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## GREETINGS,

Last November I shared with you that Wright State had embarked on the most ambitious campaign since the founding of the university in 1964. Since the launch of *Tomorrow Takes Flight: The Campaign for Wright State University*, we've made remarkable progress toward reaching an aggressive \$40 million goal.

As we go to press with *Community* magazine, thousands of alumni, friends, faculty, and staff have already stepped forward to commit more than \$30 million toward scholarships for students, faculty development, facility improvements, and program support.

These gifts have made possible a major renovation project at the Festival Playhouse, expansion of our Wright STEPP and Summerbridge pre-college programs for underserved youth, several endowed chairs, the launch of the Urban Literacy Program, and important new medical research activities, among many other groundbreaking initiatives.

With this strong record of success, the university was poised to enter the next phase of the campaign—the National Alumni Challenge. As you will read about in this issue of *Community*, on October 26, alumni and friends gathered to celebrate the reconstruction of Alumni Tower, and kick off this new era of alumni support and involvement. Leading the National Alumni Challenge and a team of nearly 50 alumni volunteers are two distinguished Wright State alumni—Ron Amos ('76 B.S.B., '84 M.B.A.) and Gail Littlejohn ('76 M.S.).

Before the close of the campaign in 2004, every Wright State graduate will be invited to help us meet and even exceed our goal. I hope you will join me in making a gift toward the *Campaign for Wright State University*, and helping to perpetuate the university's legacy of excellence.



*Kim Goldenberg*

President, Wright State University

# INSIDE Community

## On the Cover:

Over the next year, these alumni will become familiar faces to the newspaper-reading public in the Miami Valley. The *Dayton Daily News* generously donated editorial space to feature one each week to mark the alumni phase of the Campaign for Wright State University.

**From left, 1st row:** Mike Adams ('70 B.S.B.); Ron Amos ('76 B.S.B., '84 M.B.A.); Christopher Barney ('73 B.S.); Tom Bartol ('82 B.S.N.); Samia W. Borchers ('80 M.D.); Erik Bork ('89 B.F.A.); Durado Brooks ('82 M.D.); Yolanda Bruce Brooks ('89 Psy.D.); Don Brown ('83 B.A.); Ron Bullock ('70 B.S.)

**2nd row:** James Cannon ('73 B.A., '74 M.S.); Annette K. Clayton ('86 B.S.); Kevin DeWine ('96 M.B.A.); Michael DiFlora ('72 B.S.); Eric Ellis ('84 B.S.B.); Dolores Etter ('70 B.S., '72 M.S.); Dorothy Fiorino ('80 M.S.N.); David Gasper ('78 B.S.B.); Steve Hampton ('80 B.M.); J.R. Harding ('91 B.A.)

**3rd row:** Judy Hennessey ('72 B.S.Ed., '75 M.Ed.); Jamie King ('80 B.S.B.); Roger Kintzel ('70 B.A.); Larry Klaben ('77 B.A.); Bonnie G. Langdon ('77 B.A., '79 M.A.); Dave Long ('78 M.Ed.); Gail Littlejohn ('76 M.S.); Gregory Lockhart ('73 B.S.B.); Deb Mals ('78 B.S.N., '89 M.S.); Ron Marshall ('76 B.S.B.)

**4th row:** Gary McCullough ('81 B.S.B.); Alan McGee ('79 B.S., '82 M.D.); Robin Moore-Cooper ('85 B.A., '90 M.R.C.); Christine Moore-Goad ('72 B.S.Ed., '94 M.Ed.); James Mountz ('69 B.S.); Roger Pacholka ('80 B.A., '88 M.D.); Dianne Pettis ('96 M.S.N.); Bob Reed ('70 B.S.B., '73 M.B.A.); Bill Richey ('84 B.S., '86 M.Ed.); Curtis B. Schacker ('85 B.S.)

**5th row:** Jeff Schmitt ('76 B.S.B.); Keith St. Pierre ('86 Ed.S.); Robert Sudhoff ('77 B.S.B.); Sherry Sutton ('96 M.Ed., '98 M.Ed.); Pat Torvick ('72 B.S.Ed., '77 M.Ed.); Christine Wallace ('77 B.A., '81 M.B.A.); Rick Wegmann ('82 M.B.A.); Anthony Whitmore ('80 M.Ed.); Dan Young ('97 M.B.A.); Joyce C. Young ('75 B.A.)

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## Space Icons Visit

The First Flight Federal Advisory Board and the U.S. Centennial of Flight Commission held their first joint meeting at Wright State's Paul Laurence Dunbar Library in October. The Advisory Board attendees included aviation pioneers Neil Armstrong (back row, second from left) and John Glenn (front row, left). The Centennial of Flight Commission was created by the U.S. Congress to coordinate the celebrations of the centennial of the Wright brothers' first flight.

## Virtual Research Expands

WSU recently received from the state of Ohio a \$250,000 grant to expand its Virtual Environment Research-Interactive Technology and Simulation (VERITAS) project. The funding will expand new technology and use of the Internet for graduate students and facilitate collaborative faculty research.

The VERITAS facility, also known as the CAVE Automatic Virtual Environment, or simply "The CAVE," presents video and auditory virtual environment experiences in a multi-person, high-resolution, 3D environment. The facility helps researchers study human perception and performance in synthetic environments. The technology has applications for airplane cockpits, endosurgery, design and manufacturing, prosthetic and orthotic devices, and others.

Though housed at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the VERITAS facility is owned and operated by Wright State.

## Fall Quarter Sees Enrollment Hike

This fall, Wright State reported a record breaking year for total number of students enrolled on its main and Lake campuses as well as credit hours taken. Total enrollment was 16,514 for the 2002-2003 academic year, representing an increase of 704 students, or 4.5 percent, from last year.

"There are several factors contributing to our enrollment increase," said Dan Abrahamowicz, vice president for Student Affairs and Enrollment Services. "These include new campus housing and dining facilities, increased student recruitment activities, and the value of a WSU education. Students and parents in the Miami Valley, throughout Ohio, and beyond are recognizing the quality and value of Wright State."

The College of Engineering and Computer Science had the largest increase among colleges offering both undergraduate and graduate degrees, followed by the College of Education and Human Services, the College of Nursing and Health, the College of Liberal Arts, and the Raj Soin College of Business.

Enrollment at the Lake Campus increased by 165 students, or 10.4 percent, and is at an all-time high with 1,122 students.

A total of 2,851 students live in campus housing, the highest number ever.



**Move-In Day**—The new Honors Community features state-of-the-art classrooms, a computer lab, and a faculty-in-residence.

## Curry-Jackson Named Lake Campus Dean

Anita Curry-Jackson, Ph.D., M.S.W., is the new dean of Wright State University's Lake Campus. Curry-Jackson has served as chair and associate professor of social work.



Since joining the WSU faculty in 1987, she has served as a faculty member, field coordinator, and department chair and was the WSU coordinator for the Student Achievement in Research and Scholarship (STARS) program of the Ohio Board of Regents.

Curry-Jackson has been and is the principal investigator for several grants and has consulted with several community agencies. She has published materials related to children and youth, critical thinking, mental health, and community assessment.

## Rudisill Takes SOPP Dean Post

John R. Rudisill, Ph.D., ABPP, is the new dean of Wright State's School of Professional Psychology. Rudisill came to the post from his work as professor and director of the Division of Applied Psychology in the Department of Family Medicine.



A member of the Wright State faculty since 1977, Rudisill's research interests include teaching psychology courses to nonpsychologists. Rudisill's research helps psychologists educate medical students in such areas as personal lifestyles, substance abuse, geriatric education, family dynamics, death and dying, and personality disorders.

In 1993, Rudisill conceived and founded the Division of Applied Psychology, the first of its kind.

## New Ph.D. Program in Environmental Sciences

This fall Wright State launched a new Ph.D. program in environmental sciences, the only such program in Ohio and one of a few in the country that equips scientists with the multifaceted skills and knowledge to solve today's environmental problems.

The program focuses on three key environmental areas confronting business, industry, and government today: environmental chemistry and toxicology, environmental stressors, and environmental geophysics.

Offered through WSU's Institute for Environmental Quality (IEQ), the program trains scientists to research and address complex environmental issues such as surface and groundwater quality management, preservation of aquatic and wildlife diversity, habitat restoration, chemical and physical contamination of watersheds, food chain contamination, and exposure to hazardous materials.

For more information about the Ph.D. program or other environmental programs at Wright State, call Allen Burton, director, at (937) 775-2201 or e-mail allen.burton@wright.edu.

## Zinc Oxide Conference Draws International Audience

More than 160 scientists from leading universities and corporations around the world attended the Second International Workshop on Zinc Oxide sponsored in October by Wright State, the Materials Research Society, the Office of Naval Research, and the Office of Naval Research.

The conference explored the hottest new material for the electronics age: zinc oxide, considered a rising star in materials research, according to David Look, director of the Semiconductor Research Center at Wright State University. "Researchers predict in ten to 20 years all lights will be made with zinc oxide and will last up to 200,000 hours, and zinc oxide lasers will increase the storage capacity of DVDs and CD-ROMs by five fold. Just having this conference has advanced the field quite a bit in the past six months."

On September 18, President Kim Goldenberg continued a campus tradition of welcoming the campus community to a new academic year by recognizing university excellence and innovation. Following are the faculty and staff who received presidential awards for excellence and exemplary service.

### Presidential Awards for Faculty Excellence



**Margaret Clark Graham**  
Nursing  
Outstanding Faculty Member



**Shumei Sun**  
Community Health  
Brage Golding  
Distinguished Professor  
of Research



**Luis A. "Tony" Ortiz**  
Athletic Training and  
Sports Medicine  
Outstanding Lecturer



**December Green**  
International Studies  
Excellence in Teaching



**Roger Siervogel**  
Community Health  
and Pediatrics  
Faculty Excellence in  
Research



**Donna Cole**  
Education  
Faculty Excellence in  
Professional Service

### Presidential Awards for Staff Excellence



**Charles Beckley**  
Pharmacology and  
Toxicology  
Human Relations:  
Classified



**Mai T. Nguyen**  
Asian/Hispanic/Native  
American Center (AHNA)  
Human Relations:  
Unclassified



**Renee Harber**  
Political Science  
Innovation: Classified



**John L. Bale**  
School of Medicine  
Innovation:  
Unclassified



**Thomas R. Brookey**  
Raj Soin College of  
Business  
Service: Unclassified



**Joanie Gahrts**  
Financial Aid  
Service: Classified

**Department of Educational Leadership**  
Outstanding Unit

**Divisions of Academic Affairs**  
**Student Affairs and Enrollment Services**  
Outstanding Collaborative Units

## AROUND THE QUAD

**Noah Adams** of National Public Radio's *All Things Considered*, was a frequent visitor to WSU's archives this past year to conduct research for a book he is writing about the Wright brothers. On left is his wife, Neena Ellis, author and radio journalist; right is Dawne Dewey, head of WSU's archives.



**There's No Place Like Home** for these WSU students who celebrated Homecoming in the spirit of *The Wizard of Oz*.



**Remembering September 11:** The American flag was raised then lowered to half staff at 8:46 a.m. on September 11, 2002, to mark the one-year anniversary of the attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon.



**Sally Ride Science Club Festival:** The first woman in space visited campus this fall to encourage young girls to pursue science and math. About 700 area middle school girls participated in workshops ranging from the wonders of rocket science to smart crash test dummies.



**WSU's first lady Shelley Goldenberg** joined in the Halloween fun on campus that included a traditional costume contest along with a multicultural celebration featuring dance, food, and native dress representing cultures from around the world.



### Biomedical Research Partnership

Wright State is a partner institution in a \$9 million research award from the State of Ohio's Biomedical Research and Technology Transfer Commission's (BRTTC) Partnership Award Program. The award, one of three presented by the BRTTC, will be used to develop a comprehensive biomedical research and biotechnology partnership in Southwest Ohio. Funds from this award will be used for the study of cancer biology, neuroscience, endocrinology, and cardiovascular/pulmonary biology.

Partners include the University of Cincinnati, Children's Hospital Research Foundation in Cincinnati, Procter and Gamble, Acero, Inc., and Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

Development of biomedical research and technology in Ohio is a key component of Governor Robert Taft's Third Frontier Project, a \$1.6 billion, 10-year plan to establish Ohio as a national leader in biotechnology research.

### Grants Bolster Toxicity Research

The U.S. Department of Defense awarded grants to two School of Medicine faculty members. The Office of Naval Research awarded Jay B. Dean, professor of physiology and biophysics, more than \$243,500 to purchase equipment that will aid the research in oxygen toxicity and develop methods to predict and prevent the onset of oxygen toxicity in military divers.

Nicholas V. Reo, associate professor of biochemistry and molecular biology, received more than \$478,000 from the Air Force Office of Scientific Research to purchase a high-resolution Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Spectrometer for the Wright State University Magnetic Resonance Laboratory.

The NMR spectroscopy will be used in the research of cellular biochemistry and tissue metabolism and the metabolic changes that occur when cells are exposed to toxins.



Calling all black tie lovers: Mark your calendars now for the region's premiere celebration of the arts in the Miami Valley.

