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Transforming Hearts, Minds...and Lives

I never tire of listening to students talk excitedly about their life-shaping experiences at Ohio Wesleyan. Most often, it is a special mentor, professor (usually both), or an experience that changes forever the way those students look at the world and their places in it. Within this edition of the *Magazine*, we're looking closely at the special place of internships and practical experiences in the lives of several OWU students—with some input from alumni too.

Read on, and you will meet four students who participated in our Wesleyan in Washington program. Our three OWU alumni featured on the front cover of this *Magazine*—David Hobson '58, Jo Ann Emerson '72, and Paul Gillmor '61—all happen to be members of Congress, and quite familiar with the Washington internship program. You will also learn about several other students whose lives were mightily impacted by internships with the New York Arts Program, The Philadelphia Center, and a global financial services firm in New York. And benefiting from an internship with the 49ers at Candlestick Park, an OWU scholar-athlete saw firsthand, the less glamorous side of working in the professional sports arena.

As Dennison Griffith '74, alumnus and a former student intern at the New York Arts Program recalls, "It was probably the single-most important experience of my time at OWU. I arrived in New York with the Wesleyan grounding and then was shaken up by just how vigorous and ferocious the art market and art world could be. It was a stunning learning experience." Today, Griffith is president of the Columbus College of Art and Design. Not a bad transformation at all.

We offer a glimpse of Commencement '07, during which another Ohio Wesleyan graduate, Tom Tritton '69, recently retired president of Haverford College, engaged his listeners with his keynote address.

Enjoy the following vignettes about life, learning, and transformations all within our newly-designed and transformed *OWU Magazine*. Have a wonderful summer.

Pamela Besel
Editor

THE JOURNEY IS THE DESTINATION

By *Kathe Rhinesmith '64*

I HAVE LONG BELIEVED that if you don't know where you are going, any road will get you there. That's why Ohio Wesleyan has directed a two-year strategic planning process, which along with thoughtful leadership and good work of the OWU community, is putting the future well into focus.

Determining the destination as well as the most effective roadmap to use while journey-bound, have been front-and-center priorities of the many alumni, faculty, and staff members, and several students, who came together with a shared hope: *to create a carefully crafted, strategic blueprint, identifying those initiatives—foundational and focused—that will enable Ohio Wesleyan to thrive for decades to come.* It is because of that planning process and several related initiatives already in place, that I can say Ohio Wesleyan is in one of the strongest positions we've enjoyed for a long time. I am indebted to President Mark Huddleston for his role in the planning process and his leadership over the last three years. We wish him well as he assumes the presidency of the University of New Hampshire.

Going into the strategic planning processes in 2005, we wanted to be as inclusive as possible in encouraging members of the OWU community to be part of these efforts. I think back to the spring of that year, when the 50-person strategic planning committee—faculty, staff, students and trustees—met for the first time at Newark, Ohio's scenic Cherry Valley Lodge. With great intensity and passion, we discussed, debated, and finally decided on three University arenas—fundraising/endowment, communications and marketing, and student satisfaction—that needed our most immediate attention. What also emerged during our first gathering was a reaffirmation to *always* keep at the core of our work, our students' needs and best interests, as we help them to realize the passions that will transform their lives.

Now, two years later, following other retreats, focus group research, newly-implemented integrated marketing, student satisfaction and success, and fundraising initiatives, including additional and much needed staff (see the spring edition of the *Ohio Wesleyan Magazine*, page 5) we have the framework of an institutional agenda.

With many of the people and programs now in place, we can focus on parts of that agenda, including four themes which have emerged during the planning process: Our concern about the rising costs of a college education and its affordability to students, and how we might be able to **guarantee access** for them by expanding need and merit-based endowment for student aid. To be able to attract bright and talented students from diverse backgrounds—and those who can be part of our community while not having to incur a lifetime of debt—is high on our “to do” list.

Fortifying the academic core by continuing to support teaching, scholarship, and mentorship translates to small class sizes, honors tutorials, one-on-one mentorship, and increased opportunities for faculty-student research. Our professors are our shining stars, and it is the rigorous teaching, mentorship, and scholarship that enrich our students' lives in every way.

Renewing our campus infrastructure—an ongoing issue we discuss at every Board meeting. We simply must pay attention to our campus buildings—our many winsome and wonderful buildings. An important part of our pledge to students is that we stay on the cutting edge of teaching and research, and the leading edge of all other parts of student living and learning experiences.

Investing in OWU faculty and staff is an essential component of delivering our promise to our students and keeping their best interests in our core thoughts and plans. It all boils down

to hiring—and retaining—good people who are well compensated, trained, evaluated and made to feel that Ohio Wesleyan is an “employer of choice” in all endeavors.

And so, we have four foundational initiatives, a myriad of more focused initiatives and ideas to consider, and a big agenda. Prioritizing and creating a timetable for these selected initiatives is now in the works, enabling us to create a roadmap against which we can measure our efforts. We trust that the groundwork which has been laid will prove helpful as we search for and prepare to welcome our next president.

Thanks to all of you for your continued support as we take Ohio Wesleyan into an exciting future.



Ms. Rhinesmith is chair of Ohio Wesleyan's Board of Trustees.

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TEN THINGS
YOU SHOULD KNOW

about the typical OWU student

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BRANDING

STORYTELLING AT ITS BEST

Storytelling. We do it every day here at Ohio Wesleyan. Tour guides share campus highlights with visiting families. Speakers reach out to the community. Brochures outline our programs. Our Web site conveys OWU news. And this magazine relates interesting vignettes to alumni.

CAPTURING THE ESSENCE

We know it's important to tell all of these stories consistently. So, last fall we began working with Ologie, an award-winning branding and identity development firm, to take a hard look at the way we tell our story—from our graphics to our wording. They've led us through a process of strategy and introspection to identify what makes Ohio Wesleyan stand out from other liberal arts schools. Together, we've explored the realities of our University with alumni, students, faculty and staff, and others.

We think we've captured the University's true essence when we say that Ohio Wesleyan transforms lives. Here students find their passion—and so do alumni, faculty and staff. We inspire students (and others too)—and in turn, they change the world.

A NEW LOOK

Complementing our messages is a new look for our publications, beginning with this one. The new design is not slick or glamorous; it's very natural and human. It gives a nod to OWU's rich tradition as it updates our appearance. Across all of our materials, you'll find larger photos, more conversational wording, and an emphasis on individual stories of transformation and the highly personalized experience our students find here.

You're sure to notice the changes in this edition of the *Magazine*. Soon you'll also see the new look rolled out in a series of materials — from our letterhead to our viewbook to our Web site. The personality of the campus also is captured in the new Philosophy Book, a small book with pithy insights about Ohio Wesleyan students, and in a new video, *Transformations*, which had its premiere on Alumni Weekend in May.

"We are purposefully taking a more deliberate, and strategic, approach to each message we create," said Margaret Drugovich, vice president of strategic communications and enrollment. "Each message, each offering, must be authentic—it must resonate with those who know us well, and introduce the 'pay-off' to those just getting to know us. Put these messages together and you should have the essence of Ohio Wesleyan, the richness of an experience, intellectual and emotional, that has changed the lives of generations of graduates."

You may see a reflection of yourself in some of the student stories outlined in this issue of the *Magazine*, as well as in other materials yet to come. We look forward to sharing more compelling stories with you. This is only the beginning. Keep watching as our transformations continue.

Ms. Baird is Director of University Communications at Ohio Wesleyan.

What we learned in Washington

By Pam Besel



NO MATTER HOW YOU SLICE OR DICE IT, THERE'S NOTHING QUITE LIKE SPENDING A COLLEGE SEMESTER WORKING SIDE BY SIDE WITH BUSY POLITICIANS IN D.C. WE CALL IT PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE. FOUR OHIO WESLEYAN STUDENTS SAY IT WAS THE GREATEST OPPORTUNITY OF THEIR LIVES.

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Pictured left to right are OWU's Wesleyan in Washington interns, Joey Yost '08, Sam Salk '08, Caitlyn Nestleroth '07, and Paul Janowicz '08 with Professor Carl Pinkele, director of the internship program.

Ohio Wesleyan students Sam Salk, Caitlyn Nestleroth, Paul Janowicz, and Joey Yost have two things in common. They decided to come to OWU, in part, because of the Wesleyan in Washington Program—and they followed their interests and their hearts by participating in the semester-long intensive internship experience last fall.

So many times, those of us who talk with students listen with great interest as they share their passions. For some, it's being part of a theatrical or music production or a field trip to identify bird species. Others laugh out loud about the time they learned to hammer nails without hitting a finger, or other body parts, while working on a Habitat site. As OWU teammates, still others find that beating an arch-rival lacrosse team puts indelible smiles on their faces as they rejoice after a hard-fought battle. And for students like Caitlyn, Sam, Joey, and Paul, their interests in politics, law, and the way things happen in Washington were ignited during their four-month stay in D.C.

"Politics and government matters, by virtue of their essence, necessitate discussion of values and of what should happen—ideas, debates, legislation, behavior—and our student interns in Washington are where things *do* happen," notes Carl Pinkele, OWU professor of politics and government and director of the Wesleyan in Washington program. "Students get shoe-leather-meets-the-pavement, life-shaping experiences in Washington." Such opportunities open doors—and minds—to unexpected situations in life. And wonderful professional possibilities.

And so, enter Sam, Caitlyn, Joey, and Paul, and a few of our alumni who know both Washington and Ohio Wesleyan. Here are their stories, with some sage advice thrown in along the way.

Learning About the Law

Paul Janowicz's original plan was to pursue his college academic major in politics and government. That is, until he discovered psychology.

"I've always wondered why people do the things they do," he says, also mentioning his interest in law, and perhaps, pursuing his law degree later on. And so, the junior from Elyria, Ohio made a special request for an internship locale, to his professor, Carl Pinkele, who was responsible for arranging the fall 2006 Wesleyan in Washington internships. Paul drew his desired position at the Georgetown Law Clinic, along with five other interns from around the country and several attorneys and investigators. He helped with subpoenas, interviewed clients and witnesses, and reviewed court records needed for conducting background checks.

"The job was great, and I got to see what being a lawyer is all about," says Paul. Frequently, he walked through Washington neighborhoods, (not usually in the nicer areas, he admits), trying to track down certain people the attorneys wanted to see. He quickly adds that the interns were advised not to stay in locales that made them uncomfortable.

"It was interesting to see the dividing lines in Washington, separating the powerful from powerless people," he notes. Paul came away from his internship with more questions, as he observed aspects of the legal system. Watching lawyers defend those they hardly knew, and who had no money, was heartening to Paul, who is thinking about being a prosecuting attorney one day.

"My experiences in Washington showed me what I'll be doing later in life, but also the more mundane things like cooking, cleaning, and living independently," he says. "I also learned that 9 to 5 jobs are really tiring!"

Pursuing Politics

Sam Salk's passion for politics heightened after the tragedies of 9/11, and more so when the United States went into Iraq. The politics and government major from Chicago believes that coming to Ohio Wesleyan made his political interests blossom.

"Professor Pinkele really sparked my interest in his colorful way," says Sam with a smile. And for Sam, the introductory politics course at OWU was much more than an introduction. That course and his parents' suggestions were integral in his decision to participate in the fall Wesleyan in Washington program.

Sam worked for Rahm Emanuel, head of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, and was thrilled to be in Washington during the time of the congressional elections.

"I got to meet so many members of Congress, and there were fundraisers every night," says Sam. And talking with Hillary Clinton, Nancy Pelosi, and Barack Obama was not an unusual occurrence for the OWU junior. "Living in Washington was terrific," says Sam, who led tours at the Capitol building, attended Congressional hearings and briefings, and worked with visitors who wanted tours of the White House.

