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Preparing Moral Leaders for a Global Society

AMONG THE HIGH POINTS OF EACH ACADEMIC YEAR ARE THE OPPORTUNITIES TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF OUR STUDENTS AND, IN PARTICULAR, OF OUR GRADUATING SENIORS. The annual *Greek Awards* ceremony recognizes individuals and chapters that have provided outstanding leadership and contributed in other ways to the health and strength of Greek life at OWU. The *Dale Bruce Scholar-Athlete Awards Dinner* notes the achievements of our outstanding student athletes, including recognition of the top 50 (student athletes with the highest grade point averages), each introduced by a member of the faculty specifically invited by the student athlete. *Kushinda* celebrates the diversity of our campus and recognizes the leadership and contributions of students who participate in multi-cultural organizations. Individual *academic departments* host ceremonies applauding the induction of accomplished students in to academic honorary societies. *Baccalaureate*, held on the eve of Commencement, celebrates the spiritual diversity of our campus and honors students who have provided leadership in our religious life programs. Earlier on the same day, our

most outstanding seniors are inducted in to *Phi Beta Kappa*, the nation's oldest and most prestigious academic honor society.

One of the highlights of this annual season of recognition is the *Golden Bishops Awards* ceremony. Complete with a red carpet and the presentation of Golden Bishops, the event notes extraordinary accomplishments of student leaders in community service, student involvement, student government, and athletics. The ceremony climaxes with the introduction of the Meek Leadership Award winners, including the two Meek Outstanding Leadership Award winners. The *Meek Leadership Awards* were established and endowed by Phil and Nancy LaPorte Meek, both Class of 1959, and are bestowed on seniors who have demonstrated exceptional leadership during their years at Ohio Wesleyan University and show promise to sustain that commitment throughout their lives. These are the most prestigious leadership awards presented by Ohio Wesleyan

Once again this year, I marveled at the accomplishments of the Meek Leadership

Award winners and of the breadth of their impact as leaders on this campus. This year's winners have served as presidents of numerous campus organizations, including fraternities and sororities, multicultural clubs, and interest groups. They were moderators of small living units, resident assistants, and peer advisors. They led mission trips, competed on championship athletics teams, volunteered in numerous organizations, and studied and travelled around the world in the theory-to-practice and travel-learning programs. They strengthened existing organizations, and they formed new organizations to meet needs not already addressed on campus. They served on student boards with various academic departments, won election to numerous academic honorary societies, and distinguished themselves as leaders in the classroom as well as in a host of programs outside the classroom and beyond the campus.

Ohio Wesleyan prides itself on an education for leadership and service that prepares moral leaders for a global society. Our curriculum challenges students to

Our 2013 Golden Bishop awardees pose for a photo.



learn by doing, by connecting theory to practice through learning the content of a discipline and becoming practitioners of that discipline. Similarly, in the co-curriculum, we develop leaders by challenging students to learn by doing. They accept positions of leadership on campus and in the process hone the very skills that prepare them for leadership beyond Ohio Wesleyan. This is fundamental to an Ohio Wesleyan education.

We challenge our students to understand that leadership comes with responsibility and purpose. The release this spring of *42*, the movie depicting the story of Major League Baseball executive Branch Rickey (Class of 1904) and the legendary Jackie Robinson, provides a powerful reminder of the moral and social impact of leadership. In a climactic moment of the movie when Robinson and Rickey are alone in the training room following a racially-charged incident in which Robinson was spiked by an opposing player, Robinson asks Rickey why he did this, meaning why did he seek to bring Jackie Robinson, a black man, to the major leagues? Rickey recalls an incident that occurred when he was a student at Ohio Wesleyan. He saw an

African-American teammate mistreated by a hotel clerk, and at that moment, as a student at Ohio Wesleyan, he made a commitment that someday he would do something about racial injustice. In 1903, as a student leader at Ohio Wesleyan (he was the baseball coach his senior year), Branch Rickey made a commitment that he carried with him for the rest of his life. In 1947, against the counsel of nearly everyone he knew, he fulfilled that commitment.

Today, we challenge our students to make commitments of their own. Branch Rickey did not know in 1903 specifically what he would do in 1947, but he knew that he was committed to preventing racial injustice. So, too, our students today confront issues that their generation must resolve, and they make commitments to do their part. They don't know today how or when those commitments may be fulfilled. But, like Branch Rickey, with the benefit of an Ohio Wesleyan education, they move into the world prepared for moral leadership in the global society in which they will live and work.

When I think of this year's Meek Leadership Award winners, and when I think of all of the other students whose leadership and accomplishments were recognized in the various ceremonies this spring, I am filled with gratitude and hope – gratitude for all who help make this education possible, gratitude for students who take full advantage of the opportunities that are presented to them, and hope for the future we entrust to them.

In this issue of the *Magazine*, you will read some of their stories. I hope you share my gratitude, and my hope. Thank you for the role you play in the development of moral leaders for a global society.

Rock Jones
President of Ohio Wesleyan University



Left to right: Roger Ingles, Branch B. Rickey '67, and Bob DiBasio '77



Play Ball

Celebrating Branch Rickey 1904, Jackie Robinson, and “42”

DURING AN APRIL ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION ON CAMPUS, Branch B. Rickey '67, Bob DiBasio '77, and Roger Ingles talked about the state of baseball today, but mostly about the legacy and partnership of baseball legend Jackie Robinson and Rickey's grandfather, Wesley Branch Rickey 1904 — the Major League Baseball executive who signed Robinson to play for the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1947. Celebrating the April 12 premiere of the movie “everyone OWU” had been talking about, *42: The True Story of an American Legend* that premiered in Macon, Georgia, the roundtable included the younger Rickey, president of Minor League Baseball's Pacific Coast League, DiBasio, senior vice-president for public affairs of the Cleveland

Indians, and Ingles, athletics director at Ohio Wesleyan.

“Jackie Robinson did not break a barrier,” says Rickey. “He shattered a myth. He went from not being allowed to participate to excelling. He didn't just put on a uniform and sit on the bench. He went from not participating to being Rookie of the Year.” Robinson, and also the elder Rickey, received threats and much harassment after the signing. But theirs was a partnership that transcended most business relationships; theirs blended success and accomplishments with a shared striving for respect and equality for people of all ethnicities and cultures. Both DiBasio and Rickey noted how baseball's status quo was challenged by the elder Rickey and Indians

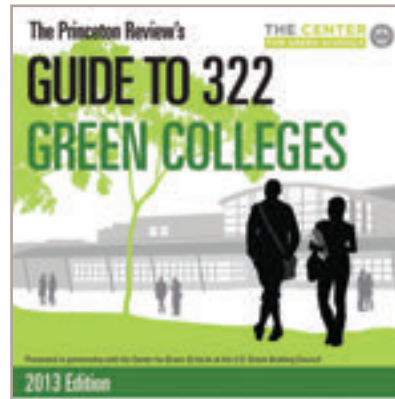
general manager, Bill Veeck, as another black player, Larry Doby, signed a major league contract with the Indians in 1947. Integrating the game was feared by most managers as challenging cultural traditions and therefore bad for business. View the roundtable discussion on [StreamOWU](#).

In conjunction with “42's” debut and OWU's campus events, Rickey greeted participants in a meeting of the NCAC Branch Rickey Mentoring Program, which included remarks from OWU men's soccer coach, Jay Martin, and Ingles and Rickey participated in a live radio interview on WOSU 89.7 FM—*All Sides with Ann Fisher*. The Strand Theatre scheduled a public premiere of the movie on April 13, and a special art exhibit featuring vintage Branch Rickey letters, newspaper clippings, magazine articles, and photographs, was open to the public for most of April at Delaware's City Art Center.

Learn more about Branch Rickey at rickeycollection.owu.edu.

It Is Easy Being Green!

OHIO WESLEYAN WAS NAMED ONE OF 322 MOST ENVIRONMENTALLY RESPONSIBLE COLLEGES IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA BY THE PRINCETON REVIEW'S NEW *GUIDE TO 322 GREEN COLLEGES*. Choosing schools for the fourth annual green guide on the basis of survey data collected at hundreds of colleges, guidebook staff looked at course offerings, campus infrastructure, activities, and career preparation to measure overall commitment to the environment and sustainability. Not to be taken lightly was OWU's LEED Silver-Certified Meek Aquatics and Recreation Center that opened in 2010. The natatorium



uses a geothermal heating-and-cooling system that features 90 geothermal wells reaching down to a depth of 240 feet. Since the survey was completed, OWU also received LEED Silver Certification for Stuyvesant Hall, the oldest residential facility. The building underwent a complete renovation in 2011-2012 and now incorporates energy-efficient heating, cooling, and lighting systems, and environmentally friendly building materials.

The free downloadable guidebook is available at www.princetonreview.com/green-guide.

Mock Newbery Vote Excites Fourth Graders

THE NEXT TIME YOU STRUGGLE TO FINISH THE BOOK THAT'S BEEN ON YOUR NIGHT STAND AT HOME FOR A MONTH (or more), think about Amy McClure, Sarah Marshall Holliday '11, and Holliday's fourth grade class at Smith Elementary School in Delaware.

McClure, education professor at OWU, is just finishing up her term on the Newbery Medal committee tasked with selecting the top four 2012 children's literature books in the country—the winner receiving the prestigious Newbery Medal. That process has translated to many months of reading, re-reading, analyzing, comparing, debating, discussing, and finally selecting 60 books for consideration last December. Then there was more of the same work and finally, the committee voted for the first-place book and three runners-up. Earlier in December, McClure visited the fourth graders, at their teacher's request. It seemed that they, too, wanted to be part of this Newbery reading and voting experience.

"I visited Sarah's class to explain the project

and give them the criteria [for voting]," says McClure. That process involved obtaining books from the publishers, reading what amounted to 500 books, and ranking a certain number of them monthly.

"While reading, we considered each book's theme, characters, and appealing plot to us as readers," says Holliday. "By November, my students were fully engaged in this project and were truly showing each other what it means to live as readers, by recommending books to each other and writing book reviews."

McClure's responsibilities were a bit more complicated, as she read, wrote defenses of her favorite books, and read those suggested by her fellow committee members. In January, they met for four days to discuss the 60 nominated books and do final voting. Holliday's students held their own "Mock Newbery Vote," selecting their favorites.

"When the award was announced at the end of January, my students were very eager to find out if one of their favorite books was the winner," says Holliday, describing how the students screamed excitedly when the announcement was made. "My goal for this project was to educate my students about this prestigious award, as well as hopefully begin to instill a lifelong love for reading."

The winner and runners-up were announced at the American Library Association



Future authors and Newbery Committee Members? Sarah Marshall Holliday '11 reads to her fourth graders at Smith Elementary School in Delaware.

Convention in Seattle on January 21, 2013. Taking first place and the Newbery Medal was *The One and Only Ivan*, by Katherine Applegate. "Sarah's class chose *Wonder*, by R.J. Polacco," says McClure, adding that both are excellent books that are not only well written, but popular with children.

"This was a dream come true, as being on the Newbery Committee is a huge honor but also a responsibility," says McClure. "We selected the book that will be remembered forever as the best book published in 2012."

OWU History at Our Fingertips

Thanks to a Mellon Next Generation Library Grant (NGL), students, faculty, and staff members can access digital copies of *The Transcript* clear back to 1874! The grant, awarded to the Five Colleges of Ohio in 2010, has focused on curriculum development for faculty as they partner with librarians to identify, build, and integrate digital collections; a program to enhance access to the scholarly outputs of our universities; professional development for library staff to enrich their technical sophistication and innovative efforts; a digital infrastructure program enabling us to support new initiatives; and creation of the Five Colleges of Ohio Digital Projects Portal.

“Collectively, we have undertaken more than 45 collaborative projects with faculty, creating digital collections for use in classrooms and have shared valuable content with the larger academic community,” explains Cathi Cardwell, OWU director of libraries. The Digital Portal at www.ohio5.info/portal/ serves as a gateway to the resources and outcomes from the grant, she says. *The Transcript* digitation project is one of several

such outcomes, and an important one.

“What makes this project so interesting is that in addition to being utilized by our OWU 50th reunion alumni group and other alumni, faculty and librarians are using it in connection to course projects,” she says. Several of Professor Michael Flamm’s history students, such as Billy Reilich ’13, who completed independent research projects focused on Ohio Wesleyan during the 1960s, have been impressed by the new *The Transcript* feature. He used past editions of newspaper for stories, polls, and images taken on campus during the late ’60s and early ’70s.

“This is a great teaching and research tool,” says Flamm. “We now can increase our use of *The Transcript* as an historical resource.”

Almost as soon as the two-year Mellon Grant ended in 2012, OWU received another grant with the other libraries in the Ohio Five consortium. Titled “Digital Collections: From Projects to Pedagogy and Scholarship,” this grant focuses on digital scholarship and faculty-librarian collaborations, pushing the boundaries of the last grant even further.

“The Mellon Grant will provide more



opportunities to involve students in research and scholarly projects with faculty and librarians, and heightened theory-to-practice connections,” says Cardwell.



College Hunt USA's visit to OWU hopefully will shed light on pursuing college degrees, as 25 million young adults in India view the reality show.

‘Getting Real’ About College



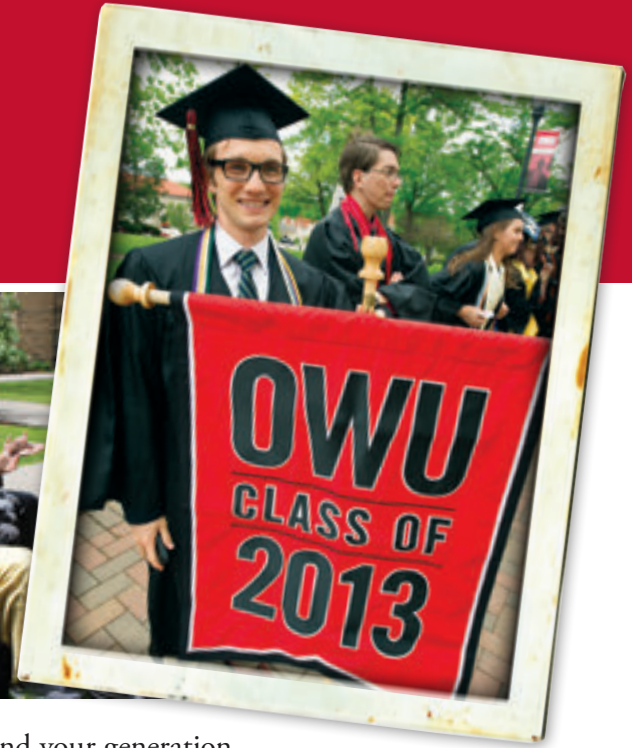
College Hunt USA, a reality television show in India, and two prospective Indian students visited Ohio Wesleyan for several days in April with the goal of sharing information about pursuing college degrees in the United States. The six-part reality show, which is produced jointly by the U.S. Consulate General Mumbai and Channel V, an international TV network owned by Star TV and Fox International

Channels, is projected to reach 25 million young adults in India. OWU was one of three universities in the United States chosen to host the visit; the other two were the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and State University of New York at Geneseo. While on campus, the two TV stars interacted with students, visiting classrooms and meeting professors, and interviewed with admission counselors to learn whether they would be eligible for admission to Ohio Wesleyan—with cameras rolling. The 30-minute OWU episode will air on Channel V in July.



An Aha! Day

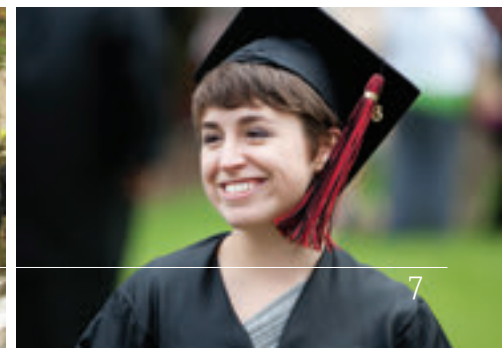
COMMENCEMENT 2013



“... I am optimistic about you and your generation.

You see value in one another. You are much more open to new ideas from anywhere in the world than my generation. You have eagerly embraced the opportunity to turn theory into practice with international experiences. You live in a hyperconnected world with instant access to vast amounts of information—a world that promises more transformational change every day than we experienced over the past 50 years after the widespread introduction of the computer ...”

— GEORGE CONRADES '61





Minutes before receiving their diplomas, Ohio Wesleyan graduating seniors talked excitedly with each other as they lined up for the traditional processional toward their seats in Phillips Glen. The big day had come!

A few members of the Class of 2013 stepped forward to share what they would always remember about OWU:

For the Record: Highlights of Commencement 2013

DATE: May 12, 2013, 1 p.m.

LOCATION: Phillips Glen

NUMBER OF GRADUATES: 381 spring, summer, fall

GRADUATION WITH DISTINCTION: 64 cum laude, 34 magna cum laude, 19 summa cum laude

PERFECT 4.0 GRADE POINT AVERAGE: Victoria Anne Schlaudt, Bradley Paul Turnwald, Colleen Elizabeth Waickman

WELCOME REMARKS: President Rock Jones

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER: George Conrades '61, Chairman, Akamai Technologies, Inc.

