship, which benefits four to six students annually. More than 33 students have received a Bayley Scholarship since its establishment in 1998.

"We understand and admire the importance of education," Robert said. "It's a cumulative thing in that the more people that help, the better it gets."

Renovation work is already underway on the HPERC lobby, which will energize the area and highlight Wittenberg's athletic accomplishments both past and present. ■

Recitation Hall Receives Interior Makeover

The days of battleship grey inside Recitation Hall began to disappear during the fall semester. Cream-colored paint and wooden floors replaced the dark interior and aging carpet on the first floor, significantly brightening the inside of Wittenberg's second oldest building.

Guests to Recitation will also now see some unique handcrafted additions in the admission area, including a hand-carved wooden kiosk containing an electronic welcome board for prospective students. Large-scale photographs depicting global citizenship, wholeness of person and teaching excellence, all hallmarks of a Wittenberg education, also stand out in wooden frames created by the university's physical plant. The second and third floors have also been transformed with new paint, and additional upgrades are expected this summer, including completing a wooden replica of the university's Seal in the center of the floor. ■



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Campus Celebrates Black History Month

From a panel discussion about today's need for a Civil Rights Movement to a Black Quiz Bowl, a special art exhibit and a series of guest lectures, Concerned Black Students (CBS) provided a range of activities to celebrate Black History Month in February.

As part of the celebration, CBS sponsored its Alumni Weekend, Feb. 17-19, with this year's Black Knowledge Conference titled "Balancing Your Life to Achieve Your Goals." The lineup of alumni speakers at the event included Deborah Braxton '74, Michael Carter '82 and Shakeera Abdullah '99. The student organization also sponsored "The Body Image Project: Beauty as a Relative Concept," an exhibit and lecture by artist Larry Kirkwood, Feb. 13-15.

The month concluded with a presentation of the hour-long "choreopoem," "One Race, One People, One Peace." The campus was also awash in the colors of unity, which include the red, black and green of the Black Liberation Flag, throughout February. ■

Sociology Professor Earns Prestigious Honor

Keith Doubt, professor of sociology and department chair, recently received the Distinguished Fulbright Chair Award to teach in the department of sociology at the University of Innsbruck in Innsbruck, Austria, beginning in March 2007.

Considered among the most prestigious appointments in the Fulbright Scholar Program, the Distinguished Fulbright Chair Award marks the second Fulbright award received by Doubt. In 2001, he received a Fulbright Lecturing Award, which he used to teach sociology classes at the University of Sarajevo and conduct research for his 2002 book *Sociologija Nakon Bosna* [Sociology After Bosnia], which examines the sociology of war.

A frequently invited scholar to Bosnia-Herzegovina, Doubt previously created an honors class at Wittenberg titled "Bosnia-Herzegovina: An Interdisciplinary Study," in which five Wittenberg students participated in a Web-based course with students from the University of Sarajevo. He also coordinated a symposium, which brought together students from Doubt's honors course and two natives of Sarajevo who shared their personal experiences of living in Bosnia and engaged in discussions with Doubt's students.

Currently the editor of the interdisciplinary, international, bilingual, online journal, *Duh Bosne/Spirit of Bosnia* at www.spiritofbosna.org, Doubt will offer three courses at the University of Innsbruck, one on the American Social Character, another on Bosnia-Herzegovina, and the third on Social and Political Thought to graduate students ■



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Ellen Peterson '06 was among those who attended the competition.

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Students Compete in Math Competition

Nine Wittenberg math students braved the cold and early morning hours to compete against more than 50 students from colleges across Ohio during the Five College Mathematics Competition, Feb. 11.

The annual competition, this year held at Kenyon College, provides an opportunity for students statewide to gather and do what they love — talk about and do math. Armed with nothing but pencils and paper and lots of enthusiasm, three person teams worked in separate rooms for two hours to complete 10 problems.

Mathematics professors Al Stickney, Bill Higgins and Adam Parker accompanied the group, which included seniors Lisa Bendure, Lindsay Jacobs, Ellen Peterson and Karl Schmitt, juniors Alex Brown, Steve Dennett and Emily List, and first-year students Alyssa Armstrong and Daniel Marous. ■

Students Create Unique Resource for Area Teachers

To assist Springfield and Clark County-area teachers with their classroom planning, tutoring needs and training, students in Wittenberg's Sociological Perspectives in Education class are developing a unique resource thanks to a grant from the community-based organization Youth As Resources.

Spearheaded by Robert Welker, professor of education and director of Wittenberg's Teacher Institute, and Alan McEvoy, professor of sociology, who are team-teaching the class, the project will provide teachers in grades K-12 with a one-stop reference guide for accessing Wittenberg's wide range of services, faculty expertise, resources and networking capabilities.

Forty-seven students from all class years are engaged in the team-based project, and each team must provide at least 10 resources per assigned area. Among the areas being studied are language arts and literature, social studies, math, science, co-curricular arts, and social and emotional learning.

"Students are taking the lead in this project by putting their class learning to work," Welker said. "They are making connections between the needs of classroom teachers and what the Wittenberg community can contribute."

The guide is expected to be completed by semester's end with distribution slated for fall 2006. ■



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Physicist Presents Phi Beta Kappa Lecture

The Wittenberg Series welcomed Laura H. Greene, Swanlund Professor of Physics at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Feb. 20. Greene's talk, "High-Temperature Superconductors: From Broken Symmetries to Cell Phones," served as the Phi Beta Kappa lecture.

An internationally recognized experimentalist, Greene has made profound and lasting contributions to condensed matter physics and the physics of novel materials, particularly superconductors. She earned her bachelor's and master's degrees at The Ohio State University and a Ph.D. in physics from Cornell University, where she investigated the linear and non-linear far-infrared properties of materials.

Prior to joining the faculty at Illinois in 1992, she conducted research at Bell Laboratories and then Bellcore. She has also served on General Council and Executive Board of the American Physical Society, and is a founding member of the Board of Trustees of the Los Alamos-based Institute of Complex and Adaptive Materials. ■



Faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends had the rare opportunity to experience the Asian arts when the Tibetan monks of the Drepung Loseling Monastery visited Wittenberg, March 20-24, as part of a Wittenberg Series-sponsored weeklong residency.

The residency commenced with a ceremony in which the monks began the process of creating an elaborate Mandala Sand Painting. Construction took several days and required millions of grains of sand. On March 23, the monks then dismantled the mandala, sweeping up the colored sands to symbolize the impermanence of all that exists.

The monks then led a procession, accompanied by the public, to Buck Creek where the grains were ceremonially poured to disperse the healing energies of the mandala throughout the world.

University Partners with Community on Film Screening



The Asian influences on architect Frank Lloyd Wright served as the subject of a unique collaborative effort between Wittenberg University and the Springfield-based Westcott House. As part of the Westcott House's 2006 lecture series, "Rediscover Our Architectural Heritage," Wright's creations were featured in a special screening of the Japanese documentary film *Magnificent Obsession: Frank Lloyd Wright's Buildings and Legacy in Japan*, March 30, at Wittenberg.

Produced by Chicago native Karen Sevens and Tokyo's Koichi Mori, this meticulously researched film took five years to produce. Present at the screening to answer questions, the filmmakers also engaged in a weeklong series of discussions with classes on campus and in the Springfield community. ■



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New Program Assists Girls

A Young Women's Summer Institute (YWSI), a residential program for sixth- and seventh-grade girls, sponsored by the Ohio Supercomputer Center, will be held on campus, July 16-22. The theme of Wittenberg's program is computational science, and Wittenberg faculty members will teach the classes.

Designed to promote computer, math and science skills, the hands-on, weeklong program also aims to assist girls in developing an interest in these subjects by allowing them to use the latest computer technology to work on a practical and interesting scientific problem. The program will also introduce participants to a variety of job and career opportunities. ■

Campus and Community

Close to 100 students, faculty and staff participated in the fifth annual Celebrate Service Day, April 22, sponsored by the Office of Community Service. Participants selected from a variety of local sites, including the Children's Rescue Center, Oesterlen Services for Youth, Interfaith Hospitality Network and On the Rise After School Program. Depending on the site's needs, participants spent three hours assisting with cleaning, organizing, landscaping and other beautification projects. The day ended with a celebration on campus, which included food, music and a raffle. ■

Mystical World

Wittenberg Series Event Offers Glimpse Into Tibetan Traditions



A special performance, "The Mystical Arts of Tibet: Sacred Music Sacred Dance for World Healing," concluded the residency that evening in Kuss Auditorium of Clark State Performing Arts Center.

Hailed by *The Washington Post* as "a universal expression of the human subconscious," the performance featured elaborate costumes, traditional instruments and unique multiphonic singing.

While on campus, the monks also spoke to classes and assisted with a special event remembering all those servicemen and women who have lost their lives in Iraq. A photo collection titled "Tibet: Magical Land of Spiritual Wonders" remained on exhibit in Thomas Library through April 17. ■

Endowed Fund Aids Weaver Chapel Organ

Thanks to funding from the Ruth B. and Thomas F. Mackey Foundation, the Weaver Chapel organ will continue to enrich Wittenberg's musical life. The estimated \$1 million organ endured seven years of restoration work, totaling \$240,000, following years of water damage stemming from a leaky roof over the organ chambers. Although the roof was repaired in the mid-1990s, the organ required a complete overhaul, including cleaning each pipe, restoring the reeds, tonal revoicing and placing a solid-state system into the console. A new endowed maintenance fund has also been established by the Mackey Foundation, contributions to which are welcome. ■



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Trudy Faber, professor of music, and Neal Hayes '06, music major, thank Barb Mackey, a representative of the Mackey Foundation and also the director of community programs.

Pilot Program Planned for New Residence Hall



JOYCE SUTTON

Expected to open in August, Wittenberg's new residence hall has become a popular site along Alumni Way as each day brings additional architectural and functional enhancements. The \$10 million, nearly 50,000-square-foot facility will also serve as model for college residential housing in that it will be reserved exclusively for new students.

Research conducted by the Office of Student Development indicates that new students adjust better to college life when housed with fellow new students.

Wittenberg's own first-year experience committee came to a similar conclusion.

"We have found that students acclimate to college life faster, make friends easier and therefore tend to return the following year because of this type of residential housing," said Carolyn Perkins, associate vice president for student development and dean of students. "Overall retention rates have also shown dramatic increases at the colleges and universities that provide designated living environments for first-year students." ■

Board of Directors Backs University's Strategic Plan

Wittenberg's strategic plan, "Distinctively Wittenberg: A Vision for Excellence," received the unanimous support of the Board of Directors in March. The plan, which will provide a roadmap for excellence, embraces the university's strengths and traditions as it propels the university in bold, new directions.

"Accomplishing the goals set forth in the plan will require an unwavering commitment, passion and teamwork as we determine how best to allocate university resources to match our strategic vision," said President Mark H. Erickson.

"The years ahead will be both challenging and tremendously exciting, as we build an even stronger and better Wittenberg for all of us and for the generations of students who will call this special place home."

More information on the plan, including an outline of its goals and objectives, will appear in the next issue of Wittenberg Magazine. ■

Journalist Calls for Action at MLK Convocation

Telling those at the Wittenberg Series' Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Convocation, Jan. 16, "that the best way to honor Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy is not to sit but to stand up for justice and equality," award-winning journalist Charlayne Hunter-Gault applauded the university for scheduling a week of events in King's honor.



Currently a correspondent for National Public Radio (NPR), Hunter-Gault replaced Henry Louis Gates, who was unable to attend because of health problems. Hunter-Gault made civil rights history in 1963 when she became the first African American woman to graduate from the University of Georgia. The target of racial epithets and a riot outside her dormitory room, she said she was moved to tears when King recognized her sacrifices in a brief exchange in a crowd following one of his speeches.

After graduating with a bachelor's degree in journalism, she became the first African American reporter for *The New Yorker*. Since then, she has worked for *The New York Times*, received numerous awards and served as a national correspondent for PBS *The NewsHour* with Jim Lehrer. She also served as CNN's Johannesburg bureau chief and correspondent before joining NPR. ■



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For a philosopher to receive funding from the National Science Foundation is in and of itself noteworthy, but the plans for the money are more noteworthy and even potentially groundbreaking.

Using the \$70,000 award, Nancy McHugh, associate professor of philosophy and director of the women's studies program, will conduct research for a grant titled "Situated Communities: A Pragmatist Approach to Scientific Research," and then write an eight-chapter book, author at least four articles and make presentations at conferences on the subject. For as complicated as the subject matter sounds, and as ambitious as this grant project truly is, McHugh's motivation is actually quite simple.

"I am frustrated by the distance philosophy and philosophers have from issues that matter substantially in the world," McHugh said. "I also firmly believe that the kind of action that can come out of philosophical thinking can create substantial changes in how people live."

McHugh, who wrote her dissertation on the role of democracy in science, said she has been interested in the subject of social and ethical impact of knowledge generating practices of science for several years. After attending a National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar on Feminist Epistemologies at The Pennsylvania State University two years ago, McHugh was inspired by conversations with colleagues to seek out new ideas in her field. A trip to Vietnam in 2004 for a seminar titled "Transition and Transformation in Vietnam," quickly brought some.

While there, McHugh visited a peace village in

Beloved Professor Returns to Campus for Lecture Series

More than 200 alumni, students, faculty and friends turned out for the first annual history department-sponsored Hartje Lecture, March 31, featuring keynote speaker and Professor Emeritus of History Robert G. Hartje.

Titled "Storytelling and History: Making Sense of the Civil War from a Fanciful Mind Set," Hartje's address made history come alive for those in attendance. Also during the lecture, senior Rex E. Van Wormer received the Martha and Bob Hartje Award in History for his appreciation of the narrative and



biographical approach to the study of history, his recognition of the importance of history and his understanding of the methods used by historians.

Widely published and the recipient of the Alumni Association Award for Distinguished Teaching in 1967, Hartje taught for 32 years at Wittenberg prior to his retirement in 1988. ■

Wittenberg Choir Concludes Spring Tour

Forty-one voices strong, the Wittenberg Choir toured the East Coast during its 2006 Spring Tour, performing 13 concerts at churches in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York and Ohio before returning to campus for its annual home concert in Weaver Chapel.

Under the direction of Donald A. Busarow, professor of music and university organist, and accompanied by Chris Durrenberger, associate professor of music, the choir performed at churches where many suffered losses in the attacks on the World Trade Center. On the six-month anniversary of the attacks, the choir sang the national anthem at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City.

One of the most traveled college choral groups in the world, the choir has earned rave reviews from critics across the United States and in Canada, Latin America, Europe and Russia in its 76-year history. During the 2006 tour, it received front-page coverage in the March 11 Niagara Gazette. ■



Students Help Local Youth

The officers of the class of 2008 kicked off a spring blitz of fundraising events with a walk that took place March 25. More than 200 faculty, staff, students and local community members participated in the walk, which raised \$1,281 for the Forging Responsible Youth (FRY) organization, which works with at-risk youth after school in Springfield.

Organizers of the FRY Walk received one of five \$1,000 grants available to student organizations for meaningful service projects awarded as part of \$50,000 Thrivent Financial for Lutherans-sponsored grant, which Wittenberg received in 2004. ■

Breaking New Ground

Philosopher Awarded \$70,000 National Science Foundation Grant for Innovative Research

the Tu Du Hospital in Saigon, where Vietnamese people suffering from the effects of Agent Orange, a herbicide developed for the American military to defoliate trees and shrubbery in tropical climates, are being treated. The use of Agent Orange, a mix of the chemicals 2,4,D and 2,4,5,T, was discontinued in 1971, but two generations later, the Vietnamese population continues to suffer in new and sometimes mysterious ways from the spraying.

"There was a clear desire on their part to work with scientists, educators and doctors, but not too much was said about philosophers," she said.

As someone interested in the study of epistemology — defined as the branch of philosophy that studies the nature of knowledge, its presuppositions and foundations, and its extent and validity — McHugh was troubled by the notion that laboratory studies indicated one thing about Agent Orange exposure and its lingering effects, but the reality of the situation on the ground in Vietnam was clearly another.

"Scientists tend to dismiss evidence from the 'wild' nonclinical setting, which ironically is the setting in which life takes place, and we actually experience things."

Using case studies on the effect of Agent Orange on Vietnamese women and children, hormone replacement therapy and endometriosis (a condition where tissues similar to the lining of the uterus is found elsewhere in the body), McHugh hopes to "illustrate how choices in research methods affect lives and actual communities," according to her grant proposal.

She plans to take a sabbatical soon to focus on her research and writing for the grant. ■

Campus Notes

FACULTY



Allan
Assistant Professor
of Political Science

Andrews
Professor of Statistics



Askeland
Associate Professor
of English

Dooley
Assistant Professor
of Art



Faber
Professor of Music

Finster
Professor of Chemistry



James P. Allen, assistant professor of political science, has co-authored two articles. The first, titled "The Material Consequences of Welfare States: Benefit Generosity and Absolute Poverty in 16 OECD Countries," will appear in the September issue of *Comparative Political Studies*, and the second, "Welfare State Decommodification in Eighteen OECD Countries: A Replication and Revision," appeared in the February *Journal of European Social Policy*. Allen will also present papers at the Council of European Studies' Conference of Europeanists in Chicago, and at the annual meeting of the New England Political Science Association in Portsmouth, N.H., this semester.

Douglas M. Andrews, professor of statistics, continues his duties for the Committee on Career Development of the American Statistical Association. In addition to serving as vice chair of the committee, he also chairs the sub-committee for a grant program that supports local chapter's efforts to organize outreach programs for recruiting students into the profession. Andrews is also responsible for a regular column on career development in the ASA's monthly publication *AmStat News*.

Lori Askeland, associate professor of English, wrote the introduction, co-wrote a chapter and edited *Children and Youth in Adoption, Orphanages, and Foster Care*, which was published in January. The reference book is aimed at high school and college students interested in the history of displaced children in the United States, and contains six original essays by top scholars in the field. The book also contains original documents, many

written by children themselves, which help tell the story of children in the United States living away from their biological families. Additionally, Askeland attended the first International Conference of the Association for the Study of Adoption, Identity, and Kinship in Tampa, Fla., Nov. 13-15, where she read from her memoir, "Grafting: A Love Story," and convened and chaired a panel on race and adoption.

The ceramic art of Scott Dooley, assistant professor of art, was included in the *Two Media/Two Expressions: An Exhibition of Contemporary Clay and Glass* at the Springfield Museum of Art, Jan. 14-Feb. 25. As part of a national symposium that opened the exhibition on Jan. 14, Dooley also presented a workshop on ceramic hand-building techniques and was a panel member for the discussion of ceramic and clay materials. Additionally, his artwork was selected for the national juried exhibition, *Mad Hatter's Tea*, in conjunction with the National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts conference in Portland, Ore.

On March 6, Trudy Faber, professor of music, presented a lecture and demonstration of selected pieces titled *Bach and the Dance* for the Utica, N.Y. chapter of the American Guild of Organists and also for the Binghamton, N.Y., AGO chapter on March 7. Faber also played a Lenten recital at West Presbyterian Church of Binghamton, where Roberta Rowland-Raybold '04 serves as director of music and organist. In addition, Faber presented a lecture and demonstration on two major chorale preludes by J.S. Bach, *Orgelbüchlein* and *Klavierübung III*, for

the Columbus, Ohio, AGO chapter at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, which attracted more than 40 area organists. She also presented a master class and recital at St. Thomas Episcopal Church earlier this academic year.

Dave Finster, professor of chemistry, recently completed chairing the 2006 Second Semester General Chemistry Exam committee of the Exams Institute of the American Chemical Society. These standardized exams are used nationally as assessment tools in college chemistry classes. Finster now serves as chair of the 2008 Inorganic Chemistry Exam committee.

Peggy Hanna, academic department assistant for sociology/geography, was invited to speak about her book *Patriotism, Peace and Vietnam: A Memoir* to several history and global issues classes at Wilmington College on March 30. She also presented a program for the campus and community in conjunction with the *Eyes Wide Open* exhibit.

On March 6, Robin Inboden, professor of English and department chair, gave a paper titled "In an under-voice: Elizabeth Barrett Browning's Complicated Response to Coleridge" at a conference in honor of Elizabeth Barrett Browning's 200th birthday. The conference, featuring scholars from around the world, was sponsored by the Armstrong Browning Library of Baylor University in Waco, Texas.

Douglas K. Lehman, director of Thomas Library, attended the Association of College & Research Libraries, College Libraries Section, New Library Director's Seminar on Jan. 17-20 and the American



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Smith
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and Department Chair



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Library Association midwinter meeting on Jan. 20-23 in San Antonio, Texas.

Stefne Lenzmeier Broz, assistant professor of communication, was selected as one of 20 participants nationwide to participate in the Japan Studies Association's Freeman 2006 Summer Institute on Japan. The three-week intensive training, to be held in Honolulu May-June, is designed for faculty who wish to begin incorporating Japan Studies into their courses. Broz will create a Japan-focused version of her Intercultural Communication course to be offered as a summer study-abroad program for Wittenberg students in Japan.

Barb Mackey, director of community programs, presented on pre-college programs at the Ohio Continuing Education Conference, March 22, in Columbus. Mackey has served as vice president for the Private College Constituency for the last two years.

Alan McEvoy, professor of sociology, and Nicole Spirgen '06, presented at the North Central Sociological Association conference in Indianapolis, Ind., March 25. Titled "Teachers as Bullies: Student Perceptions and School Responses," the study is believed to be the first of its kind in the nation. McEvoy was also a featured speaker in March at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, where he discussed his recent work "Toxic Romance" with the cadets.

Thomas P. Martin, professor of health, fitness and sport, was elected to his third two-year term as Treasurer of the Ohio Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance at the organization's annual convention in

Columbus. Martin was also honored for his volunteer service to the Ohio Division of Watercraft at Confluence 2005, Ohio's statewide boating conference held at Salt Fork State Park.

David Nibert, professor of sociology, received the 2005 Distinguished Scholarship Award by the Animals and Society Section of the American Sociological Association at the ASA's annual meeting in Philadelphia. The award was for his book *Animal Rights/Human Rights: Entanglements of Oppression and Liberation*. Nibert also recently presented a paper titled "The Effects of Cattle Raising on Women and Indigenous Groups in Latin America" at the annual conference of the Society for Human Ecology in Salt Lake City, Utah.

On Jan. 18, Jim Noyes, professor of computer science and director of Wittenberg's Computational Science (COSC) program, together with Gary Gaffield, associate provost, briefed representatives from the Department of Energy on Wittenberg's plans to use the department's \$1 million grant to improve the current computational science program. Noyes continues to serve on the Ohio COSC Curriculum Committee chartered to develop the first statewide COSC curriculum, and on March 2, he presented a revised curriculum proposal at the committee's meeting in Columbus, Ohio.

Terry Otten, professor emeritus of English, has had his essay, "The Last Yankee—'a comedy about a tragedy,'" published in a new book in India titled *Arthur Miller: Twentieth-Century Legend*.

Adam Parker, assistant professor of mathematics, William Higgins, associate professor of mathematics, and Al Stickney, professor of mathematics, accompanied three teams of nine students to the Five College Mathematics Competition at Kenyon College, Feb. 11.

George Ramsay, professor emeritus of art, presented a discussion of Andy Warhol's early career as an illustrator and the design principles embodied in Warhol's pop imagery at the Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art in Arizona on Feb. 9.

Steven Reynolds, professor of theatre and dance, continues to Chair Region III of the National Playwriting Program for the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival. Besides responding to new student plays at colleges in the five-state Great Lakes Region, Reynolds has been invited to be a respondent at KCACTF Regional Festivals in Jacksonville, Fla., and Tulsa, Okla.

Matthew J. Smith, associate professor of communication and department chair, was the featured speaker at the March 16 forum at Indiana University-South Bend. Smith discussed "Taking Comic Books Seriously: Reclaiming the Lost Art of Comics Magazines."

Bob White, director of church relations and associate director of advancement, was elected Region 6 facilitator for the ELCA Youth Ministry Network at the annual gathering in Phoenix. White will help coordinate Lutheran youth worker activities and training in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Kentucky.



On the Cutting Edge

Computational Science Program Receives Congressional Funding to Expand Research Partnerships

A forerunner in the area of undergraduate computational science for several years and one of the first in the nation to offer a formal program in it, Wittenberg, joined by its two research partners, recently received national attention in the form of \$1 million in federal funding for its forward-thinking and commitment to advancing the relatively new field.

The \$1 million allocation from the U.S. House of Representatives is earmarked for collaborative research efforts that include Wittenberg students and faculty members, the U.S. Air Force Research Laboratory at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, with whom the university signed an educational partnership agreement almost two years ago, and the Ohio Supercomputer Center-Springfield, which is currently planning a local expansion that includes a new facility in the NextEdge Technology Park.

"Wittenberg is extremely grateful to Congressman David L. Hobson for his vision and leadership in securing federal funds that will not only extend computational science research opportunities for our students and faculty, but will also greatly advance technological initiatives in the Springfield community," said President Mark H. Erickson. Hobson (R-Springfield) is a senior member of the House Appropriations Committee and chairman of the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Subcommittee, which developed the bill.

Professor of Computer Science and Director of the Computational Science Program Jim Noyes, who has been a member of the statewide users' group for OSC since its inception and worked

at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base for years, has long been an advocate of this project. After reading a National Academy of Sciences publication titled "Computing the Future" in 1992, Noyes drafted a white paper that included a proposal for computational science and the development of technological resources more than eight years ago, long before computational science was on most schools' educational radar.

Computational science combines the methodologies of computer science with the techniques of applied mathematics to model and solve problems in the natural and social sciences. Traditionally, research was performed in a laboratory mixing chemicals or by developing theories, but computational science allows researchers to work through modeling and simulation,

as they do when designing aircraft or mapping the human genetic code.

Coincidentally, President George W. Bush received a report from the Presidential Information Technology Advisory Committee (PITAC), which urged the country's universities and federal agencies to become more proactive in the area of computational science.

The collaborative project will initially center on the computer science, biology and chemistry disciplines, but Noyes hopes to add students and faculty members conducting research in other areas soon.

"You should start small and do what you can do and do it well," Noyes said. "We're also looking to eventually expand this beyond Wright-Patt to work with other businesses and organizations in this region." ■

– Ryan Maurer



A longtime advocate for this project, Jim Noyes, professor of computer science, noted that the \$1 million in federal funding will also help Wittenberg connect to the Third Frontier Network, a new high-speed fiber-optic network linking universities with research facilities.

JEFF SMITH '96



Getting Drilled

Syncopates Debut on Campus

Every generation boasts of school traditions that defined the times. Some traditions boosted morale, while some evolved to meet the needs of a new day. Some even transformed into long-standing school traditions.

Such was the case in the 1960s with the creation and debut of the Syncopates. Conceived, organized and carried out by women, the university's first drill team raised school spirit to record heights.

Founded by Mary Ann Klopfer Bower '61, according to university records, the drill team took a while to get in sync, but thanks to Bower's experience serving as head majorette of the Wittenberg Marching Band back in 1959, which disbanded following a decline in membership, the idea quickly took hold and forever changed halftime entertainment at Wittenberg football games.

"I had been a member of the Miller Blackhawks Baton Drill Team Corps in high school and had to take lessons to participate," Bower said. "The idea of forming a drill team for Wittenberg seemed possible."

The late Dean of Students Heimtraut Dietrich, Associate Professor of Physical Education Ruth Hesel and Professor Emeritus of Music and the band's director Robert Dolbeer '46 approved the idea, thus making Wittenberg the first college in the area to have a drill team. Dolbeer directed the corps throughout its years on campus.

Dolbeer or "Dr. D." recalled that the Syncopates worked hard both at the organization issues and at practice sessions.

"I made the musical selections, and the girls chose the members, and made up the dance routines and formations," Dolbeer said. "Composers were writing lots of dance arrangements for show tunes at the time."

The first tryouts were held in February 1960, and 24 members and three alternates, chosen on the basis of marching ability, appearance and drill routines by team leaders Marcia Endle Sutcliffe '61 and Bower, reported back to campus in the fall along with the football team for all-day practices. The Syncopates spent an hour each day practicing to recordings.

On Oct. 15, 1960, the members appeared for the first time dressed in red-pleated skirts, white blouses, socks and tennis shoes. "The team performed a skillfully executed drill exercise and moved into a square formation and danced to the

song "Goofus" before forming the V for Victory and dancing to the fight song," according to the Torch.