"My experiences in Washington made me realize even more that I want to work in politics some day."



Discussing their fall internship experiences with Professor Pinkele.



Joey and Caitlyn both say they would return to D.C. "in a minute."

It's All About People

Joey Yost first became interested in politics in his Elyria, Ohio, high school when he volunteered to work on a political campaign. The Wesleyan in Washington program, combined with OWU's academic reputation and ambiance, were major draws as he made his college choice.

"There is not one type of student who does well at Ohio Wesleyan," he observes. "Students can find a way to be successful, if they take advantage of opportunities."

Joey worked for Congressman David Hobson '58 during the fall internship program. It was a fast-paced environment, but one that Joey liked. He assisted with constituent mailings and general communications projects, answered caller requests, gave tours of the Capitol building, and learned more than he ever thought he would about the legislative and budgetary processes. He also gained insight into campaign volunteer work.

"Being in Washington during the elections was electrifying," he recalls. "There was a constant buzz, followed by a natural letdown after the excitement of the elections ended, and a nice party after it all was over."

As a double major in politics and government and economics, Joey is not sure that his future will include politics, but he would go back to Washington "in a minute."

"I learned about myself, and that I am capable of more than I thought I was, including learning new job skills," says Joey. He looks forward to becoming more involved on campus in student affairs

and wants to promote a sense of school spirit. "There's a lot to be proud of at OWU, and we need to always remember that."

And Justice for All...

Caitlyn Nestleroth is no stranger to the internship experience. Prior to her fall Wesleyan in Washington experience, she interned with the Ohio State Bar Association, and yes, Caitlyn's future does include law school.

During her Washington internship with the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Intergovernmental and Public Liaison, she reported to Attorney General Alberto Gonzales. She was assigned to work on the first-ever national Methamphetamine Awareness Day.

"[Methamphetamine] is one of the most addictive and dangerous drugs, and it is important that we work with school systems to raise awareness levels through educational seminars," says Caitlyn. She was responsible for communicating with law enforcement, civil rights groups, state and local governments, drug awareness groups, and many others, to spread information about the drug.

There was no typical day for Caitlyn. She helped cater meals for the National Association of Attorneys General and National Districts, attended the portrait unveiling of former Attorney General John Ashcroft and other events, and helped with office research projects as needed. "The three most valuable things I learned were how to do research quickly, work in a professional setting, and use public transportation confidently," she says. More interested in the legal rather than political aspects of her

Washington experience, Caitlyn found time for service work, meeting up with friends at a Circle K International program and singing in the Foundry United Methodist Church choir for an AIDS benefit.

"I never realized how many sections of society are influenced by the Department of Justice until my internship there," she says. "It was a humbling experience to be in Washington during the anniversary of 9/11, and working in a department that is prosecuting terrorists."

But come late afternoon, Caitlyn and the other OWU interns relaxed a bit as they headed for their apartments close to the Washington National Zoo.

"You could hear the gibbons chattering at night, which was pretty creepy!"

Alumni Affirmations

Among the 26,000-plus Ohio Wesleyan alumni, there is a unifying feeling that their OWU student years were pretty darned special, and in fact, unforgettable. And they, in turn, continue to leave their unique and personal footprints on this earth in many venues and ventures. From the sciences to the fine and performing arts, within medical arenas to the playing fields, even into the halls of power in our nation's Capitol building—OWU alumni make a profound and lasting impact on society. So how could we possibly leave them out of this story, and out of the lives and experiences of Wesleyan in Washington interns Joey, Caitlyn, Paul, and Sam? We couldn't. And so, as you gaze at the front cover of this *Magazine*, you'll see our

three Ohio Wesleyan alumni, Paul Gillmor '61, Jo Ann Emerson '72, and David Hobson '58—all Congressional representatives—smiling at you from the steps of the Capitol building.

Here are a few thoughts from them, as well as from a more recent graduate, Sara Grant '04, a past Wesleyan in Washington intern now working in D.C.

Sara interned with Tom Grissom '62, then director of the Center for Medicare Management, in 1999, and decided to move to D.C. after graduating. After interning with Nick Calio '75, senior vice president of Citigroup Inc., one of the largest financial institutions worldwide (also a great training ground for OWU student interns), Sara was offered a full-time position as manager of global government affairs.

"It clearly is because of Nick Calio, Carl Pinkele and Tom Grissom that I am here," says Sara. "I never could have anticipated this kind of opportunity."

Representative Jo Ann Emerson '72
(serving Missouri's 8th Congressional District)

Recalling an ill-fated waitressing job at a seafood restaurant many years ago that sent her back home to land an internship position with Senator Charles Mathias in Maryland, Representative Jo Ann Emerson developed an appetite for politics.

"I wanted to come to Ohio Wesleyan because of Art Peterson, head of the politics department, who convinced me that Ohio Wesleyan was the best college for students who wanted practical experience in politics," says Emerson, now into her 11th year in Congress. Of ultimate importance to her was learning from someone who had hands-on political experience.

As Emerson compares her own internships circa 1970-71 to interns of the 21st century, she quickly mentions the impact of technology on today's political arena.

"We essentially have 24/7 news coverage, and because we can learn so much about our politicians so quickly, they no longer are larger than life, as were those amazing statesmen like Mark Hatfield and Everett Dirksen," says Emerson. "There also was a civility in Congress and the House [years ago], so that people could disagree on issues, but then go out to play a round of golf together afterwards. Life is more complex now."

Thrilled that young people today such as OWU's Wesleyan in Washington interns are interested in politics, Emerson advises them to be willing to listen and learn from their opponents, and try to understand the other side of an argument. "They deserve your respect."

Representative Paul Gillmor '61
(serving Ohio's Fifth Congressional District)

Elected to the state Senate at age 27, where he served for 22 years, Representative Paul Gillmor now is in his 19th year in Congress. It was during his junior high school days that Gillmor began thinking about a career in public affairs and possibly running for elected office, but as he says, "there was really no one defining moment."

Transferring to Ohio Wesleyan from the College of Wooster and Miami University (Ohio), Gillmor found his niche at OWU as a political science major, and loyal member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

"I still remember several OWU professors, including Verne Cook, who went from his politics professorship to legislative work in Akron, Ohio," says Gillmor.

After graduating from Ohio Wesleyan, he moved on to pursue a law degree at the University of Michigan, still savoring today the memorable Michigan/Ohio State football games.

Gillmor and his staff members have worked with numerous student interns over the years.

"These internships offer students a better understanding about how government works and really motivate them to want to learn even more about government," he says. "It [politics] is a people business, and you have to have interest in and concern for people and their problems. That's a given."

Representative David Hobson '58
(Serving Ohio's Seventh Congressional District)

"Fast-paced," is how OWU's Joey Yost '08 describes the atmosphere in Representative David Hobson's D.C. office, after recently completing his fall Wesleyan in Washington internship.

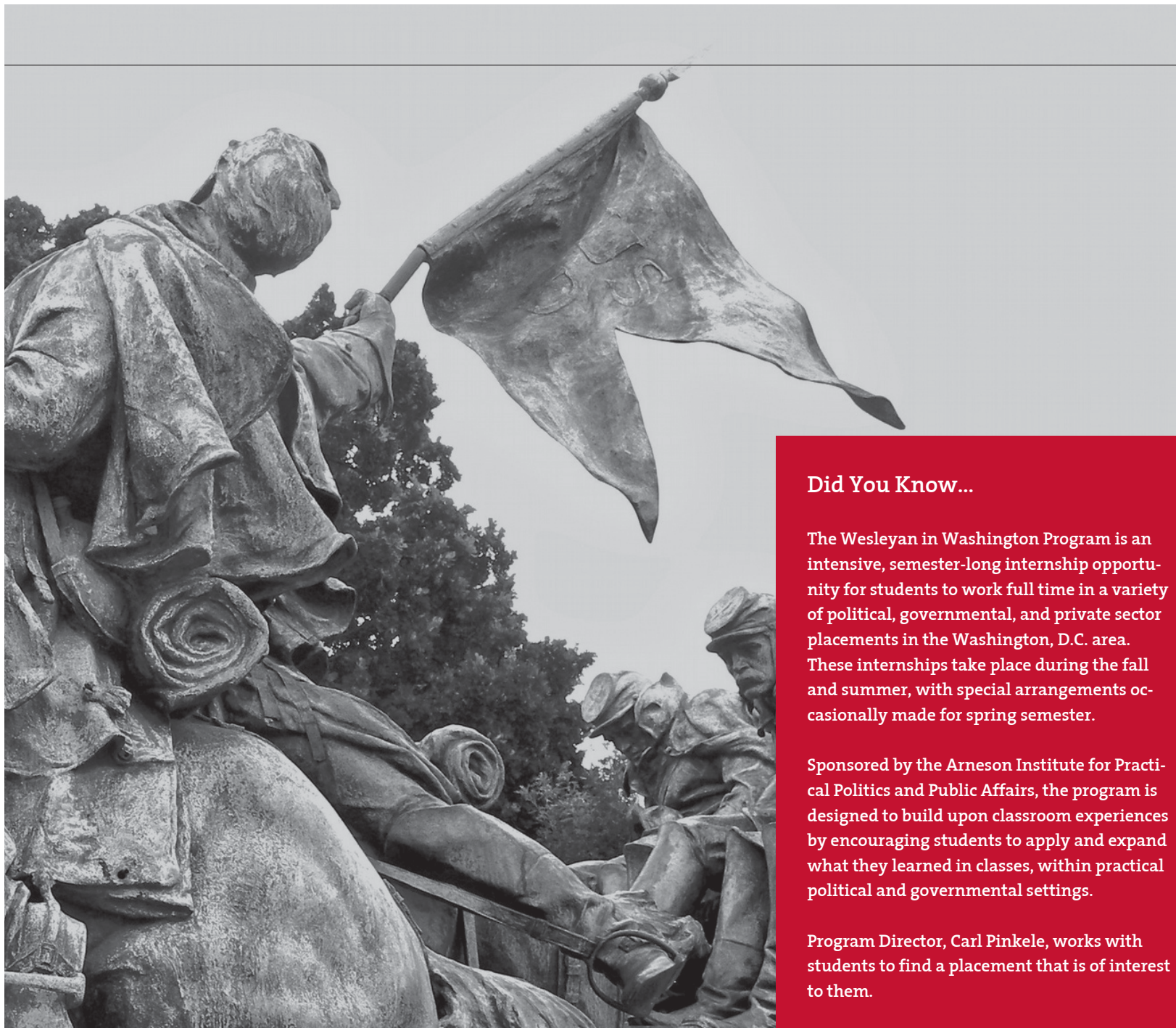
"Joey did a great job for us," says Hobson, who is now in his ninth Congressional term. "We give our interns more to do than just open mail." Like writing. Correspondence, responses to constituents' mail, and general e-mail communications, for starters.

"We also give writing tests to our students," says Hobson, who still recalls that some of the best writing instruction he received in his life came from Libby Reed, OWU professor emerita of English. Another area of importance is budgetary knowledge.

"I advise any student thinking about a career in politics to learn accounting, because good financial sense and the ability to read balance sheets are important." That advice will come in handy to those who prepare to run for elective offices.

"You really need to prepare well if you want to run, and be persistent and resilient if you lose [an election]," says Hobson. "And never forget your hometown [constituents]—your roots."

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Did You Know...

The Wesleyan in Washington Program is an intensive, semester-long internship opportunity for students to work full time in a variety of political, governmental, and private sector placements in the Washington, D.C. area. These internships take place during the fall and summer, with special arrangements occasionally made for spring semester.