TEACHING AWARD WINNERS: Richelle Schrock (women's and gender studies), Sherwood Dodge Shankland Award for the Encouragement of Teachers; Richard Leavy (psychology), Bishop Herbert Welch Meritorious Teaching Award


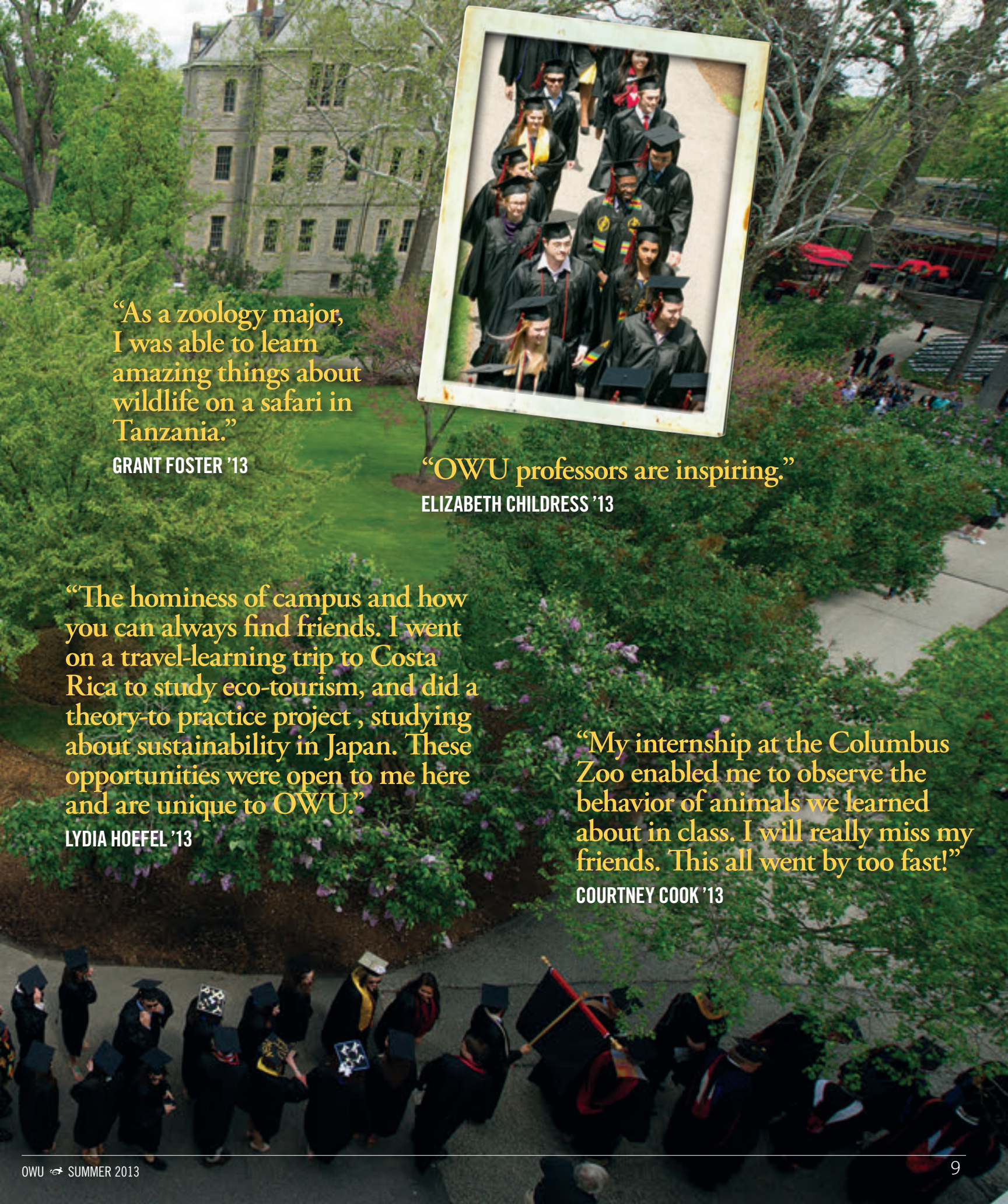
LIBUSE L. REED PROFESSORSHIP: Vicky DiLillo (psychology)

DANIEL E. ANDERSON AWARD: Tom Burns (English, Perkins Observatory)

WELCH AWARD FOR SCHOLARLY/ARTISTIC ACHIEVEMENT: Don Lateiner (humanities-classics)

SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT REMARKS: Charles "Zeke" Brechtel '13

Read more about Commencement 2013 at [magazine.owu.edu/commencement 2013](http://magazine.owu.edu/commencement2013)



“As a zoology major, I was able to learn amazing things about wildlife on a safari in Tanzania.”

GRANT FOSTER '13

“OWU professors are inspiring.”

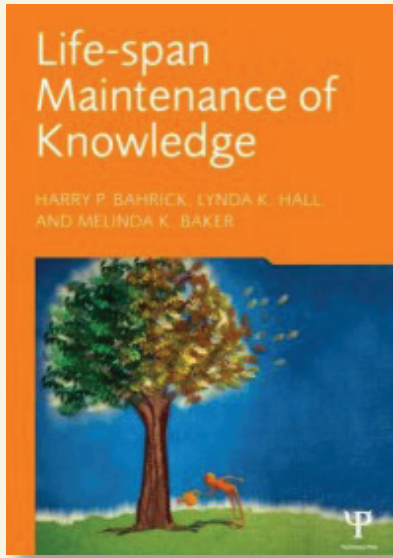
ELIZABETH CHILDRESS '13

“The hominess of campus and how you can always find friends. I went on a travel-learning trip to Costa Rica to study eco-tourism, and did a theory-to practice project, studying about sustainability in Japan. These opportunities were open to me here and are unique to OWU.”

LYDIA HOEFEL '13

“My internship at the Columbus Zoo enabled me to observe the behavior of animals we learned about in class. I will really miss my friends. This all went by too fast!”

COURTNEY COOK '13



Harry P. Bahrick, Lynda K. Hall,
Melinda K. Baker

Life-Span Maintenance of Knowledge (Essays in Cognitive Psychology)

ALREADY PRAISED AS “A FASCINATING COLLECTION OF FINDINGS AND IDEAS,” AND “[BOTH] PRACTICALLY IMPORTANT [AND] OF GREAT THEORETICAL SIGNIFICANCE,” *LIFE-SPAN MAINTENANCE OF KNOWLEDGE* DESCRIBES HOW WELL WE MAINTAIN THE KNOWLEDGE WE ACQUIRE THROUGHOUT LIFE.

Memory research traditionally focuses on memory for events that are retained over short time periods and that can be easily tested in laboratory experiments. This book, however, describes the evolution of methods suitable for investigating the memory of complex knowledge that might have been acquired over decades and retained during the entire lifespan.

“Memory is where we live,” Bahrick says. “If we strip away our memories, we lose everything.”

The maintenance of knowledge has fascinated him for decades. “You have to distinguish between episodic and semantic content,” he continues. “Episodic, or event memory, happens in time and place. Semantic memory, on the other hand, is information gained over years. If I ask you when you learned that two plus two equals four, you wouldn’t be able to tell me. It’s something you’ve always known. Studying semantic memory, therefore, takes a long time to study and hundreds of subjects.”

“Ohio Wesleyan has been very supportive,” Hall says. “More than 150 students have been involved in our research over the years, and our alumni have been willing to be research subjects. For example, suppose a student learned Spanish at Ohio Wesleyan, and 50 years later we want to know how much of that content he or she can access today. We’ve asked alumni to participate in those kinds of studies, and they have been willing to do so. This book is very much an Ohio Wesleyan project.”

“We’re so proud of the 146 former student research assistants that we acknowledged in the book,” Hall adds. “Sixty of them have gone on to earn doctoral degrees. Another 30 have master’s degrees, and four have earned a J.D. We’re aware of an additional nine who are currently pursuing graduate or professional degrees. All of them are contributing to the fields in which they work.”

The book covers educational content, but it also deals with knowledge acquired incidentally. “For instance, we tested how well former students remembered the streets and buildings of Delaware, where they spent four years,” Hall says. “Our focus was on naturalistic settings, rather than on laboratory experiments.”

“Our major contribution,” Bahrick continues, “is in developing the methodology to study maintenance of knowledge. We’ve been doing it here for about fifty years—and doing it better and better.”

Part of what Bahrick and his colleagues have developed is the accessibility/availability ratio, which is presented in this book for the first time. This ratio allows comparisons of the portion of available knowledge that can be recalled as a function of age, education, and other individual differences, and also as a function of the domain of

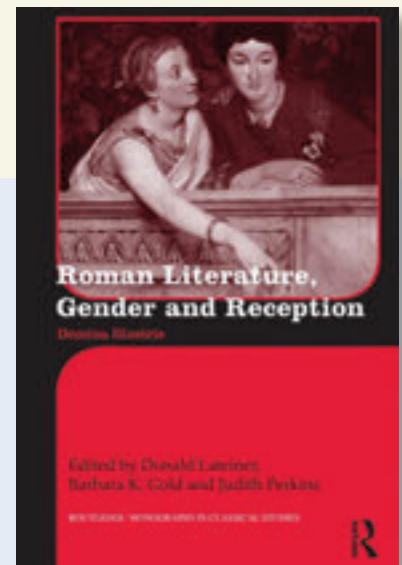
knowledge in question. The ratio can be used to evaluate methods of instruction and methods of studying. It also can be used to evaluate memory development and to diagnose memory pathology. “This is especially relevant for educators,” he says.

Life-Span Maintenance of Knowledge is not a textbook. “That’s actually good,” Bahrick says. “Although there won’t be the kind of massive initial sales textbooks have, the book will not be outdated quickly. There’s no other place people can find this information. We expect this book to sell steadily for many years. This is fundamental work.”

The volume will be of interest to researchers in human memory, developmental psychologists, gerontologists in academic and applied settings, educators—and to anyone else interested in how and why we remember, misremember, or forget.

Life-Span Maintenance of Knowledge (Essays in Cognitive Psychology) is available on amazon.com and from the publisher.

—Gretchen Hirsch



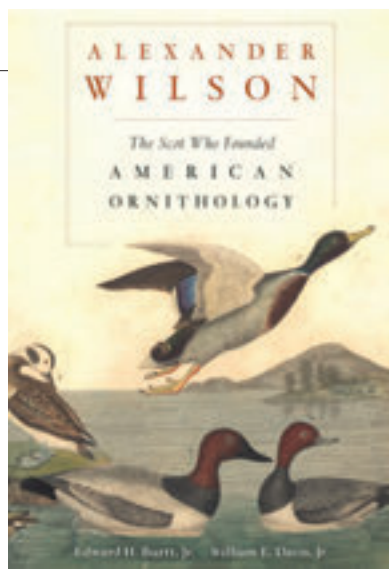
Don Lateiner Roman Literature, Gender and Reception

Jed Burt

Alexander Wilson: The Scot Who Founded American Ornithology

SOME OF US CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES WITH CARDS AND OTHER TOKENS OF AFFECTION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. OWU's Jed

Burt writes books, such as the one recently published to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the death of Alexander Wilson, the Father of American Ornithology. Burt and co-author William Davis wrote *Alexander Wilson: The Scot Who Founded American Ornithology*, which was published in mid-May by Harvard University Press, after 10 years of research and writing, and more than three decades after Burt first read about the remarkable work and life of Alexander Wilson. The book includes chapters on Wilson's contributions to Scottish and American history; his life; his art with commentaries on the art and excerpts from Wilson's accounts of species; his contributions to science; and his lasting influence on American ornithology and nature writing.



Burt's expertise as a zoology professor and internationally known ornithologist, and a request from Harvard University inspired him to learn as much as he could about Wilson, who was born in Paisley, Scotland, in 1766. A Renaissance man of sorts, Wilson worked as a cow herd, weaver, and writer of published poetry. His passion for birds developed later in life, after he moved to the United States, where he taught school near Philadelphia. Later he became an editor with the publisher Bradford and Inskeep. In 1803 he decided to write and illustrate a book documenting all birds of the United States. First, he had to learn to draw and paint, then he had to find the birds and observe and name them. After that, he had to write about the

species, edit the species accounts, and assemble the books. In 1808, he published his first volume, with eight more volumes by 1814.

"Alexander Wilson wanted the citizens of the United States to appreciate their diverse and colorful avifauna and contributed his bird specimens to the Peale Museum in Philadelphia, the first public museum in the United States," notes Burt, "Wilson visited all but two states in the United States of 1813—on foot, horseback, and in a row boat—discovering 26 species of North American birds and wrote about and illustrated 80 percent of the species of birds in eastern North America." He watched, described, and painted passenger pigeons, ivory billed woodpeckers, and Carolina parakeets, all now extinct.

"Wilson's nine-volume *American Ornithology* was the first scientific book published in the United States and is the foundation of professional ornithology and our conservation ethic. An original set can be seen in the Ohio Wesleyan rare book collection. It is just one of Beeghly Library's treasures," says Burt.

Alexander Wilson: The Scot Who Founded American Ornithology is available at amazon.com and from Harvard University Press.

—Pam Besel

HONORING A LONG-TIME COLLEAGUE AND GREAT SCHOLAR WITH A *FESTSCHRIFT* WAS, IN FACT, A GREAT PLEASURE FOR OWU'S HUMANITIES-CLASSICS PROFESSOR DON LATEINER, his two co-editors, and a number of authors whose 19 essays recently were published in the 340-page *Roman Literature, Gender and Reception*. The honoree, Judith Hallett, Professor of Classics at the University of Maryland College Park, is a leading American feminist in classical studies, and as Lateiner notes, someone who has been committed throughout her career to promoting the roles of women in classics and the study of women in the ancient world.

"We asked Judy whose work she would like to be included in this *Festschrift* (*Fest* translates to "celebrate" and *schrift* means "writing" in

German), and we ended up with authors from the United States, Britain, Germany, France, and Switzerland," says Lateiner. "All contributors shared how Judy has helped them in their careers." Almost all of the essays in the book focus on "Roman-related" subject matter.

"I've never edited a *Festschrift* before," shares Lateiner, also noting the challenges in both the production and publishing aspects. He and co-editors Barbara Gold and Judith Perkins began working on the book four years ago. Divided into three parts, *Roman Literature, Gender and Reception* includes essays on ancient history and letters written by many Romans during the Late Republic and Early Empire, gender issues and roles, and reception (perceptions that later generations have developed from these texts). Also included are poetry and prose of Cicero and

Petronius, Lucretius, Virgil, and Ovid. Lateiner wrote the book's introduction and one of the essays, a study of "Ceyx and Alcyone" in Ovid's poem *Metamorphoses*.

Retiring at the end of the 2012-2013 academic year, Lateiner taught for 34 years at OWU and has edited three books and collections of essays, authored two books, and published more than 60 articles and 100 book reviews. At OWU Commencement 2013, he was awarded the new Welch Award for Scholarly Achievement.

Roman Literature, Gender and Reception was published by Routledge and is available at amazon.com.

—Pam Besel



CLASS OF '63 COMMONS GIFT



The dedication of the OWU 1963 Commons took place during Alumni Weekend. Made possible through generous gift commitments from members of the Class of 1963 in honor of their 50th reunion, the new Commons area between Beeghly Library and the Hamilton-Williams Campus Center adds inviting green activity space to the JAYwalk. Additional work that has been done to enhance the campus center's food court has added new seating along the outdoor terrace, further enhancing the European town square feeling.

“The JAYwalk renewal project is enhancing the quality of the residential experience for our students and employees,” says OWU President Rock Jones. “It is an honor that our alumni have been so involved in helping to make this project a reality.”

Investing in the Future for OWU's Woltemade Center

The Woltemade Center for Economics, Business and Entrepreneurship will receive permanent support to endow its faculty director, thanks to Louis A. Simpson '58. He has invested in his alma mater and its faculty by contributing \$2 million to OWU to create The Louis A. Simpson '58 Endowed Faculty Director of The Woltemade Center for Economics, Business and Entrepreneurship. Simpson managed the portfolio for GEICO, a subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway In., for more than 30 years before founding his own investment-advisory firm, SQ Advisors LLC.

"The economics program at OWU gave me a solid grounding to pursue a career in investments," says Simpson, who majored in economics and accounting at OWU. He received a master's degree from Princeton University.

"Lou Simpson is proof of the power of education," says Jones. "He is iconic in the world of high finance, and Ohio Wesleyan is proud to call him one of our own." The current director of the center is Alice Simon, who joined the university in 1985 and whose areas of teaching include monetary and fiscal policy, labor economics, consumer economics, and economic principles.

"This gift supports a program quite unique for liberal arts universities," says Simon. "The integration of economics with business and entrepreneurship represents the best of theory into practice. Ensuring that economics department faculty can continue to influence the leaders of tomorrow alongside alumni is a formula for continued success...I feel honored to be the first center director to be named."

Baran Fellows to Receive Support for Postgraduate Study

OWU STUDENTS PLANNING TO PURSUE POSTGRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS AFTER EARNING AN OHIO WESLEYAN DIPLOMAS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR MONETARY SUPPORT, THANKS TO THE GENEROSITY OF AN OWU ALUMNUS AND HIS WIFE.

Washington, D.C., lawyer Jan Baran '70 and his wife, Kathryn, have made possible the Jan W. Baran '70 and Kathryn K. Baran Endowed Fund for Encouragement of Postgraduate Fellowships. Income from the new endowment will be used to award grants to honors students identified as having a high probability of success in their efforts to earn postgraduate fellowships. To apply for Baran funding, eligible OWU students will propose travel-learning possibilities or individual experiences that connect theory to practice. These opportunities must enhance their experiences at OWU while also strengthening their candidacy for postgraduate fellowships.

"Grant recipients will be recognized as Baran Fellows," says OWU President Rock Jones. Only those students outside of the natural sciences will be eligible to become Baran Fellows, as science students have similar opportunities provided by OWU's Summer Science Research Program.

"The fellowships are intended to help students with their higher education aspirations," says Jones. "We are grateful to Jan and Kathryn for their vision in endowing this fund."



Practicing What You Preach

The Tower Society Opportunity



The Rev. Jim '57 and Sally Reiff '59 Dickey: "Ohio Wesleyan has given our family opportunities to have beautiful lives."

THE REV. JIM DICKEY '57 AND HIS WIFE, SALLY REIFF DICKEY '59, KNOW A THING OR TWO ABOUT PHILANTHROPY, ESPECIALLY WHEN IT INVOLVES THEIR BELOVED ALMA MATER, OHIO WESLEYAN. For the Dickeyes, who have remained connected to OWU for more than five decades after graduating, giving back to the University they love has meant volunteering their time and ideas, being part of a large OWU legacy family, and joining the Tower Society more than 15 years ago.

"All four of our kids—Debby Dickey Shellard '83, Doug '88, David '90, and Derek '97—graduated from Ohio Wesleyan," says Sally, whose mother and father, Martha Huston Reiff '26, Dr. N. M. Reiff '27, and sister, Jo Reiff Pollock '61, also are alumni. Husband Jim's mother, Nora Davis Dickey '31, siblings Jerry '60, Janet Dickey Seese '72, and uncle, Lester Dickey '25, are OWU graduates as well.

"Ohio Wesleyan has given our family opportunities to have beautiful lives," shares Jim, a retired ordained minister and author of

three widely-read books: *From the Trenches*, *The Amazing Power of the Holy Spirit*, and *The Secret of the Bible*. A philosophy major while at OWU ("I loved looking for the meaning behind words," he says), Jim moved on to the Boston University School of Theology after graduating. Sally stayed for a while at Ohio Wesleyan, but transferred to Boston University, where she majored in speech and hearing therapy.

"Years later, however, I also wanted that OWU diploma, so I came back to work for my bachelor of arts degree in speech and drama and attained that in 2000," she says. Sally's affiliation with OWU also included serving two terms on the Alumni Board of Directors, and she was national president of the Monnett Clubs. Sally, for a brief period of time, worked in OWU's development office, demonstrating well that, "It's not hard to raise money for something you love." She received an Alumni Award in 1985 for her dedication to Ohio Wesleyan. As OWU parents over a 15-year span of time, both Jim and Sally served on the Parents' Board, offering insightful leadership and ideas.

