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## **Perfect Circles**



very day I have the privilege of walking up the hill to Recitation Hall, and each time I do, I find myself reflecting on the path below my feet. More than 160 years ago, the concrete pathways we all know today were dusty, dirt roads, which eventually shaped into so much more thanks to the pounding of horse hooves and the uncompromising commitment of a visionary who wanted education to be a life-changing gift.

Those early paths, which once completely encircled what is now Myers Hall, remind me of the full circle that Wittenberg often creates in the lives of its students.

As I shared with the class of 2011 at Commencement,

Wittenberg works its magic on each of our students, just as it did on each of you, our alumni. Our education stretched you, challenged you, smoothed your edges and developed all of you into an extraordinary group of well-rounded global citizens – perfect circles, if you will.

Such development often came and continues to come through mentors at Wittenberg – those unique individuals who inspire us to do more, to be better, and who help us count our blessings in life. Dave Maurer, a beloved coach and professor, whose life we celebrated this summer, was a mentor to more than 1,400 athletes, some of whom you'll hear from in this issue. For members of our distinguished choir, however, Don Busarow, or "Dr. B.," held that coveted title.

As we celebrated Don's life on Nov. 13, the service as a whole but the Benediction, in particular, reflected the power of mentors and the uniqueness of the Wittenberg circle even more. There, in Weaver Chapel, choir members past and present encircled the chapel to sing the Benediction under the direction of Don's grandson – an experience that left not a dry eye in the chapel. It was a beautiful moment, a magical moment, one that captured the essence of this extraordinary mentor, and his love for music, God and all of us.

In a similar way, Susan Hirt Hagen '57, distinguished philanthropist and community leader, also clearly understands the power of the Wittenberg circle.

Knowing that more can be accomplished together, she recently gave \$6 million – the largest cash gift ever received from a living individual – to endow our Center for Civic & Urban Engagement, thus ensuring the Center's long-term success and further strengthening the bond between the city of Springfield and Wittenberg.

And lastly, there is the amazing circle of teamwork and friendship that helped our volleyball team take home the NCAA Division III title under the direction of mentor and head coach Paco Labrador last month. Sharing that moment with fellow alumni, students and friends in St. Louis was simply incredible, and we are so very proud of the young women on the team who made a huge impact, not only on the court in front of countless fans, but also as reflections of the perfect circles Wittenberg is shaping them to be.

I have often said in my visits with alumni and in conversations with members of our campus community that "it doesn't get any better than this." How true that statement is yet again. Merry Christmas and all the best in the year ahead.

Warm regards,

Mark H. Eichon

Mark H. Erickson, President



## Wittenberg Dedicates Susan Hirt Hagen Center for Civic & Urban Engagement



n Oct. 28, a pivotal moment in the life of the university occurred as Wittenberg formally dedicated the Susan Hirt Hagen Center for Civic & Urban Engagement in honor of Hagen, a 1957 graduate, 2011 honorary degree recipient and philanthropist whose \$6 million gift endowed the Center this summer.

"As most of you know, our motto is 'Having light we pass it on to others,' and I can think of no greater example of passing on that light than through the generous actions of Susan Hirt Hagen," said President Mark H. Erickson. "Thank you Susie, on behalf of the entire

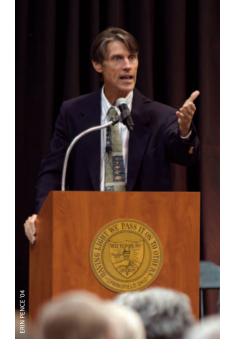
Wittenberg family, our students and this greater Springfield community for your generous gift that will impact generations of Wittenberg students and greater Springfield residents."

The largest cash gift ever received from a living individual to the university, the \$6 million gift was placed in an endowed fund, the annual distributions from which will provide support for the Center's core operations, thus ensuring the Center's long-term success and further strengthening the bond between the city of Springfield and Wittenberg.

"We promise to you, Susie, and to this community that we will do our very best to deliver on the confidence you have placed in us by bringing the resources of Wittenberg to bear on the challenges that Springfield and communities like it face," said Springfield Mayor Warren Copeland, professor and faculty director of the Center.

"In the process, we will also help our faculty, staff and students learn by doing what needs to be done in this community."

To learn more about Hagen, see feature beginning on page 16.



## Historian Headlines Leventhal Lecture

Henry William Brands, an acclaimed American historian and best-selling author, traveled to campus, Sept. 22, to present the Wittenberg Series-sponsored Fred R. Leventhal Family Endowed Lecture. Brands' lecture "From FDR to Obama: The Challenge and Promise of a Crisis Presidency" examined whether President Barack Obama will be remembered as the next Franklin Delano Roosevelt, who converted the crisis of the Great Depression into the most memorable presidency of the 20th century, or the next Herbert Hoover, who was unable to lead the nation out of the Great Depression in the 1930s.

Brands, who has written more than 25 books that focus on American history and politics, including Traitor to His Class, Andrew Jackson, The Age of Gold, The First American and TR, also met with students while on campus.

Brands' expertise has made him a frequent speaker and guest on radio and television programs. In June 2009, Brands was among nine of America's most distinguished historians and scholars invited to dine with President Obama at the White House.

## Executive, Artist Serve In-Residence

Wittenberg's Department of Business welcomed John Meier '69, former CEO of Libbey Inc. and emeritus member of the university's Board of Directors, as its executive-in-residence in November. As part of the program, Meier presented a keynote address titled "Perspectives From a Recent Public Company CEO," spoke to international business classes and the strategic policy and planning senior capstone class, and held informal sessions with students and faculty.

During the same time, Wittenberg's Office of the First-Year Experience welcomed Toni Blackman, an international champion of hip-hop culture, an American rapper, performer, writer, artist development/consultant and State Department Musical Ambassador, as the university's artist-in-residence. Blackman met with classes and led a panel discussion on the new documentary Beats, Rhymes & Life: The Travels of A Tribe Called Quest.

## **Inside the Board**

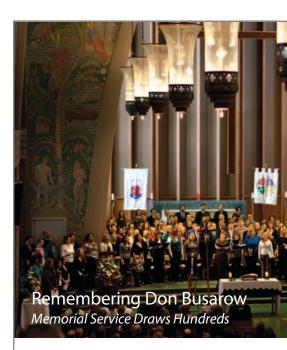
Stephen R. Buchenroth '70, an attorney with Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP in Columbus, Ohio, has served on the university's Board of Directors for 11 years, including as chair from 2008-2011. As part of his tenure, Buchenroth served on several committees of the Board, including Advancement & Alumni Relations, and Governance & Board Affairs. He currently resides



in Worthington, Ohio, and will complete his service on the board in 2012.



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or those who knew the late Donald Busarow, "Dr. B." quickly became his "call sign." For more than three decades, Busarow inspired students, alumni, congregations and Lutheran leaders both near and far with his passion for sacred music.

As the Wittenberg community celebrated his life Nov. 13 during a special memorial service following his passing Oct. 24, tributes poured in about the man who changed countless lives.

"How blessed I am to have known this amazing man, and to have sung under his direction," wrote Julie Frick Schmidt '95.

"Dr. Busarow had an amazingly powerful gift at communicating beyond mere words – perhaps it was the musician in him," added Justin Dilley '99. "His silence was both meaningful and eloquent, and it made all of us strive to be better, to do more." Busarow, who formally began studying

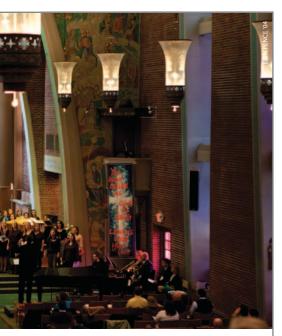
## University Hosts Unique Arts Experience

On Oct. 3, Wittenberg presented "Peace & Reconciliation" to demonstrate how past tragedy can empower people to work toward greater social justice. As part of the program, two art exhibits, Jews of Luthertown Wittenberg in the Third Reich and Samuel Bak's Illuminations, provided the foundation for discussions led by noted experts across several disciplines, including art, history, law, language and political science. The event was held in conjunction with the visit of a delegation from the

Springfield's sister city of Wittenberg, Germany.

Arne Lietz, assistant and advisor to Eckhard Naumann, Lord Mayor of Wittenberg, Germany, led the discussion on the first exhibit, while Gary Phillips, dean of Wabash College and an accomplished editor and writer in the field of linguistics and the ethical reading of the Bible, discussed Bak's work. A panel discussion also took place moderated by Associate Professor of Languages Tim Bennett.





## Choir Selected to Perform in Premier State Competition

The Wittenberg Choir has been selected from a blind audition to perform at the 2012 Ohio Music Education Association Professional Development Conference at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, in the Hyatt Union Ballroom in Columbus, Ohio.

Expected to attract more than 9,000 music educators from around the state, the convention is annually one of the

largest state music education conferences in the United States.

"It is truly an honor to be selected to sing for so many respected choral educators," said Wittenberg Choir Director Adam Jonathan Con, associate professor of music, director of choral activities and coordinator of music education. "This is a significant accomplishment."

## Community Service Office Continues to Engage Wittenberg's Office of Community Service hosted

its annual Halloween-inspired day of service, Oct. 29. The event, part of a national celebration of service, was the most recent initiative coordinated by the office. This summer, the office also submitted a proposal to President Obama's Interfaith and Community Service Campus Challenge.

"American colleges, community colleges, and universities have often been at the forefront of solving our nation's greatest challenges," according to White House communications, and thus "the White House is encouraging institutions of higher education to make the vision for interfaith cooperation and community service a reality on campuses across the country."



Each year, Wittenberg students contribute roughly 12,000 hours of community service, a fact the White House has previously noticed, having repeatedly named Wittenberg to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll With Distinction for exemplary service efforts and service to disadvantaged youth. Kristen Collier'92, director of community service, and The Rev. Rachel Tune, Matevia Endowed University Pastor, traveled to Washington, D.C., Aug. 3, in conjunction with the challenge.

Additionally, the office recently welcomed five new Community Service Scholars to campus, including: Emily Bast '15, from Knoxville, Tenn.; Bill Downing '15, from Wapakoneta, Ohio; Vitalia Vargo '15, from St. Louis, Mo.; Beth Hubbard '15, West Hartford, Conn., and Gabby Bell '15, from Cleveland, Ohio. ■

music as a first-generation American at age 7, went on to earn his bachelor's from Concordia University, Chicago, followed by his master's from The Cleveland Institute of Music and his Ph.D. from Michigan State University. In 1975, he joined the Wittenberg faculty and was appointed to the official post of choir director in 1982.

A noted composer of church music and a concert organist, Busarow was known primarily as a composer of the Lutheran concertatos. He was recently named by a Lutheran publication as one of the 10 composers representing the 20th century.

Busarow is survived in his immediate family by his wife, Peg, and their six grown children. For more on Busarow, or to view the memorial service, visit www.wittenberg.edu.

































## **Richard Scott Earns** Class of 1914 Award

In keeping with tradition, Wittenberg recognized several members of the university family at Homecoming during its annual Alumni Awards Champagne

> Brunch, Oct. 22. Receiving this year's Class of 1914 Award was longtime dean of students, Richard Scott.

The Alumni Association's most prestigious recognition, the award honors an individual who has served Wittenberg above and beyond what might be expected of any contributor to the university's welfare.

During his 15-year tenure as dean of students, Scott took a personal interest in each student, working side-by-side with them during both good and bad times, and always offering a hug to those in need. To him, it was a calling, and to those who knew him, he will always be called friend.

To hear Scott in his own words, visit www. wittenberg.edu.

## **Tom and Melanie Murray Named Honorary Alumni**

As co-chairs of the Parents Leadership

Circle, Tom and Melanie Murray have been instrumental in its success, having raised more than \$500,000 to help provide scholarships to students. Active in their Upper Arlington community and the proud parents of four children, Sarah '10 and Caleb '13, Jacob and Daniel, the Murrays share a strong commitment to education with Melanie homeschooling all of their children and Tom serving on

Wittenberg's Board of Directors.

On Oct. 22, Wittenberg recognized them by awarding them Honorary Alumni status during the Alumni Awards Champagne Brunch. The Honorary Alumni Award is given to those who have demonstrated a loyalty and devotion to Wittenberg that is exemplary and who have worked diligently to sustain it.

To hear the Murrays in their own words, visit www.wittenberg.edu.





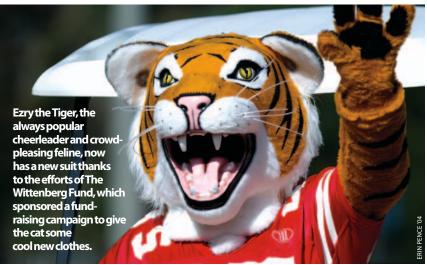
## Graduate Named Top 30 In World

On the heels of his first-place national win, Bradley Roberts '11 is now among the Top 30 in the world following the 10th annual "Chinese Bridge" Chinese Proficiency Competition for Foreign College Students, this summer, in Changsha, the capital of central China's Hunan Province.

Roberts, a self-designed Chinese major from Hilliard, Ohio, represented the United States in competing with more than 120 students from more than 60 countries in what has been called the "Chinese language Olympics." As part of the intense competition, students presented a short prepared speech in Chinese accompanied by a cultural performance. Students were allowed to perform anything they wanted provided it was relevant to Chinese culture and/or their own perceptions of the culture.

Roberts called the competition "a thoroughly rewarding experience. Chinese has been a passion of mine, and I will not take this achievement as an ending, but will instead continue to strive for perfection."

## Tiger Mascot Gets A Makeover



## **Inside the Board**

The pastor of King of Glory Lutheran Church in Indianapolis, The Rev. Paul F. Swartz '65 has has been a member of the Wittenberg Board of Directors for 11 years. During his tenure, Swartz has served on board committees related to Advancement & Alumni Relations and Finance & Investments. He resides in Indianapolis and will

complete his **Board tenure in 2012. Ronald** C. Woods '69. a professor and

department chair at Eastern Michigan University, has served on the university's Board of Directors for 11 years. During his tenure, Woods served on a number of boards, including Academic & Student Life, and Governance & Board Affairs. He currently lives in Ann Arbor, Mich., and will complete his tenure on the Board in 2012.



new collaboration between Wittenberg's Office of University Communications and the Department of Communication is providing future communication professionals with a unique educational opportunity.

Called the Integrated Media Corps (IMC), the internship program offers students the chance to hone a variety of skills in communications, public relations and multimedia.

IMC participants work both as part of a team and individually to produce audio, video and written materials for Wittenberg's various online platforms. The students involved meet weekly to prepare assignments and discuss logistics, and have the opportunity to hear from industry leaders monthly.

## Comedy Troupe Entertains Campus Community

One of the world's best-known comedy troupes made a return engagement to Wittenberg. The Second City Touring Company, which has produced many of the world's most distinguished comedy stars, including former Satuday Night Live stars John Belushi, Mike Myers, Bill Murray, Gilda Radner and Tina Fey, in addition to screen and television stars John Candy, Steve Carell and Stephen Colbert, presented Laugh Out Loud, Oct. 20.



"The Integrated Media Corps is a wonderful supplement to the classroom experience at Wittenberg, providing hands-on educational opportunities right here on campus," said Matthew J. Smith, professor of communication. "I see this as a co-curricular program that has great potential for growth, and I'm thrilled to be working in partnership with the Office of University Communications to benefit the university's promotional efforts in the process."

The 2011-12 IMC interns include: Ben Groff '12, Clark Goodman '12, Brynne Mayne '13, Shelly Gregory '13, Kent Montgomery '13, William Krueger '13, Christian Stringer '12, Swati Shivshankar '13 and Trevor Grandy '13. ■

Founded in Chicago by Paul Sills, Howard Alk and Bernie Sahlins, the comedy troupe's entertainment was originally based on the improvisational games of Sills' mother, Viola Spolin. The company quickly developed a national reputation and is now considered one of the most influential in the world.

The show, Laugh Out Loud, was presented by The Wittenberg Series with support from the Ruth B. and Thomas F. Mackey Charitable Trust.



## Theologian Leads Annual Sauer Symposium

Professor of Religion at Northwestern University Christine Helmer shared her expertise in the area of 16th-Century religious reformations, particularly the theology of Martin Luther, during the Wittenberg Series-sponsored Kenneth H. Sauer Luther Symposium, Nov. 14.

The recipient of several fellowships, Helmer, who discussed Luther and the

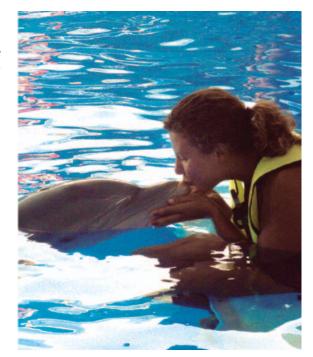
human experience, previously taught at Harvard Divinity School and the Claremont School of Theology. The author of The Trinity and Martin Luther, she serves as editor and co-editor of eight volumes, most recently The Global Luther. A frequent presenter at international conferences, Helmer received her Ph.D from Yale University.

## Bottlenose Dolphin Captures Student's Heart

When the movie Dolphin Tale opened in theatres this fall, Tasha Boerst '13, from Seymour, Wis., might have been the first in line. Boerst, a biology major with a marine science minor, worked with Winter, the bottlenose dolphin featured in the heart-warming story about the mammal's rescue and resulting replacement of its tail through prosthesis, while interning at the Clearwater Marine Aquarium (CMA) in Clearwater, Fla.

Reading and hearing the stories made me realize that this place really cares for its resident animals, and I applied to intern there," she said.

After being accepted to the CMA program this summer, Boerst helped Winter by assisting "with desensitization - when you have to



take something that seems big, scary and unknown to the animal, and make it friendly and not so scary by showing that experiences with it will be positive."

In this highly competitive field, Boerst added, "this is awesome because any experience is good experience."

Currently Boerst is studying at the Duke University Marine Lab in Beaufort, N.C., for the fall semester thanks to Wittenberg's partnership with Duke.

## **Campus Notes**



**Andrews** Professor of Statistics



Baker Professor of Political Science



Choy Associate Professor of Languages



K. Dixon



M. Dixon Professor of English





Max Adrien, assistant professor of languages, had his proposal titled "La Fontaine & Pascal: Ambiguity of the Ekphrastic 'Hateful Self' in an 'Imago Dei' World" accepted for a special session of the 109th Annual Conference of the Pacific Ancient and Modern Language Association, Nov. 6, in Claremont, Calif. Adrien's paper, "Moi haïssable ou obliquité d'une christologie," was also accepted for presentation at the same conference. Additionally, his proposal titled "Power of Fables/Folktales" was accepted for a special session of the 83rd Annual Convention - South Atlantic Modern Language Association in Atlanta, Nov. 4, as was his paper, "Power of the Fables throughout the Ages: from Antiquities to La Fontaine."

Doug Andrews, professor of statistics, was invited as a statistics education expert to lead workshops for first- and second-year math professors from across the nation assigned to teach statistics courses. As part of Project NExT, the Mathematical Association of America's professional development program for new or recent Ph.D. recipients in the mathematical sciences, Andrews led the workshops at the MAA's national MathFest in Lexington in early August, and he continues to mentor the participants throughout the academic

J. Robert Baker, professor of political science, was recently elected to a threeyear term with the Executive Board of

the State Politics and Policy Section of the American Political Science Association.

Dana Carnes, area coordinator for Firestine Hall, presented at the 2011 OASPA/OCPA Conference in Worthington, Ohio, Jan. 27. Her talk was titled "Collegiate Athletes and Leadership Development: Examining the Relationship between Sports and Student Development."

Howard Y.F. Choy, associate professor of languages, has published the English translation of "Songbie shi" ("Farewell: A Poem") by Qin Xiaoyu in Push Open the Window: Contemporary Poetry from China edited by Qingping Wang.

Kent Dixon, professor of English, has authored "From Batista to Fidel, and on to the Real Enemy of the People," which appears in the November issue of the British journal, Studies in Travel Writing. "Sharkwalker," which he calls his "bad boy" essay, is to be published this December in the Florida Review. A brief memoir about his favorite ex, "In Reply to Your Last Suicide Note," is also slated to appear online in Telling Our Stories. Additionally, having won a place in an anthology of love poetry, of some 600 entries, his "How Beautiful with Shoes, and Funny" is being published by Jacar Press. Dixon will also be giving a reading of his work, Jan. 26, during an English Department colloquium, and his screenplay, Homer, has reached the second round at Carpe Articulum.

Mimi Dixon, professor of English, has submitted her children's novel, Alexander's Book, to literary agents, and is returning to an historical novel in which Shakespeare makes a cameo appearance.

David C. Finster, professor of chemistry, started a new summer course titled "The Chemistry of Emergency Response." As a volunteer firefighter for Miami Township Fire-Rescue for the last 15 years, Finster recently joined the Dayton Regional Hazmat Team, which serves Greene and Montgomery counties. The course covered the chemistry of fire; spills, explosions and other bad events; chemical toxicology and Hazmat incidents; and storing, transporting and detecting hazardous materials.

J. Randy Green, director of financial aid, recently authored an article titled "The Top 10 Ways a FAFSA is Like a Colonscopy" for CheapScholar. org, which was later picked up by the National Association for Student Financial Aid Administrators.

**Thomas P. Martin**, professor of health, fitness and sport, presented "Let's Move-Outside" at the annual convention of the Ohio Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. "Let's Move" is Michelle Obama's campaign to achieve the ambitious national goal of solving the challenge of childhood obesity within a generation.

Olga Medvedkov, professor of geography, co-presented a research paper titled "Land Governance in the South



George Associate Professor of Physics





Millen Professor of Religion



Nibert Professor of Sociology



**Shelburne** Associate Professor of Mathmatics





Caucasus Region: Comparative Study of Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan" at the International Conference of Surveyors in Marrakech, Morocco, May 18-22. Medvedkov's co-author was Joseph Salukvadze, professor of geography from the country of Georgia, where she spent her Fulbright semester in 2010 teaching GIS and conducting collaborative research.

Rochelle Millen, professor of religion, has been appointed to the International Editorial Board of Nashim: A Journal of Jewish Women's Studies and Gender. She is also chairing a session at the Association for Jewish Studies in early December on "Holocaust Orthodoxies."

In June, David Nibert, professor of sociology, was the guest of Queen's University in Belfast, Northern Ireland, where he discussed his article, "The Fire Next Time: The Coming Cost of Capitalism, Animal Oppression and Environmental Ruin," slated for publication in the forthcoming issue of Human Rights and the Environment. Nibert also traveled to Ireland and met with animal studies scholars from University College Dublin. Additionally, Nibert presented a paper titled "Crime of the Centuries: Conflict and Violence Generated by the Animal Industrial Complex" at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association (ASA) in Las Vegas. Nibert was also recently elected to the Council of the ASA Section on Animals and Society, and has been invited to join

both the Advisory Board of the Vienna Encyclopedia of Animal Welfare as well as the Advisory Board of the Institute for Critical Animal Studies.

Tammy Proctor, H. Orth Hirt Chair in History, spoke, along with Ty Buckman, professor of English, at a conference titled "Are the Humanities Now a Luxury?" in Charleston, S.C., in November. The conference, cosponsored by Phi Beta Kappa and the Academic Deans organization, brought together academics from throughout the country to discuss the future of universities. Their panel was titled "Citizens, Secularists, and Capitalists: Practicing What We Teach."

Don Reed, professor of philosophy, traveled to Nanjing, China, Oct. 22-30, to present a paper on moral motivation titled "To Bring Will and Reason Within the Impulsive Life" at the 37th annual conference of the Association for Moral Education. He also led an invited pre-conference workshop titled "An Overview of the Sciences of Morality."

An article titled "The ENIAC's 1949 Determination of pi" by Brian Shelburne, associate professor of mathematics and computer science, has been accepted for publication by the IEEE Annals of the History of Computing. Determining the value of pi is a millennia-old problem. The ENIAC's determination of pi in 1949 (out to 2035 digits) was the first use of a computer to tackle this problem, a calculation that took 70 hours to

complete on a computer never designed for calculations beyond 2,000 digits.

Matthew J. Smith, professor of communication, has had a previously published book chapter translated into German and republished in Theorien des comics: Ein reader. The translated article, "Die Tyrannel der Schmelztiegle-Metapher: Wonder Woman ala amerikanisierte Immigrantin," originally appeared as "The Tyranny of the Melting Pot Metaphor: Wonder Woman as the Americanized Immigrant" in the anthology Comics and Ideology.

Associate Professors of Physics Paul Voytas and Elizabeth George, along with colleagues at the University of Wisconsin, published a paper titled "A Superconducting Beta Spectrometer" in the July 2011 issue of Reviews of Scientific Instruments. The paper was also selected for inclusion in the Virtual Journal of Applications of Superconductivity.

Michael Zaleha, associate professor of geology, recently presented two papers at the Geological Society of America Annual Meeting in Minneapolis. One, co-authored with Adam Burdsall '11, was titled "Paleoenvironmental reconstruction of a fossil-rich Pennsylvanian-Permian outcrop, Dunkard Group, southeastern Ohio, USA." The second was titled "Paleochannel hydraulics, geometries, and associated alluvial architecture of Early Cretaceous rivers, Sevier foreland basin, Wyoming, USA."





## Wittenberg Football Joins Elite Club With 700 All-Time Wins

An achievement nearly 120 years in the making took slightly more than 21 hours to complete as the Wittenberg football team became the first NCAA Division II or III program to reach 700 all-time wins with a season-opening 45-28 victory over visiting Capital University.

Following a weather-related suspension Sept. 3, the Tigers persevered Sept. 4 to reach an unprecedented win total, making it the first Division II or III program and just the 19th NCAA program overall to surpass 700 alltime wins. The achievement places Wittenberg with some of the most storied college football programs, including Ohio State, Michigan, Alabama and Notre Dame.