WSU's College of Liberal Arts will present its fourth annual ArtsGala on April 5 in the Creative Arts Center. The elegant evening features the talents of WSU's music, dance, and art students with proceeds going to scholarships. Call 775-5512 for information.



L-R: State Senator Steve Austria, President Kim Goldenberg, Education dean Greg Bernhardt, and State Senator Scott Nein.

## Goldenberg Hosts Lawmakers

President Kim Goldenberg welcomed to campus in August several Ohio legislators to discuss the future of Ohio's educational system and share information about Wright State's many initiatives to prepare tomorrow's teachers today.

"By partnering with local schools and area programs, the College of Education and Human Services is helping to prepare quality teachers, especially in the areas of science, math, foreign language, and special education," explained Goldenberg. Other key WSU initiatives discussed included interactive video distance learning, use of wireless technology in the classroom, and an urban literacy program that is helping to increase reading proficiency for elementary school students.

## WSU Depository for Congressional Papers

WSU's world-renowned Special Collections and Archives was selected by U.S. Representative Tony Hall to be the depository for all his correspondence, legislative files, photographs, and other materials from his nearly 24 years in Congress.

Hall, who held the Dayton congressional seat longer than any other representative, retired in August to become a representative to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Agency in Rome.

Among the collection are letters from the public in reaction to his proposal for Congress to issue an apology for slavery, and letters commenting on the caning in Singapore of Kettering teenager Michael Fay in 1994. Also included are pictures of Hall with former presidents and Mother Teresa, and draft legislation that created the national Centennial of Flight Commission.

## WSU Lead Partner in History Grant

Wright State University is the lead institution of a \$915,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education to work with Dayton Public Schools and local museums and historical associations to improve the teaching and learning of history in Dayton's schools.

The "Citizenship, Creativity, and Invention in American History Project" is a three-year initiative that will include 80 teachers in Dayton's middle and high schools. As a major partner in writing and implementing the grant, Wright State will conduct summer teacher institutes on campus, provide professional development seminars and workshops for teachers, and serve as consultants for revising the district's history curriculum.

Other partners in the grant project are the U.S. Air Force Museum, the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historic Park, the Montgomery County Historical Society, the Dayton and Montgomery County Public Library, and the National Afro-American Museum.

## Grants Expand International Programs

The U.S. Department of Education (DOE) has awarded Wright State University three new grants totaling \$550,000 for new or expanded programs in international studies, international business education, and comparative regional planning. A \$200,000 DOE award the university received in 2001 makes WSU the only institution in the United States to receive four such awards, totaling \$750,000, within a period of 14 months.

Through awards from the Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Languages grant, the Business and International Education Program, and the Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education (FIPSE), the university will expand its existing collaborations with universities in Europe and the Americas and develop new international education programs on campus.

Previously, FIPSE granted Wright State's College of Science and Mathematics and School of Medicine \$200,000 to support a student exchange between biotechnology students from Wright State and the University of Iowa with students from Brazil. WSU's first group of Brazilian students is studying on campus this fall.

"The goal of these programs is to educate future leaders for our region who will understand both local and global concerns and draw upon skills and perspectives they have acquired both here and abroad," said Douglas C. Nord, professor of political science and executive director of the University Center for International Education.

For more information on international educational opportunities at Wright State, contact Nord at (937) 775-5745.



# TOMORROW TAKES FLIGHT

*The Campaign for Wright State University*

## SCHOLARSHIP HONORS THE MEMORY OF A MENTOR

In memory of Thomas D. Weeda, Presto (“America’s Favorite Foods”) has contributed \$10,000 to establish a scholarship for students pursuing their accountancy degree at the Raj Soin College of Business. Presto’s goal is to increase the total contribution to \$20,000, allowing for a perpetual scholarship in Tom’s name.

Tom Weeda began his accounting career working as the director of finance for the Ohio Department of Mental Health. After developing a consulting firm, he returned to his hometown of Steubenville, Ohio, to continue this venture and opened his own accounting agency. In 1984, Tom joined Presto in Dayton as director of finance, where several of his family members continue to work.

“Tom was a typical accountant—very dedicated to what he did and focused on doing things correctly,” said his brother Phil Weeda, president of Presto Foods. “He was instrumental in doing the financial planning that took Presto from a \$3 million operation to almost \$50 million in sales.”

**Also an active member of the community, Tom felt strongly about the importance of sharing his knowledge of finance with college students in the local area, and helping them to develop their talents.**

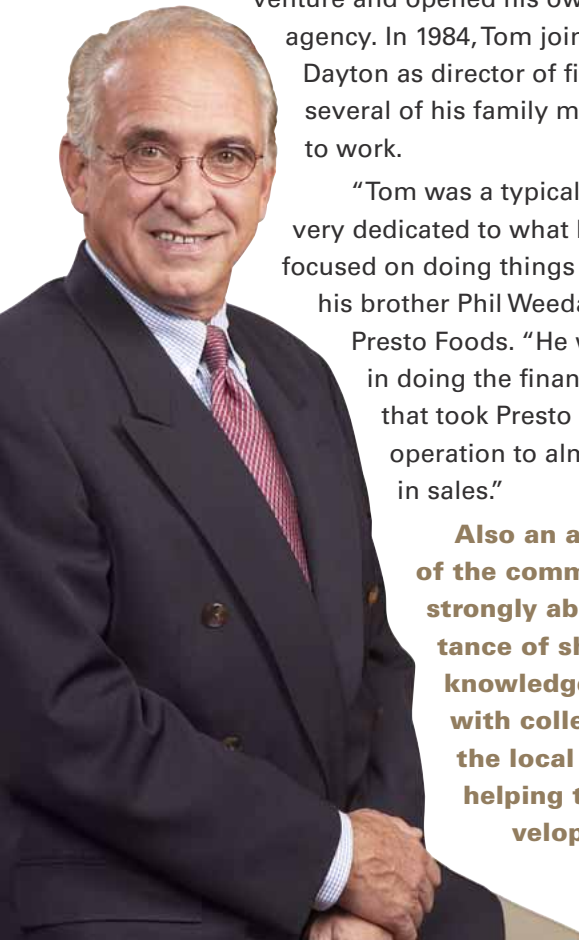
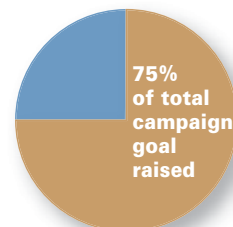
During his tenure at Presto Foods, Tom regularly accepted Wright State students for accounting internships. Many of those relationships with interns continued as they progressed from students into professionals.

“Tom was proud of his relationship with the university, and took a very personal interest in the Wright State students who worked with him,” said Phil. “As a mentor, he instilled in them the commitment to strive toward their personal best. When he passed away, we knew that starting a WSU scholarship was a wonderful way to honor his memory.”

### CAMPAIGN COMMITMENTS REACH \$30 MILLION

Total campaign commitments as of Oct. 31, 2002:

<b>Scholarship</b>	<b>\$5.1 million</b>
<b>Faculty Development</b>	<b>\$4.6 million</b>
<b>Facility Improvement</b>	<b>\$5.6 million</b>
<b>Program Support</b>	<b>\$14.7 million</b>





## NEW FOUNDATION MEMBERS

This year the Foundation Board of Trustees confirmed the election of five new members to serve on the board through 2005.

They are **Lorna Dawes ('77 B.A.), immediate past executive director for The Muse Machine in Dayton.** Previously, Lorna served as the director of the Wright State University Center, and worked in various positions at WSU for 19 years.

**Theresa Gasper, former owner of Colonel Glenn Executive Suites in Dayton,** has served on numerous committees for Office Business Centers Association International, and was the winner of the 1994 Jane Booras Volunteer of the Year, Success '95, and Leadership '96 Awards.

**Roger Kintzel ('70 B.A.), publisher of The Atlanta Journal-Constitution since 1995,** has been with Cox Enterprises since 1979 and has served as publisher of four Cox newspaper operations. He is the chairman of the United Way Board of Atlanta, and a member of the Carter Center Board of Councilors.

**Ron Marshall ('76 B.S.B.) joined the Nash Finch Company as president and CEO in 1998.** Prior to his current position with Nash, he served as executive vice president and CEO with several companies including Barnes & Noble Bookstores, Inc.

**John Warner, senior vice president of consumer lending at Fifth Third Bank,** first joined Fifth Third in 1983, and held various positions, becoming senior vice president in 1999. An active community leader, he coaches several youth sports teams and is a member of Rotary Club, Kiwanis, and Leadership Dayton.

## ENGINEERING CELEBRATES

On September 5, the College of Engineering and Computer Science hosted a celebration to commemorate the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the college, and the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Russ Engineering Center. Guests, including President and Mrs. Goldenberg, past president Robert Kegerreis, and corporate and alumni supporters, gathered to recognize the many achievements of the college. Also feted were Fritz and Dolores Russ, who were celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

At the event, Dean James Brandeberry shared plans for the growth of the college, which include adding 20 new faculty, 40,000 square feet of research space, 25 new scholarships, and expanding research efforts.

## SUTTON, McHUGH ENDOW SCHOLARSHIP

"Wright State's impact on the quality of life in the Miami Valley is without equal!" says Jerry Sutton ('72 M.S.) charter and lifetime member in the WSU Alumni Association, and vice chair of the WSU Foundation Board of Trustees.

And as an active member of the community and long-time supporter of Wright State, Jerry believes in investing in ideas and institutions with strong growth potential. Earlier this year as part of the Campaign for Wright State University, Jerry and his wife Sandy McHugh established an endowed scholarship with the College of Engineering and Computer Science.

"As a graduate of four universities, I chose to focus my energies and resources to further Wright State because my contributions have a greater impact in shaping the future," says Jerry. "Over the past 35 years, I have seen WSU provide diverse educational opportunities to individuals, and valuable research to local and national institutions. This constitutes a vital resource for developing and sustaining business and governmental institutions in the region."

Sutton retired in 1999 as executive director of the Aeronautical Systems Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Sandy, also retired from the base, currently serves on the board of Kids' Voting, and volunteers at Cox Arboretum. Her youngest daughter, Emily, is a WSU graduate student.

In an effort to maximize their contribution to WSU and plan for their own retirement, Jerry and Sandy chose to establish a charitable gift annuity—one of several giving vehicles that have risen in popularity in recent years. In the last year alone, donors gave more than \$1 million to WSU through planned gifts.

"Gift annuities are essentially contracts," says Bob Batson, director of Advancement Services and Planned Giving. "Donors contribute assets to WSU and the Foundation pays them a fixed income for their lifetime." Planned gifts can facilitate larger gifts to WSU than the donor may have thought possible, while at the same time providing them with financial stability in their later years.

For information on planned giving visit <http://wsufoundation.wright.edu> or call (937) 775-2869.



## TOWER OF THE HOUR

### *Dedication Marks Alumni Campaign Kickoff*

On October 26, a scaled replica of the bell tower was dedicated to help launch a new era of alumni pride and participation—the National Alumni Challenge of *Tomorrow Takes Flight: The Campaign for Wright State University*. The challenge: to raise \$5 million in alumni gifts to support scholarships, faculty development, facility improvements, and program support.

The alumni campaign is co-chaired by two prominent Wright State graduates: Gail Littlejohn ('76 M.S.), president, Dayton School Board; and Ron Amos ('76 B.S.; '84 M.B.A.), Dayton region president, U.S. Bank.

Launched last November, the campaign's overarching goal is to raise \$40 million by 2004.

Since that date, the university has received more than \$30 million in total campaign commitments.

A National Alumni Advisory Council will help solicit other grads in their local areas and nearly 50 local alumni will call on fellow grads in the Miami Valley over the next year.



## WSU GRADS: IN GOOD COMPANY

As one of Ohio's newest universities, Wright State is not bound by stale traditions. Building on its youth, it has been relentless about exploring new approaches and possibilities, and anticipating what it will take for its students to succeed tomorrow, next year, and in the years to come.

Nowhere is this more evident than in the many achievements of the university's nearly 67,000 alumni. They are dynamic leaders in their fields. They are judges, engineers, bankers, and artists, changing the way the global economy operates, educating our nation's youth, exploring new medical technologies, and so much more. Not bad for a university just over 35 years old.

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### Ron Amos

**('76 B.S. Business, '84 M.B.A.)**

Co-chair, WSU's National Alumni Challenge Campaign; President, U.S. Bank Dayton, Ohio

*According to Amos:*

"As a business person, I see proof everyday of the university's profound impact not only on this region but also on issues being addressed throughout the state and nation."



### Gail M. Littlejohn

**('76 M.S. Counseling)**

Co-chair, WSU's National Alumni Challenge Campaign; President, Dayton Public School Board; Dayton, Ohio

*According to Littlejohn:*

"By answering the call to support Wright State, alumni are raising the bar of excellence and prestige of an institution to which their name and history are forever linked."



### Gary McCullough

**('81 B.S.B. Management)**

Senior Vice President of the Americas, Wm. Wrigley Jr. Company Chicago, Illinois

*Best Advice*

"Manage your career by telling people what you want. Then deliver results."