"I dreamed of being a member of the clergy all

of my life," says Jim. "But I never imagined that I would write three books. Ohio Wesleyan and professors such as Sam Pratt, Ruth Davies, and Libby Reed gave me the training and confidence to go in directions I never dreamed were possible." The Dickeyes' family legacy and lengthy love affair with Ohio Wesleyan is what programs such as OWU's Tower Society is all about.

"We want to be able to pass on all of the opportunities, help, and support we found for our children at Ohio Wesleyan to future generations of students," Sally says.

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(Find The Rev. Dickey's books at Amazon.com, Barnes and Noble, e-book, and westbowpress.com)



OWU's Inspired and Inspiring Meek Leaders

Leaders Are Made (and Recognized) at OWU

They work. They persevere. They take on the hard stuff and carry heavy academic loads. They're very different from one another, but they share one special quality: the ability to lead. They're this year's Meek Leaders, and just reading about what they've accomplished is inspiring—and maybe a little bit exhausting, too. Here they are:

The Meek Award Winners

By *Gretchen Hirsch*



KAMILA GOLDIN '13
Fairfax, Virginia
Philosophy major

Acknowledged as a role model for others who wish to commit themselves to issues and concerns that have an impact on women and society, Kami served as vice president of the Small Living Unit (SLU) Programming Board and as a resident of the Peace and Justice House, where she also served on the budget committee.

In addition Kami was elected Graduating Class Trustee. She was a member, treasurer, and president of VIVA Latinoamerica and captained the Women's Ultimate Frisbee Club. Kami was selected to serve as a LeaderShape delegate for OWU because of the promise she demonstrated as an emerging leader who also has been one of the most visible and vibrant members of OWU's campus community.

Kami's commitment to serving others and to global outreach inspired her to tutor young children through the Columbus Initiative, participate with spring break mission teams in Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, and Washington, D.C., and intern in OWU's Women's Resource Center. Kami is a member of Mortar Board, co-chaired the Philosophy student board, and was a participant in a new Course Connection: "Modern Life and its Discontents."

Like most OWU student leaders, Kami took advantage of OWU's international opportunities.

As part of a Travel-Learning Course, she journeyed to the Andes with professors and fellow students to study the intersection of poverty, ecology, and the people of the region, and a Theory-to-Practice research grant enabled her to learn about cultural and social change in McLeod, India.

ANDREA K. KRAUS '13
Kissimmee, Florida
Theatre & Dance major



Drea's leadership roles on campus extend from the Department of Theatre & Dance student board, on which she has been an active member since her arrival at OWU, to

the Orientation program, where she rose to be an Orientation Team Leader, training a student staff of 50 of her peers and creating a new session called “Real Talk,” which was a smash hit with new OWU students.

Whether performing on stage or working as a lighting designer, stage manager, or director, Drea brought her “A” game to department fundraisers, production work, course projects—and even to hosting touring artists and prospective students. Drea also represented Ohio Wesleyan at the six-day intensive LeaderShape conference during Summer 2012.

Drea was a member of Mortar Board and Wesleyan Players, and historian of the theatre honorary, Theta Alpha Phi. During her first year on campus, she participated in the initial Sagan Fellows Political and Social Cabaret course. She followed that up with two Theory-to-Practice Grants and additional study and practical experience with the New York Arts Program at The New Group, an Off-Broadway theater.

As a resident of the House of Peace and Justice, Drea was part of many service-oriented house projects and volunteered at the Free Store and Habitat for Humanity. She brought *The Vagina Monologues* to campus for two years, donating all proceeds to CHOICES, a women’s shelter in Columbus. She received the Social Justice Award from the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs for her contributions both to the campus and surrounding community; and the theatre & dance department’s Latham Prize, which is awarded to rising juniors who demonstrate significant creativity in department programs.

IFTEKHAR AHMED SHOWPNIL ’13,
Dhaka, Bangladesh
Chemistry and Biology double major



There’s virtually nothing Iftekhar didn’t touch in his quest “to make OWU a better, happier, healthier, more accepting, understanding, knowledgeable, and diverse place.” He founded OWU Better Together, which encourages collaboration between clubs and organizations, and also served the Delaware and Columbus communities through Habitat for

Humanity, the Columbus Initiative, Progress OWU, and Circle K.

A Resident Assistant for three years, he also was president of Tauheed (Muslim Students Association), social director of Alpha Sigma Phi, and a team captain of Relay for Life. He led OWU in interfaith dialogue, helped build a sense of community within a residential facility and between campus groups, and contributed to innovative philanthropic events for OWU’s Greek organizations.

A teaching assistant in the chemistry department, Iftekhar received numerous department awards and scholarships and a Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship from the American Society of Plant Biologists. He participated in OWU’s Summer Science Research Program and was awarded a Theory-to-Practice Grant, traveling to the United Arab Emirates to study the relationship of geography and globalization in Dubai.

For his commitment to community service, Iftekhar was awarded the Ohio Campus Compact’s Charles J. Ping Student Service Award in 2012. His service included such activities as the annual Scioto River Sweep and volunteering at the Open Shelter. Perhaps his most notable accomplishment was organizing a soccer tournament fundraiser with eight other students from six different countries. The tournament yielded more than \$1,000 for refugees of East Africa. In addition, Iftekhar helped plan Rafiki Wa Afrika’s African Mini-Fest and Horizons International’s Culture Fest. He participated in President’s Interfaith and Community Service Challenge in July 2012.

GENE SLUDGE ’13
Montgomery, Alabama
Religion major



As president of the Student Union on Black Awareness (SUBA), Gene stepped up when SUBA needed a leader, always working to empower younger leaders to take on greater responsibilities and work to their potential. His leadership model has included appointing chairpersons and co-presidents, thus preparing them to lead the organization when he no longer is on the campus.

A member of numerous campus groups, Gene was co-head and member of the Baccalaureate

Committee, public relations chair of the Gospel Lyres, chairman of the gift committee of OWU’s senior class committee, a member of Black Men of the Future and Rafiki Wa Afrika, and a representative to the religion department student board.

Gene’s commitment to serving others led him to become a tutor for Big Brothers/Big Sisters, a mentor and teacher assistant for Upward Bound, and a mentor for Unity Through Community. He believes it is important to enable, trust, and motivate others because, as he says, “You never know what people are going through in their lives.”

Gene’s interest in global understanding resulted in a Theory-to-Practice Grant that allowed him and several other students to travel and study the impact of British Colonialism (and post-colonialism) on the people of Zimbabwe.

GREGORY WHITE ’13
Centerville, Ohio
Economics Man. major



Greg is a role model for and respected by his fellow students, Phi Delta Theta brothers, and his teammates on OWU’s Bishops basketball team. The consummate Phi Delt, Greg was house father/residence advisor for his fraternity as well as house manager and treasurer. He also co-chaired the chapter’s philanthropic efforts.

Greg was the social events leader for the Ohio Wesleyan Athletic Council and a mentor for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Greater Columbus. He earned a place in the economics honor society and was a member of the OWU Investment Club. Away from the campus, Greg was the 2010 captain of the USA U21 National Deaf Basketball Team. His academic recognition includes membership in Gamma Alpha Sigma Honor Society and his designation as an NABC Academic All American.

Greg utilized his knowledge and leadership skills during an internship with Cardinal Health, a Fortune 19 company dedicated to making health care more cost-effective for its clients and patients. As community service leader for his internship program team, he led his group in a Habitat for Humanity project and the American Lung Association Fight for Air Walk.

THE OUTSTANDING MEEK LEADERS 2013



ZEKE BRECHTEL '13
Arvada, Colorado
Physics major

An exemplary leader who has taken full advantage of the liberal arts experience at OWU, Zeke has proven that he can excel in experimental and theoretical physics courses while being fully immersed in campus life. The energetic chair of the Senior Class Advisory Council

(SCAC) and OWU's senior class president, he listened well to what his fellow seniors wanted, offered practical solutions to problems, motivated his peers, and helped when his assistance was needed. Zeke also was membership selection chair of the President's Club, secretary and recruitment chair of Chi Phi, vice president of the Society for Physics Students, and an Orientation Leader.

Zeke was a Presidential Scholar and a member of Mortar Board and Sigma Pi Sigma, the physics honorary. His interest in physics and mathematics inspired his summer science research on the Katabatic Winds on the Juneau Icefield and additional senior research on the modeling of star spots on LO Pegasi. Zeke's service involvement included participation in Big Brothers/Big Sisters as a mentor and team leader, coordination of philanthropic events for his fraternity, and membership in the Society for Physics Students High School Outreach.



CALI CORNACCHIA '13
Essex Junction, Vermont
Sociology and Politics and Government double major

Widely engaged in nearly every aspect of campus and academic life, Cali has combined leadership, service, and organizational skills and strengths, serving as a role model for others while making a noticeable impact at Ohio Wesleyan. As a testament to her plunging into everything

the campus had to offer, Cali was named Outstanding First-Year Student. She has risen to leadership positions in many campus organizations and activities: president of Kappa Kappa Gamma, treasurer of the Pre-Med Club, secretary of OWU's Campus Programming Board, team leader for two Spring Break mission teams that worked in New Orleans and Detroit, secretary of VIVA, lead coordinator for StART, and a member of the President's Club. Cali's academic accomplishments include memberships in Phi Beta Kappa, Mortar Board, and Alpha Kappa Delta.

Cali's wide-ranging campus activities also included being an ambassador for Alumni Weekend; presenting at major campus leadership workshops including Go! OWU, the OWU Summit, and the Student Leadership Challenge; and serving on several discussion panels during prospective student visits. Her work as a StAP intern in the Office of Student Involvement was creative and highly professional.

Through her sorority, Cali worked to support Kappa Kidney Camp and fundraising events for Reading is Fundamental. She helped organize and promote the campus Mending Monologues event, which focused on violence against women and other gender issues. She found time to teach English to Spanish-speaking youth in the Delaware community. For Cali, leadership is about relationships and building common visions, empowering others to succeed, and working diligently together.

Congratulations to these recent graduates. OWU wishes you continued success. See more about this year's Golden Bishop awardees at involveu.owu.edu/goldenbishops.

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Nominators' comments

- "I have been privileged to know, work with, and learn from **Kamila Goldin**. She gives all of her energy, enthusiasm, and heart to all that she chooses to engage in at Ohio Wesleyan. I am confident in her abilities as a leader and am inspired by her potential to make a difference in the world as an individual and with others."
- "With her indomitable spirit, unflagging energy, and heartfelt consideration for everyone around her, **Andrea Kraus** is someone with whom everyone is eager to work. Drea has beautifully combined her love for the theatre with her passion for social justice. Although she's a solid team player and gladly sweeps the floors or changes light bulbs before a show, she is usually in a lead role when it comes to issues and programs about which she is passionate."
- "**Iftekhar's** leadership is distinctive in its depth and breadth. His goals include improving the quality of education in Bangladesh and providing more opportunities for students in impoverished regions. With his deep-set desire to create positive change wherever he is and in whatever he does, we have no doubt he will succeed in reaching his goals."
- "**Gene's** empathy for humankind exemplifies the spirit of Ohio Wesleyan. He is a warm, caring, kind, and curious student and leader. Gene has demonstrated grace and patience in his leadership roles at OWU. We are confident in his abilities as a leader and are inspired by his potential to make a difference in the world as an individual and with others."
- "**Greg** has shown his ability to be a leader on this campus, but what's equally important is his ability to take those skills and apply them to a future beyond OWU. We have been impressed with Greg's maturity and futurist outlook."
- "Through **Zeke's** unique experience as Senior Class President, he has had the chance to see the many opportunities available to an Ohio Wesleyan alumnus to stay involved with his alma mater. His experiences at OWU and the skills he has developed here will make him a leader for a lifetime."
- "**Cali** has the personal characteristics that allow her to lead in any situation. She has a genuine concern for the well-being of others and is mature and self-disciplined. Cali has successfully balanced a large amount of student involvement with high academic achievement."

Faith at Work in Moscow

Chaplain Matthew Laferty '08 brings healing and hope to those in need.

By *Karson Stevenson '16*



Matthew Laferty '08 is Chaplain of the Moscow Protestant Chaplaincy and Executive Director of MPC's Social Services for the Russian Federation.



OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY IS AN OUTSTANDING FACILITY THAT WORKS HARD TO PROPEL ITS STUDENTS INTO BRIGHT AND SUCCESSFUL FUTURES. It provides all the essentials, such as dedicated professors and top-of-the-line equipment, constant immersion with cultural experiences, and a bevy of opportunities for students to work beyond the classroom in the areas they love. But there is something else about OWU, something unique at its core that sets OWU apart from any other university. It is the flame of pure ambition, tempered only with passion and compassion, that helps create some of the successful, happy alumni who have moved on after their undergraduate studies at OWU to bigger things. Matthew Laferty is one such alumnus.

Having graduated from OWU in 2008, Laferty had already begun to travel the path he would eventually take in life. He had a strong background in The United Methodist Church growing up in Crestline, Ohio, and was an avid participant in church committees and boards throughout his young adult life. When he was a freshman in high school, he visited Russia on a mission trip as a volunteer and, though the experience moved him tremendously, he still had no idea that he would one day be living in Moscow as the Chaplain of the Moscow Protestant Chaplaincy (MPC), and the Executive Director of MPC Social Services for the Russian Federation.

When he first entered OWU, Laferty planned on double majoring in political science and international studies. He studied the Russian language out of curiosity and enjoyed learning about Russia's history and culture. The summer of his sophomore year he went with the Chaplain's Office on a service trip to Russia once again, this time visiting a very small Russian

town, Omutninsk, that exposed to him the vast differences between Moscow and the rest of Russia.

This town is Delaware, Ohio's, sister city in Russia.

"This trip," he explained, "gave me a much broader view of Russia and allowed me to experience much more of the country itself. Moscow is similar in many aspects to any other big city, but this small town showed me how the people in Russia lived their daily lives." His senior thesis was on the U.N. and Soviet relations during the Cold War. He continued to study Russian and other international affairs. Yet even after this trip Laferty had no intention of ever living in Moscow. This decision would come later in his life.

After receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree from OWU, Laferty went on to study at Yale University, where he earned his Master of Divinity degree. He felt that OWU's academic rigor and focus prepared him exceptionally well for his transition from undergraduate to graduate studies. And even after all of his traveling and learning, he came to realize just how much of the world he hadn't seen. He was eager to expand even more on what glimpses of the globe he had encountered. His world view was opening and he told himself that, "... all things are possible with hard work, dedication, and imagination."

"OWU helped instill in me the drive necessary to be successful," says Laferty. His path was one filled with vision, hard work, and imagination. "Working towards a goal is one of the best ways to find motivation. It gives an individual purpose and can encourage excellence beyond what he or she may have ever accomplished without it. There is also a bit of,

Laferty: "OWU instilled in me the drive necessary to be successful."

what I would consider faith at work. Some people may call it luck, but whatever you call it, it's at play when you are moving forward."

Laferty's ministerial work serves the English-speaking community of Moscow while also offering several social service projects. These include the Parish Center, which provides a safe environment of shelter and education for people of color in Moscow; the Medical Advice Center, which provides medical advice/guidance and subsidized prescriptions; the Metis Program, which gives support and a healthy, nurturing atmosphere for biracial children; and soup kitchens focused on children and single mothers. The MPC also assists with refugee services and soup kitchens for the Muscovites who lack access to food. He leads the congregational services and helps those in need: orphans and single mothers, political refugees, and those whom poverty has hit the hardest. It is because of his phenomenal faith, dedication, and commitment that thousands of lives have been touched.

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Becoming Leaders



Before the end of the 2012-2013 academic year, OWU students shared an idea or two about leadership.

By *Claire Paniccia '13*

1 Martin Clark '14

POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT, SPANISH MAJORS
WCSA President, OWU Marketing Group Treasurer,
Sigma Chi Community Service Chair

Listening to Martin Clark talk about his experiences at OWU, it's hard to imagine him as reserved or introverted, but according to Clark, that's exactly how he started out back in his freshman year. "It wouldn't have been very 'me' to do something like run my own campaign or be the voice of a student body, but with a little encouragement, I did it the first time and I've been heading up campaigns ever since."

Clark started as a residential representative for WCSA, which he says was less hands on. During his sophomore year, he was WCSA secretary, which turned out to be not as intensive as he'd hoped. So he decided to run for president his junior year.

All of his leadership roles have called for speaking in front of a variety of groups including students and working adults from outside the University. At first, this was something that made him nervous. "It's become much easier for me to

have these interactions, and I can actually feel myself improving each time I do it," he says.

Clark also says that one of the most valuable qualities about OWU for potential leaders is the variety of opportunities provided. To future OWU students he says: "There are so many opportunities to those who seek them out. Take advantage of those afforded to you because you only have four years during which to do so. You have to be proactive and look for ways to become involved and also to become a leader."

2 Clare Whitaker '13

POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT, ENGLISH MAJORS; LITERATURE; THEATRE MINORS
President of Spirit and Homecoming Organization,
Co-Chair of President's Ball, Legacy Intern for
Heritage Day, Class President for WCSA

Most of Clare Whitaker's leadership positions have involved planning events. Because of this, she learned what she didn't want to call crisis management.

"It's such a scary image, but you do learn how to just go with the flow. You can never be too prepared but you can also never be unaware that things can change, and quickly," she explains.

Whitaker also learned how to delegate, though not for the sake of her own time management. "Originally I could do it all on my own, but in order

to be a leader you need to teach others," Whitaker says. "It took me three-and-a-half years to learn how to do that, and reach that final phase where I could step back and see people younger than me reach success. It gave me a good solidified farewell to reach that pinnacle of leadership."

Having graduated a semester early, Whitaker has completed three internships in her time as a student. All of them began by reaching out on her own volition.

"You learn to work with other people in different ways. I was kind of used to how things at college worked. But when you go into different environments and work settings, people are all different," she explains, calling it a necessary step before she entered the real world.

3 Jordan Ahmed '13

ENGLISH: LITERATURE AND CREATIVE WRITING MAJORS; DANCE MINOR
Moderator at the House of Peace and Justice,
Co-President of Active Minds, Choreographer
and Dancer in Orchesis and TerpsiCorps, Senior
Representative on TerpsiCorps Board, organized
Anthology of Survival

When asked how he'd grown as a leader during four years at OWU, Jordan Ahmed says: "How do I even quantify this?"

In the first two years, he was relatively "under the radar," but after he joined the Peace and Justice House, he started branching out, joining clubs like Active Minds and being immersed in doing theatre and dance.



“[House of Peace and Justice] gave me a very real way of seeing the impact I could have on campus by watching other student leaders who came before me do the same,” he says. In the dance community, he started out as the dancer with the least technical experience and pushed himself to “catch up” to the point where he eventually became a leader and choreographer.