Wittenberg's all-time record stands at 707-349-32 after the season-opening victory, dating back to the first recorded game in 1892 to encompass parts of three centuries and five national championships.Wittenberg also boasts more wins than any other Division II or III – Ryan Maurer team. ■

## Celebrating 100 Years Of Men's Basketball Excellence

o men's basketball Head Coach Bill Brown '73, Homecoming 2011 meant more than quick visits with alumni. It meant an epic reunion that welcomed hundreds of members of his program's tight-knit fraternity back to campus.

He was humbled to host an event, which reunited 150 alumni and their family members and offered the rare opportunity to interact with four of the program's five living head coaches.

"What an outstanding weekend it was for all those able to return," said Brown, who has compiled a 397-114 record since taking the helm in 1993. "

During the 2011-12 school year, Wittenberg is celebrating 100 years of recorded men's basketball history. Considering that Wittenberg stands atop the NCAA Division III list of alltime victories, has not had a losing men's basketball record in more than half a century and holds national records for NCAA Division III Tournament appearances and Final Four berths, celebrating 100 years means recognizing a great number

of individuals and teams.

Alumni who returned spanned seven decades of graduating classes.

The celebration kicked off Friday with a golf outing and continued that night with stories and camaraderie. The next morning, a banquet took place that included introductions of all the alumni present

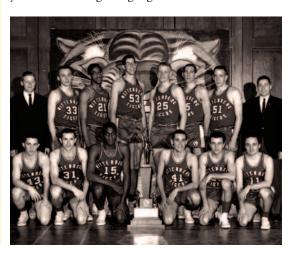


by each of their coaches, including a DVD presentation by Dan Hipsher, who was unable to attend due to his responsibilities as an assistant coach at the University of Alabama. Dana Mears, widow of late Ray Mears, was also on hand.

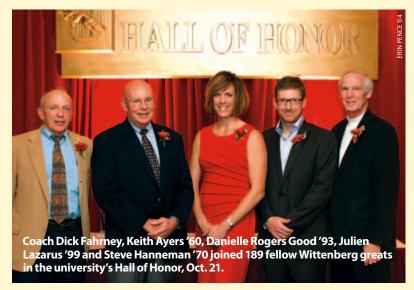
"Many a basketball alum remarked how consistent a theme each of the five head coaches had for the staples of success of

> their program, with those being the concepts of 'team' and 'tradition'," Brown said. "The milestones of 100 years of Wittenberg basketball and the 50th anniversary of the 1961 NCAA College Division national championship team were the perfect catalyst for so many former Tiger players, family members and friends to return."





## Hall of Honor Inductees Recognized



## Tigers Make Most Of Preseason Training Trips

Wittenberg has an official Tiger GA<sup>2</sup>ME Plan for its student-athletes, and it starts with global experiences, which recent training trips epitomized.

Men's soccer, women's soccer, men's basketball and women's basketball all participated in preseason training trips in 2011 outside the United States. Along the way, the studentathletes gained as much from an educational standpoint as they did from an athletic one.

"The overseas trip provides an opportunity to use sports as a way to exchange cultural experiences," said women's basketball Head Coach Sarah Jurewicz '98, who took her team to Italy in August. "It's also a way to reward team members for all of their hard work. Few student-athletes have the chance to study abroad because of the length of our seasons and the demands on their time, so this travel experience is important for their educational experience at Wittenberg."

In the case of women's soccer, the trip to Belgium, France and The Netherlands in August was the third preseason training excursion since 2005. It has been estimated that of the more than 75 student-athletes and trainers who have participated in the three trips, it was the first international experience for nearly 90 percent of them.

The men's soccer team traveled to England in August, playing top competition, training at an English Premier League (EPL) facility with an academy coach affiliated with Everton Football Club, attending matches involving four different EPL teams and visiting famed landmarks. It was the third time Head Coach Steve Dawson led a preseason training trip back to his native country.

"The trip was a fantastic experience for our players and some parents," Dawson said. "We were able to immerse ourselves in a traditional soccer culture by playing local

opposition. Also, we gained an historical perspective by visiting famous sites, such as Stratford-Upon-Avon, Conway Castle and Chester."

The men's basketball team waited until fall break in October to make use of its passports. Head Coach Bill Brown organized a whirlwind trip to Canada that included four games and sightseeing opportunities in and around Toronto. ■ – Ryan Maurer



## **New Head Coaches Join Athletics Staff**

The Department of Athletics and Recreation recently welcomed Kwame Lloyd as the new women's soccer head coach and Beth Hemminger as the new women's lacrosse head coach.

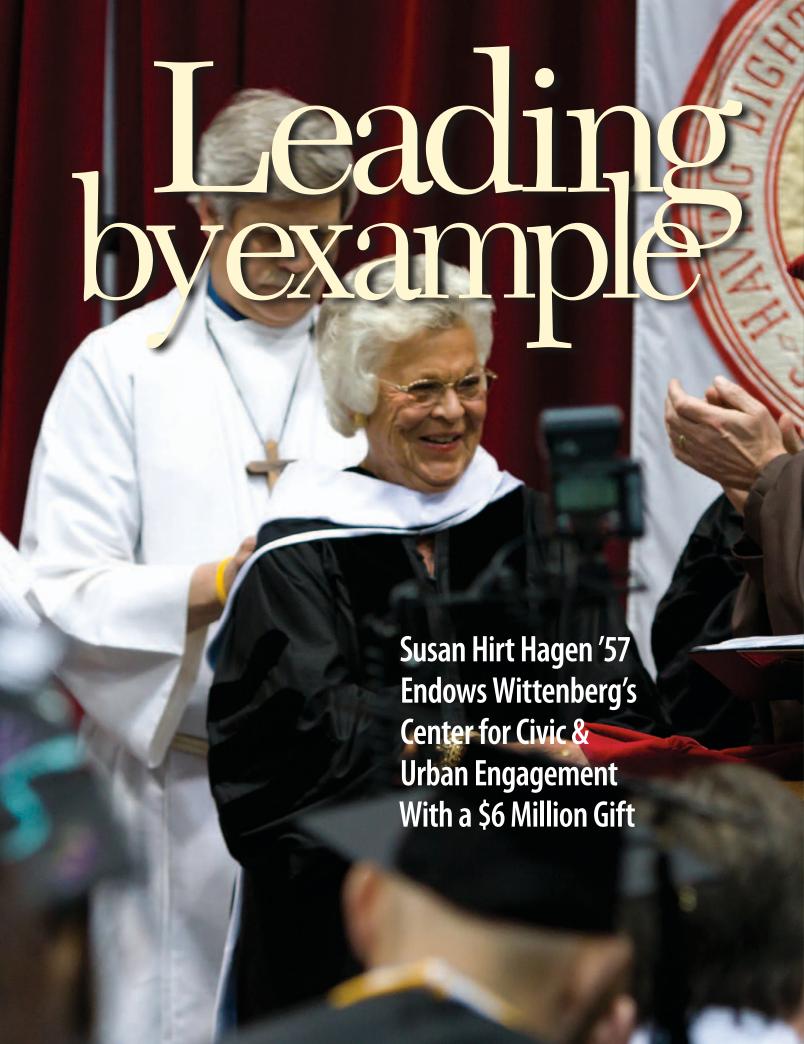
Lloyd replaced Norm Riker, who resigned in May to take the same position at Connecticut College, near his hometown of Block Island, R.I. Hemminger replaced Nichole Johnson, who also resigned in May and has since accepted the same position at Savannah College of Art & Design.

Lloyd came to Wittenberg after serving briefly as an assistant coach at Gardner Webb, where he was responsible for coordinating recruiting activities and evaluating prospective student-athletes. A 1993 graduate of Susquehanna, where he was a standout in both soccer and track before playing a year of professional



soccer, Lloyd accumulated a career record of 114-106-16 in coaching stops at Susquehanna, Whittier, Christopher Newport and Vermont between 1994 and 2010.

Hemminger came to Wittenberg after a pair of assistant coaching stints at the University of New Haven and a year as the head coach at St. Anne's School in Annapolis, Md. She is a 2004 graduate of Wooster, where she was a record-breaking soccer and lacrosse standout. Hemminger earned four All-North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) awards in soccer while rewriting the Wooster and NCAC lacrosse record books. She was the 2003 NCAC Player of the Year and a three-time All-American in lacrosse.





## by Gabrielle Antoniadis photos by Erin Pence '04

Meeting a 13-yearold girl about to have her second baby years ago shocked Susan Hirt Hagen into an awareness of an entrenched societal problem – and it helped shape her lifelong passion to help young people succeed.

It was just one of many similar experiences Hagen had working as a social worker at Cuyahoga County Child Welfare in Cleveland, Ohio, but this one stuck with her. Told to take the girl to juvenile court and get her married, Hagen remembers the despair she felt:

"I wondered what kind of a future she and her child would have. And I clearly saw how so many problems in society from drug abuse to welfare dependency to school dropout rates - stemmed from teen pregnancy."

As she sent that young girl off, she felt that two lives were doomed. And ever since then, she has made it her mission to do something about it.

"I saw a world at Child Welfare that you wouldn't normally see unless you were involved in it, and it changed my perspective," she says.

Her volunteerism since then has also given her a unique view of the challenges that communities face. She has sat on numerous boards, directs her own philanthropy and served as the first female chairwoman of the United Way in Erie County, Pa.

**During Wittenberg's Commencement** in May, Susan Hirt Hagen received an honorary doctorate from her alma mater.



## "All of the Center's focus areas – from greening the city to the afterschool programs that help

"I see so many requests that have to do with children at risk. It's really frightening that we have so many children that can either go in a positive direction or a negative one," she says. "I will do everything I can to help them choose a positive path."

Hagen's keen understanding of the issues she cares about is obvious, and she carefully chooses where to direct her support. For more than 40 years, she has worked hard to improve the lives of residents in her Erie, Pa., community, garnering a host of awards

and commendations recognizing her outstanding contributions to positively impact youth. And today, she says, with federal and state agency budgets being cut to the bone, there is an even greater need for her and others to step up and contribute.

Hagen comes from a long line of Wittenbergers, who have made a difference. Her father, H.O. Hirt '11, brother, F. William Hirt '47, several cousins and daughter, Sarah Hagen McWilliams '88, have all made their mark on the school. The family

commitment both to service and to Wittenberg runs deep: the H.O. Hirt Endowed Chair in history is named after her father; Susan herself is an emerita member of the Wittenberg Board of Directors, and Sarah is a current member of the university's Board. Hagen's recent \$6 million gift to endow Wittenberg's Center for Civic & Urban Engagement is a particularly striking example of her passion for giving back. Not only is it the largest cash gift ever received by a living alum at Wittenberg, but by supporting



## **A Distinguished Career**

Susan Hirt Hagen's commitment to service could fill several pages, but a few highlights include:

- The first female chairperson of the Erie County United Way and only the second woman to receive their prestigious "Alexis de Tocqueville Award" for a lifetime of community
- A trustee of the Erie Community Foundation and recipient of their Edward C. Doll Award for community service
- First female board of the Erie Indemnity Company, where she has served for 31 years
- "Distinguished Citizen of the Commonwealth Award" from The Pennsylvania Society
- For her more than 10-year commitment to reduce teenage pregnancy and help youth at risk, the Pennsylvania State University Trustees named the Susan Hirt Hagen Center for Organizational Research and Evaluation at Penn State, Behrend
- First "Woman of the Year" for community service from the Erie Zonta
- "Award for Community Service" from the Junior League of Erie

Far left: The university formally dedicated the Hagen Center on Oct. 28.

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the Center's core operations, the gift helps ensure the long-term success of the Center.

"All of the Center's focus areas – from greening the city to the afterschool programs that help address teen pregnancy - are contributing to making the city and county a better place to live," she says.

Behind this strong, dedicated and hard-working woman is a sincere humility - and a bit of mischievous humor as well. Speaking about her days at Wittenberg, she remembers

wonderful friendships, the intimate feel of the campus and lots of schoolwork. But it wasn't all work: she also has fond memories of a certain secret society.

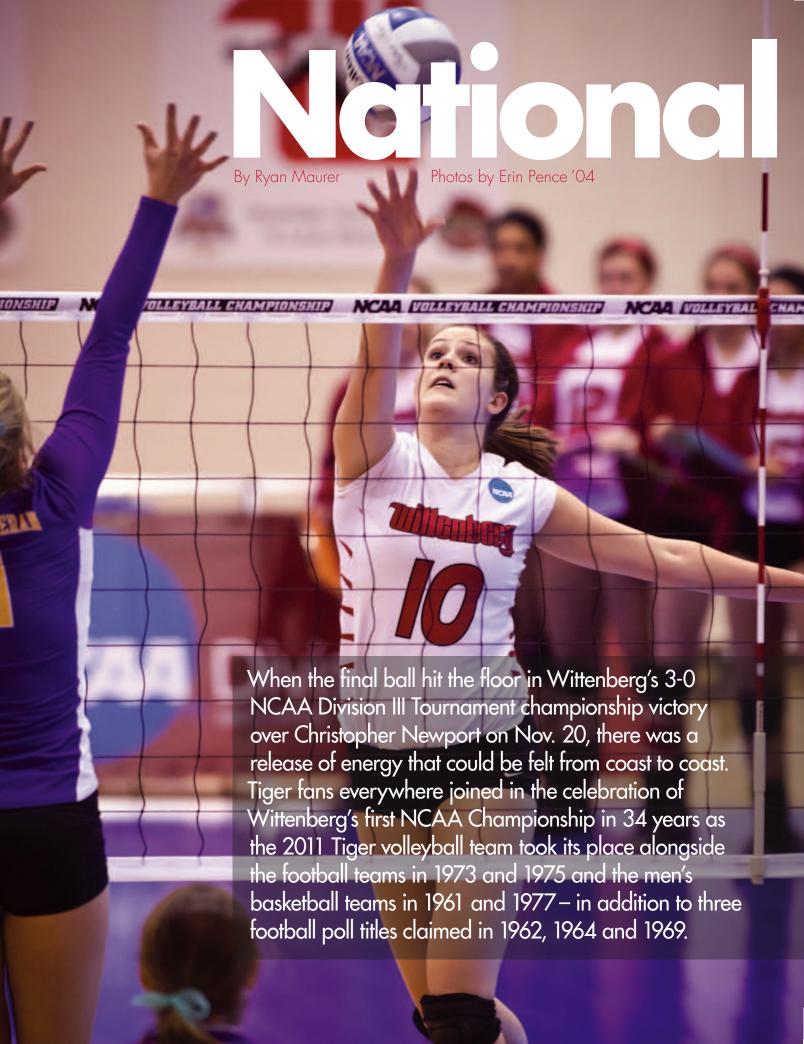
"I worked hard, I studied hard, and I played hard," she says with a hearty laugh.

Hagen brushes off discussion of the many awards for community service she has received over the years, saying that she feels she owes work and service to others. And she is quick to give credit where credit is due: "It's

the organizations that actually get the work done."

Hagen's gift to Wittenberg is only one part of her significant legacy of service - a legacy born of her conviction that giving back is not only the right thing to do, but also a personally fulfilling experience.

"There is much work to be done to help people," she says. "I have been very fortunate in my life, and I get great satisfaction out of contributing to the betterment of individuals and organizations, and in turn, to society."



## Champions

## The Tigers lost just one set in six matches en route

to one of the most dominating NCAA Division III Tournament titles in history. Wittenberg became the first Ohio school to win an NCAA women's volleyball championship – regardless of division. And Christine Simpson '12, Christina Gilene '13 and Kimmie Dyer' 12 were awarded spots on the all-tournament team, with Dyer adding Tournament Most Outstanding Player honors.

"Typically, national championship teams feature first-team All-Americans and National Players of the Year, but our team in 2011 was the epitome of the word 'team,'" said Head Coach Paco Labrador. "We had three players earn All-America awards, but this title was the product of a collective effort. Every player on the roster made a significant contribution."

The road to the championship match was a three-week whirlwind, starting with a sweep of North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) rivals Wooster and Hiram to win the NCAC Tournament and advance to the 16th straight NCAA Division III Tournament. It was Wittenberg's fifth straight NCAC Tournament title and 17th since joining the league in 1989 after the Tigers posted a perfect 16-0 NCAC regular season record to earn their sixth straight crown and 17th all-time.

The Tigers were rewarded with a trip to the most challenging regional of the 64-team tournament, hosted by defending national champion Calvin, which had knocked the Tigers out of the national tournament in 2009 and 2010. The Knights entered the 2011 NCAA Division III Tournament ranked No. 1 and unbeaten, including a 3-2 heartstopper over Wittenberg on Sept. 16 in Springfield.

The Tigers were more than up to the task, sweeping Rose-Hulman and 13th-ranked Heidelberg before stunning Calvin,



3-1 – ironically the same score of the 2010 regional title match won by the Knights at Wittenberg. By the end of the weekend, the top three teams in the national rankings had fallen, guaranteeing a first-time national champion as eight teams converged on St. Louis, Mo., for the national quarterfinals at Washington University.

Along with the opportunity to compete for one of the NCAA's famed Walnut & Bronze trophies, a berth in the national quarterfinals brought plenty of other activities and events, starting with a community service project at Good Shepherd Children and Family Services in St. Louis. The Wittenberg contingent put the "E" in Tiger GAME Plan, "engaging" in their community service the only way they know how. Assigned simply to paint a few walls, Tiger students, coaches and administrators moved outside to rake leaves and prepare flowerbeds.

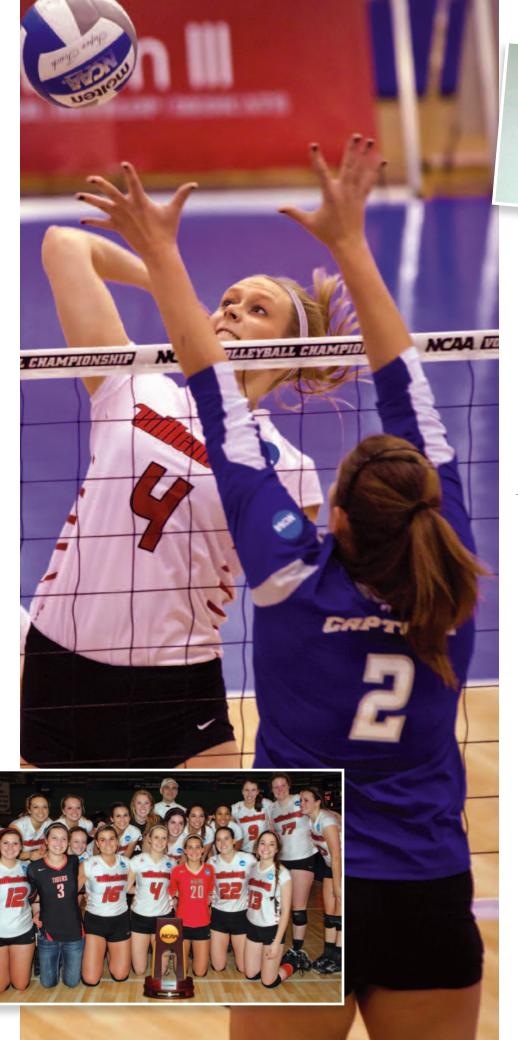
Later that day, Dyer and Hannah Riley '12 spoke at the annual All-America banquet and represented their teammates, coaches and university beautifully. They spoke succinctly but eloquently about the meaning of teamwork and the sense of perspective the team had in light of illnesses suffered by a pair of teammates, Hillary Monnin '12 and Hillary Hassink '13.

Back on the court, the Tigers continued to sharpen their focus, making short work of 17th-ranked California Lutheran and fourth-ranked Eastern by matching 3-0 scores to reach the first NCAA Division III Tournament title match in program history. That set the stage for the national championship match and the Tigers'  $33^{rd}$  3-0 sweep of the 2011 season.

"We went out on that court in St. Louis knowing that we had so much support from Wittenberg fans around the country, and especially back here on our campus," Labrador said shortly after saluting the Tiger fans who welcomed the team home at a celebration in the HPER Center on Nov. 21. "We could literally feel the cheers from our fans as they watched the matches, especially the large crowds assembled in Founders. It meant so much to every player and every coach on this team to know that the entire Wittenberg community was supporting us."







## **National Coach** Of The Year

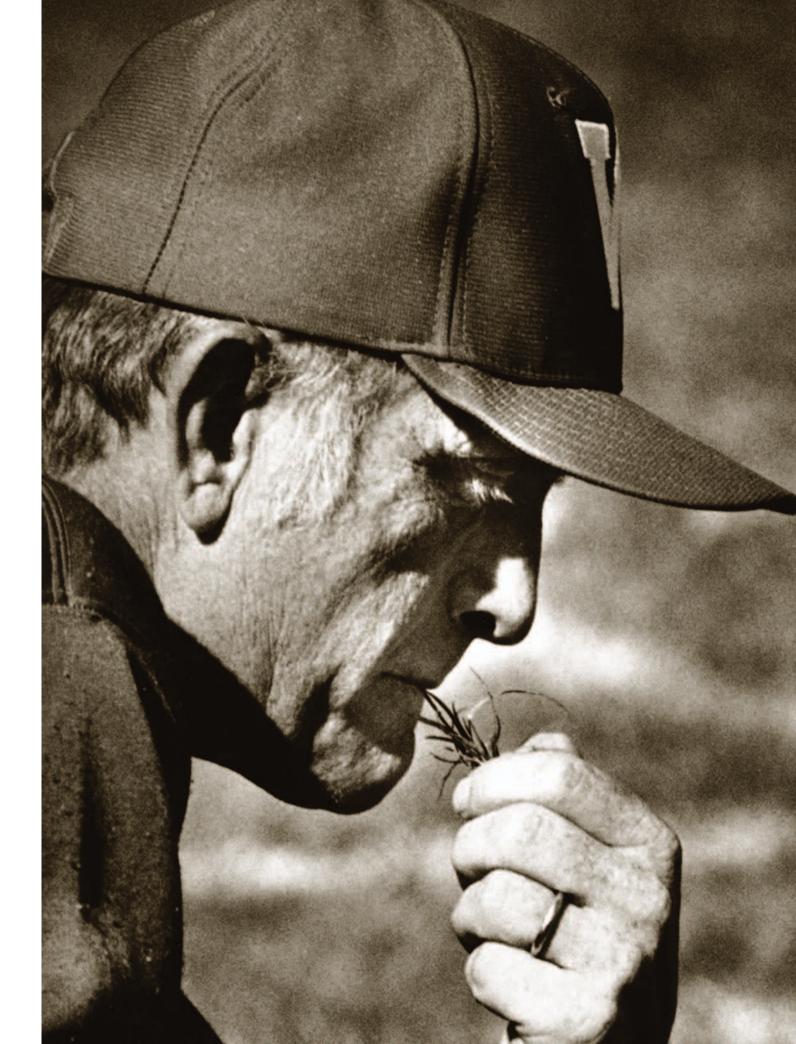
After leading the Wittenberg Tigers to their first NCAA Division III volleyball championship, Head Coach Paco Labrador was named 2011 National Coach of the Year by the American Volleyball Coaches Association.

A 1995 graduate of Hiram, Labrador has compiled a 296-41 record at Wittenberg, making him the program's leader in coaching wins and winning percentage. He entered the 2011 season ranked second among active NCAA Division III coaches with an .872 winning percentage - which he subsequently improved to .878 by the end of the campaign.

Along the way in 2011, Wittenberg won its 17th North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) regular season and tournament championships. The Tigers have won eight NCAC regular season and eight NCAC Tournament titles in Labrador's nine years at the helm.

Wittenberg has qualified for the NCAA Division III Tournament in each of Labrador's nine seasons while winning at least 24 matches each year. The Tigers have reached the regional championship match in seven of his nine seasons and the national semifinals four times as Labrador has compiled a national tournament record of 24-8.

In 2011, Labrador earned his fourth NCAC Coach of the Year award to go along with NCAA Division III Great Lakes Coach of the Year honors in 2004 and 2007. Under his tutelage, 12 different players have earned a total of 18 All-America awards, including 2011 honorees Kimmie Dyer '12, Christina Gilene '13 and Katie Sumner '12.



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A fierce competitor with a drive for perfection, F. Davis "Davey" Maurer was more than a coach, administrator or professor during his 40 years at Wittenberg. He meant the world to the young people he mentored teachina, encouraging and inspiring them in unprecedented ways. Upon learning of his passing on July 30,2011, at the age of 79, former players, friends and colleagues came together to celebrate his legacy, where winning in life

by Ryan Maurer & Karen Gerboth

defined each day.

One of the most beloved Wittenberg leaders and mentors in the illustrious history of the university's varsity athletics program, F. Davis "Davey" Maurer could also have been called an award-winning storyteller. This is especially true among the nearly 1,450 student-athletes he guided during his 40 years (1955-95) as an administrator in the Department of Athletics, as a professor of health, fitness and sport, and, most notably, as a coach for the Tiger football, swimming, track and field, and golf teams.

"He was a great people person, and a tremendous storyteller," recalled his friend Bob Hamilton '63 during a sspecial memorial service for Maurer, Aug. 3, in the Pam Evans Smith Arena. "He may have had the most skills in the most areas in terms of teaching, leading people, listening and telling stories.

"Going to Forbes Field to watch baseball growing up. Describing Bill Edwards' first day of practice in his golf shoes. Telling Woody Hayes to hire Gary Tranquil [class of 1962]. Visiting Chip in Las Vegas. How many times have we heard the cross wide-angle for the touchdown?" Hamilton reminisced.

"There is not a day that goes by that Davey Maurer doesn't somehow influence my life," added Roger Parker '73 in an online tribute. "Davey Maurer, outside my father, is the greatest man I have ever known. I have truly been blessed by him, his coaches, and the players that he coached with me. If anyone has taught us at Wittenberg to 'Pass The Light,' it was Coach."