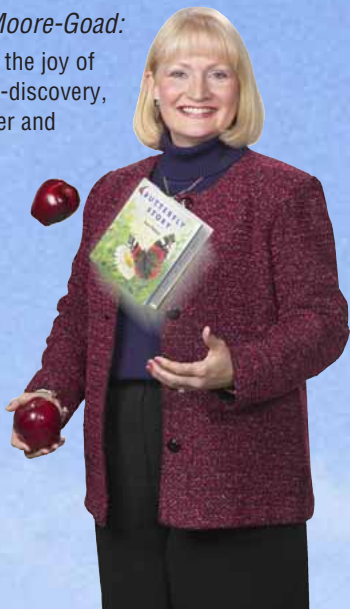
### Christine Moore-Goad

**('72 B.S. Education, '94 M.Ed. Teacher Leader)**

Curriculum Leader, Kettering City Schools, Kettering, Ohio

*According to Moore-Goad:*

"When we share the joy of learning and self-discovery, we become closer and stronger as a family."



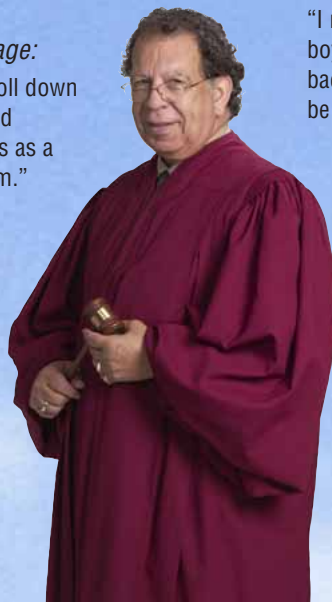
### James Cannon

**('73 B.A., Sociology, '74 M.S., Social and Applied Economics)**

Municipal Court Judge  
Dayton, Ohio

*Favorite Adage:*

"Let justice roll down like water, and righteousness as a mighty stream."



### Kevin DeWine

**('96 M.B.A. Finance)**

State Representative  
Columbus, Ohio

*According to DeWine:*

"I really want my four boys to be able to look back at my career and be proud."



# WRIGHT STATE GRADS

### Ron Bullock

**('70 B.S. Systems Engineering)**

President and CEO, Bison Gear and Engineering  
St. Charles, Illinois

*According to Bullock:*

"Your vision needs to take you beyond the horizon."



### Sherry Sutton

**('96 M.Ed. Elementary Education, '98 M.Ed. Educational Leadership)**

Teacher Trainer, Antioch University McGregor  
Yellow Springs, Ohio

*According to Sutton:*

"You won't survive if you don't have a sense of humor."



### Bonnie G. Langdon

**('77 B.A. Sociology, '79 M.A. Applied Behavioral Science)**

President and CEO, The Maria-Joseph Living Care Center  
Dayton, Ohio

*According to Langdon:*

"Be willing to be a change agent."



## Dianne Pettis

**('96 M.S. Nurse Practitioner)**

Nurse Practitioner, PriMed Pediatrics  
Huber Heights, Ohio

*According to Pettis:*

"If you see a need, fill it."



## Joyce Young

**('75 B.A. English)**

Community Volunteer;  
Founder, Ergonomics, Inc.  
Dayton, Ohio

*According to Young:*

"Volunteer service is a way of life."



## Dan Young

**('97 M.B.A. Management)**

CEO, Young's Jersey Dairy  
Yellow Springs, Ohio

*According to Young:*

"Face reality as it is, not as it was or you wish it to be."



# IN GOOD COMPANY

## David Gasper

**('78 B.S. Business)**

Founder and Chairman of the Board  
Gasper Corporation, Beavercreek

*Best Advice:*

"Always push yourself to the limits, see how far you can go, and don't be satisfied with anything else. If you don't try to push yourself to the limits, you are cheating yourself."



## Anthony Whitmore

**('80 M.Ed. Special Education)**

Director, Governor Taft's  
Regional Economic  
Development Office  
Columbus, Ohio

*Best Advice*

"There are no free lunches in life."



## Mike Adams

**('70 B.S. Business Management)**

CEO and Founder,  
Adams-Robinson  
Enterprises  
Dayton, Ohio

*Best Advice*

"For every action there is a reaction. Not just in the laws of physics, but also in dealing with people."



# WSU ALUMNI:



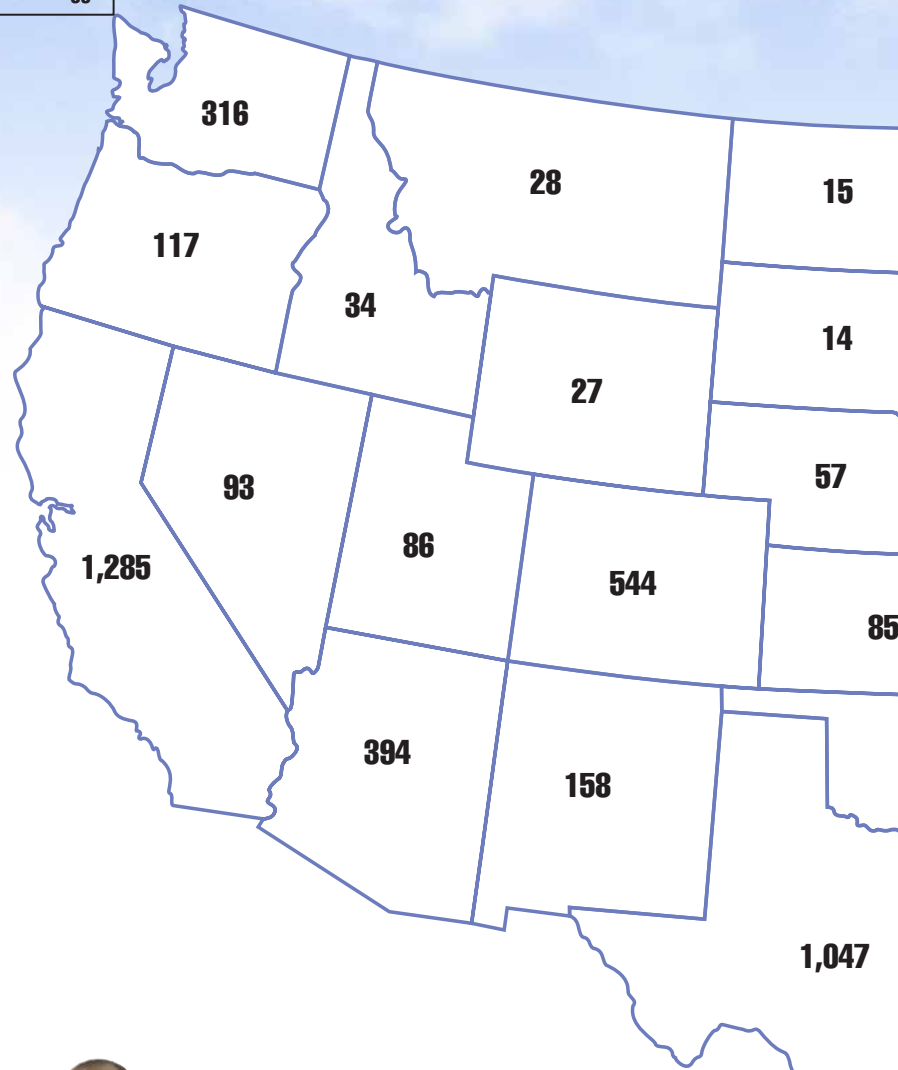
## Curtis B. Schaker

('85 B.S. Computer Science)

Managing Partner, Embedded Solutions Partners  
Petaluma, California

### Favorite Quote

"A leader is a man who can adapt principles to circumstances."



## Erik Bork

('89 B.F.A. Motion Picture Production)

Filmmaker  
Hollywood, California

### According to Bork:

"Wright State is on a par with any other film school you could name."



## Alumni Tally



**Graduates in the U.S.:**  
58,228\*

**Graduates Abroad:**  
240\*

**Total (as of 6/02):**  
66,822

\*Reflects those with known addresses.

## Durado Brooks

('82 M.D.)

Director, Prostate and Colorectal Programs, American Cancer Society  
Dallas, Texas

### Best Advice

"Ask forgiveness, not permission."



## Yolanda Bruce Brooks

('89 Psy.D. Professional Psychology)

Psychologist, Dallas Cowboys  
Dallas, Texas

### Best Advice

"Listen to your heart, but know your head."



# THEY'RE EVERYWHERE

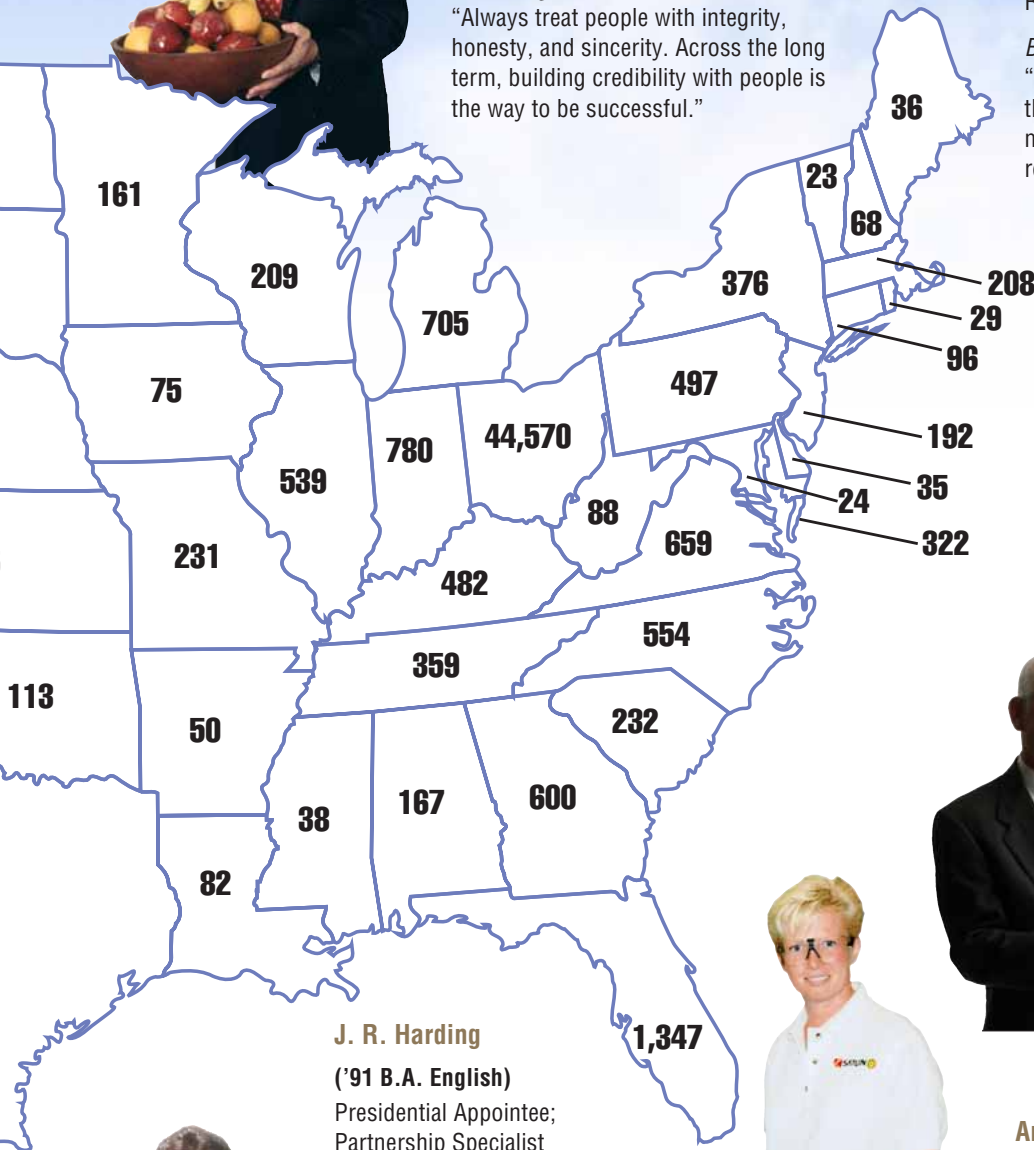


**Ron Marshall**  
 ('76 B.S.B. Accountancy)  
 CEO, Nash Finch  
 Minneapolis, Minnesota

*According to Marshall:*  
 "Always treat people with integrity, honesty, and sincerity. Across the long term, building credibility with people is the way to be successful."

**Tom Bartol**  
 ('82 B.S. Nursing)  
 Family Nurse Practitioner,  
 Richmond Area Health Center  
 Richmond, Maine

*Best Advice*  
 "What matters are not the mistakes we make, but how we recover from them."



**Dolores Etter**  
 ('70 B.S., '72 M.S. Mathematics)  
 Teacher, U.S. Naval Academy  
 Annapolis, Maryland

*According to Etter:*  
 "Education is one of the great equalizers of the world."



**Roger Kintzel**  
 ('70 B.A. English)  
 Publisher, *The Atlanta Journal Constitution*  
 Atlanta, Georgia

*According to Kintzel:*  
 "A vibrant newspaper is absolutely critical to the functioning of the democratic society."