"The girls [also] made up dance routines," Dolbeer explained. "They might perform a routine to the 'Overture' from Hello Dolly, a drill to match the music, then stop and dance to a show tune or pop tune." Each performance included precision marching, kick-time and dancing.

During the next 12 years, the drill team grew to 48 members and 16 alternates, and their uniforms evolved into plaid skirts, white sweaters and boots. A picture in a 1972 issue provided the last reference to the group.

"I think young women just found other things to do that were more interesting," Patricia Richmond Benne '68 said. "It was the '70s after all." ■ – Phyllis Eberts '00



Syncopates Gloria Smith Bianchi '68, Linda Holman '68 and Pat Richmond Benne '68

Recollections of War

Alumnus Shares Thoughts on Dec. 7, 1941

Reading “A Call to Arms” in the Reflections section of the Autumn 2005 Wittenberg Magazine brought back old memories. In response to your suggestion that alumni share their thoughts during the 60th anniversary of World War II, I pass along these recollections.

As a member of the class of 1935, I attended Wittenberg during the lingering Great Depression with the memories of the horrors of World War I still influencing our thinking. I would guess that a large majority of my fellow students were avowed pacifists judging from the countless “bull sessions” over the four years. But more important than our views on pacifism was the problem of finding a job upon graduation, which was not easy, even for unusually well-qualified applicants.

On Dec. 7, 1941, our belief in pacifism was overwhelmed by the attack on Pearl Harbor, and many of us left our hard-found jobs to join the military. I chose the Naval Reserve and, after a year in the Office of Chief of Naval Operations, requested sea duty. I was assigned as a communications officer to a light cruiser, the USS Vincennes, spending the following two years in the Pacific with the Third and Fifth Fleets.

Following the war, our cruiser spent six months or so as the flagship of the Commander of the South Pacific Area and Forces, with the mission of closing naval bases and “mopping up” the South Pacific operations. This was the period of “bring the boys back home,” a mother’s

campaign that crippled the fleet and undermined our strength and thus our ability to negotiate successfully with our Russian friends.

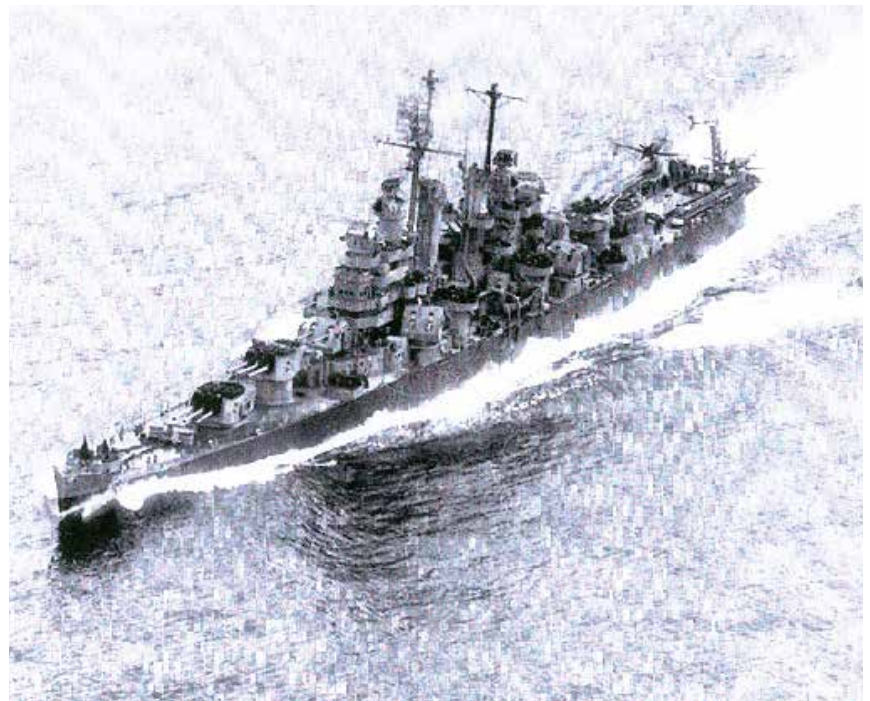
In the thought you might find them of some interest, I’m enclosing copies of several small articles I wrote last year in connection with the dedication of the World War II Memorial in Washington. Also enclosed are several Navy Department photos of our ship, which I obtained merely by typing “USS Vincennes (CL64)” in Google; I suggest that others, interested in checking out their naval/military experiences, follow the same procedure.

Another Web resources that could be of help to you or others wishing to check the war experiences of Wittenberg Navy veterans is the Navy Memorial Log, which contains photos, naval records and honors for several hundred thousand Navy veterans. (Website: www.lonesailor.org)

Thanks for suggesting I share these old memories with you and warmest best wishes. ■

—Paul Pfeiffer Jr. '35
Washington, D.C.

Editor’s Note: To view the items mentioned in the following letter, log on to www.wittenberg.edu/magazine



A communications officer in the U.S. Navy during World War II, Paul Pfeiffer Jr. '35 served aboard the USS Vincennes, which left from San Francisco Bay, Calif.



Podcasting 101

New Technology Improves Classroom Learning

Imagine being able to hear a professor's description of complex theories, concepts and definitions used in class at any time and any place. With the advent of the iPod and similar devices, students now can.

The same technology that is revolutionizing the music industry — allowing 400 CDs to fit on a pocket-sized gadget, complete with cover art and even a supporting video — is now starting to revolutionize the classroom at universities and colleges around the world and close to home at Wittenberg.

No more panic-in-the-night moments while studying. No more late-night calls to confirm this or that concept. Thanks to the available technology, classes and lectures have become portable with professors leading the way.

Associate Professor of Physics Dan Fleisch recently became the first professor on campus to take advantage of the technology. Fleisch regularly makes audio recordings for chapter reviews in his introductory astronomy course, as well as his 300-level physics course on waves for podcasting.

"I've given one exam since beginning the podcasting, and the scores on the concepts portion of that exam were measurably higher than the concepts scores on the previous exam," he said. "Of course, it's possible that the students simply found this material more understandable, but I suspect that the podcasts played a significant role for at least some of the students."

The response from his students has been overwhelmingly positive as well.

"Each semester in astronomy, I ask the students to conduct a self-designed project, and at least six students are planning to present their results in podcast form this semester," he said. "I plan to make those podcasts available through the Astronomy Club Web site, so visitors to Weaver Observatory will have a resource they can access before or after their visit."

Although Wittenberg professors are not currently using podcasting video of their classes, another added bonus of the iPod technology, the Office of Admission is now using video podcasting to highlight some of Wittenberg's faculty members. In so doing, prospective students will

have the opportunity to engage with a faculty member in an innovative way and, hopefully, schedule a visit to campus as a result.

As part of the admission-driven initiative, Fleisch joined with physics major Sean McKinniss '06 to alert students to a planned physics-centered tour of the United Kingdom. Shortly thereafter, Steve Reynolds, professor of theatre and dance, and department chair, took Wittenberg Web visitors behind the scenes of the mainstage production of *The Seagull* on campus.

To view the admission podcasts, simply log on to www.wittenberg.edu and follow the featured link to podcasting. ■

— Robert Rafferty '02



Dan Fleisch, associate professor of physics, and Sean McKinniss '06 completed a podcast to tell current and prospective students about an upcoming physics-focused UK tour.



NCAA Recognizes Senior with Elite Scholarship

While her days as a Wittenberg student-athlete are drawing to a close, a career in the field of athletics is just beginning for Emily Hiscar '06. She's off to a fine start after earning a prestigious Ethnic Minority and Women's Enhancement Postgraduate Scholarship for Careers in Athletics from the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA).

Developed by the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee, 26 postgraduate scholarships, split evenly between ethnic minorities and female college graduates, are awarded annually. Each award is valued at \$6,000.

"I think what this scholarship will do is help make me more marketable," Hiscar said. "My degree from Wittenberg will serve as a great foundation, but I have so much more I can learn and gain from real-world experience and studying sports management on a graduate level."

Hiscar has been a model Wittenberg student-athlete during her four years on campus. A soccer player by trade, Hiscar joined the lacrosse team during her freshman year and quickly became a standout despite the fact that she had never played the game before. She will finish her playing career this spring with eight varsity letters between soccer and lacrosse, but that is just the beginning.

Hiscar has been a starter in the midfield in both sports throughout her collegiate career, serving as team captain of the lacrosse team the last three years and the soccer team the last two. She has earned multiple All-North Coast Athletic Conference awards in each sport, and Hiscar capped her soccer career with Team Most Valuable Player honors in 2005 after previously garnering the award in 2002.

Perhaps most impressive is Hiscar's role in building the women's soccer program. The Tigers finished her freshman season with a 6-12 record in 2002. Four years later, Wittenberg has risen to the elite in the NCAC, one of the most competitive conferences in small college women's soccer, compiling a 14-5 record in 2005 and just missing out on the program's first-ever berth in the NCAA Division III Tournament.

A campus leader, Hiscar has also excelled in the classroom with a 3.27 grade point average while majoring in communication, and minoring in management and women's studies. In addition, Hiscar has regularly volunteered in the Springfield community during her four years at Wittenberg and has worked several unpaid

internships, including as an assistant to the vice president of sales and marketing for the Major League Soccer franchise Columbus Crew last summer.

The next step is graduate school, with an eye toward a master's degree in sports management, and a job coaching college soccer. She is considering several opportunities, all with NCAA Division I programs. Wittenberg women's soccer Head Coach Norm Riker is sure that Hiscar will succeed.

"Emily doesn't sit back and just let things happen by chance; she goes after them and creates her own success and opportunities," Riker said. "She leaves behind a great legacy for our team, the athletic department and Wittenberg." ■ — Ryan Maurer



BRAD TUCKER

Emily Hiscar '06, left, is credited with helping the women's soccer team be successful. "She gave 100 percent to this program every day, and she will put the same energy into her graduate work and career," Head Coach Norm Riker said.

NCAA Taps Athletics Director to Serve on Committee

In hopes of giving diversity more than lip service, the NCAA Office for Diversity and Inclusion has assembled a group of approximately 40 athletics administrators, coaches and representatives of coaching organizations, including Wittenberg Director of Athletics and Recreation Garnett Purnell, to examine diversity issues within the membership.

NCAA Vice President for Diversity and Inclusion Charlotte Westerhaus will chair the group, called the NCAA Diversity Leadership Strategic Planning Committee. Andy Geiger, former Director of Athletics at The Ohio State University, was named as vice chair.

While two NCAA committees, the Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee and the Committee on Women's Athletics, already deal with diversity-related issues, it is hoped that this new, larger group will break new ground while collaborating with those

existing bodies. Created in late 2005, the committee met for the first time at the NCAA Convention earlier this year in Indianapolis.

The mandate from NCAA President Myles Brand is clear. "Give us clear instructions and real ideas, not rhetoric," he told the NCAA News. "Your recommendations will be taken seriously."

The committee has three more in-person meetings scheduled before delivery of a final report at the 2007 NCAA Convention. The committee members will focus primarily on fostering diversity among student-athletes; promoting a climate of inclusion within intercollegiate athletics; enhancing equitable career opportunities for under-represented coaches, officials and administrators; and strengthening the support, integration and promotion of women's sports. ■

— Ryan Maurer



RYAN MAURER



BRAD TUCKER

Baseball Coach Enjoys Career-Record Win

There was no pomp, little circumstance and even less ceremony - just a quiet round of applause to open the Wittenberg baseball team's traditional postgame meeting along the right field line following the Tigers' 7-6 win over Muskingum on Thursday, April 13, at Carleton Davidson Stadium.

Head Coach Jay Lewis '94 removed his cap in a gesture of respect and nodded to his players. Then he spoke briefly about the players' performance against Muskingum and discussed the upcoming doubleheader with Oberlin - showing emotion only when contemplating the stretch run to the 2006 season.

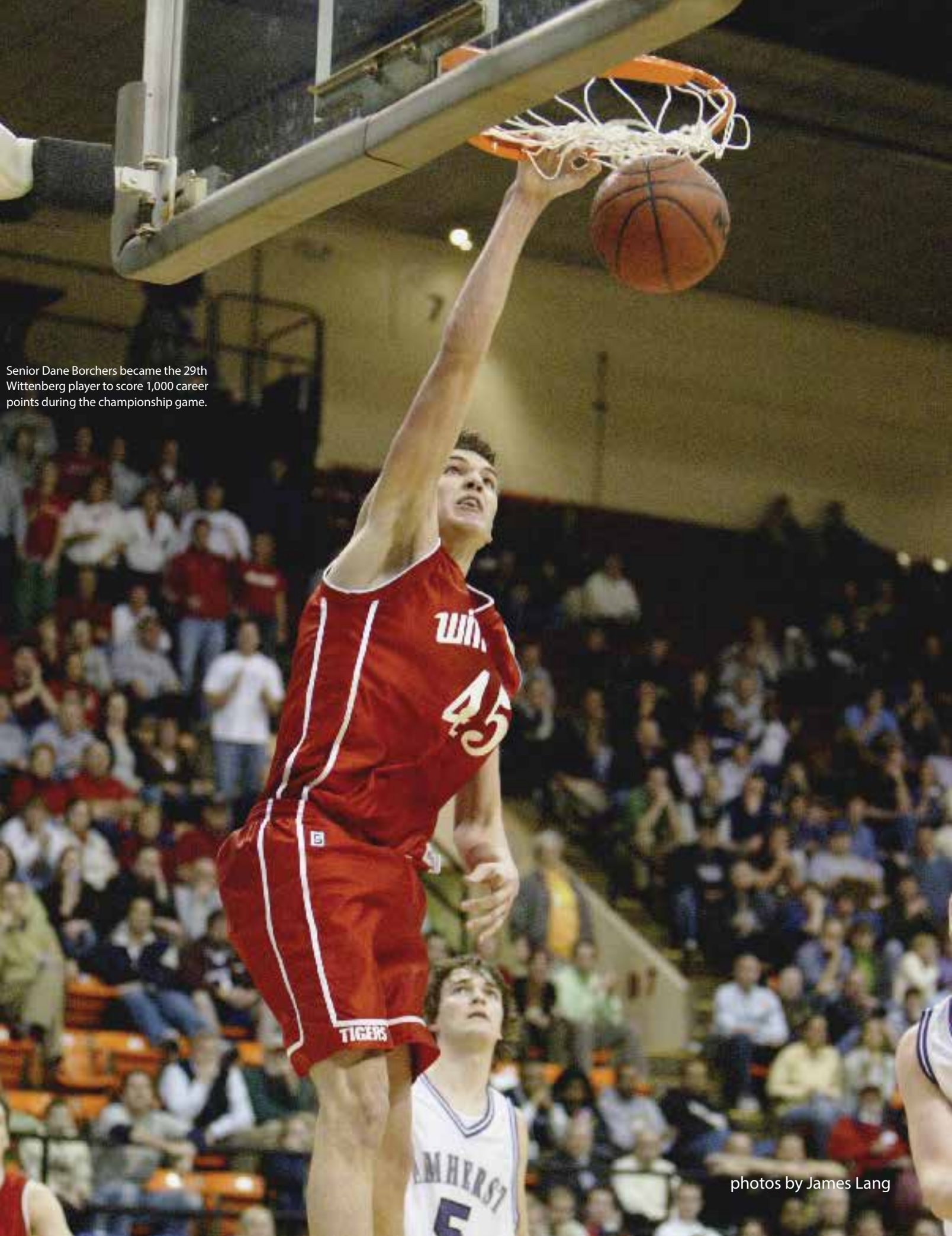
Lewis had just won his school record-breaking 204th career game as the Tigers head coach, and while there was some personal satisfaction, Lewis was more concerned that his team had just broken a frustrating three-game losing streak. Sitting in a cramped office with his three assistant coaches after the game, Lewis was at a loss for words when asked to comment on the record.

"It feels good to be in such good company," said Lewis, referring to the legendary Howard "Red" Maurer, who posted a career record of 203-126 from 1951-75 as the Tigers skipper.

"There have been so many great coaches in Wittenberg history, regardless of the sport, and I'm just proud to be among them."

Lewis has a career record of 204-165-4 in 10 seasons as the Tigers' head coach. A three-year starter at catcher for the Tigers from 1991-93, Lewis has led Wittenberg to winning records in seven of his first nine seasons at the helm. The Tigers have reached the four-team North Coast Athletic Conference Tournament four times. ■

— Ryan Maurer



Senior Dane Borchers became the 29th Wittenberg player to score 1,000 career points during the championship game.

photos by James Lang

Showdown

Men's Basketball Team Competes for NCAA Division III Title

Heading into the 2005-06 season, the four seniors on the Wittenberg men's basketball team had a long list of accomplishments but also one glaring omission from their collective resume. It had been four years since Wittenberg had won an NCAA Division III Tournament game, and no player on the roster had ever tasted victory in the "Big Dance."

The lack of national tournament success wouldn't be particularly noteworthy at most schools, but Wittenberg isn't like most schools, and its men's basketball program can be seen as the standard bearer in small college hoops. Since 1955, Wittenberg men's basketball has not had a losing season, averaging a phenomenal 22 wins and four losses per season. Wittenberg has the most overall wins and highest winning percentage of any NCAA Division III men's basketball program, and the Tigers have made more national tournament appearances and recorded more tournament wins than any of the more than 430 schools that compete in NCAA Division III.

In the long and hallowed history of Wittenberg men's basketball, the 2005-06 season can now stand among the greatest ever after the Tigers made their NCAA Division III-record seventh appearance in the national semifinals. The ride ended a breathtaking two seconds from a third national championship as the Tigers were defeated by Virginia Wesleyan College, 59-56, in the national title game on March 18 in Salem, Va.

Wittenberg, which defeated Amherst College in the national semifinals, took an

early lead against Virginia Wesleyan and held it until the final two minutes. With the score tied at 56, the Marlins' Ton Ton Balengastunned the partisan Wittenberg crowd with a game-winning three-pointer with 2.1 seconds left.

The loss did little to diminish the breakthrough season the seniors – Dan Russ, Dane Borchers, Phil Steffes and Kenny Brady – enjoyed as they willed their team to the program's best finish in 23 years. Wittenberg made its first national semifinals appearance since 1994 and its first national championship game appearance since 1983, winning a school-record-tying 30 games along the way, against just four losses. The Tigers spent three weeks ranked No. 1 in the nation for the first time since 1994 and the third time since joining the North Coast Athletic Conference in 1989.

In the last four years, Wittenberg compiled an overall record of 99-17, won one NCAC regular season title, two NCAC Tournament crowns, made three appearances in the NCAA Division III Tournament and reached the 2006 national championship game.

Russ ranks No. 9 in career scoring at Wittenberg, and he finished his career with three All-NCAC designations, including the 2005 Player of the Year and Tournament MVP awards. He also was a two-time first-team All-Great Lakes Region honoree by the National Association of Basketball Coaches, a third-team All-American in 2005 and a second-team All-American in 2006, as selected by d3hoops.com.



Borchers, who during the national championship game became the 29th Wittenberg player to score 1,000 career points, has committed to playing another year in the Red & White due to a medical red-shirt. He has been a second-team All-NCAC selection each of the last two years, and he picked up NCAC Tournament MVP honors in 2006.

Brady finished his career with 940 points, not bad for a guy who played sparingly as a freshman and missed much of his junior season with a preseason injury. He was the perimeter shooting complement to Russ and Borchers, the "twintowers" who intimidated opponents in the paint and led the Tigers in scoring and rebounding the last two years. Brady was a second-team All-NCAC honoree in 2004 and an honorable mention all-conference selection in 2006.

Steffes came into his own as a junior after two years as a reserve, stepping into the starting lineup in part due to Brady's injury. He became a stalwart defender while starting every game in 2005 and 2006, during which time the Tigers compiled a 55-8 overall record.

Not to be overshadowed is Head Coach Bill Brown, and his ever-growing list of accomplishments. With the win over Amherst in the national semifinals, Brown tied Larry Hunter for Wittenberg coaching victories with 305, and his winning percentage is now .813, behind only Ray Mears and Dan Hipsher in the Tiger coaching annals. Brown has now led Wittenberg to nine national tournament appearances and a pair of Final Fours in 13 seasons on the bench, and his teams have won six NCAC regular season titles and four NCAC Tournament crowns. ■

— Ryan Maurer



Clinic Opens in Rosencrans Fitness Center

Wittenberg has entered into a unique partnership with Excel Sports Medicine, a member of Community Mercy Health Partners.

Excel Sports Medicine, which opened the doors to its first clinic on Burnett Road in Springfield in 2004, opened a second local clinic in the Bob Rosencrans Fitness Center in Wittenberg's HPER Center on March 1. Located at the east end of the fitness center, the clinic, which is leasing the space from Wittenberg, is equipped with all of the necessary physical therapy instruments and is open to the general public with referrals from doctors.

While such partnerships have been initiated on other college campuses in recent years, few of the universities involved are as small as Wittenberg, making this a truly unique venture.

"Having Excel on campus will be a tremendous asset to the Wittenberg athletic department, as well as the entire university community," said Director of Athletics and Recreation Garnett Purnell. "This will be an orthopedic clinic that provides people in need of treatment with knowledgeable doctors and rehabilitation specialists."

Excel Sports Medicine is affiliated with the renowned Timothy Kremchek '81, medical director and chief orthopaedic physician for the Cincinnati Reds, who has served as the orthopedic surgeon for Wittenberg student-athletes for many years. In addition, Sandra Thompson '93 is one of three physical therapists on staff at Excel. ■



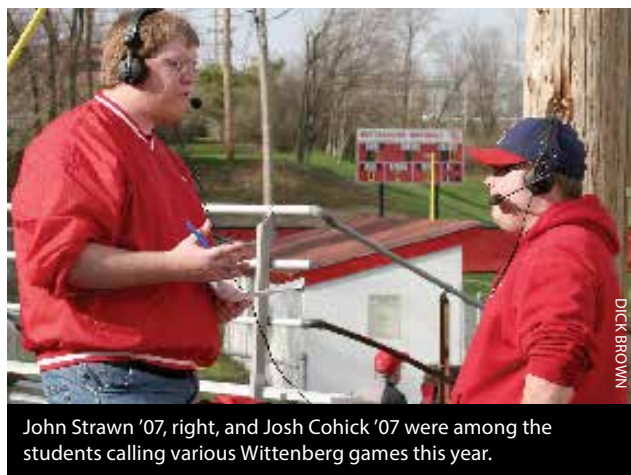
Cheerleaders Named Best of Final Four

The Wittenberg Cheerleading Squad received top honors at the NCAA Division III Final Four. Those in the program include, front row, from left, Lara Bachelder, Ashley Slone, Krystyl Penry, Alexa Bourquin, Jayme Mattimore, all class of 2006, and Erin Beeler '07; and back row, from left, Trinity Rufus, Jillian Lemaster, Betsy Brown, all class of 2009, Kalyn Fowler '07, Tim Rathman '06, Alyssa Henning '09, Ashley Soddors '07, Meagan Toothman '09 and Coach Lori Rahrle. Spring coach Kim Wooten was unable to attend. ■

Technology Increases Access to Games and Offers Opportunities for Students

As the Wittenberg men's basketball team advanced through the NCAA Division III Tournament, the crowds at the games continually grew larger – both literally and virtually.

Attendance at the games steadily rose from 1,385 in an opening round home win over Lake Erie College to 3,435 in the national championship game loss to Virginia Wesleyan. Likewise, the number of listeners to Wittenberg's Internet audio broadcasts – now in their eighth year, but only the third with unlimited numbers of listeners – increased as well, from the 149 who tuned in to the opening round win to the 647 who heard the season finale.



John Strawn '07, right, and Josh Cohick '07 were among the students calling various Wittenberg games this year.

That doesn't take into account the hundreds of local residents who tuned in to WUSO 89.1-FM, the student radio station from which the broadcasts originated. It also doesn't include the more than 1,000 unique visits to the live online video feeds Wittenberg offered during the sectional semifinals and finals on March 10-11. In addition, the national semifinals were broadcast live on the Internet by d3hoops.com and the national championship game was broadcast live on national cable by College Sports Television (CSTV).

Audio broadcasts are available annually for all football, men's basketball and women's basketball games via a partnership with Stretch Internet. Several baseball and softball games have also been broadcast as well. The live video feeds, which were offered for the first time ever by Wittenberg during the sectional tournament, were made possible by a partnership with TRZ Inc.

WUSO Adviser Scott Leo, who has called a variety of Wittenberg sporting events for six years and is also the play-by-play voice for the Columbus Clippers, coordinated the audio broadcasts and worked to acclimate several student workers, including Sean Golden '06 and Josh Cohick '07. Golden called the majority of the women's basketball games in 2005-06 and also called the baseball games this spring, while Cohick joined Leo on men's basketball broadcasts and also called the softball games. He was joined on softball broadcasts by John Strawn '07. ■

— Ryan Maurer



Life

Lessons

From discovering and exploring interests to developing talents and taking advantage of opportunities, college life requires students to find their own balance in preparation for the future. Sarah Gearhart '06 spends time with four students as they pursue their ambitions and tackle the challenges of every day life at Wittenberg University.

story by Sarah Gearhart '06
photos by Jeff Smith '96



“Senior year is all about trying to balance your Wittenberg life — classes, friends, activities — with the plans you’re making for the future...”

Kylie Evans '06

Sitting at her laptop, Kylie Evans '06 carefully reviews stacks of scholarly journal articles, highlighting each in fluorescent yellow. Meticulously marking her notebook with black pen, she fills the pages with comments and interpretations. The Morgantown, W.Va., native is in the process of writing her senior honors thesis, a study focused on understanding body image and the mother-daughter relationship.

Her desk is organized — a small lamp sits on top next to several picture frames of family and friends and an enormous container filled with pens, pencils and a rainbow of highlighters. To the side sits a stack of unread articles, while other research and notes reside in an old filing cabinet next to her room.

“One of two things is usually going through my head when I write my thesis,” she explains. “Sometimes I read particular articles or chapters and think, ‘Wow, I absolutely love what I’m doing right now.’ Other times I think, ‘Oh my gosh, there’s just too much information, I’m never going to get this finished, and why aren’t the words just flowing onto the computer screen?’”

Dressed in dark faded blue-jeans and a T-shirt, she steadily works for two-and-a-half hours, reading and taking notes on Susan Bordo’s journal article, “Unbearable Weight: Feminism, Western Culture, and

the Body,” and Joan Jacobs Brumberg’s book, *Fasting Girls: The Emergency of Anorexia Nervosa as a Modern Disease*.

“I love the research I’m doing because I’ve been able to not only read a lot of typical journal articles, but also a lot of famous books about female body image,” she explains. “I think there’s a lot more to our body image development than what the media depicts.”

In between classes and working on her thesis, Kylie studies for the GRE — all part of the “weird balance” she describes of being a college senior.

“Senior year is all about trying to balance your Wittenberg life — classes, friends, activities — with the plans you’re making for the future,” she explains. “It’s a struggle between the here and now, and what’s yet to come.”

Evans, a communication major with minors in women’s studies and sociology, intends to enroll in graduate school next fall to study social work. Eventually, she wants to become a clinical social worker — a career that became evident after taking several women’s studies courses. She particularly liked Philosophy of Women’s Lives taught by Nancy McHugh, associate professor of philosophy.

“The class opened my eyes not only to the issues of concern facing women here in the United States, but also to a global perspective and the issues of concern facing women all over the world,” Evans explains, noting readings and discussions as being especially powerful.

“It was fascinating to learn about the experiences of women in other cultures. Professor McHugh really pushed us to look beyond the obvious. We dug deeper and really examined all the layers that make up a situation.”

By the end of her junior year, helping women not only became a desire for Kylie, but also a priority. Coming from a family line of social workers, Evans jokes at the idea of following in the footsteps of her mother and older sister, but adds, “I couldn’t deny what I wanted to do.

“I would love to work with women, empowering them to take control of their own lives, building strong self-esteem and providing them with the resources and tools to live a healthy and fulfilling life.”





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Jonathan Scruggs '06

While Evans explores issues and concerns of women in society, Jonathan Scruggs '06 immerses himself in politics and geography.