"Coach Maurer, to so many, whether a football player or not, was larger than life, seemingly immortal, and possessing a passion for Wittenberg athletics like no other," said Mike Senich '72. "He knew all of us in his days. How he did that I'll never

"Playing tennis throughout my years, I didn't think for a minute that he even knew who I was

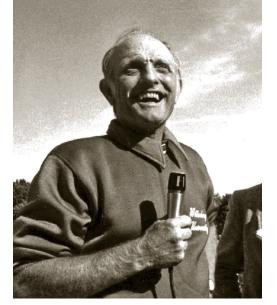
or where the tennis courts were, for that matter," Senich continued. "A few days after winning the Ohio Athletic Conference No. 1 singles championship, I received a handwritten note from Davey congratulating me on my accomplishment and for having the spirit of a Tiger. To say I was stunned is more than an understatement. Davey was, and always will be, the embodiment of the Tiger spirit."

Maurer's work on the football sidelines, first as an offensive assistant from 1955 to 1968 and later as head coach from 1969 to 1983, earned Maurer his greatest accolades, including a National College Football Hall of Fame induction in 1991,

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Wittenberg fans paid tribute to Davey Maurer during Homecoming 2011. His daughter, Tracy, served as an honorary captain during the pre-game coin toss before a special presentation recognizing Maurer's contributions to the university.

Former players and friends helped to establish the Dave Maurer Honorary Scholarship in 2008. Cameron Walton '13 and Seth Parker '12 are the latest Maurer Scholars.

the first "true" NCAA Division III coach to garner such recognition. Maurer posted a career record of 129-23-3, good for an astounding .842 winning percentage, best among active coaches at that time. His Tiger teams went undefeated three times and won seven Ohio Athletic Conference (OAC) championships in his 15 seasons as head coach, to go along with seven OAC crowns during his years as an assistant coach.

"Dave Maurer invented Division III football," said Steve Drongowski '74 during the memorial service. "There was no such thing until he succeeded Bull Edwards."

The attention to detail that drove Maurer to 19 straight wins to start his head coaching career, NCAA Division III Tournament championships in 1973 and 1975, and national runner-up finishes in 1978 and 1979, spilled over to everything he did and everyone he touched at Wittenberg.

"He admitted that he was 'assigned' [to coach swimming] without any credentials. But as the song lyric goes, 'by your students, you'll be taught," said Gil Belles '62. "Every year that I was associated with the swimming team, there were always several top-tier members who had the technical expertise to improve everyone else. And Davey was brilliant enough to absorb their suggestions, process them for the team, and grow into a compassionate and dedicated coach.

"He was an inspiration for the entire team, motivating each swimmer to improve and fulfill his personal aspirations," Belles added. "I thought of Davey many times as I muddled through some coaching experiences over the past decades. And I was able to thank him a couple of years ago. I was astonished at his vivid, snapshot-like memories of specific swimming meets and often individual events that occurred 50 years ago."

A native of Duquesne, Pa., and a 1954 graduate of Denison University, where he excelled at quarterback for the Big Red, Maurer had a knack for getting the

most out of the players he coached and the students he taught at Wittenberg. He was all about team, and he cared deeply for the individuals involved in the teams he led.

"As a freshman quarterback in 1967, Coach Maurer taught me the tenacity of winning, of perfection, of execution and of life," said Rocky Alt '71. "I was intimidated by his coaching but loved his toughness. As a player for him, I admired his passion and dedication to the game. He was relentless in his desire and his preparation."

His players also consistently describe him as a brilliant tactician who taught them to work hard, persevere and believe in themselves.

"He was a man's man, a true father image, tough and demanding, yet compassionate and loving," Alt said. "I am a better person for him having coached me. I will never forget him!"

"Much of the personal success I've enjoyed is a reflection of his work ethic and that constant drive to be at your best when your best is needed," added Jake Kreilick'83. "I lost seven games in four years, played on a runner-up national championship team, won two OAC conference championships and made the All-OAC team as an offensive guard my senior year due to his leadership. Ultimately, his intensity and his dedication to the cause - no matter what he chose to pursue – are the two values he instilled in me and for that I am forever grateful."

"He wasn't a coach; he was flat-out the best teacher we ever had," Drongowski said. "Dave's lessons didn't have a clock on them. He taught all the time, all year, wherever he went and whenever he could."

"It is the duty of all of us, as he would instruct us," Hamilton added, "to pass it on." ■

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Mike Senich '72



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From the corporate world to Wittenberg's newest board chair, businessman and alumnus David L. Boyle '69 takes time for an old-fashioned Q&A.



Mr. Boyle, you have a longstanding connection to Wittenberg, having graduated in 1969 and having served on the university's Board of Directors for eight years. From your vantage point as the Board's new chair, why should prospective students and their families consider Wittenberg?

Throughout its history, Wittenberg has provided a high-quality education for students, both in and outside the classroom. Wittenberg is genuinely committed to developing the whole person and offers a learning environment where students can discover their passions and develop skills and capabilities that will serve them well in meeting the challenges and opportunities that life presents. While learning is largely an individual matter, the environment provided is critical to stimulate one's interests and motivate them to pursue a lifetime of learning. Wittenberg has always been blessed by having outstanding faculty, coaches and staff who truly take an interest in students,

as individuals, and teach lifelong lessons. One cannot place a value on that, and it is one of the factors that truly distinguishes Wittenberg from many other colleges.

Wittenberg professors have earned more "Ohio Professor of the Year" awards than any other four-year school in the state. That is a remarkable achievement considering all the good private and public schools in Ohio and speaks volumes about the quality of our faculty. Similarly, Wittenberg has three football coaches and one basketball coach in the National College Hall of Fame. No other Division III school comes close, and most have none. Suffice it to say that Wittenberg's teachers, both in the classroom and athletic venues, continue to be among the finest in the country.

Our alumni magazine often includes profiles of distinguished Wittenberg alumni across all generations and career fields. Can you briefly share a little bit about yourself - why you chose Wittenberg as an undergraduate, what your major was and why, what activities had the most impact on you as a student, and what effect has your Wittenberg education had on you personally and professionally?

I chose Wittenberg because of its storied athletics tradition, excellent academic reputation and beautiful campus. I grew up in Louisville, Ohio, a small town near Canton. One of my high school football coaches was a Wittenberg grad and former Tiger football player, and all he talked about was Wittenberg and Bull Edwards.

When I visited the campus and spoke with people, I fell in love with the place. What was there not to like? The only other school I seriously considered was Davidson. I wanted to go to a liberal arts college to receive a good education and be able to continue to participate in sports. At that time, I had no idea what I wanted to pursue in terms of a career. My father wanted me to major in math, but I was not sure that I wanted to become a teacher, even though both of my parents were educators as well as many of my aunts and uncles.

During my sophomore year, I took a money and banking course from Robert Shultz and found it fascinating. The first term of my junior year, I took an accounting course from Woody Wilson



and liked it, which prompted me to take his advanced course. Next, I took an investments course from Ray Diggle, despite many people telling me that I was crazy because he was one of the most demanding professors on campus. They were right! After his first class, only six of us had the courage to show up for

his second class from an original group of about 15. However, I persevered and learned much from him, not only in that class but several others in marketing and corporate finance. So, I discovered my passion for business through Robert Shultz, Woody Wilson and Raymond Diggle, and graduated with a B.S. in business administration, much to my father's consternation!

I also have very fond memories of my time playing basketball and being a member of Phi Mu Delta fraternity. My basketball career was cut short by a recurring knee injury suffered in high school, but I learned a lot from Coach Bobby Hamilton. The same is true of my Phi Mu brothers, many of whom I have remained in contact with over the years. There were lifelong lessons learned in that fraternity house, and some that best be forgotten! Wittenberg helped prepare me for the rigors of the MBA program at Ohio State and eventually a career in finance and business in New York. From a personal standpoint, I developed many wonderful and lasting friendships at Wittenberg, the most significant of which is my wife, Susan, whom I met during my sophomore year. The fact that she has been able to put up with me for over 40 years says a lot about Wittenberg's ability to prepare its students to meet life's many challenges! Susan also benefited significantly from her Wittenberg education and enjoyed a very successful career as a management consultant with McKinsey and later as an

## You are taking on the leadership of the Board at an interesting and challenging time in the university's history. In your mind, what are the most important issues the Board must focus on during your tenure as chair?

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These are interesting and challenging times not only at Wittenberg but at many liberal arts colleges, especially in Ohio and the Midwest. Clearly, the most important issue facing Wittenberg relates to our financial well-being. We also need to strengthen the board's governance and stewardship of the university, create a differentiated and valued brand in the marketplace, increase our enrollment, expand and grow our fundraising

capabilities, and reengage alumni and friends of the university. Finally, we need to successfully complete the search for a new president.

Much has been accomplished during President Erickson's tenure, and we need to build on those successes to take Wittenberg to the next level. We have a presidential search committee in place that is working with a top search firm to identify suitable candidates. The committee is comprised of members of the board, faculty, students, staff and alumni, and also has representation from the Lutheran Church and Springfield community. It is a great group of people that I am confident will do an excellent job of sorting through the candidates to identify those individuals who have the requisite skills and experience to move Wittenberg forward.

While there has been considerable improvement in board governance and stewardship over the years, more needs to be done to ensure that the board is focused on key issues and working with administration and faculty to successfully resolve them. The roots of our governance issues go back many years to when the board was comprised of more than 70 directors. Today, we have 26 members, which is a much more manageable size to get things done effectively and efficiently, especially with our new committee structure. Herding cats is probably easier than trying to lead a board of 70-plus individuals!

In terms of branding, Wittenberg's brand is not well-defined or highly recognized. We compete against schools with much stronger brands, even though the quality of a Wittenberg education is on a par with theirs. We have to change that and be able to clearly and succinctly answer the question "Why Wittenberg?" to prospective students, their parents, coaches, college guidance counselors and the media. It is more of a marketing challenge than a product issue, although we also have to ensure that our curriculum is responsive to the changing needs of today's students. The lifeblood of any college is enrollment and fundraising. Without the resources provided by both, Wittenberg cannot compete effectively and do the things necessary to ensure that

future generations of students receive the same opportunity that I and others had.

As for our alumni base, we need to "relight the Torch" in the hearts and minds of so many who benefited from their Wittenberg experience. It is about giving back so others will have the same opportunities to discover their passions at this special place. We need to identify meaningful ways to reengage them, and while financial contributions are critical to our future success, there are many other ways to give back. Some of these include recruiting students, hosting alumni gatherings, serving as ambassadors to the university, sharing stories about our rich heritage and traditions, teaching a seminar or serving on one of our boards. It is time to "Tiger Up" for many generations of Wittenberg grads who owe so much to this place.

A number of our faculty and staff members are currently reading Liberal Arts at the Brink by Victor E. Ferrall Jr., president emeritus of Beloit College who was trained in economics and law. Amazon describes the book as a "wakeup call for everyone who values liberal arts." What are the challenges for liberal arts colleges today and what do those challenges mean for Wittenberg?

I have read the book and believe Ferrall accurately describes the collective challenges facing liberal arts colleges today. When I went to college, the prevailing wisdom was that to receive a good education, one had to attend a private liberal arts college rather than a state school. That is no longer the case, as there are outstanding public universities in Ohio and elsewhere. In effect, liberal arts colleges charge a premium for a product the public perceives to be available elsewhere at significantly reduced prices. The situation has been exacerbated by a peaking in the number of college-age students following the "Baby Boom" generation and a difficult job market where employers place a premium on vocational skills.

Large companies use to hire thousands of talented liberal arts graduates each year, put them through extensive training programs and then assign them to a functional area to develop specialized skills and knowledge. This is how I and many others moved up the organizational



ladder. However, that is no longer the situation as companies have learned that it often does not pay to invest in training freshly minted liberal arts graduates, only to see them leave in a year or two for graduate school or another job. As a result, the demand for a liberal arts education is not as great as it once was as many employers have adopted short-term mindsets and are seeking graduates with specific knowledge bases in engineering, math, science or technology.

What that means for Wittenberg and schools like us is that we have to do a much better job of demonstrating to current and prospective students and their parents the value of a liberal arts education in terms of developing strong comprehension, problem-solving and communications skills. These skills are still in high demand by employers, and we simply have to do a better job of presenting our case. I believe strongly in the benefits of a liberal arts education and feel it is even more important today given the rapidly changing global world in which we live. I still remember sitting in Eugene Swanger's East Asian religion class my freshman year wondering why I was there and how I would ever benefit from what was being taught. Little did I know that much of what I learned in that class would benefit me in future business dealings in Asia, which goes to the heart of the value of liberal arts education.

Vocational training prepares one to perform jobs that exist today, ones that will not necessarily be around 5-10 years from now. And, there will be new jobs created in the future that do not exist today, which should increase the value of a liberal arts education. There should be a premium placed on reasoning, problem analysis and communications

skills because of the increasingly rapid pace of technological and social change. However, the sad reality is that many people have difficulty looking very far into the future and therefore are not willing to make a longer-term investment.

The challenge for Wittenberg is to accelerate the work already started to develop a curriculum that provides students with the solid underpinnings of a liberal arts education, while at the same time enables them to concentrate in fields of study that are in demand by the marketplace. However, I do not view this as a radical departure from what Wittenberg has always done, but rather adapting to changes in demand and increasing the interdisciplinary structure of our curriculum. Wittenberg has produced many outstanding education and business majors over the years, but those fields of study are not considered liberal arts in a traditional sense. We must continue to evolve or Wittenberg will not be around in 15-20 years.

## In addition to serving as chair of the Board, you are also leading the search for Wittenberg's 14th president. What are yours and the search committee's expectations of the candidates and campus community as the search process unfolds?

The search committee is looking for candidates with proven leadership skills, relevant experience and business acumen, as well as an appreciation for the value of a liberal arts-based education and a firm understanding of Wittenberg's traditions, heritage and culture. The latter can be acquired, but the leadership skills, relevant experience and business acumen have to be proven. In addition to sitting college presidents, we will also consider provosts, deans of colleges and others with proven management experience who have a strong interest in the educational field. Based upon campus interviews conducted by our search firm this summer with various constituencies, I believe the campus community understands the challenges facing us and the need to make changes, and will be highly supportive of our new president.

Mr. Boyle, our motto, as you know, is "Having light we pass it on to others." What does that mean to you, and how do you hope the campus community, our

## alumni and our friends embody it even more in the coming years?

I love our motto because it captures the essence of Wittenberg. Learning is about sharing what one knows in ways that will help others to grow and develop. The light, as exemplified by the torch, gets passed on in many ways at Wittenberg. Light gets passed on by faculty, coaches, staff, students, alumni, friends and occasionally even by board members! Similar to many other schools, Wittenberg is facing serious challenges, but I am confident that by working together as a community and passing on whatever light we have to others, the torch will not only continue to glow but burn ever more brightly for all Wittenbergers.

Everyone needs to contribute to the effort ahead, however best they can. For those alumni of my generation, I ask that they reflect on all that Wittenberg did for them and then think about what they have done in return for Wittenberg. There is too much history and tradition, too many accomplishments, too many dedicated and wonderful people who influenced our lives in positive ways to turn our backs or simply look the other way. Now is the time to step up and pass on the light by giving back to that "school up on the hill."

## Members of the university's Board can serve up to a maximum of four 3-year terms or a total of 12 years of consecutive service. Looking ahead, your service will conclude in 2015. If you could write the chapter on Wittenberg from 2011-2015, how do you hope it will read?

I would hope it would read that this was the period when the entire Wittenberg community came together to enthusiastically address our issues and put into place the foundations to move us forward with clarity and purpose. It was a period when we clarified our mission, developed and executed a successful strategy, stabilized our finances, reengaged and reenergized our alumni base, and began to realize our potential as a great liberal arts institution. As for me personally, my only wish is that the chapter will read David Boyle made a difference and inspired many others to also make a difference.





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edu or 937-327-6374.

"Service is ingrained in our mission; it's what we do," said Linda Beals '87, director of alumni relations. "We were excited to offer this opportunity for one lucky city, which in this case was Houston."

Working with area alumni in conjunction with Wittenberg's Office of Community Service, the students will work with Habitat for Humanity and sponsor an activity day for children in the Texas Children's Cancer and Hematology Center.

## **Alumni Board Welcomes Three New Members**







Scott Strawn '76, Lawrence W. James '78 and Shakeer Abdullah '99 recently joined the Wittenberg University Alumni Board, which represents the interests of more than 26,000 living alumni.

A self-employed CPA who provides business advisory services for small businesses and individuals, Strawn worked for Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Co. (now KPMG) and for Reliance Electric/Rockwell Automation before launching his own firm. Strawn has served his alma mater in significant ways, including as a founding member of the Parents Leadership Council and as a

volunteer at college fairs in the Cleveland area. In addition, Strawn is a member of the university's Benjamin Prince Society (BPS) and currently serves as vice president of the Cleveland-area Wittenberg Alumni Association Chapter. An active member of his church, Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Chagrin Falls, Ohio, Strawn, a business management major at Wittenberg, is an Eagle Scout and a member of the executive board of the Greater Cleveland Council of the Boy Scouts. More than 20 members of his family have attended Wittenberg, including wife, Carol Pfiefer Strawn '75, and son, John '07.

## James is the Senior Director of Community Relations at the Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, having previously served as president & CEO of the Center for Multicultural Competence in Healthcare Organizations. James is also the principal consultant of L.W. James & Associates, LLC, a healthcare strategic marketing firm. James received his B.A. in business administration and his master's degree in management from the J.L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management at Northwestern University in 1980. He resides in Cincinnati, Ohio, with his wife Dr. Adrienne James '75, superintendent for the Sycamore Community School District. They have two grown sons.

Abdullah is the director of the Multicultural Center at Auburn University. Additionally, he advises student organizations, has taught courses at Auburn and has served on a number of campus committees. Prior to Auburn he was director of multicultural affairs at Capital University Law School, charged with facilitating the success of students of color at the law school and supporting students with disabilities, and he worked at The Ohio State University as the coordinator of new diversity initiatives in the Multicultural Center. He earned his B.A. in business management, his M.A. in higher education from OSU and is currently completing a Ph.D. in higher education administration at Auburn. He and his wife Alida have three young children.

## Go On the Road With The Ohio Professor of the Year



From January-March 2012, alumni in eight cities will have the opportunity to hear from the dynamic Dan Fleisch, Wittenberg professor of physics and the 2010 Ohio Professor of the Year, during a special tour.

Called a "master scientific communicator" by Electronic Design

Magazine, Fleisch is a best-selling author who daily inspires students to explore science. Go inside Einstein's unexpected universe with Fleisch as he discusses curved spacetime and black holes, and answers any and all questions relative to his field of expertise.

For more information on the upcoming tour, visit www.wittenberg.edu/alumni or call Linda Beals '87, director of alumni relations at 937-327-6374.





## **'35**

## Charles H. Benner,

Cincinnati, Ohio, was inducted as an honorary member of the Monroe Local Schools Academic Hall of Fame for his contribution to the school district. He arranged music and wrote the fight song, which is still in use today. He also composed the musical arrangements for the alma mater.

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E. Dale Click received a Distinguished Alumni Award for his ministry in evangelism and for his role as architect of The Lutheran Evangelism Mission, ULCA from Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus, Ohio.

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## Grace Adolphsen Brame

of Wilmington, Del., has informed us of her latest concert and book. The concert, "Jesus' Journey (and Ours)," is based on beloved spirituals and folk songs. The book's title is The Cross: Payment or Gift? Rethinking the Death of Jesus.

Robert C. and Mary Pancake Lynch live in Punta Gorda, Fla. Robert retired as principal of North High School with the Springfield City Schools in Ohio.



Alpha Xi Delta sisters from the class of 1965 reunited in Southfield, Mich. They included, first row, Pati Crowe Schetzina, Linda Dion Koch, Helen Angelas Kuritz, Donna Dudley Rowe, Jan Albert Waltonen, Pam Torraco; second row, Mariana Michener Oonk, Sandy Goodelle White, Marg Holderle; third row, Mary Lou Milliron Hudtloff, Lois Hayward Mann, Marilynn Weichmann Bossart, Melinda Barnhardt Jud ánd Jo Woodyard.



Gamma Phi Beta sisters from the class of 1951 spent a weekend together in Springfield. They included Donna Jean Fessler Driscoll, Shirley Oswald; back, Nancy Keach Crawford, Sue Hollinger Dendiu, Nancy Elson McCurry and Susie Mast Stein.

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Ohio State University, Rice

John D. Adams is former

of organizational systems

at Saybrook University,

San Francisco, Calif. He

chair and emeritus professor

University and Natcore China.

## **'52** |

The water color painting titled Entry into the Unknown by Janet Hart Heinicke of Indianola, Iowa, was accepted into the annual national all media show sponsored by the Octagon Center for the Arts in Ames, Iowa.

## '60 l

Emily Reynolds Chianelli, a former elementary school nurse, lives in Huddleston, Va. She enjoys her Smith Mountain Lake home where she enjoys birdwatching, gardening, volunteering at the local library and serving as a member of the Friends of Smith Mountain Lake State Park.

## **62**

**Dennis J. Flood,** a 30-year NASA veteran who developed photovoltaic power systems for space and planetary missions, has been named chief technology officer at Natcore Technology Inc., Red Bank, N.J. He will oversee the research of the development of super efficient solar cells at The NGO provides local doctors serving village areas of south India with training in how to screen and prevent cervical

is currently administrative

International: No Cervical

Cancer, Oakland, Calif. This

director for Prevention

**Joyce E. Eddy**, Palos Heights, Ill., is a literacy coach with the Cook County School District 130, Blue Island, Ill.

## '65 I

Richard A. Shilts is basketball coach and athletics director at Kalamazoo Valley Community College in Michigan. He is a longtime leader with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

John G. Jr. and Sandra Goodelle White are retired and living in Fairport, N.Y.

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Peter G. Mann, Lake Shore, Minn., co-founded Importing Peace, a mission commitment to help the people of Palestine. By importing organic olive oil, the group provides economic assistance to the Palestinian farmers.

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Susan Clarke Congdon, Chesterland, Ohio, is a microsoft master instructor

who serves as a computer consultant for businesses across northeast Ohio. She also provides seminars at Cleveland State University.

Peggy L. Fox, Piermont, N.Y., has retired from New Directions Publishing Co., New York, N.Y.

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Kenneth A. and Jacquelyn Whitaker Beals '67 live in Staunton, Va. Ken, who teaches philosophy and religion courses at Mary Baldwin College and the University of Virginia, is serving as interim chaplain at Mary Baldwin College. Jackie continues to work as a freelance science



erry '57 and Sue Browder Maxson '59, Chuck '58 and Judy Flook Sturtz '59, Jerry '57 and Margaret Setter Miller '59, Dave '57 and Pat Hughey Walborn '59, and Dave '59 and Marge Nimmer Markowich 59 gathered during a Delta Gamma reunion.

## Wedding Album



Zachary Bitzer '07 and Sarah Garber '07 were married on Dec. 11, 2010. The couple lives in Cincinnati, Ohio.



Dane Borchers '07 and Rachel Dixon '09 married on July 24, 2010, in Weaver Chapel. The couple lives in Bellefontaine, Óhio.



Dymond McDonald '06 married Emily Hall on July 3, 2010, at the Schuster Center in Dayton, Ohio. The couple lives in the Washington, D.C., area.

writer, with clients including Medscape and Bridges, the science newsletter of the Austrian Embassy. She also teaches in the adult degree program at Mary Baldwin College.

Jay S. Reis is an associate broker with Premiere Plus Realty Co., Naples, Fla.

Marcia Balmut Ward is director of choice programming with the Graham Local Schools and principal of A.B. Graham Academy, a state-wide charter conversion school.

## **69**

Mitchell E. and Katherine Hein Ayer live in Katy, Texas, where they train their two Newfoundland dogs in water rescue, carting, confirmation and therapy work. Mitchell practices law with Thompson & Knight LLP, Houston, Texas.

After 38 years in the ministry, Richard F. Beck retired as senior pastor of Grace United Church of Christ, Uniontown, Ohio. He lives in Mogadore,

Cynthia J. Bolbach is executive vice president and corporate secretary of the Bureau of National Affairs Inc., Arlington, Va. An elected clerk of session at First Presbyterian Church, she has been elected moderator of the 219th general assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States of America.

## Sandra Peichert Snyder,

Shippensburg, Pa., is a clerk in the Department of the Treasury with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, Pa

On Oct. 1, 2010, Thomas D. Trimble retired as counsel with State Farm Insurance

Companies. He lives in Raleigh, N.C.

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J. Bruce Baker is pastor of All Souls Parish-The Presbyterian Church, Port Chester, N.Y.

Denver W. Bitner, Rockford, Ill., is president/CEO of Lutheran Social Services of Illinois. He founded the Zion Development Corp., Patriot's Gateway Center and the Rockford Interfaith Council. He is also active with the Epilepsy Foundation, the Governor's Commission on Human Services and the William Howard Trust. For his community service, Denver is a finalist for the Excalibur Award.

## Beverly Hopkins Brown,

Newtown, Pa., is enjoying painting and playing the piano.

After a career in internal and geriatric medicine, Peter J. **Clark** was called to the Roman Catholic priesthood. He is pastor of St. Mary Catholic Church in Williamston, Mich.

David L. Jessee, Reston, Va., is an independent economist consultant with the food security, agriculture and economics industry.

Gregory A. and Charleyse Smith Pratt '71 live in Cleveland, Ohio, where Charleyse is director of learning communities programs and partnerships at Cleveland State University. In December 2010, she delivered the mid-year graduation address for the university.

Jean Willis LeLoup, Castle Rock, Colo., teaches Spanish in the department of foreign languages at the United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo. She received the



## Debbie Miller '71

Receives 2011 Alumni Citation Award

Debbie Miller loves to think about the possibilities.