**J. R. Harding**  
 ('91 B.A. English)  
 Presidential Appointee;  
 Partnership Specialist  
 Office of Vocational Rehabilitation  
 Tallahassee, Florida

*According to Harding:*  
 "Having gone to three different universities and traveled the world from my wheelchair, I'm still amazed at the standards of independent living WSU offers someone with special needs."

**Annette K. Clayton**  
 ('86 B.S. Human Factors Engineering)  
 President, Saturn Corporation  
 Spring Hill, Tennessee

*Best Advice*  
 "An 'I can' attitude is the first step to success."





The Wright State University Board of Trustees recently extended President Kim Goldenberg's term in office to 2007. As he begins his second term, President Goldenberg met with *Community* magazine to share his thoughts on his first four-plus years and his plans for the future.

# Building a Legacy

*The Board of Trustees recently extended your term to 2007. What made you decide to stay at Wright State University?*

The people here at the university, and the impact they've had on the region and beyond. For example, about one-quarter of our students are first generation, so we know we're making a big difference in providing access to education. We have a world-class faculty and staff, and I think that makes a tremendous difference.

*As you look back over your first four years, what are you most proud of?*

I think we've hired and retained some of the best faculty and staff in Ohio and the U.S. We are now the university of choice for valedictorians in the area, among all universities in the country. We've grown to the point where we have 11 nationally funded education and research centers.



***Any disappointments?***

Probably the overwhelming disappointment is the reductions in the state higher education budget, which is so critical for Ohio's economic vitality and development.

***You have also been named chair of the Inter-University Council for this academic year. What do you foresee as the challenges for higher education in Ohio?***

Clearly the challenge is preventing or minimizing further budget reductions to the higher education budget for FY '03, and encouraging growth of the budget in FY '04 to FY '05 and beyond. There is no question in my mind that this is the major challenge.

***What do you hope to accomplish as IUC chair?***

My overwhelming hope, along with my colleagues', is to build the case for long-term support of higher education, as a top priority in Ohio among policy makers. I hope *that* is a lasting legacy.

***What do you see as Wright State's role in the world?***

We have a unique niche, certainly in educating citizens and providing experts for our regional and global communities. I see that as a broad statement of our role. And we want to be the best of our kind.

People often ask, "Well, what do we mean by that?" I believe it comes down to three things: One, we serve students from a broad cross section of the population. Two, we perform research and scholarship that addresses societal needs; and three, we engage in community outreach to significantly improve quality of life. Those are the three things we're talking about in our strategic planning process.

One example that stands out is



going up to Van Wert, to the satellite site of our Lake Campus, and listening to individuals tell a Rotary group that without our university's presence in those rural sites, they would never have considered going to college. Their description of how it has transformed their lives was very moving for everyone.

In the area of research, we are conducting internationally recognized work on heart disease risk factors. We have the Fels study, the largest and longest funded study of its kind looking at risk factors for heart disease in order to intervene and reduce those risks. The prestigious NIH (National Institutes of Health) said that the data created here, which is respected worldwide, is a national treasure. That's not an insignificant statement for the NIH to make.

A third area is community outreach. We have received outstanding support for improving reading performance through our Urban Literacy Project. It's a perfect example of engaging the community, the private sector, and the public sector. If a child can't read by the fourth grade, their learning is virtually stunted. Our College of Education and Human Services is trying to improve the teaching and reading in the K-4 system in a number of public schools in Dayton. Initial results are encouraging, and if it works, it could be transported outside of our region to the rest of the state of Ohio, and nationally.

These are just a few examples of how we're making a difference in the lives of people.

***Wright State has once again begun the strategic planning process with a very ambitious timeline. Why the short time frame?***

I think it's important that the planning should not be an end in itself. Therefore we should make the best use of everyone's time. We need to be very deliberate and careful about the planning process so that it doesn't become all-consuming.

***What are Wright State's plans for the next five years?***

It's something we've talked about in our strategic planning committee: becoming a university of choice nationally. I see us recruiting students outside of our region and the state in the next five years, while always remaining true to our primary function of educating students in our region. In fact we'll have more students from our region apply here if they see that this is also a place that attracts students and businesses from outside the state.

Secondly is to increase the amount of funding for collaborative projects. The collaboration isn't only about resources, it is also about scholarship. We already have programs in every college that are nationally known, so we're talking about building on our strengths.

And thirdly, to engage multiple players—the government, the nonprofit sector, multiple stakeholders—in working with communities, both regionally and globally. Again, that gives us a wider girth of activity and visibility, and it adds to our depth.

***The university recently kicked off the alumni phase of the campaign. Do you think our alumni are up to the challenge?***

I think they are definitely up to it because there is strong leadership in the campaign. Ron Amos is co-chairing the campaign. He's the president of the Dayton region of U.S. Bank and an alum. To give you

a sense of his passion for Wright State, Ron recently asked me about the economic impact of the university to the region. I told him it was over \$500 million a year. He disagreed. He said the value of this university to this region is priceless. When you have the leadership of the alumni campaign

saying something like that, it suggests that we have real commitment.

The other co-chair is Gail Littlejohn. In addition to being a former executive at LexisNexis, she is now devoting an enormous amount of her volunteer time to the Dayton Public Schools as the president of the Board of Education. And although it is early in the process, she seems to be making a significant difference.

Both of those people exemplify something very powerful, which is why I think the alumni are up to the challenge. They're saying that everyone can make a difference in this campaign. And I think that with that attitude, we are mobilized to succeed.

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***What surprises have you had as president?***

Probably the biggest surprise, and everything else pales by comparison, is the impact of the events of September 11. Though the event was so terrible, I was pleased by the response of our team here, and how they came together very quickly to help me make decisions in the best interest of everyone. They not only immediately came together, but afterwards our faculty, staff, and students demonstrated an outpouring of compassion and cooperation. In the past year, they have continued to demonstrate that there's an enormous amount of resilience and strength in the people in this institution.

On another scale, I'm continually finding out about the large number of wonderful projects and activities that go on within the university, and within the community. The creativity and innovation found here attracted me to Wright State back in 1983. Every day is a surprise.

***What is the most difficult part of being president?***

Probably it's the extraordinary number of stakeholders. But it's only challenging in the sense that there are so many groups you want to engage for the sake of the university. Also not being able to individually meet and congratulate each of the thousands of students, who work so hard to achieve their dream, and the faculty and staff who support them. But to the degree that we do interact with a large number of people, it is very satisfying. So this is a labor of love. It's just that one wishes one could do more as a president, and to me that's the most difficult part—the missed opportunities.

***What do you enjoy the most?***

The opportunity to thank faculty and staff at celebratory events for the wonderful work they do, and congratulate students at award ceremonies. Shelley and I enjoy attending those hundreds of events at Wright State more than anything else we do. What could be more satisfying than that—recognizing the excellent people who make this place what it is? The other activity that I genuinely enjoy is the opportunity to give guest lectures to undergraduate and graduate students in three different colleges. It keeps me connected with reality, and what we're all about.

***What do you do for fun in your spare time?***

Many, many things. I love to read, and I'm able to read about a lot of different areas in this job. I enjoy going to the theatre and musical performances. Of course it happens to be very convenient that a lot of those things go on right here on campus! Many of our performances are world class, so I don't have to travel to another place for excellent entertainment. Shelley and I also love nature walks, and this again is a great campus to do that, because of the bio-preserves here. Finally, we enjoy visiting friends and donors in their homes in the community.

***Have you thought about what you will do after 2007?***

I'm not a person who has a five-, 10-, 15-year plan for his own life. But I think I would like to continue here. If I didn't continue here, I would probably boldly go where I have never gone before. And that's yet to be determined. ■





Student nurse Jamie Fulton gives advice on insulin injections to camper James Doss.

Working at a camp for diabetic children, WSU students learn more than what's in the textbooks.



Professor of nursing Susan Praeger (L) gives pointers to her student nurses during a wall climbing activity with the campers.

# LEARNING

By *Connie Steele*

Although he wants to be a nurse anesthetist, Jacob Holsinger signed up last summer for Nursing 414, an elective course in which students work for one week at a camp for diabetic children. “I liked the idea of working with a high-risk population,” he said.

What he didn’t count on was that camp week would come with a heat index hovering around 100 degrees. Or, that he would be doing blood screening checks at midnight, 2, and 4 a.m.

“That first night, I didn’t get to bed until 4:30 in the morning,” he said. “I was beginning to wonder if there was an easier way to earn three credit hours.”

Holsinger was one of 10 Wright State student nurses who worked last July at Camp Ko-Man-She, sponsored by Diabetes Association of the Dayton Area (DADA). They slept in the same non-air-conditioned cabins, adhered to the same meal plans, and participated in many of the same activities.

“It was a great opportunity to be really involved with my patients. Actually living and working with these kids day in and day out let me see how hard it is to live with diabetes,” said Holsinger, who will graduate in December. “This is something I would do again.”

Camp Ko-Man-She is held at the YMCA Camp



Student nurse Tashowa Thompson helps adjust camper Tim Borchers’s climbing helmet.

Campbell Gard near Hamilton, Ohio. Under the supervision of the camp’s medical staff, the students provided health care education and kept watch on campers, especially for signs of roller coaster blood sugar levels, a potential risk due to their increased activity and altered routines.

“Sometimes you could tell if someone wasn’t feeling well, but sometimes you couldn’t,” Holsinger said. “Sometimes they would come to you and sometimes they didn’t because they didn’t want to stop their activity and test their blood sugars.”



# THROUGH SERVICE

“Actually living and working with these kids day in and day out let me see how hard it is to live with diabetes.” JACOB HOLSINGER

L-R: Student nurse Julie Redick and WSU alumnus and camp nurse Jerome Wray ('95 B.S.N.; '00 M.S.N.) oversee Michael Bennett's blood sugar check.

Checking blood sugars requires drawing a few drops of blood from a finger onto a test strip, which is read by a glucose testing device. This task fell to the student nurses during the night, when they did bedside checks of their cabin's residents. They then had to be up with the campers at 6:30 a.m.

The course is not just for nursing students, said Susan Praeger, WSU professor of nursing, who created the course in 1991. Over the years, course participants have ranged from psychology majors and physical education majors to medical students and students majoring in counseling or recreation planning.

“Besides immersing oneself in one's profession for a week, the course is a valuable tool for students to learn through service,” said Praeger. “It's a perfect example of putting education to work for the community.”

Senior Jamie Fulton said the experience made her realize the wealth of community resources available for children with special needs. “I feel that now I can direct my future patients to resources like this, who might not know what's out there.”

Indeed, community service remains a core value for the WSU alumni who return each year as staff volunteers.

Dee Dee Bish ('98 B.S.N.), who works in labor/delivery at Good Samaritan Hospital, has come back every year since she first worked with the junior camp as a nursing student. “I've had the same students each year. I just love my girls.”

Each summer, Jerome Wray ('95 B.S.N., '00 M.S.N.) volunteers during break from his job as school nurse for Springfield City Schools. “I try to make a difference in these kids' lives. I could do other things that make more money, but it wouldn't be as rewarding.”

Geri Lester, DADA executive director, said Wright State's participation is a vital component to the camp experience. “We have a valuable relationship with Wright State,” she said. “It's a win-win situation for everyone involved: for us, because we can have an even safer camp; for the campers, who can receive almost one-on-one attention; and for the student nurses, who become experts at living with diabetics 24/7.”

Camper Alex Wannemacher, an eight-year veteran of Camp Ko-Man-She, summed it up: “I'm learning from them and they're learning from me.”



# LOOK WHAT'S NEW ON CAMPUS



From new classrooms and campus housing to the delicious new offerings at Union Market to a new sculpture on campus, the fall quarter brought fresh and innovative concepts to the WSU experience. The campus may surprise those who haven't visited recently, but those living and working here are reveling in the changes. Come see for yourself!

## Millett Hall Renovation

Originally built in 1966, Millett Hall, home of the College of Liberal Arts, has been completely renovated. Interior space has been rearranged to appear more lively and open with student lounges and gathering spaces on almost every floor. In addition, several campus organizations, including the Bolinga Black Cultural Resources Center, Women's Center, and Asian/Hispanic/Native American Center, have adorned Millett with colorful and distinctive cultural artifacts.



**Palettes** is one of the Student Union's new eateries that offers an eclectic mix of dishes while allowing patrons to mix and match international cuisine and vegetables.



**Facing page:** *Round Dance*, a sculpture by Tim Prentice, hangs in the open atrium of Millett Hall. Its concentric rings revolve independently from the force of air currents in the building. The ceiling features twinkling star lighting delivered through fiber optic strands.

**Top:** Throughout Millett Hall are translucent window walls with rice paper embedded between the panes of glass. This helps to maintain a level of privacy while maximizing use of natural light.

**Left:** Professor William Pammer, director of the Master of Public Administration program, works with graduate students in the new Geographic Information Systems Lab. The lab uses state-of-the-art software programs to map demographic data graphically to assist in planning and development.