Across campus, the lobby of Carnegie Hall bustles with a sea of backpacks and colorful notebooks as students come and go to class. In the midst of the commotion, Jonathan makes his way to his Urban Geography class, greeting friends and students who pass by. After an hour-and-a-half of lecture and discussion, Scruggs heads to the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Center (HPERC) for work.

Going from one place to the next is typical for Scruggs of Knoxville, Tenn. As Student Senate President, he juggles running the student body while researching for his honors thesis and studying for the LSATs.

For Scruggs, one of the challenges of being a college student involves supporting himself financially, making sure the bills get paid and keeping food in his refrigerator. Aside from the usual condiments, he usually has an ample supply of hamburger meat and chicken, along with “soda because that is like my coffee.”

A political science major and urban studies minor, Scruggs intends to pursue his passion for politics at graduate school next

fall — Vanderbilt, Duke and Georgetown top his list. Eventually, he plans to practice either criminal or family law.

“I am intrigued by politics because they are fun, exciting and competitive. Most importantly,” he explains, “it is a subject that allows people a real opportunity to make a difference in the lives of others.”

Scruggs yearns to do just that in the future; his ultimate goal is to become the President of the United States. “I really want to be in a position where I can help and influence people.”

He is already getting a taste of what it feels like to motivate others, though not on the political landscape. Five days a week, Scruggs drives a half-hour to Dayton, Ohio, where he serves as the varsity assistant coach for the nationally renowned women's basketball team at Chaminade-Julienne high school.

“I really enjoy the challenge of coaching at a school that excels academically and athletically,” Scruggs says of the opportunity, which emerged through a connection he made while fulfilling his community service as part of Wittenberg's requirement. “The most rewarding part of the job thus far has been working with the young ladies in the program and helping them to grow socially as well as athletically.”

Scruggs says prioritizing his activities also helps him to maintain control of his schedule. He puts his academics above everything, followed by Student Senate and his basketball responsibilities. For him, a free moment doesn't come until the sun goes down, when he watches ESPN's SportsCenter or the news before calling it a day.

As Scruggs awaits the alarm at nine a.m., Matt Reiss '07 is already up and moving. At 5:45 on a typical Tuesday morning, he heads to the HPERC pool for swim practice. As Reiss moves effortlessly through the water, small waves of dedication splash in and out of his lane. Following a two-hour practice, he takes a quick shower in the locker room, throws on a pair of khaki shorts and a T-shirt and joins his fellow teammates in the Central Dining Room (CDR) of the Benham-Pence Student Center.





“My parents told me to go to a school where I could get a good education, swim for a good team and enjoy my college years.”

Matt Reiss '07

“It’s a team ritual to eat breakfast together in the CDR after an early practice,” says Reiss, of Beavercreek, Ohio. “I’m usually extremely hungry after practices or I’ll eat anything and everything in sight.”

After a hearty meal of pancakes, French toast, bacon and scrambled eggs, he makes his way to Synod Hall, meeting his class of nine students for Microeconomics with Fred Tiffany, associate professor and chair of the economics department.

“He’s great,” Reiss says of Tiffany. “He always encourages us to ask questions, and he is always willing to clarify. Dr. Tiffany does a great job explaining the importance of even the most basic principles.”

The class holds significant interest for Reiss, an economics major and psychology minor, who notes that the solid background Tiffany provides will help him in other advanced economics courses.

“Each year the classes become a little bit harder, but it’s something Wittenberg has prepared me for,” he says. “This semester has been my toughest one so far, but I feel ready.”

Reiss puts his knowledge into practice not only in the classroom, but in the courtroom as well — a practice courtroom. He is exploring the world of law as president of Wittenberg’s Mock Trial Association, an organization developed to give students an opportunity to learn about the legal system and the work of trial attorneys. After only two years since its founding, the association, formerly coached by Johnny Pryor ’99,

adjunct instructor of philosophy and assistant prosecutor in Clark County, has already achieved national recognition.

“Mr. Pryor was absolutely fantastic in helping the mock trial team become literate in the legal world,” says Reiss, who is interested in studying corporate or international law.

Mock trial is just one of several activities Reiss balances in between learning about consumer theory and profit maximization. He also interns in the Office of Admission, where he interviews prospective students and trains and works with university tour guides — Reiss doesn’t mind his busy schedule, in fact, he enjoys it.

“My parents told me to go to a school where I could get a good education, swim for a good team and enjoy my college years,” he says, adding that being at Wittenberg has helped him discover his interests and allowed him to take courses from multiple disciplines — East Asian Studies and theatre especially fascinate him.

“I never would have taken Pre-Modern East Asia if I had not come to Witt, and that’s a class I’m glad I took,” Reiss says. While his breaks are few and far between, he has found that swimming plays a major roll in his balancing act. In just hours, he will once again return to the pool for another swim practice.

“Swimming is my biggest stress reliever. It is the only sport I’ve found that gives me that full challenge as an athlete, physically, mentally and spiritually,” explains Reiss, a competitive swimmer since the age of seven. He expresses gratitude toward his parents for supporting him throughout his college years.

“They’ve never missed a meet, even driving four hours to come support the team.”

As a newly elected team captain, Reiss looks forward to the season and the challenges that await, including stepping up into a leadership role and holding himself accountable for his teammates.

“I’m as ready as I can be.”





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Christine Maddox '07

Reiss’ commitment to his sport shows itself well before the sun rises, while Christine Maddox '07 displays her dedication in the late evening hours.

Just as the night social scene begins to crop up, Maddox, of Miamisburg, Ohio, sits in Weaver Observatory working on the Torch, Wittenberg’s student newspaper. In a small room filled with old tattered couches and tired chairs, she diligently clicks away on her computer mouse while reading one article after another. On average, Maddox invests nearly 15 hours a week as the editor-in-chief of the student-run publication.

“You can’t spend the minimum amount of time on something and expect it to be outstanding,” says Maddox, a psychology major and English minor. “You have to dedicate yourself if it’s important to you.”

In between proofing layouts and editing the paper’s content, she constantly brainstorms for the following week’s issue. “It’s a lot of work, but it’s rewarding because the paper is improving,” Maddox explains. She credits a larger base group of writers, roughly 10-15 students, as well as the newspaper’s committed staff for helping to satisfy her vision for the Torch.

“We’ve been gaining more support from the campus body, which really means a lot to me,” she says with a smile.

Aside from managing the newspaper, her schedule is crammed from one minute to the next. With a course load of psychology classes, Bioethics and British Survey, days are busy with little down time. Morning rituals of Saved by the Bell reruns keep her sane among her daily routine of classes, cross country practice and a plethora of meetings. She pauses for a moment, attempting to recall the last time she took a minute to relax.

“Sometimes I get so caught up in what’s happening right at the moment, I feel very overwhelmed that I forget to look at the big picture,” she says. “If I were to look beyond what’s right in front of me, I would realize that I have a really blessed life.”

The support of her family continues to be especially important to her.

“My parents are great,” she says. Whether it’s a package in the mail, a note or eating dinner together, Maddox appreciates her mom, while her dad, a minister, “is a support in a different way,” she notes.

“He has a really level head and keeps things in perspective.”

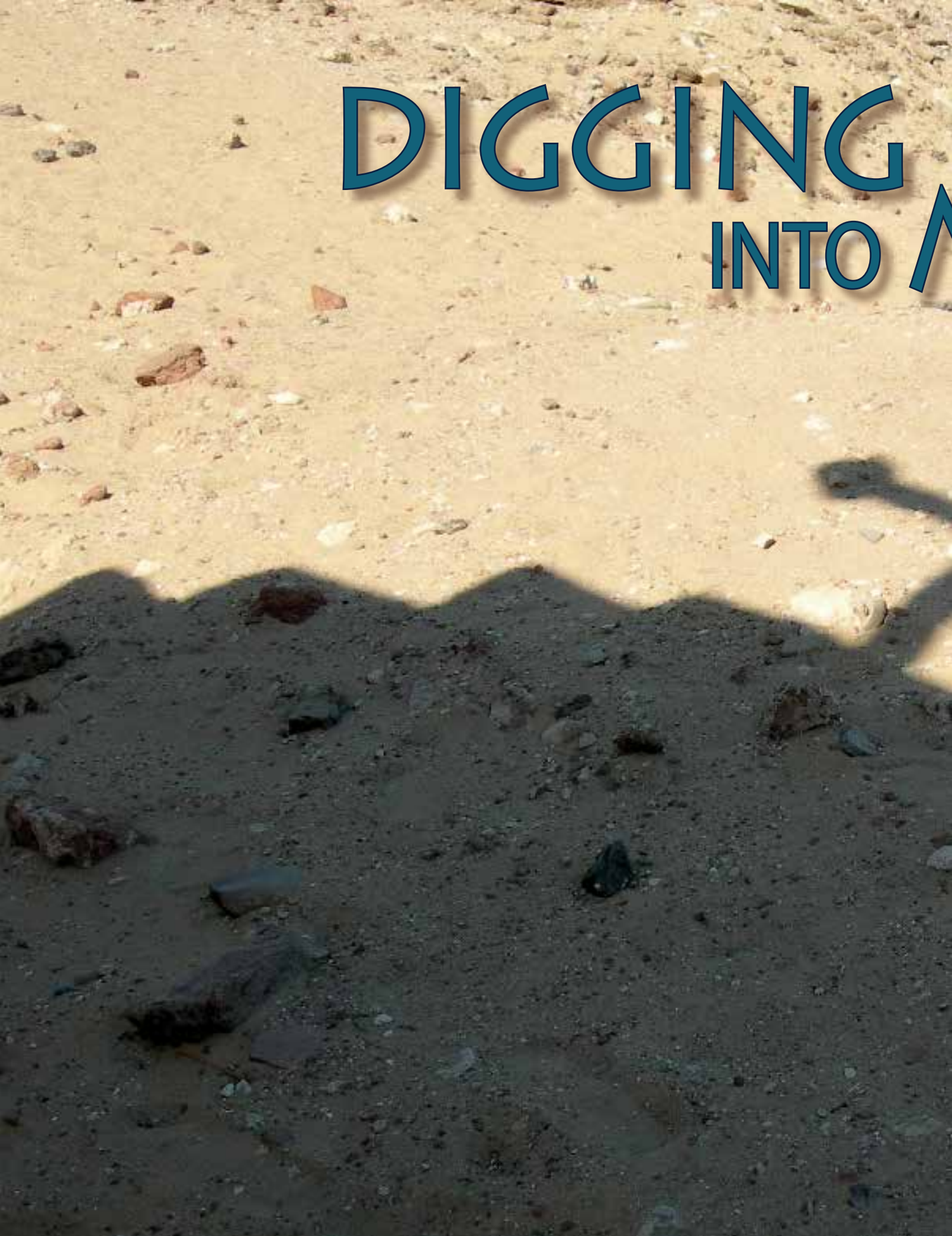
Maddox adds that the opportunity to be at Wittenberg and have the physical ability to run cross country have been a blessing to her as well. “There are so many things that can happen, which could take away from that,” she says.

Though she enjoys the continuous daily rush of college life, she looks forward to the day when she will step out into the real world and follow her passion of helping others. Maddox is currently exploring occupational therapy through volunteer service. On Monday afternoons, she lends her time at Springfield’s Mercy Medical Center, rotating between the acute therapy unit and the rehabilitation occupational therapy unit. Having already completed her community service requirement at the same location last year, she decided to continue volunteering.

“Through volunteering, I’ve been able to see if I should try other things,” she says. “A year from now, I’ll be able to leave Wittenberg and be confident in the path that I’m pursuing.” ■



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MONASTIC LIFE



FOR WITTENBERG ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGIST DAR BROOKS HEDSTROM, "X" MAY NEVER ACTUALLY MARK THE SPOT, BUT THE EXCITEMENT OF GETTING CLOSE TO IT IS BEYOND COMPARE. JOIN BROOKS HEDSTROM AND HER FELLOW SCHOLARS AS THEY JOURNEY TO SOHAG, EGYPT, TO UNCOVER AN ANCIENT MONASTIC WORLD AND BRING INTERNATIONAL ATTENTION TO ONE OF THE LARGEST CHRISTIAN SETTLEMENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

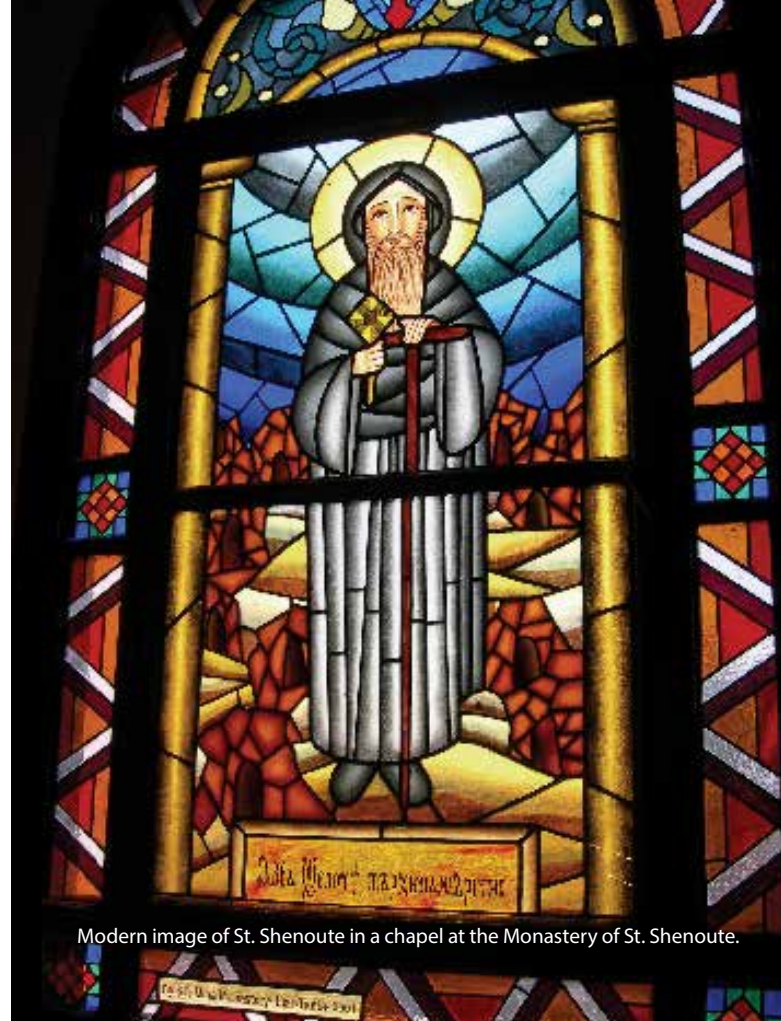
STORY BY KAREN GERBOTH

PHOTOS COURTESY OF DAR BROOKS HEDSTROM

As a young child growing up in Jaffrey, N.H., Darlene Brooks Hedstrom or “Dar” as she prefers, reveled in Egyptian history and artifacts. Following word of a King Tut exhibit and the resulting “Egyptomania” that occurred, the budding archeologist soon found herself immersed in books on the topic, courtesy of local librarians who had learned of her interest in the subject.

By age 14, Dar participated in her first dig, thanks to an invitation from a team of archeologists studying an 1860s logging village in her home state. Her fascination with the field continued at Wheaton College, where she received her B.A. and M.A., and then at Miami University, where she earned her Ph.D. By the time of her dissertation, a little known saint, a monastery and a rarely visited region in Egypt had begun to monopolize her research pursuits, and today, the three have captured not only fellow archeologists’ attention, but also that of top-level research funding sources, the global community, and Dar’s students and colleagues at Wittenberg.

Currently the field director of the White Monastery Excavations in Sohag, Egypt, and the chief archaeologist for the Egyptian Delta Monastic Archaeological Project, Dar has spent the last 11 years studying monastic archeology in Egypt, and most recently St. Shenoute and the White Monastery where he trained more than 2,200 monks and 1,800 nuns from 385 A.D. until his death in 466 A.D. Located along the Nile in the predominantly Islamic Sohag region, the White Monastery and the church of St. Shenoute make up one of the largest sites for Christian antiquity in the Middle East.



Modern image of St. Shenoute in a chapel at the Monastery of St. Shenoute.



Local police officials met with Coptic monks to supervise protection of visiting scholars at the 2006 Sohag Symposium, which examined all aspects of history and material culture associate with St. Shenoute.

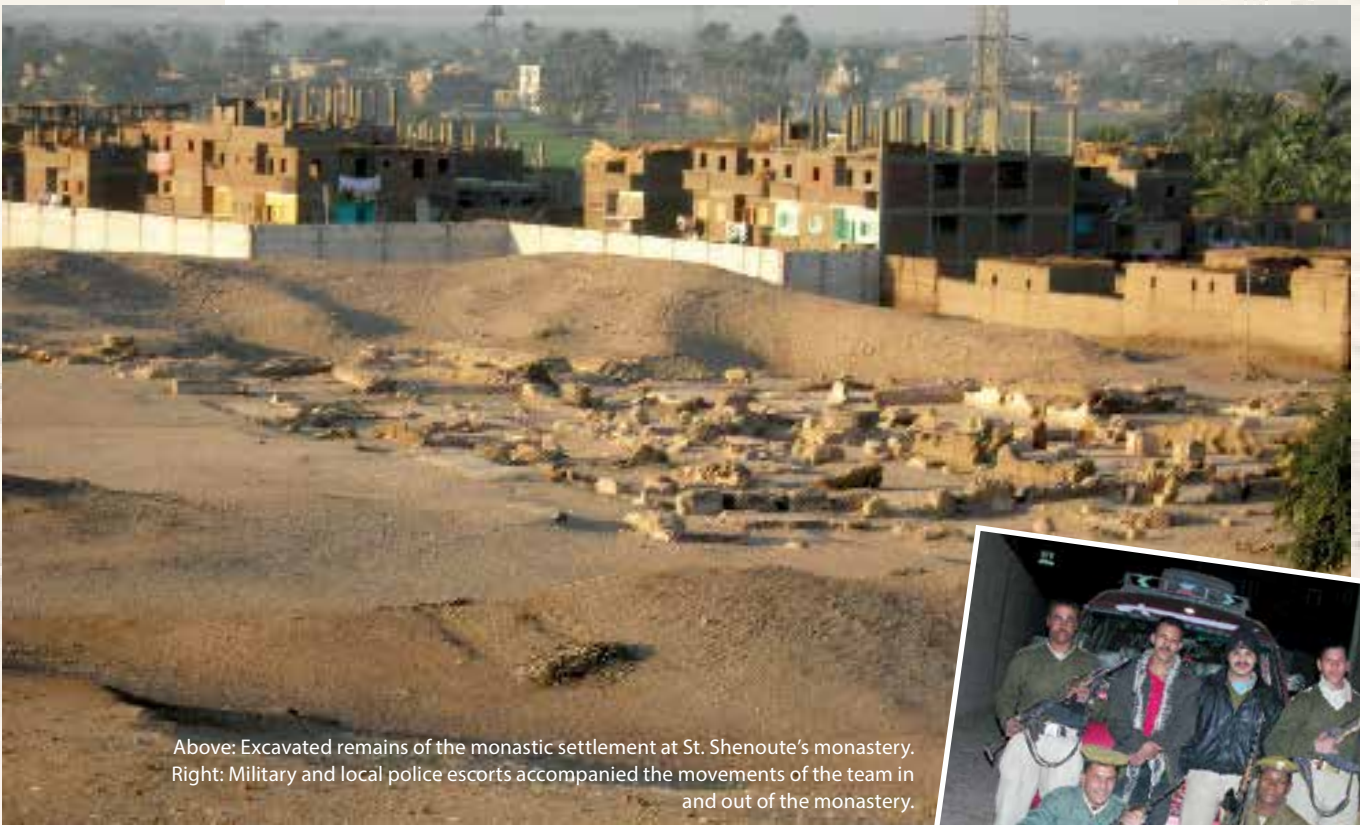
“My interest in St. Shenoute stemmed from my work on monastic settlements in Egypt as a whole in which I continued to run into an assumption that monastic life in Egypt could be neatly divided into two categories: those who followed the example of St. Antony and lived alone or those who followed St. Pachomius and lived in communities,” Dar explains.

“My examination of the patterns of settlements in Egypt revealed that Egyptian monastics in fact adopted a variety of settlement patterns and that we needed to look at the examples first, then design categories based upon that material.

“St. Shenoute serves for me as an example of a truly Egyptian example of monastic living. He is not known outside of Egypt, as are the well known Antony and Pachomius. St. Shenoute was inspired by Pachomius, but established his own rules and order. His community was really a collection of several monastic communities, some with communal units, some with solitary dwellers, and some were male and female communities.

“St. Shenoute’s communities also outlived many other monastic settlements, which were abandoned in the 9th century,” Dar says, noting that St. Shenoute’s communities extended into the Middle Ages. “The story of those later periods is relatively unknown, and scholars even in the field of monastic studies tend to focus only on the early periods.”

As Dar dug deeper into the life and times of St. Shenoute, she discovered that archeological work in the area did not begin until the early 20th century.



Above: Excavated remains of the monastic settlement at St. Shenoute's monastery.
 Right: Military and local police escorts accompanied the movements of the team in and out of the monastery.



"Sir William Flinders Petrie conducted the first archeological work in the area in 1907, yet most of the archeological material remained undisturbed until the Egyptian Antiquities Organization began clearing the area to the west of the church from 1985-1988," Dar explains. "Work was later resumed by the Supreme Council of Antiquities in the late 1990s and continues today."



Rows of daily recovered pottery are sorted, photographed and cataloged on top of the roof of their residence.

Field archaeologists from 2005 included Louisa Blanke of the University of Copenhagen, Tyler Jackson '05, Dawn McCormack of the University of Pennsylvania, and Corey McOsker '05.



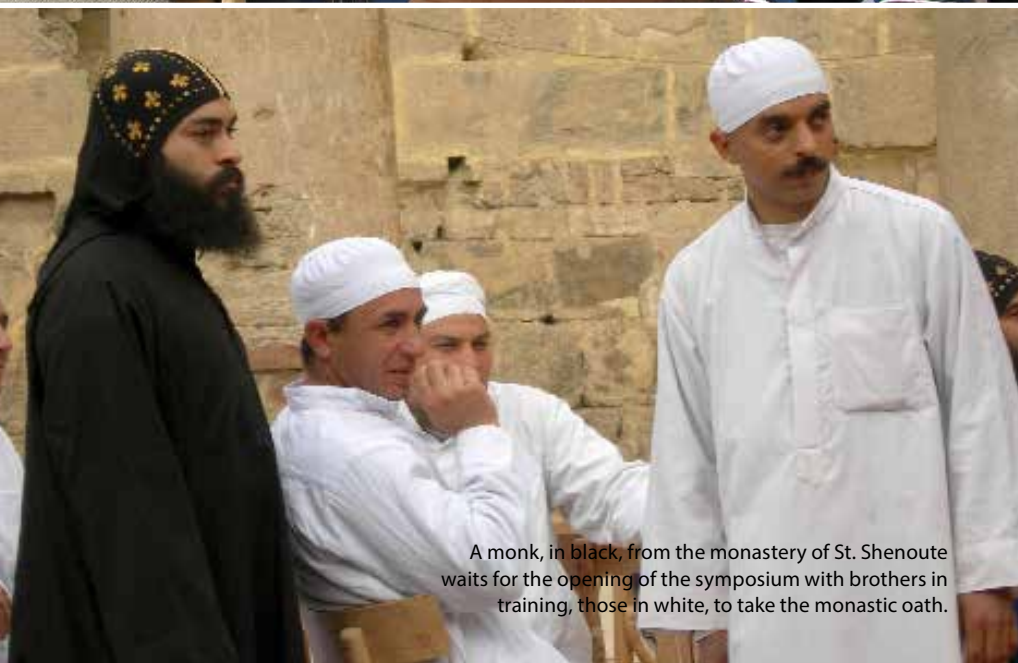


Dar provided a guided site tour of the remains of a monastic residence to Coptic specialists in 2006 as the group examined an unusual architectural basin.

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Opening ceremony for the 2006 Sohag Symposium with Bishop Yohannes; Governor of Sohag; and Dr. Abdullah Kamel from the Supreme Council of Antiquities.



A monk, in black, from the monastery of St. Shenoute waits for the opening of the symposium with brothers in training, those in white, to take the monastic oath.

Upon learning of this clearing, Dar and fellow scholars interested in the Coptic Church, the native Christian church of Egypt and Ethiopia, began to consider the state of preservation of Sohag's monasteries, and together they formed the Consortium for the Research and Conservation in the Monasteries of the Sohag Region. Dar and colleagues Elizabeth Bolman and Peter Grossman have since received three grants totaling \$27,500 from the Harvard University-affiliated Dumbarton Oaks Project Grant in Byzantine Studies to participate in a formal documentation of the existing structure of the White Monastery church and the exposed remains. Additional research using satellite imagery of the Sohag monasteries followed, which has resulted in promising information.

"During our two trips to the site in 2003, we were also able to document monastic residences, kitchen facilities, washing areas, large halls as well as pottery with Christian symbols," Dar says.

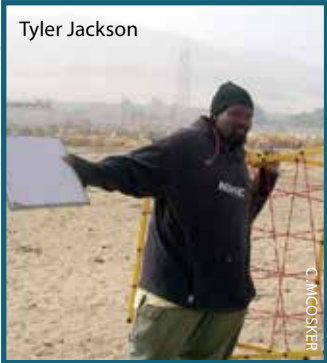


Corey McOsker

Two years later, thanks to a \$100,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Dar and her consortium colleague traveled once again to Sohag for two seasons of archeological work, the first of which began Nov. 14, 2005 through Dec. 18, 2005. The second season began in March 2006 and concluded in April.

"The proposed work at the White Monastery this time included on-site conservation of wall painting fragments, text excavation probes in areas previously excavated and several area surveys of the monastery lands," Dar said.

The NEH grant also allowed two 2005 Wittenberg graduates to accompany Dar to the historic site. Tyler Jackson of Springfield, Ohio, and Corey McOsker of Loveland, Ohio, previously served as field archeologists at the 2004-05 Gammon House excavations in Springfield, part of an archeological field methods class sponsored by the university's history department and co-directed by Dar and Thomas T. Taylor, professor of history.



Tyler Jackson

C. MCOSKER



Team members make a paper squeeze of an inscription on a granite block for later analysis.



Tyler and Corey in the process of excavation in Area 1.

More Dirt on Dar



A member of the Wittenberg faculty since 2001, Dar Brooks Hedstrom has received numerous awards and recognitions in her career, including

admittance to the 2002 NEH Summer Institute for Eurasian History at Harvard University and the 2000 Erasmus Institute Summer Seminar in History through the University of Notre Dame. She also served as a fellow with the American Research Center in Egypt.

An expert in the history of monasticism in Egypt from the 5th to the 12th centuries, she is currently working on projects on monastic spatial relationships to religious practice and an article on teaching pre-modern history. She and her colleagues' archeological work in Sohag has received funding to date from the National Endowment for the Humanities and Dumbarton Oaks.

Currently teaching courses in Pre-Modern World history and topical courses related to the history, religion and culture of the Eastern Mediterranean, Dar has also recently offered classes in Archaeology of the Near East, Modern Middle East, Herodotus and Asceticism. She has also directed two archeological digs in Springfield as part of an Archeological Field Methods course, one at the Gammon House and one at the newly restored Geiger House.

She will travel to Egypt again in May to begin work at the sites of the first monastic communities in the Delta at the Wadi Natrun and at Kellia. She will then return to Sohag in December to complete the third season of archeological work at the White Monastery.

"Tyler and Corey were remarkable in Egypt," Dar says. "They hit the ground running, learning all about the structuring and arrangements that need to be completed before a dig can begin, and getting acclimated to working in sand. I had the utmost trust in them."

In addition to living in the guesthouse on the premises with the entire 12-member archaeological team, Jackson and McOsker conquered language barriers, conducted surveys and worked alongside the Egyptian staff members with ease.

"When Dar asked me to join her team, I was ecstatic," Jackson said. "I thought this could be a chance of a lifetime. I didn't know what to expect at all, but I learned that I can adjust to anything."

Upon arrival in Sohag after an eight-hour bus trip from Cairo, the team spent the first two weeks assisting Tomasz Herbich, a Polish geophysicist who, through the use of magnetometry, produced some interesting readings of walls and a kiln for pottery-making. Days began by 6:30 a.m. in the field followed by lab work every evening. As part of the work, the team also completed a survey map of the area using the mapping software Pythagoras.