"My mission is to bring the possibilities of the big idea to life," she said. "Some people have called me a sales and marketing visionary, and the definition of a visionary is someone who can see things where there aren't paths, yet paint the vision and provide the paths to get there. For me, I like to take my toolkit and show businesses how to make their dreams come true."

Clearly IBM saw her talent when it tapped her directly from a college campus to join its sales team back in 1971, in the process making her one of the first women hired in such a way by the then male-dominated company. For 17 years, Miller continued to excel at IBM, eventually heading up its 3,000-employee, multibilliondollar West Coast division in the Bay area of San Francisco, where she oversaw operations in 11 states with more than \$1.5 billion in annual revenue.

Eventually, Miller went out on her own to launch Enterprise Catalyst Group (ECG), a premier management consulting firm and leading provider of interim executive management. Founded in 1998, ECG offers companies a team of professionals from technology and medical product industries. Team members assess and resolve risks and challenges facing large, multi-national companies and small, entrepreneurial ones.

"I want to work with people who can think outside the box, which is what the liberal arts teach," said Miller, who is also an emeritus member of the Wittenberg Board of Directors. "I also will only work with companies that have a product I believe in and think I can deliver."

The thrill of what tomorrow holds has consistently inspired her, as well as her alma mater, which recently presented her with the 2011 Alumni Citation Award for "bringing honor to Wittenberg by her continued dedication to the ideals for which the university stands."

"I've always been so excited and motivated about what I do and about the outcomes that can happen," she said. "It doesn't matter what you do, but to have a great life, you need to have passion. You need to believe in the power of your idea." ■ - Karen Gerboth '93

Outstanding Academy Educator award for 2010.

John R. Perfect serves as professor of medicine, interim chief of the division of infectious diseases and director of the mycology research unit at Duke University, Durham, N.C. In the fall, he was honored with a Distinguished Faculty Award.

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Merlin D. Gindlesperger is owner/manager of Copper Mountain Motel in Superior, Ariz. He is campaigning for a seat on the Superior Town Council.

John R. Hickernell is retired and living in Kansas City, Mo.

Jeanne A. Mackey, a singer/ songwriter, returned to her hometown of Oxford, Ohio, to share the ups and downs of her life in song at a concert titled "Drop the Knife: A Memoir-in-Song."

Allan W. McKisson is vice president of U.S. human resources with Manpower Inc., Milwaukee, Wis.

Robert W. Sr. and Susan Rice Yarger '73 live in Arlington,

Texas. Susan is middle school lead teacher at St. Cecilia Catholic School, Dallas, Texas.

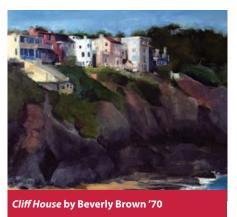
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Mark D. Peterson, president of Bridgeway Capital, Pittsburgh, Pa., was named financial services Champion of the Year for 2010 by the U.S. Small Business Administration.

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Jane Kirk Fisher is a marketing director with Fisher Construction Management Inc., El Paso, Texas.

D. Thompson Rownd III, Wheeling, W.Va., is a sales representative with Loveman



Wittenberg Kappa Deltas from the '40s and '50s gathered on campus this summer and stopped by the Bayley Alumni House for a group photo. From left are Marty Mahlie, Carol "Lucy" Holman VanDeman, Vivian Hehl Carter, Jean White Robinson, Kathleen Clifford Westfall, Mary Ellen Ramsey Bryden, Edie Kellar Mahaney, Jackie Nulsen Thompson and Phyllis Adams Gray.

### **Wedding Album**



Brett Bowen '05 and Lesley Baker '04 married on Nov. 14, 2009, in Weaver Chapel. The couple lives in



Jim Martin '07 and Lauren Bryant '09 married on Dec. 18, 2010. The couple lives in Chapel Hill, N.C.



Matt Woods-Koppitch '04 and Nicole Norcia '04 married on June 19, 2010. The couple lives in Westerville, Ohio.

Steel Corp., Bedford Heights, Ohio.

# **'75** |

Dwight M. "Kip" Palmer is president and CEO of Palmer Food Services in Henrietta, N.Y. He is the 2010 recipient of the "Champion for Children" award for his leadership, dedication and generosity to the Bivona Child Advocacy Center.

Dale R. and Jody Gittens Wright '76 live in Beijing, China, where Dale is a standards attache/commercial officer with the Department of Commerce Foreign Commercial Service at the U.S. Embassy.

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Michael G. Connors is retired and living in Perris, Calif. He enjoys traveling and being "green."

Craig L. Fourman, senior pastor at Abiding Christ Lutheran Church in Fairborn, Ohio, is president of the Fairborn Rotary Club and Senior Citizens Association. He has been inducted into the Fairborn City Schools Hall of Honor for his exemplary service to his community.

Thomas H. Hall is with Stifel Nicolaus & Co., Kent, Ohio.

Robert W. Levy, Xenia, Ohio, is a teacher and head football coach at Carroll High School in Dayton, Ohio.

In addition to his work at Planet Earth Partners Inc., Tom M. Wirtshafter is serving as president of American Portfolios Financial Services. He lives in New York, N.Y.

Paul A. Wolfe is a program administrator with the American Guild of Organists, New York, N.Y.



## Sandy Dukat '94 Earns 2011 Alumni Citation

For most of her life, Sandy Dukat has not contained her human spirit; in fact, she has been very obvious about sharing it with others. Always willing to take risks to find one's true passions in life, Dukat has used her life experiences and talents to benefit others.

Living with one leg since age 4, Dukat has overcome her disability to become a gold medal skier and swimming champion. After graduating from Wittenberg with a B.A. in sociology, she soon joined the Lutheran Volunteer Corps. In 1996 she participated in her first disabled swim meet, after which "her life was changed forever," she said. She began alpine skiing in 1998 after ending a competitive swimming career in which she was co-captain of the U.S. Disabled Swim Team and set an American Record in the 800-meter freestyle.

After three years of training and competing with a disabled ski team in Colorado, she made the U.S. Disabled Ski Team in 2001. The following year she participated in the 2002 Paralympics in Salt Lake City, Utah, where she received two bronze medals. In 2005 Dukat's performance on and off the slopes caught the attention of WE: Women's Entertainment, and it was then that the network began sponsoring her as part of its national WE Empowers Women initiative, which seeks to provide education and assistance to women and girls so that they can lead fulfilling lives and achieve their full potential.

Also in 2005 she won her first gold medal at the North American World Cup, and in 2006 she won the slalom bronze medal at the Paralympics in Torino, Italy. Soon after, she started training for a marathon and in 2009, she set the international standard for abovethe-knee amputees at the Rock n Roll Marathon in Phoenix, Ariz. A year later, she won for the 5th year in a row the ParaTriathlon Nationals for the female above-the-knee amputee category.

In recognition of her accomplishments, Dukat earned the 2011 Alumni Citation during her Homecoming Weekend, Oct. 21-23 for "bringing honor to Wittenberg by her continued dedication to the ideals for which the university stands." ■ - Kristen Collier '92

Peter C. Colgan is director of tissue ablation marketing with Integra, Plainsboro, N.J.

Vicki J. Lindsay has retired from the Springfield City Schools in Ohio.

Gregory J. McKenzie, Cleveland, Ohio, is a technologist in the alkaline research group with the Energizer Battery Co., Westlake, Ohio.

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Roberta L. Blumenshine is an inspector/marine surveyor/ instructor with A. Mazon & Assoc., Portland, Ore.

Diane E. Crowl is a paralegal with Spilman Thomas & Battle, Wheeling, W.Va.

Anne W. Haning, Wheeling, W.Va., is executive director of Belco Works Inc., St. Clairsville, Ohio.

In June 2010, Kathleen Hartley married Jack Anderson. They live in Loranger, La., where Kathleen teaches voice and piano through the Louisiana Academy of Performing Arts.

Robert H. Hunsaker, a plastic surgeon, owns Cosmetique Plastic Surgery Inc. and Coral Gables Cosmetic Center, Miami, Fla.

Robert L. and Kathryn Bowen Irvin '79 live in Libertyville, Ill. Bob is village manager in Lincolnshire, Ill. He also serves as president of the Illinois City/County Management Assoc. Kathy is director of the early childhood program and a senior kindergarten teacher at North Shore Country Day School, Winnetka, Ill.

Richanna Patrick, Cortland, N.Y., is a designer with the

Cornell University Press, Ithaca, N.Y.

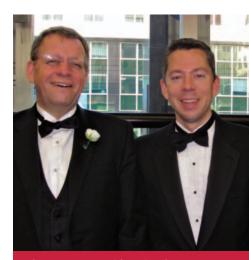
Kevin W. Price, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., is a managing member of Ollie Koala's BackYard, Jacksonville, Fla.

Mark D. Baron, Atlanta, Ga., is executive vice president of operations at Simmons Bedding Co., Norcross, Ga.

Janice K. Earheart is director of accounting with ALSAC, the fundraising organization for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, Memphis,

Mark F. and Pamela Bryant Goetting '82 live in Hebron, Ky. Pamela is senior vice president of Heritage Bank, Burlington, Ky.

Cherylann Boone Hollinger is a biology teacher and National Honor Society adviser at Central York High School in York, Pa. She was selected as one of 14 high school teachers to attend the Howard Hughes Medical Institute's holiday science lecture series in Chevy Chase, Md. While there she met Ann I. Brokaw '91, of



Jeffery Orner '79 and friend Jeffrey Giesea at the banquet held in honor of this year's Distinguished Presidential Rank Award recipients. Orner received the nation's highest civil service award from the President of the United States.



Knox Baker, 11-4-10



Lindsay Keller, 7-7-10



**Lucy Teeter, 12-10-10** 



Sophia Dusenbery, 3-15-10

## Li'l Tigers

Knox Daschel, son of Chris '03 and Barbra Blair Baker '03

Lindsay Grace, daughter of Amanda Nell '96 and husband Steve Keller

Lucy Joy, daughter of Ryan '05 and Ashley Buroff Teeter '06

Sophia Lynn, daughter of Michael H. Dusenbery '00 and wife Lindsay

coordinator with Fresenius Medical Care, Atlanta, Ga.

Thomas S. Williams Jr., Drexel Hill, Pa., is senior accounting manager with Urban Outfitters Inc., Philadelphia, Pa.

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Jeffrey S. Corzine, Dublin, Ohio, is executive director of United Healthcare Community Plan of Ohio Inc., Westerville, Ohio.

Bryan S. and Gail Garrett **Derreberry** '82 live in Charleston, S.C., where Bryan is the president and chief executive officer of the Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce.

Michael J. Greitzer, Springfield, Ohio, has retired as president of the Miller-Valentine Group in Moraine, Ohio.

C. Elizabeth Parrish has written a cookbook of emblematic Spanish recipes titled La Buena Mesa: The Regional Cooking of Spain. It was published by Hippocrene Books Inc.

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Alicia Sweet Hupp, president and CEO of Sweet Manufacturing Co., Springfield, Ohio, was named one of the 10 recipients of the Springfield City Schools 2011 Alumni of Distinction Award.

Timothy L. Jarm is executive vice president of Alliant Management Services, Louisville, Ky.

Walter C. and Anne Duffin Martinson '85 live in Springfield, Ohio. Wally has stepped down as executive director of the Nehemiah Foundation. He is starting a ministry to serve local pastors and churches individually and collectively.

Rocky River, Ohio, who was also selected to participate in the series.

### Linda Stenzel Leonard,

Concord, N.H., is a paralegal with Wadleigh, Starr & Peters P.L.L.C., Manchester, N.H.

Thomas D. and Michele Tomaski Pfrogner live in New Carlisle, Ohio. Michele teaches English at Wayne High School, Dayton, Ohio.

### Kathy M. Shellogg,

Westerville, Ohio, is dean of students at Capital University, Columbus, Ohio. She also serves as a private consultant in the areas of organizational change, leadership and community development for educational and non-profit organizations. Kathy has served in numerous leadership capacities for the American College Personnel Association and founded the Educational Leadership Foundation and

currently serves as a trustee. As a member of the U.C.L.A. Higher Education Institute team, she developed the social change model of leadership development.

### Richard S. Stevens,

Fayetteville, Ga., is a consultant with Booz Allen Hamilton in their Atlanta, Ga., office.

# '80

Donald F. Bergenty II is district manager of Total Wine and More, Potomac, Md.

Mark J. Butler IV is professor and eminent scholar in the department of biological sciences at Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Va. He has been selected as a recipient of the 2011 Outstanding Faculty Awards by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia.

Richard A. Dove, assistant administrative director for the Supreme Court of Ohio, has been selected to be a fellow of the Ohio State Bar Foundation and elected secretary/treasurer of the Ohio Judicial Center Foundation. Richard, who lives in Dublin, Ohio, has also been named as secretary of the board of commissioners on grievances and discipline.

Robert W. Hook is an independent geologist in Austin, Texas. He collaborates with the U.S. Geological Survey, the U.S. National Museum (Smithsonian Institution), and others both here and abroad.

Jeffery S. Kalberg is general manager with IGEL Technology America LLC, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Cynthia G. Rohrer, Marietta, Ga., is a regional insurance



### Deborah Cassell '99

### Earns 2011 Outstanding Young Alumna Award

The daughter of a high school English teacher, Deborah Cassell grew up a voracious reader of English literature and knew she wanted to be a journalist. She spent her four years at Wittenberg laying the groundwork for a successful career in journalism.

Beginning with a background in the Writer's Workshop where she helped others with writing projects, she then took journalism classes, which required writing for the Torch. She soon became an editor for the Torch and served as an internal communications coordinator for Community Hospital, both of which provided her with the skills and experience to fill her résumé and earn her admittance to the prestigious Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University after graduation.

Currently a communications specialist for the American Association of Neurological Surgeons, Cassell also serves as a contributing writer to Shop Evanston magazine - a quarterly magazine that promotes the area's local businesses and nonprofits.

Off the clock, Cassell is president of the Chicago chapter of the American Society of Business Publications Editors (ASBPE) and serves as public relations chair of the Evanston Community Tennis Association. She sits on the creative team for the Woman's Club of Evanston's annual benefit show, for which she also writes songs. In 2010-2011, Cassel served as head writer for the show.

Cassell has been recognized several times by her peers, including a third place win for Best Supplement, 2007 Folio Awards, and Bronze Award Winner, Best Supplement, 2007 ASBPE - State of the Industry, writer/editor. In addition, she was one of only six editors nationwide to be selected for an ASBPE Young Leader Scholarship. Wittenberg also recently recognized her, awarding Cassell the 2011 Outstanding Young Alumna Award during Homecoming, Oct. 21-23.

In 2010, Cassell joined three other successful alumni with careers in print media to teach at Wittenberg's Summer Journalism Institute, a program that focused on writing newspaper or magazine-style feature articles.

"I was an aspiring journalist who found a true mentor in the late professor and poet Imogene Bolls," Cassell said. "Wittenberg taught me to work with others, but it also led me to become a more independent person." ■ - Phyllis Eberts '00

William M. Demarest, Ocoee, Fla., is senior financial analyst in the IT outsourcing division with Xerox, Orlando, Fla.

David J. LaRue, Rocky River, Ohio, is president and CEO of Forest City Enterprises Inc., Cleveland, Ohio.

Stephen O. Miller is associate director of gift planning at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

## **'84**

Marilyn L. Matevia, San Francisco, Calif., received her Ph.D. in ethics and social theory with an emphasis on animal ethics at Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, Calif.

William L. Roller, Burlington, N.J., is in his seventh season as head coach of the wrestling team at Cherokee High School, Marlton, N.J. He has been named the Burlington County Times Wrestling Coach of the Year for guiding his team to the Olympic Conference American Division crown and

the final of the South Jersey Group 4 sectionals.

### Leslie Kramm Twigg,

Adamsville, Ohio, is a music teacher at Jefferson Elementary School in Gahanna, Ohio. Last year, she founded the Composer's Club, a group of 100 students who write, mix and record songs.

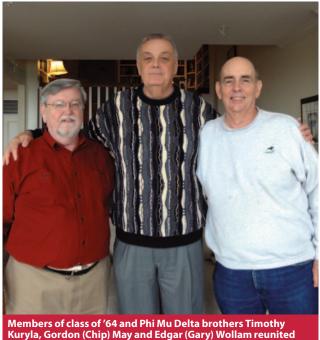
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## Frederick K. Kammler

and Lauren C. Clancy were married Feb. 19, 2011. They live in New Canaan, Conn., where Frederick trades stocks and manages investor portfolios for Lufkin Advisors, an asset management firm.



Nathan, 9, and Jonathan, 7, Miller, sons of Jeffery '91 and Sheryl Rowold Miller '91



late last year.

# '86

### Gayle Morton Holtman,

North Salem, Ind., is president/ CEO of VSA Indiana Inc., the state organization on arts and disability located in Indianapolis, Ind. In February, she received a Community Arts Leadership Award from the Indiana Coalition for the Arts. Gayle lives in North Salem, Ind.

**Scott A. Hullinger** is vice president of hospital services with River Valley Consulting Services, Owensboro, Ky.

Robert C. and Mary Alfery Mendenhall '87 live in the Atlanta, Ga., area. Mary is a project manager with the Atlanta Journal Constitution, Dunwoody, Ga.

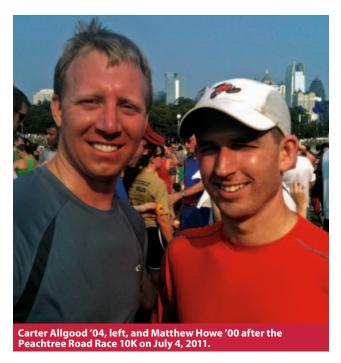
### Carol Flexer Parker,

Coatesville, Pa., is a senior accountant with SunGard Business Systems LLC, Malvern, Pa.

## **'87** |

Kevin M. Kinder, Mason, Ohio, is a technical director with US Fabrics Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mark P. Krebs is a vice president of marketing and



e-commerce with Kirklands in Nashville, Tenn.

Douglas L. Lewis, Conneaut, Ohio, is an assistant city manager and community development director with the City of Painesville.

Paul H. McConnell, West Hartford, Conn., is an assistant U.S. attorney for the District of Connecticut, Hartford, Conn.

James E. McLean Jr. is an assistant general counsel with Duke Energy, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Donald V. and Pamela Farnbauch Prezioso '88 live in Ashland, Ohio, where Don is director of administrative IT at Ashland University.

Kevin N. Russell, Pittsburgh, Pa., is director of inventory and logistics at Buchanan Remodeling Co. LLC.

## '88

Douglas J. and Danielle Dunn Blue '99 announce the birth of Isabella Marie on Nov. 19, 2009. Doug is with Blue & Blue LLC, Columbus, Ohio. Danielle is an attorney with the State Medical Board of Ohio. They live in Upper Arlington, Ohio.

Ryan D. and Suzanne Skillman Finkenbine '90 live in Dunlap, Ill. Ryan chairs the department of psychiatry at the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria.

Peter T. Hawk, a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, lives in North Las Vegas, Nev., following his tour of duty in Iraq. He owns an audio book business.

Barbara Hill Smith is employed by the department of public welfare at the Warren County Assistance Office in Pennsylvania.

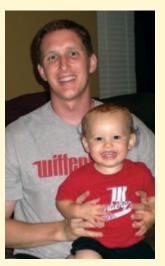
Peter C. and Susan Murray Young live in Montgomery Village, Md. Peter is the chief information officer and vice president of information technology at the University of Maryland University College, Adelphi, Md.



Addison, 4, and Reagan Bartal,



Anna Hill, 3-9-10



Chase Larsen, 1-28-09, and Jason

## Li'l Tigers

Addison Grace and Reagan Jaye, daughters of Lea Kepich Bartal '99 and husband Joseph

Anna Bernice, daughter of Thomas N. Hill '00 and wife Julie

Chase Edward, son of Jason Larsen '03 and wife Kim



### Luke Dennis '00

## Receives the 2011 Outstanding Young Alumnus Award

A love of the arts has dictated the course of Luke Dennis' life, leading him to earn degrees in both music and theatre at Wittenberg followed by three years of graduate work in theatre, history, literature and theory at Tufts.

"I cannot remember a time when I didn't have a song stuck in my head," Dennis said. "Although I went on to graduate school in theatre, my heart has always been inside my headphones. Music moves me in ways nothing else can."

In fact, Dennis is committed to the performing arts in all forms, and his skills blend beautifully with his natural talents. His graduate study led to work as an instructor at Tufts, where he designed the structure and content of an undergraduate course.

He also worked as a reference specialist in the Harvard Theatre Collection, where he created and managed education and outreach programs, taught acting workshops and partnered with local arts organizations. Roles as artistic director of Boston's Alarm Clock Theatre Company, education and community programs manager with the Boston Lyric Opera, education and outreach manager with Dayton's Victoria Theatre Association added to his skill-set.

Self-described as "highly motivated, intuitive and able to manage both time and resources to maximize productivity," Dennis has served as executive director of The Muse Machine in Dayton, a nationally recognized arts education organization that serves 70,000 students in 10 southwest Ohio counties, for the last three years.

"It is unacceptable that the arts are being cut from our schools," Dennis said. "Muse Machine plays a vital role by continuing to bring arts programs into schools as well as bringing children out of the schools to participate in arts events in downtown Dayton."

Since 2007, Dennis has also served as opera lecturer and creator/ stage director of Touring School Programs of the Dayton Opera Association. In 2012, however, Dennis will return to the Harvard Theatre Collection as curator, where he will be responsible for building the collection, promoting it and collaborating on related activities and usage with faculty and students.

He also will take with him his latest honor from his alma mater, the 2011 Outstanding Young Alumnus Award.

"All my mentors at Wittenberg believed in me," Dennis said, "and gave me the courage to go out and try everything."

- Phyllis Eberts '00

### John L. Weppler Jr.,

Cincinnati, Ohio, is a ballrom dance coach at Step-N-Out Dance Studio, Covington, Ky.

Susan M. Zidek married David Kruse on March 12, 2011. They live in Columbus, Ohio, where Susan has been promoted to senior vice president and general counsel at Mission Essential Personnel LLC.

## **'90**

### Audrey Henninger Grossman owns the Grossman Law Firm in San Diego, Calif.

Mark A. and Paige Andrews Knapp live in Rocky River, Ohio. Mark is a portfolio manager with Key Private Bank.

Maria A. Rambo married Darrin J. Cirillo on Jan. 27, 2010. They live in Brooklyn, N.Y. Maria is an advertising director with Ralph Lauren, New York, N.Y.

Todd A. Richardson, a certified public accountant, provides tax preparation and accounting services to the Schuler Financial Group, Springfield, Ohio.

James A. Rodgers, New York, N.Y., is president/CEO of J.M. Rodgers Co., Sparta, N.Y.

Margaret "Meg" Gaffney Smith, Fairfax, Va., is chief of the regulatory program with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Washington, D.C.

Amy M. Tatman married Daniel S. Robins on Nov. 7, 2008. They live in Galway, Ireland, where Amy is the tour host of Amy's Irish Adventures.

Sean P. Harshaw is an assistant engineer, tower ladder 5 with the city of Charleston

Fire Department in South Carolina. He is also the lead drum instructor at Daniel Island Academy of Music and

### Anthony K. Huffman,

Pickerington, Ohio, is director of education at The Center of Science and Industry in Columbus, Ohio. COSI was named the #1 science center in the country by Parents Magazine.

Jeffery L. and Sheryl Rowold Miller live in San Francisco, Calif. Jeffery is an international tax partner/principal with PriceWaterhouseCoopers.

Dale L. Ankrum, Bradenton, Fla., is involved with commercial design and visualization with the Lawson Group Inc. Architects, Sarasota, Fla.

George D. Bennett, professor of chemistry at Millikin University in Decatur, Ill., has been named chair of the department.

James J. and Lisa Smith Finn live in Powell, Ohio, James, a CPA, is controller at Results Engineering, Westerville, Ohio.



Alpha Tau Omega brothers Jake Conn '50, Al Tessmer '52, Jack Williams '50, Denny Sweeterman '59, Don Granger '54, Ray Bellisari '60, Jim Fisher '60, Bill Dunlay Jr. '60, Bob Secrist '63, Chet LaBuda '48, Chuck Hofelich '62, Don Cunningham '65, Garth Phillips '62, Russ Westby '60, Phil Neely '60, Bill Brusman '62, Dusty Rhoades '50, Alex Spassoff '66, Buzz Hudtlott '65, Scott Detrick '64 and Jim Renz '60 enjoyed a reunion.



## **Wedding Album**

Brian Reed '97 married Shani K. Smith on Aug. 22, 2009. The couple lives in St. Louisville,



Michelle Ponstingle '05 married Steve Niemira on Oct. 23, 2010. The couple lives in Maineville, Ohio.



Kristen Sobczak '00 married Nicholas DiDonato on Sept. 4, 2010. The couple lives in Kansas City, Mo.



Katie Adams '10 married First Lt. Roland Scott Lathrop on May 8, 2010. The couple lives in Cincinnati, Ohio

Albert W. Pearson owns a software implementation business in Boulder, Colo.

**Clifford E. Pope** is with the religion/social studies departments at Elder High School, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Gregory A. Slawson of GC Creative Studio, Cleveland, Ohio, has released a new album of piano music inspired by nature titled Pianoflow.

## '93 I

D. Harlan Wilson, Fort Wayne, Ind., is an associate professor of English at Wright State University-Lake Campus. Codename Prague, his ninth book and second novel in his "scikungfi" trilogy was published in January 2011.

Lucas A. Zerdes, Philadelphia, Pa., is vice president of business development and client services with Radcliffe Capital Management L.P., Bala Cynwyd, Pa.

## '94

Jonathan L. and Margaret "Meg" McNeely Faber live in the Shelbyville, Ind., area where Jonathan is an intellectual property lawyer with Luminary Group LLC, a licensing and marketing firm.