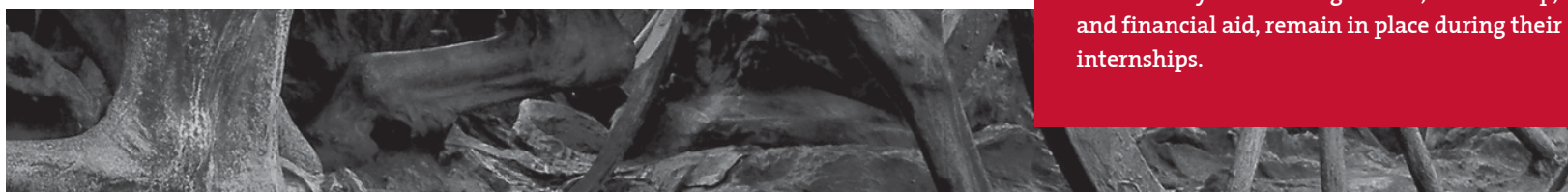
Sponsored by the Arneson Institute for Practical Politics and Public Affairs, the program is designed to build upon classroom experiences by encouraging students to apply and expand what they learned in classes, within practical political and governmental settings.

Program Director, Carl Pinkele, works with students to find a placement that is of interest to them.

Students receive a total of four OWU credits for their Washington experiences, three of which may be internship credits.

Participating students needn't be politics and government majors.

Student interns' financial arrangements with Ohio Wesleyan involving tuition, scholarship, and financial aid, remain in place during their internships.



New York, New York: *Gallery of Artful Experiences*

By Christopher Federer

If students majoring in the arts at Ohio Wesleyan asked alumnus Dennison Griffith '74 if they should take a semester away for an apprenticeship through the Great Lakes Colleges Association New York Arts Program, here is what they'd hear: "Hell, yes! It's scary, but absolutely go!"

Griffith, currently the president of Columbus College of Art and Design, went to New York for the program during his senior year in 1973. He worked as a studio assistant to Willard Midgette, an artist who was a rising star at the time.

"I was scared to death when I went," Griffith says, "but I would argue it was probably the single most important experience of my time at Wesleyan. I arrived in New York with the Wesleyan grounding and then was shaken up by just how vigorous and ferocious the art market and art world could be. It was a stunning learning experience. Then I was able to return to Wesleyan for my last semester, and I truly appreciated the virtues of the campus, the nurturance, and the depth and width of its intellectual environment."

The New York Arts Program (NYAP) is one of many off-campus opportunities that allow Ohio Wesleyan students to complement their classroom work with experiential learning. Professor of Fine Arts Cynthia Cetlin—the OWU campus representative for NYAP—says the program is open to many types of students. "Virtually any major can participate, from journalism to theatre to fine arts to English," she says.

For example, it's possible that a science major could take advantage of this program with an internship in medical illustration or at the American Museum of Natural History.

Students accepted into the New York Arts Program work in full-time apprenticeships with artists in the visual arts, performing arts, and the literary, publishing, film, and communication arts. Students have interned with poets, musicians, artists, television agencies, museums, galleries, magazines, newspapers—the list goes on and on.

"One of the ironic things about being at a wonderful college like Ohio Wesleyan is that among the best things a student can do to have the greatest college experience is to leave campus and take advantage of unique programs such as the New York Arts Program," Cetlin says. Students tend to agree with her.

Theatre major Eric Carpenter '07 participated in the program, interning at the Gerald Lynch Theatre as an apprentice to director (and NYAP academic advisor in theatre and writing) Dana Tarantino. Carpenter assisted with production tasks and performed a large role in Mary Zimmerman's production of *Arabian Nights*, which Tarantino directed.

"It was an amazing experience," Carpenter says. "I went to rehearsals at night for *Arabian Nights* and during the day I was going to auditions. It was like living the life of a professional working actor."

He says among the many benefits of the semester in New York was learning the "lay of the land," discovering how to talk to people and what to bring to auditions. Additionally, living at the residence in Chelsea was another part of his education during the program.

"I met all these people with different interests in the arts, so you end up going to gallery openings and exhibitions and learn about the arts outside your own discipline."

Fine arts major Lauren Griffith '07 agrees. She apprenticed at *National Geographic* as an art production intern, working five days a week.

"I had an incredible time. I loved where I worked and learned so much. I grew as a student, as an artist, and as a person," she says. "I learned to take care of myself and really how to stand up for myself, which in New York you have to do. I lived an adult life, which is much different than that of a college student. I was at work every day, making my own meals in the evening, and doing laundry."

She adds that another benefit was making great industry contacts because she wants to work for a magazine after she graduates. Upon her return to OWU she had a strong sense of where to focus her academic efforts during her last semester.

Both Carpenter and Griffith say their experiences in New York helped confirm the direction for the careers they had envisioned for themselves upon coming to Ohio Wesleyan.

Cetlin says that is another great benefit to this program. "Sometimes these students end up in a profession in the field of their internship, and other times the experience in New York could lead them in another direction. Having these wonderful internships gives them insight into the professions where they have an interest, and that's completely different than what can be offered in a campus setting."

Ohio Wesleyan is the managing college for the Great Lakes Colleges Association (GLCA) New York Arts program. Alvin Sher, director of NYAP, says that among other things, this means the professors in New York are OWU faculty, including Sher, who is a professor of fine art. In addi-

Learning the 'lay of the land' in New York, while practicing the art you love...what could be better?

tion, OWU owns the brownstone in Chelsea where the NYAP offices and student housing are located. Students accepted into the program are generally from one of the GLCA institutions; however, some students do come from colleges outside that consortium.

Now in his 25th year as director of the program, Sher has an incredible passion for it. He says the transformative experience students have as their eyes are opened to the possibilities in the world of art is the best of his teaching experience—and he's seen that initial eye-opening moment turn into remarkable successes for alumni of the program.

"The success is not surprising," Sher says. "Students come to New York, the arts capital of the world, and attend a closely monitored program with a very low student-faculty ratio. In addition, the faculty consists of working artists; we have numerous connections in the New York arts world, so we can uncover new opportunities every semester for students."

More than 3,000 students have completed this unique program since 1967 and over 800 apprenticeship sponsors have worked with the students in the program. Learn more about NYAP at www.newyorkartsprogram.org.

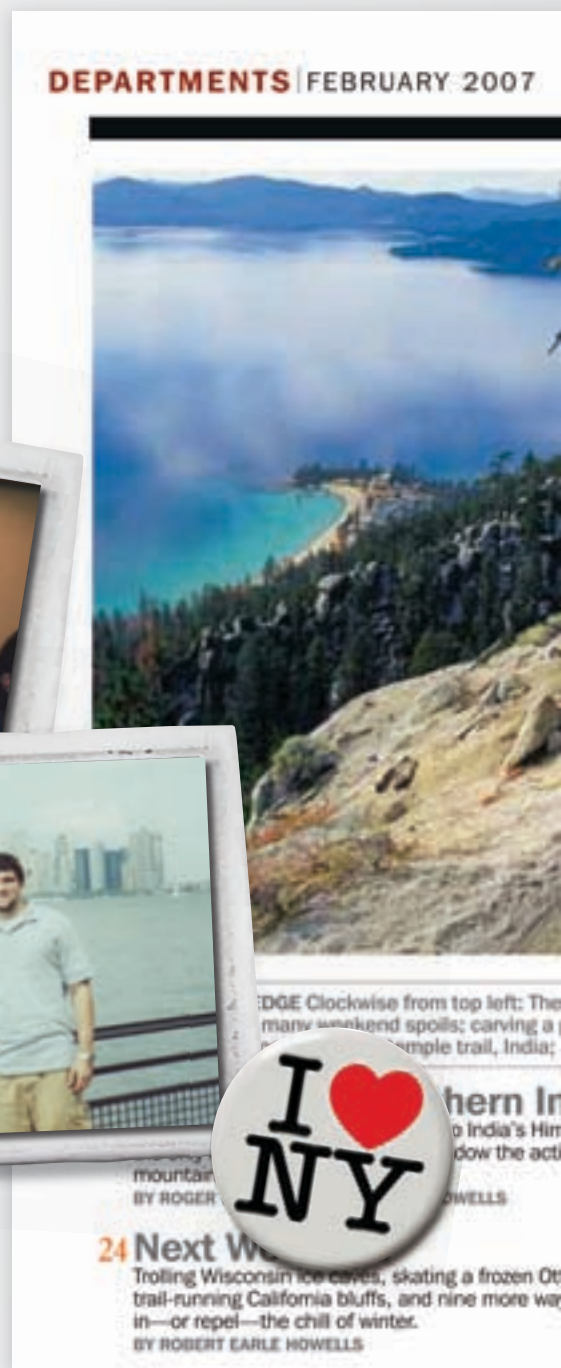
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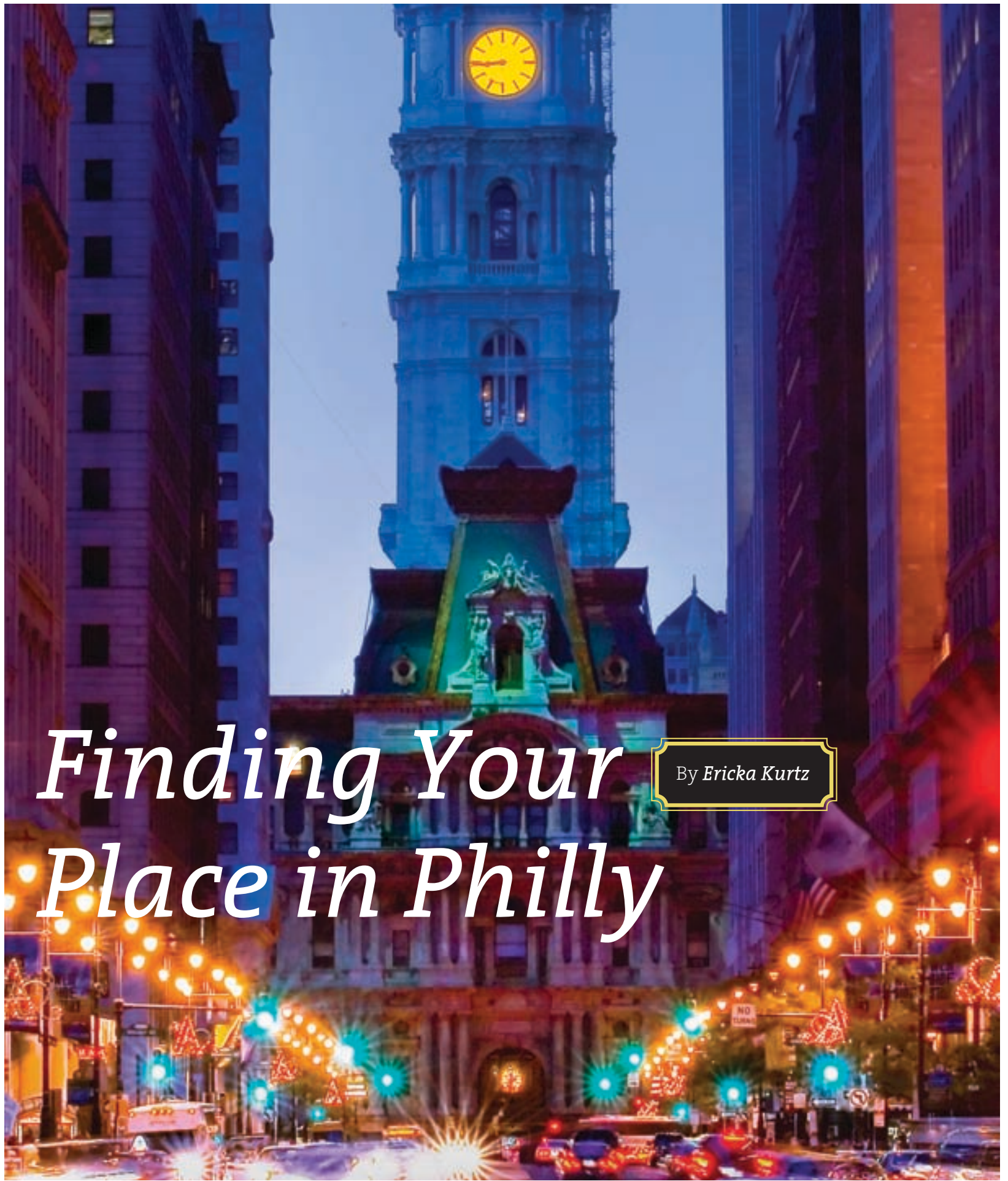


Eric Carpenter '07 and NYAP advisor Dana Tarantino.