"This was a major accomplishment," Dar says. "Now we'll have a reliable map that can be easily updated and accessible online."

Team members then engaged in small-scale excavation work at the site, working within 5-meter by 5-meter squares. An examination of shards of pottery, glass and wall fragments found in the squares, combined with a careful study of the

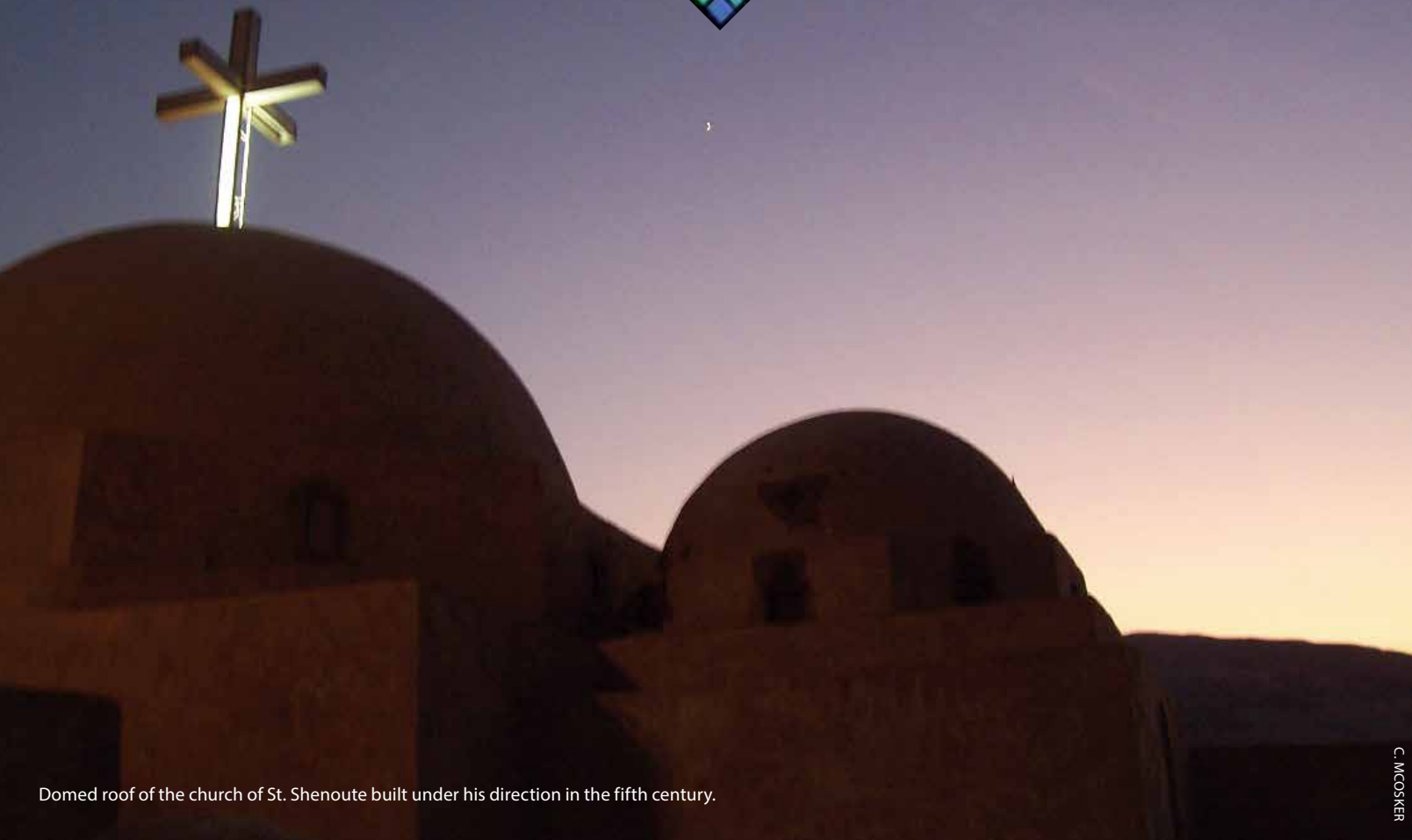
mapping results during the excavation, confirmed that the White Monastery consisted of mud-brick walls with limestone flooring and painted walls. The team also learned that a large fire penetrated one of the ancient residences as a burn level was detected on a significant number of ceramic items.

"We are very happy with all the accomplishments during this season of work. We met our goals, and each area studied has provided us with concrete evidence that makes us want to go back and continue our research."

Dar and her colleagues have already submitted a report to the inspector for the Supreme Council of Antiquities in Cairo on their work in Sohag. A more extensive report to the same council followed, which was in both Arabic and English. The team then plans to submit a scholarly article on its work for publication this spring. Dar has also been asked to speak before the Supreme Council on the team's research as well as to fellow colleagues at Wittenberg.

Yet, for Dar, bringing her research directly into her classes has proved most rewarding.

"I believe one of the greatest challenges in teaching is reaching students who are not naturally interested in your field of study. As such, I find that my archaeological work provides a way of illustrating my life as a historian of the Middle East to students in my general education classes who may have very traditional views of history as being just the recitation of facts. My hope is that by talking about my work and that of my colleagues in the field that students will start to realize that history is being written and rewritten daily by discoveries being made around the world." ■



Domed roof of the church of St. Shenoute built under his direction in the fifth century.



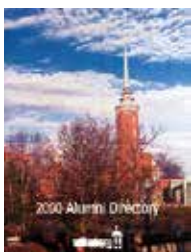
Recognize an Alumnus/a

Wittenberg alumni and friends make countless contributions to Wittenberg. Their commitment, dedication and success all help to make Wittenberg the outstanding institution it is today.

Please take the time to nominate an alumnus or alumna who is making a difference in the lives of Wittenberg students, faculty, staff and fellow alumni. Nominations may be made online at www.wittenberg.edu/administration/alumni/events/nominate or contact Michael Wesbecher '04, assistant director of alumni relations at (937) 327-7428. ■

Alumni Directory Update

The Office of Alumni Relations is happy to announce that the 2006 Wittenberg Alumni Directory will be ready for distribution this summer. Publishing Concepts Inc. (PCI), with whom the university partnered to assist with information gathering for the directory, has completed its task. As part of the project, more than 15,000 alumni have been contacted to date. An invaluable resource for alumni to network and keep track of Wittenberg friends and classmates, the directory will also feature university photos and helpful campus contact information. To order a directory or to inquire about one, please call Mike Wesbecher '04, assistant director of alumni relations, at (937) 327-7428. ■

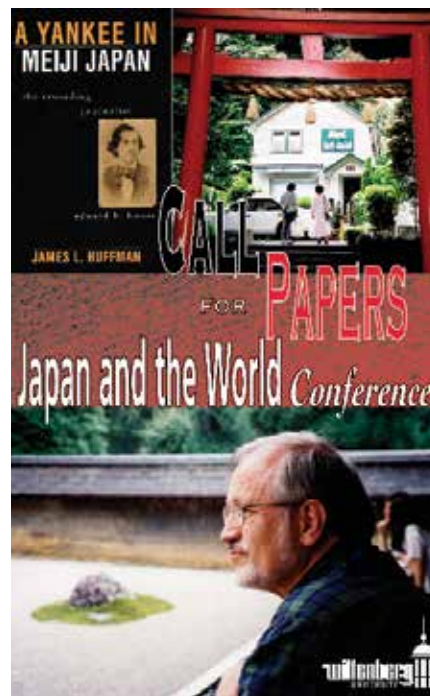


Alumni Invited to Celebrate Professor's Work at Conference

In recognition of one of the most respected East Asian Scholars in the country, Wittenberg's history department will host a special conference to honor James L. Huffman, H. Orth Hirt Professor of History, who will retire in May 2007 following a 30-year teaching career at Wittenberg.

Titled Japan and the World, the conference, which is accepting papers from scholars worldwide and slated for Nov. 10-11, 2006, will provide an opportunity for alumni to share in Huffman's passion for East Asia, enjoy a brunch and hear Pulitzer Prize-winning keynote speaker John Dower.

For more information on the conference, e-mail Jennifer Oldstone-Moore, associate professor of religion and director of East Asian studies, at joldstonemoore@wittenberg.edu. ■



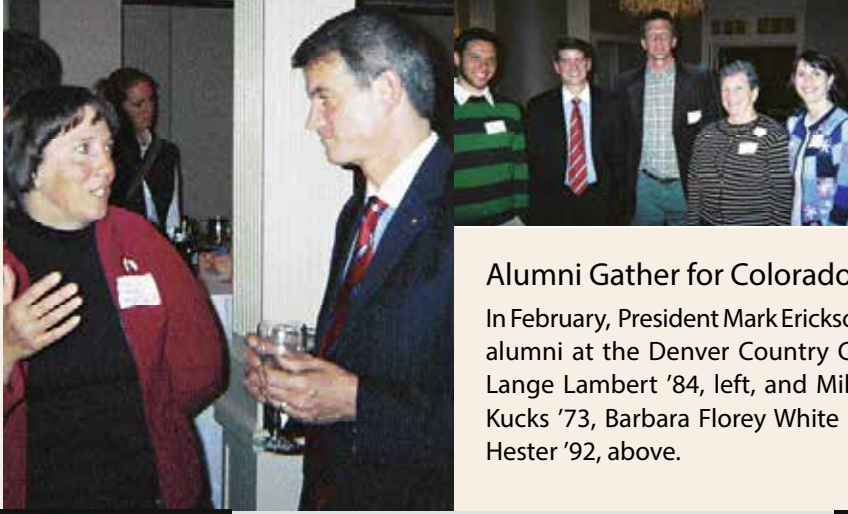
Events Planned for Locations Across United States

As summer nears, the Office of Alumni Relations is making plans for a number of receptions, featuring President Mark H. Erickson, in New York City, Boston, Cincinnati, Toledo, Detroit, Cleveland and the Youngstown/Canton area. If you or someone you know is interested in assisting with an event in one of these areas, please call the Office of Alumni Relations at (937) 327-7428. ■

Special Alumni Events

April 28-29	Alumni Board Meeting
May 5-6	Board of Directors Meeting
Sept. 29-Oct. 1	Family Weekend
Oct. 6-8	Homecoming and Reunion Weekend Reunion Classes: 50th-1956; 25th-1981; 20th-1985-87; 10th-1996; 5th-2000-02

For more information, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at alumni@wittenberg.edu or Mike Wesbecher '04, assistant director of alumni relations, (937) 327-7428.



Alumni Gather for Colorado Event

In February, President Mark Erickson met and engaged alumni at the Denver Country Club, including Trina Lange Lambert '84, left, and Mike Budney '05, Bob Kucks '73, Barbara Florey White '64 and Beth White Hester '92, above.



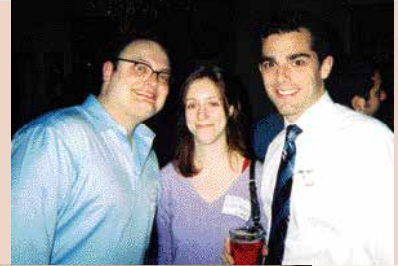
Columbus Alumni Celebrate Holidays

More than 125 alumni enjoyed the Renoir's Women exhibit during the Columbus holiday party at the Columbus Museum of Art. Whitney Morrison '05, Katie Seay '05 and Michelle Ponstingle '05, left, were there along with Brent Yekisa '03 and Amy Hall.



New York City Alumni Reunite

Alumni Board member Charlie Giffin '00 helped to organize a special holiday happy hour in December for New York City alumni. Guests included Ryan Hathaway '97, Erin Roberson '04 and James Horst '99.



Asia Alumni Host Special Event

While visiting East Asia, March 23-April 6, President Erickson and Vice President of Advancement Bill Cloyd '90 caught up with Tokyo alumni and H. Orth Hirt Professor of History James Huffman, who is currently on sabbatical in Japan.



Alumni Travel to Virginia to Cheer Tigers

Hundreds of Wittenberg alumni, friends and families gathered before and after the games as the men's basketball team competed in Salem, Va., for the Division III National Title. Those making the trip included Bruce Reid and family, left, along with Dick and Pat Clouse '64, Roger and Pam Evans Smith '82, and Larry '57 and Carole Holmes McCoy '58.



Sarasota Draws Record Crowd

In March, the annual Sarasota seafood buffet drew a record crowd of more than 100 alumni from northern Florida. President Erickson was also on hand to talk with alumni and friends during the evening. Those at the event included host Georgiana Stearns Albright and Roger Rogos '62, left, along with Ed Better, Marilyn Burns, Coralyn Burgess Lynn and Robert Lynn '52.





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Hubert C. Brumbaugh has moved to the Inn at Belden Village in Canton, Ohio.

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Sallie Jones Lumadue lives in Roswell, Ga.

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Paul E. Reiser, charter member of the Lima Symphony Orchestra in Ohio, continues to play clarinet and saxophone with the Lima Area Concert Band and the Tune Toppers, a four-piece combo. He was recently featured in an article in The Lima News.

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Robert B. Harrison has retired from his position as a pathologist at The Ohio State University Medical Center, Columbus, Ohio.

Juanita Harter Hart, Wethersfield, Conn., has retired as an assistant with the caring ministries at First Church of Christ.

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William Varble taught and coached with the Shelby Schools in Ohio for 32 years, compiling a 70-29 record during 12 years as head football coach. As both a head coach and an assistant in football and track and field,

Bill was part of 23 conference championship teams prior to his recent retirement.

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Class Reunion, Homecoming/ Reunion Weekend, Oct. 6-8, 2006

James W. Ingledue has moved to Elgin, S.C., after retiring as a furniture specialist with Furniture Focus Corp. in Tennessee.

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Philip L. and Patricia Hartlage Stanley '60 have moved to The Villages in Florida. Patricia retired in August 2005 from Frederick Community College in Maryland where she served as president for more than seven years.

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H. Eldon Akerman has retired as senior pastor of Holy Comforter Lutheran Church in Kingwood, Texas. During his retirement, he will serve as an intentional interim pastor in Houston, Texas.

Linda Osborn Madsen, Kaukauna, Wis., has retired from her position as a business education instructor at Fox Valley Technical College, Appleton, Wis.

Helen Arthur March, Glenview, Ill., is a secretary with Northbrook School District 27.

Robert C. and Muriel Richey Myers '58 live in Carol Stream, Ill. Robert has retired as head athletics director at Westinghouse High School. Muriel is a secretary to the chief of the Carol Stream Police Department.

James H. and Mary Schofer Nichols live in Chapin, S.C. Mary has retired as executive director with the Nurturing Center.

Albert F. Schultheis, Maplewood, N.J., is a consultant with Merrill Lynch, Florham Park, N.J.

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Judy Grohne is retired and living in San Pedro, Calif. She volunteers at the Ronald McDonald House.

'62 |

With several part-time "retirement" jobs behind him, Robert L. Hastings has embarked on another venture, the formation of Bob's Ideas, an advertising agency business in Bowling Green, Ohio. He will also continue teaching speech and interpersonal communications at Owens Community College, Findlay, Ohio, and remains active with the Black Swamp Players, a theater group.

David B. Stacy is retired and living in Fort Myers, Fla.

'63 |

Ingrid Lehfeldt Briody, Arlington Heights, Ill., has retired as a teacher from William Rainey Harper College, Palatine, Ill.



Alpha Delta Pi sisters Marian Ebersole Grossman '60, Marilyn Elbrecht Zimmann '60, Rosie Bacome Serocka '60, Gretchen Hammer Emery '60, Carol Cooper Good '60, Karin Kishman Rathbun '60, Madonna Wilson Meloy '58 and Marilyn Ellsworth Faircloth '60 enjoyed a mini reunion at Bacome's home in Port Clinton, Ohio. The sisters extend an invitation to other sisters to join them for the annual event on Aug. 24, 2006.

Shelby Moon Haley has retired as a teacher with the Tiffin City Schools in Ohio.

After serving for four years through the division for global mission of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Kenneth T. Michnay has retired and moved to Muskegon, Mich. He taught English at the Lutheran Seminary in Bratislava, Slovakia, and worked in the foreign affairs department of the office of the general bishop of the Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession.

Suzanne Sherkel Nagle, DuBois, Pa., has retired as a French teacher/department head from the Clearfield Area High School.

Charles W. and Janette Printz Snyder '64 live in Uniontown, Ohio. Charles is president of Snyder Agency Inc. Janette has retired as a music teacher with the North Canton City Schools.

'64

Wayne E. Babler Jr., a litigation attorney with Quarles & Brady LLP in Milwaukee, Wis., has been selected for inclusion in the 2005-2006 edition of The Best Lawyers in America.

James T. Render, head coach with the Upper St. Clair football team, recorded his 300th career victory recently. Since 1979, Jim has constructed a program that has captured 17 conference titles, four district titles, and a state title in 1989. He lives in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Craig K. Scobie is Wittenberg's regional admission representative in Chicago, Ill.

'65

Keith E. Crilow, Norton, Ohio, is with Quadrant Engineering Plastic Products, Reading, Pa.

William D. Grafflin, Springfield, Ohio, has retired as a teacher with the Urbana City Schools.

Anne Schweizer vanGiessen, Mattawan, Mich., has retired as an administrative assistant with Northwestern Mutual Life.

Dennis A. Wheeler is retired and living in Hale, Mich.

'66

Richard J. Jr. and Claire Lundberg Ashby live in Lititz, Pa. Richard, senior executive vice president, will head Fulton Financial Corporation's new community banking group. He also serves as a member of the boards of directors of Fulton Bank, Lancaster County Career & Technology Foundation, Fulton Opera House and United Way of Lancaster County.

Bernice Benjamin Coop, Peapack, N.J., is an operation specialist with HSBC International Bank.

Strasburger & Price LLP is pleased to announce that Kathryn Midboe Darling has joined its Austin, Texas, office as a partner, specializing in health law. She was recently named a "Best Lawyer in America."

R. Christian and Norma Swadner Hansen live in Hixson, Tenn. Christian is senior pastor at Trinity Lutheran Church. Norma has retired as director of manufacturing operations with Modular Industrial Computers.

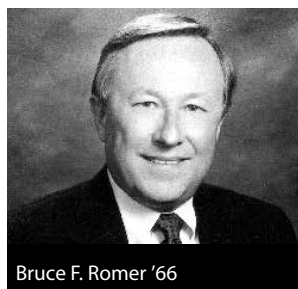
Larry J. Houff, Chelan, Wash., has been named interim pastor of Holden Village, a Lutheran retreat center in the Cascade Mountains.

Jacqueline McClaran, Wytham Village, Oxford, England, directs the faculty development program, provides hospital administrative duties



Chi Omegas from the class of 1972 reunited in Cleveland, Ohio, recently for a book signing by cookbook author and classmate Judith Fertig. From left are Susie Canan, Fertig, Marybeth Jokela McKee, Jodi Alban Strickling, Bonnie Stybel Annibale, Jennifer Gregory Cauffield, Linda Kirkwood Smith, Susie Froelich Laiming and Alison Cort Thureau.

in bed day utilization and discharge planning and plays in the doctors' orchestra at the University of Oxford Medical School.



Bruce F. Romer '66

Bruce F. Romer, the chief administrative officer for Montgomery County in Maryland, was recently inducted as a fellow in the National Academy of Public Administration. He serves as vice-chair of the board of directors of the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority and on the board of directors of the Public Technology Institute. He lives in Laytonsville, Md.

'67

Gary K. and Sarah Delaney Crist '70 live in Urbana, Ohio. Gary is a senior human resources consultant with Ingle-Bachmann LLC, Dayton, Ohio.

John H. and Donna Aikey Knox of Wadsworth, Ohio,

have retired as teachers with the Akron Public Schools.

James J. Lakso is provost and vice president for student development at Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa.

Jeffrey C. and Karen Bishop Pfister '68 live in New Providence, N.J. Jeffrey is a sales manager with Equant. Karen teaches at The Pingry School.

'68

The T. Marzetti Co. of Columbus, Ohio, promoted Patsy Joyce Benincasa of Worthington, Ohio, to senior marketing manager of foodservice.

The Church Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America has elected Sherman G. Hicks to serve a four-year term as executive director of its multicultural ministries. He has served as mission director of the ELCA Delaware-Maryland Synod in Baltimore and ELCA Metropolitan Washington, D.C., Synod.

Frank C. Nicholson Jr., Clemmons, N.C., is in the accounting department of Krispy Kreme Donuts, Winston Salem, N.C.

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Wedding Album



Karen Speicher '86 married James G. Murata on June 25, 2005. The couple lives in Woodland Hills, Calif.



Sonya Smith '95 and Riccardo Caruso were married in Sardegna, Italy, on June 28, 2003. The couple resides in San Diego, Calif.



Julie Adams '91 married Ken W. McCormick on July 23, 2005. They currently live in Columbus, Ohio.



Kimberly Anne Cardone '95 wed John Graydon Smith on Oct. 23, 2004, in Summit, N.J. The couple has since moved to Clifton Park, N.Y.

David W. Richardson is an oracle consultant with CSC, Herndon, Va.

Robert J. and Mary Ensign Shoop '69 live in Manhattan, Kan. Bob is a professor of education law and senior scholar in the leadership studies program at Kansas State University. His 16th book, *An Anatomy of a Court Case*, was published in 2005.

'69 |

David E. Baines, Naples, Fla., has retired from United States Aviation Underwriters Inc.

Stanley D. Bortel Jr., a retired officer and pilot with the U.S. Air Force, lives in Bowling Green, Ohio. He has served as a former member of the City Council, chaired the planning, zoning and economic development committee, chaired the sidewalk commission, was vice-chair of the committee for increased fire/police protection, was a member of the citizens committee for the West Side Fire Station and was past president of the Wood County Regional Airport Authority.

Theodore D. Fraker is a professor of medicine at The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. He lives in New Albany, Ohio.

Gregory A. Groeber, Springfield, Ohio, has retired as president of Wright Brothers Packard Region and the Dayton Chapter Institute of Industrial Engineers.

Kerry L. Langdon, Cincinnati, Ohio, is the vice president of marketing with Target Marketing Inc.

Stratature Inc., a leader in enterprise dimension management and master data management software in Atlanta, Ga., announces the election of Stanley R. Starkey to its board of directors. Stanley lives in Chelsea, Mich.

'70 |

James R. Rebhorn played Bishop Bertram Webster, a recurring character in the NBC series *The Book of Daniel*.

Gregory A. and Pamela Sutherland Park '72, live in Cincinnati, Ohio. Greg has been promoted to associate athletics director for business at Xavier University.

Ann M. Sheadel, Louisville, Ky., has retired from the office of the attorney general for the State of Kentucky.

Charles R. and Cathy Weisel Williamson '71 live in Redondo Beach, Calif. Charles, executive vice president and former chair of the board and chief executive officer of Unocal Corp., retired Dec. 1, 2005.

'71 |

Theodore M. Braun, Monclova, Ohio, is a physician with Toledo Surgical Specialists Inc.

Carol Witwer Fynn, Willoughby, Ohio, is serving on the Ohio Department of Education model curriculum development team in language arts. She teaches with the Kirtland Schools.

Susan C. Hawkes, Holley, N.Y., has retired as coordinator of college events from the State University of New York.

Maureen March Marshall, Barre, Mass., is superintendent of the Quabbin Regional School District.

Sonja Chernushin Sepic, Fairview Park, Ohio, is with the North Ridgeville Library.

Linda Alvin Thomas, Des Plaines, Ill., is a medical librarian at the Alexian Brothers Medical Center, Elk Grove, Ill.

'72 |

Robert T. and Christine McCutcheon Byrne live in Lexington, S.C. Bob is pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Aiken, S.C. Christine, a CPA, works with the Lexington 1 School District and is a violinist who helped found the Lake Murray Symphony Orchestra.

Ben R. and Pamela Bronson Giambrone '73 live in Rochester, N.Y. Ben is president of Compire Inc.

Martin A. Mets Sr., Deerfield Beach, Fla., is director of maintenance and plant operations with the School District of Palm Beach County, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Donald E. and Deborah Moore Scott live in Lutherville, Md. Don is on the air as anchor of WJZ 13's early morning newscast in Baltimore, Md., the newscast ranked second in the nation. He also anchors Eyewitness News at Noon providing viewers with daily mid-day news updates.



Bella Cloyd, 10-21-05



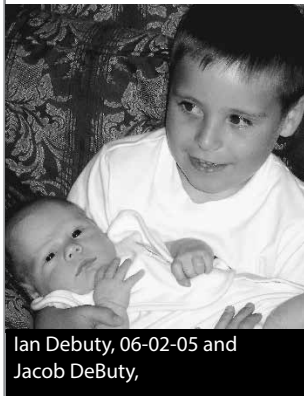
Michael and Lauren German



Shruti DebBurman



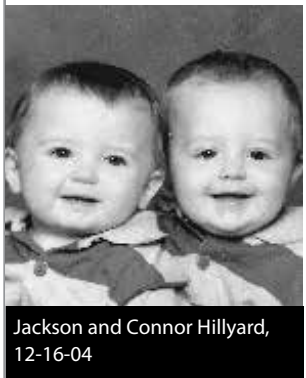
Sydney Louis, 9-17-04



Ian Debuty, 06-02-05 and
Jacob DeButy,



Rachel Farley, 7-14-03, Lydia
Farley, 6-29-04, with brother
Caleb



Jackson and Connor Hillyard,
12-16-04



Cymone Van Marter, 10-26-02

Li'l Tigers

Bella Elizabeth, daughter of Bill '90 and Cara Cloyd

Michael and Lauren, children of Pamela Shane German '90 and husband Daniel

Shruti DebBurman, daughter of Shubhik DebBurman '91

Sydney Ann, daughter of Bethany Bell Louis '92 and husband Paul

Jacob Charles, son of Charles '92 and Tracey DeButy, and Ian Michael, son of Paul W. '94 and Nicole Dixon DeButy '94.

Rachel Marie, Lydia Faith and Caleb, children of Michael '94 and Linda Fordham Farley '95

Jackson and Connor, sons of Pam Hillyard '94

Cymone, daughter of Nicole Ringgold '94 and Derek Van Marter.

'73

S. Paul and Sally Eppelheimer Alexander live in Mason, Ohio. Paul teaches math at the Sycamore Community Schools. Sally is in technology support with the Milford Schools.

Deborah Gillespy Corbets, Cleveland, Ohio, teaches with the Solon City Schools.

David P. Dickson is an optometrist practicing in Columbus, Ohio.

Jon L. Fickert is retired and living in Oak Harbor, Ohio.

Nancy Peterson Glidden is a consultant in Clayton, Ohio.

Paul L. Hagans, Lexington, Ky., has retired as a specialist with Toyota Motor Manufacturing.

Gary W. and Mary Adams Kopp live in South Vienna, Ohio. Mary is a secretary II with the Clark County Combined Health District, Springfield, Ohio.

Robert T. Kuhlman is a retired Lutheran minister living in Amarillo, Texas. He was the guest speaker at the 50th anniversary celebration of the congregation of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Fairborn, Ohio, where he served as its first pastor.

Deborah Guenther Lischwe, Freeport, Ill., is a research data analyst with Health Systems Research, Rockford, Ill.

Kevin T. Orrock, Las Vegas, Nev., is president of Howard Hughes Corp.

Virginia Armato Price, Highland Park, Ill., is founder and CEO of Planet Canit LLC, a company specializing in custom design of tinware packaging, working in close collaboration with clients to produce high-impact packaging.



Peter L. Schneller '72

Trains Teachers in Tibet

For Peter L. Schneller, a long-standing friendship, a commitment to teaching and a willingness to travel paths unknown have made a significant difference in his life.

As a student at Wittenberg, Schneller became close friends with fellow Phi Mu Delta fraternity brother Mark A. Erwin '72. The two stayed in touch throughout the years, and by 2003, Schneller and Erwin caught up for a game of golf. By then Schneller had left his 20-year middle school teaching career to pursue his Ph.D. and was now in a tenure-track position at Mount Union College. Erwin had traveled the world teaching middle school in Finland, The Czech Republic and Germany, and now was teaching English as a Second Language (ESL) and social studies at the American Embassy School (AES) in New Delhi, India.

Their links conversation soon inspired action, and by 2005, Schneller found himself in India teaching exiled Tibetan teacher candidates, all of whom will eventually teach in one of the 12 Tibetan Children's Villages (TCV) Schools in India.