# '95 |

Deborah E. Bloom, Rockford, Ill., has been promoted to director of the Ida Public Library, Belvidere, Ill.

Justin A. and Lauren Carlson Cialella '96 live in Canton, Mich. Lauren is circulation manager with Automotive News Group, Detroit, Mich.

Jennifer Bear Halsall and her husband, Gregory, welcomed the birth of Noah Alexander on May 10, 2010. They live in Denver, Colo.



## '96

Eric N. and Kelley Elder Columber announce the birth of Frances Harriett in November 2010. They live in Blue Hill, Maine. Eric is with Roy, Beardsley, Williams & Granger LLC, Ellsworth, Maine.

Philip G. and Jennifer Berke Godreau '95 live in Naples, Fla., where Jennifer is a content director with the Coding Institute LLC.

Amanda E. Nell and her husband, Steve Keller, announce the birth of Lindsay Grace on July 7, 2010. They live in Columbia, Mo., where Amanda is an online career services and student employment employee in the MU Career Center at the University of Missouri.

Hal G. Ostrow and his wife, Amy, announce the birth of Ari Daniel on Nov. 30, 2009. They



Class of '65 Ferncliff dorm friends Janet Blackmun Oxley, Judy White Cook, Dottie Davis Truitt, Linda Fisher 68 and Deidre Westervelt Mechan met at Ocean City, N.J., in September.



## Roberta Rowland-Raybold '04

Receives 2011 Alumni Citation

When Roberta Rowland-Raybold retired from her successful insurance business, she knew she wanted to complete the college degree she began as a young woman. Encouraged to "go-for-it" by her adult son and daughter, she packed up her home and moved to Springfield, Ohio, to attend Wittenberg with a focus in music.

"There's no expiration date on lifelong learning," Rowland-Raybold said.

She earned department honors in music, university honors, and she graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor of music. Taking full advantage of her status as a Wittenberg student, Rowland-Raybold was a member of the Wittenberg choir. She also taught piano and organ with the Center for Musical Development and served as organist at two local churches. In addition, she secured a grant to study abroad in England, Wales and Scotland to conduct research at the British Organ Archives and present recitals. Rowland-Raybold then completed a second summer of research in New York State and Princeton, N. J., at the Organ Historical Society, with all her efforts geared toward her senior thesis.

Since graduating, Rowland-Raybold has served as the organist/ choirmaster at the historic Christ Episcopal Church in Cooperstown, N.Y., where she is also dean of the Oneonta, N.Y. chapter and district convener for Western New York's American Guild of Organists. She continues to teach piano and organ, and is a voice coach. She also developed a concert program, which involves professional vocalists and instrumentalists from Glimmerglass Opera and features semiprofessional musicians - privately funded and available to the community. In addition, Rowland-Raybold organizes a summer concert series at the Palatine Church and is currently working with a Hollywood filmmaker on a movie about the Oneida Indians during the Revolutionary War, which will be filmed at the church.

Her professional associations include the American Guild of Organists, the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians, the Suzuki Association of the Americas and the Association of Handbell Ringers.

After being recognized with the 2011 Alumni Citation Award, given to those who have brought honor to Wittenberg by their continued dedication to the ideals for which the university stands, Rowland-Raybold said, "I accept it in honor of all the adult students who have realized their dreams and followed the path to higher - Phyllis Eberts '00 education."

live in Grand Rapids, Mich., where Hal is an attorney with Wheeler Upham. He was named one of the top up-andcoming attorneys in Michigan by Michigan Super Lawyers.

Matthew L. and Elisabeth Stewart Robertson live in Fort Collins, Colo., where Matt is a practicing pediatric otolaryngologist with Alpine, Ear, Nose & Throat.

# '97 I

Miles C. Aquino is a system administrator with Array Information Technology, Greenbelt, Md.

Warren T. and Renee LaVista Besser live in Hingham, Mass. Warren is a vice president of market strategy with Natixis Global Associates, Boston, Mass.

Jaime Fisher Hale is an elementary teacher with the Delaware City Schools in Ohio.

Brian C. Reed married Shani K. Smith on Aug. 22, 2009. They live in St. Louisville, Ohio. Brian is an attorney with Reese, Pyle, Drake & Meyer P.L.L., Newark, Ohio.

Marvin L. Snyder III, Winter Garden, Fla., teaches senior government and economics at East Ridge High School, Clermont, Fla.

In October 2010, Sara B. Wilson married Wendell Orton. They live in Newburyport, Mass.

## '98 |

Linda Eipper Homer, Xenia, Ohio, is with the Tecumseh Council of the Boy Scouts of America, Springfield, Ohio.

Chadwick M. Minnick. Seattle, Wash., is a market development representative with Concur, Redmond, Wash.

### D. Christal Morehouse, Berlin, Germany, is the project manager for the Bertelsmann Stifung. Her work in human trafficking, migration and integration has led to numerous publications and speaking engagements.

J. Dawn Scott and Samuel A. Miller '96 were married Aug. 31, 2009. They welcomed their son, Tanner James, Nov. 5, 2010.

Dustin T. and Leigh Dill Wade live in the Carmel, Ind., area. Dustin is with Stratosphere Quality.

# '99 I

Leslie A. Arendell is employed by the Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health at the University of Arizona in Tucson.



Cozy Spittler Mitchell, Sue Yoder Sterling, Karen Kusel Donnelly, Pam Carlson Kurtz – all '71 Chi O's and best friends for 40 years – traveled to Italy to celebrate their birthdays.

Lea Kepich Bartal and her husband, Joseph, welcomed Reagan Jaye on April 24, 2010. They live in Olmsted Falls, Ohio.

Mark S. Bennett is assistant director of the first-year writing program in the English department at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Brock C. and Heather Dahlberg Schmaltz live in Blacklick, Ohio. Heather is interim vice president of external relations at Nationwide Children's Hospital, Columbus, Ohio.

Julia L. Schmidt is a risk executive, SVP with Bank of America, Charlotte, N.C.

Michael T. and Pari Perkins Swift live in Reynoldsburg, Ohio. Michael is a CRC quality control technician with Capital Resin Inc., Columbus, Ohio.

## '00 l

Sufiv James Davis is a resource advocate with the Center for Healthy Families, Columbus, Ohio.



Class of '69 alumni Kathy and Mitch Ayer watch Big Irish retrieve a paddle at the water test.

Michael H. Dusenbery and his wife, Lindsay, announce the birth of Sophia Lynn on March 15, 2010. They live in Columbia, Md.

### Rebecca Weaver Hamm.

Alfred, N.Y., is the director of the music and arts program at the YMCA in Hornell, N.Y.

Thomas N. Hill and his wife, Julie, announce the birth of Anna Bernice on March 9, 2010. They live in Chicago, Ill., where Tom is a compensation consultant with the Hay Group.

### Jessica Fried Lankford,

Batavia, N.Y., is a partner with Jaeckle Fleischmann & Mugel LLP, Buffalo, N.Y.

### Jennifer Douglass Ramage

and her husband, Jeremy, announce the birth of Gwendolyn Elisabeth on May 10, 2010. They live in Loveland, Ohio, where Jennifer is a middle school teacher.

Kristen L. Sobczak married Nicholas J. DiDonato on Sept. 4, 2010. They live in Kansas City, Mo., where Kristy is a clinical assistant professor at the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Pharmacy.

# '01 l

Timothy J. and Jennifer Emming Daoust '04 live in the Syracuse, N.Y., area where Tim is an assistant football coach at Syracuse University.

Courtney R. Goncoe has married Davis J. Johnston. They live in Chicago, Ill.

### Clare Smock Kealy

announces the birth of Gannon on July 20, 2010. They live in Seattle, Wash., where Clare is a senior account executive with CareerBuilder.

Emily J. Kelechi has married Jon Kelly. Emily is a marketing specialist with Benesyst Inc., Minneapolis, Minn.

Nicole C. Manley is a forensic chemist with the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation in Raleigh, N.C.

Marilyn Y. Moreaux and her husband, Francis Addo, announce the birth of Florence on Jan. 9, 2010. They live in Accra, Ghana, where Marilyn is an assistant bank manager with the Merchant Bank GH Ltd.

Ryan A. Peters, London, Ohio, is a healthcare consultant with Clark Schaefer Hackett and Co., Springfield, Ohio.

Timothy M. Schlak received his Ph.D. in library and

## **Wedding Album**



Brianne Barclay '04 and Julian Gilbert '01 were married on July 25, 2009. The couple lives in Los Angeles, Calif.



Michelle Bolin '02 married Todd Pearrell on May 22, 2010. The couple lives in Cleveland,



Gannon Kealy, 7-20-10







Noah Halsall, 5-10-10

## Li'l Tigers

Gannon, son of Clare Smock Kealy '01 and husband Peter

Tanner James, son of Samuel '96 and J. Dawn Scott Miller '98

Ari Daniel, son of Hal Ostrow '96 and wife Amy

Noah Alexander, son of Jennifer Bear Halsall '95 and husband Gregory

Christopher is with the Singleton Law Firm P.C.

Theodore S. Jackson earned his Ph.D. in Germanic languages and literatures from Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., in May 2010. He is an adjunct instructor at Harper College, Palatine, Ill.

Morgan Joffe, Los Angeles, Calif., is a jewelry designer who is completing her degree at the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising.

Meghan Mihelcic Kosar is a freelance writer and editor in Chicago, Ill.

Matthew T. Lapish is an M.B.A. candidate for the class of 2011 at the F.W. Olin Graduate School of Business at Babson College, Wellesley,

Jason P. Larsen and his wife, Kimberly, announce the birth of Chase Edward on Jan. 28, 2009. They live in Fort Mill, S.C. Jason is an associate media counsel with NASCAR Media Group LLC, Charlotte, N.C.

information science on May 1, 2011, from the University of Pittsburgh in Pennsylvania. He is director of Ramaker Library at Northwestern College, Orange City, Iowa.

Ari Ostrow, 11-30-09

Daniel Z. Zaluski and his wife, Nicole, announce the birth of Carter Daniel, on Feb. 28, 2009. They live in Madisonville, Ky., where Daniel is the general counsel with Armstrong Coal Co. Inc.

# '02 |

Michelle C. Bolin married Todd Pearrell on May 22, 2010. They live in Cleveland, Ohio, where Michelle is a new business analyst with the law firm, Jones Day.

Michael J. Crotty is serving his residency in radiation oncology with the Cancer Therapy and Research Center at the University of Texas

Health Science Center at San Antonio.

Erin Moore Henshaw is a clinical psychologist in the psychology department at Denison University, Granville, Ohio.

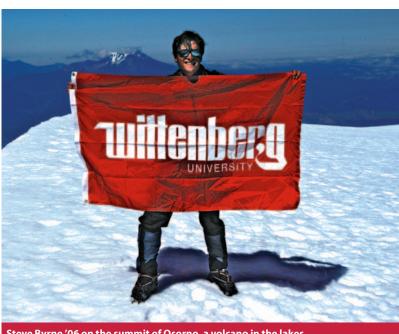
Christine Schneider Kruger is an owner and operations manager of Elite Signature DJs in Covington, Ky.

Steven J. Zakeli, Boulder, Colo., is a financial advisor with Waddell and Reed, Woburn, Mass.

# '03 I

Christopher and Barbra Blair Baker welcomed Knox Daschel on Nov. 4, 2010. They live in Spokane, Wash. Chris has been promoted to development director with the Inland Northwest Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Betsy A. Beymer and Christopher P. Farris were married June 4, 2010. They live in Champaign, Ill., where



Steve Byrne '06 on the summit of Osorno, a volcano in the lakes region of Chilean Patagonia

Fiona H. Neale-May is assistant director for global programs at Temple University, Philadelphia, Pa.

# '04 |

Lesley A. Baker and Brett A. Bowen '05 were married Nov. 14, 2009. They live in Arcadia, Ind.

Brianne L. Barclay and Julian A. Gilbert '01 were married in 2009. They live in Los Angeles, Calif., where Brianne is a senior research associate at the Center for the Study of Los Angeles at Loyola Marymount University, and Julian is a consultant at Trial Partners Inc.

Aaron W. Copley is assistant director for residence life at Millikin University, Decatur,

Vittoria S. Curl is a jewelry designer who owns Arte\*Vitta, New York, N.Y.

Benjamin C. and Courtney Hill Dewey '99 live in Dexter, Mich. Courtney is an instructor in ophthalmology and visual sciences with the



Professor Emeritus of Religion Eugene Swanger and wife Caroline recently caught up with alumni in Lakeside, Ohio, as did Bob White, director of church relations.

University of Michigan Health System, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Amanda L. Evans is a senior library associate at a local performing arts library. She lives in Tallmadge, Ohio.

Kimberly Knowle is pastor of Christ and Trinity Lutheran Church in Sedalia, Mo.

Michelle Fritz Lusmann,

Algonquin, Ill., is director of youth programs at Peace Lutheran Church, Lake Zurich,

Nicole M. Norcia married Matthew R. Koppitch on June 19, 2010. They live in Westerville, Ohio. Nicole and Matt are attorneys in Columbus, Ohio.

Erin J. O'Toole, Cleveland, Ohio, teaches middle school with the Richmond Heights Local Schools.

Angela J. Trego married Jered Crist in November 2010. They live in Orlando, Fla., where Angela is a Web development manager with Oxiem Marketing Technology.

Peter R. and Jill Swary Walker '02 live in Hilliard, Ohio. Peter teaches science with the Dublin City Schools.

Jenifer S. Warner is a research associate in the department of materials science and engineering at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.

'05

Ashley B. Allen is a health and wellness coordinator and physical education teacher at the Nap Ford Community School, Orlando, Fla.

Jennifer Baggett Basballe, Fairborn, Ohio, and her husband, David, announce the

birth of Kaylee Christine on Sept. 28, 2009.

Kristin Fox Bohach,

Delaware, Ohio, teaches at the Bucyrus Elementary School.

Lauren C. Dickert,

Alexandria, Va., is with the Georgetown Day School, Washington, D.C.

Raymar D. Hampshire is pursuing his master's degree in public policy and management at Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pa.

T. Ryan Holmes received his master's degree in business administration in 2009 and his master's degree in sports administration in 2010 from Ohio University, Athens, Ohio. He is a business development



manager with Earnhardt Ganassi Racing, Concord, N.C.

Erin T. Kelly and Joshua W. Richards were married on June 19, 2009. They live in Hopkins, Minn. Joshua is a marketing program manager with Merit Solutions Inc.

Ayisha K. Kinamore is a customer support supervisor with Delta Airlines.

Bryan K. Kujawa has completed his medical degree at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Md. He has been promoted to captain in the U.S. Army and is stationed at Madigan Army Medical Center in Tacoma, Wash.

Lindsey Mikal has joined Communications Strategy Group, Denver, Colo.

Andrew R. Nichols, Austin, Texas, is a math teacher/coach with the Hays Consolidated

Independent School District, Kyle, Texas.

Michelle S. Ponstingle married Steve Niemira on Oct. 23, 2010. They live in Maineville, Ohio. Michelle is a recruiter with Advanced Testing Laboratory, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Erin B. Reynolds married Travis Fleak on May 22, 2010. They live in Johnstown, Ohio.

Amber D. Sibley is area coordinator for residence life at the University of Dayton in Ohio.

Ryan P. Teeter and Ashley J. **Buroff** '06 announce the birth of Lucy Joy on Dec. 10, 2010. They live in Rochester, N.Y.

Blake A. Troxel received a Fulbright U.S. Student Program scholarship to continue to pursue his master's degree in ecology/ environmental studies at Yale University's School of Forestry. The scholarship allows him to return to Vanuatu, a South Pacific island, where he served three years with the Peace Corps.

In May 2010, **Dana M.** Wilkinson received her master's degree in environmental science from Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind. She lives in Bay City, Mich., where she is an environmental quality analyst with Michigan's Dept. of Environmental Quality.

Sarah E. Woodford, Franklin, Ohio, is an account executive with Enterprise Holdings Inc., Centerville, Ohio.

## 06

Elizabeth L. Asta is a predoctoral psychology intern at the university counseling and testing center at the University of Oregon, Eugene, Ore.

Kathryn A. Baltas, Rocky River, Ohio, is an intervention



specialist with the Avon Local Schools.

Following his climb to the summit of Osorno, a volcano in the lakes region of Chilean Patagonia, Steven T. Byrne volunteered at the Parque Patagonia.

Lenore Bamberger Campbell, Mentor, Ohio, is a formulations chemist with Boehringer-Ingelheim, Bedford, Ohio.

Alison T. Davis is pursuing her Ph.D. in religious studies at the University of Chicago in Illinois. She has been named a fellow in the fourth cohort of the Lilly Graduate Fellows Program in the humanities and arts.

Jessica M. Gegel is a center director of Suttons Bay Migrant Head Start, Stamford, Conn.

Luke A. Horner married Krysta M. Hawkley on April 24, 2010. Luke is a development associate with the Washington, D.C., Office on Latin America.

On June 26, 2010, Joanna S. Jones graduated with honors from Kendall College, Chicago, Ill., with a B.A. in hospitality, hotel management.



Rick McClain '74, Rob Umble, lacrosse assistant coach '84-'88, and Steve Ritzenthaler '73, head lacrosse coach from '83-'93, competed in the U.S. National Toboggan Championship in Camden, Maine, in February 2011.

Jessica A. King is pastor of Resurrection Lutheran Church, Madison, Ind.

Vannessa L. Martinez and Kenneth R. Farmer II '05 were married Oct. 17, 2009. They announce the birth of Kenneth Robert III on July 23, 2010. They live in Tifton, Ga.

Dymond L. McDonald married Emily Hall on July 3, 2010. They live in Ashburn, Va.

Sean A. and Joyce Dindo McKinniss live in Cleveland, Ohio, where Sean is with the Northeast Ohio Council on Higher Education.

Elizabeth A. Pike received professional human resources certification in December 2009. She is currently human resources manager at Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland, Ohio.

Jessica M. Savage, Plainfield, Ill., is an IMS customer logistics manager with Gladson LLC, Lisle, Ill.

Michael E. Scott Jr. is a staff attorney with the Utility Consumers Action Network, San Diego, Calif.

Emily C. Smith is a teacher/ intervention specialist at Urbana North Elementary School in Ohio.

Steven L. Stetson, Cocoa, Fla., is a business analyst with Creative Management Technology Inc., Cape Canaveral, Fla.

# '07 l

Kyle L. Barger is a brokerage representative with The David J. Joseph Co., Omaha, Neb.

Alyssa C. Bray is a district sales manager with Cranel Inc., Columbus, Ohio.

Brianna Morris Brock is a youth director at Triumphant Love Lutheran Church, Austin, Texas.



Cherylann Boone Hollinger '79 and Ann Brokaw '91, pictured at left, first met at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute's Holiday Science Lecture Series in December 2010.

Steven R. and Emily List **Dennett** live in Westerville, Ohio. Emily is a mathematics instructor at Central Ohio Technical College, Newark, Ohio.

John H. Frobose, Baltimore, Md., is a district sales manager with Mueller Industries, Wichita, Kan.

Sarah M. Garber and Zachary D. Bitzer were married Dec. 11, 2010. They live in Cincinnati, Ohio. Zack is a retirement specialist.

Blake S. Garberich and his wife, Brandi, announce the birth of Adalyn on May 5, 2010. They live in Springfield, Ohio, where Blake teaches math and history at Possum Middle School.

Cory I. Griffiths, Aurora, Colo., is a schizophrenia professional research assistant at the University of Colorado at Denver.

Mary E. Holmgren teaches at the Heartland Community Action Agency, Willmar, Minn.

Adam T. Johnson is a teacher with the Archdiocese of Cincinnati in Ohio.

Arthur R. Kraatz is pursuing his juris doctor at Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge,

Jayce R. Lesniewski received his J.D. cum laude from

William Mitchell College of Law, St. Paul, Minn.

Shawn B. McCool is a GIS field solution specialist with the Radius Technology Corp., Knoxville, Tenn.

Holly L. McHugh is a lab technician at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, Baltimore, Md.

Kevin A. Owens, Glenview, Ill., is director of community outreach in the Office of the Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives, Chicago, Ill.

Kristen D. Scheerer married Benjamin Gebhart on Sept. 18, 2010. They live in Roann, Ind.

Amy F. Siegel is a legal secretary/assistant with the law office of James W. Skogstrom, Springfield, Ohio.

Kari L. Strife married Mike Rogers, May 1, 2010. They live in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Renee E. Uhlmann is a project manager with Business Intelligence Associates, San Francisco, Calif.

Jonathan D. Umbel, Westlake, Ohio, married Chessy Seebohm on June 13, 2009.

Margret J. Zmrazek has married James R. Guerrieri. They live in Chattanooga, Tenn., where Margret is pursuing graduate studies at the University of Tennessee. James is a firefighter with the City of Chattanooga.

## '08 I

Jessica A. Baldridge is a Peace Corps volunteer in the youth and families program in Ecuador.

Kara L. Bane, an Americorps VISTA volunteer, has moved to Florida to work with the Coalition for the Homeless. She also volunteers in the histology department at Halifax Hospital and is a member of the disaster action team with the Coast to Coast Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Jamie N. Daugherty, Springfield, Ohio, married Tony Weaver Jr. on May 23,

2009. They announce the birth of Nola on March 6, 2010.

David W. Fairman, Columbus, Ohio, is a realtor with Fairman Realty, Worthington, Ohio.

Christopher L. Hewitt is a wildland firefighter with the U.S. Forest Service, Washington, D.C.

Ross R. Holland is a financial business analyst with Catalyst Rx, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Jillian S. Hutson works at the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency in Cincinnati.

Erik K. Lindsjo married Melissa Jackson on July 10, 2010. They live in Columbus, Ohio. Erik is communications manager with the Westcott



volunteer with youth at an antitrafficking in persons event in Ecuador



House Foundation, Springfield,

**Robert J. Loeffler** is a business development associate with 314e Corp., Fremont, Calif.

Rachel R. Morgan earned a master's degree at the Arthur L. Carter Journalism Institute at New York University, New York, N.Y. She is senior editor of the New York Observer Magazine.

Lara R. Rath married Devin K. Sassano on April 25, 2009. They live in Morehead City, N.C.

Christine N. Rathman is an occupational therapist at the University of Cincinnati Health-Drake Center in Ohio.

Stephanie M. Rines married Stephen W. Thompson '06 on July 31, 2010. They live in Springfield, Ohio. Stephanie is a teaching assistant at Wright State University while pursuing her M.A. in English with a concentration in composition and rhetoric. Steven works with the City of Springfield.

Heather L. Schaub married Nathan J. Dowey '07 on Jan. 15, 2011. They live in Corapolis, Pa. Nathan is with Range Resources LLC, Canonsburgh,

Sarah J. Smith is an accreditation assistant with the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, Chicago, Ill.

Lindsay L. Smith is a registered nurse at the Cleveland Clinic in Ohio.

Joseph P. Spano is a senior associate with Abalos & Associates PLLC, Phoenix, Ariz.

Halley A. Studer-Sweetman, Broad Brook, Conn., is an art program assistant at Riverside Industries Inc., Easthampton,

Elissa A. Ward, Medway, Ohio, is a dance teacher/ choreographer at the Miami Valley Dance Center, Fairborn, Ohio.

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Christopher M. Banas is an educational programs administrator with the Association for Financial Professionals, Bethesda, Md.

Derek T. Bringardner, Columbus, Ohio, is an assistant coach with the Hayes High School football team in Delaware, Ohio.

Lauren L. Bryant and James P. Martin '07 were married Dec. 18, 2010. In May 2011, Jim graduated from the School of Dental Medicine at the University of Pittsburgh. He is serving his residency in orthodontics at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Emily E. Daniels is pursuing graduate studies at Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh,

Natalie A. Davidson is an ORISE fellow-environmental scientist at the Technical Support Center, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Rachel E. Dixon and Dane T. Borchers '07 were married July 24, 2010. Rachel teaches third grade at East Elementary School, Urbana, Ohio. Dane is an operations manager at Lacal Equipment, Jackson Center, Ohio. They live in Bellefontaine, Ohio.

Kristopher N. Gingerich is a GIS technician with TechniGraphics, Wooster, Ohio.

James H. Hunter III is an accountant with Siemens Industry Inc., Denver, Colo.

Jay K. Knox, Gahanna, Ohio, is pursuing graduate studies with an emphasis on downtown revitalization in midwestern cities at The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. He is an economic research analyst with the Columbus Chamber of Commerce.

Christopher O. Kopp is an intervention specialist with the Autism Model School, Toledo, Ohio.

Daniel R. Marous is pursuing a doctorate degree in pharmacology at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.

Caitlyn M. Mather, Mason, Ohio, is a financial analyst with Johnson & Johnson.

Jessica D. Patton is a resident director and first year connections coordinator at Wilmington College while pursuing her master's degree in student affairs at Wright State University, Fairborn, Ohio.

Lindsey S. Reilly is involved in marketing and house placement with Reilly Properties and as a multimedia designer with Reilly Films in Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

Katie A. Shoemaker is a resi-dence hall coordinator at Capital University, Columbus, Ohio.

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Kara L. Abram is an intervention specialist at the Harmon Middle School with the Pickerington Local School District in Ohio.

Kathleen E. Adams, Surf City, N.C., married Roland S. Lathrop, May 8, 2010.

Neil T. Anderson lives in Shichikashuku, Katta-gun, Miyagi, Japan, where he is an assistant language teacher with the JET Program.

Andrea A. Berry, Columbus, Ohio, is a business analyst with Hewlett-Packard Enterprise Services, Westerville, Ohio.

Stephanie M. Boardman is pursuing her master's degree at the Kettering College of Medical Arts in Ohio.