Eric in front of the scenic New York skyline.





Finding Your Place in Philly

By Ericka Kurtz

Students know internships are important, but what about the rest of the real world? Finding an apartment, negotiating a lease, and paying bills don't come with a manual. But it turns out that at The Philadelphia Center, you can take an internship in life.

AT SOME TIME in the life of all college students, there is a point when they must make the transition from students to adulthood. At Ohio Wesleyan, students don't have to wait until they graduate to experience the real world because of OWU's blend of rigorous academics and experiential learning.

Studying off-campus at The Philadelphia Center is one way OWU students can dive into the deep sea of real life. Founded in 1967 by the Great Lakes Colleges Association (GLCA), The Philadelphia Center was one of the first undergraduate liberal arts experiential education internship programs open to students from all majors. Today, as the center celebrates its 40th anniversary, it prides itself on offering more than 900 field placements, unique seminars, and independent living in an urban setting.

"We hope that students leave with confidence and assurance that they have the skills to find a job that fits them best," says Char Vandermeer, communications and placement director at The Philadelphia Center. "We also offer the city living experience, which is important because for many students, this is their first time living in an urban setting. They learn how to find apartments and negotiate leases. I think students leave with a clear set of skills they wouldn't have developed if they had stayed on campus."

Jay Douglas '04 is a product of The Philadelphia Center and agrees that it gave him a jump start to the real world. "When you're in college, you don't understand what it's like to work all day and then come home to other responsibilities," he says. "But seven months after graduating, I was living on my own. I was prepared. The Philadelphia Center experience is about getting your foot in the door—it's a guaranteed internship opportunity you can include on your resume. And it was the perfect complement to my Ohio Wesleyan education."

Douglas, who majored in economics at OWU, is now an assistant vice president and branch manager at National City Bank in Indianapolis. He is also working on his MBA at Indiana University's Kelley School of Business. "The center prepared me to handle the stress of real life," he says. "When you're at the center, you find your own housing, pay your own bills, feed yourself, go to your job and classes, and learn to manage time after work. You are truly on your own."

Libby Spangler '07, a sociology major minoring in geology, was drawn to The Philadelphia Center in her quest for independence. Once she was there, she hit the ground running.

"The first week I lived in a hotel, went on a city tour, and met with professors who are there to help," she recalls. "Then it was up to me to find housing." Spangler found an apartment on Rittenhouse Square. "I couldn't have asked for a better location. My apartment was amazing!"

From there it was time to find an internship. "I originally looked for something based in sociology or counseling, but I ended up interning with the marketing director for the Philadelphia Fairmount Park System," Spangler says.

There, every day was different. "I assisted with general office tasks, speech research, and awards submissions for the parks," she says. "I spent a lot of time writing." Spangler also helped plan special events such as the Philadelphia Marathon.

Her life after work was just as busy, and learning to manage time became crucial. "You have to learn how to get home at a safe hour and be responsible," Spangler says.

After work, students attend classes and seminars of their choice. "I took a seminar called 'Place Matters,' which is about self in society, and my elective class was 'Social Justice,' which focused on the U.S. court system," she says. "Because of my

Ohio Wesleyan education, I was ready to speak up in class and fuel discussions."

Both Douglas and Spangler say the best aspects of The Philadelphia Center were gaining real-world experience exploring career options. Though Douglas was an economics major, he interned at a CBS affiliate writing and arranging television and radio promotions. "The internship provided me with a different perspective on corporate life," he says. "There are many jobs outside of finance that are still vital."

For Spangler, the center was a chance for her to consider a career in something unrelated to sociology. "I'm still thinking about getting a master's degree in sociology, but now I know I have other routes to pursue," she says. "I really enjoy marketing—especially the promotional aspect of it. I'm also interested in graphic design."

Though Douglas is sticking with his original career path, he knows he also has options. "After being at The Philadelphia Center, I have the ability to go into any type of situation and make it work," he says.

Ultimately what Douglas and Spangler learned is that to find success, they needed both intense classroom preparation and an internship opportunity. "I knew I was prepared academically because of OWU, but because of The Philadelphia Center, I know I can believe in myself as a professional as well," says Spangler.

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Taking the Next Step

By Ann Bailey

With help from OWU's Woltemade Center, students are landing life-shaping internships.

From résumé writing to orchestrating mock job interviews to the real-world of self-marketing—here's a prime example of how one Ohio Wesleyan student is making good things happen.

College is an exciting time for students. They're eager to take on newfound independence from their parents and soak up insightful knowledge from their professors. But they enter and exit the University with a common goal: to find a satisfying career path that will propel them to the next step.

As program officer for Ohio Wesleyan's Woltemade Center for Business, Economics, and Entrepreneurship, Patricio Plazolles is part of that common goal. He identifies internship

opportunities and works to make students aware of their options.

"Some students don't know which direction they would like to take," says Plazolles, who encourages students to pursue internships after their sophomore year when they can apply more course background to the experience. "We talk about the options and narrow it down to an area they might be interested in. Then we can look at companies that provide opportunities to match those interests."

The most important step, says Plazolles, is preparing the students for what's to come. An interview is the perfect time to impress a potential employer, but a résumé is the ticket to face-to-face interaction.

"The best thing that we do is advise them how to get a foot in the door," he says. In addition to guiding the students through the puzzle of creating an effective résumé, Plazolles often sets up mock interviews so the students know what to expect when speaking with a potential supervisor. While the University's Career Services office assists students in any area of study, Plazolles focuses specifically on those majoring in economics, economics-management, international business, or accounting.

Trevor Jones '08 knows well the benefit of working with the Woltemade Center. As one of five students chosen each year for the Corns Business and Entrepreneurial Scholars Program, Jones was required to complete two summer internships. With some assistance from Plazolles in narrowing down his goals and interests, he landed a summer internship following his sophomore year with the global financial services firm UBS.

"It was kind of a stepping stone," says Jones, who split his time between revenue analysis and clerical work at the firm's Morristown, New Jersey office in 2006. "I knew it wasn't going to be glamorous, but I knew it would open up some opportunities."

Jones' determination paid off. The economics and management major from Flanders, New Jersey was awarded a follow-up summer internship at the firm's main office in New York City. It's a structured, nine-week program where students are placed into specific groups based on their interview process and past experience. Jones will work in private wealth management for high-net-worth clients—or those with portfolios of \$10 million or more.

Coming from a small liberal arts school gave him an advantage in the selection process, Jones says.



OWU's Trevor Jones '08 is interning this summer with UBS, a global financial services firm in New York.

Although the major corporate players like UBS tend to look to larger schools in the recruitment process, Jones is adamant that his exposure to a varied curriculum—rather than a strict business focus—made the difference.

“I had to sell and push the Ohio Wesleyan factor,” says Jones, referring to the online application and phone interview process. “I think my liberal arts education has made me more of a well-rounded person and allowed me to think out of the box. I wanted to show that small schools can produce quality candidates.”

Once students find a summer internship, they can apply for the Blaine E. Grimes Summer Grant Program, which helps offset costs of living and other expenses associated with the often out-of-town experience. The awards, which range from \$500 to \$2,000 per student, are based on academic performance, financial need, and the relevance of the internship. Junior or senior students within the economics department are eligible to apply each spring.

One of the bonuses of the Summer Grant Program is that students can apply for financial assistance, even if their internship is a paid position. Especially for students interning in an urban hub, like New York City, there's a balanc-

ing act between paying for vital living expenses and having a little spending money to enjoy the city.

For Jones, this summer's internship is a make or break experience. He will devote 45 to 60 hours each week to a career he could potentially enter after graduation.

“After this summer, I'll have a pretty good idea where my life is headed,” says Jones, whose goal is to leave his UBS internship with a job offer. If candidates do well in the summer program, they're often given a first-choice interview for an entry-level position.

Plazolles says it's not uncommon for students to achieve that kind of headway from a summer internship. As he tells parents of prospective students, it's important to stay focused and push for a meaningful internship at the end of the junior year. The reward is the peace of mind that comes along with a job offer. Students who are contemplating an internship can take advantage of the Woltemade Center's resources.

“There are so many opportunities out there,” says Jones, referring to the number of internships that Plazolles and the Woltemade Center identify and offer to students each year.

“The best advice I could give is to get out there early. These things fill up quickly.”

Students who are willing to take the initiative and do a little legwork find that their hard work will pay big dividends.

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Legacies of Excellence

Photo at right

Row 1, left to right: Chad Small '76, Laura Small '07, Susan Brezina Small '76, Greg Miracle '74, Megan Miracle '07, Amanda Stacy '07, Helen Stacy '76, Kathleen Thompson '69, Daniel Thompson '07, Jennifer Campos '07, Cheslyn Lesick '07, John Lesick '41, Beckey Gamble Pyle '76, Jon Hollis '07.

Row 2, left to right: Ann Slutz Flanagan '70, Marian Slutz Jacobsen '67, Leonard D. Slutz '34, Susan Flanagan '07, John Parssinen '07, Jon Parssinen '62, Ross Brater '07, Ken Brater '75, Linda Lehecka Lesick '72, Laurence T. Lesick '72, Jemeson Pyle '07, Warren Hollis '75.

Row 3, left to right: Nicholas Borgra, Lynne Porter, Anne Hitchcock, Nick Merluzzi '07, '07, Matthew Garvey '07, Jody Stambaugh Garvey '79, Justin McCoy '07, Myron McCoy '77, Suzanne LeSure '69, Jessica LeSure '07, Ken LeSure '69.



More than 350 Ohio Wesleyan graduates and their families and friends celebrated Commencement 2007. And the day could not have been a more beautiful, postcard-like day. The graduating seniors listened intently as the program began and President Mark Huddleston welcomed everyone to OWU's 163rd Commencement. For a more complete account of the day, please visit our Web site at commencement.owu.edu

COMMENCEMENT 2007



1 Row 1, left to right: David Weimer '78, Kristen Weimer '07, Carolyn Mallett Weimer '81, Rachel Goodell '07, Jay Goodell '71; Row 2, left to right: Marcia Bennett Sinclair '74, (not pictured) William T. Bennett '50, Mary Schill Bennett '49, Samuel Bennett Sinclair '07, Elizabeth Sinclair Nida '03, Eleanor Elizabeth Harding '07; Row 3, left to right: Dee Row Baker '76, Corey Baker '07, Lenny Baker '76, Leonard Harding '65, Jennifer Chapple '80, Jaclyn Chapple '07, (grandparents Robert Chapple, June Link Chapple, deceased). 2 Left to right: Lisa Uptegrove Chase '74, Andrew Chase '07, Norma Loveland Chase '46, Peter Chase '74. 3 Doug Sampson '07, Robert Sampson '66. 4 Left to right: Jennifer Tilden '07, Marsha Tilden '81. 5 Front row: Brittany Coale '07, second row, Deborah Smithy Durham '74, Sharon Smithy Coale '72, third row, John Krapf '07, Adam Rosen '97, Steve Blaine '02, William Coale II '02. 6 Three graduates receive congratulations from Professor Bob Griffith. 7 Keynote speaker: Dr. Thomas Tritton '69. 8 Two graduates enjoying their day.

