Honorary Alumnus / Alumna

Madge Stewart

By naming Madge Stewart today an honorary alumna of Ohio Wesleyan we formalize a connection which began in 1943. In that year Madge moved to Delaware with her late husband Jarvis when he joined Ohio Wesleyan's Department of Fine arts. Thus began a rich relationship which has endured to date for 44 years.

Early in her Delaware sojourn, Madge complete a number of courses at the University, thus enhancing her teaching at Smith elementary school, where she taught many future Ohio Wesleyan alumni, and qualifying, technically, for alumni status.

Madge has befriended, encouraged, and guided generations of college students, keeping them in her thoughts and affections as they achieve alumni status and leave campus to pursue careers in – or outside – the arts. She has been for many of them the primary link since graduation with Alma Mater and has helped perpetuate their loyalty to the University by keeping them in touch and in-the-know.

Her faithful sharing with the University information on current whereabouts and accomplishments of former students has provided valuable assistance in the institution's efforts to spread the good news about its graduates and to maintain accurate records.

A recent and highly visible evidence of her continuing involvement with Ohio Wesleyan was her coordinating and hanging a retrospective of Jarvis's painting in the Mowry Alumni Center, the first exhibit in the new facility's gallery space. Many first-time visitor to campus came to admire the show and, along the way, to learn something about Ohio Wesleyan.

Congratulations, Madge Stewart, and welcome to the inner circle of the Ohio Wesleyan family!

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