Brooke R. Boswell is a fellow with the Legislative Service Commission at the Ohio Statehouse in Columbus, Ohio.

Harriet Kamakil Brown is a case manager with Catholic Social Services, Dayton, Ohio.

Adeline J. Brym is pursuing her master's degree at North Carolina State University, Raleigh, N.C.

Kelsey L. Buehler is a child care provider in Sacramento, Calif.

Jade M. Chivington,

Bellefontaine, Ohio, is a project manager with Transportation Research Center Inc., East Liberty, Ohio.

Kelly E. Clark is an account coordinator with Abelson Taylor, Chicago, Ill.

Jacquelyn L. Cooper, Perrysburg, Ohio, is with Lowe's Home Improvement, Toledo, Ohio.

Courtney E. Costigan is a computer specialist teacher at the Kenston Intermediate School in Chagrin Falls, Ohio. Brittany J. Cravens is enrolled at Baylor University Law School in Waco, Texas.

Jessica L. Crews has married Tomohiro Sawano. They live in Oita-Ken Nakatsu-Shi, Japan, where Jessica is an assistant language teacher with the Oita Board of Education.

Mandy L. Crosser is an intervention specialist at Northwestern Middle School, Springfield, Ohio.

Nicholas A. DelGrosso is pursuing his master's degree in life sciences at the Graduate Training School of Neural and Behavioral Science in Tuebingen, Baden-Wuertemburg, Germany.

Michael M. Derrenberger is an assistant lacrosse coach at Connecticut College, New London, Conn.

Jennifer M. Dick is pursuing her J.D. at Capital University Law School, Columbus, Ohio.

James R. Duff is pursuing his Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Aaron D. Dugger is pursuing his master's degree in mathematics at the Air Force Institute of Technology at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio.

Kristin M. Elber is an inside sales representative with Pearson Education, Columbus, Ohio.

Emily E. Elliott is a field organizer with Georgia Equality, Atlanta, Ga.

Matthew S. Erenpreiss is an energy geologist with the Ohio Geologic Survey, Columbus, Ohio.

### Katherine G. Fernholz,

Chicago, Ill., is a special events coordinator in admissions at Regina Dominican High School, Wilmette, Ill.

**Taylor J. Hafley** is employed by the City of Springfield in Ohio.

Philip M. Hagee is pursuing his master's degree in social sciences at Ball State University, Muncie, Ind.

Heather Newman Hahn is a group therapist with Youth Care Mental Health Services, Springfield, Ohio.

Courtney L. Harris is a claims control clerk with the Garden City Group Inc., Dublin, Ohio.

Barbara V. Hartley, Shaker Heights, Ohio, is pursuing graduate studies in nursing at Case Western University, Cleveland, Ohio.

Amanda R. Hedrick lives in Mantua, Ohio.

Kevin W. Jansen, Maumee, Ohio, is an inside sales representative with the Tansey Group, Holland, Ohio.

Daniel E. Kochli is pursuing his Ph.D. is psychology at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

Karyn A. Lesinski is a wildlife care intern at the Fellow Mortals Wildlife Hospital, Lake Geneva, Wis.

Emily K. Linkous is pursuing her master's degree in life sciences at The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.

Kyle C. Lohrman, Loveland, Ohio, is a chartered retirement plans specialist with the Bull Group Advisors Ltd., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Clayton M. Long is an English instructor at the Green Bear English Bayside School in Chiba-Ken, Japan.

Amber N. Lough is an accounts receivable specialist with Intermedix, Ft. Lauderdale,

Daniel R. McNeely, Mt. Pleasant, S.C., is a graduate assistant/basketball coach at The Citadel, Charleston, S.C. **Scott E. Morris** is pursuing his D.O. at the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, Erie, Pa.

Valerie P. O'Brien is conducting research at the University of Gottingen, Germany, in molecular science and microbiology as part of the Fulbright international education program.

Eshini A. Panditharatna is a research assistant II at the Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center in Ohio.

Sandra K. Renz is with Servant Year, an AmeriCorps volunteer program of the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania and the Southeast Pennsylvania Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. She is volunteering at Covenant House, providing social services to the underserved of Philadelphia, Pa.

Maryam E. Rezayat, Terrace Park, Ohio, is attending The Ohio State University, Moritz College of Law, Columbus,

Ross L. Roeding is pursuing his master's degree in psychology at East Tennessee State University, Johnson City,

Bethany R. Rohr is pursuing her medical degree at the University of Toledo College of Medicine in Ohio.

Ptamonie Y. Salmon is pursuing her M.D. at the University of Russia in Moscow.

Taylor A. Scherer, Parker, Colo., is attending the University of Denver Sturm College of Law.

Samantha E. Scott teaches Spanish at Harding High School with the Marion City Schools in Ohio.

Edith P. Sicken is a native English teacher with the Gyeonggi English Program in Korea at the Omokk Elementary School, South Korea.

Erin E. Slattery, Lyndhurst, Ohio, is a business analyst with the Rosetta Marketing Group, Cleveland, Ohio.

Andrew G. Steele is serving with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Young Adult in Global Mission in South Africa.

Katherine K. Stone lives in Carbondale, Colo., where she is an associate with TTP Inc.

J. Samuel Stough, Springfield, Ohio, is an admission counselor at Wittenberg.

Karen S. Stover is pursuing her master of science degree at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Alexander S. Throckmorton is attending the Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Delaware, Ohio.

Lauren R. Welch is head of social media and public relations with the Shawn Mackenzi Agency, Los Angeles, Calif.

**Sara A. Wheeler** is attending The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, Columbus, Ohio.

David B. Williams is a humanities teacher and choir director at Louisville Central High School in Kentucky.

Michelle K. Wirth is a development associate/home life assistant with L'Arche Greater Washington, D.C.

Andrea L. Young is a case manager with AmeriCorps at Homefull, Dayton, Ohio.

Phillip C. Zarobell, Gahanna, Ohio, is a youth leader at the Buckeye Ranch, Grove City, Ohio.

### In Memoriam

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### Gladys Marshall Hays,

Wooster, Ohio, died April 15, 1986. A member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority, she was a public school teacher.

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### Mary Light Kessler,

Pickerington, Ohio, died July 19, 1973.

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May Cory Lawler, Scarsdale, N.Y., died Nov. 18, 1991. She was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority.

Doyle W. Zimmerman, Girard, Ohio, died March 10, 1975.

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J. Otis Everhart of Columbus, Ohio, and Waldo, Ariz., died Dec. 7, 1988. A ceramic engineer, he at one time was a faculty member at The Ohio State University and vice president and director of Brusch Pottery Co., Roosevelt, Ohio. A member of many professional organizations and the author of numerous articles in his field, he was listed in Who's Who in America.

# '29 |

### Sibylla Strobel Barnes,

Defiance, Ohio, died Aug. 17,

Max W. Henney, Pasadena, Calif., died in December 1972.

# Esta Ballentine Skidmore,

Martinsville, Ohio, died in February 1980.

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Lawrence M. Holsapfel of Logan, Ohio, died in April 1982. His career included serving as a chemist with Gibson Electric, Greenville, Mich., an industrial engineer with Johnson Motor Co., Waukegan, Ill., and as a refrigeration and sales promotional engineer with

General Household Utilities Co., Chicago, Ill.

### Clarence M. Miller,

Coshocton, Ohio, died July 18, 2002. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Navy.

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# Lucille Kennedy Lemley,

Mansfield, Ohio, died in April 1983. An artist, her work was exhibited at the Mansfield Fine Arts Guild, the Zanesville Art Institute, Ross Widen Gallery in Cleveland, National Butler Show in Pennsylvania, and in shows in Sarasota, Fla., Woodstock, N.Y., and Provincetown, Mass. Her work was in permanent collections at the Zanesville Art Institute and in private collections in New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio.

Emil Schneider Jr., Tucson, Ariz., died in August 1972.

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# Elizabeth "Betty" Braun

Pitzer, Springfield, Ohio, passed away June 20, 2011. She was an assistant manager for Baker's Cafeteria, financial secretary of Credit Life Insurance Co., president of Ohio Association of Alpha Delta Pi sorority, president Adelphean Foundation, associate director United Way of Clark County, Zonta president, Clark County coordinator to White House Conference on Aging, national treasurer Alpha Delta Pi sorority, Community Hospital Board of Trustees, Ohio Governor's Conference on Aging, member fiscal review committee City of Springfield, Ohio Commission on Aging State of Ohio, commission member Area Agency on Aging, Home Care Advanced Commission, member Ohio Association Senior Centers, Ohio Citizens Council policy board, Miami Valley Council on Gerontology, and executive director Elderly United. She was a member of First Lutheran Church and Alpha Delta Pi sorority. Her

numerous honors included a Golden "W" Award, an honorary doctorate of humane letters and Distinguished Alumni Award from Wittenberg as well as the Governor's Award in 1982 for improving the quality of life for Ohioans. The Elderly United Downtown Center was renamed in her honor in 2000.

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### Frances Brittin Delaney,

Mechanicsburg, Ohio, passed away June 4, 2011. She taught for 32 years at Mechanicsburg Exempted Village. Her memberships included the Mechanicsburg United Methodist Church and the Caroline Chapter Order of the Eastern Star.

H. Vernon Hooker Sr. passed away Sept. 25, 2010, in San Antonio, Texas. A member of Alamo Heights United Methodist Church and Beta Theta Pi fraternity, he served as a warrant officer in the U.S. Navy. He was the music director at Pensacola High School in Florida before moving to Texas where he was the music director with the North Side Independent School District. Later, he owned Vernon Hooker Realty.

Formerly from Cynthiana, Ind., Sue Nolze Wallace died April 8, 2011, in Evansville, Ind. She retired as a registered nurse instructor from St. Mary Medical Center. A member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority, she loved gardening and was an avid Ohio State University fan.

# '36 I

William H. Wood of Franklin County, Ohio, died March 3, 1984. During World War II, he served with the Chemical Warfare Service in England.

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### Wilma Smallwood Garlough of Pitchin, Ohio, died Dec. 30, 2010. She taught for more than

20 years at Pitchin School and Possum Elementary School. A member of Trinity Lutheran Church, she enjoyed reading, sewing, quilting and traveling to a family home on Kelleys Island.

Merle Saunders Rose, Orient, Ohio, died May 23, 1973. She was a teacher.

### Ruthanna Zeller Wise,

Canton, Ohio, passed away April 28, 2011. Her career in teaching English and Latin included Canton South High School, Brilliant High School and Folansbee High School in West Virginia. Upon retirement, she concluded her teaching career as a volunteer in the adult literacy program at Martin School. Her memberships included Second United Presbyterian Church, Northminster Presbyterian Church, Chi Omega sorority, the March of Dimes, American Cancer Society, American Lung Association, United Way, YWCA and the Wilderness

Harry D. Wise, Canton, Ohio, passed away Jan 22, 2011. During World War II, he served as a staff sergeant with the U.S. Army in France and the Rhineland with the 128th reinforcement battalion. For more than 40 years, he was an accountant with the Canton Repository, Brush-Moore Newspapers and Thomson Newspapers Inc., from where he retired in 1979. His memberships included Second United Presbyterian Church, Northminster United Presbyterian Church, Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, Jaycees, Kiwanis Club, Chamber of Commerce, the American Red Cross, Ohio Valley Hospital, the Ohio Valley Savings and Loan, Jefferson County Cancer Society, YMCA, Walsh University Circle K Club and the William McKinley Masonic Lodge 431.

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### Viola Clemans Breece,

Springfield, Ohio, died Dec. 22, 2010. During her nursing career, she worked at Rickley Memorial Masonic Home, was an instructor at Children's Hospital, Columbus, Ohio, a supervisor at the Champaign County Hospital, Urbana, Ohio, and an occupational nurse at the Ohio Steel Foundry and Buckeye Incubator. She then taught and served as a guidance counselor with the Springfield City Schools at Roosevelt Junior High School. After retiring from public education, she was a real estate sales representative with Henson-Trinkle Realty. She then managed her own rental business until 2009. She served on the Ohio State Nursing Assn. for Licensing of Practical Nurses and the governor's committee on the elimination of drugs in Ohio. She received the Pride Medallion of the Board of Realtors in 1979.

Formerly of Akron, Ohio, Lois Liebegott Hesse died March 16, 2011, in Basking Ridge, N.J. Before her retirement in 1974, she was an assistant professor of bibliography at the University of Akron Library. Her affiliations included St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Akron, Ohio, First Presbyterian Church, Orange, N.J., Chi Omega sorority, Ohio Library Council and AAUP.

Hazel Hieber Popp, Fort Thomas, Ky., died Jan. 31, 2010. A homemaker, she was a member of the United Church of Christ, Alpha Xi Delta sorority, Phi Beta music fraternity and was a former president of the Fort Thomas Woman's Club and Johnson Elementary School P.T.A.

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Flora I. Askew, Xenia, Ohio, died Feb. 5, 1983. She was a retired teacher.

## '40 I

Wade B. O'Brian II of Toledo, Ohio, died Sept. 26, 2008. A member of Phi Mu Delta fraternity, he retired as manager of gross profit analysis from IBM, San Jose, Calif., in May 1984. He then became vice president of human resources/ labor relations at the HCR Corp., Toledo, Ohio.

Eline Wallick VanAnden of Hellertown, Pa., died May 13, 2011. She worked as a medical technician for Warren Hospital, Phillipsburg, Pa., and as an editorial assistant for the former Mack Printing, Easton, Pa. Her memberships included the Fork United Church of Christ, Stockertown, Pa., Forks Church Cemetery Board of Directors, World Wildlife Fund, Smithsonian Institution and John James Audubon Society.

Fred E. Wiley died Dec. 17, 2010, in Tucson, Ariz. He began his business career with General Electric before serving as a first lieutenant in Europe and the Pacific with the U.S. Army during World War II. After the war, he resumed his career with McGraw Edison Co. in Chicago, Ill. He retired as president of Toastmaster Appliances Div., McGraw-Edison Co., Elgin, Ill. A school volunteer for 25 years, he read to classes and privately with special needs students. He was a member of St. Philip's in the Hills Episcopal Church and Delta Sigma Phi fraternity.

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### Adeline Hayter Knoy,

Greencastle, Ind., died Aug. 10, 2010. She taught elementary school with the Cloverdale Community School System for more than 25 years. She appeared in numerous plays and musicals across three decades at the Putnam County Playhouse. Her travels took her to Europe, Asia, Australia and the Pacific. Her memberships included the Cloverdale United Methodist

Church, Delta Kappa Gamma sorority, RSVP and the Retired Teachers Assn. She served on the boards of the Putnam County Playhouse and the Putnam County Mental Health Assn. She was also a volunteer for many church, community and school activities.

Albert E. Lockhart, Fair Oaks, Calif., died in July 1985. A member of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity, he served as a first lieutenant with the U.S. Army.

Howard E. Sanders of Springfield, Ohio, died Jan. 2, 2011. A member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity, he served with the U.S. Army during World War II as a physician. After the war, he had a medical practice in Springfield, Ohio, and at one time served as school physician for the Springfield Public Schools. He loved aviation, golf, music, photography, reading books and sport cars.

Naomi Miller Snyder, formerly of Parma, Ohio, passed away June 9, 2011, at her home in Apopka, Fla. She was a teacher, counselor and dean of girls for the Parma Public School System from 1954-81. Her memberships included People of Faith Church, Ohio Academy of Science, American Association of University Women-Berea Branch, Ohio Association of Women Deans, Administrators and Counselors, Northeastern Ohio Personnel and Guidance Association. Ohio School Counselors Association, American Personnel and Guidance Association, Ohio Personnel and Guidance Association, American School Counselors Association, Parma Education Association, Ohio Education Association, National Education Association, Delta Kappa Gamma Alpha Chapter, Gamma Sigma Chapter, Pilot Club and AARP.

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Formerly of St. Marys, Ohio, and Punta Gorda, Fla., Edward F. Casad passed away March 20, 2011, in Celina, Ohio. He retired as an engineer from Goodyear Tire and Rubber and owned Ajax Machine and Welding and Foremost Tool Co. He was an avid boater. His memberships included St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Masonic Lodge, Port Clinton Yacht Club and U.S. Power Squadron.

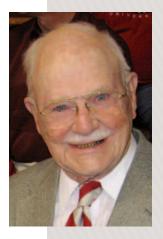
Formerly of La Jolla, Calif., Jean Regenhardt Collins passed away May 21, 2011, in Solana Beach, Calif. She was a vice president with La Jolla Industries Inc., a family corporation. A member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority, she was active in the Drury Lane Theater, La Jolla Playhouse and the San Dieguito Art Guild. Her interests included theater, painting, golf and traveling.

### Violet Fryar Hedman,

Jacksonville, Ore., died Jan. 13, 1989. She retired after serving as a teacher for more than 30 years.

David C. Kirkwood, formerly of South Charleston, Ohio, died June 13, 2011, in Springfield, Ohio. A member of South Charleston Presbyterian Church, Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and Fielding Masonic Lodge #192, he served during World War II as a U.S. Navy pilot commanding squadron VPB 215. Following sea duty, he was assigned to Corpus Christi Naval Air Station as a night flying instructor in multiengine aircraft. After the war, he worked with the Pittsburgh Pirates at their training camp in Keokuk, Iowa, a job that included calling games as a professional umpire; this was followed by work as a copywriter for a newspaper, and as a farmer.

Leland E. Stroh, Wapakoneta, Ohio, died Feb. 20, 2011. During World War II, he served as a sergeant with the U.S. Army in the Pacific Theater as a surgical nurse. He worked at The City Loan & Savings Co., where he was a loan manager,



# Longtime **Philanthropist Leaves Legacy**

Robert G. Bayley '39 died June 25, 2011. He was 93.

Students, faculty, staff and alumni know the Bayley name firsthand as it graces the Bayley Alumni House on campus. Bayley and his wife, Ruth Kunkel Bayley '42, also played a pivotal role with other

campus buildings, including most recently providing funds to renovate the lobby of the Health, Physical **Education and Recreation Center, now known as** Legends Lobby.

Recipient of every major honor at Wittenberg, including the university's Medal of Honor in 2008 for his gifts of time, talent and treasure, Bayley was a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, who went on to earn his J.D. from the University of Michigan. His education was interrupted by World War II during which time he worked as a civilian instructor pilot of military aviation cadets for several years and then as a military transport pilot, mostly in the South West Pacific Ocean region of Australia, New Guinea, and the Philippines, this during the reinvasion of these islands.

After WWII, Bayley completed his legal education and was admitted to the practice of law in Ohio in 1947. Based in Springfield, he practiced for several decades, during which time he was elected to two terms in the Ohio legislature as the State Representative of Clark County. He also served as the prosecutor of the Springfield Municipal Court. After leaving the practice of law, he became a private investor.

A licensed pilot for a period of 52 years commencing in 1939, Bayley made his first solo flight at the old Springfield Airport, now Clark County Fairgrounds. He enjoyed sailing, motorcycling, flying their Cessna with his pilot sister, Caro Bosca, and playing cribbage. His memberships included Christ Episcopal Church, Clark Lodge 101 F&AM, Wittenberg's Benjamin Prince Society and the Men's Literary Club.

He is survived by his wife, several nieces and nephews, a step-daughter and her husband, a stepgrandson, a step-granddaughter and her husband, step-great-great granddaughter.

savings manager and assistant secretary of the company. He retired in 1982 after 37 years.

Active in his community, he was a member of St. Paul United Church of Christ, Phi Mu Delta Fraternity, Boy Scouts of America, Moulton Gun Club, American Legion Post 330, Ohio State Highway Patrol Auxiliary, Greenlawn Cemetery Association, Hamer Lodge 167 Free & Accepted Masons, Wapakoneta Chapter 183 Royal Arch Masons and Koneta Chapter Order of Eastern Star.

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Winfield S. Kircher Jr., Nampa, Idaho, died July 8, 2011. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Army in Europe entertaining the troops. After the war, he began teaching music in northwestern Ohio. Later he became band director at Jerome High School in Idaho and the choir director at the Presbyterian Church. After 10 years, he became choir and orchestra director at Nampa High School from where he retired after a 29-year teaching career. Following his retirement, he became a piano tuner. His memberships included the Nampa United Congregational Church, Bee-Dlee-Bums Barbershop Quartet, the Jerome Lions Club, the Piano Technicians Guild, the Nampa Valley Grange, Pomona Grange, National Grange, the Nampa Kiwanis Club, the Boise Valley Chordsmen and the Barbershop Harmony Society. He also was the lecturer of the Idaho State Grange.

Anna Pavlotos Leontis passed away in her home in Ann Arbor, Mich., on April 20, 2011. She worked in government service in Washington, D.C., during World War II and as a public school teacher in New York, N.Y., and Springfield, Ohio. She lived in Midland, Mich., until 1971 when she relocated to Columbus, Ohio, where she was an active volunteer

with the Association of University Women, the League of Women Voters, PTA, and the Philoptochos Society. She established and operated for many years the Bookstore of the Annunciation Cathedral.

Daniel C. Stearns III, Euclid, Ohio, died in January 2011. A veterinarian, he owned the Euclid Veterinarian Hospital Inc. His memberships included the Episcopal Church, Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, the Ohio HBPA and the Mentor Harbor Yacht Club.

## '45 I

Charles C. Rich, Toledo, Ohio, died May 26, 2011. A member of Phi Mu Delta fraternity, he served as a lieutenant junior grade with the U.S. Navy aboard the mine-sweeper USS Clamour escorting convoys in the Pacific during World War II. A professor and one of the founding fathers of the geology department at Bowling Green State University, he launched a popular summer field study program that took students to western states. He retired in 1990.

Winifred Stewart Smeltzer, formerly of Youngstown, Ohio, passed away June 17, 2011, in Kent, Ohio. During World War II, she worked as a chemist in the local steel mills. Later she taught school in Berlin Center, Ohio. She was an author of three books and was also a poet. Her memberships included Chi Omega sorority, the Youngstown Board of Education, Youngstown Planning Commission, Junior League and the League of Women Voters. She was also cochair of a successful bond levy that built area libraries.

Martha Getter Smyth, Dana Point, Calif., passed away June 26, 2010. A member of the Lutheran Church and Alpha Xi Delta sorority, she was a retired teacher, airline stewardess/ supervisor and antique dealer.

# '46 I

Formerly of Dayton, Ohio, Joan Reinheimer Compton died Feb. 19, 2011, in Niceville, Fla. A member of St. Paul Lutheran Church and Chi Omega sorority, she was at one time employed at Wright Patterson Air Force Base. Formerly of Columbia, S.C., Lois Rugh Shell Fries, died Jan. 14, 2011, in Jacksonville, Fla. Early in her life she taught high school English, and was an instructor of English and language skills at Benedict College and the University of South Carolina. She also taught children's drama and coordinated the Gingerbread Theater program at Columbia College. She was assistant professor of English at South Carolina State College in Orangeburg before becoming assistant director of the South Carolina Humanities Council in 1980. She retired from there in 2001 as a senior consultant. An active member of Ebenezer Lutheran Church and many community organizations, she was the recipient of numerous awards for her service.

### Lois Feldkircher Gross.

Weatherford, Texas, died Feb. 6, 2011. She was the music director at many schools and churches, most recently at Druid Hills Methodist Church, Ocala, Fla. A member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority and Schola Cantorum of Texas, she had a passion for entertaining and was selfemployed as a caterer.

Formerly of Forest Hills, Pa., Myrna Steinfurth Hundstad died March 7, 2011, in Murrysville, Pa. A homemaker, she was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church, Wilkinsburg, Pa., and Chi Omega sorority. She was active on the board of the Lutheran Student Foundation of Western Pennsylvania, as a Girl Scout troop organizer and a bingo volunteer.

Maude E. Cairns, Palm Harbor, Fla., died Nov. 26, 2010. For 30 years, she was a vocal music teacher with the Dayton Board of Education. A member of Delta Zeta sorority, she was also the organist-choir director of Zion Lutheran Church, Middletown, Ohio.

Formerly of Columbus, Ohio, Edgar E. "Bud" Darling died Oct. 16, 2010, in Sarasota, Fla. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Marine Corps in the Pacific Theater. He was discharged after being wounded on Tarawa. A member of Phi Mu Delta fraternity, he was a teacher/coach at Geneva High School and Columbus South High School before becoming a vocational coordinator with the Columbus Public Schools.

Lawrence T. Rugh '50S,'72H Springfield, Ohio, passed away June 27, 2011. A member of Dorm League, he served as a B-29 navigator in the Pacific Theater as a first lieutenant with the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II. Following his ordination as a Lutheran minister in May 1950, he served as pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, London, Ohio, until 1957. He accepted a call from First Lutheran Church in Springfield, Ohio, where he led that congregation for 31 years until his retirement in 1988. Following his retirement, he continued his ministry by serving on an interim basis the congregations of Messiah Lutheran Church, Urbana, Ohio, St. John's Lutheran Church, London, Ohio, First Lutheran Church, Xenia, Ohio, St. John's Lutheran Church, Vandalia, Ohio, and Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Springfield, Ohio. He was also a supply pastor for 32 area churches. He served as secretary of the Wittenberg University Board of Directors from 1964-85, and was honored with an Alumni Citation, an honorary

doctor of divinity, the Class of 1914 Award and the Wittenberg Medal of Honor.

Harry N. Stetler, Missoula, Mont., passed away June 7, 2011. He taught school and coached four years of basketball in Loudonville, Ohio, before serving as an underwriter and assistant manager with New York Life. He moved to Montana where he opened a branch and served as manager with Canada Life Insurance Co. In 1957, he bought Western Montana Marble and Granite Co. and served as executive director of United Way of Missoula until he retired in 1980. His memberships included Immanuel Lutheran Church, Phi Mu Delta fraternity and Masonic Harmony Lodge #49. He enjoyed snow-birding to Arizona, time at Flathead Lake, coaching Missoula Little League teams and singing with the Barbershop Quartet.