Of leadership skills he says: “I definitely learned how to push myself to achieve more than I thought that I could. I started to follow my own instincts, and realized that I was already leading, but I just hadn’t really owned up to it.”

All of his skills have culminated in his project “Anthology of Survival,” an experimental theatre piece intended to give students a voice about their struggles with mental health issues. This project foreshadows Ahmed’s hopes to pursue performance dance designed to inspire social justice causes and give voice to those who are unable to express themselves.

“For me there’s no way to really to isolate these because I’d rather experience them all together,” he says. “Whether it’s the arts or activism or general desire to achieve or lead, they’ve all melded into one, and I see them going in the same direction.”

4 Lauren Holler '15

POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT, DANCE/THEATRE MAJORS; ECONOMICS MANAGEMENT MINOR
WCSA Treasurer, President’s Club Leadership Development Chair, a TerpsiCorps Choreographer, President and Founder of OWU Rhythms, Student Leadershape Fellow, RA

For Lauren Holler, being a leader doesn’t necessarily mean holding a leadership position, though she’s held plenty in her two years at Ohio Wesleyan. For her it’s about leading by example, creating a positive atmosphere for participants, engaging fellow members, and leading with integrity.

“I’ve really already had a lot of opportunities to lead in different ways,” she says. “It’s nice to have a leadership role in a group, but there’s a lot of opportunities to lead from behind.” For her, this means being a role model to other group members even if she doesn’t hold a leadership position. She’s also learned how to face challenges in a creative way while staying positive.

“Sometimes you’ll have an event and not everyone will want to attend, so the challenge is learning how to engage your members, which is something every club goes through sometimes.”

In creative situations such as choreography, Holler has learned that atmosphere is a crucial factor in leading. People won’t be able to express themselves creatively in a negative environment, so she does what she can to make it a positive, energizing environment so that everyone will give their best work.

5 Memme Onwudiwe '15

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, FRENCH MAJORS
WCSA member, a founding father of Fiji fraternity, member of Emerging Leaders, and Leadership Committee for President’s Club

After receiving the Golden Bishop Award for Outstanding Freshman Student, Memme Onwudiwe decided to get more involved on campus. He ran for Vice President of WCSA, helped found the new Fiji fraternity on campus, and took on multiple other group leadership organizations.

“I like leading because you really get to know the people and how to motivate them to work harder,” he says. “It’s a lot more personal, I feel.”

He says that of all the strengths of Ohio Wesleyan, he learned the most from its diversity. “You go out and you learn about a lot of different cultures. You see all these different viewpoints and it makes you look at the world differently.”

If he’s learned anything from taking on these leadership roles here at Ohio Wesleyan, it’s that a leader also should do much of the work as well as delegating work to others. “I’m a lot more hands on with things, now,” he says.

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Read about more of our young leaders at magazine.owu.edu/becomingleaders



View of the Iraqi Marshes from a helicopter. Ignjatovic is on the far left.

Marija's World



The United Nations team with members of the Provincial Council of the Thi Qar province in front of the traditional Marshland's house (muadif). Ignjatovic is third from the right.

By Pam Besel

“The universe was pointing me in the direction of Ohio Wesleyan. And in the end, it really was a perfect fit.”

—MARIJA IGNJATOVIC '03

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United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI)*

BAGHDAD, IRAQ

EDITOR'S NOTE: Since graduating from OWU in 2003 with a major in International Studies, Marija Ignjatovic has taken her passion for international affairs and global outreach to several key positions in the U.S., the Balkans, Yemen, and Iraq, geared toward political, humanitarian, and ecological improvements of widespread impact. A recent *Magazine* interview with Ignjatovic follows.

Magazine: **How did you make your way to Ohio Wesleyan?**

MI: I came to the states in 1998 as an exchange student and decided to stay on for college, as I really enjoyed the experience of studying in an environment different than my native Belgrade, Serbia. My interest in OWU was sparked after I met with an admission representative. I came to the University intending to study genetics, but I had always been passionate about international affairs as well. At Ohio Wesleyan, I was able to try out both and really find my true passion and grow into myself.

Magazine: **What were some highlights during your student years at OWU?**

MI: I was really active at Ohio Wesleyan. I mean, it was a perfect school for me because I always was involved in a lot of activities at home—debate club, music school, languages, dance—so I found myself at home at OWU. I participated in WCSA, the International Studies Board, the Women’s House and Women’s Task Force, my sorority, Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Panhellenic Council. I also worked with the admission office as a tour guide. Under the guidance of Professor Sean Kay, a fellow student and I participated in the Global Issues seminar, for which we went to Hayes High School (Delaware) weekly to discuss selected world issues and events with a small group of students. Prior to each class, we came up with creative ways to present these issues to students. One day we prepared a *Jeopardy!* game on the Middle East; another time we brought maps of different countries and discussed climate change. These were great ways to encourage students’ interest in international affairs, but also, we learned a lot through the process.

Magazine: **What career pathways did you travel after graduating from Ohio Wesleyan?**

MI: I started graduate school at New York University and shortly after I began my program, I was offered a job with the Lifeline Humanitarian Organization, which is supported by Her Royal Highness Princess Katherine of Serbia. I was the person in her office in New York, supporting her efforts to develop the Serbian health sector, which had suffered during the 1990s. She developed programs of exchange and training for Serbian doctors, and worked to deliver lifesaving equipment to Serbian hospitals. After Lifeline, I started working with the United Nations, first with the U.N. Development

Program (UNDP) in New York, where I focused on relief activities in countries affected by the December 2004 tsunami in the Indian Ocean. After that, I worked with UNDP’s Western Balkans team on the U.N.’s programs in Montenegro and Croatia and other regional issues, spending a month in Kosovo and two months in Bosnia. Then it was off to Yemen for two months, where I worked on U.N. strategy for that country. In September 2010, I came to Iraq to work for the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq, where I have been ever since.

Magazine: **What are your main responsibilities there?**

MI: I work on the political side of missions’ mandate (UNAMI’s mandate from the Security Council includes political, human rights, development, and humanitarian issues), especially as it pertains to the work that the Deputy Special Representative carries out. We now are focusing on supporting and facilitating dialogue among the different parties in Iraq, as well as on elections.

Magazine: **What is a typical day at work like for you?**

MI: My typical day? I do not actually have a typical day, which is what makes this job interesting and challenging. While we can schedule a meeting on Kirkuk elections for a specific day, events of the day may force us to completely shift priorities to an issue that becomes immediate. Recently, after the provincial elections in Iraq, there was a violent incident in Kirkuk Province, where we spent days focused solely on that issue and its fallout, and everything else had to be placed on temporary hold.

Magazine: **Please describe the work you have done concerning the Iraqi Marshlands.**

MI: That was in my previous Iraqi incarnation with the Office of the Resident Coordination for Iraq in March 2012. The Iraqi Marshlands used to be one of the largest in the world until Saddam Hussein drained them. They supplied the Iraq fish market with 60 percent of its fish, hosted water buffalos that supplied dairy to the local population, and were ancient homes to the ancient tribes of Marsh Arabs. This exemplifies human-induced climate change for the area, and I worked to come up with a strategy to revitalize the Marshlands.

Magazine: **How did OWU help to prepare you for your work?**

MI: First and foremost, I learned how to write. Writing, drafting, and reporting are very important skills needed for my job. We communicate constantly and what we say and how we say it are essential. But OWU gave me a solid knowledge base that I now use and because of which I am able to contribute to substantive discussions we have on issues such as national reconciliation or elections. I know exactly what people mean when they talk about ‘clash of civilizations’ because of my reading about political scientist Samuel Harrington in Professor Kay’s class—or when somebody uses U.N.’s cryptic terminology of “gender mainstreaming,” because of an independent study project I did with Professor Judy Ryan on the role of women in development.

Magazine: **Who are special mentors in your life?**

MI: On a personal level, my grandfather was someone who influenced my life very much. He taught me that the most important thing in life is to stay true to yourself and to be able to get up every morning, look at yourself in the mirror, and be happy with what you see. On a professional level, my first real mentor was my professor, Sean Kay. He really set the stage, not only for everything I learned in my field at OWU and afterward, but also for ways I have built my professional life. I’ve also developed great relationships with a few of my supervisors of whom I think when I consider where I would like to be several years down the road.

Magazine: **What do you think it takes to be a leader in our world today?**

MI: When I arrived at OWU, I was just me—I did not know anybody and I was all alone, as my family was in Serbia, and that was it. Four years later, I had an entire family of peers and mentors. I had experienced so many activities and opportunities through my classes. I found my passion and my confidence, and after I graduated, I felt like I was out there ready to use that passion and confidence to my advantage, in environments that aren’t comfortable nests like OWU.

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Katie Schlaudt's '10 determination and leadership skills are helping to stamp out Guinea worm disease.

DEMISE OF A DISEASE

By Pam Besel

DRACUNCULIASIS, OR GUINEA WORM DISEASE, IS FAR FROM THE LIVES AND LIFESTYLES OF MOST OF US. But then, we are not the poorest of the poor, living in places such as Chad, Ethiopia, South Sudan, and Mali (the four countries in which the disease can still be found)—areas with limited or no basic health care services and unclean water, in which a roundworm parasite, *Dracunculus medinensis*, thrives. The disease is contracted when people drink water infested with larvae-infected fleas. The larvae travel to one's intestines, growing into a worm and, over the course of several months, burrow outward causing painful skin ulcers with blisters through which the worms exit the skin. The infection ravages the body with

malaria-like symptoms and can result in partial paralysis, usually of the arm or leg from which the worm emerges.

Enter OWU's Katie Schlaudt '10. Under the auspices of The Carter Center headquartered in Atlanta, Schlaudt began working in November 2012, in the country of Chad (Central Africa) as a Technical Advisor/Contractor for the Chad Guinea Worm Eradication Program (CGWEP). She assists the Federal Ministry of Health in managing a team of 21 field staff, as well as more than 350 village volunteers. The staff and volunteers' primary focus is to conduct active surveillance, providing health education on the prevention of Guinea worm disease to village

residents, explains Schlaudt.

"Our goal is to end transmission of the disease by the year 2015," says Schlaudt, whose responsibility it is to make sure the surveillance and health education are conducted and reported. This will be the second disease—smallpox is expected to be the first—to be stamped out by skilled and determined world citizens. "And we will do it!" Schlaudt's enthusiasm is surpassed only by her great love for Ohio Wesleyan and intuitive understanding of her need to utilize her OWU education and leadership skills for the common good. She mentions mentors such as her grandma Ellie, who have inspired her.

"If she were alive today, I don't think we'd

“Leadership isn’t about being the smartest or the strongest or the most outgoing; it’s about working closely together with your team toward a specific objective, and finding a way to best utilize each other’s potential and talents. I think the best leaders are probably the best teachers.”

-KATIE SCHLAUDT '10



Schlaudt, her reinforcement agent, Bienveno, and children of the Milton District in Chad talk about filtering water with their t-shirts to prevent Guinea worm disease.

agree on many political issues,” jokes Schlaudt. But as for life’s “guts and glory”—those experiences and memorable moments that really matter—Grandma Ellie made an indelible impression on her granddaughter.

“She showed me to always act with dignity and to be conscious of how your actions may affect others,” says Schlaudt. “As a leader, you must remember that your actions are scrutinized and you have to earn the respect of your colleagues through dignified and fair leadership.” It was another of her mentors, the late Margaret Fete, OWU’s modern foreign languages professor, who introduced Schlaudt to francophone Africa.

“Dr. Fete encouraged me to study abroad in Cameroon,” recalls Schlaudt, thinking back to her former professor’s love for her profession, and how she had what Schlaudt describes as “complete confidence in me and in my future, even when I didn’t believe in myself.” While at OWU, Schlaudt decided to major in French and Spanish and minored in Latin American Studies. Those interests led her to study abroad in Granada, Spain, and Cameroon, and to participate in a Travel-Learning Course on Mexican Migration in Puebla, Mexico. Schlaudt pursued a Theory-to-Practice Grant, using allocated funds to collect much-needed French books and supplies from 71 libraries, schools, and agencies in Michigan and Ohio, and shipped these materials to the refugee camp in Cameroon.

“Katie is one of the most thoughtful, wise, caring, persistent, and impactful students I have ever known,” shares OWU Chaplain Jon Powers, who served as her project advisor. “What

a resourceful person she is and what a tribute to Ohio Wesleyan that she continues to do such wonderful service in the world.”

After receiving her Master of Arts in International Affairs and in International Development/African Community Health at Ohio University, Schlaudt found herself in a holding position for a while, working in landscaping and as a daycare assistant, still keeping a positive outlook. The tide began to turn as she was offered an opportunity to return to OWU as a post-graduate intern in the Community Service Learning office.

“I was so excited to be back at OWU, and I loved working with the students,” recalls Schlaudt. “I could help them manage their work, but they also taught me a lot, including the true meaning of leadership.”

And then there was Chad, and Schlaudt’s encounter with language barriers, extreme poverty, cultural differences, physical challenges of being in a harsh environment—and the dreaded Guinea worm disease. The good news is that eradication of the disease appears to be not far away. Through education and prevention techniques—not drinking unfiltered water, safely treating stagnant ponds on a regular basis, providing safe drinking water when possible, and by encouraging people to report those who have symptoms of the disease—cases of Guinea worm disease are dwindling. Its demise is becoming a reality because of the commitment and leadership of Schlaudt and her many co-workers.

“Despite the fact that my education at OWU provided so many opportunities for leadership, I

learned that you can’t be completely ready for the leadership challenges that you’ll face in the field,” Schlaudt says. An older and wiser Katie thinks back to her high school days, recalling that her leadership experiences were mostly in the athletic arena. Arriving at Ohio Wesleyan for her meant becoming involved in campus groups such as ProgressOWU and other organizations.

“Now I realize that leadership really isn’t just about giving speeches and having your picture on posters,” Schlaudt says. “It’s really about taking the initiative to make something better and inviting others to learn from the experience with you.” At the end of each day, she is thankful for the skills and strengths she developed while at OWU and on her own.

“Being able to adapt to any situation that comes your way, not letting others’ criticism lower your confidence, humility, being a good teacher, and determination—these attributes are what I think the leaders in our world today really need,” says Schlaudt. “I am so grateful to be able to witness the capacity building of our field agents here, and know that even after we eliminate Guinea worm from Chad, these staff members and volunteers will be likely to continue leading others and make positive changes for their country. It’s at that moment that I will know that all of this is worth it!”

Pam Besel is Director of Internal Communications and Editor of the OWU Magazine.

The Producer

Driss Sekkat '06 always thought about a career in television. Documenting fast-breaking, earth-shaking news is the apex of the dream job he has found.

By *Amanda Zechiel '09*



Driss Sekkat '06: "There's no better time for someone to be working in the media."

WHAT DO YOU GET WHEN YOU COMBINE THE ARTS OF STORYTELLING, INNOVATION, AND LEADERSHIP? DRISS SEKKAT '06, FOR ONE THING. As Senior Supervising Producer at Middle East Broadcasting Networks in Washington, D.C., Sekkat has combined his passion for all of those things—and his experiences at OWU—to create the career of his dreams.

Growing up in Morocco, Sekkat always knew that he wanted to work in television production, and he knew that it would ask a lot of him. "It's such an active field, which fits

my personality well—I like to move around a lot and enjoy high-pressure situations," he says. And high-pressure it is. Sekkat's work at Middle East Broadcasting Networks keeps him on the pulse of fast-moving international news in high-profile areas, to say the least. "With my focus on the Middle East and the revolutions that have taken place there over the past couple of years, it has felt like a domino effect of huge stories."

As producer, Sekkat has been responsible for putting together a three-hour daily live show. "It's been a tough and fascinating time as dictatorships throughout the Middle East have fallen," he comments. "There's no better time for someone to be working in the media. Witnessing the changes and reactions has truly been a fantastic part of my career."

Most recently, Sekkat was asked to work on a program which focuses on post-revolutionary Egypt titled *Raybeen ala Feen?* (Arabic for "Where Are They Going?"). The concept is innovative for the area—a reality show following the lives of five young Egyptians. "For months, we tracked these young people as their lives adjusted to the changes that followed the revolution in Egypt," Sekkat explains.

Covering topics ranging from sexual harassment to jobs and economics, the show provides a personal perspective on what the fall of the Mubarak regime means for Egyptians. "It's so exciting to get the experiences on camera," says Sekkat. "We lived with the young

people we documented, and our footage is so real." Currently Sekkat is in the process of shooting the show's second season.

When he thinks about his career, Sekkat can clearly trace the role that OWU played in his success. In addition to experiences with OWU television and radio programs, as well as within the journalism department, he networked with alumni in ways that were critical to his path. A member of Phi Gamma Delta, Sekkat connected with fraternity brother and alum Bill Headline '54, who was CNN Bureau Chief in the 1990s. "Bill was a pioneer in broadcasting, and when I met him at an alumni event on campus, he really took me under his wing," Sekkat recalls. Through Bill, Sekkat landed an internship with CNN in 2005, quickly getting his career off the ground. From there, he went on to hold jobs with ESPN and CNN before his current role.

"If I hadn't met people like Bill, I wouldn't be where I am today," Sekkat says. "OWU is a special place that gives you a very human learning experience. And that's important to the work I do today." What the future holds, Sekkat can't be sure—but he knows he'll be happy continuing to connect with people through broadcasting, in the important, meaningful ways that OWU inspired in him.

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Honorary Football Coach Game Day Experience

THE 15TH ANNUAL HONORARY FOOTBALL COACH PROGRAM EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE ON NOVEMBER 9, 2013, AS PART OF THE FOOTBALL GAME AGAINST OBERLIN COLLEGE.

Alumni football players and honored guests will spend the day with this year's team. The Honorary Coaches for this year include Dick Heaston '60, Dick Cromwell '69, Glenn Mueller '77, Daniel Hover '96, Austin Hover '97, Ike Reid '00 and OWU Provost Chuck Stinemetz '83.

The Honorary Coaches are introduced to the team by head coach Tom Watts and join them in

their pre-game meal. After that, the Honorary Coaches join Tom Watts and his coaches, the team, and cheerleaders in their "Bishop Walk" from Hamilton-Williams to Selby. Honorary Coaches are invited into the dressing room for pre-game activities, and once on the field participate in the coin toss to start the game. The Honorary Coaches also are invited into the locker room for halftime and again after the game.

It gives "the old guys" an up close and personal look at the details of the current OWU football program and gives the current players a view into the proud tradition that is OWU

football. Larry Fisher '64, one of the alumni coaches in 2009, summed it up this way, "I was particularly impressed with the athleticism of the current team members. I now see how much the game has changed since my days at OWU."

Head coach Tom Watts says, "The Honorary Football Coach game day experience helps link current OWU football student athletes with the outstanding people and players of the past who established the OWU tradition of excellence."