PRESIDENT AS PEACEMAKER:

Remembrances of Elden Smith '32



Ohio Wesleyan's 11th President,
Elden Smith.

Honorary OWU Alumna Libuse Reed, Professor Emerita of English

Elden came to us at Ohio Wesleyan University, not as President, but as Vice President for Academic Affairs—a job that lasted hardly half a year. Upon his appointment [to President in 1962] by the Board of Trustees, Elden, an OWU graduate, recognized that all components in the educating process were ready for a conciliator-leader who would unite the campus and move it toward a new interpretation of its Statement of Aims.

The dedication to avowed growth and improvement of the “preservation, transmission, and extension of learning” (Statement of Aims) resulted in complete curriculum revision, led by Dr. Lorish, and the 4-3-3 course plan.

Augmenting the course offerings and many new courses, were the Overseas Semester Study, the Free University, and the Forum (replacing what had been compulsory Chapel).

And augmenting the course work were the calls and actions by politically motivated students for increased self-government, especially from various forms of “in Locus Parentis” control.

Underlying the curricular revisions was Elden’s leadership in fostering more student-faculty discussions, especially outside the classroom. His open door policy extended as well to the President’s house, where many occasions were always graciously hosted by his wife, Betty.

Editor's note: In the Spring edition of the *Magazine*, we reported the passing of Elden T. Smith, Ohio Wesleyan's 11th president. In this issue we asked people who worked with him to share their memories and reflect on his many contributions to OWU. Below are remembrances from Libby Reed, Marty Kalb, Cheryl Cunningham Windisch, Verne Edwards, Hugh Harter, Dick Gordin, and OWU President Emeritus Tom Courtice.

Elden Smith taught me to be a better president through the legacy that he established at OWU.

Tom Courtice, President Emeritus of Ohio Wesleyan University



Even as the academic program was being modernized, Elden urged the fraternities to re-examine their aims, which they did, especially by adding social outreach components to their activities.

In his red vest, Elden regularly cheered the Varsity teams to victory, resulting, of course, in OWU's winning the Ohio conference football championship. The red vest was evident at the theater (Elden was a long-time thespian), but was left at home when Betty and he attended many student social activities which they obviously enjoyed. Before long, they were known as Mr. and Mrs. Ohio Wesleyan.

Elden and his five assistants (all OWU graduates) soon organized the fundraising "Thrust Toward Fulfillment" campaign with a \$3 million goal to be reached by 1967. Alumni donors were especially grateful that their old school was once again dedicated to the goals of freedom and truth in learning. Elden's dignity and counsel—and Betty's welcoming smile—had led to successful fund raising and renewed devotion to OWU.

During his presidential years, Elden worked to consolidate the two campuses and to obtain government grants to help build Welch and Hayes Halls. Later came the day for the Beeghly Library groundbreaking.

By the end of his years as president, Elden had "healed the old wounds," replacing them "with

respect and cooperation" (Bijou, 1962). The old OWU had truly been made new again.

Marty Kalb, Professor Emeritus of Fine Arts

Before coming to Ohio Wesleyan, I was teaching at the University of Kentucky. I recall meeting the president of that university in a reception line during a large university affair. I was introduced, we shook hands, and he quickly turned to the next new faces while I worked my way with the throng, to the food table. So it was a distinctly different experience when I came for a job interview at Ohio Wesleyan, to be interviewed by among others, President Elden Smith. We had a very pleasant chat. I felt that he was genuinely interested in me, and that he was connected to the decision to hire me. This personal interest in the hiring of a "visiting instructor" (a job classification that was below the lowest rung on the academic ladder) was indicative of the difference I was soon to discover, between a liberal arts college of concerned people and an institution of employees.

Cheryl Cunningham, Windisch '69

I shall always remember Dr. Smith's genuine smile and the warm welcome that I received on student move-in day at OWU in the fall of 1965. He had been at Bowling Green State University for many years, first as a speech and theater professor and later as Dean of Students, before he decided to come to Ohio Wesleyan. My parents had known the Smiths when they were BGSU undergraduates, and later as a colleague, so I suppose it was a little bit of a full circle situation when I ended up at OWU under Dr. Smith's presidency.

I remember how he enjoyed walking about campus during the change of classes, mingling with students—always smiling and greeting them. Dr. Smith did the common tasks.

In December of my sophomore year, he visited me in the lounge of my residence hall. Holding a large pinecone wreath, he asked if I could kindly deliver it to a mutual family friend in Bowling Green when I went home for Christmas. My roommates thought it unusual for a university president to be running such an errand.

Perhaps it was his background as Dean of Students, but even as a college president, he welcomed student contact. I recall meeting with him as a senior to discuss my graduate school options, and I left his office with his stamp of approval to go back to BGSU and enroll in the college student personnel program.

Verne Edwards, Professor Emeritus of Journalism

Elden Smith truly was a peacemaker. He had an unusual ability to deal with disparate groups, and was, indeed, masterful at working to arrive at good solutions. I recall going on sabbatical one year at the *Detroit Free Press*, and was unsure that I would return to academia. But I did return to OWU, and Elden warmly welcomed me back to campus.

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Libuse Reed, Professor Emerita of English

Hugh Harter '44, Professor Emeritus of Romance Languages

I recall that 1968 was the year I came back to OWU as professor and chair of Romance Languages. It was Elden's last year in the presidency. The conversations I remember were probably interview sessions. But I do remember Elden as being open, cordial, and deserving of being considered a fine conversationalist. I remember him with appreciation and respect.

Dick Gordin, Director Emeritus of Athletics

I was a young faculty member at Ohio Wesleyan when Dr. Smith arrived. It was a difficult time in our history, following an administration producing turbulence, and student unrest on college campuses amid the Vietnam war years. He set forth a healing process on campus and was a kind person as well as a terrific fundraiser. Dr. Smith was a true gentleman, all the way.

Honorary OWU Alumnus Tom Courtice, President Emeritus of Ohio Wesleyan University

I was told once that it is impossible to acquire a mentor after the age of 50. My Ohio Wesleyan experience refutes that claim, as Elden Smith entered my life in 1994 and remained there as a mentor, friend, and colleague until his death earlier this year.

Elden Smith taught me to be a better president through the legacy that he established at OWU. Inheriting a difficult campus situation in 1962, President Smith provided leadership without

ego and vision without bravado. His lessons were never a part of our frequent exchanges, but instead, were embedded in the fabric of the university community that he loved. Elden Smith taught me about what constitutes an effective trustee through his contributions as a thoughtful member of OWU's board, throughout my time in Delaware. On that occasional moment when board deliberations crept softly into the college's administrative arena, it was Trustee Smith who, with a twinkle in his eye and a smile of understanding, would set the Board on the right course.

Elden Smith taught me that there is life beyond the college presidency by moving from Delaware to Washington, D.C. in the late 1970s to become a founding partner in a new higher education venture. It was Consultant Smith who helped to launch the search firm concept for college presidents and who established the organizational forerunner for what today has become the oldest and largest consulting firm dealing exclusively with leadership searches in higher education—Academic Search Inc., my current place of employment!

I value immeasurably Elden Smith's impact on my life as a sustaining mentor, respected colleague, and cherished friend. I will miss him dearly.

Compiled by Pam Besel

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Cheryl Cunningham, Windisch '69

RECOGNIZING A GIFTED SCIENTIST, ARTIST

University Honors John N. Chase '49, Former Professor and Provost

In recognition of the outstanding contributions of John N. Chase '49 to Ohio Wesleyan, the University has named a zoology laboratory in the Conrades•Wetherell Science Center and established a scholarship fund in his honor. The naming ceremony and reception were held on May 12th during Commencement Weekend and included remarks by Chase's two sons, Geoffrey '71 and Peter '74; Dennis C. Radabaugh, Alumni Fund Professor of Natural History and Zoology; and Mark Shipp's '70, vice president for university relations. Several other members of the Chase family, including John's widow, Norma Loveland Chase '46, friends, current and former faculty, and staff members attended the reception.

Chase, a zoology professor, also served Ohio Wesleyan as vice president of academic affairs and provost until his untimely death from a heart attack at the age of 53 in 1977.

"I feel so fortunate to have arrived here as a rookie when John was a senior faculty member," says Radabaugh. "He was everything I hoped to become. He led by example, trusted those around him to do their best, and had an uncommon ability to relate to everyone. I'm sure he never considered himself a mentor, but he helped all kinds of people.

"If I had to pick out one quality about him," Radabaugh continues, "it would be that he was a complete person. He was both an incredibly well-trained scientist and a gifted artist, which made him the ideal representative of the liberal arts—and what those in the liberal arts should hold up as an example and aspire to."

The John N. Chase Scholarship will be awarded each year to a student who exemplifies academic excellence; is dedicated to the study of the biological sciences, preferably zoology; and has demonstrated financial need. More than 95 alumni, friends, and corporations have already contributed to the scholarship, which now stands in excess of \$38,000.

"It's very gratifying to us that 30 years after my father's death, such a large number of friends and family members have stepped forward [to fund the scholarship], and that my company of 29 years—Colgate Palmolive—is also the largest contributor," says Peter Chase. "At first, when a vibrant leader passes, you feel sad because things seem to simply continue on without him. However, this [response] has demonstrated so poignantly to us all what a lasting impression my father left on this institution and on the lives of so many."



Members of the Chase family, left to right: Timothy Chase, Matthew Chase, Andrew Chase '07, Peter Chase '74, Norma Loveland Chase '46, Geoffrey Chase '71, John Chase, Lise Uptegrove Chase '74, and Beth Chase Morrison '99.

Chase says his father would be thrilled with the science facilities available to Ohio Wesleyan students today. "The last time I visited OWU and the new science center, I couldn't help thinking how very excited my father would be to see it."

Several branches of the Chase family have sent 12 students to Ohio Wesleyan. The last, Andrew Chase, accepted his diploma as a member of the Class of 2007 on the day after the ceremony honoring his grandfather.

"All the members of my family who have attended Ohio Wesleyan since the 1940s have been looking for a high-quality education with top-notch faculty who really care about the learning and development of their students," says Peter Chase. "Ohio Wesleyan offers the benefits of a small, private college while providing the depth and diversity found at larger universities. It's a great environment in which to learn and grow."

For more information or to make a contribution to the scholarship, please contact Assistant Director of Special Giving Lindsey Gale '98 at 740-368-3308 or lagale@owu.edu.

This year's Alumni Weekend marked a special time for 1947 graduates. Not only have six decades passed since their graduation, but also since they said goodbye to a space dear to their hearts—Austin Hall.

Looking Back

Austin Manor 60th anniversary

By *Ann Bailey*



Left photo Austin Manor residents today...on left, B.J. Cadot Keating '47, Marg Hanna Hoskins '47, and Gertrude Beattie Mayne '47.

Right photo Austin Hall residents circa 1947, on left, B.J. Cadot Keating, Marg Hanna Hoskins, and Mary Mills Stock '47.