"Many people don't realize that there are about 130,000 Tibetans in exile in India," Schneller said. "More than a million have been killed since 1959."

Schneller lived in a guest room, slept on a thin mattress-covered plywood plank and walked to class each day, where he then spent time introducing students to basic technological teaching tools and answering questions about American pop culture.

"Pop culture really grabbed them. They were fascinated with a lesson on slang and wanted to know about Christmas and April's Fool's Day," he said.

Schneller also took time to meditate, to read the words of the Dali Lama, and to have his students prepare lessons to teach him about the language and culture of Tibet.

"The Indian and Tibetan cultures value respect, and teachers are to be respected without having to earn it," he said.

Schneller plans to continue his study of Tibetan life and write about his experience.

"Perhaps the biggest cultural difference that I noticed was the equanimity in the Tibetan and Indian people as opposed to the loose rage that seems to reign in the United States," Schneller said. "It was especially dramatic when I arrived back in the states and was thoroughly chewed out for being in the 10-item line with 12 items." ■

— Phyllis Eberts '00

Ray S. Scharf is a supervisor with the State of Ohio Department of Health, Columbus, Ohio. He lives in London, Ohio.

'74 |

J. Randolph and Jacintha Kraft Balch '75 live in Bexley, Ohio. Randolph is practicing law in Columbus, Ohio.

Richard A. Beall is founder and director of Carolina International School, a public charter school near Charlotte, N.C. He lives in Harrisburg, N.C.

Richard F. Jr. and Lilly Schmidt Heil live in Springfield, Ohio. Dick is a partner with Martin, Browne, Hull & Harper Attorneys at Law. Lilly teaches at the Ridgewood School.

Randall A. Neff is a licensed clinical social worker at Kano Psychotherapy Ltd., Milwaukee, Wis.

Robert C. Oster, Hastings, Mich., is choral conductor at Jenison Junior/Senior High Schools in Michigan. In 2004 he was named "Teacher of the Year" by the Michigan School Vocal Music Association.

'75 |

Anthony W. Biel is a paralegal in Toledo, Ohio.

Karen Kline Ginsburg, Norwell, Mass., teaches voice with the Boston Symphony.

Alexander N. Gish III, Chestertown, Md., is a communication systems specialist with Amtrak, Washington, D.C.

David W. Massie is a medical doctor in Mansfield, Ohio.

Marsha Johnson Weiss, Chelsea, Mass., is a musical therapist at New England Baptist Hospital.

Findlay City Schools in Ohio has named Dean A. Wittwer as superintendent.

'76 |

Lydia A. Arbogast, Carbondale, Ill., is an associate professor of physiology in the School of Medicine at Southern Illinois University, Springfield, Ill. She has been appointed to a four-year term on the neuroendocrinology, neuroimmunology and behavior study section for the Center for Scientific Review at the National Institutes of Health.

Ward R. and Debra Pastor Clark '77 live in South Lebanon, Ohio. Ward is vice president of credit with Integra Bank. Debra is a substitute teacher with the Kings Local School District.

Carol E. Clokey, Naples, Fla., owns C.C. Channeling, Stuart, Fla.

F. Thomas Dunn Jr. is serving as superintendent of the Troy Schools in Ohio.

Charlotte Weatherspoon Harris, Alliance, Ohio, is a licensed social worker.

Douglas L. Moore, Powell, Ohio, is an adjunct professor at Capital University, Columbus, Ohio.

The board of directors of Farmers Citizens Bank and FC Banc Corp. in Bucyrus, Ohio, has announced the appointment of Lawrence A. Morrison as director of the board. Larry is managing partner of Kleshinski, Morrison and Morris LLP in Mansfield, Ohio. He also serves as board president of Wynford Local School District, volunteers as assistant football coach at the high school and is the board secretary/treasurer of the Crawford County Development Board Inc.

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Surrounded by alumni and friends, Nancy Crum '91 and Michael Cianflone were united in marriage on June 11, 2005.



Alumni celebrated the wedding of Laura Hartquist '95 and Tom Garvey on Feb. 20, 2005.



Alumni traveled to Portland, Ore., for the wedding of Betsy Blair '96 and Paul Halvorson on July 29, 2005.



Joined by alumni, faculty members and friends, Erin Athy '00 and Matthew Hazelton '02 were united in marriage on Dec. 3, 2005. The couple lives in Newark, Ohio.



Sarah Schmidt '00 married Steven Meyer on Sept. 25, 2004. Alumni, friends and faculty members celebrated with the couple. The Meyers currently reside in Bay Village, Ohio.



On July 31, 2004, Meghan Berschback '01 and John Boomhower were united in marriage surrounded by alumni and friends. The couple lives in Grosse Pointe, Mich.

Anita L. Zupan lives and works in Morgan Hill, Calif.

'77 | Marc E. and Barbara Riggle Behrendt live in Somerset, Ohio. Marc, a freelance biologist, was recently featured in an article in the Columbus Dispatch. Barbara is a school teacher.

Timothy C. Carver, Foster, Ky., is a teacher and head football coach at Pendleton County High School.

Cheryl R. Davis, Erie, Colo., is director of the domestic violence offender management board with the State of Colorado, Denver.

Dana L. Hoover has accepted the position as pastor of First Christian Church in Sulphur, La.

J. Gregory Murphy has been named president and CEO of Community Bank of Naples in Florida.

David R. and Susan Gordon Prener live in Fairport, N.Y. David is a nurse practitioner with the Veterans' Administration. Susan is executive director of Safe Journey, a transition program for survivors of domestic violence and their children.

James R. and Maria Zapis Wymer live in Westlake, Ohio. James, a CPA, is president of WXZ Development, Cleveland, Ohio.

John S. and Margaret "Peg" Ingersoll Zitzner live in Pepper Pike, Ohio. John is founder and president of E City, Cleveland, Ohio.

'78 | Robert W. and Barbara Braun Bafundo '77 live in Norcross, Ga. Robert owns Tinstar Restaurant, Alpharetta, Ga.

Leslie A. Bower, Newport Beach, Calif., is with Bower & Associates.



Janice Glowski '87

Finds Inspiration In Asian Art

Once focused on a career in chemistry, Janice Glowski took an extreme turn after graduation and subsequent service in the Peace Corps, thanks to a few courses in religious studies and encouraging professors at Wittenberg.

"My chemistry adviser, Dave Finster, besides being an excellent teacher, opened the door to exploring other cultures," Glowski said. "He helped me get the permissions necessary to study abroad. To my knowledge, this wasn't the usual practice for chemistry majors at the time. In fact, I think I may have been the first chemistry major they let study abroad, but I'm not certain."

Now a foremost scholar in Asian art history, having received or participated in numerous research grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Mellon Foundation, among others, Glowski has dedicated her life to exploring cultures, religions and artistic traditions.

"Just when I think I've got a handle on some aspect of history, art, religion or culture, I realize how much I don't know, and how much more there is to learn," she explained.

Currently an award-winning independent scholar following 12 years at The Ohio State University, where she earned her Ph.D. in Asian Art history and served as curator of the John C. and Susan L. Huntington photographic archives of Buddhist and related art, Glowski has traveled the world throughout her career. A few years ago, Glowski accompanied a team to Nepal to photograph the Buddhist archeological and artistic remains of the Katmandu Valley, and she is now the curator of a traveling exhibit on one of the first artists in the world to use computers to create art, Charles A. Csuri.

"Asian art is incredible, in and of itself," said Glowski, who also credits Wittenberg professors Eugene Swanger, Anne Terry and the late Herbert Wolfe, for inspiring her to choose this path.

"It's vast and deep and so diverse that I think there is something for everyone to appreciate." ■

– Karen Gerboth '93

Robert W. Riedel is a production process manager with Praxair Inc., Simi Valley, Calif.

Janet L. Sturman, a pianist and professor of ethnomusicology at the University of Arizona in Tucson, has been invited to speak at the Forum of International Music, a conference at the University of Tampico in Mexico.

'79

John E. Adams II, Plain City, Ohio, is a physician with the Adams Family Medical Center. He was re-elected to the Jonathan Alder Local Schools Board of Education.

Laura Leaycraft Bush is a special education instructional aid with the Carmel Clay School District in Indiana.

Robert S. Gordon, Montclair, Va., is a lieutenant colonel serving as director of aerial reconnaissance at SRA International Inc., Fairfax, Va.

David W. Herrick, Verona, N.J., is with Vogel Farina Inc., Summit, N.J.

Steven J. Jefferis, is a registered investment adviser with Stifel, Nicolaus and Co., Dublin, Ohio. He lives in Delaware, Ohio, and is active with the Parkinson's Association of Central Ohio, the Delaware Elks, the Athletic Club of Columbus and St. Peter's Episcopal Church. He has been re-elected as a Delaware Township trustee.

Ellen Stilwell Leibold, Dayton, Ohio, is a librarian at Springboro High School.

Jeffery G. Orner of Arlington, Va., is deputy assistant commandant for engineering and logistics with the U.S. Coast Guard. For exceptional performance over an extended period of time, he has been

named a recipient of the Presidential Rank Award for Meritorious Executives.



David E. Porter, New Paris, Ohio, is a sales coordinator with Stock Building Supply, Dayton, Ohio.

George M. Ramsay, Waukegan, Ill., is with Hospira Inc., Lake Forest, Ill.

Jon K. and Margaret Wieczorek Reynard live in Upper Darby, Pa. Jon is an emergency room X-ray technician with Orthopedic Associates. Margaret is a claims processing manager with COMHAR Inc.

Kendrick R. Riggs, Louisville, Ky., is vice chair of the management committee with Stoll Keenon Ogden.

Richard A. Talda, Dayton, Ohio, is chair of the business litigation department with Coolidge, Wall, Womsley & Lombard. He has been named a "2006 Super Lawyer" by Law and Politics magazine.

'80

Thomas J. Bassett, Lake Villa, Ill., is a vice president with LaSalle Bank, Northbrook, Ill.

Joseph A. Beckett, Marietta, Ohio, is an associate professor and director of the athletic training education program at Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, Ky.

Donald F. Bergenty II, Medford, N.J., owns the Marlton Guitar Gallery in the Shoppes at Elmwood.



Chaz Cuarto, 7-2-05



Gwendolyn Hayball 7-16-05



Holden Rice, 10-29-04



Lillian Caldwell, 8-31-05



Julianna Dunkley, 9-6-05



Aidan Boiarski, 3-7-05

Li'l Tigers

Chaz Valentin, son of Susana Curtis Cuarto '96 and husband Val

Gwendolyn Jean, daughter of Ashley Patterson Hayball '96

Holden, son of Tracy Monegan Rice '96

Brooke and Lillian, daughters of Dave '97 and Cheryl Caldwell

Julianna Marie, daughter of Carey Dunkley '97

Aidan Philip, son of Kathryn Weaver Boiarski

Kathleen Bressoud Reichert has been named principal of Chestnut Elementary School with the Ashtabula Area City School District in Ohio.

Jennifer Heckler Versteed owns Pemberley and Plum, a new home decorating store in Springfield, Ohio.

'82

Wendy Koepf Davis, a licensed realtor, is affiliated with Howard Hanna Smythe Cramer in Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

Andrew R. Day was married to Anna Krawcow, Oct. 8, 2005. They live in Columbus, Ohio, where Andrew is employed by Reagent Chemical & Research Inc.

Charles M. Diez, Sewickley, Pa., is a consultant with Steelcase Inc., Dixonville Pa.

Barbara Mayer Evans is a marketing director with MedServe Equipment Corp., Palatine, Ill. She lives in Deer Park, Ill.

Ralph T. and Barbara Raby Gigliotti have moved to Raleigh, N.C. Ralph is the director of the Durham Veterans' Administration Hospital, a 280-bed hospital affiliated with Duke University.

Gregory W. and Rebecca Filkosky Edwards live in Cincinnati, Ohio. Gregory is founder and president of Edwards Capital Corp.

Steven B. Garasky is an associate professor in the human development and family studies department at Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa.

Rodney C. Wilson lives in Lansing, Mich. A sports psychologist, he is a research analyst with the Michigan Department of Transportation. He is the author of "Sources of

Sport Confidence of Masters Athletes," a research article in the fall/winter 2004 issue of the Journal of Sport and Exercise Psychology. He was also featured in the October 2005 issue of Healthy and Fit Magazine and will be a contributing writer for the current year.

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Michael J. and Sharon Dunphy Greitzer '82 live in

Springfield, Ohio. Michael is president of health care services and partner at Miller-Valentine Group. Sharon serves as president of the Wittenberg Guild and works at Wittenberg in its enrollment management office.

Michael L. Hackney, Groton, Mass., is with Authentica Inc., Lexington, Mass.

Linda M. Lutz is a managing partner with Great Life Wellness, Phoenix, Ariz.



Alicia Sweet Hupp '82

Alicia Sweet Hupp, Springfield, Ohio, serves as president of Sweet Manufacturing Co., a family business founded 50 years ago, which manufactures bulk material handling and processing systems in the agricultural, industrial,



Mildred Archie '90

Takes Advantage of Every Opportunity

Back in the day, a college education wasn't an option for every child. Finances and parents reluctant to send their child into an alien world kept many good students from following their dreams.

One such student, Mildred Archie, wanted to become a social worker, but instead settled into a job with the Department of Defense at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

"A degree was not required for my position," Archie said. "But I had always wanted to go to college, so I began taking evening classes at Wittenberg in 1954."

An opportunity to work at a ballistic missile site in Canada led Archie to set aside her education in 1960. Two and a half years later, she began a similar position with the State Department's Foreign Service Office.

"I lived in Iceland, Sweden, Vietnam, Nigeria and Tunisia," Archie said. "I learned to speak Nordic, French and Spanish languages to enable me to function outside the office during the two years I lived in each country." Depending on the situation in each country, Archie often lived among the local citizens.

After Tunisia and temporary assignments in Australia and New Zealand, she spent four years in six Central American countries, and three years in Bogotá, Columbia, until her retirement in 1984.

Soon after Archie returned to Wittenberg, and in May 1990, one month shy of her 66th birthday, she received her bachelor's degree in sociology. A short time later, Archie learned that her pastor, Ivan George, had recommended her for missionary work with the American Baptist Church because of her extensive traveling throughout the years.

Archie then spent the next 11 years in South Africa, Zambia and Ghana working with the All-Africa Baptist Fellowship organizing conferences, conducting workshops and training pastors.

"Women receive almost as much training as men today," Archie said. "We served 100 churches and worked at headquarters and in villages throughout the countries as we opened more seminaries."

Today Archie serves as historian for St. John's Missionary Baptist Church. "I'm currently working on a project for my church," Archie said, "and I plan to write a memoir of my life and travels."

—Phyllis Eberts '00

commercial and feed industries. The company is a 2005 recipient of the Governor's "E" Award for Excellence in Exporting presented by the State of Ohio.

Jane Rose Jennings, Wayne, Pa., is director of human resources administration with SunCom Wireless.

David Redman owns and manages Redman Trucking and Farming in Huntsville, Ohio.

James R. Roewer, Herndon, Va., is executive director, Utility Solid Waste Activities Group, Washington, D.C.

Kenneth R. Saltzman, a freelance stage manager, is serving as production stage manager for the Michigan Opera Theatre and the Cincinnati Opera on the world premiere of Margaret Garner. He celebrated his 24th season as production manager for the Springfield Summer Arts Festival in Ohio and continues to work with the Michigan Opera Theatre and the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra. Ken lives in Bradford, N.Y.

'83 | Janet Muschlitz Book, Pittsburgh, Pa., and her husband, David, announce the birth of Timothy Neal, April 28, 2005. Janet, who received her M.B.A. in 2004 from the University of Phoenix in Arizona, is a manager with the Bayer Corp.

Penny B. Chittenden, Skokie, Ill., is a certified massage therapist. In January 2005, she completed a marathon for the American Stroke Association in Phoenix, Ariz.

John F. "Jake" Kreilick returned to campus as a Wittenberg Fellow to discuss the ethical and political dilemmas he faces as an environmental

activist. He is with the National Forest Protection Alliance and lives in Missoula, Mont.

DHR International in Cincinnati, Ohio, is pleased to announce that Theodore W. Plattenburg has joined the firm as executive vice president. He is also a member of DHR's Nonprofit Practice Group.

Kevin J. Short, Hilliard, Ohio, is a sales director with Nationwide Financial.

First Federal Bank has announced the promotion of Martha Hiltner Woelke to vice president of its Bowling Green office in Ohio.

'84 | Douglas T. Jenkins, Marysville, Ohio, is a distributions manager with MWD Logistics.

Marilyn L. Matevia, San Francisco, Calif., is a statistical programmer with the Kaiser Permanente Division of Research, Oakland, Calif.

Christopher L. and Anne Hackney Tremper '86 live in Stafford, Va. Chris is a program manager with McNeil Technologies Inc.

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Earl E. "Beau" Bolce owns Bolce Interiors, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Christi Moritz Brown, Lima, Ohio, has been re-elected to a four-year term as a Shawnee Township trustee of Allen County.

William E. Connelly, Waxhaw, N.C. is vice president of U.S. sales with Spineology Inc., St. Paul, Minn.

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Kimberly Rigby '00 married Shawn Wollam on June 25, 2005 at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Columbus, Ohio. The couple resides in Columbus.



Heather M. Otley '02 and Ethan M. Moore '02 were married on Sept. 24, 2005. They live in Chicago, Ill.



Wittenberg's Weaver Chapel served as the location for the wedding of Katie Curtis '04 and husband Matthew on July 31, 2004. The couple resides in New Albany, Ohio.



Kate Williston '04 married Zachary Shields on Aug. 20, 2005 surrounded by alumni and friends.

Thomas E. Herlihy, Geneseo, N.Y., is a managing director of RT Solutions LLC, Avon, N.Y.

Michael W. Jenkins, Waterford, Pa., is CFO with Erie Plastics, Corry, Pa.

Mark A. and Richelle Schmittgen Kennedy live in Needham, Mass. Richelle is a vice president, associate general counsel with Fidelity Investments, Boston, Mass.

Timothy J. Weber, Chagrin Falls, Ohio, teaches fifth grade at Leighton Elementary School in Aurora, Ohio. He also serves

as education coordinator with the Western Reserve Land Conservancy and program director for the Chagrin Valley Recreation Center.

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Donald M. and Sarah Vincent Braxton '84 live in Huntingdon, Pa. Donald, an ordained Evangelical Lutheran Church in America clergyman, is the J. Omar Good associate professor of religion and chair of the department of religion at

Juniata College. He is a frequent lecturer on a variety of topics in his area.

Iva Nusbaum Bunch, Wilmington, N.C., is a veterinarian at North College Road Animal Hospital.

Jennifer Kossow Hamant is an investment consultant in the Division of Citigroup Global Markets Inc. with Smith Barney, Columbus, Ohio.

Peter M. Herr, Lancaster, N.Y., teaches at St. Mary High School.

Peyton S. and Lizbeth Mooney Kay '88 live in Bridgewater, Conn. Peyton is director of global alliances with Reuters, New York, N.Y.

Debra A. Loftus, Wilmette, Ill., is a psychologist/consultant with Liminal Solutions, Chicago, Ill.

Nancy A. Parish teaches kindergarten with the Sierra Stand Unified District, Ridgecrest, Calif.

Cheryl Meese Peterson, Columbus, Ohio, has joined the faculty at Trinity Lutheran Seminary as assistant professor of systematic theology.

Jamie J. Porter was married on June 25, 2005 to John Groby. Jamie is director of personal and career development with the Champaign County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, Urbana, Ohio. She also is the creator of Art on Main, a program featuring original artwork, greeting cards and limited edition prints designed from images created by artists with disabilities.

Karen Speicher and James G. Murata were wed June 25, 2005. They live in Woodland Hills, Calif. Karen is an ordained pastor with the United Methodist Church.

Duane A. Watts is president and co-owner of Watts House of Insurance Inc., Bucyrus, Ohio. A member of First Presbyterian Church and the Kiwanis Club, he umpires for the Bucyrus Little League. Duane was selected to serve as a grand marshal of the local Mardi Gras Parade.

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Richard W. and Laura Botto Comstock '88 live in Fairlawn, Ohio. Richard is a senior vice president with Robert W. Baird Co. Inc.

John J. Danish, Fairborn, Ohio, has been promoted to deputy director of the law department with the City of Dayton. Having been involved with cases before the U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio and the Ohio Supreme Court, he has experience in civil rights, personal injury, labor law and public records law.

Michelle Diamonon Donnelly, Petaluma, Calif., is a property manager with CAC Real Estate Management Co. Inc., San Francisco, Calif.

Stephen W. and Andrea Schmidt Eshelman '88 live in Chagrin Falls, Ohio. Stephen is a project manager with Hull and Associates Inc., Solon, Ohio.

A. Van Jordan received his M.F.A. from Warren Wilson College in Asheville, N.C. and is currently teaching there. He is also an assistant professor in the English department at the University of Texas. His first book, Rise, won the PEN Oakland/Josephine Miles Award and was a selection of the Academy of American Poets book club. In 2004, Van received a Whiting Writers



Katie Wilton '93

Cooks With Kids

By combining cups of fun with splashes of creativity, Katie Wilton has created a unique recipe for inspiring kids to cook.

Author of *You're the Cook: A Guide to Mixing it up in the Kitchen*, which the *Christian Science Monitor* recently called "a great deal of fun" for kids, Wilton has managed to mesh her love of teaching middle school students with her passion for cooking in this newly released cookbook, which includes step-by-step recipes and vivid photographs along with fun facts and culinary techniques for children ages 9-14.

"My mission is to teach middle school-aged children how to cook, but my hope is that they will take advantage of power of cooking in the process," she said. "Cooking provides the opportunity to gather family and friends and share stories, laughter and ideas over a delicious meal, and I think it's time to reclaim the joys of preparing a meal and eating together."

The fourth child in a family of five in Buffalo, N.Y., Wilton spent years honing her cooking skills following her graduation from Wittenberg with a B.A. in elementary education. While teaching sixth-grade language arts at the Wellington School in Columbus, Ohio, Wilton began participating in numerous local college cooking courses in the Columbus community. She then decided to move to the East Coast and apply to the Cambridge School of Culinary Arts (CSCA) outside Boston, Mass., from which she earned her Professional Chef's Diploma in 1999.

Now a member of the American Institute of Wine & Food, The Culinary Guild of New England and the International Association of Culinary Professionals, where she received her Certified Culinary Professional (CCP) license, Wilton quickly kicked her love of teaching and cooking up a notch by starting her own company, *Cooking with Katie Inc.*, in 2001.

Although she continues to teach at local community centers and after-school programs, Wilton remains passionate about empowering children to learn basic culinary skills and gain confidence at the same time.

"Cooking is a life-skill that helps you do for others. It's a valuable asset that often gets overlooked in school curriculums and in many busy households, and I want to change that." ■

— Karen Gerboth '93

Award and the Gilbert-Chappelle Distinguished Poet Award. In 2005, he won a Pushcart Prize.

Jeffrey H. and Annette Wasem Knapp '88 live in Chapel Hill, N.C. Jeffrey has been appointed senior vice president of sales and marketing with Abgenix Inc., Fremont, Calif.

Kenneth L. II and Marva Daniels Lawson '88 live in Cincinnati, Ohio. Kenneth, the managing partner of Lawson & Associates, has successfully represented high-profile individuals and participated in many trials that have been featured on Court TV. *Black Enterprise Magazine* has named him one of America's "Top Black Lawyers in the Nation."

Nicholas and Linda Stofa Pallas are with Eye Deals Optometry. Nicholas is a manager, and Linda is an optometrist. They live in Raleigh, N.C.

Donald V. and Pamela Farnbauch Prezioso live in Ashland, Ohio, where Pamela teaches music at Trinity Lutheran Church.

Phyllis LeVan Radlinski, Queenstown, Md., is a resident in clinical pastoral education at The Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md.

Paul D. Sutter, a major in the U.S. Air Force, serves as 6th Air Mobility Wing Protestant chaplain at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Fla.

Jerry L. Thornburg has retired as a sales representative with Remington Steel, Springfield, Ohio.

Stephen G. Willard, Bexley, Ohio, is an orthopedic consultant with Smith & Nephew Richards Orthopedics in Columbus, Ohio. He manages nine people in the central and southern Ohio

area and supervises the sales of reconstructive, trauma and sports-injury orthopedic implants to area physicians and hospitals.

'88 | Melissa DeTombe Canney, a member of the London City Schools Board of Education in Ohio, is executive director of Madison County Health Partners. She is active in her community and London Presbyterian Church.

James V. and Brooke Bevilacqua Collins live in New Albany, Ohio. Jim, head football coach at Capital University in Columbus, Ohio, led its team to the NCAA Division III playoffs.

Roberta Cochran Koch is an IT/financial coordinator with Todd Associates Inc., Cleveland, Ohio. She lives in Stow, Ohio.

Thomas R. LaPorte, Urbandale, Iowa, is a manager with Wells Fargo Financial Leasing, Waukee, Iowa.

Stephen M. Linstrom, Elgin, Ill., is in the shipping department at Hoffer Plastics, South Elgin, Ill.

William A. and Stephanie Hull Records '87 live in New Albany, Ohio. Bill, a partner at Dental Associates, has worked on several school district committees, most recently the finance committee. He was a candidate for the New Albany-Plain Local Board of Education.

Daniel W. Sandwisch, Maumee, Ohio, is the president and founder of Timberstone Group Inc., Holland, Ohio.

James W. and Melissa Hollenbacher Smith '89 live in Chagrin Falls, Ohio. Melissa is a senior recruiter with Progressive Insurance, Mayfield Village.

Frost D. Yarnell, Louisville, Colo., is a supervisor for

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Alumni headed to Cleveland, Ohio, for the wedding of Robert Candage '01 and Melissa Lang '04 on June 17, 2005. The couple lives in Broadview Heights, Ohio.

Alumni celebrated the wedding of Brianne Veit '01 and Matthew Brown on Jan. 1, 2005 in Columbus, Ohio. The couple resides in Hilliard, Ohio.

Courtney Smith '02 married Sam Chung surrounded by alumni and friends on July 7, 2005. The couple lives in Marquette, Mich.

Alumni and friends headed back to Springfield to celebrate the wedding of Tracy Daly '01 and Bob Rafferty '02 on July 23, 2005, in Wittenberg's Weaver Chapel. The couple resides in Springfield.

With alumni on hand, Jayne Gerber '03 and Isaac Barnes '99 were united in marriage on Aug. 5, 2005. The couple now lives in Missoula, Mont.

Columbus, Ohio, served as the site for the wedding of Alyson Hoegler '04 and Corey Veit on Sept. 24, 2005, which numerous alumni attended.

the child protection team in Boulder County. She has been elected to the Louisville City Council.

'89

Steven H. Goldberg is a realtor with HER Real Living, Dublin, Ohio.

Thomas O. Morrison, South Miami, Fla., is associate medical director at Jackson South Community Hospital, Miami, Fla.

Scott M. Patterson, Bronxville, N.Y., and his wife, Kelly, welcomed the birth of Christopher O'Brien, June 22, 2005. Scott has been promoted to managing director of Marsh Inc., New York, N.Y.

Darryl T. and Carla Thompson Powell '91 live in Chicago, Ill., where Darryl is pastor of Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Kevin P. and Mary Porter Thomas are with The Nature Conservancy, Lansing, Mich. Kevin is an applications programmer/analyst. Mary is the major gift manager. They live in East Lansing, Mich.

Sharon E. Wagner, Atlanta, Ga., married Glen L. Smith Aug. 6, 2005.

'90

David K. Baust, Plain City, Ohio, is director of sales and business development with GFS Chemicals Inc. in Powell, Ohio.

Cameron W. and Edith "Dee" Salazar Beddard '89 live in Huntingtown, Md. Dee is a project manager with Wyle Laboratories.

Regina Lenhart Carey, Okemos, Mich., is an instructor at Michigan State University, East Lansing, Mich.



Blake Troxel '05 Serves in South Pacific

Armed with an interest in international affairs, and a desire to serve others and challenge himself, Blake Troxel has traveled the world, touching lives along the way. Now nearing the completion of his first year with U.S. Peace Corps in Vanuatu, a remote cluster of islands in the South Pacific, Troxel can't imagine another path at this time.

"I feel extremely lucky for this opportunity," Troxel said. "I am enjoying life here immensely."