*John Kercher '63
Past President, "W" Association*

SPRINGTIME IN ITALY!

Enjoy the Pleasures of Slow Food
May 19-28, 2014

Land rate: \$5,995

Discover Northern Italy through the lens of the Slow Food movement, which links good food with culture, tradition, and the environment. You'll visit Parma's Farnese Gallery and tour a culatello (local prosciutto) producer. In Reggio Emilia, admire the private art collection of Achille Maramotti, founder of Max Mara, and visit artisanal cheese and balsamic vinegar producers en route to Mantua. Explore Rovereto's modern art museum, taste grappa in Nogaredo, and sample local vintages in Vigo di Ton, and Faedo. Conclude in Bergamo, where you'll see the Carrara Academy's prized paintings collection and the stunning Colleoni Chapel. Visit these cities and others within the regions of Emilia-Romagna, Veneto, Lombardy, and Trentino-Alto Adige, including Milan, Bergamo, and Verona. Your host will be Christopher Fink, an assistant professor of health and human kinetics at OWU who has twice led groups of students to Italy to explore food culture and traditions.

For more information about this amazing Italian travel opportunity, contact Chris Fink at cfink@owu.edu or Brenda DeWitt at bedewitt@owu.edu. Please visit www.arrangementsabroad.com or contact Stephanie Tack (stephanie@arrangementsabroad.com, 212-514-8921) to request a brochure and register for this trip.

A Winter to Remember

District and Region Player of the Year, OWU's men's varsity basketball captain Andy Winters '13, was an impact player—on and off the court.

After an amazing season, on and off the court, Andy Winters shares some experiences at OWU that have helped shape who he is today.

By *John Shimer '05*

ON THE OWU BASKETBALL COURT, WHAT MADE THE ANDY WINTERS ACT SO SPECIAL WAS TWOFOLD.

He had the intuition of a mind reader, able to see and exploit opportunities before they were happening. But he also had the athleticism of a daring acrobat, springing into action at precisely the right moment, then darting to the rim with reckless abandon for one of his many off-balance, “how did he get that fall” buckets. The show was worth every cent of the price of admission, leading Ohio Wesleyan to a 23-6 record, the best since the Battling Bishops won the NCAA national championship back in 1988. Bolstered by that record, the two-year captain collected numerous athletic accolades at the conclusion of his senior season, including District Player of the Year and Region Player of the Year. Winters also was selected to two separate All-America teams (NABC and D3hoops.com).

Off the court, the young man who just graduated, has just as much gravitational pull. Engaging and articulate, a go-getter and a mentor, Winters intends to continue to pursue what’s in his blood, his passion: the game of basketball. The next step, like so many of his classmates seeking out an entry level position, most likely as a graduate assistant coach at another college or university or possibly even his own alma mater, sitting back on the sidelines in Delaware with OWU coach, Mike DeWitt '87.

Realistically, the experiences Winters has had at Ohio Wesleyan – a four-year starter on the varsity basketball team, a 3.05 GPA as an

Education major, three-and-a-half years as a mentor for at-risk kids at the Willis Intermediate School – have prepared the graduate for his profession, whether he becomes a collegiate basketball coach, chooses to teach, or possibly goes in another direction.

“The first thing you learn in basketball is leadership skills, and you carry those skills into your life,” Winters says. “In life, as in any team sport, you have to make tough decisions. You have to make the right choices and you have to stick with them. I’ve tried to show that with our mentored kids. These are kids who have been struggling in school and have some issues. We build a relationship over two years. We talk about their lives and their situations. We hang out, play games and work on homework.” That helps Winters to understand what they’re going through.

“If I’m a head coach or an assistant coach and I’m out recruiting, I’ve got to be able to understand the different lifestyles so many kids come from and relate to them,” Winters explained. “I think this has helped me see what other kids go through, and that’s been really helpful to me to see what I need to do to motivate them to see what they need to live a successful life.”

Defining the cliché, “the point guard is the coach on the court,” coach DeWitt said Winters has been one of the best captains he’s ever had because of his ability to anticipate exactly what the team needs and communicate that message to his teammates with perfect timing.

“There were times during the course of his junior and senior seasons that I’d get up from the bench to make an adjustment and Andy already was saying the same thing to his teammates,” said DeWitt. “When

you have that kind of relationship and synergy with the leader of your team, that makes it very easy to coach, and it’s uncanny how often we were thinking the same exact thing. That’s a testament to his ability to be a leader and do what is best for his team. He understood we all needed to be pulling in the same direction.

“There have been numerous people whose opinions I respect who have been amazed at the level of his growth as a player and a leader from freshmen to senior years,” continued the Battling Bishop basketball head coach. “From the outside looking in it’s pretty impressive to watch. That development seemed normal to me, but it’s a testament to how hard he worked to be an impact player here at OWU.”

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MVP-winner Andy Winters poses with Al VanWie, former basketball coach at College of Wooster and for whom the Tournament MVP Trophy is named.



OWU Fraternities and Sororities Stats and Facts 2012-2013

FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE CURRENT MEMBERS:

659 (38% of OWU student body) compared to 629 members (36% of OWU student body) in 2012

PANHELLENIC FORMAL RECRUITMENT

- Approximately 120 women registered for recruitment
- 76 bids to membership were accepted to 5 Panhellenic chapters
- Quota per house increased this year from 14 to 15 women per chapter
- Average chapter size 63 (spring 2013) compared to 61 (spring 2012)

MEN'S FORMAL RECRUITMENT

- Nearly 160 men showed interest this year in getting involved with fraternities on campus
- 87 bids to membership were accepted to 8 chapters in comparison to 109 bids from the 8 chapters in 2012
- Phi Gamma Delta recolonized in 2012
- Average chapter size 42 (spring 2013) compared to 36 (spring 2012)

NPHC INTAKE PROCESSES

- Delta Sigma Theta and Phi Beta Sigma completed new members intake processes with their respective City-Wide chapters
- Alpha Kappa Alpha did not hold an intake process this academic year
- No OWU students joined an NPHC organization this spring

SERVICE AND PHILANTHROPY (total for Greek community)

- Total number of service hours donated: 12,344
- Total Philanthropy dollars raised: \$15,121

ACADEMICS

MEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

- 3.00 Cumulative GPA of affiliated men (compared to 3.02- spring 2012)
- 2.88 Cumulative GPA unaffiliated male students (compared to 2.87-spring 2012)

WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

- 3.32 Cumulative GPA of affiliated women (compared to 3.30-spring 2012)
- 2.95 Cumulative GPA unaffiliated female students (compared to 3.10-spring 2012)

GREEK HONORARY SOCIETIES

- Order of Omega is a Greek Honor society which limits membership to 3% of the Greek population
- 11 individuals were inducted to Order of Omega this spring
- Gamma Sigma Alpha is an academic honor society recognizing those individuals in the Greek community who have obtained a 3.5 GPA during either their junior or senior year
- 26 members were inducted to Gamma Sigma Alpha this spring

GREEK AWARDS

TOM COURTICE NEW MEMBER AWARD

- Frida Hess, Kappa Kappa Gamma
- Austin Daniels, Alpha Sigma Phi

DEVELOPING LEADER AWARD

- Rebecca Sufrin, Kappa Alpha Theta
- Zachary Paull, Alpha Sigma Phi

FRED MYERS & CAROLYN TARBELL AWARD

- Nora Gumanow, Delta Zeta
- Matthew Martin, Phi Kappa Psi

ROBERT K. MARSHALL AWARD

- Chad Johns, Chi Phi

OUTSTANDING FRATERNITY AND SORORITY SCHOLAR AWARD

- Marissa Alfano, Delta Gamma
- Christopher Brooks, Alpha Sigma Phi

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY BISHOPS TROPHY

- Megan Cook, Delta Zeta
- Guanyi Yang, Alpha Sigma Phi

GREEK WOMAN OF THE YEAR

- Anna Cooper, Delta Zeta

GREEK MAN OF THE YEAR

- Tyler Hendershot, Alpha Sigma Phi

ORDER OF OMEGA INDUCTEES

- Anna Cooper
- Anthony Lamoureux
- Carrie Thompson
- Kate Lewis-Lakin
- Kelsey Ullom
- Marissa Lucian
- Matthew Martin
- Rachel Tallmadge
- Rachel Vinciguerra
- Sarah Wells
- Sophie Crispin

CHAPTER ADVISOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

- Ericka Greene, Kappa Kappa Gamma

OUTSTANDING ALUMNI RELATIONS AWARD

- Kappa Kappa Gamma

PROGRAM OF THE YEAR AWARD

- Kappa Alpha Theta for "Betches Love to Hate"
- Alpha Sigma Phi for "Sexual Assault Roundtable"

CHAPTER INVOLVEMENT AWARD

- Delta Gamma
- Alpha Sigma Phi

CHAPTER PHILANTHROPY AWARD

- Kappa Kappa Gamma
- Alpha Sigma Phi

CHAPTER COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

- Delta Zeta
- Alpha Sigma Phi

CHAPTER EXCELLENCE AWARD

- Delta Gamma
- Kappa Kappa Gamma
- Delta Zeta
- Kappa Alpha Theta
- Alpha Sigma Phi

ALUMNAE PANHELLENIC COUNCIL (APHC)

Throughout the year APHC has supported the undergraduate chapters by facilitating recruitment, leadership and goal setting sessions along with hosting our Celebration of Lifetime Membership event for graduating seniors. Contact Joni Manos Brown '78, APHC President, with thoughts or concerns at jmbkkg@aol.com

ALUMNI INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL (AIFC)

Congratulations are to be extended to the brothers of FIJI on the successful re-chartering of Theta Deuteron Chapter with over 50 active members. Conversations continue between chapter housing corporations addressing the residential operating agreement (MOU) with the University with the goal of improving conditions and operations.

Contact Dan Sharpe '06, AIFC President to become involved at sharpe.dan@gmail.com

For more information about Fraternity and Sorority Life visit greek.owu.edu and the monthly e-newsletter, Bishop Banter for alumni updates.

Loss of a World Nutrition Leader



*Dr. Nevin Scrimshaw '38:
Winner of 1991 World
Food Prize.*

DR. NEVIN SCRIMSHAW '38 DEDICATED HIS CAREER OF ALMOST SEVEN DECADES TOWARD THE ALLEVIATION OF WORLD HUNGER AND MALNUTRITION. Praised by colleagues as the most important nutrition scientist and nutrition leader in the world, Scrimshaw passed away February 8 at the age of 95, after having devoted his life to improving the lives of millions of people in dozens of countries worldwide—efforts for which he was recognized with the 1991 World Food Prize. The prize committee cited Scrimshaw “for his revolutionary accomplishments in fighting protein, iodide, and iron deficiencies, developing nutritional supplements, educating generations of experts, and building support for continued advances in food quality around the world.”

Scrimshaw was the founder and honorary president of the Nevin Scrimshaw International Nutrition Foundation housed at Tufts University and founder of the World Hunger

Program of the United Nations University, where he was a senior advisor from 1975-1998. From 1981-1997, he directed the Food, Nutrition, Human and Social Development Programme at the United Nations University. Scrimshaw also founded the Department of Nutrition and Food Science at MIT and was a visiting Professor at the Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University from 1987 until his death.

After graduating from OWU, Scrimshaw received his Ph.D. from Harvard University, his MD from the University of Rochester, and an MPH from Harvard. His wife of 71 years, Mary, was a biologist and nutritional anthropologist and worked closely with Scrimshaw throughout his career. The family, including five children: Susan, Norman, Nevin, Steven, and Nathaniel, lived in Guatemala, where Dr. Scrimshaw founded the Institute of Nutrition of Central America and Panama. (Brother Norman '43, was killed in action during World War II). He developed solutions for kwashiorkor, a deadly disease that strikes young children, by searching for an

affordable indigenous protein source a mixture of cottonseed flour and maize called Incaparina. Turning his attention to endemic goiter, Scrimshaw developed a method of iodizing moist local salt with non-soluble potassium, reducing goiter prevalence in mothers and children worldwide. He also conducted research on the relationship between nutrition and infection.

Traveling the globe to assess and solve nutritional dilemmas for the world's hungry, Scrimshaw led investigative governmental committees into refugee camps of Bangladesh and economically depressed areas of South America, Africa, Asia, and the Far East.

Scrimshaw, who received OWU's Distinguished Achievement Citation in 1983, used his knowledge of nutrition to create a diet and exercise regime that he credited with helping to sustain his own good health. He is survived by his wife, Mary, his children, eight grandchildren, four step-grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

A Life Worth Living

By George Saunders '76

Bob Pearson '76 devoted his life to world-wide economic and humanitarian causes



Two OWU friends, George Saunders '76 (left) and Bob Pearson '76, pose for a Le Bijou photograph taken more than 35 years ago.

THESE DAYS, I FIND MYSELF WONDERING IF BOB PEARSON '76 WERE ALIVE TODAY, WHAT HE WOULD MAKE OF THE ARAB SPRING, THE SYRIAN CIVIL WAR, THE TAHRIR SQUARE FREEDOM MOVEMENT IN EGYPT, THE STILL UNRESOLVED ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CONFLICT AND THE THREATENING CLOUD OF IRAN. Where would he be? What kind of contribution might he be making to solving the whirlwind of troubles in the Middle East?

When Libya was all over the news last year, it brought to my mind the year that a large group of students from Arab-speaking countries, including Libya, came to Ohio Wesleyan to learn English. It was 1975, and OWU had set up an English as a Second Language (ESL) program for students from oil-rich countries, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Libya, and Venezuela all sent students to Delaware.

Bob volunteered to tutor some of the students because he was taking Arabic at OWU, taught then by a fellow student, Cynthia Matossian '76 (now my wife). Since he was my roommate at the time, I got to spend a lot of time with the Arab students and found it a fascinating experience in the middle of Ohio. We ate meals with them, we helped them to pick out their courses, and shop for warm coats ; I even taught the Omanis how to parallel park so they could pass their state driving test. It exposed us to cultural diversity that just did not exist in that place at that time, and it changed who we were.

When the Libyan revolution broke out, I found myself wondering if the students we had known in Delaware were somehow involved in the events, either on Quadaffi's side or on the side of the rebels. And I thought of Bob, how he came back from junior year abroad in Dijon, France, with a whole new idea of what he wanted to do with his life.

He came back to OWU that fall of 1975 with a desire to study something that was not really available at our school. He signed up for Arabic classes with Cindy and met with Professor Corinne Lyman, who taught International Politics. He decided

to create his own major, since it didn't exist in the regular course work at OWU. He fought hard to win acceptance for his independent major in North African Studies and he was the only person I knew that pulled off such a feat. When he found a valuable resource available in Columbus, he rode his bike down Olentangy River Road and back several times a week to accomplish his goal. He tutored those Arab-speaking kids in English, tried to learn as much Arabic from them in return, and became their friend.

After graduating, Bob moved to Philadelphia and studied Arabic more intensively. He applied for a Rotary Scholarship to study in the Middle East, and he was awarded funding to travel and study in Syria. Upon his return, he applied to the Johns Hopkins School for International Studies (SAIS) in Washington D.C., (where classmate Debbie Brautigam '76 is now head of the international development program). There he was mentored by Professor Fouad Ajami, who can often be seen on TV expounding on the goings-on in the Arab world.

After SAIS, Bob was accepted into the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), where he was first assigned to Beirut, Lebanon. In 1981, he was having lunch in the cafeteria of the American Embassy when it was blown up by terrorists. He and the woman with whom he was eating were the only two people in that room who lived. Cindy and I were living in Washington D.C., at the time, and I remember waking up that morning to the story on the radio and knowing in my bones that Bob was in that building. As the death tolls came in, I received a call from a friend who worked at the State Department to tell me that he had seen a list of survivors and Bob's name was on it. I was the one who called his parents to tell them he was alive.

Several days later he was flown home to the United States with shrapnel in his face and a back injury that would bother him for many years, although he became a devotee of yoga, which he claimed really helped his back. After a period of recovery and some time at the Middle East desk in D.C., Bob was able to get himself



Bob Pearson '76

posted to the Middle East again, this time to Cairo, Egypt. Cindy and I were able to visit him while he was there; he loved the economic development work with which he was involved. However, he had come down with some mysterious medical condition that the State Department doctors could not identify, and he was pulled out of Egypt back to Washington for more advanced medical testing.

It was the mid-1980s and AIDS did not have a name at that time. But more was becoming known about it, and eventually Bob was forced to take a medical leave from the State Department due to his positive HIV/AIDS diagnosis. He moved back to his hometown of Philadelphia where he bought and fixed up a dilapidated center city row home. Forced out of the work he loved involving the Middle East, he took a job working for the City of Philadelphia in its earliest AIDS program. He went on to found several nonprofit organizations that served the needs of HIV-AIDS people in Philadelphia.

Bob died in 1991. I was with him when he died, and I was the executor of his estate. Not long after his death, it became known that Iran had backed the bombing of the American Embassy in Beirut and I was approached to join an international lawsuit against the State of Iran on behalf of Bob's estate. I went to Washington to testify in court about the injuries Bob suffered from the bombing and the effect that it had on his career and his life. I was horrified to hear the

stories of other survivors and their loved ones, of the longlasting and devastating effect the bombing had on them.

After many years of legal pursuit, both here and abroad, often without the help of the State Department (they didn't want one more thing to anger the Iranians), to my amazement we won a judgment of \$316 million in compensatory damages in the U.S. District Court of Washington, D.C. Since the award in 2005, the case continues to this day as lawyers try to attach Iranian assets in various parts of the world. I'm not holding my breath. Nobody expected to actually receive payment from this endeavor. The point was to set a precedent, to legally hold those who finance and support terrorist acts responsible. That concept has been established. But if any of that money ever comes through, I plan to give it to OWU, where there is a fund established in Bob Pearson's name, set up by his mother, to support the study of international politics.

Bob Pearson was a remarkable person. He set out to do something that couldn't be done at the time at OWU. But with the willingness of the school to be flexible, the support of Dr. Lyman in the politics and government department, and the opportunity created by the ESL program at OWU at that moment, he was able to create a tremendous opening for himself. I can't help but think that the ESL program for Arab students also created tremendous opportunities for them, and I wonder if they have become leaders in their worlds.

Today the world seems a far different place. I know that OWU offers many more options to its students to engage in the world and to emphasize the development of leadership skills in the world at large. But I like to think that Bob Pearson was the start of something that OWU has encompassed and made much bigger. Bob charted a course singlehandedly with no path ahead of him. I think it fitting that he be remembered and that his memory be continued. I can't think of a better way than to support the Robert Pearson Fund for International Studies at OWU.