ORIGINALLY CONSTRUCTED in 1923, the Austin Hall dormitory, located at Winter and Elizabeth Streets, housed students until its renovation to luxury apartments in 1988. Austin Manor, as it's now called, is a generational living complex with residents ranging from college students to young professionals and retirees. That's a drastic change from its purpose 60 years ago.

As Margaret Hanna Hoskins '47 recalls, Austin Hall was rather cramped when she shared a room with Barbara Jeanne "BJ" Cadot Keating '47 and Mary Mills Stock '47 her freshman year. The University housed two Navy units during World War II, pushing the all-female residence hall to its brim.

"It was an adjustment," Margaret jokes, telling the tale of a ticking alarm clock that belonged to one of her roommates. She and the other roommate quickly suggested that the noisy clock be placed under a pillow.

Margaret remembers lots of noises from her time at Austin Hall, including the shriek of the train whistles from the nearby station. Growing up on a farm in tiny Geneseo, Illinois, she recalls how the whistles reminded her of just how far she was from home—about 470 miles.

"Then, the tears would come," she laughs now, describing how homesick she felt in the beginning. The only connection to Geneseo was the laundry she'd send home every couple of weeks, as there were no automatic washing machines or dryers on campus. A sweet treat, such as homemade cookies, was sent back with every load.

Margaret had decided to come to Ohio Wesleyan without a single visit. Her parents encouraged her to go somewhere relatively close to home because of gas rationing during the war, but Margaret was ultimately swayed by a photo she saw on an information packet from Ohio Wesleyan. "I just kept thinking 'I want those to be my friends'," says Margaret, describing the

photo of some female students huddling together. After four years in Delaware, Ohio, she gained much more than friendship. It was in Slocum Library where she met her future husband, Clayton C. Hoskins '48. He was a former Navy pilot who initially visited The Ohio State University but was overwhelmed by its size and number of students. He found himself venturing north of Columbus to Ohio Wesleyan, where the Navy had stationed him for training in 1942. He registered for classes that same day.

Gertrude "Gert" Beattie Mayne '47, another one of Margaret's roommates, introduced the couple. It was February 5, 1946—a date they celebrated every year until Clayton's death in 2002.

Clayton didn't see much of Austin Hall, as Margaret remembers, because in those days male companions were expected to say goodbye at the door—prior to the residents' 11 p.m. curfew. She recalls his joining her in one of the dormitory's public lounges to exchange Christmas gifts one year, but that was the extent of his visits to Austin Hall.

Margaret fondly remembers watching from her second-floor window the serenading of her fellow residents. This usually occurred on special occasions, such as a pinning or an engagement. Having lost the first pin given to her by her future husband, Margaret was proud to wear his Navy wings on her pajamas.

Another of Margaret's most cherished memories of her time at Ohio Wesleyan is eating in the dining room at Austin Hall with Marie "Nicky" Nickles Gardner '47 and her other roommates. She also recalls making trips to Bun's Restaurant on special occasions, and having Saturday morning breakfasts at Hamburger Inn—the doughnuts were her favorite.

A psychology major and sociology minor, Margaret was involved in everything—a member of Phi Beta Kappa, president of the YWCA, and even involved in student body politics. Margaret's favorite role models at Ohio Wesleyan included J. Milton Yinger, Ph.D., a sociology professor who is still living in a retirement community in Oberlin, Ohio; and Goldie McCue, one of her Bible professors, whom Margaret kept in touch with for many years after graduation.

Looking back on their priceless memories of Ohio Wesleyan, Margaret and her roommates came back to campus for Alumni Weekend (May 18-20, 2007). Rather than reserving a hotel room, they stayed in the former Austin Hall and reminisced about the serenades on the front porch, the mystery tunnel that ran between their dormitory and Monnett Hall, and even the men in uniform that dominated campus during the war.

The best part, Margaret says with a smile, was "reconnecting with old friends."

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Someone You Should Know:

“Mainer” Glenn Cummings ’83

By Anne Haas '70

Within the past six months, I became aware that Glenn Cummings was not only a member of Maine’s House of Representatives, but its leader. He is not the representative from my district, but I had a real “Aha!” moment, as his name was mentioned repeatedly in the news. When I met Glenn, he was a high school student, but in hindsight, it is not the least bit surprising that he has achieved what he has. I was happy to say to myself, “Yes! I knew he was destined for big things!” Glenn is a leader, in all the very best ways; he is honest, hard-working, devoted to the aspects of life that really matter, a consensus builder, who doesn’t compromise his principles, terrifically intelligent, and modest. His press/policy assistant, Kaylene Waindle, has known him since she was one of his high school students, and she says the biggest problem with Glenn, besides keeping up with him, is that he doesn’t think of himself in the national arena, while everyone around him does.

I first met Glenn through my neighbors in Bath, Maine, when he was in the process of transferring from one college to another, and trying to sort things out. Our conversations had led me to think he might be a good candidate for OWU, particularly because of his interest in government service, initiated when he worked as a summer page in Maine’s legislature. Clearly, it has turned out to be his calling. As a 12th-generation Mainer, and the first in his family to attend college, he is a leader in many ways. The following is but a sampling of his accomplishments and is an inspiration for all OWU alums and students, both current and future. His vision, clarity, and ability to get things done, are models for public service by any measure.

After graduation, Glenn received an MA in education from Brown University. He returned

to Maine, and taught history, becoming the youngest chair of the History Department at Gorham High School. Though he’d applied and been accepted to a number of top law schools, he believed that he would have more influence on young people, as a teacher. Glenn has also taught economics at the college and university level, which he still does when he is not running the Maine State House of Representatives. He earned a masters degree from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard in 1995-96. He was director of Portland Partnerships, an educational non-profit group that encourages relationships between local businesses and public schools. Later, he helped establish Southern Maine Community College’s Entrepreneurial Center, where he served as the first director. This program helps graduates start their own businesses by providing a year’s worth of office space and support for four graduates to start their own businesses.

More recently, he sponsored a law that will establish the first ever PhD program in the Visual Arts, with an emphasis on the philosophy, aesthetics and theory of the arts. This Institute for Doctoral Studies in the Visual Arts, will be headquartered in Portland, Maine, with residencies in Italy (Venice and Tuscany), and New York City..

Elected to the Maine House of Representatives in 2000, he has been able to work with members of both parties to pass an enormous amount of legislation meant to empower all of Maine’s citizens. In his first term, he was named the Maine Medical Association’s Legislator of the Year for sponsoring and passing a law that required lead poisoning screenings for all Maine children. His second term, he served as chair of the Education and Cultural Affairs Committee, leading the way for a change in the statewide school funding formula, taking into account special needs of individual children, not just the overall wealth

of a community. In his third term, he was the Majority Leader in the House, responsible for the passage of the Democratic agenda, including the largest increase in education funding and property tax relief in Maine’s history. He also is the first Clean Elections candidate in the United States. As the Speaker of the House, he has already passed a bill which will pay for each Maine high school senior to apply to at least one post-secondary education program. Recently, an anonymous donor learned of this initiative, and gave \$17,000 to Glenn’s high school for those applications. On April 27, 2007, the Speaker unveiled his bill to crack down on predatory lending institutions, with an unprecedented number of sponsors from both sides of the aisle, as well as support from many lending institutions. This tough bill has been called a model for the nation, and is now poised for passage.

In all his endeavors, Glenn is known for his, and his staff’s, ability to clarify issues, and garner support from house members, regardless of their political affiliation. His honesty, energy, and vision are obvious to anyone who works with him.

Glenn lives in Portland with his wife, teacher Leslie Appelbaum, and their two children, Kiernan and Skyler.

To hear Glenn’s acceptance speech for his election as Speaker of the Maine House, go to <http://speaker.maine.gov>

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Published works of OWU students, alumni, and faculty.

Culture and Customs of Iran

Culture and Customs of Iran co-authored by Akbar Mahdi, professor of sociology at Ohio Wesleyan University, and Elton L. Daniel, professor of history at the University of Hawaii. Published by Greenwood Press and released in November, 2006.

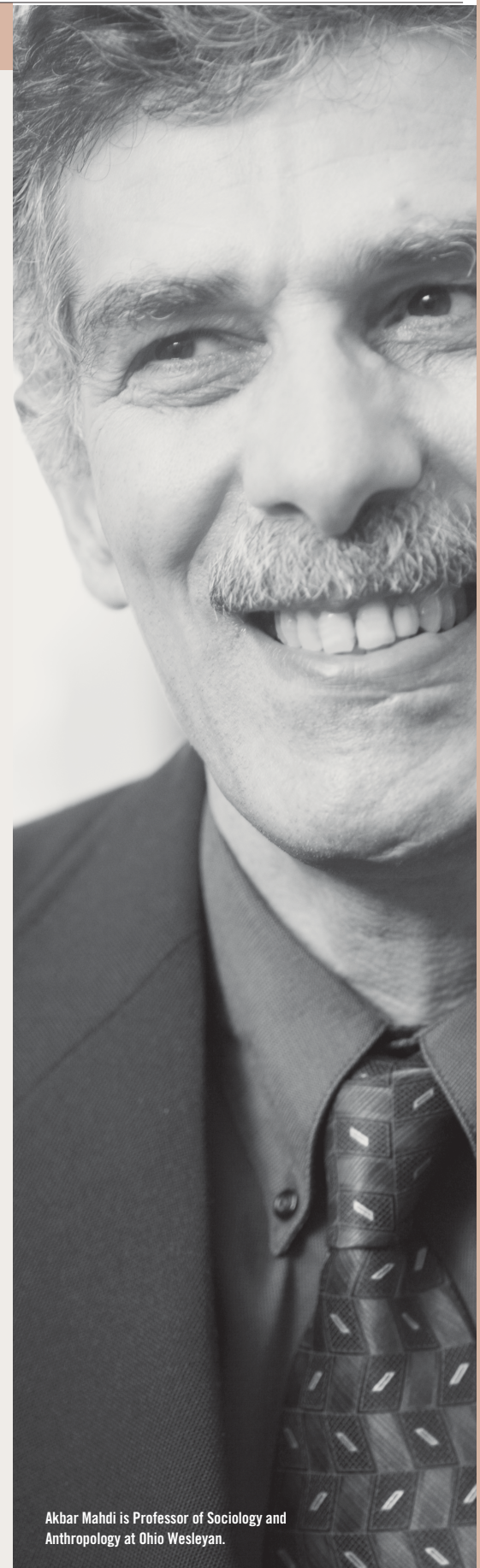
Culture and Customs of Iran is the latest book by Akbar Mahdi, professor of sociology and anthropology at Ohio Wesleyan, and is one of the books in the Greenwood Press Culture and Customs of the World series, which offers objective information about the culture and customs of countries around the world. Mahdi's book, which he co-authored with Elton L. Daniel, professor of history at the University of Hawaii, exclusively covers Iran and the country's national culture, subculture, customs, and traditions.

Mahdi hopes the book provides readers with insight into Iranian culture and a better understanding of its people. Its chapters cover history, geography, religion, family and gender relations, architecture, literature, drama, cinema, music, national festivals, and cuisine. "Culture shapes our taste, feelings, thoughts, and behaviors," Mahdi says. "Our views of birth and death, marriage and divorce, young and old age, illness and wellness, time, space, and so on are all dependent on our culture and socialization. Understanding someone's culture and customs is the first step in understanding that person's actions towards and reaction to us." Mahdi believes that the image of Iran in the United States has never recovered from the acts that took place on November 4, 1979, when Iranian students took 63 American diplomats and several other American citizens as hostages and held them for 444 days. For more than 26 years, the Islamic Republic, Iran

and United States have not been able to repair their broken relationships, Mahdi says. "The fact is that while Iranians may not agree with the U.S. policies toward Iran, they show the most positive attitudes towards the American culture and American people," Mahdi says. "The images of Iran and Iranians in the United States do not correspond to the attitudes, personalities, and cultural behaviors demonstrated by Iranians at home or abroad.