Troxel credits his sociology classes at Wittenberg for giving him a different perspective of the world as well as a 2004 service trip to Nicaragua for inspiring him to serve.

"The trip was not about giving material possessions to those who are without, but rather it was about connecting with people," Troxel said.

In Vanuatu, Troxel lives with an extended family, which has formally "adopted" him, and regularly converses in Bislama, the native language.

"I can pretty much talk to anyone in Bislama, but the hardest part is just creating common ground with the people of the village to have something to talk about with them," Troxel said. "That's the most challenging part for me."

Troxel also spends his time assisting with math and science classes at the local primary school called Losalava, including teaching, training and tutoring. In addition, he helps writing grants for buildings and renewable energy projects, and he recently set up a library.

"I go to the school pretty much everyday at least for a few hours, if not more, and I'm starting to feel more comfortable at the school setting," he said. "The government's education system has little to no money and most, if not all, of the schools need considerable help – more resources/materials, teachers, buildings, funds."

Troxel has also been approached to help with some projects in other communities, including a local marine conservation project and a sea cucumber farming project.

Despite the intense heat and mosquitoes, Troxel believes such inconveniences are a small price to pay to be in Vanuatu.

"I am extremely appreciative of every day, more so than ever before." ■

—Karen Gerboth '93

William A. Cloyd, Columbus, Ohio, and his wife, Cara, are pleased to announce the birth of Bella Elizabeth, Oct. 21, 2005. Bill is vice president for university advancement at Wittenberg.

Pamela Shane German and her husband, Daniel, announce the birth of Michael, June 13, 2003. They live in Dublin, Ohio.

Kelly O'Neill Herrick, Chicago, Ill., and her husband, Richard, welcomed the births of William O'Neill, May 1, 2003, and Shannon, Oct. 1, 2004.

Mark A. and Paige Andrews Knapp live in Rocky River, Ohio. Mark is a financial consultant with Charles Schwab, Westlake, Ohio.

Jeremy R. and Elizabeth Bennett Lynch '89 live in Rochester, Mass., where Jeremy is a national account executive with Starbucks Coffee Co.

Daniel J. Martin and Holly N. Deeds were married Sept. 24, 2005. They live in Springfield, Ohio. Daniel is an assistant attorney general in the office of Ohio Attorney General Jim Petro.

Samantha Caroline was born Sept. 30, 2005, to Anne Felker Osovski and her husband, Doug. They live in Rochester, N.Y.

Stephen S. and Heidi Koenig Shanor '91 live in Roswell, N.M., where Stephen is with Atwood, Malone, Turner & Sabin, P.A.

Kristopher Y. and Stephanie Dubs West live in Westerville, Ohio. Kristopher is a supervisor, CALL project – psychologist with Behavior Health in Columbus, Ohio.

'91 |
Julia H. Adams married Ken W. McCormick, July 23, 2005. They live in Columbus, Ohio.

Kristine Wing Behrens, Wyckoff, N.J., is a sales training manager for sanofi-aventis in Bridgewater, N.J. She was featured in the article, "Got a Mentor?" in Working Mother magazine.

Nancy F. Crum and Michael A. Cianflone were united in marriage on June 11, 2005. They live in San Diego, Calif. Nancy, a researcher for the National Institutes of Health, has published more than 50 articles for major medical journals. She is also in infectious diseases clinician at Scripps Hospital.

Shubhik K. DebBurman, an assistant professor of biology at Lake Forest College in Illinois, has been granted tenure.

Kristin L. Evans, Bozeman, Mont., is a child and family therapist in Belgrade, Mont.

Daryl L. and LaTeresa Nathan Hurley '94 live in Detroit, Mich. In 2005, Daryl received his M.B.A. from Walsh College, Troy, Mich. He co-founded and serves as president and CEO of DLH Development Corp., a real estate development firm specializing in residential development and revitalization.

Michelle E. Jacksier is a communications specialist with Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago, Ill.

Louise Lord Nelson, Indianapolis, Ind., is executive director of COVOH Inc., an organization focused on advocating for the rights of individuals with disabilities in the state of Indiana.

Theodore M. Stiles, Westport Island, Maine, is a principal with the TMS Group, Wiscasset, Maine.



Bryce, 3, and Ellie Bodle, 10-06-05



Alexander, 7-18-03, and Nicholas Rizzo, 12-10-05



Anders, 4, Gillian, 12-8-05, Aislen, 3, and Teagan Setty, 12-8-05

Li'l Tigers

Bryce and Ellie, children of Heather Ransom Bodle '98

Alexander Robert and Nicholas Samuel, sons of Kevin '99 and Heidy Y. Jones Rizzo '99.

Gillian Helene, Teagan Elyse, Anders Stephen Henryk and Aislen Collette, children of Steve '98 and Katie Ward Setty '98

Margaret "Meg" Lynch Doyle and her husband, Thomas, announce the birth of their third child, John Edward Murphy, Nov. 4, 2005.

Leah Moorefield Evans and her husband, Arthur, had their first child, Carli Starr, Sept. 14, 2005. They live in Shreve, Ohio, where Leah is a pottery artist.

Laura J. Hartquist, Sherman Oaks, Calif., married Tom Garvey, Feb. 20, 2005. Laura is the deputy attorney general for the criminal law section of the California Attorney General's Office.

Randall J. and Carolyn Cromer Kilbride '96 live in Bexley, Ohio. Randall is a partner with Barkan & Neff Co., Columbus, Ohio. Carolyn is with the Battelle Memorial Institute.

Karin Lang Urbanczyk teaches science and chemistry with the Grapevine/Colleyville Independent School District in Texas.

Scott A. Wilke, clinical director of Northside Soft Tissue Center in Springfield, Ohio, and his associates provided massage therapy and chiropractic care to the athletes of the Ladies Professional Golf Association Tour during Wendy's Championship for Children at Tartan Fields Golf Club in Dublin, Ohio.

Kathleen A. Wohlfort, an associate wildlife biologist, monitors peregrine falcon populations for the National Wildlife Federation in Vermont. She lives in Lyme, N.H.

'92

Stephen M. Abbott, an actor from Studio City, Calif., will appear as Matthew in *Get Pony Boy*, which will play in theaters in 2006 and as Traveler in a

series of commercial spots for Long John Silver's.



Steve Abbott '92

Patrick M. Deering, Batavia, Ill., is a national sales manager with Landmark Audiobooks, Prince Frederick, Md.

As head boys' basketball coach at Sheridan Hall, Lance D. Dupler of Mt. Perry, Ohio, produced a district championship and a Sweet 16 appearance. He has been inducted into the Sheridan Athletic Hall of Fame.

Bethany Bell Louis, Lake Zurich, Ill., and her husband, Paul, proudly announce the arrival of Sydney Ann, Sept. 17, 2004.

Allan E. Orski, Norwalk, Conn., is with Silver Hill Hospital, New Canaan, Conn.

Myra Garnes Shuler, Upper Marlboro, Md., is director of multicultural education at National Cathedral School, Washington, D.C.

Catherine Kurtz Vrenna, Upper Arlington, Ohio, is a financial adviser with Merrill Lynch, Dublin, Ohio.

'93

Eric J. Borgelt of Jersey City, N.J., married Karrie Moss, Sept. 10, 2005.

Michelle L. Cox, Grandview Heights, Ohio, is an assistant city prosecutor with the City of Columbus.

S. Nicole "Nicci" Crocker is a business representative with the Ohio Department of Development, Columbus, Ohio.

Christopher T. Kirkpatrick, Pueblo, Colo., and his wife, Karen, announce the birth of Blaine, Oct. 15, 2004. Chris is an engineer with the Goodrich Co.

Christopher L. and Ingrid Loeffler Palmer '95 live in West Chester, Ohio. Chris has accepted the position of examiner with the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Office of Thrift Supervision, the primary regulator of all federally chartered and many state-chartered thrift institutions.

David B. Rush, Grand Forks, N.D., is an environmental projects coordinator with Red River Regional Council, Grafton, N.D.

Kathryn Opderbecke Snider, Raymond, N.H., is with Pinkerton Academy, Derry, N.H.

David H. Wilson is an assistant professor of English at Michigan State University in Lansing, Michigan, where he received his



Emily Guhde '05 Brings College To The Classroom

As one of Wittenberg's prestigious full-tuition Smith Scholars during her year on campus, Emily Guhde knew there were high expectations for her, and the philosophy major did not disappoint.

Following graduation, Guhde took her Wittenberg education and embarked on a unique journey with Teach for America. As a member of this national corps of outstanding recent college graduates of all academic majors who commit two years to teach in urban and rural public schools, Guhde is teaching language arts entirely in Spanish to 55 second- and third-graders at Tertulia: Pre-College Community, a dual-language charter school in downtown Phoenix, Ariz.

"Only after I was hired by Tertulia did I realize the uniqueness of my position," Guhde said. "Tertulia annually forfeits approximately \$75,000 of state funds because it does not abide by 'English-Only' structured-immersion regulations," she said.

Instead students receive 50 percent of their instruction from Guhde in Spanish, and 50 percent with her team teacher in English. In addition, Guhde has brought Wittenberg, literally, to her classroom.

"Making my room the 'Wittenberg Room' was a way to remind my students constantly that they are college-bound, and I liked the idea of them sitting at tables named after buildings that they could very well be walking through one day," she said.

Guhde has also connected with her students outside of class. Most recently, she marched with her students and their families in protest over the proposed immigration reform. She then had the students study historical leaders and their messages of peaceful protests.

As for the challenges, Guhde said the biggest one is making her students believe they are college-bound.

"For some of them it's really difficult to see how there is any possible connection between their lives, their homes, their families, and a world like Wittenberg," she said.

"Even if all one student remembers is that she sat at 'Mesa Hollenbeck' and was in the 'Tigres' reading group, she'll have two connections with Wittenberg that, hopefully, will keep her dreaming about the place long enough to make her want to get there." ■

— Karen Gerboth '93

Ph.D. in May 2005. Under the pseudonym, D. Harlan Wilson, he is the author of several books of fiction.

'94 |

Paul W. and Nicole Dixon DeButy, New Carlisle, Ohio, announce the birth of Ian Michael, June 2, 2005.

Michael A. and Linda Fordham Farley '95, St. Louis, Mo., joyfully announce the adoption of Rachel Marie, born July 14, 2003, and Lydia Faith, born June 29, 2004. Mike is pursuing his Ph.D. while serving as adjunct instructor of theological studies at Saint Louis University. He also serves as the music director for Crossroads Presbyterian Fellowship. Linda is a homemaker.

Lawrence J. Forlenza, Maplewood, N.J., is a senior financial adviser with Merrill Lynch, Florham Park, N.J.

In July 2005, Eve M. Gerken received an M.A. from the Bread Loaf School of English through Middlebury College, Vermont. In August 2005, she began teaching humanities at the Hong Kong International School, China.

Douglas A. Geygan, Hillsboro, Ore., is with the Newberg City Schools.

Julie R. Goodsell is associate director of alumni relations at the Rochester Institute of Technology in New York. She successfully completed the first annual Rochester Marathon.

Pamela Roberts Hillyard and her husband, Jeff, are pleased to announce the birth of twin boys, Jackson Noah and Connor Aidan on Dec. 16, 2004. They live in Peoria, Ill.

Steven A. Koehrsen is an internal audit manager with Dominion Homes, Dublin, Ohio. He lives in Delaware, Ohio.

Kennard E. III and Jennifer Fogliano Lane '95 live in Chicago, Ill. Ken is director, marketing-Hefty Consumer Products, with Pactiv in Lake Forest, Ill.

Eric R. Maley, Ann Arbor, Mich., is a vice president with Huron Valley Electric.

Nicole A. Ringgold, Bainbridge Island, Wash, is western district director of Youth for Understanding USA, a high school international exchange program in Seattle, Wash. An artist, she also works as the Arts Walk manager for the Bainbridge Island Arts and Humanities Council.

Kathleen Hickey Teale, Fairfax, Va., and her husband, David, celebrated the birth of their son, Andrew McAllister, Sept. 17, 2004. Kathleen is an associate professor of legal writing at The George Washington University Law School and practices labor and employment law at Steptoe & Johnson LLP in Washington, D.C.

Paula E. Velazquez, Lewis Center, Ohio, is a technology process consultant with JPMorgan Chase.

'95 |

Catherine Fulton Bensman, Troy, Ohio, teaches sixth grade language arts and special education at Tippecanoe Middle School, Tipp City, Ohio.

Jennifer L. Bruce, Lake Mary, Fla., is an area technician with USDA Rural Development in Tavares, Fla.

Sonya Smith Caruso lives in San Diego, Calif.

Kelly Gerber Collinsworth is a teacher/media specialist at Roosevelt Middle School, Springfield, Ohio.

LaChandra M. Donnell, Holt, Mich., is an assistant professor

of counseling, educational psychology and special education at Michigan State University, East Lansing, Mich.

Tyler M. and Leanne Kahl Dunlap '96 live in Perrysburg, Ohio. Tyler is national director of business development with Managed Care Advisory Group, Sylvania, Ohio.

As a leasing representative, Akiva N. Freeman leases, sells and develops industrial properties for Duke Realty Corp., Atlanta, Ga.

Jonathan J. Gonzalez, Solana Beach, Calif., is director of faculty development at the Art Institute of California-San Diego.

Scott H. and Kathleen Leigh Hooker '93 live in Hudson, Ohio. Scott is with the builder-service sales team with Vector Security in Northeast, Ohio. Kathleen has accepted a position in product development at American Greetings Inc., Cleveland, Ohio.

Dawn Smith Jackson, Beavercreek, Ohio, is AVP national funding manager with National City Mortgage.

Gretchen Gorsuch Pilcher, Bay Village, Ohio, and her husband, Brad, announce the birth of Emerson, April 19, 2005. Gretchen is a sales consultant with Arbonne International.

Mark F. Schoenfeld, Chelsea, Ala., is a training officer with the U.S. Army in Birmingham, Ala.

Robert A. Wagstaff, Weymouth, Mass., is registrar at the New England College of Finance, Boston, Mass.

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Michael D. Andrews is a systems/network engineer with Win.Net Internet, Louisville, Ky. He is also a contract engineer with Fark.com LLC, Lexington, Ky.

Dawn White Auch, Montague, Mich., teaches sixth grade at Orchard View School.

Betsy A. Blair married Paul Halvorson, July 29, 2005. They live in Portland, Ore.

Susanna Curtis Cuarto, Waukegan, Ill., and her husband, Val, announce the birth of Chaz Valentin, July 2, 2005. Susanna received her M.S.Ed. in May 2004 from Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Ill. She teaches science at Lake Bluff Middle School and coaches soccer at Lake Forest High School.

Jill Pellior Fisher, Elon College, N.C., is a teacher with the Alamance Burlington School System.

Shannon Watkins Halikman, Waldorf, Md., is in the mailing department at Eagle Direct.

Ashley Patterson Hayball, Palm Desert, Calif., and her husband, Geoff, announce the birth of Gwendolyn Jean, July 16, 2005. Ashley is a fourth grade gifted and talented teacher with the Desert Sands Unified School District, Indio, Calif.

Tracy Monegan Rice, Robeson, Pa., and her husband, Kennon, announce the birth of Holden, Oct. 29, 2004.

Johanna L. Shubert and Nathan Kalons were married June 25, 2005. They live in Charlotte, N.C.

Kelly McConnell Weimer, Cincinnati, Ohio, is the head coach of the field hockey team at Ursuline Academy.

Jeremy B. Windle of Springfield, Ohio, and his wife, Melissa, announce the birth of Ella Michelle, June 17, 2005. Jeremy has accepted a marketing development position with Core Molding Technologies in Columbus, Ohio. He is developing the new PACAR product line.

'97 |

Nathan L. Anderson, Indianapolis, Ind., is a special investigator, team leader with the U.S. Investigations Services, Hyattsville, Md.

Stefanie J. Atwater, Columbus, Ohio, is a social worker with the Gahanna City Schools.

Kathryn Weaver Boiarski and her husband, Sean, announce the birth of Aidan Philip, March 7, 2005. They live in Columbus, Ohio, where Kathy is a senior communications specialist in the marketing department at Nationwide Life Insurance Co.

Lillian was born Aug. 31, 2005 to David H. Caldwell and his wife, Cheryl. They live in Batavia, Ohio.

Michael J. Donnelly, who teaches computer-aided design and technology tools, and coaches varsity football at Central Catholic High School in Toledo, Ohio, has been named its new softball coach. Mike lives in Curtice, Ohio.

Carey Wilson Dunkley, Mt. Sterling, Ohio, and her husband, Patrick, announce the birth of Julianna Marie, Sept. 6, 2005.

Bradley S. Fout, Galloway, Ohio, teaches high school biology and anatomy with the York School District One, Hilliard, Ohio.

Melissa A. Gardner is supervisor of the home visitation program at the Children's Home of Cincinnati in Ohio.

Jennifer McBeath Gitzinger, Vernon Hills, Ill., and her husband, John, announce the birth of twins, Marissa and



Kelly Evans-Wilson '94, Julie Goodsell '94, Jen Hellman '95, Joan DeArment Sweeney '94 and Amy Meland Oves '94 gathered in November on Hilton Head Island for their annual "Girls' Weekend."

Jessica, May 18, 2005. Jennifer teaches eighth grade.

Clay G. Hallman, St. Louis, Mo., is manager of real estate research with the Simon Property Group.

Robert M. Heine of Westerville, Ohio, received his M.B.A. from the Fisher College of Business at The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, in June 2005.

Horton H. Hobbs IV is a development officer with the Springfield Foundation in Ohio.

Tommy N. and Nina Goforth Kearns live in Ft. Thomas, Ky. Nina, coach of the 2005 state champion Highlands High School girls' soccer team, was voted Kentucky small high school girls' soccer "Coach of the Year."

Misty Dunlap King and her husband, Matthew, announce the birth of Anniston Faith, Nov. 13, 2003. They live in Bryan, Ohio.

Brett A. Lawson, Cincinnati, Ohio, is a district sales manager with Crane Pro Services, West Chester, Ohio.

Kenny McCombs, Norfolk, Va., is an operations analyst with MTS Technologies Inc., Virginia Beach, Va.

Robert P. Miller represents victims of personal injury and wrongful death with the law firm of Rourke & Blumenthal LLP, Columbus, Ohio. He lives in Upper Arlington, Ohio.

John E. and Hope Simonsen Paes '96 live in Westerville, Ohio. John has been selected by Doctors Hospital for participation in an endocrinology, diabetes and metabolism fellowship program offered by The Ohio State University School of Medicine.

Karen March Posey, Colonial Heights, Va., and her husband, Michael, announce the birth of Hudson Robert, March 26, 2005.

Staci Bertelli Radtke and her husband, Lorin, announce the births of Anabel DeYoung, Jan. 22, 2004, and Jackson Lee, May 24, 2005. They live in Greenwich, Conn.

Daniel P. Rosetti, a vice president with Turnkey Sports, manages its executive search division and is responsible for new business development, technological advancements and directing screening and recruitment. He lives in Cherry Hill, N.J.

Ryan C. Smalley, Upper Arlington, Ohio, has been named vice president of the commercial division at Fifth Third Bank, Columbus, Ohio.

Anne I. Swainback and Peter T. Ellis were united in matrimony July 30, 2005. They live in Newmarket, N.H. Anne is the assistant principal of Portsmouth Middle School.

Teresa J. Trigg, Cincinnati, Ohio, is an internal audit senior at Fifth Third Bank.

Melinda M. White married Erik Battenberg on Oct. 7, 2005. They live in Columbus, Ohio, where Mindy is director of communications with Care for Ohio Project-SEIU.

Lisa A. Witt, Columbus, Ohio, married Glen Bigelow on July 30, 2005.

'98 | Heather Ransom Bodle and her husband, Christopher, announce the birth of Ellie Marie, Oct. 6, 2005. They live in Howard, Ohio.

Arne E. Corneliusen is key account manager for

international accounts with Lyreco in Oslo, Norway.

Aaron R. Herrnstein has been awarded the degree of doctor of philosophy in applied science from the University of California at Davis. He pursued his graduate research at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in Livermore, Calif., in the fields of computational physics and numerical ocean modeling.

Tyra L. Jackson is executive director with Forging Responsible Youth, Springfield, Ohio.

Kevin M. and Brittnee Finnearty Lydy '99 live in Kingston, Ohio. Kevin is the athletics director at Southern Hill Academy.

Hallie A. Maranchick, Arlington, Va., is assistant director of congressional affairs with the American Medical Association.

Andrew A. and Stacy Walker McIntyre live in Noblesville, Ind. Andrew is a district manager with Won Door Corp.

Julianna M. Nemeth, Delaware, Ohio, is a prevention director for HelpLine of Delaware and Morow Counties in the areas of sexual violence, child abuse, suicide and depression.

Deanna L. Noland married Matthew Neff on Nov. 6, 2004. Deanna is the social worker for the heart disease management program at Riverside Hospital in Columbus, Ohio.

Theodore H. Pastor, Marysville, Ohio, is a VEET coordinator with Honda R&D Americas Inc.

Tammie M. Riddle is a manager with PricewaterhouseCoopers, Phoenix, Ariz.

Kevin M. and Heidi Jones Rizzo, Spring Hill, Fla., announce the birth of Nicholas Samuel on Dec. 10, 2005. They teach at Moton Elementary School in Brooksville, Fla., Kevin, music and Heidi, fifth grade. Kevin, also a percussion instructor at Nature Coast Technical High School, led his band to the FMBC state semifinals.

Stephen L. and Katherine Ward Setty announce the births of Gillian Helene, July 14, 2004, and Teagan Elyse, Dec. 8, 2005. They live in Urbana, Ohio. Steve, a product design engineer with Delphi in Dayton, Ohio, is the assistant boys' varsity basketball coach at Graham High School. Katie teaches remedial reading and math at the kindergarten level for the Electronic Classroom of Tomorrow, a digital K-12 school based in Columbus, Ohio.

Stephanie Christiansen Simmons, Rockville, Md., is a governance administrator with the American Podiatric Medical Association.

Tyler M. Stepsis, Indianapolis, Ind., is an emergency medicine physician at Clarian West Medical Center, Avon, Ind.

Peyton A. Wagner is an integrated account manager with IKON Office Solutions, Pittsburgh, Pa. He lives in Crafton, Pa.

Brent C. Ziegler is a PGY4 resident at Mt. Carmel Medical Center, Columbus, Ohio.

'99 | Mark E. Brown, Raleigh, N.C., is with Novartis Pharmaceuticals, East Hanover, N.J.

Bryan G. Bumgarner is pursuing his master's degree in social work at Boise State University in Idaho.

Danielle R. Dunn and Douglas J. Blue '88 were married Oct. 1, 2005. They live in Columbus, Ohio. Danielle is an attorney for Gallagher, Gams, Pryor, Tallan & Littrell. Douglas is an attorney and partner at Blue, Wilson and Blue.



Sherry E. Haggins received her Ph.D. in counseling psychology from the University of Georgia, Athens, in August 2005. She is a therapist with Matrix Psychological Services, Columbus, Ohio.

Kleidon and Associates announces the addition of Kurtis B. Kleidon to its staff as director of business development. Kurt lives in Akron, Ohio.

Philip A. and Deanna Soltis Koch '98 live in Ingram, Pa. Philip is a Pittsburgh program director with the MGR Foundation, an organization that is committed to removing economic and developmental barriers from socially involved organizations and community volunteer programs.

Melissa A. Kolbe is associated with the women's basketball program at East Carolina University, Greenville, N.C.

Heather E. Krassner is a project coordinator with American Urological Association, Linthicum, Md. She lives in Laurel, Md.

In May 2005, Mary Beth Lukco received her law degree

from the Salmon P. Chase College of Law. She practices with Ritter & Randolph LLC, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Karen M. Montgomery, Helena, Ala., is with MedMined, Birmingham, Ala.

Dennis M. Novak is group sales manager with Broadway in Columbus-Clear Channel Entertainment in Ohio.

Johnny D. Pryor is director of post-graduate studies at Butler University, Indianapolis, Ind.

Jennifer Lietz Rauch, Grove City, Ohio, and her husband, Kyle, welcomed the birth of their daughter, Hannah Marie on Sept. 10, 2005. Jennifer is a planner I with the City of Dublin.

Matthew P. Schenz, Brunswick, Ohio, is a Web developer with National City.

Heather M. Smith, Lakewood, Ohio, teaches visual arts at the Washington Park Community School in Cleveland, Ohio.

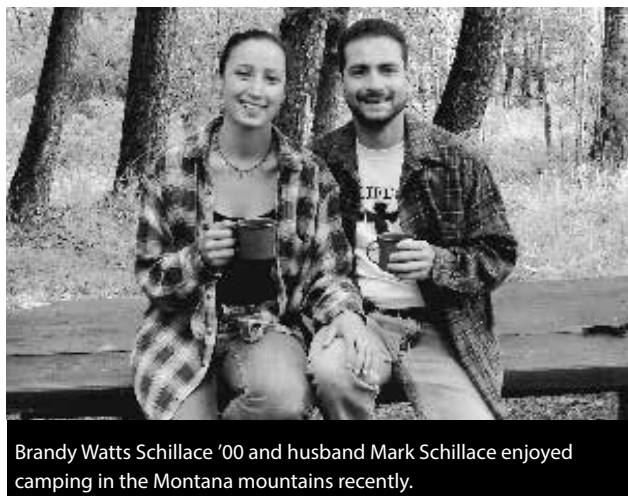
Michelle Hardman Trudelle, Dublin, Calif., is an attorney with Colliau Elenius Murphy Carluccio Keener & Morrow, a law firm of CNA, in San Francisco, Calif.

Lisa Stewart Wilson is serving her residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston, S.C.

Brandt W. Young is associated with the neuroscience research lab at Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind.

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NyCola Darnold Ahlers and her husband, Craig, announce the birth of Lucas E., Nov. 6,



Brandy Watts Schillace '00 and husband Mark Schillace enjoyed camping in the Montana mountains recently.

2003. Cola received her master's degree in social work from The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 28, 2005. She is a LSW, individual, marriage and family therapist in Sandusky, Ohio.

Erin R. Athy and Matthew C. Hazelton '02 were united in marriage, Dec. 3, 2005. They live in Newark, Ohio, where they teach biology; Erin, at Central Ohio Technical College and Matt, with the Newark City Schools.

David M. Atkins is an analyst with DEPFA Bank PLC, New York, N.Y.

Anne Nickerson Bowers, Kettering, Ohio, owns The Envelope Ltd., Centerville, Ohio.

Samantha S. Carl is with the Glencoe/McGraw-Hill Companies, Columbus, Ohio.

Rebecca E. Crockett is serving her residency in obstetrics and gynecology at St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center, Toledo, Ohio.

Andrew V. Custar teaches with the Urbana City Schools in Ohio.

Seth R. Elberger is a freelance artist in Marietta, Ga.

Melissa L. Epley, Dublin, Ohio, serves as a psychologist with the Columbus Public Schools.

Adam B. and Cassie Hogan Eskew live in McDonough, Ga. Adam is controller with Ready Pac, Jackson, Ga.

Dawn Scott Heintzman is a staff support member of the deaf services team at the St. Vincent Family Centers in Columbus, Ohio.

Justin C. and Sally Burkholder Lytle '01 live in Alexandria, Va. Sally is a development specialist with the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Washington, D.C.

Scott H. and Jonnett Odom Maurer '01 live in Seattle, Wash., where Scott is serving his residency with the University of Washington Department of Pediatrics.

Michael B. and Candice Clouse Pascoe live in Cleveland, Ohio. Candi received her M.S. in urban studies with an economic development focus in December 2005 from the Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs at Cleveland State University.

Kimberly S. Rigby married Shawn Wollam, June 25, 2005. They live in Columbus, Ohio. Kimberly received her J.D. from The Ohio State University in 2004. She is an assistant state public defender.

Sarah E. Schmidt, Bay Village, Ohio, married Steven Meyer Sept. 25, 2004.

Stacy L. Shupe, St. Louis, Mo., is a second grade gifted teacher with the Rockwood School District, Ellisville, Mo.

Anna K. Sliwinski, Toledo, Ohio, married Matthew A. Kertesz, Aug. 20, 2005. Anna is an occupational therapist at Orchard Villa in Oregon, Ohio.