George Saunders '76 majored in politics and government at OWU, received his MBA from UC Berkeley, and worked for many years in economic development, banking, and housing finance. He is CFO of Matossian Eye Associates in Pennsylvania.

ALUMNI WEEKEND

2013





Celebrating Ohio Wesleyan

Recognizing Alumni Excellence during Alumni Weekend 2013

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS YEAR'S RECIPIENTS OF OWU DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT CITATION (DAC) AWARDS DURING ALUMNI WEEKEND 2013:

Tom Trumble '68, Granville "Buzz" Pine '63, John Bassett '63, and posthumously, Agnes Marie Davis Greene '33.

ALUMNI AWARD WINNERS THIS YEAR WERE: John Kercher '63, Laura Pierce Bump '58, Dan Bennington '68, Walter "Skip" Auch '68, and Sue Pasters, who received an honorary alumna award.

Read more about these accomplished individuals at community.owu.edu/awards and catch up on the events and excitement of the weekend at connect2.owu.edu/alumniweekend.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The following is a listing of OWU alumni events around the country. These events offer alumni, families, and friends opportunities to network with fellow Bishops and to reconnect with OWU near your hometown. To RSVP for an event, please visit <http://community.owu.edu/events> or call (740) 368-3325.

JUNE

June 12 — Columbus, OH

OWU Alumni Lawyers Networking Event

June 15 — Philadelphia, PA

Alumni Reception at Aronimink Golf Club

June 15 — Boston, MA

Boat Cruise

June 19 — Cincinnati, OH

Young Alumni Happy Hour

June 20 — Rowayton, CT

Annual "Shakespeare on the Sound" Alumni and new student gathering

June 21 — Washington, D.C.

Nationals vs. Rockies game at Nationals Park

June 22 — Columbus, OH

Columbus Young Alumni Service Event at Furniture Bank of Central Ohio

June 23 — Cleveland, OH

Summer on the Cuyahoga Welcome

June 28 — Denver, CO

OWU night at the Colorado Rockies game

JULY

July 11 — Columbus, OH

Columbus Young Alumni Reception and Columbus Clippers Game

July 13 — Maple City, MI

Alumni Event

July 25 — Sacramento, CA

OWU Alumni at the Sacramento River Cats Game

July 26 — Lakeside, OH

Alumni Luncheon at Lakeside

July 26 — Cleveland, OH

Young Alumni Concert at Cain Park

AUGUST

August 3 — Boston, MA

Young Alumni Event at the Boston Cannons Game

August 14 — New York, NY

Young Alumni at the New York Yankees Game

August 9-10 — On Campus

2nd Annual Volunteers Weekend

SEPTEMBER

September 18 — Columbus, OH

Columbus Young Alumni Wine Tasting

September 21 — Greenwich, CT

FairChester Alumni Chapter "Octoberfeast"

September 27-29—On Campus

Family Weekend 2013

OCTOBER

October 4-6—On Campus

Homecoming 2013

October 19—Boston, MA

Head of the Charles Alumni Event

October 19—New Jersey

New Jersey - The Hunt Alumni Event

October 21-28

Bishops in Service Week – Various Cities

NOVEMBER

November 8-9 — On Campus

Honorary Football Coaches Event

If you are interested in coordinating an event in your city, contact the Alumni Relations Office at (740) 368-3325 or e-mail alumni@owu.edu

DECEMBER

December 3 — Columbus, OH

Holiday Event

December 4 — Boston, MA

Holiday Event

December 5 — New York, NY

Holiday Event

December 10 — Cleveland, OH

Holiday Event

December 11 — Chicago, IL

Holiday Event

December 11 — San Francisco, CA

Holiday Event

December 12 — Washington, D.C.

Holiday Event

Homecoming 2013

October 4-6, 2013

Affinity Reunions at Homecoming 2013:

- 25th Cluster Reunion for the Classes of 1987, 1988, and 1989
- Recognition of the 1988 National Championship Basketball Team
- Alpha Sigma Phi – 150th Anniversary
- Small Living Units (SLUs)
- Athletic Hall of Fame
- Sigma Alpha Epsilon
- 2003 Men's Soccer Team

CLASS NOTES

Reunion class officers are listed below with classes—the 4's and 9's—celebrating May 16-18, 2014 during Alumni Weekend 2014.



Happy 100th

Friends and family of **Beatrice Ricker '34 Elder (Bee)** recently celebrated her 100th birthday on Cape Cod. Pictured below are **Dr. Herbert B. Kinney '69**, **Jeanne Shepherd Elder '62**, **Bee Elder**, **Carl Elder, PhD.**, **Kathe Law '64 Rhinesmith**, and **Dr. Bruce Elder '62**.

Bee, who served on OWU's Alumni Board of Directors several years ago, now lives in Savannah, Georgia, and is actively involved in her community at The Marshes. She is very sharp, in good health, and still drives a car!

OWU's Burton Foy Elder scholarship fund exists to honor Bee's late husband, Dr. Burton Elder. Bee and Burt met at Ohio Wesleyan. He went on to The Ohio State University's medical school while Bee was still a student at Ohio Wesleyan.

Happy 100th Birthday, Bee!

1950

Peggy Bender Brick received the "Sexuality Educator of the Year" award in 2012 from the American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists. Founder and past president of the Sexuality and Aging Consortium at Widener University, Peggy will teach a course in the fall called "Alzheimer's: New Perspectives" at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, University of Delaware.

William E. Chaney of Barnesville, Ohio, was recently recognized by the Barnesville Hospital Board of Trustees for 50 years of service on the hospital's board. A practicing attorney at Chaney & Chaney, William and his wife, Kay, have two children, Dan and Linda.

1954

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Charlotte Anderson Abell, Dan Butler, Nancy Champion Christy, Robert Corwin, Harry Ebeling, Marty Bowman Ebeling, Wendell Holloway, Dave Hunt, Robinson Lapp, Virginia Carter McClintock, John "Jack" McKinnie, Margaret Jones Neff, Patricia James Simpson, Gordon Smith, Ron Thie, Richard "Sherry" Treis, Nancy White White

1957

Wally Hood was recently appointed to the Wilson Sporting Manufacturing Company Museum board of directors in Ada, Ohio. The company makes its footballs in Ada and is creating a museum about the development of football. Wally retired in 2011 after 45 years of high school and college coaching.

Peter H. Tillou received the Antiques Dealers' Association of America's Award of Merit in April. The award recognizes him as a mentor in the field and a strong supporter of the antiques industry. Peter lives in Litchfield, Connecticut.

1959

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John "Jack" Batty III, Martha Leihgeber Becker, Al Cinelli, Evan Corns, Robert Davis, Sally Reiff Dickey, Lowell Fleischer, George Greenway, Jack Hammitt, Gay Martin Hendricks, James Kitson, Nancy La Porte Meek, Phil Meek, Paul Moore Jr., Bob Morrill, Joanne Hlavin Ritter, Don Saliers, Frank Taylor Sargent, Sherry Shepherd Sargent, Janice Patenaude Smith

1962

Joseph M. Thatcher's book *Confederate Coal Torpedo: Thomas Courtenay's Infernal Sabotage Weapon* was published by Kenerly Press in July 2011. Joe and his wife, Patricia Henry Thatcher '62, celebrated their 50th anniversary in July 2012 with family and friends.

1963

Barbara Breig Haney was honored in 2012 by *The Daily Breeze* newspaper in Los Angeles, California, for her work at Social Vocational Services, Inc. She received the People of Distinction honor in the business and innovation category for her work helping those with developmental disabilities. Attending the awards ceremony were Barbara's husband, Dr. Frederick M. Haney '63, the couple's children and their spouses, and many close friends.

DEADLINES FOR CLASS NOTES

FALL MAGAZINE
DUE AUGUST 6, 2013

WINTER MAGAZINE
OCTOBER 23, 2013



As a part of the Carter Work Project, **Tom Trumble '68** helped to build houses like these in Haiti.

1964

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REUNION OFFICERS

William Barton Jr., Reid Calcott III, Carolyn "Ann" Colson Cassell, Richard Cassell, Kathryn Newman Feld, Thomas Fenton, Sophie Harned Gibson, Virginia Pearsall Kirkwood, Grant Kurtz, Ed Miller Jr., Kay Zollar Miller, Richard Nault, Karen Massie Purves, Kathleen Law Rhinesmith, Sally Mahoney Ruggles, William Shaffer, Art Shilt, Roger Vermillion, Randy Wortmann, James "Jim" Locke III, Chuck Pitcock

1968

Tom Trumble participated in the 29th Jimmy & Rosalynn Carter Work Project in Léogâne, Haiti, through Habitat for Humanity at the end of 2012. Tom's daughter, Laura Fay, and grandchildren, Bella and Noah, also volunteered. The group worked to build homes for 100 Haitian families in a former sugar cane field outside Léogâne.

This was the second year the Carter Work Project had been in the city, as they continue to help Haiti rebuild from the earthquake that struck it

in January 2010. President Carter, 88, and Mrs. Carter, 85, worked actively among the volunteers each day of the trip.

1969

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Sue Swan Bennington, Ed Haddock, Doug Hoover, Ann Gaither Russell, Allen L. Snyder III, Rick Subel, Sue Struna Subel

1971

John F. Luikart is now chairman of the board of directors for the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco. A member of the Board of Directors since 2007, John is president of Bethany Advisors LLC, in San Francisco, California.

Marie Wurzburger Patrick was honored at the spring 2013 Annalee Thurston Awards Reception in Indian Wells, California. The recognition was for her work as the Tennis Sports Manager for the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee, co-founder of the Los Angeles Marathon, and for her development of other high-profile sporting events.



Golf Tournament Representation

Peggy Rushong Earley '58 (right) and **Barbara Wheatley Sweeney '58** (left) recently participated in the Grenelefe Women's Golf Championship at Grenelefe Golf & Tennis Resort. They represented OWU well, as Peggy was the flight winner and Barbara was the runner-up.

Editor's Note: After "42" premiered in April, we began receiving many calls and notes expressing how much OWU alumni and friends enjoyed the movie. We would like to hear from you, our readers, on a continuing basis as you share OWU memories and reflections about our stories.

Taking the Higher Road

Dear Friends:

I attended the opening of the movie "42" last week. It is a "must see" for all Americans, but even more importantly, for all athletes in the USA. The portrayal of Jackie Robinson and Mr. Rickey is magnificent and appropriate. I want to add a true story to the brief conversation between Jackie and Mr. Rickey in the movie, when Mr. Rickey mentions his role as player coach of the OWU baseball team in the early 1900s. He never once in his life stopped his concern for black athletes.

Move forward to the late 1940s and to the period of "42". Mr. Rickey, as everyone called him, a 1904 alumnus of OWU, was greatly interested and to some degree, involved in OWU athletics. He and George Gauthier, the OWU athletics director at the time, were very close friends.

In the fall of 1948, OWU and Rollins College in Orlando, Florida, were in the midst of a home and away football rivalry. The game was scheduled for Orlando. The football squad was eagerly awaiting the big road trip to the South. On the OWU squad was an African American, Ken Woodward, from the Cleveland area—a great human being, a future MD, and a good but not a star halfback.

Then came a missile from the city of Orlando. The game was to be played in the municipal stadium, not on the Rollins College campus. The city could not ensure the safety of our halfback in that stadium if he came with the team. This was a true dilemma at that time in Ohio Wesleyan's history.

The athletics director, George Gauthier, assembled his staff and officials of the University: the President, faculty members, and Trustees (including Mr. Rickey). I do not know whether any of the more senior football team members were included in those conversations.

The next day the football squad was assembled and told: "You are to decide." The composition of University football squads in the late forties was unique. At least half were WWII veterans, many of whom had been in combat. The age spread was 18 to 30 years of age. Each squad member had one vote. A simple majority was to determine the future of the trip to Florida. Certainly the mind and values of Branch Rickey were echoing in that place.

The vote was not to go to Orlando to play the game without our halfback. My memory of the aftermath of that vote is cloudy. To say that the team was not disappointed would be wrong. But it was also energized by our decision. The important thing was that we did the right thing—certainly what Mr. Rickey would have had us do.

Tom Wenzlau '50 and football squad member 1946–1949
Colorado Springs, CO
(former OWU President)

Stephen F. Tilson was chosen as president-elect of the Ohio State Bar Foundation. An attorney in Galion, Ohio, Stephen is a life fellow of the foundation, which works to promote public understanding of the law and the administration of justice. Stephen received his law degree, with honors, from The Ohio State University.

1972

John P. Sweeney is now a partner at Bradley Arant Boult Cummings, LLP, a law firm in Washington D.C. With a law degree from The American University Western College of Law, John has more than 30 years of experience in law and currently serves as First Vice President of the Defense Research Institute.

1974

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Kathy Butler, Wendy McCall Johnson, Margaret Weaver Krull, Janet de Michaelis, Karen Vincent, Andrea Waller

1976

Michael E. Hall (Ph.D. Counseling Psychology) recently conducted "Emotional Resiliency: Transforming the Stress of Law Career Success" for the North Carolina Bar Association's Lawyer Assistance Program, and he has been asked to develop a similar program for judges. He provides career transition services for the corporate and continuing education division of Central Piedmont Community College, as part of his solo practice in counseling and consulting. Michael



Philadelphia Gathering

OWU classmates (from left to right) **Abe Stoker '00**, **Tracy Nolte '01**, **Amy Swackhamer '01**, and **Ed Shelton '00**, met in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania last September to participate in "Run For Your Lives," a zombie-themed 5K race. Not pictured is **Lars Mahler '00**, who cheered the runners on.

resides in Charlotte, North Carolina, with his wife, Barbara Jackson-Hall '77.

Sally Christiansen Harris and her husband Mike, recently had their photography featured in the online magazine *Westchester Look*. Sally and Mike spent a week on the island of Molokai, Hawaii with photographer Eddie Soloway, participating in a photography workshop. Learn more about their trip online.

1977

Barbara Jackson-Hall has co-authored the book *Against All Odds: The Remarkable Life Story of Eddie Ray*. The book was published in January 2013 by Kreative Group, Inc.

1978

Tracey Hooper Abby-White was named to the board of trustees for Brookdale Community College, located in Lincroft, New Jersey, in Feb.

2013. Tracey is a sales and marketing executive for IBM, Inc. She lives in Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey, with her husband Richard.

Melinda H. Connor was recently named a fellow of the American Alternative Medicine Association. In addition, her book *Ten Daily Needs toward a Healthier, Happier Life* is now available. Melissa is CEO of Optimal Healing Research and a board member of the Biophysics Center for Research and Application and the National Foundation for Energy Healing. She also is a faculty member at Everest College in Phoenix, Arizona, and Langara College in Vancouver, Canada.

Lisa Dieli Parker published a book in March 2013 titled *Managing the Moment: A Leader's Guide to Building Executive Presence One Interaction at a Time*. Founder of the executive coaching firm, Heads Up Coaching and Consulting, Lisa is a full member of the Worldwide Association of Business

Coaches (WABC). She lives in Sleepy Hollow, New York.

1979

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Kate Asbeck, Chris Jones, Matt Palmer

1980

Christine Jacox recently launched her own business, Front Porch Studio St Paul, specializing in theatrical and business headshots, casual portraits, and community-based photography. She moved to studio space in downtown St. Paul, Minnesota in April. Her work can be seen at <http://frontporchstudiostpaul.com>.

1982

Byron Pitts is now chief national correspondent and anchor at *ABC News*. Formerly a *CBS News* correspondent, he also is the author of a 2009 autobiography *Step Out On Nothing*. He lives in New York, New York.

1987 • 1988 • 1989

CLUSTER
25th REUNION

OCTOBER 4-6, 2013

www.community.owu.edu/2013cluster

1987: Stephanie Vegso Bell, Bob Betcher, Luisa Cestari, Amy Schroeder Ficon, Julie Strong Karnavas, Amy Wrobbel

1988: Jay Camillo, Victoria Joshua Gresh, Peter Keck, Ellen McCann Kimura, Julie MacMillan, Cathy Strong Mitchell, Peter Mitchell, Caitlin Rodgers, Shannon West Russo, Mary (M.B.) Sommer, Daina Stankevics Strong, Scott Tedder

1989: Drew Dimatos, John Halliday, Scott Kerry, Laura Lindstrom, Matt Miller



Representing in Florida

Daina Stankevics Strong '88 represented OWU at the inauguration of Donal O'Shea as 5th president of New College of Florida. She's pictured with her husband Tony, whose sister, **Cathy Strong Mitchell '88**, brother-in-law, **Peter Mitchell '88**, and brother, **Peter Strong '85**, are proud OWU alumni.

1983

Steve Ulfelder published *Shotgun Lullaby*, the third novel in his Edgar-nominated Conway Sax mystery series, in May 2013. He lives in Southborough, Massachusetts, with his wife, Martha.

1984

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Tim Dill, Liz Dempsey Gilbert, Christine O'Hara, Sheila Fagan Plecha

Keith D. Kelly was appointed chairman of the board of Home & Hospice Care of Rhode Island in Feb. 2013. Keith is senior vice president of corporate banking at RBS Citizens Bank, and he is also on the board of trustees of the Rhode Island

Historical Society and the Hattie Ide Chaffee Home. He lives in Barrington, Rhode Island, with his wife, Lynne.

1986

Jay Hood was recently appointed defensive coordinator at DePauw University in Greencastle, Indiana. Jay is a veteran of coaching, most recently working at Miami University of Ohio, Ball State University, and Western Carolina University. DePauw University is a member of the North Coast Athletic Conference.

1987

Joseph Boynton was named vice president, residential mortgage originations at Cambridge Savings Bank in Cambridge, Massachusetts in Feb. 2013. With 24 years of experience in the industry, Joseph's last position was as producing sales manager for Citizens Bank in Norwood, Massachusetts. He lives in Wrentham, Massachusetts.

1987 and 1988

Steve Grossman '87, **Gay Grossman '88**, and their daughter, Lilly, were featured in a March 2013 *National Geographic* story for their participation in a study with the Scripps Translational Science Institute in California. The study examined an unusual health condition from which Lilly suffers by sequencing Steve, Gay, and Lilly's genomes. The family lives in La Jolla, California.

1991

Dr. L. Marshall Washington was chosen in Feb. 2013 as president of New River Community and Technical College in Beckley, West Virginia. Formerly vice president of the Lancaster Campus of Harrisburg Area Community College in Pennsylvania, Marshall earned his doctorate from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He and his wife, Tonja, have three children, Lauren, Ethan, and Jordan.

Eddy Wong is a technology leader at Wanderu, the company that won in the "Most Innovative Web Technology" category at the prestigious SXSW Interactive Accelerator Competition in Austin, Texas, this past March. Wanderu is travel startup company based in Boston, Massachusetts. Learn more about the company at www.wanderu.com.