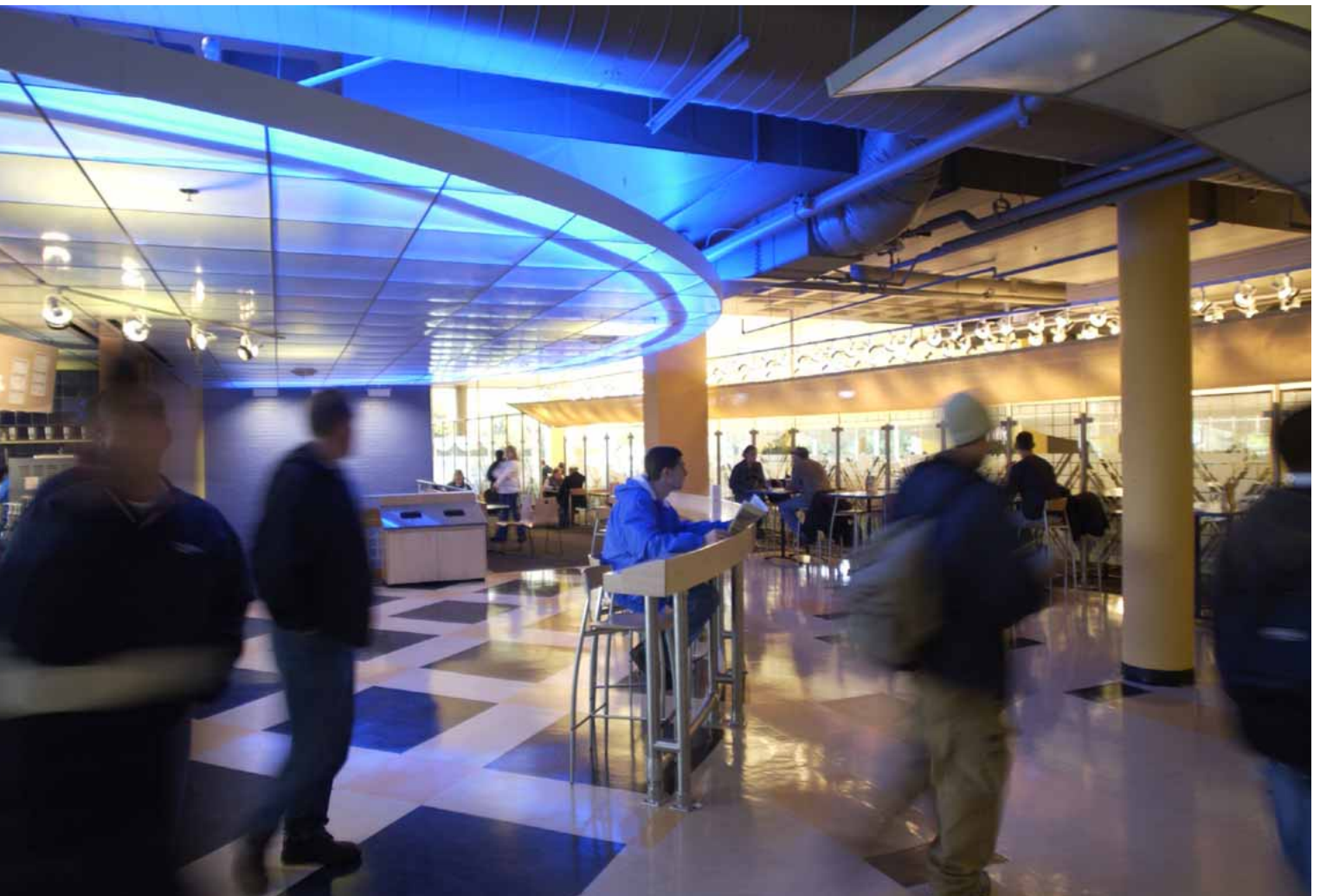
## A Cup of Joe and E-mail

The Wright Cup coffee shop, a favorite student hang-out, features flavored coffees, cappuccinos, espressos, smoothies, and fresh pastries and cookies. Patrons can grab a cup and head into the Cyber Cafe to check e-mail or hang out.

The Union Market offers eight stations that provide delicious options for every taste and prepared with fresh ingredients right in front of the customer. Stations include Salvador Deli, featuring sandwiches and subs made to order; Formaggio's, with pizzas,

calzones, strombolis, and tossed pasta dishes; and Chef's Kitchen, which offers homestyle "comfort food."

The renovated eating area features a light, airy feel punctuated with large window walls and dramatic neon lighting. ☐





# Investigating the Infinitesimal



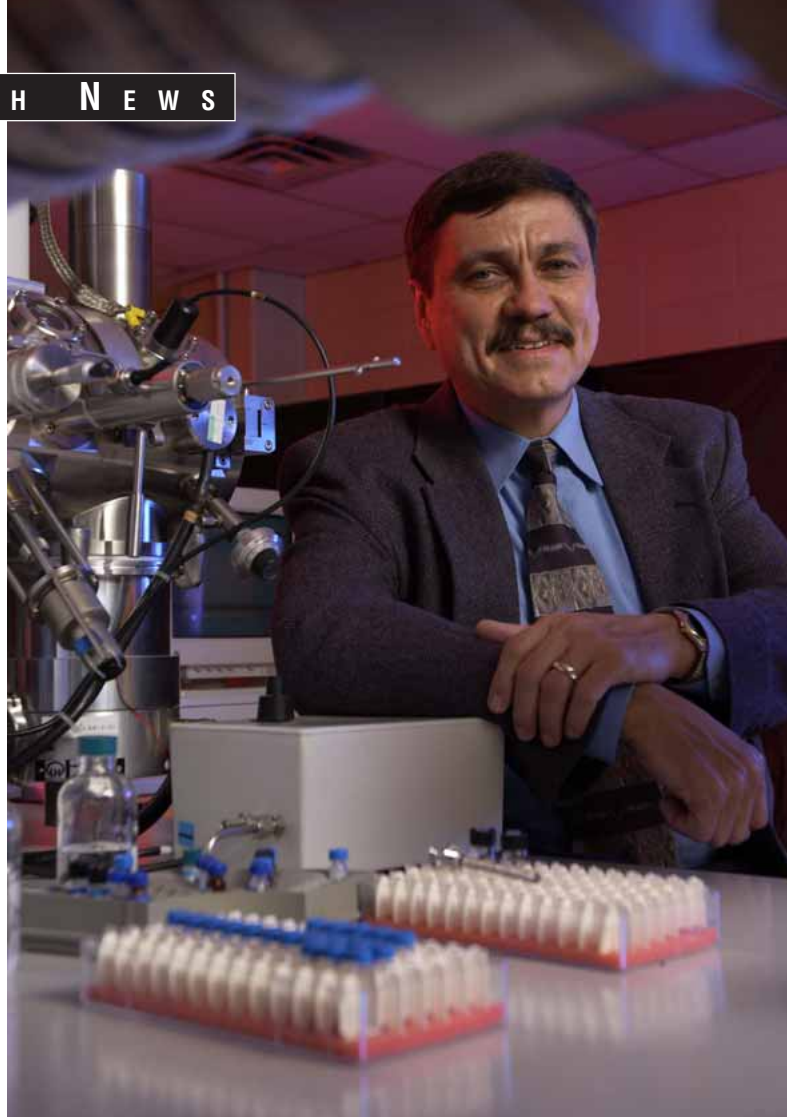
If you think finding a needle in the proverbial haystack is impossible, how about searching for a grain of sand in a mound equal to 100 dump-truck loads? Such is the challenge facing Roger Gilpin, Mead Distinguished Professor and executive director of Wright State's Brehm Research Laboratory. His task? To identify toxic chemicals that occur in extremely low levels—in this case one-part per trillion or less—in highly complex systems, such as wastewater, soil, fish, and other types of wildlife.

"We are truly pushing the limits of what you can measure," says Gilpin.

Gilpin's research received a boost recently when Wright State was named the lead institution in a \$950,000 grant from the Ohio Board of Regents to establish the Consortium for Environmental and Process Technologies (CEPT). In collaboration with Miami University, University of Cincinnati, Ohio State University, and Kent State University, CEPT will conduct leading-edge research to further develop cost-effective ways to isolate, measure, and monitor toxic compounds.

Gilpin is looking primarily for dioxins, and dioxin-like compounds, that are released into the environment from a number of industrial processes including waste incineration. They make their way into the water and food chain, remaining in the environment for decades. When ingested, these compounds disrupt cell reproduction in the body, which can lead to birth defects and life-threatening diseases including cancer.

Gilpin uses precise techniques to isolate the toxic components in environmental samples and then reduces them down to one-tenth of a drop of liquid. Following this tedious process, sophisticated instruments such as high-



Roger Gilpin, Mead Distinguished Professor and executive director of Wright State's Brehm Research Laboratory.

resolution mass spectrometers are used to determine exactly what they contain.

For over 25 years, Brehm Lab has provided environmental analytical services to government and private industry. Along the way, it has earned a reputation as one of the nation's foremost water and environmental quality analysis facilities. In fact, it is one of only three facilities in the nation and the only university laboratory to be certified by the Environmental Protection Agency to conduct dioxin analysis for the agency's Superfund Project.

Besides the EPA, the states of New York and Tennessee have contracted with Brehm Lab for its services. In Ohio, where water and sludge treatment plants processing one million gallons per day must test for toxic compounds, 30 percent of these assays are conducted by Brehm Lab. Gilpin explains that although only a few states currently mandate wastewater and sludge testing, he believes that in a year or two the whole country will require them. ■

## Alumni Association Brings Back a Piece of WSU History

Long regarded as one of the most notable symbols on campus, the Wright State Tower was constructed to commemorate the charter establishing Wright State as an independent university. For more than 30 years, WSU alumni have enjoyed the tower as a symbol of their alma mater, their rich educational experience at Wright State, and the individuals responsible for the university's ongoing success.

As part of the university's master physical plan, the tower was disassembled in 2000 from its original location on Colonel Glenn Highway. Plans called for the tower's reconstruction at an alternate location on campus.

A portion of a major gift to the university from the Wright State University Alumni Association was designated to reconstruct Alumni Tower. After a vote from alumni, students, faculty, and staff, the new Alumni Tower now rests in the green space between the Russ Engineering Center, the Student Union, and the Health Sciences Building—now known as Alumni Tower Green and directly in the heart of campus.

The reconstruction project included a new plaza surrounding the tower that prominently displays 125 engraved bricks purchased by WSU alumni, friends, faculty, and staff to help fund the project. Bricks from the original tower that had been retained and carefully stored now form the first six courses of the tower legs. The reconstructed Alumni Tower stands at two-thirds of the scale of the original.

On October 26, 2002, WSU proudly dedicated Alumni Tower to permanently recognize the university's graduates.



The new Alumni Tower

## Buy a Brick: Be Part of WSU History



Here's your chance to support Wright State students and help celebrate the resurrection of one of our most beloved landmarks.

For a contribution of \$200, you can purchase a 4 × 8 brick paver, or for \$500 an 8 × 8 brick paver, that will be installed in the plaza and can be inscribed to commemorate your graduation, remember a loved one, or celebrate WSU. The pavers can allow you to take your place with your classmates, fraternity or sorority members, family members, friends, faculty, and staff.

Attractively designed, the plaza is a natural gathering spot for reminiscing about the past and dreaming of the future.

Buy your brick today and be part of a select group of alumni and friends whose support of WSU endures the test of time. Order now at [www.wright.edu/alumni/buybrick.html](http://www.wright.edu/alumni/buybrick.html) or by contacting the Office of Alumni Relations at (937) 775-2620. ☎



**President Kim Goldenberg (L) and Ron Amos**, Alumni Campaign co-chair and Alumni Association president, cut the ribbon marking the dedication of the new Alumni Tower and the kickoff of the National Alumni Challenge Campaign.

# ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



## “FORE” SCHOLARSHIPS

### ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HOSTS 26TH ANNUAL ALUMNI AND FRIENDS LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP GOLF OUTING

**P**ipestone Golf Course in Miamisburg hosted the 26th edition of the Wright State University Alumni Association Legacy Scholarship Golf Outing. The 112 golfers drove for show and putted for dough to raise funds for the Legacy Scholarship Program.

Though many prizes were awarded, the big winners were the Wright State students who benefit from the program. Established by the Alumni Association in 1990, the Legacy Scholarship Program has raised more than \$207,000 and awarded nearly 250 scholarships to the spouses, children, stepchildren, grandchildren, and legal dependents of current voting association members. For more information on the Legacy Scholarship Program, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at (937) 775-2620.

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From Left to right: Shea Mills, Tom Brookey, Karen Wolf, and Doug Boyd

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Wright State University Department of Theatre Arts  
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Wright State University Office of Alumni Relations  
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## CLASS OF 1969

**Linda Miller (B.S.; '74 M.S.)** became State Director of the Ohio High School Speech League (OHSSL) on July 1, 2002. The OHSSL coordinates and oversees both public and private high schools' public speaking (forensics) programs for students in the state of Ohio. Linda directed the Fairborn High School Speech (Forensics) Team for 25 years prior to her retirement from public school teaching in 2000. She now is an adjunct professor at Wright State, teaching computer science courses in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering. Linda is also a part-time secretary at her church, First Baptist Church in Vandalia, Ohio.