Melissa McClure Wilson, Cambridge, Ohio, and her husband, James, announce the birth of Caitlyn Paige, Aug. 21, 2004. Melissa is an attorney with Frank A. McClure & Associates.

Richard S. and Sara Weisenbach Wright live in Ann Arbor, Mich. Rich is an information resources assistant in the technical services department at the University of Michigan Law Library. Sara received her Ph.D. in counseling psychology from Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colo., in May 2005. She is a neuropsychology post-doctoral fellow in the department of psychiatry at the University of Michigan Medical Center.



Alumni gathered at the home of Larry '76 and Linda Morrison in Bucyrus, Ohio, recently. Those attending included, in front, Jenna Weitkamp '05, Lauren Romanini '05 and Lauren Dickert '05; second row, Ann Bixel '05, Whitney Morrison '05, Kyle Bacon '05 and Adam Clark '05; third row Greg Eckhart '01, Ryan Ozar '01, Sara Rose Ozar '01, Mark Swart '01 and Justin Morrison '01.

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Heather M. Anderson, Arlington, Va., is a consultant with Booz Allen Hamilton, McLean, Va.

Colin A. Beach, who received his J.D. from Capital University Law School in Columbus, Ohio, in 2005, has announced his candidacy for the office of Ohio Secretary of State.

Meghan T. Berschback and John E. Boomhower were united in marriage July 31, 2004. They live in Grosse Point, Mich.

Megan M. Brugger, Springfield, Ohio, is an account executive with Classic Country Radio, Xenia, Ohio.

Christopher R. Crosser, North Chili, N.Y., is a P&D manager with FedEx, Rochester, N.Y.

Tracy S. Daly and Robert G. Rafferty '02 celebrated their marriage July 23, 2005. They live in Springfield, Ohio.

Lynsey Collier Davis, an art teacher at Heron Creek Middle School, creates and sells dichroic glass jewelry through her business, Coastal Reflection Designs in North Port, Fla.

Nancy R. Draper, Upper Arlington, Ohio, and Don Ley exchanged wedding vows July 16, 2005. Nancy teaches in Hilliard, Ohio.

Jennifer L. Exten and Ryan P. Kennedy were united in marriage July 2, 2005. Jennifer teaches chemistry and physics at Revere High School in Akron, Ohio, while pursuing her master's degree in administration at the University of Akron. Ryan, who graduated from the University of Akron School of Law in 2004, is associated with Roetzel and Andress, LPA.

A special-education math teacher, Matthew R. Gallatin also oversees the community outreach program at South High School in Springfield, Ohio. In 2005, he received his master's degree in education and the National Principals Certification. Matt, who has been promoted to special teams coordinator for the football team at Wittenberg, trains for marathons and has run the Cleveland Marathon.

Joel B. Grant and Stacy Bordine were married June 25, 2005. They live in Worthington, Ohio. Joel is employed as a seventh-grade science and math teacher by the Columbus Public Schools and is a consultant with Re/Max Realty.

Ethan R. Grefe, Bradenton, Fla., is a client marketing specialist with MilitaryStars, a veteran-owned business in Sarasota, Fla., dedicated to assisting the best military talent in developing careers in civilian corporations.

Alyson M. Hoegler was married to Corey Veit, Sept. 24, 2005. They live in Columbus, Ohio. Alyson is an assistant director of a large dance studio in Powell, Ohio.

John A. II and Brandi Bowman Koehler '03 live in West Jefferson, Ohio, where John teaches at the high school. Brandi, who received a master's degree in natural resources from The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, has been named the program technician with the USDA Farm Service Agency.

Nicole C. Manley, Cary, N.C., is a forensic scientist with NarTest Technologies LLC, Morrisville, N.C.

Amy E. Mathews has returned to live in New York, N.Y., after studying traditional dance, theater and mask making in Bali, Indonesia.

Erin E. McLaughlin, Glen Ridge, N.J., is an associate practicing defense litigation law with Decker & Magaw, Westfield, N.J.

Jennifer Kinner Mercado received her doctor of optometry degree from the Illinois College of Optometry in Chicago, May 21, 2005. She is an optometrist with Wing Eyecare of Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky.

Justin R. Morrison, Columbus, Ohio, teaches English at Newark Catholic High School.

Laura L. Schrage, who is pursuing her M.B.A. at Valparaiso University in Indiana, has entered into Centier Bank's management development program, preparing her for future management positions by exposing her to all aspects of the banking business.

Ryan B. Schreiber is an IT security analyst with the U.S.

Fish and Wildlife Service, Arlington, Va.

Jeffrey D. and Kelly Maguire Sumption live in Loveland, Ohio. Jeffrey is a neurological sales representative with Pfizer Pharmaceuticals in Springfield and Dayton, Ohio. Kelly is a loyalty/brand manager with Macy's Department Stores in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Brianne R. Veit and Matthew Brown were united in marriage January 1, 2005. They live in Hilliard, Ohio. Brianne, who received her J.D. from Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, in May 2004, is assistant chief legal counsel in the office of the Ohio Auditor of State.

Ryan D. and Gretchen Nygren Walker live in Upper Arlington, Ohio. Ryan teaches social studies, history, government and economics at Washington Senior High School.

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Travis J. Allen, Round Rock, Texas, is a claims adjuster with Farmers Insurance.

Natalie Bajacaliev, Raleigh, N.C., graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Law in May 2005. She passed the North Carolina bar examination in July 2005 and is currently a law clerk in the North Carolina Court of Appeals.

Heather Stucky Bower, Hillsborough, N.C. is an AVID district coordinator and high school teacher with the Durham Public Schools.

Megan L. Buchholtz, Arlington, Va., is a registered nurse at George Washington University Hospital, Washington, D.C.

Keith M. and Laura Wright Coutant '01 have moved to Wilton, Conn. Laura has been promoted to senior talent compliance coordinator with WorldWrestling Entertainment.

In May 2005, Adrienne M. King graduated from the University of Cincinnati College of Law in Ohio. She passed her bar exam in November 2005 and is currently an associate with Baker & Hostetler LLP.

Jennifer A. Korsberg is a department manager at Nordstrom Inc. in Chicago, Ill.

Phillip C. Lovegrove is a business consultant with Pearl Street Enterprises, Columbus, Ohio.

Steven P. McNeley, Kenilworth, Ill., is an account executive with the Kane County Cougars, Geneva, Ill.

Stacy A. Mollmann, West Carrollton, Ohio, is an admission officer at the University of Dayton.

The wedding of Heather M. Otley and Ethan M. Moore occurred on Sept. 24, 2005. They live in Chicago, Ill., where Heather is the publicity manager at Sourcebooks Inc., and Ethan is an account executive for CDW.

Justin M. Peters is in the performing arts department specializing in music and digital video at Lincoln School, Providence, R.I.

Carolyn M. Scaia, Crescore, Mo., teaches fifth grade at Arrowpoint Elementary School with the Hazelwood School District. She is pursuing her master's degree in library science.

Bryan T. Simpson, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, is a portfolio manager with National City Bank Private Client Services, Cleveland, Ohio.

Courtney E. Smith, Marquette, Mich., has married Sam Chung.

Matthew D. Starkey, Upper Arlington, Ohio, is an assistant vice president—middle market banking at Key Bank, Columbus, Ohio.

Kristen E. Wallace, Canal Winchester, Ohio, is a fourth grade educational specialist at Ashville Elementary School with the Teays Valley Local School District.

Abbie L. Watson, Hampton, Va., teaches biology with the Norfolk Public Schools.

Sarah E. Weide wed Joseph H. Rumschlag '05 July 2, 2005. They live in Akron, Ohio, where Sarah teaches high school math, and Joe attends graduate school at the University of Akron.

Tonia Nelson Wheeler, Springfield, Ohio, is working with the international marketing firm, Momentum. She is a project coordinator for Proctor and Gamble, working on the Iams brand.

J. Bradley Zitzner is associated with Re/Max Client Choice, Springfield, Ohio. He specializes

in residential and investment properties.

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Kristen C. Bailey is a branch manager with U.S. Bank, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Julia N. Blakeman, Columbus, Ohio, and Douglas F. Purdy were wed April 8, 2005. Julia is employed as a bank manager at Fairfield National Bank.

Jennifer B. Chenault, New Albany, Ohio, is a legal secretary with Schottenstein, Zox & Dunn, Columbus, Ohio.

Trent T. Coffman and Lauren Tingley were married July 13, 2005. They live in Pataskala, Ohio. Trent is employed as manager with Enterprise Rental Service, Delaware, Ohio.

Joshua M. Curtis is a relationship manager with Fifth Third Bank, Columbus, Ohio.

Lance E. Dill, Bellville, Ohio, has been promoted to assistant manager of the First-Knox Bank's Fredericktown office. Lance, a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, is a volunteer coach for the Clear Fork High School football and baseball programs.



Cassandra Sehlmeier '04 is in her second year of teaching English in Japan as part of the JET Programme. She was recently selected to appear in JET Programme video, which will be distributed to embassys and universities around the world.

Jesse G. Fyffe, Springfield, Ohio, is a consumer banker with National City Bank.

Jayne E. Gerber married Isaac Barnes Aug. 5, 2005. They live in Missoula, Mont, where Jayne is pursuing a master's degree in sociology.

Kathleen E. Gorman, who received her master's degree from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich., is pursuing her Ph.D. in social work from The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. Katie is an adolescent therapist with Harbor Behavioral Health Care, working with indigent teens and children. She lives in Sylvania, Ohio.

Jennifer B. Grossman is the assistant director for student life at The Pennsylvania State University-Altoona campus.

Thomas J. Hart Jr., Germantown, Md., is with Kerrigan Media International, Rockville, Md.

Andrea L. Helf was married to Jordan T. Reid '04 June 4, 2005. They live in Columbus, Ohio, where Andrea is in the accounts receivable department with Franklin Art Glass Studios Inc. Jordan is a real estate agent with Re/Max.

Whitney W. Hendricks is a registered nurse at the Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center in Chicago, Ill., while pursuing her master's degree in nursing at DePaul University.

Michael A. Herzog teaches high school science with the Columbus Public Schools in Ohio.

Juneer Kibria, Dhanmondi, Bangladesh, is a project coordinator of the Society for the Promotion of Bangladesh Art. His first solo art exhibition, titled Bhangur (Fragile) has concluded at the Bengal Shilpalaya.

Mindi A. Laine, Brooklyn, N.Y., is a development associate at Rockefeller University, New York, N.Y.

Matthew T. Lapish, Conshohocken, Pa., is with Protiviti Inc., Philadelphia, Pa.

Kristen S. Lindeman, a third-year occupational therapy doctoral student at Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., was elected chair of the assembly of student delegate steering committee of the American Occupational Therapy Association.

Kevin M. Longley, Brookville, Ohio, is with the Vandalia-Butler City Schools.

David J. Meyer, Dubuque, Iowa, is a sales representative with Medline Inc., Mundelien, Ill.

April M. Miller and Alexander T. Koukis exchanged wedding vows July 30, 2005. April is employed as a chemist and quality control with Bath and Body Works in Reynoldsburg, Ohio. Alexander is a digital information systems geographical project manager with Digital Information Systems, Westerville, Ohio.

Stephanie Campbell Neilsen is a gas content testing representative with GeoGas, in Mackay, Queensland, Australia.

Olexander O. Ofutin is an actuarial with Alico AIG Life in the Ukraine.

Jonathan R. Orr lives in Carlisle, Pa., where he is a first assistant golf professional at the Carlisle Country Club.

Myra L. Pierce is with Oesterlen Services for Youth, Springfield, Ohio.

Kristin A. Poth married Jeffrey Rothweiler on May 28, 2005. They live in Newark, Ohio, where Kristin attends The Ohio

State University-Newark, and is employed by Little Village Child Care.

Jennifer L. Roth, Plano, Texas, is a corporate accounts pursuit strategist with Ernst & Young, Dallas, Texas.

Joshua A. Williams is teaching English in Illeville sur Montfort, France.

'04 |
Jessica L. Davis, Toledo, Ohio, is an assistant manager with Enterprise Rent-A-Car.

Kyle G. Dunaway, Warren, Ohio, coordinates the Nestle's account with Malone Advertising Inc., Akron, Ohio.

Holly J. Erickson, St. Paul, Minn., is an in-flight crew member with Jet Blue Airways, New York, N.Y.

Michelle M. Fritz, Wauconda, Ill., is director of youth programs at Peace Lutheran Church, Lake Zurich, Ill.

April M. Handy is with Brehms Lane Elementary School, Baltimore, Md.

Adam M. Leu is with International Friendships Inc., Columbus, Ohio.

Sarah L. McCance, Jerome, Mich., is an editorial intern with Gotham Books, in imprint of Penguin Group.

Leah S. Miser teaches with the Onslow County Schools, Jacksonville, N.C.

Erin K. Mowery, Toledo, Ohio, is an assistant human resources manager with General Mills, Wellston, Ohio.

Rebecca A. Murray married Christopher Chapman June 18, 2005. They live in Springfield, Ohio, where Rebecca teaches with the Northeastern Local Schools.

Lindsay M. Nelson is a special education teacher with the Massillon Schools in Ohio.

Bonnie K. Pequet was married on Aug. 6, 2005 to Timothy D. Rothfuss. They live in Springfield, Ohio, where Tim is a customer service representative with Assurant Solutions.

Katherine M. Platt married Matt Curtis, July 31, 2004. They live in New Albany, Ohio.

Hollie R. Ramsey is a constituent services assistant with the New York State Senate, Binghamton, N.Y.

William J. Receveur, Arlington, Va., is a legislative correspondent in the Office of Senator Mitch McConnell, Washington, D.C.

Erin L. Roberson is a business analyst with Crossborder Solutions, New York, N.Y.

Natalie C. Sobonya, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, coordinates development programs at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation.

Amanda R. Stevens lives in Washington, D.C., where she is personal assistant to U.S. Senator Mike DeWine (R-OHIO).

Carrie E. Warvel and Kevin M. Longley '03 celebrated their marriage July 1, 2005. They live in Brookville, Ohio. Carrie teaches elementary art with the Tecumseh Local Schools. Kevin is a high school teacher with the Vandalia-Butler Local Schools.

Jamie M. Weller is a senior technical editing associate with the American Chemical Society, Columbus, Ohio.

Katherine Williston and Zachary Shields were married Aug. 20, 2005. They live in Decatur, Ill., where Kate is employed by Sirca.

Kathryn C. Wilson is serving as a community health volunteer with the Peace Corps in Malawi, South East Africa.

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Lauren M. Badenhop is pursuing a master's degree in counseling psychology at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, Ill.

Adam D. Billet, South Charleston, Ohio, and Lindsay S. Liming were married June 18, 2005. Adam is employed by Northridge Middle School and Mike Ross Property Management, Springfield, Ohio.

Melanie E. Boss, Xenia, Ohio, is a financial analyst with AIM Healthcare Services, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Katherine E. Carver, Foster, Ky., is pursuing a degree in physical education at Northern Kentucky University and works at the school's Early Childhood Center. She is also an assistant football coach at Pendleton County High School.

Fiorella Ghisays is pursuing graduate studies at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo.

Bradley D. and Andrea Schultz Hall '03 live in Columbus, Ohio, where Brad is a cantor at Zion Lutheran Church. Andrea is pursuing graduate studies in veterinary medicine at The Ohio State University.

Anna C. Hanke is serving with the AmeriCorps program in Denver, Colo.

Chinthaka Jayawardhana, Jersey City, N.J., is a fund accountant with BISYS Fund Services.

Jennifer L. Kay, Strongsville, Ohio, is a lifeguard and educational interpreter in the Australian Adventure at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo.

Robyn A. Kistemaker is pursuing studies at Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus, Ohio.

Jonathan A. Komperda is pursuing a master of divinity degree at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, Ill.

Taleah S. Moon, who is with the Lutheran Volunteer Corps, is serving as a family services coordinator with the Chesapeake Habitat for Humanity in Baltimore, Md.

Jalyn R. Parks, is an LSC intern, aide to Representative Steve Driehaus, Ohio House of Representatives, Democratic Caucus, Columbus, Ohio.

Christopher L. Schellhaus is a manager with Krogers in Morgantown, W.V.

Sarah E. Woodford is a CSR with National City Bank, Springfield, Ohio.

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Erica L. Wendt and Josh Leath were united in marriage July 30, 2005. They live in New Carlisle, Ohio. Erica attends Wittenberg.

In Memoriam

'25 |

Formerly of Akron, Ohio, Paul S. Heskett passed away Aug. 24, 2004, in Jacksonville, Fla. A member of Disciples of Christ Church, he retired in 1960 as an air foam sales representative with Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. Surviving are a son and a daughter, Nancy Heskett Cunningham '62. Preceding him in death was his wife, Bertha Mohr Heskett '25.

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Mary TerVehn Morrison, Milford, Ohio, died July 17, 2004. A member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority and the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, she was a substitute teacher for many years with the Northridge Local School District in Dayton, Ohio. There are no known survivors. Her husband, John H. Morrison '40, and her father, H.C. TerVehn 1903, preceded her in death.

Margaret Menges Nichols, formerly of Pottstown, Pa., died Sept. 4, 2005 in Elizabethtown, Pa. A member of Kappa Delta sorority, she was a teacher at Pottstown Senior High School, the hostess of a radio program on WEEU, and an owner of the historic Amity House, a pre-Revolutionary War tavern. Two sisters, and nine nieces and nephews survive.

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Alma Klaiber Allison, Sun City, Calif., died April 30, 2005. A member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority and Faith Lutheran Church, she retired in 1960 as an adoptive case worker with Canton Social Services in Ohio. Survivors include two daughters, four grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and a niece, Martha Beals Mackey '50. Her husband, Norman W. Allison '31, and a sister, Florence E. Klaiber '27 predeceased her.

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George Hopper died Aug. 5, 2005 in Cincinnati, Ohio. An active member of Mount Washington Presbyterian Church and Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, he served as an electronics technician's mate 3C with the U.S. Naval Reserve in the Pacific during World War II. Following his retirement from the legal division of Procter & Gamble Co. in 1973 after 31 years, he practiced law privately. For his dedication to the Boy Scouts of America, he received the Silver Beaver Award, the highest honor bestowed to a volunteer. A past president of the Wittenberg Alumni Association, he was awarded the Alumni Citation in 1969. He is survived by two sons, including G. David K. Hopper '63, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Jessie MacDowell Hupp, Springfield, Ohio, died Dec. 1, 2005. She taught home economics and English at Snyder Park and Clark Junior High Schools for more than 35 years before retiring in 1976. She was a member of several clubs and organizations as well as First United Church of Christ where she had been an active teacher and a member of the choir, often serving as a soloist. Wittenberg honored her with an Alumni Citation Award in 2003. Survivors include a daughter, Linda Hupp Ansama '68, a son, Noel M. Hupp '60, three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Sterling L. Neale, Orlando, Fla., died Jan. 22, 2005. Formerly of Cleveland, Ohio, he was an architect who retired in 1975 as director of plant engineering with TRW Inc. A member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, he is survived by his wife, a son, a daughter, three step-children, and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren, including Catherine L. DePolo '85.

'33 |

Mildred Garbe Frost, formerly of Toledo, Ohio, died Sept. 13, 2005, in Naples, Fla. A member of Chi Omega sorority and Naples Women's Club, she was past president and co-founder of the Ohio Podiatry Women's Auxiliary. She enjoyed traveling, walking the beach and playing bridge. A daughter, a son and a grandson survive.

Lena Bauer Patton, Springfield, Ohio, died July 20, 2005. During her career she worked at Patton Manufacturing and in various departments at Wittenberg. She served on the boards of the Ridgewood School and the Y.W.C.A. An accomplished organist, she was a member of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, and numerous civic and social organizations. She is survived by a daughter, three sons, including Donald K. Patton '76, 10 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, a niece and two nephews, Richard R. Ross '58 and Robert P. Kirkland '65. She was preceded in death by her husband, Clark E. Patton '33, and her father, Gustav E. Bauer '12.

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Mary March Dugan, formerly of Bellefontaine, Ohio, passed away June 29, 2005, in Willoughby, Ohio. A member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority and First Presbyterian Church, she was a former clothing buyer for Dee's Department Store. A daughter, four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren survive.

Charles A. Kiester, West Columbia, S.C., died Dec. 23, 2003. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, numerous professional and civic organizations and Washington Street United Methodist Church. Prior to serving his country in the U.S. Army during World War II, he was a special agent with the F.B.I. He retired

from Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co. after a long and successful career. Surviving are his wife, a son, three daughters, nine grandchildren, a sister, Dorothy Kiester Bigelow '40, two brothers-in-law, Fred H. Bigelow '40 and Robert S. Hamilton '34, and a niece and her husband, Stephan C. '72 and Winifred Hamilton Hannah '71. Preceding him in death were two sisters, Marion Kiester Hamilton '35 and Winifred Kiester Mollett '39, and a brother-in-law, Charles W. Mollett '40.

Dorothy Adams Moore, formerly of St. Louis, Mo., died Aug. 28, 2004, in Newton, Mass. A former history and English composition instructor at Wittenberg, she was president of the American Civil Liberties Union, chaired the University City League of Women Voters and served in various posts with the Missouri League of Women Voters. A daughter, two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren survive.

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Mary Krueger Braddock, Old Greenwich, Conn., died Nov. 2, 2005. A member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority, she was active with the League of Women Voters, the P.T.A. and the Garden Club. She also volunteered for many years at Community Answers. Surviving are a daughter, two sons, eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Her husband, Robert L. Braddock '34, preceded her in death.

Bernadene Ramge Cooley, Conneautville, Pa., died Aug. 26, 2005. She was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority and taught senior high school in the Columbus, Ohio, area. An active member of First Presbyterian Church of Meadville and numerous civic organizations, she chaired the Easter Seal Campaign, was instrumental in establishing Camp Lend-a-Hand at Conneaut Lake and

volunteered at Meadville City Hospital, the Historical Society and the League of Women Voters. She is survived by four daughters, six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Preceding her in death was her husband, John B. Cooley '34.

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Ronald J. Hardin of Leesburg, Fla., passed away Aug. 5, 2005. As a World War II veteran, he served with the field artillery in the European Theater of Operations and participated in the Battle of the Bulge and other campaigns. He was employed by International Harvester Co. and Frigidaire before retiring as a mechanical engineer in 1982 from the General Electric Co. in Pennsylvania. Following his retirement, he served as a consultant with the State of New Jersey. His wife, two step-daughters, two granddaughters, a sister, a brother, three nieces and a nephew survive.

Edith I. Mason, Lima, Ohio, died Feb. 25, 2004. A member of the Church of Christ Scientist, she retired in 1977 after 15 years of teaching and 29 years in retail and wholesalesales. Following her retirement, she was active at the Upper Arlington Senior Center in Columbus, Ohio, and served as a volunteer at Mayor's Court. She is survived by a sister, and numerous nieces and nephews, including Mary Schaaf Woolf '67.

Charles A. Thomas died July 28, 2005 in Springfield, Ohio. A member of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity and First Lutheran Church, he served on the USS Portland in the Pacific Theater during World War II. He represented the United States in the surrender of the Japanese Army to the Chinese Nationalist Army, helped arrange the release of hundreds of prisoners of war, and later was held prisoner by the Russians, forcing his own escape. He taught math and history for 45 years, mostly in Springfield, and possessed a lifelong interest

in photography. His work was featured in numerous exhibits and magazines. He coached South High School's tennis team to a state championship and founded the Springfield Teachers' Credit Union. He is survived by his wife, three sons, and a nephew, Stephen H. Thomas '64. Preceding him in death were brothers, Joe D. Thomas '35 and Richard H. Thomas '39.

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Corrine Imhoff Lasswell, Kettering, Ohio, passed away Sept. 1, 2005. A member of North Riverdale Lutheran Church and Chi Omega sorority, she taught school for more than 25 years before retiring from the E.J. Brown School in Dayton, Ohio. She is survived by two daughters, six grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and nephews, Roger G. Imhoff Jr. '60 and Charles M. Imhoff '63. Preceding her in death were a sister, LaVina Imhoff Wilson '38, and a brother and sister-in-law, Roger G. Sr. '33 and Virginia Milner Imhoff '35.

Mary MacLaughlin Smith, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, died June 10, 2005. A member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority, she retired as a pension specialist with Borden Inc. A sister-in-law, four nieces and a nephew survive.

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Robert L. Keck, a former president of the Springfield City School and Springfield-Clark County Joint Vocational School boards, died at his home in Avon Lake, Ohio, on Nov. 12, 2005. A member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, he served as an officer with the U.S. Supply Corps in Japan during World War II. After 38 years with the SPECO Division of Kelsey-Hayes Co., he retired in 1983 as controller. He was an active member of many professional and civic organizations, the Wittenberg Alumni Council,

Fourth Lutheran Church in Springfield and Bethesda on the Bay Lutheran Church in Avon Lake. He was the recipient of Wittenberg's Class of 1914 Award in 1966 and the Alumni Association Citation in 1972. Surviving are two sons, a daughter and son-in-law, Kenneth W. '67 and Nancy Keck Barth '68, 10 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, a brother, Albert H. Keck Jr. '31, and a nephew, John S. Keck '70. Preceding him in death were his wife, Nancy Tulloss Keck '41, his father, Albert H. Keck 1905, a brother, Paul E. Keck '42, a sister, Charlotte Keck Siewert '35, a cousin, Jane Gunderman King '30, his father-in-law, Rees E. Tulloss 1906, and two sisters-in-law, Alice Tulloss Alexander '34 and Virginia Rhodes Keck '33.

Zoe Ashenfelter Moore, formerly of New Carlisle, Ohio, died Oct. 26, 2005 in Niles, Ohio. A member of the Donnelsville Lutheran Church, she was an elementary teacher for 30 years, teaching at Olive Branch, New Carlisle and Park Layne Schools. She is survived by a daughter, two sons, seven grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and a brother, Harold P. Ashenfelter '51.

'40 | Donald L. King, Springfield, Ohio, died Oct. 12, 2005. He served his country in the Pacific Theatre during World War II with the U.S. Army. A retired rural letter carrier for the U.S. Post Office, he was well known as the "Apple Man" and for the apple cider produced at the King Orchard and Farm Market. A member of Central Christian Church and the Ohio Fruit and Potato and Vegetable Growers Association, he is survived by his wife, a son, a daughter, three grandchildren and two brothers. He was preceded in death by his father, Hamlin C. King '24, and his step-mother, Rose Jetmore King '31.

R. Chauncey Kurz, Boca Raton, Fla., died July 4, 2005. A member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity and the Presbyterian Church, he retired from Southern Bell Telephone in Cleveland, Ohio, before moving to Florida. His wife, Harriet Storm Kurz '40, survives.

'41 | Eugenia Paulos Grigiss, Springfield, Ohio, died April 30, 2005. She had been employed as a teacher for the Springfield City Schools, teaching at Lagonda School for 28 years, and 19 years substitute teaching for the city and county schools, retiring in 1974. A member of the Greek Orthodox Church Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Wittenberg Guild, and several other organizations, she is survived by a daughter, a son and two grandchildren.

Edith E. Matson of Monroe, Ohio, died Feb. 8, 2005. After 38 years of teaching, she retired in 1979 from Roosevelt Junior High School. Following her retirement, she worked in security at McAlpin's for 12 years. She was a member of the Monroe Presbyterian Church, the Butler County Farm Bureau, the Monroe Grange and the Ohio Retired Teachers Association. Surviving are three sisters, including Margaret L. Matson '42, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Janice Robinson Philabaum, Canton, Ohio, died April 21, 2005. She was a retired employee in the Canton City School System, with 30 years of service as a kindergarten teacher, retiring from the Bell Stone School. A member of Kappa Delta sorority, Canton Women's Club and Trinity and Stephen Martyr Lutheran Churches, she is survived by two daughters, a son, six grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and a sister and brother-in-law, Kenneth E. '44 and Margaret Robinson Wilt '44.

'42 | Charles J. Ballato, Weirton, W.V., died Oct. 14, 2005. A member of St. Joseph the Worker Roman Catholic Church, he served as a staff sergeant with the U.S. Army during World War II. He retired after 52 years as a health and safety director and R.E. director with Starvaggi Industries. He also was an associate realtor with Tony P. Sellitti. Active in numerous civic and fraternal organizations, he is survived by two daughters, four grandchildren, two brothers and a sister.