"What is this culture and who are Iranians? How different are they from the other people within and outside the Middle East? Our book tries to offer an objective picture of Iranian life as it is practiced by Iranians in villages, small towns, and big cities. Our book tries to offer a brief, clear, objective, and comprehensive picture of Iranian history, religion, arts, family, and national customs." Mahdi's book is available online at Amazon (www.amazon.com) as well as Greenwood Press (www.greenwood.com). It also can be found at major bookstores and public libraries.

Andrea Strle '99



Akbar Mahdi is Professor of Sociology and Anthropology at Ohio Wesleyan.



FIRM ADVICE

Washington, D.C. internships lead OWU alumnae down three different paths to success

By Andrea Misko Strle '99



Katie White Arendt '98, at work in an operating room of the Mayo Clinic.



For a summer during their college days at Ohio Wesleyan, three young women—Amy Fitzgibbons, Allison Ehlert, and Katie (White) Arendt—all from the class of 1998, interned with Bass & Howes, a woman-focused public policy and public affairs consulting firm. All three describe the experience as life-shaping, and a decade later, they thank Bass & Howes, in part, for laying the foundation for their success.

Fitzgibbons interned for Bass & Howes twice, in both 1997 and 1998, and was hired by the firm full time after she graduated from OWU. Today, after two years with the Peace Corps in Nicaragua and having earned her MBA, she is working for American Express in New York, serving small business as manager of advocacy marketing. She credits the skills she built at Bass & Howes with getting her the job.

“Although my responsibilities have changed a bit, I was originally brought in to work on our Policy and Customer Advisory Councils, both of which are similar to things I did for clients while at Bass & Howes. In my interviews with the company, I very much played up the skills I had built at B & H, such as relationship building, influencing, and strategic planning,” says Fitzgibbons, who studied politics and government and economics at OWU. “Amex happens to be a culture that values those skills, so it was a good fit.”

Allison Ehlert, who interned for Bass & Howes in summer 1996, returned to D.C. to work in a law firm upon graduation and then moved to southern California to work for a grassroots housing and community development organization before going to law school at the University of California, Berkeley. Today, Ehlert is clerking for a federal judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit in Columbus, Ohio. She credits her experience at Bass & Howes with giving her a well-developed understanding of how government works and how competing interest groups influence what gets done.

“I’m a lawyer today, and interning at Bass & Howes helped convince me that law was what I should do,” says Ehlert, who studied politics and government and English while at OWU and was president of student government. “I realized from my experience at Bass & Howes that, to a large extent, lawyers pull the levers of government. The people who were drafting legislation that Bass & Howes worked to get enacted were lawyers, and, of course, many of the lawmakers themselves were lawyers. I wanted to be able to read the statutory text of a bill or a funding earmark, and not just the non-legal summaries in committee reports.”

Arendt, who interned at Bass & Howes in 1997, went to medical school at the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine in Rochester, Minnesota. After medical school graduation, she interned in internal medicine and then completed a four-year anesthesiology residency, all at the Mayo Clinic. Today, she is on staff at the Mayo Clinic and the recipient of a Mayo Foundation Scholar Fellowship.

“Because of my summer internship at Bass & Howes, I appreciate the work of women’s health care political advocates that allow physicians to continue to keep these patients safe,” says Arendt, who studied chemistry and philosophy while at OWU. “As an obstetric anesthesiologist, I have a passion for maternal safety during obstetric and surgical procedures, whether those procedures are deliveries, pregnancy terminations, or non-obstetric surgeries a pregnant woman must undergo. I feel strongly that it is not the government’s place to pass laws regarding a woman’s medical care when she’s pregnant. Reproductive health care is just too complex, and a pregnant woman’s safety is too important.”

Ohio Wesleyan came to the attention of Bass & Howes, and particularly its founders Joanne Howes and Marie Bass, through their friendship with Joan McLean, professor of politics and government at OWU and associate dean for first-year

students. All three worked together in the 1970s and 1980s on issues and campaigns directed primarily at advancing the power of women in politics. Joanne and Marie founded Bass & Howes in 1986; the company grew from a handful of staff in Washington to more than 25 in both the District of Columbia and New York by 2002, when it was sold to DDB Issues and Advocacy. Howes remains a partner with the firm.

“I’m very fond of these women,” Howes says of Fitzgibbons, Ehlert, and Arendt. “They were three extraordinary contributors to our dynamic firm. I hope their experience at the firm contributed to their growth, and I’m proud I have mentored women who have gone on to do amazing things.”

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REMEMBERING MR. RICKEY

*Frank Shannon Day Success and Completion of OWU's
Softball/Baseball Complex Draws Near*

By *Lindsey Gale '98
and Brenda DeWitt*



The crowd in Branch Rickey Arena's bleachers enjoyed the alumni basketball game—a highlight of Frank Shannon Day festivities.



Honorary Game Captains, left to right: Barry Clemens '65, Art Shilt '64, Ray Slabaugh '63, Larry Washburn '64, and Richard Gillespie '61.



President Huddleston shares his enthusiasm over the announcement of the "Friends of Frank" fundraising effort.

Frank Shannon Day, February 10, 2007, was a success, not only because the men's basketball team beat Earlham 82-70, but also because the event's fund-raising goal was met—and exceeded. The special day also included an alumni game, recognition of the basketball alumni in attendance, a reception following the game, and an announcement of the "Friends of Frank" fundraising effort in Coach Shannon's name. More than 90 alumni, family, and friends returned to Ohio Wesleyan to honor Shannon during the festivities. (See the spring edition of the Magazine for more about this event).

Art Shilt '64, one of the alumni coordinators of the event, memorialized Coach Shannon at the ceremony, saying:

"Back in December of 2005 before Coach passed away, he stipulated that there should NOT be a funeral service or any type of memorials. After some reflection, and for the first time ever, I decided to ignore Coach's instructions. Once I received permission from his son, Donald, the Friends of Frank Shannon effort was underway."

"Frank knew his Xs and Os, defenses, offenses, and strategies, but Coach also preached excellence and not just to win a game. He wanted us to play as a TEAM, play to our basic abilities with 100 percent effort all the time, and leave it on the floor! Think about it, doesn't this coaching attitude apply to all of life's endeavors?"

"Today's celebration we titled: Friends of Frank Shannon. Who are these friends? The dictionary definition of friend includes: close acquaintance, a supporter, or sympathizer—someone who is helpful and reliable, and a person who cares. Coach was all of the above and more. He was humble, modest, and unassuming and quickly brushed off any compliments directed at him."

"On a personal note, I came to OWU as a naïve freshman. OWU was my only choice for college. I thought that the only reason to attend college was to play a sport. Coach introduced me to a brand new world. As I stand here today, when I consider men who have been important in my life—my father and my sons—Frank Shannon stands out. He opened the door to a lifetime of opportunities and for that reason I will always be eternally grateful."

"Everybody here today has their own reasons for being a "Friend of Frank Shannon." Now, Frank Shannon's legacy will live on!"

In addition to Shilt, former Battling Bishop players Richard Gillespie '61, Barry Clemens '65, and Jack McKinnie '54 spearheaded "Friends of Frank," with the original goal of raising \$30,000 to name the men's basketball coach's office in Edwards Gymnasium in honor of Coach Shannon. The goal was exceeded and \$33,900 in gifts and pledges was raised from over 50 "Friends of Frank" supporters.

The total cost to renovate Edwards Gym is estimated to be approximately \$4.5 million. Currently, \$940,000 has been secured in gifts and pledges toward the effort. Once more funds have been raised for the Edwards project, which will include locker room renovation, new and refurbished coach's offices, and renovation of the third floor basketball court, the new office in honor of Shannon will be finished. Some work on Edwards has already begun, including weight room renovations and repair to the exterior skylight.

Summer plans include completion of the baseball/softball complex

OWU's softball and baseball players will have something to look forward to when they return from their summer break. Margaret Sagan Field,

the new women's softball field, will be completed and outfitted with dugouts, a two-story press box with a concession stand and fencing. OWU's Women's softball team returned as a varsity sport in 2000 and has been playing at Mingo Park in Delaware since their return. "It will be wonderful to have a home for the team on campus," said Roger Ingles, director of athletics. "Our players are thrilled!"

Similarly, a new two-story press box will be constructed at Littick Field. The press box will be similar to that of the softball field, but will also include public restrooms. Additional parking will be added south of the softball field and a new sidewalk and landscaping will be built in front of both fields, making this area more inviting and pedestrian friendly. Final fundraising efforts are underway to secure the remaining funding necessary for both fields.

As of May, 2007, more than \$6.3 million has been committed toward the \$22 million *Remembering Mr. Rickey* Campaign. For more information, visit the Web site: <http://mrrickey.owu.edu/> or contact Darrel Gibson '87, director of major gifts at 740-368-3324 or dbgibson@owu.edu.

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A Romp Through the Park

By *Mark Beckenbach '81*

*...Candlestick Park, that is, and for San Francisco 49ers intern
Elliot Kaple '08, it was an eye-opening experience.*



OWU Senior Elliot Kaple interned with the San Francisco 49ers during summer 2006

From the outside looking in, a job in professional sports can seem glamorous. A job that people dream about. “That must be great,” people say. “You get to go to all of the games.” Ohio Wesleyan senior Elliot Kaple was one of those people. Last summer, however, he worked as an intern for the San Francisco 49ers of the National Football League, and found that there was more to a well-orchestrated event than meets the eye.

Kaple’s Aha! moment came while he was helping stage preseason events at Candlestick Park for 49ers fans. “I was an integral part of putting on an event for fans for whom it was second nature to be there. I’ve attended events like that and never thought about the preparation that is involved,” he says.

Kaple’s path to San Francisco wasn’t unusual, but he had to ace an interview before getting the job. “We had a family relation who had (indirectly) worked with the 49ers, and I got in touch with the director of marketing,” Kaple says. “He conducted a phone interview, and a couple of weeks later I was called back and offered a position to come out and help put together training camp. It was myself and two other interns.”

Kaple got to California in early July, before any of the players and most of the coaches had arrived at camp. “Whatever had to get done got done,” he says. “I really enjoyed that a lot. I was in charge of the kids’ club memberships and mailings, and later, I was sent up to (Candlestick Park) to help the season ticket office get the ticket packets ready to go.”

One of the biggest events that Kaple worked on was the 49ers’ family sponsor day at Candlestick. “Families of corporate sponsors would come to the field,” he says.

Another event at the stadium stands out as one of Kaple’s favorite memories. “For the first pre-season game, we had inflatables and games set

up in the parking lot. There was lots of interaction with fans and preparation for the season, and after we cleaned that up we could go in and watch the game.”

“A lot of the job entailed managing, making sure people were where they needed to be, making sure inflatables were packed,” he says. “We had to do a lot of packing up and taking stuff between the two locations.”

Kaple found that the internship had a profound effect on him, both professionally and personally. “Just to be able to walk down the hallway and go past all the key administrative people, and walk past all the coaches and have them recognize you and carry on a conversation was very important to my character building,” he says.

Some of the lessons he learned he was able to apply not only to his academic pursuits—Kaple is an economics management major who was honored as one of Ohio Wesleyan’s top 50 student-athletes by cumulative grade-point average—but also in his efforts on the court as a member of the Battling Bishop men’s basketball team.