ALUMNI NAMED TO THE ALUMNI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Sue Struna Subel '69 of Cleveland, OH has been elected to serve on the OWU Alumni Association Board of Directors for the term July 2013 – June 2016.

Martha Nunn Lewis '83 of Madison, NJ has been elected to serve on the OWU Alumni Association Board of Directors for the term July 2013 – June 2016.

Elizabeth Kanne Miller '92 of St. Louis, MO has been elected to serve on the OWU Alumni Association Board of Directors for the term July 2013 – June 2016.

Sam Smith '96 of Cleveland, OH has been elected to serve on the OWU Alumni Association Board of Directors for the term July 2013 – June 2016.

Kristen Cemate '06 of Chicago, IL has been elected to serve on the OWU Alumni Association Board of Directors for the term July 2013 – June 2016.

Trevor Hawley '10 of Boston, MA has been elected to serve on the OWU Alumni Association Board of Directors for the term July 2013 – June 2016.

1992

Elizabeth Kanne Miller was named head of school at the Villa Duchesne and Oak Hill School in Frontenac, Missouri, in March 2013. In her previous position, Elizabeth was upper school head at Hutchison School, an all-girls school in Memphis, Tennessee. With a master's degree in regional studies East Asia from Harvard University, Elizabeth came to education after a successful career in international business.

1993

Jamie Bryant was chosen in Feb. 2013 as special teams coordinator and assistant linebackers coach at Youngstown State University in Youngstown, Ohio. With 16 years of college coaching experience, Jamie was most recently at the University of Houston. He and his wife, Elisa, have three sons, Luke, Jake, and Josh.

1994

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David Livingston, Kristin Papoi, Jennifer Gleason Shoultz, Alison Martin Turner, Tracy Reid Uhl

1997

Andrew Gamere was recently named interim director of athletics at Suffield Academy in Suffield, Connecticut. Andrew is also a football coach at the school.

Marie Kuban was recently selected as one of the 2013 Ohio *Super Lawyers Rising Stars*. Nominated by their peers, award-winners are designated as the best lawyers under the age of 40 in the state. Marie is an attorney at Ulmer & Berne LLP in Cleveland, Ohio.

Joshua R. Sanders became a partner at Calfee, Halter & Griswold LLP, a law firm serving Cleveland, Cincinnati, and Columbus, Ohio, effective Jan. 2013. Joshua focuses on government relations and legislation, and received his degree in law from Capital University Law School. He lives in Granville, Ohio.

1998

Kristin Kumpf was named director of organizing at The United Methodist General Board of Church & Society in March 2013. Kristen has a master's in social work from Saint Louis University, and she worked most recently with the Midwest Academy, a national training institute that works to develop community organizing skills. Her new position is located in Washington, D.C.

1999

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Keith Rozanski, Anmarie Sorrentino Shipp, David Shipp



2004

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Khadija Garrison Adams, Jenny Brodie, Elizabeth Dale, Ericka Greene, Chris Moore, Michael Pattison

2008

Sarah E. Hahn, a ceramics artist, had her work featured at The Sculpture Center in Cleveland, Ohio, during spring of 2013. Her exhibition titled "Of Gods and Demigods, Relics and Souvenirs" places celebrities in the leading roles of Greco-Roman and Renaissance statues.

2009

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REUNION OFFICERS

Hilary Holmes Cessna, Michael Cohen, Candace Griffith, Kelsey Guyselman, Sarah Hailey, Ryan Jordan, Jesika Keener, Kim Leary, Tory Lee, Anthony Rosato, Amanda Zechiel

2011

Brenna Irrer joined the Southern Appalachian Wilderness Stewards in March 2013 as an AmeriCorps intern in the position of Youth Crew Coordinator for 2013. Originally from Ann Arbor, Michigan, she will be based in Coker Creek, Tennessee, and on the Cheoah Ranger District.

Gabriel Quick was recently accepted into the Tufts University art history graduate program, where he will pursue his master of arts degree. Most recently, Gabriel spent a year in the Smithsonian American Art Museum's Advanced Level Internship Program working in the museum's curatorial department.

2012

Hunter L. Moss joined Massey Knakal's Manhattan division in March 2013 as an associate. Massey Knakal is a real estate company in New York, New York, and Hunter will be focusing on the Flatiron, Gramercy Park, Murray Hill, and Union Square areas.

OWU MEMORIES

What do you remember about University buildings such as University Hall, Slocum, Merrick and Edwards? How did these 19th century buildings help to shape your life? Please send your thoughts to pdbesel@owu.edu.

Alumni Weekend 2014 reunion volunteer names listed in this issue of the Magazine are a work-in-progress. If you would like to be a reunion volunteer or know your name was mistakenly not included, please contact **Brenda DeWitt** at (740) 368-3329 or by email at bedewitt@owu.edu.

Marriages

2007

Benjamin Walkuski was married in Atlanta, Georgia, on March 30, 2013, to Kelby Hammett, whom he met at an Ohio Wesleyan alumni holiday event in 2010. Kelby was working at Muirfield Village Golf Club at the time, and Ben attended the event with his fellow Columbus-area alumni. Ben is now an associate campaign manager at the Atlanta consulting firm Coxe Curry & Associates and a freelance writer.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Please email your news to classnotes@owu.edu. You also can submit your news to: The *Ohio Wesleyan Magazine*, Ohio Wesleyan University, Mowry Alumni Center, 61 S. Sandusky St., Delaware, Ohio 43015, Attn: Class Notes Editor

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Eric McComas '09 and Erica McComas were married on Aug. 25, 2012. Joining in the celebration were: Greg McComas '77, Anne McComas '12, Brent Wilkins '08, Justine Bryar '09, Greg Vasami '09, John Harvey '10, Sarah Vanderstow '10, Joseph McDaniel '09, Megan Temple '10, Kelley Widerman '11, Jared Turner '10, Colby Ferguson '10, Dr. Andrew Leslie '84, Douglas Kennedy '77, Candy Caldwell Kennedy '79, Byron Choka '77, and Kitsy Sabin Choka '79.



Addie Hemmen Melvin '12 and Matthew S. Melvin were married on June 3, 2012, in Seaford, Delaware. They were joined by (from left to right): Kelsie Bahmer '12, Marina Metzler '12, Dani Bonner Andrews '12, Heather Bowman '12, Elyse Wenger '12, Bradon Pyle, Alison Maurice '12, and Perrie Bonner '11.



Jeff Harrison '08 and Rachel Roman Harrison '11 were married in Cleveland, Ohio, on September 7, 2012. They were joined by (back to front, left to right): Samantha Kentner Mundhenk '09, William Heistand '10, Justin Mundhenk '08, Brian Marion '08, Sydney Fitzpatrick '10, Robert Shelala '08, Erin Fleck '11, Claire Knight '09, Olivia Duffy '11, Tory Lee '09, Greg Cook '11, Erin Moran '11, Katelyn Schroeder '11, Gretchen Croll '10, Matt Watson '10, Seth Wagner '08, Maggie Sullivan '12, Emily Hastings '10, Elizabeth Mumaw '08, Michele Gilbert '11, Lena Knofler '12, Nick Goulette '10, Francis Smith '08, Eric Brockfield '09, Andrew Doll '09, Tom Hellmuth '11, Eric Wise '10, Corey Strinka '08, Jonathan Gorton '08, Taylor Bliss '10, Sam Harold '08, Drew North '09, Paul Janowicz '08, Bobby Messer '10, Devinda Hiripitiyage '10, and Griffin Waterman '10.

Births

1994

Karen R. Stockstill Cahill and her husband, Joshua, are pleased to announce the birth of their third child, Finnegan "Finn" Timothy Cahill, on January 25, 2013. At 9 pounds and 6 ounces, and 21 ½ inches tall, he was welcomed by older sisters Maggie and Emma.

1998

Stephen Yoder and his wife are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Anna Leigh, who was born on February 9, 2013. The family lives in Washington, D.C.

2000

Jill Snider Payne and her husband, David, welcomed son, Grayson Davis Payne, born on April 5, 2012. He weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces and joins big sister Avery. The family lives in Powell, Ohio. Proud grandparents are **Coral Davis Snider '69** and **Ron Snider '67**.

2001 and 2002

Mark Holte '01 and **Joy Homitsky Holte '02** welcomed a baby girl, Mathilde Helen Holte, on February 20, 2013. The family lives in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

2002

Jill Griesbach Polk and her husband, Shane, welcomed a daughter, Cora Jane, on December 8, 2012. She joins her siblings, Parker Sullivan, 4, and Remy Laine, 2. The family lives happily in Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

Aimee Robson Shadwick and her husband, Beau Shadwick, welcomed their second child, Paige Robson Shadwick, on Dec. 3, 2012. Paige joins older brother Parker, born in 2010.

2004

Tricia Baker Middleton '04 and **Scott Middleton '04** welcomed a child, Camden Slater Middleton, on Nov. 30, 2012.

Courtney Cook Scheff and her husband, Matt, welcomed a daughter, Katherine Valentine Scheff, on July 10, 2012 in Cleveland, Ohio. Also celebrating is uncle **Matthew Cook '01**.

2007

Carrie Christian Antczak and her husband, Jason, welcomed Hope Louise Antczak on January 25, 2013. Hope weighed 5 pounds, and measured 19 1/2 inches. The couple was married on Sept. 3, 2011.

Dana Reznik Gerken and her husband, William, announce the birth of their first son, Oliver William Gerken, on February 21, 2013. Oliver weighed 7 pounds and 4 ounces, and was 20 inches long. The family lives in Lexington, Kentucky.

In Memoriam

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Alumni

1926

John W. Annas Jr., of Leesburg, Florida, died on April 7, 2013, at the age of 108. John was preceded in death by his brother, **Russell D. Annas '25**. He is survived by his son, **Lincoln L. Annas '54**, and daughter, **Margaret Annas Barnes '57**. (Please see longer version of this obituary online.)

1933

Margaret Riffle Davies, of Verona, Pennsylvania, died on Feb. 11, 2013, at the age of 102. Margaret was preceded in death by her sister, **Martha Riffle Eckhardt '34**.

1935

Kent "Fleet" Dillon, of Bellevue, Ohio, died on March 21, 2013, at the age of 99. Fleet is survived by his daughter, **Susan Dillon Proffitt '69**. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

1937

Grace Sweeny Mewhort, of Toledo, Ohio, died on April 6, 2013, at the age of 97. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Donald M. Mewhort, Sr. '36**. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority.

Frazier P. Shipps, of Nashua, New Hampshire, died on April 6, 2013, at the age of 97. Frazier graduated from the Cleveland/Marshall School of Law and was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1943. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. Most of his business career was spent with Aetna Life and Casualty, starting as a claim representative in Cleveland in 1939. Frazier was transferred to Aetna's home office in Hartford, Connecticut, in 1956, progressing to Claims Vice President then to Senior Vice President in charge of Aetna's casualty-property operations. He retired in 1976. Frazier was a dedicated and successful volunteer fundraiser, both for Ohio Wesleyan and for the Hunt Community in Nashua. Frazier received OWU's Founders' Medal in 1986 and Distinguished Service Award in 1990. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. Frazier was preceded in death by his father, **Herman M. Shipp**s 1913, wife, **Marion Hubbard Shipp**s '36, and siblings **Rachel Shipp**s Sandrock '37 and **Byron M. Shipp**s '40. He is survived by his children, **Nancy Shipp**s Proulx '63, **David F. Shipp**s '66, and **Mark H.**

Shipps '70, as well as grandchildren **David F. Shipp**s '99 and **Elizabeth Shipp**s Yeater '01.

Woodrow J. Zook, of Wooster, Ohio died on Feb. 18, 2013, at the age of 97. Woodrow is survived by his sons, **Thomas Zook '72** and **James Zook '76**.

1938

Lillian Flickinger Bernhagen, of Worthington, Ohio, died on Feb. 17, 2013, at the age of 96. Lillian was preceded in death by her parents, **Norman H. Flickinger 1912** and **Bertha Rogers Flickinger 1913**, as well as her siblings, **Norma Flickinger Poling '37** and **Judson Flickinger '42**. She is survived by sisters, **Eunice Flickinger Bonar '47** and **Wanda Jean Flickinger '50**, and daughter, **Penelope Bernhagen Braat '68**. She was a member of Chi Omega sorority.

1939

Elizabeth "Betty Jane" J. Carlson Bower, of Marietta, Ohio, died on Feb. 27, 2013, at the age of 96. She was preceded in death by her husband, **John F. Bower '39**. She is survived by her daughter, **Linda Bower Baugh '63**. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority.

Sue Bushfield Marr, of Newport Center, Vermont, died on March 3, 2013, at the age of 95. Sue was preceded in death by her husband, **Thomas. E. Marr '41**, and a sister, **Charlotte Bushfield Patterson '42**. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority.

1941

Ralph "Bal" Ballantine, of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, died on Feb. 16, 2013, at the age of 93. Ralph was preceded in death by his first wife, **Marjorie W. Ballantine '41**, and sister, **Betty Ballantine Luft '38**. He is survived by sister, **Joan Ballantine Newman '47**. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

Sara "Sally" Moore DeVaney, of Columbus, Ohio, died on March 23, 2013, at the age of 94. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority.

Marjorie "Jane" Foulds Hartland, of Sun City Center, Florida, died on March 26, 2013, at the age of 94. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority.

John R. Lesick Sr., of Cincinnati, Ohio, died on May 19, 2012, at the age of 94. John was preceded in death by his wife, **Mary "Dolly" Gillispie Lesick '43**. He is survived by sons **John R. Lesick Jr. '68** and **Lawrence T. Lesick '72**, as well as granddaughter, **Cheslyn F. Lesick '07**. He was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity.

Pauline Armstrong Stone, of Elyria, Ohio, died on Feb. 7, 2013, at the age of 93. Pauline was preceded in death by her sister, **Carol Armstrong Fahringer '43**. She was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority.

Charlotte "Betty" Meyer Wilcox, of Ligonier, Pennsylvania, died on March 31, 2013, at the age of 93. She was a member of Delta Gamma sorority.

1942

Ruth E. Purdy Zeller, of Columbus, Ohio, died on April 2, 2013, at the age of 92. She was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority.

1943

Thelma Tannous Erhorn, of Jacksonville, Florida, passed away on Nov. 29, 2012, at the age of 93. She is survived by son, **Craig Erhorn '73**.

Carol Armstrong Fahringer, of Sewell, New Jersey, died on Oct. 19, 2012, at the age of 90. She preceded her sister, **Pauline Armstrong Stone '41**, in death; however, Pauline then passed away on Feb. 7, 2013. Carol was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority.

Elizabeth "Betty" Stewart Ferguson, of Visalia, California, died on Feb. 13, 2013, at the age of 94.

Marjorie Werner Stanley, of Kettering, Ohio, died on April 17, 2013, at the age of 91. She was preceded in death by her brother, **Edward W. Werner '49**. Marjorie was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority.

1944

Gwendolyn Jones Nunn, of Cincinnati, Ohio, died on March 6, 2013, at the age of 90. She is survived by her husband of 68 years, **William Nunn '44**, daughters **Jenny Nunn Holland '74**, and her husband **Peter Holland '74**, and **Martha Nunn Lewis '83** and her husband **Norman Lewis '83**, and granddaughter, **Kathleen Lydia Lewis '12**. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority. (Please see longer version of this obituary online.)

Robert G. Trout, of Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, died on March 4, 2013, at the age of 90. Robert was preceded in death by his father, **Horatio G. Trout 1914**. He is survived by his son, **John R. Trout '81**. He was a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

Ruth "Sue" Peter Wray, of Treasure Island, Florida, died on March 9, 2013, at the age of 90. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority.

Phyllis Glasser Gilmore Zack, of Blairsville, Pennsylvania, died on April 7, 2013, at the age of 91. She was a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

1945

Harry A. Ackley, of Woodland, California, died on April 10, 2013, at the age of 88. He was a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

Dorothy Grose Ingalls, of Williamsville, New York, died on March 21, 2013, at the age of 91. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority.

Elizabeth A. “Libby” Hoffman Kuhn, of West End, North Carolina, died on March 1, 2013, at the age of 90. Elizabeth was preceded in death by her father, **George K. Hoffman 1916**. She is survived by her brother, **George G. Hoffman ’46**. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority.

Mary Sutherland Ohr, of Madison, New Jersey, died on April 19, 2013, at the age of 89. She was a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

1946

Myron Ferry, of Columbus, Ohio, died on March 23, 2013, at the age of 89. Myron was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

Carol Senseman Keesee, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, died on March 23, 2013, at the age of 88. She was a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

1947

Patricia A. Austin Goodrich, of Springfield, Ohio, died on March 5, 2013, at the age of 87. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority.

Francis S. Walker, of St. Louis, Missouri, died on March 30, 2013, at the age of 86. Francis is survived by his son, **John F. Walker ’74**. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

1948

Mildred “Mid” Black Fraser, of Portage, Michigan, died on April 23, 2013, at the age of 88. Mid was preceded in death by her husband, **William “Bill” H. Fraser ’48**. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority.

Judson W. Graab, of Fairview Park, Ohio, died on Feb. 18, 2013, at the age of 89. Judson was preceded in death by his brother, **George A. Graab ’43**. He was a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

Mary L. Lacy Huffman, of Norwich, Ohio, died on March 11, 2013, at the age of 87. Mary was preceded in death by her siblings, **Alice Lacy Short ’44**, **John V. Lacy ’49**, and **David A. Lacy ’52**. She is survived by her husband of 65 years, **Walker J. Huffman ’50**, and grandson **David T. Stewart ’12**. She was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority.

Enid Junge Pritchard, of Newton, New Jersey, died on March 5, 2013, at the age of 86. She was preceded in death by her husband, **John W. Pritchard ’49**. She is survived by her daughter, **Joanne Pritchard Campbell ’82**. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority.

William Quinn Jr., of Needham, Massachusetts, died on March 4, 2013, at the age of 87. William was preceded in death by his wife, **Elizabeth Corey Quinn ’46**. He was a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

1949

Richard L. Alexander, of Lindale, Texas, died on March 15, 2013, at the age of 89. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity.

June Smart Midden, of Delaware, Ohio, died on April 17, 2013, at the age of 86. She was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority.

Donald W. Zimmerman, of New Philadelphia, Ohio, died on April 14, 2013, at the age of 87. He is survived by his son, **Donald B. “Brad” Zimmerman ’75**. Don was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

1950

Lois Mae Applegate, of Westlake, Ohio, died on Feb. 4, 2013, at the age of 84.

Thurman A. Main, of Delaware, Ohio, died April 28, 2013, at the age of 89.