**Max Miller (B.S.Ed.; '74 M.Ed.)** is a registered representative for Woodbury Financial Services and maintains an office in Clayton, Ohio. He is married to Linda Miller, and their daughter Elizabeth is currently a senior at WSU majoring in social work.

## CLASS OF 1971

**Todd M. Eisenhut (B.S.B.)** retired from Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in March of 2002 in order to work full time in construction, which he has done part time since 1975.

**William Wilson (B.S.)** has recently joined M2 Communications, Inc., a medical communications company, as vice president of client services. In his new position, he will consult with pharmaceutical clients to determine their communications needs, and design customized solutions using new, traditional, and live media.

## CLASS OF 1972

**Barbara Bostrom (B.S.Ed.)** is the coordinator of school counseling for Lebanon Public Schools. Her district's Developmental School Counseling Program was awarded state recognition from the Connecticut School Counselors Association this Fall.

**Roger Gibson (B.S.Ed.; '78 M.Ed.)** was honored by the West Carrollton School District School Board in June after retiring at the end of the school year. He graduated from West Carrollton High School and after

completing his degree at WSU he was thereafter hired to teach junior high social studies in West Carrollton. He spent his entire career in the same subject and grade, serving as a coach and on several district committees. He remains active in the district as he served as one of the four co-chairmen of this fall's levy campaign.

**Steven Norris (B.S.)**, a DHL captain and resident of Show Low, Ariz., was awarded a Superior Airmanship Award from the Air Line Pilots Association, International (ALPA) for preventing a catastrophic aircraft accident and in the process saving an untold number of human lives on Sept. 25, 2001.

**Larry Schock (B.S.B)** has been named vice president of financial operations for the Cooper Tire financial group. Serving most recently as controller of the North American Tire Division, he is a 26-year Cooper Tire veteran. He began at Cooper in 1976 as a financial analyst and was promoted to general accounting manager in 1980. In 1983, he was promoted again to assistant tire division controller. In January 2001, he was named North American Tire Division controller, the position he held until his most recent promotion.



## CLASS OF 1973

**Pamela (Johns) Bates (B.S.Ed.; '76 M.Ed.)** married Pete Bates in March of 2002. Pete is the owner of Shwartz Jewelry in Fairborn and Peck's Jewelry in Bellfountain.

## CLASS OF 1974

**Michael Caudill (B.S.)**, a retiring district chief in the Dayton Fire Department, was named executive director of the Miami Valley Fire/EMS Alliance in April, 2002. He will be responsible for carrying out the goals of the alliance, including implementing a strategic plan, developing regional opportunities, monitoring competitive bidding contracts, fiscal performance, and managing local fire service resources.

**Sheila Breece Shriver (B.S.Ed.)** retired from teaching special education for over 27 years. She taught for the M.R.D.D. program in Franklin County for 12 years and New Albany Schools for 15 years.

## CLASS OF 1975

**Rita Brinkman (M.Ed.)** retired as principal of Central and Lowell Elementary schools in June. She joined the Sidney School District at the beginning of the 1999 school year. Prior to her being principal at Lowell and Central, she was the principal of Bradford Elementary School. She was also the principal of Graham North Elementary, St. Peter Catholic School, and Precious Blood Catholic School, and taught at Fairview Intermediate Magnet School, Park Elementary, Resurrection Catholic School, and St. Peter and St. Paul School. She was curriculum coordinator of Carlson Foreign Language Magnet School in Dayton. She was recognized as principal of a National School of Excellence, a Martha Holden Jennings Scholar, and recipient of the Outstanding Achievement in Teaching Award.

## CLASS OF 1976

**William Daniels (M.B.A.)**, co-founder of Dayton's Original Pizza Factory, has sold the original store on Salem Avenue in Dayton and is planning to sell the store in Beavercreek in order to spend more time with his family and focus on the one remaining store on Wayne Avenue.

**Deborah Loewer (B.S.)** is currently the director of the White House Situation Room and reports directly to Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge, National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice, and President George W. Bush. The Situation Room is the crisis management center that deals with international terrorism and national security. Loewer is a former commander of two Navy ships and is now a rear admiral (lower half), the director of the Homeland Security Coordination Center, and systems and technical planning director on the National Security Council. Her recent promotion to rear admiral makes her the only female admiral in U.S. history who previously served as a ship commander.

**David Smith (B.S.; '83 M.D.)** was appointed to the position of assistant medical director at the Community Blood Center/Community Tissue Services in Dayton. He is board certified in forensic, anatomic, and clinical pathology. He comes to CBC/CTS from Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie, Ind., where he was director of autopsy services and a pathologist for BWTBK Professional Corp. He has served as the deputy and forensic pathologist for both the Montgomery County and Hamilton County coroner's offices.

## CLASS OF 1977

**Deborah Sue DeSimone (B.S.N.)** recently changed profession from nursing to education. She is certified in Special Education and Regular Education as of this year.

**Jim Meckstroth (M.B.A.)** is currently the chief executive officer of Metacontrols Technologies Inc., which is based in Morrisville, N.C. The 16-person company was started in 1998 and develops, designs, manufactures, and markets distributed products that automate a wide range of manufacturing processes requiring precise motion, accurate machine vision, and rapid process instrumentation. Meckstroth and his wife, Cynthia, have four children, Christina, Julie, Ann, and James.

## CLASS OF 1978

**Linda Bailey (M.S.; '77 B.S.)** is in general surgery practice in Xenia. She taught adult education guitar and was a space medicine analyst at the foreign technology division at WPAFB. She is chairman of the department of surgery and director of trauma service at Greene Memorial Hospital and director of the non-invasive vascular diagnostics laboratory at Greene Memorial Hospital.

**Darlene Duchene (M.Ed.)** has retired as superintendent from Milton-Union Schools. She was previously the assistant superintendent at Mad River-Green Schools in Clark County.

**Ed Gibbons (M.Ed.)**, the former Baker Junior High School principal, is now Fairborn's director of curriculum and business affairs. He is now responsible for the high school curriculum along with transportation, food service, and the custodial staff.

**Norma J. Howell (B.S.; '87 M.Ed.)**, a Huber Heights resident and former physics teacher at Wayne High School, attended the recent sixth annual Oxford Round Table at the University of Oxford in England. This year's topic was "Designing Leadership and Practices for the Future of Public Education." Howell taught physics for 13 years at Wayne High School and has been an adjunct instructor in the physics department at WSU for the last five years. Howell has also been selected as a Milken National Educator, and was selected last year for the Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship in the Washington office of U.S. Representative Tony Hall.

## CLASS OF 1979

**Gary Carter (B.S.)** recently became certified as a family law specialist by the Ohio State Bar Association. He and his wife Pamela ('86 M.Ed.) have sons Matt, 8, and Luke, 4. They are living in and remodeling an 110-year-old farmhouse that has been in the family for four generations.

**Elizabeth C. Wallace (B.S.Ed.)** is proud to announce that her daughter, Mindy, is the third generation to attend WSU.

## CLASS OF 1980

**Kim Koehler-Phillips (B.F.A.)** is the general Manager of Zany Brains toy store in Kettering. She also performs for community and school groups as an historical re-enactor and storyteller for hire. Her twin daughters are entering their sophomore year of college—Kori is at Ohio Wesleyan University and Kelly is at Ohio State University.

**Doug Mangen (B.S.B.)**, executive director of the Dayton Business Committee, an elite behind-the-scenes economic development group, left his position to form a consulting firm. Mangen's new firm will focus on providing independent performance audits and strategic planning support for business, government, and education organizations in the Dayton, Cincinnati, and Columbus areas. He was acting executive director since 1992.

**Gene Randall (B.A.)** was recently appointed to the Xenia city traffic Commission.

**Juliana Stevenson (B.S.N.)** is an active member of a four community nurse team with the Montgomery County Combined Health District that established a Chronic Head Lice Coalition in 2001. The Coalition received the Health Commissioners award in Spring 2002.

**Margo Young (M.S.; '90 M.D.)** is a physician and nun living in La Labor, where her Sisters of the Precious Blood order operates a school and one of the four health clinics in the isolated rural villages around the capital, Guatemala City, Guatemala. She recently accompanied a Guatemalan to the states to undergo surgery on his hand, which was disfigured in a childhood accident. Since surgical aid could not be provided for him in Guatemala, Young found assistance for him in Ohio.

## CLASS OF 1981

**Tom Black (B.S.B.)**, was named Montgomery County's assistant county administrator, after six years as the director of the Office of Management and Budget. Black has worked for the county for 24 years and has received numerous awards for financial management. Black, who lives with his wife, JoAnn, in Kettering, underwent a liver transplant in 1995 and counts that as one of his most important accomplishments.

**Jeffrey Broyles (B.S.Ed.; '83 M.S.; '84 M.Ed.)** earned a Ph.D. in educational leadership and administration from Miami University in April 2001.

**Gary E. McCullough (B.S.B.)** is a senior vice president of the Americas for the William Wrigley Jr. Company, the Chicago-based world's leading manufacturer and marketer of quality chewing gums. McCullough supervises Wrigley operations throughout North, Central, and South America. He and his wife, Kimberley, have two sons and a daughter and live in Oak Park, Ill.

**Pamela Pitsenbarger (B.S.Ed.)** was named the general director of human resources for Delphi Safety and Interior Systems. Previously, she was director of salaried personnel for Delphi Steering Systems, with responsibility for all salaried human resources administration, and classified and executive compensation.

## CLASS OF 1982

**Mary L. Bretts (M.S.)** is the author of the recently published book, *Hearts and Eyes Dancing with Love*. It is a collection of spiritually uplifting poems, prose, and prayers. Her book is available through 1st Books Library.

**Diane Orlofsky (M.M.)**, professor of music education in the John M. Long School of Music, is the author of *Redefining Teacher Education: The Theories of Jerome Bruner and the Practice of Training Teachers*. The book is published by Peter Lang Publishing of New York as part of its "Rethinking Childhood" series. Orlofsky's book challenges teachers of education to reject a "one size fits all" approach. It suggests that both teachers and their students become learners who won't be afraid to take risks.

## CLASS OF 1983

**Justin Mills (M.D.)** is a radiation oncologist at Green Memorial Hospital's Ruth G. McMillan Cancer Center. He recently received his board certification in radiation oncology from the American Association of Physicians Specialist Inc.

**Mary Klein Savelli (B.A.)** recently published an historical cookbook, *Tastes of Anglo-Saxon England*.

## CLASS OF 1984

**Gwen DaPore (M.Ed.)** was awarded certification recently by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. She also recently retired from teaching sixth grade science at West Carrollton Middle School.

**Donna C. Kinlin (M.B.A.)** was competitively selected as the Air Force Civilian Fellow at Rand Institute in Santa Monica, Calif., for the 2002-2003 academic year.

## CLASS OF 1985

**Patricia Alexander (B.A.)** recently purchased the Corner Feed, Seed and Pet Supply in Enon. She is very involved in the Clark, Greene, and Montgomery County 4-H and FFA programs.

**James Brooks Allen (B.A.)** recently released a collection of songs, *My Empty House—Songs For Victims of Crime*, in order to assist organizations like Parents of Murdered Children as a possible revenue source. *My Empty House* contains five songs written by Allen, performed by various musicians from the Yellow Springs area and members of the Allen family.

**Gregory Brush (B.A.)** was elected clerk of the Montgomery County Township Association, which consists of elected officials from the eight townships in the county. Members oversee operations in the townships of Harrison, Washington, Miami, German, Jackson, Perry, Clay, and Jefferson. He will continue in his part-time position as Butler Township Clerk while assuming the extra duties as clerk of the county group.

**Marilyn (Irey) Burchett (B.A.)** is currently the marketing assistant at Security National Bank in Springfield,



Ohio. She was married in 1990 to Denny Burchett and they have one son, John Carroll Burchett, who is attending pre-school. Burchett is also the vice president of the

Fairborn Chapter ABWA, a member of the DAR in Springfield, and a private piano teacher.

**Kris O'Horo (B.A.)** is a production chief at Disney MGM Studios.

**John Paulsen (B.S.E.G.)** was awarded the Honorary Alumnus Award by Wittenberg University. He is currently director of the physical plant at Wittenberg and has been with the university since 1988. Paulsen has overseen the major construction projects of Hollenbeck Hall and currently the new Barbara Deer Kuss Science Center.

**Judith Rice (M.Ed.)** was a featured artist this summer at the Dayton Visual Arts Center. The exhibition was titled "Dayton Clay: A Ceramics Invitational."

**Ian Varella (B.A.)** is on the road quite a bit these days as a ventriloquist. He has completed engagements at several of the top showrooms in Las Vegas and Atlantic City and has toured the world several

## Nursing Grad Honored

Pamela Davis ('94 M.B.A.) was one of 13 area nurses honored at WSU's second Annual Cameos of Caring Awards Gala last October.

Davis is a staff nurse in the hematology/oncology unit at Children's Medical Center. Davis has made "customer service" her middle name, according to Yvonne Turner, CMC administrative manager. "She is always assessing the physical, social, and financial needs of her patients and families and notices subtle changes in patients." A member of several interdisciplinary teams, Davis has taken on a variety of leadership roles at CMC, including coach to new nurses and a member of the sickle cell clinical practice guideline team. Each year she volunteers to help plan the survivors' picnic and the unit's memorial service.