Formerly of Russells Point, Ohio, and Fort Myers, Fla., Kenneth H. Stewart died Jan. 31, 2011, in Safety Harbor, Fla. He worked for the State of Ohio and the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development. His memberships included Beta Theta Pi fraternity, the Masons, Shriners and the Scottish Rite.

Formerly of Chagrin Falls, Ohio, Joanne Feichter Trimble passed away June 5, 2011, in Fort Collins, Colo. She was a teacher at Harvard, Mound and Miles Standish Schools before becoming a media specialist with the Cleveland Board of Education. She was a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

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### Bette Jean Darrah Doench,

Dayton, Ohio, passed away Aug. 28, 2007. A member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority, she enjoyed traveling, gardening and gourmet cooking.

William C. Freeman, Brandon, Fla., passed away March 6, 2011. A member of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity, he served with the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II. He taught at Brandon High School.

### Robert F. Hamilton,

Springfield, Ohio, died April 29, 2009. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Marine Corps. He was the national credit manager with the Eaton Corp. in Cleveland, Ohio, before moving to Springfield to be vice president/cashier with the Guardian Bank and Security National Bank & Trust Co., from where he retired in 1986 after 38 years. His memberships included Covenant Presbyterian Church, Beta Theta Pi fraternity, Springfield Lions Club, Marine Corps League, American Legion and Yellow Springs Community Band. He also was a board member with the Salvation Army.

Alden Y. "Al" Sonander, Pleasanton, Calif., died Dec. 19, 2010. He taught high school Spanish for eight years in Ohio, for 30 years on Long Island, N.Y., and for 25 years in Garden City. A member of John Knox Presbyterian Church and Beta Theta Pi fraternity, he maintained interests in history,

biography, current events and

informal Bible studies.

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Formerly of Palos Heights, Ill., Jack K. Armstrong died Jan. 26, 2011, in Montgomery, Ill. During World War II, he served as a corporal in the 80th Airdrome Squadron, providing ground support to fighter planes in the Pacific theater with the U.S. Army Air Force. He served in the Occupation of Japan after the war. He was employed for many years by International Harvester Corp. as a metallurgist, first in Sterling, Ill., and later in the Chicago area. He retired in 1982. His memberships included Palos Park Presbyterian Community Church and Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

Robert N. Bolla, East China Township, Mich., died Feb. 11, 2011. During the Korean War, he served as a corporal with the U.S. Army. He worked for the East China School District for 32 years as a teacher, coach, athletic director, business administrator and principal of East China Elementary School, St. Clair High School and Marine City High School. He also officiated many sporting events in Michigan, Florida and Canada. His affiliations included First Congregational Church, Phi Mu Delta fraternity, St. Clair Area League, St. Clair Rotary and the Michigan High School Athletic

### Marion Bolster Fisher,

formerly of Indianapolis, Ind., and most recently of Hillsdale, Ind., passed away Feb. 1, 2011. She retired as a kindergarten teacher from the Washington Township Schools in Indianapolis, Ind., after 30 years of service. Following her retirement she volunteered at the Indiana State Art Museum and in the tutoring programs at schools teaching children and adults to read. Her memberships included St. Anthony Catholic Church in Hillsdale, Ind., Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Indianapolis, Ind., and Alpha Xi Delta sorority.

Jean Fiessinger Gasson, Los Angeles, Calif., passed away May 12, 2011. A member of the Catholic Church and Chi Omega sorority, she worked as an elementary school teacher. During her lifetime, she made her home in many areas around the United States excelling at cooking, decorating, gardening and volunteer work. She also greatly enjoyed playing golf and boating.

Eugene C. Harter died Dec. 13, 2010, in Ellicott City, Md. A member of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity, he served with the U.S. Navy during World

War II. His early career was spent as editor and publisher of the Campbellsville News Journal in Kentucky. After being defeated in 1966 as a Democratic candidate for Congress, he joined the U.S. Information Agency. He had postings in Washington, D.C., Lebanon, Brazil, Mexico and Ecuador. He was named chief of the economic staff at the International Communication Agency and then counselor in the Senior Foreign Service. Following his retirement in 1982, he authored The Lost Colony of the Confederacy and Boilerplating America.

Charlotte Olds Hughes, Fort Worth, Texas, passed away Jan. 6, 2010. A member of St. John the Apostle Catholic Church and Kappa Delta sorority, she owned and operated the Book Swap in Grapevine, Texas, for 25 years.

Richard F. Leffel, Piqua, Ohio, passed away May 6, 2011. During World War II, he participated in five battle campaigns with the U.S. Army in the European Theater of Operations and was a prisoner of war. He loved all sports and at one time played semi-pro baseball. A high school teacher for several years before entering the furniture business, he owned Woodlawn Carpet in Canton and Dayton, Ohio, for 46 years, retiring in 2000. His memberships included Trinity United Church of Christ, Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, the Masonic Temple, Shriners, Elks and Eagles.

### Frederick T. Martin,

Cincinnati, Ohio, died Aug. 4, 2010. During World War II, he served as a corporal with the U.S. Army Air Force. A medical doctor, he practiced family medicine in Cincinnati, Ohio, from 1955 until his retirement in 1989. His affiliations included, St. Peter and St. Paul United Church of Christ, Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and Western

Hills Cheviot Masonic Lodge #140 F&AM.

### Janet Marshall Penske,

Caliente, Nev., passed away May 29, 2011. A homemaker, she was a member of Caliente Community United Methodist Church, Alpha Delta Pi sorority, the L.O.S. of North America-Dendarah Court #10, Abara Court #80, the Panhellenic Alumnae of Lee County, Zonta Club and the Royal Order of Jesterettes.

Harry E. Shephard, Delphos, Ohio, died in August 1966. He was a member of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity.

### William G. Stewart,

Lexington, Ky., died Dec. 12, 2010. He served as a sergeant with the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II. His career included teaching and coaching with the Springfield City Schools in Ohio, before becoming assistant professor of physical education at the University of Mississippi and chairing the graduate division of the health and physical education dept. at Ohio University in Athens. He retired in 1996 as director of the ticket department with the Cincinnati Reds. He was a member of the Methodist Church, Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, the Free and Accepted Masons of Ohio, the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation, and the Ohio High School Football Coaches Association.

Formerly of Palmetto, Fla., and Killeen, Texas, Ruth Wiley Thuemling, died April 12, 2011, in Elyria, Ohio. A member of Redeemer Lutheran Church and Gamma Phi Beta sorority, she taught office education skills at Lorain High School. She enjoyed singing and making chocolate delicacies.

Robert C. Vonachen, Holliston, Mass., passed away March 3, 2011. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Army 65th

Infantry in France, Belgium and Germany. He survived the Battle of the Bulge and liberated POW and Mauthausen, Dachau and Buchenwald concentration camps. He then attended the Nuremberg trials. He was vice president for the Acorn Chemical Co., before working regional sales with the New England Kendall Co. His memberships included Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, the Holliston School Committee, the Elks, VFW Post 8507, Gyro's, the Amvets, Junior Achievement and Boy Scouts, and he was a 32nd degree Mason at Mt. Hollis Lodge.

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Vera Light Cooper, Mansfield, Ohio, passed away Dec. 9, 2010. She was an accomplished organist, sharing her talent with several area churches and the Mansfield Symphony Choral Society. She also performed secretarial duties with Sears and the Crawford County Extension Office. Her memberships included St. Luke's Lutheran Church and Chi Omega sorority. She was an active volunteer with Mansfield General Hospital, the American Cancer Society and the American Red Cross.

William R. Dillon, Lilburn, Ga., died July 3, 2011. A member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, he served with the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was employed in the commercial wallcovering business and was president of United Consumers Club in Doraville, Ga.

Robert W. Duhl, a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity, died July 9, 2010, at his home in Union Township, Ohio.

Betty Arbogast Everett of Dover, Ohio, died April 8, 2011. She worked in the cafeteria at Dover High School for 25 years, retiring in 1989. Her memberships included St. John's United Church of Christ and the Dover Eagles Auxiliary. She was an avid Cleveland Indians fan and enjoyed reading.

James R. Hauck, Evansville, Ind., died Dec. 19, 2010. In 1982, he retired as a district sales manager from the Gulf Oil Co. A member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity, he was proud of his musical career in stage plays, choirs and singing with dance bands. He also enjoyed golf, fishing and sports.

### William A. Hottman,

Timonium, Md., died May 5, 2011. A member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church and Beta Theta Pi fraternity, he served as a private with the 42nd Rainbow Division in Europe during World War II. He began his career as a promotion manager for The Baltimore Sun, and later joined the Gunther Brewing Co. and J.H. Filbert Co. as advertising manager. In 1971, he established Hottman Edwards Advertising in Baltimore, Md. Following his retirement in 1989, he became an avid golfer and Orioles fan.

Henry L. Lehning, Hopwood, Pa., died Dec. 8, 2010. A member of St. George Serbian Orthodox Church, Carmichaels, Pa., he served with the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a sales representative with Sun Oil and Pat's Motor Parts.

Karl G. Lind Jr., Springfield, Ohio, passed away March 26, 2011. He began his career in the printing industry at Crowell-Collier Publishing Co., before working for many years as a rotogravure technician with Springfield Gravure Corp. and Springfield Separations Co., from where he retired. He sang with the Springfield Symphony Chorale and the Ohio Lyric Theater chorus. A flight instructor, he also enjoyed distance running, photography, aviation and traveling. He was a member of Grace Bible Church.

Coila Lichtenberger Mosey, formerly of North Syracuse,

N.Y., and Sunset Beach, N.C., died March 6, 2011, in Manlius, N.Y. Her memberships included Alpha Xi Delta sorority, the Cazenovia Golf Club, the Sea Trail Ladies Golf Assn., and the Syracuse and Fayetteville-Manlius Chorales. She was past vice president of the Corinthian Club and a library volunteer at Community General Hospital.

Nancy Elder Robe, Springfield, Ohio, passed away Feb. 5, 2011. She was a member of the former Friends Quaker Church. A homemaker, she enjoyed deer, birds, flowers and nature.

Nancy Humphreys Roberts, Lebanon, Ohio, passed away July 6, 2011. A homemaker, she was a member of First Baptist Church, Lebanon, Ohio, Silver Grove Baptist Church, Oregonia, Ohio, and Alpha

Marjorie Stroup Stine, Shelby, Ohio, died Dec. 28, 1983. A member of First Lutheran Church and Alpha Delta Pi sorority, she worked at Shelby Salesbook Co. at one time.

Delta Pi sorority.

James P. Stutzman Jr., Hebron, Ky., and Astatula, Fla., died April 7, 2006. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Navy in the Asiatic Pacific. He was a worker on the Ashland Oil Refinery tugboat "Valvoline" and was a manager for a public finance company. His affiliations included Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Delta Sigma Phi fraternity, Hebron Masonic Lodge and Erlanger-Elsmere VFW Post.

Martha Wheadon Vest, New Albany, Ind., died May 12, 2011. At one time she was employed by Frisch's Restaurants in Louisville, Ky. A member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority, she was active with the Shriners and Eastern Star.

George R. Winkhouse, Springfield, Ohio, passed away Dec. 8, 2010. A member of

Trinity Lutheran Church and Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, he served with the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Bush during the World War II invasion of Okinawa. He was one of the crew who survived a kamikaze attack on his ship. In 1950, he began a lengthy career as a teacher, coach and assistant principal at Fairborn High School, retiring in 1992. He also officiated high school and college baseball and basketball games. After his retirement, he served as assistant baseball coach at Wittenberg for five years. His honors include being inducted into the Springfield-Clark County Baseball Hall of Fame in 1983, the Miami Valley Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 1995, the Wittenberg University Athletic Hall of Honor in 2002, the Springfield High School Athletic Hall of Fame in 2005 and the Fairborn Board of Education Hall of Fame in 2011.

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John V. Dadominici, Clairton, Pa., died in February 1983. A member of the Catholic Church and Delta Sigma Phi fraternity, he served with the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was a teacher.

Jackson J. Hall of Wadsworth, Ohio, passed away Jan. 24, 2010. A member of Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church and Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, he served as a seaman first class in the Atlantic and Pacific with the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II. Before serving as treasurer of the City of Wadsworth, he had been president of H.J. Hall Trucking Co. and operated Hall's Racquetball. He was also a part-owner of the News Banner and was a realtor.

Rexford E. Hardin, formerly of Holland, Ohio, died June 20, 2011, in Sarasota, Fla. During World War II, he served as a navigator bombardier with the U.S. Army Air Force.

He received his degree in dental surgery and returned to the U.S. Air Force to serve as a dentist on the island of Okinawa during the Korean War. Following his discharge, he moved to Toledo, Ohio, where he practiced dentistry for more than 35 years. He was elected president of the Toledo Dental Society and the Ohio Dental Association. He received numerous professional awards including the Pierre Fauchard Medal. After retiring from dentistry, he founded Insta-Plak Inc. where he remained CEO until the time of his death. His community service included serving in various capacities in the fight against cancer. He received the Burt Silverman Memorial Award, St. George Medal and the Ernest N. Bach Award for his contribution to his community and his profession.

Morton H. "Buster" Sadler of Nashville, Tenn., passed away Oct. 29, 2009. A member of Memorial Lutheran Church and Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, he served as a staff sergeant with the U.S. Air Force in England during the Korean War. He retired from the Pirelli Tire Co.

Francis Tackett, La Mesa, Calif., died Sept. 19, 2010. He retired from the military after serving with the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force. He also owned San Diego Custom Whitewall.

Barbara Wilson Flynn Thiessen, Petaluma, Calif., died March 6, 2011. Her career began as a part-time secretary at McDowell Elementary School in Petaluma. In 1968, she began working for the Petaluma branch of the Municipal Court. She eventually transferred to the Sonoma County seat in Santa Rosa, working through the ranks until becoming the assistant court executive officer of the Sonoma County Municipal Court. Following her retirement in 1995, she moved to Lewiston, Calif.,

where she remained active in her community until the time of her death. She was a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

### Wilmer C. Walters Jr.,

Anaheim, Calif., died May 13, 2008. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army Air Force in France and Germany where he learned meteorology at weather stations.

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Albert H. Kunkle died June 9, 2011, in Springfield, Ohio, where he was a farmer.

Formerly of Springfield, Ohio, Trifon M. Kupanoff Sr. died Nov. 19, 2010, at his home in Scottsdale, Ariz. He joined the Springfield City Fire Dept. in 1955. In addition to his career as a firefighter, he owned several family restaurants. His memberships included St. Bernard Catholic Church, St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Patrick's Dads' Club, Knights of Columbus and St. Vincent DePaul.

### Donald W. Muehlnickel of

Brandon, Fla., passed away Feb. 7, 2010. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, he was an accomplished organist. He was a Lutheran minister who served his first parish in Mansfield, Ohio. He later served several congregations around the United States, including Apostles Lutheran Church in Brandon, Fla., from where he retired. He became interim pastor at Faith Lutheran Church, Lakeland, Fla., where he retained a membership.

### Henry W. Roberts of

Springfield, Ohio, died Nov. 20, 2009. During World War II and the Korean War, he served as a staff sergeant with the U.S. Marine Corps. He had been employed at Duplex Mill, was a vice president at Sweet Manufacturing and owned a Dairy Queen store until retiring in 1992. His memberships included Christ Episcopal Church, Beta Theta Pi fraternity, St. Andrews Lodge #619F&AM, Clark County Shrine Club and American Legion Post #362. He was also active as an associate adviser of Explorer Post #6, and as a coach and president of the Clark County Little League.

Formerly of Menomonie, Wis., John B. Stevenson '55S, '63M. Ed., died July 25, 2009, in Lima, Ohio. From 1948-49, he served with the U.S. Navy as a midshipman. He taught at Capital University in Columbus, Ohio, before becoming dean of the School of Education and professor of education and psychology at the University of Wisconsin at Stout. He retired in 1990 after 25 years of service. The author of An Introduction to Career Education and several other publications on education in Ohio and Wisconsin, he was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

E. Eugene Surbey, Greensboro, N.C., passed away Feb. 4, 2011. A member of First Lutheran Church and Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, he served with the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. He was a retired bank president for BancOhio.

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Formerly of Kankakee, Ill., James J. Beard '56S, died Jan. 21, 2011, in Momence, Ill. He was a sergeant with the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II. An ordained Lutheran minister, he was associated with the American Lutheran Church and served as pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Connersville, Ind. For many years he worked as an operations supervisor for the Social Security administration.

James W. Ehrle, Springfield, Ohio, passed away Dec. 27, 2010. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Army in North Africa, India, Burma, China and the Philippines. After leaving the Army, he traveled around the United States working as a musician

and photographer. He later had lengthy and successful careers at Robbins and Myers and Heat Treat Inc. His memberships included Phi Mu Delta fraternity, the Springfield Tennis Commission and the Springfield Ski Club. Following his retirement, he ushered at the Clark State Performing Arts Center, tutored at Kenton Ridge High School, and enjoyed reading and traveling.

Kenneth D. Reel, Massillon, Ohio, died May 9, 2009. A member of Dorm League, he had been a draftsman with L.C. Design, North Canton, Ohio.

Donald E. Safford, North Canton, Ohio, died April 22, 2011. A Lutheran minister, he served St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Mifflin, Ohio, Mount Zion Lutheran Church, Lucas, Ohio, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Marion, Ohio, and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, North Canton, Ohio, from where he retired in 1991. He served on the board of directors and as president of St. Luke Lutheran Home, and was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and the Descendants of the Colonial Clergy. Following his retirement, he enjoyed being a supply pastor, sailing, history, archeology and architecture.

### Miriam Recker White,

Chambersburg, Pa., died April 14, 2011. She taught general science and chemistry for 30 years at Chestnut Hill Academy, Philadelphia, Pa., where she was recognized with numerous awards. She was active in the American Chemical Society, elected chair of the Philadelphia chapter and was granted the prestigious Catalyst Award by the Chemical Manufacturers' Assoc. Following her retirement in 1997, she spent a year teaching in Bratislava, Slovakia. She also did volunteer service at the LBJ Ranch in Johnson City, Texas, the Scotland School for Veterans' Children and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in

America Wittenberg Center in Germany. She was also an active member of St. Luke Lutheran Church.

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Formerly of Dayton, Ohio, Anne Davidson Buck passed away March 23, 2011, in Westlake Village, Calif. A teacher, coach and athletic trainer with the Oakwood and Kettering School Systems, she retired in 1993. She also refereed field hockey for the local high schools and college teams throughout Ohio. Her memberships included St. George Episcopal Church, Campfire Girls and the Great Lakes Field Hockey Assn.

### Beverly Wehn Loomis,

Willoughby Hills, Ohio, died May 6, 1985. A member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority, she was at one time a photographer for the Cleveland Clinic.

## '55 I

### Patricia Cowen Robinson,

Penfield, N.Y., and St. Augustine, Fla., died May 31, 2011. She worked as a bookkeeper at the Neighbor Housing Services of Rochester. An active volunteer, she headed up the candy drive for the Monroe County Campfire USA, tutored Fairport Junior High School students in reading and mathematics, worked the soup kitchen at Saints Peter and Paul Church and organized the drivers for the local Meals on Wheels program. Her memberships included St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church and Delta Zeta sorority. She enjoyed gardening, traveling, outdoor living and bridge.

William C. Zimmann Jr. '58S, Tipp City, Ohio, died Feb. 27, 2011. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, he was a Lutheran minister. Before his retirement in 1999, he served Emmanual Lutheran Church, New Springfield, Ohio; Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,

Lorain, Ohio; St. John's Lutheran Church, Zanesville, Ohio; and Hope Lutheran Church, Springfield, Ohio.

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Daniel G. Baker, Delphi, Ind., died June 27, 2011. After 15 years of service, he retired as a dispatcher from Carter Block. In addition, he had been an assistant manager with the Farm Bureau Co-op for 25 years. He served as a specialist 4 with the U.S. Army. His memberships included the Delphi Lions Club, Wabash and Erie Canal, Mount Zion Lodge 211 Free & Accepted Masons and the Indianapolis Ancient & Accepted Order of the Scottish Rite. He enjoyed model railroads, trains, scuba diving, golf and traveling.

Robert C. Bradley, Springfield, Ohio, died Jan. 11, 2011. He served his country with the U.S. Army Reserves 373rd Signal Co., until called to active duty during the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1961-62. He had a successful career as branch manager of several local Key Bank locations. His memberships included High Street United Methodist Church, Beta Theta Pi fraternity, a barber shop quartet, the Springfield Kiwanis Club and BPOE #51 Elks Club.

James I. Garberich, Mansfield, Ohio, died July 2, 2011. During the Korean Conflict, he served with the U.S. Army. He taught vocal and instrumental music with the Ontario Schools for 30 years, retiring in 1983. He was a director of Master Singers Male Chorus and directed the orchestra for three musicals staged by St. Peters Summer Theater. His most recent position was that of choirmaster and substitute organist at Trinity Lutheran Church. His memberships included Dorm League, the American Legion Post 0488, AMVETS and AARP.

### Doris Weigel Hardin of

Prospect, Ky., died March 29, 2011. A member of Strathmoor Presbyterian Church and Alpha Delta Pi sorority, she taught first grade with the Jefferson County Public Schools in Kentucky until 1958. She then taught preschool and kindergarten for 21 years at the Strathmoor Education Center in Louisville, Ky.

Charles W. Koons, Johnston, S.C., died July 17, 2011. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, he was ordained into the ministry of the Lutheran Church in America in 1959. He served parishes in Toledo, Ohio, and Anniston, Ala. In 1967, he responded to a call to serve as pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran Church and administrator of St. Peter's School in Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa. After returning to the United States in 1971, he served a parish in Florence, Ala. In 1990, he moved to Johnston, S.C., where he pastored St. John Lutheran Church until his retirement in 2000. Following his retirement, he became a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Aiken, S.C., and then served as visitation pastor at Lutheran Church of the Resurrection in Augusta, Ga., where he continued until his death.

Janet Neal Schreiber, Canfield, Ohio, died April 30, 2011. A former fifth grade teacher with the Boardman Schools, she was a homemaker and an active volunteer. Her memberships included Bethesda-on-the-Bay Lutheran Church and Alpha Delta Pi sorority.

Formerly of Cincinnati, Ohio, Bruce M. Tillinghast passed away March 9, 2011, in Wilmington, Ohio. He worked at the U.S. Postal Service before serving with the U.S. Marine Corps. His professional career included being a branch claims manager with Motorist Mutual and State Auto Insurance. He was a member of C.L.A.S.S.

Larry D. Adams, Fort Myers, Fla., died in March 1986. A member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, he was the founder and president of Touchwood Inc., which was sold to Time Inc. in 1978. He retired in 1979.

Gerald J. Fankhauser, Hebron, Ind., died Feb. 6, 2011. A member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, he retired from U.S. Steel as a senior traffic engineer in traffic/transportation management.

Marjorie Neff Hunt, Muncie, Ind., died Jan. 28, 2011. She taught at Butler Pre-School for the Gifted in Indianapolis, Ind., from 1982-88, and then at Park Tudor School until her retirement in 1998. She was the recipient of many awards for excellence during her time there. She also taught in the preschool education program of the Indianapolis Children's Museum from 1979-2005. Prior to her teaching career, she served as an organist and choir director. Her love of music, her family and all children were at the core of her life's passion. She was a member of Grace Episcopal Church and St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

# Jerold E. "Jerry" McFarland,

Pataskala, Ohio, passed away April 23, 2011. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, he served eight years with the Air National Guard of Ohio, and was a 53-year licensed amateur radio operator. He retired as president of Complete Music of Columbus Inc.

## Tonya Wiegel Ulliman,

Springfield, Ohio, died May 18, 2010. After more than 30 years of service, she retired as an elementary teacher with the Springfield City Schools. Her memberships included St. Teresa Catholic Church, Women's Town Club and Catholic Women's College Club.

## '59 I

David L. Arnold, died Dec. 9, 2010, at his home in Huntly, Va. He worked as a staff photographer at The New Era newspaper, Deep River, Conn., and spent a year photographing college life at Colgate University for his book, Heydays, and went on to serve as photo editor at Time-Life Books in New York. In 1967, he began his long tenure as an illustrations editor at National Geographic magazine. He traveled on assignment to the South Pacific, the American West and around the world. His work was honored by the University of Missouri's "Pictures of the Year" awards in 1975, 1994 and 1995. Following his retirement in 1994, he began to explore his family history, enjoy his love of the water and derive pleasure from music.

Formerly of Vandalia, Ohio, Diane Thall Arthur passed away Dec. 6, 2010, in Sarasota, Fla. A member of Kappa Delta sorority, she dedicated her professional career to education. She was an elementary school teacher, and an elementary and middle school principal in Ohio. She also supervised student teachers and taught education methods classes at Wright State University, Fairborn, Ohio, before retiring to Florida. Following her retirement, she was active in community theatre.

Norman E. Heyerdahl, Bothell, Wash., died Oct. 25, 2010. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, he was at one time employed as a senior project engineer with Tektronix Inc., Beaverton, Ore.

# '60 I

### Jane Miller Davisson,

Woodruff, S.C., died Dec. 22, 2010. She taught in Ohio and South Carolina public schools before becoming a professor in the school of education at the University of South Carolina

Spartanburg. She retired as vice chancellor. Following her career in education, she led a grant-writing and fundraising consulting company until her retirement. A member of Calvary Episcopal Church and Delta Gamma sorority, she served numerous nonprofit, social and community organizations during her lifetime.

Lois M. Holder, Ottawa, Ohio, died March 26, 2011. A member of Ottawa Missionary Church, she retired as a physical education and special education teacher from Ottawa-Glandorf High School. An avid sports fan, she was an active volunteer with her church, the Putnam County Chapter of the American Red Cross, the Ottawa Senior Citizens, Ottawa Elementary School and Putnam Acres Care Center.