1951

Robert J. McDevitt, of Sarasota, Florida, died on Feb. 18, 2013, at the age of 83. Robert was preceded in death by his sister, **Eleanor McDevitt Kilroy ’47**. He was a member of Chi Phi fraternity.

Rod W. Swank, of Pemaquid, Maine, died on Feb. 8, 2013, at the age of 83. Rod was preceded in death by his wife, **Jean Brinton Swank ’50**. He was a member of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity.

Wallace “Wally” R. Thompson, of Pompano Beach, Florida, died on April 15, 2013, at the age of 83. Wally is survived by his wife, **Jo Ann Bradley Thompson ’53**, his son **Wallace S. “Scott” Thompson ’75**, and granddaughter **Amanda Thompson Oliver ’09**. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

1952

Ruth Sieker Gardner, of Columbus, Ohio died on March 23, 2013, at the age of 82. She is survived by her husband, **Robert M. Gardner ’51**, son, **Stephen J. Gardner ’79**, daughter Lori Gardner Loveless, former assistant director of development services for stewardship at Ohio Wesleyan, and granddaughter **Kelly E. Gardner ’10**. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. *(Please see longer version of this obituary online.)*

Phyllis Hazelwood Hamlin, of Kettering, Ohio, died on Feb. 10, 2013, at the age of 82. Phyllis is survived by her husband **Harlin Thomas “Tom” Hamlin ’51**. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority.

Donna Grisier Segrist, of West Lafayette, Indiana, passed away on April 8, 2013, at the age of 82. She was a member of Delta Gamma sorority.

1953

Charles D. Frame, of North Falmouth and Cataumet, Massachusetts, died on April 8, 2013, at the age of

82. Charles was preceded in death by his wife, **Ann Bowker Frame ’54**. He was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity.

George H. Pommert, of Washington Court House, Ohio, died on April 4, 2013, at the age of 81. George was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

Roy M. Westberg, of Lakeland, Florida, died on April 20, 2013, at the age of 90. Roy was preceded in death by his sister, **Ruth E. Westberg ’52**. He was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity.

1954

John L. Epler Jr., of Houston, Texas, died on March 9, 2013, at the age of 80. He was a member of Phi kappa Psi fraternity.

1955

Elizabeth “Liz” Clunk Myers Shelt, of Sebring, Ohio, died on Feb. 12, 2013, at the age of 79. Liz was preceded in death by her first husband, **Charles N. Myers ’58**. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority.

1956

Shirley Shank Gibbons, of Midlothian, Virginia, died on April 21, 2013, at the age of 78. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority.

Barbara Kohl Neagoy, of Cleveland, Ohio, died on Jan. 15, 2013, at the age of 78. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Nicholas Carl “Nick” Neagoy ’57**. She was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority. *(Please see longer version of this obituary online.)*

Richard G. Semple Sr., of Spokane, Washington, died on Feb. 25, 2013, at the age of 78. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

1958

Hamilton Kenneth “Ken” Gray, of La Quinta, California, died on Feb. 17, 2013, at the age of 80. Ken was preceded in death by his sister, **Barbara Gray Barry ’50**. He is survived by his wife **Jacqueline Servies Gray ’55**. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity.

1959

Ann Reuter Dove, of Shelbyville, Illinois, died on March 9, 2013, at the age of 76. Ann was preceded in death by her brother, **Stewart R. Reuter ’55**. She is survived by her husband, **Michael T. Dove ’58**, and a granddaughter, **Bailee A. Helton ’14**. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority.

Charlene Grimm Woods, of Twinsburg, Ohio, died on May 1, 2013, at the age of 75. Charlene is survived by her husband, **Charles P. Woods ’58**. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority.

1960

Lawrence “Larry” E. Honnold Jr., of Carrollton, Ohio, died on Feb. 18, 2013, at the age of 74. He was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity

Dean Allan McCartney, of Sarasota, Florida, died on April 23, 2013, at the age of 75. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

1961

James A. Hoage, of Severna Park, Maryland, died on Feb. 27, 2013, at the age of 73. He was a member of Alpha Sigma Phi.

1963

S. Leigh Rhodes Eastwood, of Maple Shade, New Jersey, died on Feb. 18, 2013, at the age of 71. She was a member of Chi Omega sorority.

1964

Janis Beers Bernard, of Acton, Massachusetts, died on March 25, 2013, at the age of 70.

1965

Robert F. Sharpe, of Falls Church, Virginia, died on Jan. 8, 2013, at the age of 69. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

Roger F. Fisher, of Toledo, Ohio, died on Feb. 20, 2013, at the age of 70. Roger is survived by his wife, **Lynn Andrews Fisher ’64**. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

1966

David S. Pollock, of Laytonsville, Maryland, died on March 16, 2013, at the age of 68. He was a member of Chi Phi fraternity.

Lee E. Seebach, of Bermuda Dunes, California, died on Feb. 28, 2013, at the age of 68. He was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

1967

Julia Ann “Judy” Doughman Curlless, of Cincinnati, Ohio, died on March 18, 2013, at the age of 67. She was a member of Chi Omega sorority.

Jacqueline “Jaci” Harper Phillips, of Indianapolis, Indiana, died on March 18, 2013, at the age of 68. She was a member of Delta Gamma sorority.

1969

Linda Hawkes Jones, of Asheville, North Carolina, died on March 8, 2013, at the age of 65. She was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority.

1972

Stephen W. Brown, of Columbus, Ohio, died on Feb. 24, 2013, at the age of 62. Stephen was preceded in death by his sister **Janet L. Brown ’79** and is

survived by his sister **Joellen Brown ’75**.

1973

Nancy White Freeman, of Colbert, Washington, died on March 14, 2013, at the age of 61. Nancy is survived by her husband, **Richard J. Freeman ’73**. She was a member of Chi Omega sorority.

1974

Joan Andrews Hays, of Columbus, Ohio, died on March 23, 2013, at the age of 60. Joan is survived by her husband, **W. Lee Hays ’72**, and her son, **Robert W. Hays ’04**. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority.

2010

Jeffrey Thongsawath, of Groveport, Ohio, died on Feb. 15, 2013, at the age of 24. Jeffrey was president of the OWU class of 2010. *(Please see longer version of this obituary online.)*

Friends

Margaret M. Palmer Hon. Al. 2000, of Findlay, Ohio, died on April 4, 2013, at the age of 95. She received honorary alumni status from Ohio Wesleyan in 2000. Margaret was the mother of Life Trustee **Carleton P. Palmer III ’64** and grandmother of current Trustee and Chair of OWU’s Facilities Committee, **C. Paul Palmer IV ’96**. Margaret was preceded in death by her husband, **C. Paul Palmer Jr. ’32**, who served on the OWU Board of Trustees from 1964-1979 as a West Ohio Trustee and continued his service from 1979-1992 as a Life Trustee. She is survived by her children, **Carleton P. Palmer III ’64** and **Thomas W. Palmer ’69**, grandson **C. Paul Palmer IV ’96**, and granddaughter **Elizabeth “Zibbi” Palmer Wentz ’99**. *(Please see longer version of this obituary online.)*

Faculty/Staff

Robert “Bob” C. Lawrence, professor emeritus of music for 40 years at OWU, died on Feb. 3, 2013, at the age of 86, in Santa Fe, New Mexico. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, **Donnis K. Lawrence**; daughter, **Stephanie Lawrence**; and son, **Robert Steven “Steve” Lawrence ’77**. *(Please see longer version of this obituary online.)*

Arthur Kenneth “Ken” Peacock, an instructor in mathematics at OWU from 1966 to 1972, died on March 6, 2013, at the age of 71, at his home in Moorestown, New Jersey. Ken is survived by his wife, **Joyce Schultz Peacock ’72**, and daughter **Diana**. *(Please see longer version of this obituary online.)*

William F. Waber Jr., a longtime resident of Delaware County, Ohio, and most recently of Columbus, Ohio, died on Jan. 28, 2013, at the age of 87. He is survived

by his wife of 62 years, **Eunice**; daughters, **Loyann Waber Brush ’80**, **Elise Waber Hays ’82**, and **Renee Waber Caserta ’85**, as well as granddaughter, **Rebecca Caserta ’15**. (The OWU Magazine apologizes for an error that appeared in Mr. Waber’s obituary in the Spring issue.) *(Please see longer version of this obituary online.)*

Sympathy

Joellen Brown ’75 for the loss of her brother, **Stephen W. Brown ’72**, who died on Feb. 24, 2013.

Timothy D’Angelo ’79 for the loss of his mother, **Priscilla Ruth Smith D’Angelo**, who passed away on March 3, 2013.

Robert M. Gardner ’51 for the loss of his wife, **Ruth Sieker Gardner ’52**, who died on March 23, 2013. Sympathy also to **Stephen J. Gardner ’79** and **Lori Loveless**, former assistant director of development services for stewardship at Ohio Wesleyan, for the loss of their mother; **Kelly E. Gardner ’10** for the loss of her grandmother; and **Sally Christiansen Harris ’76**, former OWU director of alumni relations, for the loss of her aunt.

The Rev. Carl Edward “Ed” Geiger ’58 and **Margaret “Peggy” Staples Geiger ’58** for the loss of their son, **David E. Geiger**, who passed away on April 19, 2013.

Carla Roe Hale ’78 for the passing of her mother, **Jeanne E. Roe**, who died on Feb. 25, 2013.

Raynelle Falkenau Heidrick ’63 for the passing of her husband, **Robert L. “Bob” Heidrick**, on April 14, 2013.

Diane Logdon Heinmiller ’75 for the loss of her mother, **Jane Logdon**, on March 29, 2013.

Melissa Jones and **OWU President Rock Jones**, for the passing of her mother and his mother-in-law, **Ella Mae “Lani” Lollar**, on March 22, 2013.

Charles H. Kurtz Jr. ’72 for the loss of his mother, **Julia Kurtz**, who died on April 17, 2013.

Diane Ayers High La Marche ’57 for the passing of her husband, **Phil La Marche**, on April 4, 2013.

Tricia “Minnow” Taylor-Lyphout ’92 for the passing of her sister, **Lori Marie Jones**, on Feb. 25, 2013.

Joyce Schultz Peacock ’72 for the loss of her husband, former OWU Mathematics Instructor **A. Kenneth Peacock**, who died on March 6, 2013.

Cynthia Rugart ’77 and **Conrad Rugart ’80** for the loss of their mother, **Patricia E. Rugart**, on March 17, 2013.

Emily Montag Vaughan ’86 on the loss of her mother, **Ethel Montag**, on April 18, 2012.

The Essence of Ohio Wesleyan

By *Craig Luke '85*

AS THE OUTGOING PRESIDENT OF OHIO WESLEYAN'S ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS, I CAN TRULY SAY THAT IT HAS BEEN AN HONOR AND PLEASURE TO SERVE THE UNIVERSITY IN THIS CAPACITY.

As a former director on the Alumni Board I was able to witness the great leadership of my predecessors. I also had the privilege of witnessing the growth of many students, from wide-eyed, anxious freshmen to confident and focused young men and women their senior year. As president, I learned a great deal about the importance of leading and a clearer perspective of leadership. Leading is more than leading a group. Effective leadership requires the leader to have a heart and desire for service. It requires a willingness to sacrifice. It is also an investment in the future.

Prior to Ohio Wesleyan, my opportunities for leadership were few and far between. I am the youngest of six children, so for the most part I was always being led by parents and older siblings. In addition, I am also the next-to-youngest grandchild for both my maternal and paternal grandparents. So for the most part, I was always being led by parents, older siblings, and cousins. Just recently, at a family gathering, a cousin reminded me of the "pecking order" that had been established in our family.

When I arrived at Ohio Wesleyan, I was basically a blank slate. Like most freshmen, I was unsure of many things and angst-ridden. I immediately immersed myself in Greek life by pledging Delta Tau Delta fraternity. For me, pledging a fraternity was the last thing I thought I would do. Little known to me, it was at this juncture that my leadership skills began to take shape. As a pledge, I was selected to serve as Vice President of the pledge class. Later that year, the pledge class was responsible for doing a community service project. We picked a campus Red Cross blood drive for our project. I, along with a couple other pledges, led the effort for our class. It was a rewarding and gratifying experience that showed me the importance of organization and follow through.

Outside of the fraternity, I joined the ranks of OWU's campus tour guides. I realized to help me overcome my tendency to be introverted, selling prospective students and their parents on the merits of OWU would be a good strategy. I served as a campus tour guide my sophomore, junior, and senior years. A by-product of this experience was my development of important communication skills. Coming from a background in which I had very few public speaking opportunities, this opportunity was a stretch for me—talking to complete strangers and persuading them to buy into a "product." It was a role that I cherished and took very seriously. The \$3.25 an hour was an added bonus!

While I was a campus tour guide, I also served as treasurer of my fraternity during my junior year. Serving in that capacity was definitely an excellent opportunity for me to apply theoretical concepts learned in my accounting classes. As treasurer, I was responsible for developing an annual budget, paying the fraternity's bills, paying our cooks, and the difficult part of the job: collecting dues from fraternity brothers. This experience was a forerunner of the "theory to practice" experiences of current students described by OWU President, Rock Jones. I learned the importance of dedication, time management, interpersonal skills in relating to various stakeholders (fraternity brothers, members of the house corporation, and our staff).

In my senior year, I was selected to serve in the role of student coordinator for one of the on-campus recruiting events as an intern in the admissions office. As student coordinator, I was responsible for coordinating student participants for on-campus recruiting events. This internship role showed me the importance of planning, being flexible, and establishing a solid work ethic and reputation among peers and colleagues.

The experiences of pledge class vice president, campus tour guide, fraternity treasurer, and student coordinator/intern in admissions had a tremendous impact on me in my professional career. As a Supervisory Financial Analyst in the division of Banking Supervision and Regulation



at the Federal Reserve Board of Governors, I am expected to serve in leadership roles in a variety of settings. I have led teams of individuals representing several generations in multiple locations. I have also led smaller teams challenged with solving narrowly focused issues. In each of these settings, I rely on skills learned not only from on-the-job and professional classroom training, but also on skills I developed while at Ohio Wesleyan.

In addition to leading teams and projects, I also serve as an instructor in the Federal Reserve System's Examiner Commissioning Program, which is a role that I cherish. In this role, I understand the importance of being a classroom leader who facilitates a comfortable learning environment and stimulates students' desires to learn. Beyond teaching in the ECP, I have also had the opportunity to teach in the Federal Reserve's Foreign Technical Assistance Program, a program in which the Federal Reserve Board of Governors offers technical assistance in relation to banking supervision to central banks in emerging economies. In this program, I have taught banking regulatory classes to banking supervisors of the staffs at the central bank of Peru in Lima, Peru and in Washington, D.C.

The reflections of students and alumni whose stories are highlighted in this edition of the *Magazine* are not exceptions but normal experiences that Ohio Wesleyan affords its students. The stories demonstrate and emphasize the importance of the development of leadership skills. As alumni, we can rest assured that the essence of Ohio Wesleyan as it was for us remains unchanged for current Ohio Wesleyan students.

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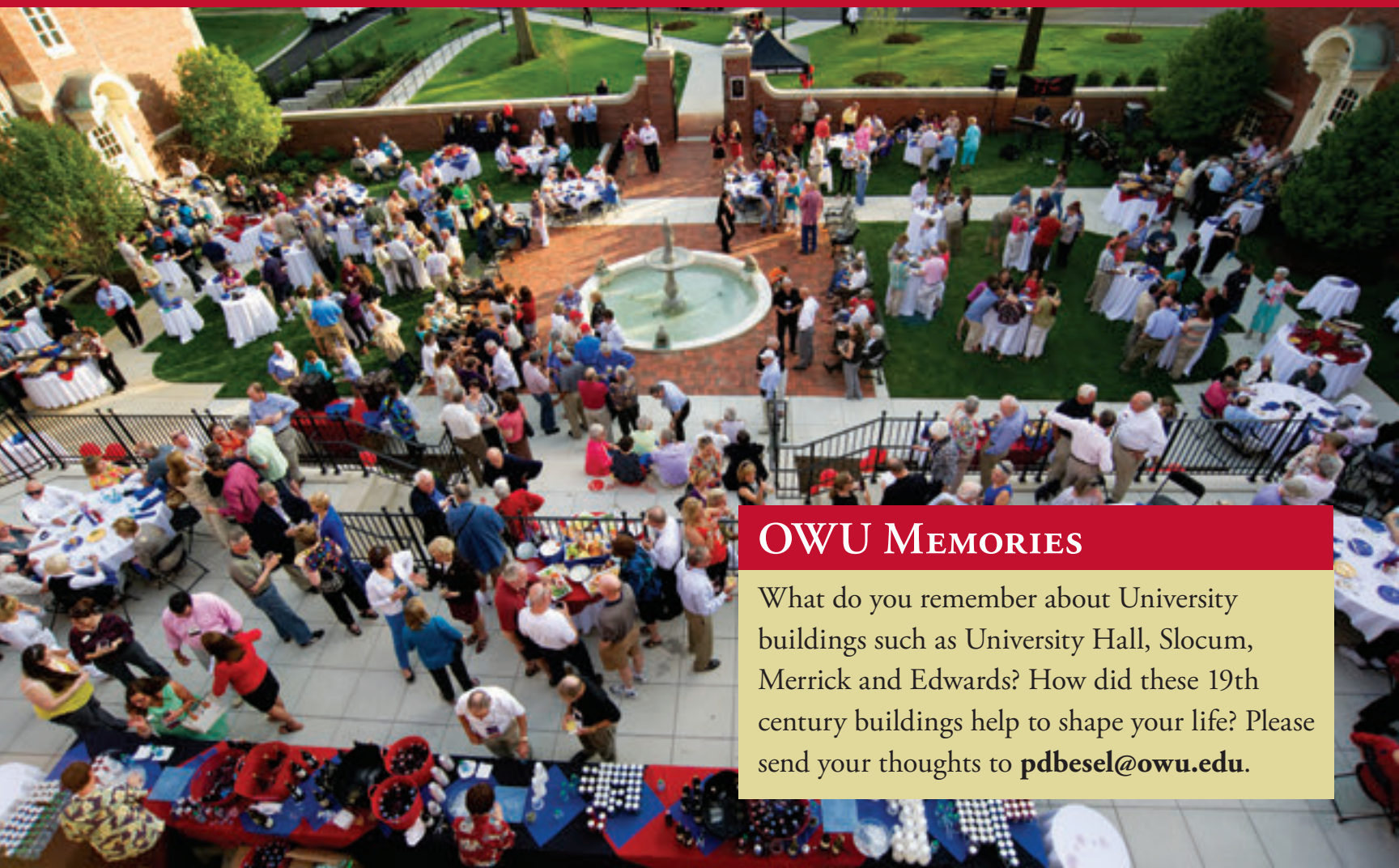
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