A resident of Dayton, Davis earned an associate of science in nursing degree from Victor Valley Community College in 1979, her associate of applied science in early education degree from Sinclair Community College in 1986, and a bachelor of science in business administration degree from Wright State University in 1994.

Dayton's Cameos of Caring Program was started in 2001 by WSU nursing dean Pat Martin to honor recognize dedicated front-line nurses who make a difference in the lives of patients and their families



Nursing dean Pat Martin congratulates Pamela Davis.

**Brad Sherwood (B.F.A.)** is currently a cast member of *Whose Line Is It Anyway?* He has worked with his improvisational partner Dave Bushnell for 12 years, performing and auditioning for improv contests. Together they have been regular cast members on both the British version (three seasons) and American version (four seasons) of the show. Sherwood has also appeared on *Big Moment*, *The Newz*, *L.A. Law*, *The New Dating Game*, and as a regular sketch comic on the *Tonight Show With Jay Leno*. He recently portrayed Ozzy Osbourne on a *Tonight Show* sketch.

**Eric Snead (B.S.Ed.; '90 M.Ed.)** joins the Greeneview administrative staff as principal of Central Elementary School for grades four, five and six.

**Karen B. Wasserman (Psy.D.)**, executive director at The Ridge Counseling Center, was invited by the Ohio Department of Health to present "Suicide: What's Preventing Prevention?" at their conference in Columbus in November.

## CLASS OF 1987

**Walter L. Jackson (M. B. A.)** has retired after 20 years in the Air Force. While in the service he worked in the Pentagon, National Reconnaissance Office, and the Office of Resource Oversight and Management as Signals Intelligence's program liaison officer, which led to his present job as director of cross program analysis as a civilian government employee.

**Douglas Myers (B.S.B.)** has been named vice president of sales at EasyLink Services Corporation. He will lead their North American and Global Account sales initiatives. He has over 15 years of technology sales and making management expertise.

**Mary Ellen Smith (M.B.A.)** received the Association for Women in Computing Award for Leadership in Technology at a gala held in June. She is currently the vice president of worldwide operations for the Access Business Group, a division of Hewlett-Packard.

## CLASS OF 1988

**Richard Clear (B.A.)** is the president and owner of three martial arts schools and self-defense training programs. He and his wife just relocated to the Great Smoky Mountains in Tennessee and had a baby boy in April.

**Chris Kircher (B.S.B.)** was appointed vice president of communications for ConAgra Foods, Inc. Based in Omaha, Nebraska, he is responsible for the company's communications functions, including media relations and communications with the company's key constituencies.

## CLASS OF 1989

**J. Ben Arbaugh (M.B.A.)** is an associate professor at the University of Wisconsin in Oshkosh. He is currently teaching an online M.B.A. course and has invited current WSU professor Bud Baker as a virtual guest. For the second year in a row, he was also named winner of the Best Paper in Management Education Award for the annual meeting of the Academy of Management, the leading group of scholars in management and organizations.

**Jeffrey Allen Bayer (B.S.E.E.)** was made chief engineer at Barco-Xenia.

**Monica Houston (M.S.)** was awarded the Paul Laurence Dunbar Teacher of the Year Award for excellence in Teaching. She was also recognized for a second year in the Who's Who Among America's Teachers. She teaches American history at Trotwood-Madison High School and is also a clinical faculty member at Wright State and Central State universities.

**Brett Rayford (Psy.D.)** was appointed acting superintendent of the Connecticut's Juvenile Training School. Previously he served as the director of health, mental health, and addiction services for the Department of Correction for eight years.

**David Wayman Ross Jr. (B.A.)** is a Real Estate Analyst at Paramount Financial Group and earned his M.B.A. at Capital University last December.

**Amy Karnehm Willis (B.A.; '92 M.A.)** was awarded the "Cultural Diversity Program of the Year" Award at North Carolina Wesleyan College for taking students to the local Islamic Center,

times aboard cruise lines. His opening act credits include Randy Travis, Garth Brooks, George Strait, and Aaron Tippin. He has also appeared on HBO, Showtime, TNN, and recently on FOX TV with Donny and Marie and Penn and Teller. He and his wife reside in San Marcos, Texas.

## CLASS OF 1986

**Annette Clayton (B.S.E.G.)**, recently named president of Saturn Corp., received the 2002 Frontier Award. This award was created in order to honor an individual or organization who has served the community, the region, or the nation through outstanding accomplishments in some new field of endeavor or new "frontier," or has "pushed the envelope" and created new excitement in an existing field or endeavor.

**Brian Cooper (M.B.A.; '81 B.S.B.)** has served as senior vice president

of Cox Newspapers, Inc., since 1996. Cooper is responsible for overseeing Cox's nine community newspapers, the newspapers' financial operations, as well as the company's interest in Cox CustomMedia and PAGAS Mailing Services.

**Gregory Hunter (B.S.)** ran as a candidate for the Third District Representative to the U.S. House of Representatives in the Republican Primary this year. He is currently a Washington Township Government consultant on a variety of technical and environmental jobs.

**Shawn Eric Jackson (B.A.)** is currently a teacher at Yellow Springs High School. He is also the president of the Yellow Springs Education Association, OEA Senate District Ten Core Group Chair, Pathwise and Ohio First Mentor, Praxis III Assessor, and an Ohio First and Praxis II Trainer.

where they could discuss and learn more about Muslim culture.

## CLASS OF 1990

**John Bowerman (B.S.E.E.)** has joined Digital Optics Corporation as the telecom market development manager. He previously held positions with Nortel Networks, Corning Incorporated, and Honeywell.

**Holly Renee Counts (B.S.)** is a self-employed clinical psychologist. She started her own practice in April, specializing in trauma and abuse, adolescent and family issues, couples therapy, and holistic approaches to mental health.

**Theodore Haddad (M.B.A.)** is senior manager in PricewaterhouseCoopers Assurance and Business Advisory Services practice in West Hartford, Connecticut. He has over 11 years of experience serving middle market and start-up companies, both public and private, in the biotechnology, manufacturing, distribution, and construction industries.



**William Pant (B.F.A.)** has been the art director for the School, Home, and Office Products Association (SHOPA) for five years. He is married with two children and lives in Miamisburg.

## CLASS OF 1991

**Susan D'Aloia (B.F.A.)** is currently the executive director of the Muse Machine. Formerly the managing director, D'Aloia has supervised teacher programs, school programs, ticket sales, and accounting.

**Leanna E. Manuel (B.S.; '96 Psy.D.)** is a clinical psychologist and was featured along with a young man in therapy on MTV's *True Life*.

**William P. Murphy (B.A.)**, has been named Fairborn's community development director. Previously, he was the vice president of marketing and communications with the Dayton Regional Development Alliance.

**Rosalie Schoenfeld (M.A.T.)** conducts the "Creating HeART, and Introduction to Art Therapy," workshop, which uses the creative process to facilitate positive growth and change. She also founded the Creative Art Therapy and Wellness Center where the workshops are often offered.

**Timothy R. Thomas (B.S.B.)** has been appointed Corporate Assessment and Training Center Manager at The Learning Center operated by Sinclair Community College at Miami Valley Research Park. He now manages the daily operations of the SkillsMAX/ACT Testing Center at The Learning Center and is responsible for generating new client sales and maintaining client relations.



**Robert Triplett (B.A.)** started a new business, Triplett Used Books, in Yellow Springs.

## CLASS OF 1992

**Douglas Barlage (B.S.)** is a senior device engineer at Intel in Hillsboro, Ore., where he developed a measurement technique that has enabled Intel to create the world's smallest and fastest transistors. He was also chosen in May as one of the world's 100 Top Young Innovators by *Technology Review*, MIT's magazine of innovation. The TR100 consists of people under age 35 whose innovative work in technology and business has a profound impact on the world.

**Molli Marie (Mierka) Girten (B.F.A.)** performed in *With or Without Wings*, a one-woman show about her life on stage and with multiple sclerosis, at the Herbst Theatre in October. The show won a Jefferson citation, Chicago's version of a Tony Award. Her MS is currently in remission. She lives in Chicago with her husband, Brando Triantafillou, and does voice-overs for television and radio commercials.

**Shanda Grubb (B.A.)** is program director for the Northern Ohio office of Joni and Friends, an international disabilities outreach effort.

She also oversees the disabilities ministry at The Chapel in Akron, where the Joni and Friends office is situated. Her work includes training church leaders on developing disability ministries, helping to lead retreats for disabled people and their families, and working with adults who have disabilities. She also teaches and oversees classes and outreach programs and promotes disability awareness in the community.

**Angela Kovacs (B.A.)** accepted a staff position with Congressman Todd R. Platts of Pennsylvania. Platts serves on the Education and Workforce, Government Reform, and Transportation and Infrastructure Committees.

**Lea Ann Lucas (Psy.D.)** recently joined Argosy University in Dallas, Texas, as associate professor in the clinical psychology program. She will assume all responsibilities of a full-time professor and will also take on the added responsibility of developing the student-oriented programs—The Graduate Student Association and the online student newsletter.

**Robert Weber (M.A.; '94 M.U.A.)** was a candidate for Butler County auditor this November.

## CLASS OF 1993

**Stephen Barcavage (B.A.)** has joined the firm of Marshall, Dennehey, Warner, Coleman & Goggin in Harrisburg, Pa. As an associate, he will concentrate his practice in the areas of medical malpractice defense and premises liability defense.



**Lisa Black (B.A.)** is actively pursuing a job in social work. She volunteers at Good Samaritan Hospital in the Coordinated Car Department, which does case management, utilization review, and discharge planning.

**David Dexter (B.S.M.E.)** received registration as a professional engineer in Ohio last June.

**Jody Kent (B.A.)** is now living in Phoenix, Ariz. She runs her own business specializing in public relations, marketing, and political positioning. She is also active in consulting, posi-

tioning, and media relations for the Arizona Republican Party.

**Elizabeth Spievak (M.A.)** is currently an assistant professor of psychology at Hanover College in Hanover, IN.

**Kym Yahn (B.S.B.)** is the first executive director for *Clothes That Work!* She is also one of the program's founders. *Clothes That Work!* provides interview and work-appropriate clothing and training in career development skills to disadvantaged women throughout the Dayton region. Yahn is also the workforce development manager for the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce.



## CLASS OF 1994

**Marcella Harshbarger (B.S.B.)** graduated with a J.D. and a Master of Law from Duke University School of Law. She was also awarded the Justin Miller Leadership Award in May and has accepted a job with Akin, Gump, Strauss, Haver, & Feld, LLP in New York.

**Jay Schwieterman (B.A.)** was named president of the Aullwood Audobon Center and Farm's Friend of Aullwood Board of Trustees. He joined the Friends of Aullwood Board in 1999, serving as chairman of the Finance Committee and recently on the Executive Board as secretary. He is a senior financial advisor with Merrill Lynch and a member of the Board of Directors for Spring Run Farm in Fairborn. He lives in Oakwood with his wife Susan and daughter Meg.

## CLASS OF 1995

**Scott Cotoia (M.B.A.)** has been promoted from captain to major in the U.S. Air Force. He is currently an instructor pilot for the 85<sup>th</sup> Flying Training Squadron at Laughlin Air Force Base in Del Rio, Texas, as well as assistant director of operations. While stationed at Fairchild Air Force Base in Spokane, Wash., he flew KC-135 refueling jets. He participated in the missions of Southern Watch, Northern Watch, and Desert Fox while deployed to Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and Spain. He and his wife, Jill, have one son, Kyle.

**Paula Freeman (B.S.Ed.)** was selected to receive the Time Warner Crystal Apple Award for teachers, which comes with a \$1,000 award. She traveled to Washington, D.C., to receive the award this summer. Freeman is a third-grade teacher at Menlow Park Elementary.

**Douglas J. Rentz (B.A.)** finished a M.A. in communication from Auburn University in 2001. His thesis on gambling was accepted into the Gaming Studies Research Center at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

**Trisha (Ricketts) Schulz (B.A.)** has worked as a certification specialist for Warren County for the past four years. She began working part time after her son, Justin, was born in February of 2001. She also began the master's program in Applied Behavioral Science at Wright State in 2000.

**Christopher Turney (B.S.)** is an imagery scientist for NIMA. Supported FEMA in New York City after the September 11 World Trade Center attacks. He is also engaged to be married on November 9, 2002.

**Kurt Weddington (B.S.B.)** was promoted to lieutenant on the City of Carmel Fire Department, in Noblesville, IN.

## CLASS OF 1996

**Cheryl Conway (B.A.)** has been named principal of Liberty Elementary School in Columbus. After receiving her master's degree, she taught at Meadowdale Elementary School.

**Francis Szabo (B.S.Ed.)** superintendent of information systems at the 786<sup>th</sup> Communications Squadron, a subordinate unit for Ramstein's 86<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing of the U.S. Air Force, was selected under a new education program, which gives enlisted members the same graduate educational opportunities as officers.

**William Riley (M.A.)** volunteered as a counselor at Ground Zero in October of last year.

## CLASS OF 1997

**Devon Moser (B.A.)** recently graduated from the University of Cincinnati, College of Law. She and her

husband, Joseph, have two children, Mishka and Emerik.