## **′61**

Nancy Sprague Greunke Blattner passed away Feb. 2, 2011, at her home in Toledo, Ohio. A homemaker, she was an active member of Olivet Lutheran Church. She enjoyed cooking, knitting, and jigsaw and crossword puzzles.

Formerly of Twinsburg, Ohio, Carol Veit Burns died Dec. 16, 2010, at her home in Montgomery, Ala. A teacher, she was a Title I tutor and substitute teacher with the Twinsburg City Schools. She was a member of the Lutheran Church.

### Leila Major Ermarth,

Urbanna, Va., died March 3, 2006. A member of the Lutheran Church, Delta Gamma sorority, and numerous civic and professional organizations, she retired as a history teacher with the Fairfax County Public Schools.

Formerly of Fort Wayne, Ind., Ruth A. Eudaley died Jan. 26, 2010, in Richmond, Ind. She taught math and social studies with the Fort Wayne

Community Schools for 30 years, retiring in 1994. She was a member of Second Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne Educators Association and Indiana State Teachers Association.

Hazel Bauer Fiers, formerly of Arlington, Va., died Dec. 29, 2008, in West Palm Beach, Fla. A member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority, she was a homemaker and an elementary teacher with the Columbus City Schools in Ohio.

Mary Ellen Fussnecker Hinkley, Alexandria, Va., died May 20, 2011. At one time she was a teacher with the New York City School system.

Rand G. Miller, Springfield, Ohio, passed away March 18, 2011. In 1961, he began teaching and coaching boys sports with the Greenon Local Schools. In 1967, he began a career with State Farm Insurance, retiring in 2000. During the 1980s, he coached girls' basketball at Kenton Ridge High School and Clark State Community College. Following his retirement, he drove the Bookmobile and worked at Logos Christian Book Store and Windy Knoll golf course. His affiliations include First Christian Church, Beta Theta Pi fraternity, the Grotto and the Clark County Golf Commission.

## Frieda Webb Nutter of

Springfield, Ohio, passed away Jan. 25, 2011. For more than 25 years, she taught with the Springfield City Schools at Highland Elementary School. Following her retirement, she loved traveling, gardening and playing bridge. She was an active member of Central United Methodist Church, the Clark County Retired Teachers Assn. and the AAUW.

Denis D. Walterreit, Mt. Pleasant, Mich., died March 29, 2011. A member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, he served as pastor of Lutheran churches in Greenville and Trenton. He provided interim pastoral services throughout Michigan until recently. He established law practices in Woodhaven and Mt. Pleasant. He was dedicated to helping people as a spiritual and legal counsel. His role as tribal court judge for the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe was one of his most fulfilling life experiences.

Nancy Gammell Barber of London, Ohio, died May 25, 2011. She was an educator with several schools before becoming a reading specialist with the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections, Columbus, Ohio, in 1984. She retired in 2004. During her tenure there, she established a literacy program for inmates and made numerous presentations to literacy groups throughout the United States. She received many awards for her work including the Leader of Readers Award from Family Circle magazine in 1987 and in 1988 the State Corrections Teacher of the Year. A member of the International Reading Assn., she was a former trainer for Laubach Literacy International.

Formerly of South Carolina and Florida, C. Wesley Hayes died April 17, 2011, in Warren, Maine. During the Korean War, he served with the U.S. Navy. He was a Lutheran pastor for 30 years with congregations in New Hampshire, New Haven, Conn., and Hanover, Mass. He headed the Blue Hill Girl Scout Council in Quincy, Mass. In later years he was employed in radio advertising sales. His memberships included People's United Methodist Church and Mensa.

### Betty Davis Parker Terry, Beltsville, Md., died Feb. 21, 2011. She taught at Antioch Elementary School in Yellow Springs, Ohio, Burns Park Elementary School, Ann Arbor,

Mich., University Elementary

School, Honolulu, Hawaii, Thomas Stone Elementary School, Mt. Rainer, Md., Holly Park Elementary School, College Park, Md., and Glenarden Woods Elementary School, Glenarden, Md., before retiring in 1995. She was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, attending congregations in Silver Spring, Md., and Honolulu, Hawaii.

# **'63** |

Formerly from Columbus, Ohio, Miriam M. Dornbirer died Dec. 3, 2010, in San Diego, Calif. She worked as a registered nurse in Columbus, Ohio, Cleveland, Ohio, Boston, Mass., and San Diego, Calif., before becoming a professor of nursing at Southwestern College, Chula Vista, Calif., and a visiting professor at the University of San Diego. Most recently she was a nurse legal consultant. A member of Christ Lutheran Church and Chi Omega sorority, she was instrumental in obtaining changes in the regulations governing Ohio nursing home care and patient privacy rights in California.

Betty Smith Eades of London, Ohio, died May 31, 2011. She taught elementary school for many years at Madison Rural School with the Madison Plains School District.

Martha W. Kerns, Urbana, Ohio, died Jan. 15, 2011.

Duane L. Shields, Dayton, Ohio, died March 11, 1984.

### Patricia Misek Webb,

Harrogate, Tenn., died in January 1992. A member of Sigma Kappa sorority, she was a bookkeeper at Bowell Whitley Communication Service, Pineville, Ky.

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Charles E. Doepken, Hampton Township, Pa., died March 11, 2011. A member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Glenshaw,

Pa., and Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, he was vice president of marketing with US Super Tuff Steel Co.

John D. Parsons, formerly of Springfield, Ohio, died July 2, 2011, in Port St. Lucie, Fla. A member of Sigma Nu fraternity, he served with the U.S. Army as a sergeant with the 7th infantry division in the Pacific. He was the recipient of numerous awards including a Purple Heart. He taught mathematics at Roosevelt Junior High School and Northeastern High School before becoming assistant principal at Kenton Ridge High School, from where he retired. He was a member of the American Legion and the Knights of Pythian, and was a master gardener.

Fred J. Young, Mullan, Idaho, died March 15, 2010. He was a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

# '65 I

Richard L. Bangart, Arlington, Texas, died May 6, 2005.

Robert H. Britenburg, a Lutheran minister, died Jan. 12, 2011, in Anderson, S.C.

Peter Grotuss passed away March 8, 2011, at his home in Radcliff, Ky. He served with the U.S. Army as a lieutenant colonel from 1970-76. A physician with a private dermatology practice in Elizabethtown, Ky., he was a Kentucky Colonel. His memberships included Beta Theta Pi fraternity, the American Academy of Dermatology, the AMA emeritus staff at Hardin Memorial Hospital and American Legion Post 113.

Donald C. Halterman of Saint Paris, Ohio, passed away Dec. 2, 2010. He was a member of Covenant Lutheran Church. From 1956-58, he served as a specialist 4 with the U.S. Army. He was a teacher/media

specialist in the Johnstown, Urbana and Troy School Districts.

G. David Jenkins, Paris, Tenn., died Dec. 24, 2010. A former junior high and high school teacher and coach in Middletown, Ohio, he served as an elder and former president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Paris Branch.

William L. King, Milwaukee, Wis., passed away April 24, 2011. He was vice president and technical director for Acme Machell Co. for more than 35 years designing custom rubber solutions. He was an avid scuba diver and accomplished woodworker. His memberships included St. Mary's Catholic Church, Delta Sigma Phi fraternity, the Wisconsin and Chicago Rubber Groups, the Waukesha County Diver's Assoc. and the Waukesha Golden K Kiwanis.

Karl J. Konigsberger of Edgewater, Fla., died May 2, 2011. He served as pastor of St. Matthias Lutheran Church, Greensburg, Pa., Grace Lutheran Church, Dover, Ohio, Bethany Lutheran Church, Erie, Pa., and retired from St. Mark's by the Sea Lutheran Church, Palm Coast, Fla. During retirement, he was the interim pastor at Faith Lutheran Church, DeLand, Fla. His memberships included Trinity Lutheran Church, New Smyrna Beach, Fla., and the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs.

John T. Landwehr, Perrysburg, Ohio, died Feb. 25, 2011. A member of Zoar Lutheran Church and Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, he was a veteran of the U.S. Army Reserves. He worked in labor relations with Owens-Illinois in Alton, Ill., and at Levis Development Park, Perrysburg, Ohio. He later was industrial relations manager of the Union Camp Paper Co., Monroe. For more than 30 years, he was a partner and general counsel with Eastman

& Smith law firm and on two occasions represented the firm before the U.S. Supreme Court. Active in the community, he was president of the Perrysburg Schools Foundation, the Belmont Country Club, and Carranor Hunt and Polo Club.

### Wendy Scott Phillips,

Leesburg, Fla., died Jan. 19, 2010. A member of the Episcopal Church and Sigma Kappa sorority, she had been an adult payments supervisor with the State of Florida, Jacksonville, Fla.

Ronald A. Wysocki died May 29, 2001, in New Haven Conn. He had been a manager with Organicare.

# '66 I

Mickey R. Laughlin,

Chillicothe, Ohio, died Feb. 4, 2010. After a lifetime career in education, he retired as an administrator from the Chillicothe City Schools. He also served on the Grove City, Ohio, Board of Zoning Appeals. His affiliations included the Ohio and National Associations of Secondary School Principals, the Masonic Lodge #745, Baltimore, Ohio, Aladdin Shriner and the Conservation League.

Steven G. Neely, Panama City, Fla., died March 3, 2011. A member of Wayne Street United Methodist Church and Phi Mu Delta fraternity, he served in Korea as a first lieutenant with the U.S. Army from 1966-69. He went on to hold several positions during his 37 years with the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. in the human resources divisions in Ohio, Illinois, Alabama, Wisconsin and Kansas.

# '67 I

Alice Magley Casenhiser,

Dayton, Ohio, died Dec. 14, 2008. Her career included teaching at Cedarville High School, Wadsworth High School and Cardington High School.

She had also been a secretary at Antioch College, a pastoral assistant with the Presbyterian Church and a bookkeeper with Vie Design Studios in Yellow Springs, Ohio.

Merrilee D. Zurik Sayre of Wadsworth, Ohio, passed away April 27, 2011. Before her retirement in 2000, she was a teacher for 30 years with the Black River Schools. She was also employed at Clampco Products for the last 10 years. An avid bridge player, she was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and Delta Zeta sorority.

C. Thomas Ultes, former president and treasurer of O.S. Kelly Co., in Springfield, Ohio, died Dec. 4, 2010, at his home in Naples, Fla. A member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, he served with the Ohio Air National Guard.

# '68

Linda M. Miller, Urbana, Ill., died June 18, 2011. A member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority, she was a psychiatric social worker who at one time worked at Mercy Hospital.

Frank C. Nicholson Jr. passed away April 27, 2008, at his home in Clemmons, N.C. A U.S. Army veteran, he was a member of Clemmons Moravian Church, a Piedmont Aviation Credit Union committee member and a City of Clemmons Zoning board member. Formerly employed by Piedmont Airlines/U.S. Airways, he was a senior internal auditor for Krispy Kreme.

Cinda Landis Thomas of Tipp City, Ohio, died April 7, 2011. A member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, she owned C.L.'s Computer Solutions, a computing consulting firm. She enjoyed knitting, Corvettes and the family lake house on Squirrel Lake, Minocqua, Wis.

## '69 I

Nancy Huston Wilson passed away in Everett, Wash., on Feb. 19, 2011. A real estate manager, she was a creative person who excelled at art and music. She was a member of Delta Gamma sorority.

# '70 I

Robert K. Miller Jr., Bowling Green, Ohio, died May 20, 2011. He was the owner of Robert K. Miller Insurance Agency in Weston, Ohio, a third-generation independent insurance agency. His memberships included the Vision Team at Peace Lutheran Church, the Professional Insurance Agents of Ohio and the Independent Insurance Agents of Ohio.

Carl A. Rhodes, Cincinnati, Ohio, died Nov. 27, 2010. He was a member of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church and Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. A certified public accountant, he was a tax partner at Ernst & Young for 30 years before he established his own firm, C.A. Rhodes & Co. LLC. He enjoyed fishing and boating.

### Patrick A. Toomey Jr.,

Charlottesville, Va., died April 8, 2011. In 1971, he began his career with United Parcel Service, which would take him to Sacramento, Calif., as well as Paramus and Morristown, N.J. He also traveled internationally for his work, which involved installing software systems. In 2002, he retired from the company's industrial engineering and marketing departments. He enjoyed a vast array of interests and activities.

# '71 l

Karen J. Bassett of Corning, Ohio, passed away May 17, 2011. She was a vocal music director specializing in working with high school choirs with the Southern Local Perry County

School District. She enjoyed her cats, fiction writing, gardening and horseback riding.

Robert P. Chiralo, Centreville, Va., died April 12, 2011. He had more than 35 years of technical management and business development experience in intelligence and defense with the federal government. This began with his early work at the Aerospace Corp., continued through his employment at Logicon Geodynamics and Logicon Ultrasystems, which led to his most recent position at SRI International. His expertise led to him serving as a technical advisor on imagery processing in connection with the House of Representatives' investigation into the assassination of President

Kennedy. His deep devotion as a church musician led to his serving at various churches in Pennsylvania, California and most recently with the Pender UMC in Fairfax, Va. An active Republican volunteer, he was a tour guide at Manassas Battlefield Park and was an active member of numerous professional organizations.

### Phyllis Renz Narcross,

Urbana, Ohio, passed away Dec. 22, 2010. Following her retirement from her teaching career with the Urbana City Schools, she joined the staff of the Champaign County Library. Her memberships included the First Presbyterian Church, Business and Professional Women of Urbana, the Urbana Teachers Assn., A.C.T. and other community organizations.

### Janet Turkenton Nauman,

Lancaster, Ohio, died March 5, 2011. She was a math teacher for the Lancaster City Schools. Her memberships included First English Lutheran Church, Lancaster Fairfield County Charity Newsies, Athens Boat and Ski Club, the American Cancer Society and the Lancaster Jaycees Wives Club.

Gregg F. Giegel, Akron, Ohio, passed away Jan. 20, 2011. He had a private law practice before going to work with Newell Rubbermaid providing international consulting services. He volunteered with elderly Alzheimer's patients. His interests included genealogy, American history, sports, traveling, camping, and nature and landscape photography.

Formerly of St. Paris, Ohio, Virginia Stevens Grant passed away March 17, 2011, in Springfield, Ohio. A member of the St. Paris United Methodist Church and the VFW Post #4464, Gallipolis, Ohio, she was a teacher with the Graham School District and at Possum Woods School.

### James L. Wallace Sr.,

Springfield, Ohio, died July 3, 2011. A member of New Covenant Temple C.O.G.I.C., he retired from Navistar International after 38 years of service.

# **'74**|

Formerly of Fort Wayne, Ind., Steven P. Knight died Feb. 12, 2004, in Tuckery, Ga. He was self-employed. His memberships included Plymouth Congregational Church and Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

Gilbert S. Price, Columbus, Ohio, died June 16, 2010. The former editor-in-chief of the Columbus Post, he served as the chief of staff for the Ohio Senate Democratic caucus. He was also pastor of Mount Zion Apostolic Holiness Church.

# 76 |

### Thomas A. Howard.

Middletown, Ohio, passed away July 12, 2010. He worked for Armbruster's Florist and Flowers By Roger.

Robert A. Huebner, Toledo, Ohio, died Jan. 16, 2011. He was president/partner/chair of U.S. Coexcell Inc., Maumee,

Ohio, and president of Vitec LLC, Detroit, Mich. A vice president of the Chemical Allied Industries of Northwest Ohio, he was inducted into the Entrepreneurial and Business Excellence Hall of Fame. He enjoyed golfing and boating, and was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.

### Kevin G. Christen,

Washington, D.C., died Dec. 15, 2010. A member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and the Professional Grounds Maintenance Society, he was formerly a social studies teacher with the Cleveland Public Schools in Ohio. Most recently he was associated with Entens Landscaping and the Dumbarton House in Washington, D.C.

Edward R. "Sandy" Schultz passed away Nov. 29, 2010 at his home in Canton, Ohio. He was employed for many years in the oil and gas industry, most recently as a senior district landman with Ener Vest Operating LLC. He enjoyed nature, cars, motorcycles, football, baseball, lacrosse and tennis.

Formerly of Canton, Ohio, Robert T. Mitchell died Dec. 11, 2010, in Minneapolis, Minn. A member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, he worked for Canton City Blue Print Inc. from 1979 until 2008 in a variety of positions, including sales representative and purchasing agent. He was a volunteer sous chef at Open Arms of Minnesota.

# **'80** |

### Linda Cressman Busarow,

Dayton, Ohio, passed away May 27, 2011. During her career she served as supervisor of music with the Fairborn City Schools, director of music ministry at

Peace Lutheran Church in Beavercreek and an adjunct professor of choral music and voice at Wittenberg. Her most recent position was assistant professor of music and director of the women's choir at Xavier University in Cincinnati. She held leadership positions in the American Choral Directors Association and the Ohio Choral Directors Association.

Kimberly Barnett VanDyke, Traverse City, Mich., died June 21, 2002. A member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Livonia, Mich., she was self-

employed.

Carol A. Wu of Avon, Ohio, died June 13, 2011. She came to the UConn Health Center, Farmington, Conn., in 1992, as a faculty member of the department of medicine in the division of infectious diseases. Later, she joined the department of immunology and became an accomplished investigator. Her career spanned more than 30 years where she worked to advance the understanding of herpesvirus infections, including cytomegalovirus. She served on the medical school admissions committee for 11 years. Most recently she became the associate director of the immunology graduate program in the biomedical sciences Ph.D. program. Her scholarly works were published in a number of scientific journals. She was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority.

# '81

Formerly of Clarksburg, W. Va., and St. Paris, Ohio, Marianna Pinti Layfield died Aug. 26, 2010, in Fairfield Glade, Tenn. A member of St. Francis of Assisi Church and Kappa Delta sorority, she was employed in her early years by the Maidenform Co., in West Virginia. She relocated to Ohio and worked at Grimes Manufacturing Co., retiring as a program manager and contract administrator.

## '83 I

Jacqueline Holroyd Aupperle, Ambler, Pa., died May 20, 2011. A member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority, she was a high school learning support teacher with the Hatboro Horsham School District. She was active with the Girl Scouts of America for more than 25 years, serving as a camp counselor, a camp director and a cookie sales manager.

### Mark P. Barren of

Worthington, Ohio, passed away on June 9, 2011. Following teaching and coaching positions at the Hun School in Princeton. N.J., and Notre Dame Cathedral Latin School in Cleveland, Ohio, he spent the last 18 years at the Columbus Academy as a mathematics teacher, boys' athletic director and assistant football coach when they won the 2003 Division V state championship. He was a member of St. Michael Catholic Church and Phi Gamma Delta fraternity.

Kathleen A. McCarthy, San Diego, Calif., died in May 2011. After teaching for two years in Japan, she worked at Orleans-Niagara BOCES, Lockport, N.Y., in gifted and talented education and staff development. She had attained the position of resident fellow at the Institute for Learning where she worked with a number of large school districts across the country to ensure rigorous learning and appropriate training for entire districts, from superintendents to classroom teachers and aides. She was a published educational researcher and presented at numerous national and international educational conferences throughout her years as a fellow. A member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority, she was active in various outreach programs with the Solana Beach Presbyterian Church in Solana Beach, Calif.

# '84 I

Alan M. Seibyl, Cleveland, Ohio, died Sept. 26, 1991. At one time he was president of Protective Security in Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

# '86|

## David F. Kindleberger,

Cincinnati, Ohio, died March 6, 2011. A landscape artist, he was a groundskeeper/crew leader at Williamsburg of Cincinnati.

Jennifer L. Newman, Chicago, Ill., died June 30, 2011. She was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. Her nursing career included working at Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago, at Camp Voyageur in Minnesota, as a hospice and NICU/PICU nurse and at Northwestern Memorial Physicians Group Pediatrics. She was recognized by colleagues for her work ethic and character in

# '89 I

## Richard T. Bibart,

Westborough, Mass., died Nov. 18, 2010. A member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity, he was a senior project chemist at Pfizer Inc.

# '90 |

### Kristin Brown Al-Rousan,

Willoughby, Ohio, passed away, Jan. 10, 2011. A member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority, she was an educator with the Willoughby/Eastlake City Schools at Thomas Jefferson Elementary School. She enjoyed swimming, painting and nature.

# '93 |

### Richard F. Schiewetz of

Dayton, Ohio, passed away on April 18, 2011. A former member of the Wittenberg Board of Directors, he received an honorary doctor of laws in 1993. A master mason 33rd degree, he was a member of the Lutheran Church of Our

Savior, the Scottish Rite, Valley of Dayton and the Kiwanis. He was general manager with the Servel Corp., which changed its name to Trane Co. He founded Primus Inc. in 1956 where he became a nationally recognized figure in the wholesale industry. He retired in 2002 as chair of the board before the company changed its name to WinWholesale Inc. He enjoyed traveling and supporting numerous charitable organizations.

## '94 |

James C. Heikes, Kettering, Ohio, passed away Jan. 24, 2011. He owned the Imperial 300 Carwash in Dayton, Ohio. He loved fishing and golf.

# '96 |

Gwyneth Anderson Studebaker died July 14, 2011 at her home in Springfield, Ohio. A fifth-grade teacher at Northwestern Middle School, she was an active member of Donnels Creek Church of the Brethren. She loved spending time at Lake Cumberland with her family.

# '05 |

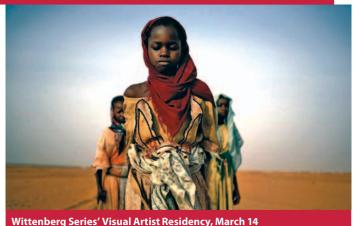
William S. Fortune, Detroit, Mich., passed away April 6, 2011. A member of St. Paul Catholic Church, he was the athletic director and art teacher at Clintondale High School.

Brent P. Littleton of London, Ohio, passed away March 18, 2011. At the time of his death, he had been pursuing his degree in music at The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.





"Out of This World," Feb. 25



Wittenberg Series' Percussion Ensemble NEXUS, March 27

# January

Through Art Exhibit – "Winter Frolic: Santas, Snow and **Signature Gnomes" by Vernon Grant** – *Springfield Center* for the Arts at Wittenberg University

- **German Epiphany Service** 7:30 p.m. Weaver Chapel
- Wittenberg Series: MLK Convocation, The Rev. James Lawson, theoretician and tactician of nonviolence within the American Civil Rights Movement – 11 a.m. Weaver Chapel

# February

- 2 **Candlemas** 7:30 p.m. Weaver Chapel
- Wittenberg Choir Home Concert 4 p.m. Weaver
- Wittenberg Series: IBM Lecture, Daniel Schacter, William R. Jenan Jr. Professor of Psychology at Harvard **University** – 7:30 p.m. Bayley Auditorium
- 23-26 Almost, Maine by John Cariani – 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Chakeres Memorial Theatre
  - "Out of this World" 8 p.m., Clark State Performing Arts Center, Ohio Professor of the Year Dan Fleisch will present a new multimedia production of Gustav Holst's The Planets

## March

- Wittenberg Series: Visual Artist Residency and Exhibitions, Ron Haviv, Photojournalist. Gallery Talk -7:30 p.m. Bayley Auditorium
- Faculty Artist Recital Stephen Siek, 3p.m., Krieg Hal
- Cypress Quartet with Chris Durrenberger 3 p.m., Krieg
- **Wittenberg Series: Premier Percussion Ensemble** NEXUS – 7:30 p.m. Weaver Chapel



## Finding One's Calling Student Shares Personal Story



always knew I wanted to go to a liberal arts college. The well-rounded approach to education fit with my goals and personality, and Wittenberg quickly caught my attention with its pre-nursing program, friendliness and amazing beauty. Thanks to a nice scholarship package, I was able to attend Wittenberg all the way from Tulsa, Okla.

And it's during my time at Wittenberg where my journey in many ways begins. During the summer between my freshman and sophomore year, I traveled with the volleyball team to Spain as part of the Tiger GA<sup>2</sup>ME Plan. A week after our return. I was back in Oklahoma with my family, and I remember this particular morning so clearly. As I awoke, I felt a large lump between my neck and clavicle. A week later, I underwent a CT scan followed by a biopsy, and just a day later received an unexpected call from Oklahoma Oncology.

"Oncology?" I said, somewhat confused. to which the voice on the other line

responded, "You don't know anything about what's going on?" I replied that I did not and was told to get home immediately. My mother was crying in our bathroom as she told me the news -"You have Hodgkin's Lymphoma."

I'm 19 years old. "Will I die?" I asked myself over and over again as I balled my eyes out. I was told that had I

waited another week, the cancer would have metastasized; the tumors were everywhere on the left side of my body. Tumor. Tumor. White spot after white spot on the PET scan.

I started chemotherapy on July 31, 2010 in Tulsa, and it was the worst thing I've ever been through in my life. I remember begging my mom not to have to go for treatment, but the nurses were so wonderful and the support from family, friends and Wittenberg kept me going.

My last treatment was Dec. 15, 2010, and I'm back at Wittenberg, taking 20 credit hours this semester and well on track to graduate on time with hopes of continuing at Johns Hopkins thanks to Wittenberg's 3-2 program with the premier medical institution.

I know my future is in nursing, perhaps even with Nurses Without Borders at some point. I've always wanted to be a nurse because I've always wanted to help people, and I now know that God is calling me to work in pediatric oncology. I believe things happen for a reason, and I never would have considered oncology had this not happened to me. Now, though, I know it's what I am meant to do.

When I tell people my plans, the response is often, "Why would you want to do that? Don't you know that 90 percent of the children being treated for cancer don't make it?"

I answer that I do, but that I want to be there for the 10 percent who do and for all the kids so I can brighten the days they do have and make each day the best day they have ever known.

– Hillary Hassink '13





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