“The most important thing was being able to work in a very professional environment where promptness, efficiency, and doing the job right were of utmost importance to everyone in the organization. Working with fans (the 49ers customers) developed habits in me that I’ve used in school and will use after graduation...to be very personable with everyone I come across.”

Mr. Beckenbach '81 is Associate Director of University Communications and Sports Information Director at Ohio Wesleyan.

OWU Receives 7th NCAC All-Sports Championship

Ohio Wesleyan posted top-two finishes in 10 of 22 sports on the way to its seventh North Coast Athletic Conference All-Sports Championship.

The all-sports trophy, Ohio Wesleyan’s first since the 1993-94 academic year, halts the nine-year streak of all-sports championships posted by 2006-07 runner-up Denison. Ohio Wesleyan won championships in men’s soccer, women’s indoor track and field, baseball, golf, men’s lacrosse, and women’s outdoor track and field, and finished second in men’s cross country, men’s indoor track and field, men’s outdoor track and field, and women’s lacrosse. The Battling Bishops picked up a total of 16 top-five finishes during the 2006-07 academic year.

The All-Sports award is given annually to the school that performs the best across the NCAC’s 22 sports. Ten points are awarded to the first-place finish, nine for a second, eight for a third, and so on. Men’s and women’s performances are combined, exemplifying the North Coasts’ commitment to equity and balance among programs. Wooster won three of the first four All-Sports championships, interrupted only by Denison in year two. Ohio Wesleyan followed with a six-year run leading to titles by Wooster (once) and finally Denison in each of the past nine seasons.

Ohio Wesleyan leads the way with 106 team championships during the NCAC’s 23 years of competition. Allegheny is next with 98 titles, followed by Denison (95), Kenyon (86), Wooster (62), and Wittenberg (58).



A wonderful weekend of seeing old friends, making new ones, and rekindling relationships



More than 800 alumni returned to campus to celebrate their class reunions and reconnect with one another and their alma mater. The weekend began Friday, May 18, with the Golden Key Class of 1957 enjoying lunch together in the Reunion Pavilion tent located across from the Mowry Alumni Center. Hosting the event were President Mark Huddleston and Skip Auch '68, president of the Alumni Association. The glorious weather encouraged much socializing and wandering around campus to enjoy the beautiful grounds and gardens. Many from the class of '57 ventured to Gray Chapel to enjoy an alumni concert by their classmate, Jill Denison Thomson '57, who performed an array of American standards and show tunes.

New to Alumni Weekend this year was the Blues and Barbeque kick-off event Friday evening. Alumni gathered along the JAYWalk and in the Hamilton-Williams Campus Center to enjoy a gourmet barbeque and live music provided by Professor Sean Kay and his acoustic trio. After the band stopped playing and the crowd dissipated, many alumni met their classmates for some late-night socializing either on-campus or downtown at favorite local haunts.

As alumni arose to sunshine and beautiful breezes on Saturday, a group of 11 early-birds drove just south of campus to take in a bird walk at the Kraus Nature Preserve. Upon returning to campus, they found a day filled

with activities ranging from open houses, Alumni College sessions, a recognition breakfast for past and present award recipients, and the Golden Key Diploma ceremony. The Recognition Ceremony, honoring outstanding Ohio Wesleyan alumni, featured Peter Tillou '57 and Dr. Paul Schimmel '62 as they received Distinguished Achievement Citations, the Alumni Associations' highest honor. Mary Poe Timmons '22, who celebrated her 85th class reunion, led the 2007 Parade of Classes to the All-Alumni luncheon in Branch Rickey Arena. A new video highlighting the transformations that take place at OWU, was shown to those in attendance. This video will be used for admission, development, and general marketing of the University. Kathe Law Rhinesmith '64, Chair of the Board of Trustees, gave the "State of the University" address. While speaking, she noted the progress the University has made in the past year and challenged alumni to continue to propel Ohio Wesleyan toward our common goals.

The events of the weekend culminated at the reunion class dinners on Saturday evening. The Class of 1957 had well over 200 in attendance at their class dinner, emceed by Rod Warner and included a special visit from The Bishop. The Class of 1982, celebrating their silver anniversary reunion, had almost 120 in attendance at their dinner, being one of the largest 25 reunion dinners ever! After the class dinners, many alumni went to the fourth-annual All-Alumni Dance, where alumni danced and mingled well into the night.

The Sunday morning, Alumni Weekend Convocation featured the Reverend Doctor Myron McCoy '77, who gave an inspiring message on "growing." The 20+ voice, All-Alumni choir provided two enjoyable anthems, under the direction of Amy Bergandine '07. Other participants in the Convocation were the Reverend Burton Cantrell '57, Ginny Amstutz Wilhelm '62, and Justin McCoy '07. Many thanks go to Professor Joe Musser who played the organ for all of the weekend's formal programs.

It was a wonderful weekend of seeing old friends, making new ones and rekindling relationships with this special institution, and celebrating each other's lives and achievements.



Peter Tillou '57 (left) and Dr. Paul Schimmel '62 received the Distinguished Achievement Citation Award during Alumni Weekend's Saturday morning ceremony. Read more about our award winners at alumni.owu.edu/awards.



BLUES AND BARBEQUE KICK OFF ALUMNI WEEKEND 2007



Members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and friends gathered at the fraternity house on Saturday to dedicate a new patio in honor of John Reed, former university archivist and reference librarian in Slocum Library—and loyal SAE brother.



OFF CAMPUS





March 8

Columbus Young Alumni Networking

Over 60 Central Ohio Battling Bishop young alumni gathered for a Networking Social event at Club 185 in German Village.

March 15

Boston Red & Black Reception with Mark Huddleston

Boston area Battling Bishops joined together at the UMass Club downtown to catch up with past friends and to hear a campus update from OWU President, Mark Huddleston.

March 22

Cincinnati Wine Tasting

Cincinnati area Battling Bishops gathered at Kona Bistro in Hyde Park for a Wine Tasting Social.

March 29

Twin Cities Red and Black Reception with Dr. Michael Flamm

A group of Twin Cities OWU alumni, families, and friends gathered at the Minnesota History Center to catch up with past friends and to hear a presentation from Dr. Michael Flamm, Chair of the OWU History Department.

April 12

Atlanta Red & Black Reception with OWU Athletics Director, Roger Ingles

Atlanta area Battling Bishops gathered at LaPaz Restaurant and Cantina in Vinings to catch up with past friends and to find out about all the exciting things taking place on campus from OWU Athletics Director, Roger Ingles.

April 17

Columbus Monnett Club

Thirsty alumnae gathered at the President's home for their annual spring dinner hosted by Emma Bricker. Special guests for the evening were Mark '70 & Ginny O'Grady '70 Shipp.

April 18

Denver Red & Black Reception with Greg Moore '76

Over 50 Denver area OWU alumni, families, and friends gathered at the home of Mike '71 and Ginner Craighead '72 Brooks for a Red and Black Reception. Greg Moore '76, Editor of the Denver Post and OWU Board of Trustee member along with "Alumni in Training," Marie Rymut '07 provided the group with a campus update.

April 19

D.C. Young Alumni Networking Social

A large group of D.C.-area young alumni gathered at Regional Food and Drink in downtown D.C. for a Networking Social.

April 23

Cincinnati Red & Black Reception with OWU Professor Tom Burns

Cincinnati-area Battling Bishops gathered at the Cincinnati Observatory for a private reception and public lecture with OWU English Professor and Director of Perkins Observatory, Tom Burns. Professor Burns entertained the group with a brief talk about the history of Perkins Observatory then followed with a public lecture, "Populating Heaven: The Sky and the Gods and the Heroes who Live There."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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AUGUST

Sunday, August 19—Charlotte, North Carolina

Join Charlotte-area OWU alumni, families, and friends for brunch and a matinee performance of Disney's Tony Award-winning musical, *The Lion King*.

SEPTEMBER

Friday, September 21—Delaware, Ohio

Alumni "W" Association golf outing at the new, John Cook-designed North Star Golf Resort.

OCTOBER

October 26—October 28—Delaware, Ohio
Homecoming

DECEMBER

Wednesday, December 5—New York, New York

Join NYC Battling Bishops for the annual holiday reception at the Racquet and Tennis Club.

****If you are interested in coordinating an OWU event in your city or would like to assist with one of the events listed above, please contact Matt Salts '01 in the Alumni Relations Office at mcsalts@owu.edu or (740) 368-3330**

1 Monnett: The 2007-08 Officers for the Columbus Monnett Club: Patricia Martin Wilson '62 (President), Marjorie Werstler Horrocks '56 (Corresponding Secretary), Carol Johnson Bowling '61 (Recording Secretary), Janice Thome Kisting '93 (Treasurer), Debbie Tavenner '77 (Programming Vice President), Martha Hodge Noreault '66 (Membership Vice President). **2 Denver:** James Falco '67 and Joy Rokundo Twesigye '98 hanging out in the Brooks' kitchen. **3 Atlanta:** Andy Dunn '00, Jennifer McGurn, Darren McGurn '99, and Gina Federico Scheper '00 gather for a picture at LaPaz. **4 Denver:** Dr. Bill Vigor Jr. '62, Greg Moore '76, Linda Vigor, Flo Taylor '49 Figge, and Erwin Figge gather for a quick picture during the Denver reception. **5 Cincinnati:** Laura Neinaber '04 and Pat Frasher Papoi '66 compare their respective whites at Kona Bistro. **6 Columbus:** A group of Columbus area young alumni break discussion for a quick snapshot. **7 Cincinnati:** Prof. Tom Burns gives a brief history of Perkins Observatory at the private reception at the Cincinnati Observatory. **8 DC:** The DC young alumni group cheerfully gathers at RFD for a snapshot. **9 Atlanta:** Carla Lee '83, Craig Luke '85, Howard Austin '69, and Roger Ingles in deep discussion during the social hour. **10 Minneapolis:** Twin Cities OWU alumni, families, and friends gather for a quick picture at the Minnesota History Center. **11 Monnett:** Ginny O'Grady Shipp's '70 and Barbara Wiltshire Timmons '54 catch up during the social hour. **12 Boston:** Boston area Battling Bishops gather for a group shot at the UMass Club.



Kappa Sigma Remembers Ohio Wesleyan



Pictured here are Peter Tillou '57, Lee Whitney '52, and Betsy Baldwin Whitney '52.

Established at Ohio Wesleyan in 1926, the Delta Kappa chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity was closed in 1981. After several recent years trying to re-establish the chapter, the chapter members decided instead to use the money held by the fraternity's house corporation to create an endowed scholarship and an endowed Dean's emergency fund.

The Delta Kappa Chapter Kappa Sigma Fraternity Alumni Scholarship was launched with \$25,000 in December, 2006, and the first scholarship award will be made during the 2007-2008 academic year. Preference will be given to a Delta Kappa legacy student, with second preference given to students who are legacies from another chapter of Kappa Sigma. Third preference will be accorded to outstanding members of any Greek fraternity at Ohio Wesleyan.

The Delta Kappa Chapter Kappa Sigma Dean's Emergency Fund was instituted with \$10,000 and will be used at the dean of students' discretion to help meet individual students' emergency needs.

Members of the fraternity reunited for a reception during Alumni Weekend. At the event, Mark Shipp's '70, vice president for university relations and Debra Lamp, director of student involvement, conveyed the University's thanks to the fraternity; Chuck Hilty '56, former president of the house corporation, spoke on behalf of Kappa Sigma.

For more information or to make a gift to either endowed fund, please contact Lindsey Gale '98 at 740-368-3308 or lagale@owu.edu.



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Above: Tuscan countryside

Right: Villa Borgo di Cortefreda



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