Formerly of Springfield, Ohio, Joseph L. Gray died Aug. 6, 2005, in Hilton Head, S.C. A member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, he served in the U.S. Army during World War II with the 503rd Parachute Regimental Combat Team. After being wounded in the airborne recapture of Corregidor, he was awarded numerous medals, including the Purple Heart and the Presidential Unit Citation. He was employed by the Springfield Newspapers for 32 years, starting as a sportswriter and retiring as an editor. In 1978, he moved to South Carolina where he was editor of The Islander Magazine and an active member of the community. He is survived by his wife, three daughters, including Susan Gray Barlow '76, and eight grandchildren.

Donald W. Reed, Dallas, Texas, died July 19, 2005. During World War II, he served with the ATC of the U.S. Army Air Corps. Following his military service, he joined G.E. Reed Co., a real estate and insurance business in Painesville, Ohio. He moved to Florida in 1968 where he was involved in land development on the Gulf Coast until his retirement in 1994. An active member of numerous professional organizations, he is survived by his wife, three sons, three daughters, nine

grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Warner S. Wolverton, Newark, Ohio, died Nov. 4, 2005. A member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, he served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a school teacher with the Newark City Schools for 40 years before his retirement. Surviving are his wife, a son, four daughters, including Katherine Wolverton Jordan '73, nine grandchildren, a great-grandson, a sister, and many nieces and nephews.

'44 | Milton F. A. Arndt '47S, Chambersburg, Pa., died Aug. 26, 2005. He served as pastor of numerous Lutheran churches in Ohio, New York and Pennsylvania before retiring in 1998. He was actively involved as an officer in many organizations and served on the board of directors of Lutheran Inner Mission Society in Rochester, N.Y., and Meals on Wheels. A member of Dorm League, he is survived by a son, three daughters, 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Minnie Roahen Painter '60M. Ed., Chillicothe, Ohio, died Nov. 27, 2005. She began her teaching career in Miami County, later teaching in Springfield and Clark County prior to moving to Chillicothe to serve for 20 years as a high school guidance counselor. Following her retirement in 1980, she did tax counseling and medical forms help at the Ross County Senior Center. Her memberships included Chi Omega sorority, Calvary Lutheran Church, the Society of Mayflower Descendants, and other professional and civic organizations. She was the recipient of an "Educator Emeritus" award from the Chillicothe Education Association. Surviving are a sister, a sister-in-law, Martha

Minear Roahen '41, six nephews, and numerous grandnieces and grandnephews. Her husband, D. Harold Painter '37, predeceased her.

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Dorthea "Dottie" Kette Coster died Dec. 11, 2004 in Raleigh, N.C. A former school teacher in Ohio and Indiana, she was a member of Chi Omega sorority, Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church, and Greystone Baptist Church. Her husband, two sons, three grandchildren, and two sisters-in-law survive.

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Carroll F. Greene died July 9, 2005, in Salem, Ohio. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Navy in the Asiatic-Pacific area on the USS LCI 767. Following the war, he worked as a mason. He was employed by Ohio Edison for 32 years as a truck driver and lineman, retiring in 1980. An active member of First United Methodist Church, he was very involved in Boy Scouts and was the recipient of numerous scouting honors, including his 55-year membership award and the Silver Beaver award. His wife, two sons, five grandchildren, a brother and a sister survive.

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Edith A. Cassidy, Springfield, Ohio, died Sept. 14, 2005. She retired as the chief medical technician from Mercy Hospital after numerous years of service. She also served as the secretary for the Clark County Chapter of the American Cancer Society. There are no known survivors.

George R. Harman, formerly of Levittown and Newtown, Pa., died Oct. 18, 2005 in Langhorne, Pa. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Army. He retired after 30 years as a food technologist from Crown, Cork and Seal, Philadelphia, Pa. He was a

member of the Lutheran Church of God's Love, the Masonic Lodge, the Crescent Temple, and Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Trenton Forrest. Survivors include his wife, Ernestine Hasskarl Harman '42, two sons, two grandchildren, two sisters and a niece, Kathleen Vaughn Breitenstein '82. Preceding him in death was a sister-in-law, Blanche Hasskarl Schwartz '30.

Patricia Pete Pittman, Toledo, Ohio, died Oct. 9, 2005. A member of the First Congregational Church and Chi Omega sorority, she was an accomplished swimmer and equestrian. A daughter, a son, three grandchildren and a sister survive.

Rothwell C. Stickley, Milwaukee, Wis., died July 9, 2005. A veteran of World War II and an ordained minister of the Salvation Army, he continued to preach in surrounding area churches after his retirement. He leaves behind to cherish his memory, his wife, two sons, two daughters and four grandchildren.

James O. Umbaugh, formerly of Hinsdale, Ill., died Feb. 1, 2005, in St. Charles, Ill. A member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, he served as a warrant officer in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II. He taught in Jonesboro, Ark., before coming to Morton High School in Berwyn, Ill., where he was chair of the fine arts department, retiring after 30 years. He was a member and past president of the Illinois Art Educators Association. Survivors include his wife, two sons, three daughters, seven grandchildren, a nephew and cousins, Dorcas Dittmar Case '57 and Clarice E. Dittmar '61. Preceding him in death were his father, O. Frederick Umbaugh '12, a sister, Roberta Umbaugh Jensen '47, and an uncle, George W. Dittmar '28.

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Eugene J. Brown, formerly of Quaker City, Ohio, died June 24, 2005, in Caldwell, Ohio. A Methodist minister since 1941, his favorite pastimes were hunting, fishing and gardening. He is survived by three sons, two daughters, 19 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Robert J. Butz, Columbus, Ohio, died July 16, 2005. He was pastor emeritus of Eastminster Presbyterian Church, where he served for nearly 33 years. Following his retirement in 1990, he served several churches as interim minister and was stated supply at West Berlin Presbyterian Church in Delaware, Ohio, from 1994-1998. He also served on various committees of the Scioto Valley Presbytery and as former chair of the board of trustees of Lutheran Senior City. A member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, he is survived by his wife, five children, 12 grandchildren and a brother.

Mary Ann Rollins Devor, Nashville, Tenn., died Feb. 16, 2003. In addition to her lifelong interest and participation in religious education programs, she was an elementary and middle school teacher for many years. A member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority, the Belmont United Methodist Church, and various educational and civic organizations, she tutored children in reading at the Martha O'Bryan Center and coordinated charitable giving at her family business, Nashville Wire Products. Surviving are two daughters, a son, nine grandchildren, two brothers, David L. Rollins '55 and Clark B. Rollins Jr. '48, a sister-in-law, Margaret Hosier Rollins '48, and cousins, Martha Feldkircher Hartje '44, Lois Feldkircher Gross '46, Betty Fulton Rollins '48, John E. Jr. '51 and Freda Feldkircher Christ '51, and Robert L. '52 and

Kathryn Feldkircher Henkel '43. Preceding her in death was a cousin, Russell O. Rollins '49.

R. Byard Fritts, Tacoma, Wash., died Nov. 4, 2005. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Navy. In 1949 he joined the music department at Pacific Lutheran University where he taught piano and organ performance, music composition, theory and conducted the Concert Chorus. A designer and builder of organs, he served 34 years as organist at First United Methodist Church and continued as organist at Central Lutheran Church from 1987 until two weeks before his death. He is lovingly missed by his wife, Jean Hart Fritts '49, a son, three daughters, numerous grandchildren and two sisters, Clara Fritts Timeus '42 and Alice Fritts Fowler '47.

Catherine "Nini" Panos Mantis, Springfield, Ohio, died Sept. 30, 2004. A lifelong member of the Greek Orthodox Church Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Philothohos Society and the Daughters of Penelope, she taught with the Springfield City Schools for 30 years. A member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority, she leaves her husband, two daughters, including Constance N. Mantis '84, and two grandsons.

John P. Sanders, formerly of Springfield, Ohio, died Aug. 17, 2005, in Columbus, N.C. A member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, Tryon and Hendersonville Congregational Churches, and the Masonic Lodge, he was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. An educator with the Springfield City Schools, he served 30 years as a teacher, assistant principal, principal and in the board office until his retirement in 1978. He also taught at Wittenberg from 1958 to 1973. Following his retirement, he served as an analyst with Sears Roebuck and as a park ranger on the Blue Ridge Parkway in North Carolina. His wife,

two sons and a grandson survive. Preceding him in death was his father, Lawrence E. Sanders '20.

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Eloise Meadows Hoffmeyer of Brunswick, Ga., died July 29, 2004. A homemaker, she taught music in her home for a number of years and served as a part-time secretary in a church office. She was a member of St. James Lutheran Church. Survivors include her husband, Ralph W. Hoffmeyer '47, a daughter, a son and two grandchildren.

Clyde R. McCormack, Newark, Ohio, died Dec. 1, 2005. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Army Infantry in the European Theatre of Operations, participating in the Battle of the Bulge. A Lutheran minister, he served as associate pastor at First English Lutheran Church in Columbus, Ohio, until 1955, when he was appointed executive director of Lutheran Campus Ministry of Metropolitan Chicago and as Lutheran campus pastor at Northwestern University, retiring from that position in 1980. He moved to the Newark area and served as pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church from 1986-91. In his professional career, he also served as a teacher, lecturer, author, financial officer and grant writer. In recent years, he had been a member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church. He is survived by his wife, Susan Haslop McCormack '50, a son, two daughters, Deborah McCormack Terry '74 and Julia E. McCormack '84, and two grandchildren.

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Norbert J. Baltzer, Grove City, Ohio, died Jan. 21, 2003. A member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church and Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, he was a U.S. Army sergeant with the 69th infantry division in Germany during World War II. He retired after 36 years of service as a senior design engineer with the State of Ohio,

Department of Transportation, Bureau of Bridges. Surviving are his wife, Joyce Benkert Baltzer '51, six sons, six daughters, 21 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, a sister and a brother and sister-in-law, Leonard A. '49 and Claudia Gard Baltzer '49.

Jane Donaldson Fisher, West Rushville, Ohio, died Nov. 18, 2004. A member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority, she was a retired executive secretary for Anchor Hocking Glass Corp., Lancaster, Ohio, with 20 years of service. She had also served as an administrative secretary with Chuck Fisher Associates. A daughter, a son, and four grandchildren survive. She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles R. Fisher '50, '53S, and her parents, William C. '13, '16S, and Lillian Seybold Donaldson '10.

Edward S. Rienrth, formerly of Boardman, Ohio, died Aug. 21, 2005, in Leetonia, Ohio. A member of Dorm League, he worked for the Sherwin Williams Co. for 15 years and was a loan officer with Home Savings & Loan for 30 years. He was an active member of the Boardman United Methodist Church, a 50-year and charter member of Boardman Rotary Club, and a member of the Youngstown Saxon Club and Youngstown Symphony Chorus. His wife, a son, a daughter, two step-sons, a step-daughter and five grandchildren survive.

Formerly of Middletown, Conn., Raymond C. Zurbrigg died Aug. 22, 2005 in Safety Harbor, Fla. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, he served as an aerial gunner with the U.S. Army Air Corps in the Pacific Theater during World War II. After 34 years as manager of technical services with Anderson Oil & Chemical Corp., a metal works lubricant business in Portland, Conn., he retired to Florida where he enjoyed golf and gardening. A Baptist, he is

survived by a son, two daughters and three grandchildren.

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Formerly of Sun City, Ariz., Willis E. Hydaker of Tavares, Fla., passed away Aug. 1, 2005. A World War II U.S. Army veteran and a public health adviser, he moved to Florida in 1980. A Lutheran, he is survived by his wife.

F. Kenneth Race of Springfield, Ohio, died June 14, 2005. A lieutenant colonel with the U.S. Air Force, he flew bombers in the Pacific/Asiatic Theaters during World War II. Following the war he served as a major with the U.S. Air Force Reserve, piloting C-119s with the 907 Tactical Airlift Group at the Clinton County Air Force Base. In 1972, he was the recipient of the George Washington Honor Medal Award from the Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge, Penn., for a letter in the armed forces category on "What is an American." He was a passionate artist, retiring in 1983 as a visual information specialist from Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Fairborn, Ohio. His well-known mural commemorating the nation's bicentennial and the history of flight hung at the WPAFB Museum for 20 years. In 2000, he provided 15 drawings for the Ohio Judicial Conference children's Web page. A member of Dorm League, he is survived by his wife, a son, two daughters, eight grandchildren, a great-grandson, a brother, three sisters, and several nieces and nephews.

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D. James Atchison, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, passed away Nov. 21, 2005. A member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity and Grandview United Methodist Church, he served as a first lieutenant with the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He retired from Ohio Edison as a residential marketer after 40 years. A former member of the Alumni Council, he is survived by his wife, two sons, including Thomas J. Atchison '82, a daughter, a

step-son, a step-daughter and 11 grandchildren.

Robert P. Rickabaugh, Bloomington, Minn., died Nov. 13, 2005. A member of Wooddale Church, he served with the U.S. Navy during World War II. He taught school in Springfield, Ohio, for 10 years before moving to Bloomington in 1962 where he taught science at Edina East and Southview Junior High Schools for 28 years. Survivors include his wife, four sons, a daughter, numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren, a brother and a sister.

Ruth Olsen Wickemeyer, Richmond, Ind., died Oct. 26, 2005. A member of the Lutheran Church and Delta Zeta sorority, she was a fund development professional. She founded two philanthropic associations in the Richmond area, the Reid Hospital Foundation and the Wayne County Foundation, and one in Tucson, Ariz., Up With People. Two daughters survive. Her husband, Kenneth W. Wickemeyer '51, predeceased her.

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Adrian E. Budlong Jr., San Antonio, Texas, died Sept. 20, 2005. A member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, he proudly served his country as a first lieutenant with the U.S. Marine Corps in Korea and Japan. He was president of the Kirby Vacuum Cleaner Co. in Cleveland, Ohio, before moving to San Antonio to become a vice president with Church's Fried Chicken. In 1984, he rejoined Kirby as the divisional supervisor of the southwest division, retiring in 1999. In 1967, he was named one of the "Outstanding Young Men of America" by the National Junior Chamber of Commerce. For his efforts with the Toledo Alumni Fund campaigns and as chair of the Toledo Alumni Fund, he

was awarded the Wittenberg Alumni Association Citation in 1975. He is survived by his wife, Irene Genner Budlong '55, two sons, three daughters and eight grandchildren. Preceding him in death was a sister, Christine Budlong McDonald '58.

'55 | Wilma Weber Wells Conley, Denton, Texas, died Sept. 8, 2004. She retired in 2001 as a principal examiner/auditor with NCUA, a government agency in Austin, Texas. A member of First United Methodist Church, she is survived by her husband, three daughters, a son, five grandchildren and a brother.

O. Jerome Jorgenson Jr. of North Little Rock, Ark., passed away on June 4, 2005. A member of Phi Mu Delta fraternity, he was ordained a Lutheran pastor in 1961. He served as associate pastor of the Lutheran Church, Ithaca, N.Y., assistant to the president of Gettysburg and Philadelphia Lutheran Seminaries, campus pastor at the University of Iowa, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in Tipton, Iowa, and pastor of Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in North Little Rock. He is survived by his wife, a step-son, a step-daughter and a sister.

Charles O. Violet died Sept. 26, 2005, in Spencerville, Ohio. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity and Spencerville United Church of Christ, he retired in 1995 as the longtime principal of Spencerville Middle School after 40 years in the education field. He was voted "Spencerville's Citizen of the Year" in 1981 and "Athletic Booster of the Year" in 2003. Surviving are his wife, a son, a daughter, five grandchildren, a brother, three sisters and a sister-in-law, Jane Rockel Violet '51. His brother, James B. Violet '51, preceded him death.

'58 | Formerly of Springfield, Ohio, James L. Badgley died June 8, 2005 in Bakersfield, Calif. He was a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity and St. John's Lutheran Church. His career centered on 30 years in industrial pump sales and management. He was a national sales manager for the material handling division with Robbins & Myers Co. in Springfield, Ohio, before being elected president of Power Pumps Inc. of Bakersfield and Long Beach, Calif. An animal lover, he trained and showed dogs, especially German Shepherds. He is survived by his wife, Wanda Winterkorn Badgley '57, two daughters, seven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and a sister-in-law, Betty Winterkorn Byrd '60.

Esther Gant Roberts, Springfield, Ohio, died Dec. 5, 2005. During World War II, she served with the U.S. Navy at the Naval Air Station in Memphis, Tenn., teaching communications procedure to cadets. She was a teacher at Hayward Junior High School and a teacher and assistant principal at Greenon High School. She retired in 1981 as secondary supervisor with the Clark County Schools. A member of numerous professional organizations and Sulphur Grove United Methodist Church, Huber Heights, she is survived by her husband, two daughters, M. Kathleen Roberts '66 and Margaret Roberts Vent '68, a son, four grandchildren, including Alison Oatman Kwiatkowski '98, four great-grandchildren and a sister.

Ginger Hargis Van Saun, Linwood, N.J., died Sept. 14, 2005. She worked for the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II, for the U.S. Geological Survey at Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, and on a National Institute of Health Project at Princeton University

in New Jersey. She taught school in Colorado Springs, Colo., and Beltsville, Md., before coming to the public schools in Northfield where she served for 25 years before retiring. Three sons, three granddaughters and a sister survive.

'59 | Doris Ramsey Bovard, Springfield, Ohio, died Sept. 3, 2005. She taught for 34 years in seven different school districts in Ohio before retiring in 1975 from the Wooster City School District. An active member of Wayne Presbyterian Church and other community organizations, she is survived by two sisters, two brothers, and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her cousin and his wife, Fred S. '15 and Mildred Merrill Bull '15.

'62 | Janet M. Ehsam, formerly of Arlington, Ohio, died Aug. 16, 2005, in Angola, Ind. An officer in numerous professional organizations, she retired after 34 years as a librarian from Riverdale High School in 1996. An active member of her community and First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Findlay, she served in various capacities with the E.L.C.A. Her mother and a brother survive. Preceding her in death were cousins, Harold D. Herl '29, and Robert W. '49 and Georgiana Herl Keyser '48.

L. Kent Sperry, Lynchburg, Va., died March 11, 2005. A member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, he was a U.S. Army veteran. After retiring as general manager of Heironimus, he joined J.C. Penney Co. He is survived by his wife, a son, a daughter, a grandson, his mother and a sister.

'63 | Richard T. Walker, Upper St. Clair, Pa., died Sept. 30, 2005. As a purveyor of fine rugs and a second-generation rug merchant, he expanded Walker

Rugs to other cities, including Atlanta, Houston, Baltimore, Washington, D.C., St. Louis and Indianapolis. He traveled the globe to search out fine rugs and for the expertise he gained over the years, he was called many times to serve as an expert witness in court cases or for insurance purposes. He was a member of St. John Capistran Church and Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. Surviving are his wife, two sons, two daughters, including Mary Walker May '85, seven grandchildren and a brother, Russell A. Walker '59.

'64 | Nancy Dvorak Burgan, Santa Clarita, Calif., died Jan. 31, 2005. A member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority, she was a doctoral candidate in psychoanalysis, specializing in children, at the University of California at Berkeley. Her professional life revolved around helping children and young adults with various disabilities. She founded and was regional director of Easter Seals in Santa Clarita County and was the former director of social services at LARC Ranch. A daughter, two sons, two grandchildren, her step-mother and a step-sister survive.

Charles E. Price, Springfield, Ohio, died Sept. 13, 2005. A U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, he was a member and past master of Free and Accepted Masons. He was a teacher/coach at Newton High School before serving as principal at Northeastern High School for 20 years, retiring in 1980. Survivors include his wife, three sons, seven grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and a sister.

Larry L. Speelman, DeKalb, Ill., died June 22, 2005. He served as an interpreter in the demilitarized zone with the U.S. Army in Korea. A professor in the audio visual department in the College of Education at Northern Illinois

University, he also had worked for Wurlitzer Piano Factory, AG Communications and was a technical writer and instructor. Following his retirement in 1993, he enjoyed reading and woodcraft. He is survived by his wife and an aunt, Betty Lough Adams '50.

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Ruth Smith Bolster, Chesterland, Ohio, died Aug. 1, 2005. She served as a rural health volunteer with the Peace Corps in Korea in the late 1960s. Formerly of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, she volunteered with the Cleveland Free Clinic and taught at the Gates Mills Hort Center. Later, she worked in landscape design and consultation for her family business, Bolster Landscaping. A member of the Cleveland Bonsai Club, she is survived by her husband, two step-daughters, two grandchildren and three brothers, including, Lanty L. Smith '64 and Ernest C. Smith '68.

Gary R. Hodges '68MSM, '74M. Div., a minister in the United Church of Christ who served as pastor of churches in Ohio and Illinois during a career that spanned four decades, died Aug. 31, 2005. He was a minister at St. John's United Church of Christ in Archbold, Ohio, from 1972 to 1994. He retired in November 2004 as senior pastor of St. Peter's United Church of Christ in Elmhurst, Ill. Following his retirement, he maintained homes in the Chicago area of Illinois and Paulding County in Ohio. Surviving are his wife, Linda Kohart Hodges '67, two sons, a daughter, five grandchildren and his mother.

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Margaret Dobie Cash, Enon, Ohio, passed away Oct. 31, 2005. She retired in 1986 from Wright Patterson Air Force Base after 44 years of service as an engineering data specialist. In 1993, she was named "Senior

of the Month" for her efforts preparing the newsletter for the Fairborn Area Senior Citizens Association. An active member of Knob Prairie United Church of Christ, she shared her time and resources with many organizations. Two sisters, two brothers, and numerous nieces and nephews survive.

David A. Iglehart of Germantown, Ohio, passed away Nov. 17, 2005. A member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, he served as a captain with the U.S. Army in Germany in the 1970s. During his career, he worked in sales and marketing with various companies before founding DAI Consulting. He is survived by his wife, Janice Meznarsic Iglehart '69, a son, David W.C. Iglehart '92, a granddaughter, a brother, two sisters, a sister-in-law, Claudia Meznarsic Lenarz '70, and a niece, Debra Lenarz Lalli '02.

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John F. "Jeff" Compton III, Springfield, Ohio, died Feb. 2, 2005. A member of Phi Mu Delta fraternity, he had been employed as a teacher for the Xenia Community Schools for a number of years. He is survived by his wife, two sons, including Austin M. Compton '03, his mother and several cousins, nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death were his father, John F. Compton Jr. '58, and uncles, Allen E. Compton '26 and Richard A. Compton '50.

'73 |

Philip R. Metzger, Delaware, Ohio, died Nov. 30, 2005. A CPA, he retired as treasurer from Greif Inc. after 25 years of service. He was a member of Phi Mu Delta fraternity, was active with the Elks Lodge, and served as a former board member and treasurer for the Delaware County Historical Society. Surviving are his wife, Joy Rummins Metzger '69, two daughters, two grandchildren,

his mother, a brother, Michael H. Metzger '66, and three sisters, including Martha Metzger Lohr '67, and Anna K. Metzger '72.

'74 |

Frances Locke Wells, formerly of Catawba, Ohio, passed away Aug. 28, 2005, in Dublin, Ohio. She was a teacher for more than 30 years with the Northeastern School District at Plattsburg and Catawba Elementary Schools, retiring in 1983. An active member of the Catawba United Methodist Church and her community, she volunteered at Springfield Community Hospital. She is survived by a daughter, three sons, 11 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

'87 |

Jacqueline Bland DeTombe, Brighton, Mich., died Nov. 21, 2005. At Wittenberg, she worked as a transportation coordinator in the physical plant, a faculty secretary in the political science department and as an assistant for the community service office. She later served as a Christian worker and registered nurse in Lindale, Texas. She is survived by her husband, Christopher R. DeTombe '87, four children, and a sister-in-law, Melissa DeTombe Canney '88.

'88 |

Alfred A. Wasse, Grand Island, N.Y., died Sept. 7, 2005. Formerly a major account representative with Cellular One of Buffalo, he was a circulation manager with Niagara Frontier Publications. A member of St. Timothy Lutheran Church, he is survived by his parents, grandparents, a sister and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

'95 |

Charles E. "Chad" "Yahdah" Boll III, Abilene, Texas, died

Nov. 14, 2005. He loved fishing from the dock behind his home and greatly appreciated the local wildlife. A devoted member of The House of Yahweh, he is survived by his parents, a brother and sister.

'98 |

Kelly Lovell Jerabek, Virginia Beach, Va., died July 18, 2004. A member of the Lutheran Church and Alpha Delta Pi sorority, she held several jobs in the retail industry while taking courses in preparation for her career as a pharmaceutical sales representative with Merck and Co. She is survived by her husband, a daughter, her parents, maternal grandparents, paternal grandparents and two brothers.



April

29	Witt Fest Myers Hollow, 11 a.m.
30	Wittenberg Symphonic Band "Pops" Concert Weaver Chapel, 3 p.m.
30	Wittenberg Opera Studio Scene Performances Krieg Hall 300, 8 p.m.

May

12	Baccalaureate Weaver Chapel, 2:15 p.m.
13	Commencement Commencement Hollow, 2 p.m.

June

5-7	Football Camp
10	Football Golf Outing
11-14	Boys Lacrosse Camp
14-17	Girls Soccer Camp
18-24	Tiger Basketball Camps
18-29	WISE Camps
19-22	Girls Lacrosse Camp
19-23	Boys Soccer Camp
26-29	Kaleidoscope Music Camp



Witt Fest, April 29

July

2-8	Lady Tiger Basketball Camps
8	7 on 7 Team Football Camp
10-14	Boys Soccer Camp
16-22	Young Women's Summer Institute
18-24	Tiger Basketball Camps
23-27	Field Hockey Camp



WISE Camps, July 18-29



Girls Lacrosse Camp,
July 19-22

August

17-20	New Student Days
21	Fall 2006 Semester Begins



A Near Miss?... I Beg to Differ



I am writing this column as I fly back from the final four NCAA Division III basketball championships. If you haven't heard, Wittenberg won a hard-fought semifinal game against Amherst College and faced Virginia Wesleyan in the National Championship Game. We led until three seconds to go when Virginia Wesleyan hit a three-pointer. I won't lie; it was a heartbreaker. We were within seconds of becoming the National Champs. I know the players and the fans left the game feeling a sense of disappointment last night, but after 24 hours I hope they find themselves reflecting as I am on how extraordinary this journey has been. As I told the players when they left Roanoke this morning, "They made Wittenberg and this president enormously proud by their efforts all season and at the final four weekend."

In defeat, our team demonstrated a sense of class and poise that one does not always see in today's college athletics. They were gentlemen, good sports, and class acts – wonderful representatives of Wittenberg. They made me perhaps even more proud by their activity off the court as on. In the day before their semi-final game they visited with children in an elementary school in Roanoke to talk with them about college and sports. Yes, they were disappointed to lose the national title game, but they did not make excuses. They owned responsibility for their own actions, and they congratulated the winning team. As I watched our four seniors – Phil, Kenny, Dan and Dane – answer questions from the press moments after the game, I felt overcome by emotion, emotions of pride that these four men are soon to be Wittenberg graduates. They talked of the life lesson they had learned as members of

the Wittenberg basketball team, and they talked of their affection for one another and their coach. You couldn't help but come away from the press conference convinced that these young men will, indeed, be successful in life.

As this weekend winds to a close, I also find myself reflecting on our fans. One NCAA official stopped me and said he had been to many final fours but never seen better fans than ours. The energy and the enthusiasm of the Witt fans were simply unmatched in the final four! Although Virginia Wesleyan was playing in its home state, you would have thought it was a Wittenberg home game by the numbers of our fans and their enthusiasm. One of the great joys of the weekend was to meet the many Witt alumni who came to the game. From a loyal class of '43 alum to a prospective student who plans to join the class of '10, Witt supporters turned out in great numbers. The arena was a sea of red, led by our cheerleaders who were named the best cheerleading team in the NCAA Championships.

My first year as President of Wittenberg has been filled with many blessings – opportunities to feel and live the "magic" of Wittenberg. This weekend was another one of those special experiences. Some may think of this weekend as a near miss, but I see it as a "slam dunk," an exclamation point on all that is wonderful about Witt – our great pride and enthusiasm, our respect and commitment to helping others, and our ability to develop young people who experience great success, learn from their setbacks, and will be extraordinarily successful in life. It simply does not get any better than that! ■

— Mark Erickson, president