## CLASS OF 1999

**Joseph Arnett (M.B.A.)** recently received the Touchstone Award from Novient, Inc., for innovation in business application of their product in technology.

**Beth Ferrin (B.S.B.)** has been promoted to senior tax accountant at Battelle & Battelle LLP. She has been with the firm for three years.

**Teresa (Day) FitzHarris (M.S.; '82 B.S.)** recently gave a counseling workshop on Legal and Ethical Issues for lay counselors at South Brook Christian Church, where she is the acting lay counselor.

**Theresa Kendrick (B.S.B.)**, an International Cooperation Program analyst at WPAFB, is returning to WSU to pursue his master's degree.

**Jamie (Allen) Weiner (B.A.)** was married this August to Michael Weiner, a deputy sheriff in Franklin County, Ohio. She is currently an account manager for Penny, Ohlman, Neiman in Dayton.

## CLASS OF 2000

**Katherin Nolte (B.A.)** is halfway through the master's courses in creative writing and she was awarded a Truman Capote Fellowship for this school year, which will pay all of her tuition plus and \$11,000 grant just to write.

**Jennifer Seaman (B.A.)** was appointed to the position of account executive at WCH Marketing Communications.

## CLASS OF 2001

**Leslie Anne Angel (B.A.)** was selected for a Duke University course in primate brain anatomy, which she attended in May. Last summer, she attended a workshop on Washington's Pacific Coast, where she studied whale and chimpanzee anatomy. Angel recently completed her first year of graduate study at the University of Dayton in psychology with a scholarship and a graduate assistantship. She currently works part time for a research company at Wright-Patterson Air Force

Base in human factors engineering and is also a psychology resource specialist at Sinclair Community College in Dayton.

**Ryan Cutlip (B.F.A.)** landed the featured role of Clifford Bradshaw in a national tour of the musical *Cabaret* that rehearsed in New York and took to the road this fall.

**Amy (Smith) Leitch (B.S.B.)** is currently the Learning for Life executive for the Southeast Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

**James L. Matthews (B.A.)**, Air Force 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant, arrived for duty at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base in Ariz. He will be assigned to the 355<sup>th</sup> Transportation Squadron.

## CLASS OF 2002

**Ashley E. Foster (B.A.)** is attending Law School at the University of Dayton, where she received a \$13,000 scholarship.

**Kristin Graham (B.A.)** is majoring in Spanish and has been awarded a scholarship that will cover all of her expenses for a four-week course of study at the Universidad Internacional in Cuernavaca, Mexico.

**Eric Leckey (B.S.)** is currently working for the U.S. Department of Education in Washington, D.C.

**Nicholas Weldy (M.S.T.; '00 B.S.Ed.)**, a science teacher at Upper Valley Joint Vocational School in Piqua, entered the University of Dayton's doctoral program in educational leadership this fall.



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## Fall Sports Wrap-Up



Senior midfielder Bret Jones

### Men's Soccer: 8-9-2

In one of the most dramatic finishes in Raider soccer history, Wright State's season came to an end with a 0-0 double overtime tie against Butler University in the first round of the Horizon League Tournament.

Three members were recognized by the Horizon League: Senior midfielder Bret Jones was named to the First Team while junior forward Ricky Strong, and sophomore defender Winston Marshall were each selected to the Second Team.

Jones played a key role in the Raider defense. This is the second straight year that Jones has appeared on the First Team after being chosen as the conference Newcomer of the Year in 1999. He has also been the team MVP twice and was also First Team All-Ohio in 2001 and Second Team in 1999.

For the third straight year, Strong led the Raiders in goals scored and in points as he tallied 10 goals and 21 points overall. A Second Team All-Horizon League selection as well as First Team All-Ohio in 2001, Strong was the conference Co-Newcomer of the Year in 2000.

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### Women's Soccer: 6-10-4

Although the women's team didn't end up in the winner's column, the year still racked up points in terms of learning and rebuilding.

That was evident when sophomore forward Kim Chianese and sophomore midfielder Mary Beth Young were named to the First Team All-Horizon League. Sophomore defender Blair Kaminski was selected to the Second Team while sophomore midfielder Kelly Kammer and freshmen forwards Michelle Sarmiento and Jenny Tamms were each chosen for the All-Newcomer Team.

Chianese led the Raiders in goals scored for the second straight year with 11 in 2002. A member of the All-Newcomer Team last season, Chianese currently ranks fifth on the Wright State career list for goals with 23 and is sixth in points with 53.

The 2001 Horizon League Newcomer of the Year, Young put together another solid season with her strong play on defense. She moved up to the First Team this season after being a Second Team All-League honoree last year

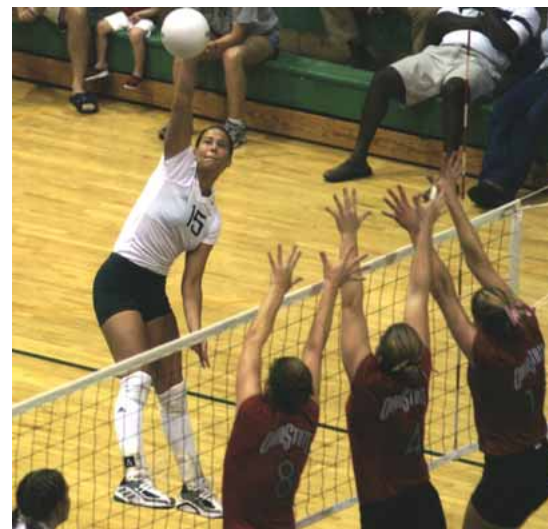


Senior midfielder Amy Franks

### Volleyball Ball: (15-12 overall; 4-8 Horizon League)

The Wright State volleyball team is winding down a successful season. At press time, the team was gearing up for the Horizon League Tournament on November 22-24 in Green Bay, Wisconsin. The winner of the tournament receives an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament, which starts the week of December 1.

Senior setter Mandy Gels continues her assault on the Raider record books as she became WSU's all-time leader in assists during October and ranks fifth in digs. Senior outside hitter Karis Day has already reached the 1000-kill plateau while junior outside hitter Tricia Naseman has put together a solid season.



Senior Karis Day

### Did You Know?

At the end of spring 2002, *USA Today* ranked WSU seventh in the nation for athlete graduation rates in division 1AA. The cumulative GPA average of WSU scholar athletes was 3.045, compared to 2.932 for the general WSU population.



## Women's Basketball Schedule

### December

4 DAYTON  
7 at Miami  
10 TEXAS A&M  
18 at West Virginia  
21 BALL STATE  
28 MINNESOTA  
31 IP-FORT WAYNE

### January

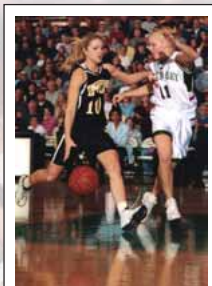
2 at UIC \*  
4 LOYOLA \*  
9 at Detroit \*  
11 CLEVELAND STATE \*  
16 at Butler \*  
23 UW-MILWAUKEE \*  
25 UW-GREEN BAY \*  
28 at Tennessee State

### February

1 at Youngstown State \*  
5 UIC \*  
8 at Loyola \*  
15 at Cleveland State \*  
17 DETROIT \*  
20 BUTLER\*  
24 YOUNGSTOWN STATE \*  
27 at UW-Milwaukee \*

### March

1 at UW-Green Bay \*  
5 Horizon League First Round  
6 Thursday Horizon League Quarterfinals  
7 Horizon League Semifinals  
9 Horizon League Championship



Tiffany Webb

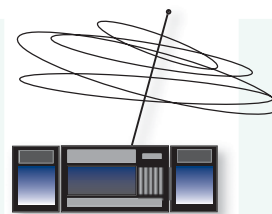
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## Follow the Raiders From Anywhere on the Planet



**W**e need everyone to help pack the Nutter Center this season, but if you can't make it to the game, you don't have to miss the fun and excitement. There are several ways to follow the Raiders all season long.

Every men's game will be broadcast live on Clear Channel radio stations WONE (980 AM), WIZE (1340 AM), and WBKI (106.5 FM) with Chris Collins and Jon Ramey. Fans outside the WSU area can listen to the games through the Internet or over the telephone free through the Free Teamline service. Visit [www.teamline.cc/](http://www.teamline.cc/) or [www.wsuraiders.com/mbasketball](http://www.wsuraiders.com/mbasketball) for more information.

Don Pablo's restaurant in Beavercreek will be the place to talk hoops with the coaches when it hosts the Ed Schilling Radio Show throughout the season. The call-in talk show will air from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on WONE, WIZE, and WBKI with Chris Collins as the host. Airdates are Dec. 10, and 19; Jan. 2, 8, 15, 21, 28; and Feb. 6, 11, 18, 26. WSU head women's basketball coach Bridgett Williams will have six of her own shows following The Ed Schilling Show from 7:30 to 8 p.m.

"Coach's Corner" will return as part of the popular "Extreme Close-Up" show produced locally for Time Warner Cable. "Coach's Corner" will feature WSU players and coaches on various topics and basketball drills used in the collegiate game. The show airs twice a week.

Can't get enough of the Raiders? In a partnership between WSU and the *Dayton Daily News*, fans can now receive "The Raider Connection," an electronic newsletter that includes features, game stories, and interviews sent at various times throughout the year. Visit [daytondailynews.com](http://daytondailynews.com) for more information and to sign up.

## Men's Basketball Schedule

### December

4 MOREHEAD STATE  
7 at Ball State  
11 TOLEDO  
14 SOUTH FLORIDA  
17-18 Billy Minardi Classic at Louisville, Ky.  
17 Wright State vs. Manhattan  
18 Third place Championship  
30 at Santa Clara

### January

5 at Loyola\*  
9 DETROIT\*  
11 at Cleveland State\*  
13 at Youngstown State\*  
16 BUTLER\*  
23 at UW-Green Bay\*  
25 at UW-Milwaukee\*  
29 UIC\*

### February

1 YOUNGSTOWN STATE\*  
5 at UIC\*  
8 LOYOLA\*  
13 at Detroit\*  
15 CLEVELAND STATE\*  
20 at Butler\*  
22 at IP-Ft. Wayne  
27 UW-MILWAUKEE\*

### March

1 UW-GREEN BAY\*  
4 Horizon League First Round at campus sites  
7 Horizon League Quarterfinals at Milwaukee, Wis.  
8 Horizon League Semifinals at Milwaukee, Wis.  
11 Tuesday Horizon League Championship at Milwaukee, Wis.



Vernard Hollins

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<p><b>Men's Basketball on Time Warner</b></p> <p>Nov. 23 vs Akron; Dec. 7 at Ball State; Jan. 16 vs Butler; Feb. 20 at Butler Feb. 22 at IP-Ft. Wayne; March 8 Horizon League Tournament; Semi-Finals</p>
<p><b>Men's Basketball on Fox Sports Ohio</b></p> <p>Jan. 25 at UW-Milwaukee; Feb. 8 vs Loyola</p>
<p><b>Women's Basketball on Time Warner</b></p> <p>Dec. 21 vs Ball State; Dec. 31 vs IP-Ft. Wayne; Jan. 4 vs Loyola; Jan. 11 vs Cleveland State; Feb. 20 vs Butler; Feb. 24 vs Youngstown State; March 9 Horizon League Tournament Final</p>

HOME GAMES IN CAPS

All Times Eastern

\* Horizon League Games

# They may have aggressive academic, athletic, and extracurricular schedules, but on any given night, you'll find Mandi, Ken, Alisha, Brett, and Sarah on the phone for hours!

These are just a few of the more than 30 young, enthusiastic students who are committed to helping their university through the Wright State Phonathon.

Reaching out over the phone lines to thousands of alumni, parents, and friends, student callers help ensure the success of Wright State by raising vital funds to support student scholarships, provide state-of-the-art technology for classrooms and laboratories, enhance academic programs, and much more. They also serve as important ambassadors, keeping alumni and friends from California to Connecticut up to date on progress around campus.

WSU student callers come from diverse backgrounds and schools across campus. But each is pursuing a degree thanks to the support of family, professors, alumni, and friends who generously support the university. We hope you, too, will consider investing in students like Mandi, Ken, Alisha, Brett, and Sarah when you are called for the Wright State Annual Phonathon. Every gift makes a difference!

**Clockwise, from top:**

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|-------------------|--|
| Ken Dobbins, Jr.  | College of Engineering and Computer Science, Class of 2004 |
| Alisha Hackenburg | College of Nursing and Health, Class of 2005               |
| Sarah Vilelli     | College of Education and Human Services, Class of 2003     |
| Brett Cypher      | Raj Sooin College of Business, Class of 2004               |
| Mandi White       | College of Nursing and Health, Class of 2005               |



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### Horizons

Between Allyn and Rike Halls is the new *Horizons*, a brick and glass sculpture with colorized concrete pavement created through Ohio's Percent for Art Program, which places works of art in public places. According to the artist, Will Nettleship, "*Horizons* uses color and imagery to create a crossroads and a meeting place for students and faculty, inviting all to pause and reflect. It acts as a welcoming gateway to the central campus."



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