A PRESIDENT'S LEGACY
Dr. Kim Goldenberg
Culture, Technology, and Justice

TODAY’S CAMPUS
Take our visual tour to see what's new at Wright State
INCLUDED IN MY INAUGURAL SPEECH as Wright State’s fifth president was an important maxim ingrained in me by family: “If you can conceive it, you can achieve it.” Maybe that’s one reason why Wright State has been such a good fit for me: 40 years ago a community conceived the idea that having a public university in the area would offer immeasurable benefits for its citizens and the region. The result was a groundbreaking community partnership that achieved that dream: the founding of Wright State University.

In fact, when coming to Wright State in 1983, I was immediately struck by the great community spirit that prevailed throughout both the campus community and the region it served. It’s a spirit that has continued to thrive and grow, fueling a tremendous transformation of the university over the past 10 years: national recognition of our first-year student experience program; a broader and more innovative research enterprise; one of the strongest enrollment growth rates in the state; and a greatly successful first-ever fundraising campaign.

There is no question that these achievements are directly related to a superb group of faculty, staff, alumni, and students, as well as the contributions of WSU’s external partners who realize the important role this university plays in the region, state, nation, and beyond.

This is my ninth year as president and 24th in leadership positions at Wright State. With the university on firm footing, I think the time is right to pass the baton of presidential leadership in 2007. This will allow me to meet the increasing demands relating to my interests in informing public health policy and security, an area of acute need. I also look forward to helping develop strategies for growing our successful partnerships with government, business, and donors, as well as serving as a member of the Boonshoft School of Medicine faculty and as president emeritus.

While this is a bittersweet moment, I believe it also an opportunity for the university. Dr. David Hopkins, who has served the university so admirably as provost since 2003, has been appointed by the Board of Trustees as Wright State’s sixth president.

I have been deeply honored to serve as president of Wright State University and trust our relationship will also continue to grow as we build for the future of the region.

Regards,

Kim Belcher
President, Wright State University
THE LEGACY OF DR. KIM GOLDENBERG

Wright State University has accomplished much in its short history and Dr. Kim Goldenberg has played a significant role in positioning the university to achieve even greater things in the future.

Follow the trajectory of Dr. Goldenberg’s presidency on these pages and read about how his innovative and visionary leadership has contributed to Wright State’s success.

TAKE A LOOK!

The transformation of Wright State University has happened in stages but you’ll get the whole picture on these pages. If you haven’t visited campus recently, you’re in for a surprise.

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Steven Roger Angle, a nationally recognized researcher, educator, and experienced administrator, has been named Wright State University’s new provost. He replaces David Hopkins, who was named Wright State’s sixth president in January.

As Wright State’s provost and chief academic officer, Angle oversees the university’s schools and colleges and nationally funded research centers and institutes, along with the divisions of Business and Finance, Advancement, Student Affairs and Enrollment Services, Curriculum and Instruction, and Research.

Angle comes from the University of California, Riverside, where he served as dean of the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences (CNAS) and director of the Agricultural and Natural Resources Program. He also holds the rank of professor in the Department of Chemistry.

Angle was elected a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 1999 and an Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellow in 1993, an award that allowed him to advance his research on cancer-fighting chemotherapy agents and the design of new anti-cancer compounds. He received UCIR’s Distinguished Teaching Award in 1991.

“I am looking forward to working at Wright State, an institution that has grown in its well-earned reputation for the learning experience it provides its students, for innovative and collaborative research that impacts the regional economy, and for its engagement with the community it serves,” said Angle.

“Dr. Angle has a proven track record of successful collaboration within and outside the university,” said Hopkins. “He has had great success as an administrator of a complex and multifaceted organization. He has demonstrated a personal commitment to diversity and a dedication to building quality and excellence in higher education. We look forward to welcoming Dr. Angle to Wright State.”

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“Controlling Emerald Ash Borer

State officials estimate that the damage to Ohio’s forest from the emerald ash borer will cost Ohioans billions over the next decade. Don Cipollini, associate professor of biological sciences, is investigating ways to control this pest that is destroying forests at an alarming rate in the Midwest.

“The emerald ash borer continues to spread unchecked, it has the potential to decimate ash trees throughout eastern North America,” said Cipollini, who studies the insect as part of his research on plant stress interactions and invasive species.

The bark-feeding insect has infested and killed millions of ash trees in southeast Michigan and northwest Ohio. Spottings have been reported in Warren County to the south and the Columbus area to the east. Cipollini is collaborating with two Ohio State faculty members with whom he earned research funding to study the insect from the Ohio Plant Biotechnology Consortium and the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

The researchers’ goal is to find a way to enhance resistance of ash trees through either cultural practices or breeding for resistance. Research shows the Manchurian ash in China is more resistant to the insect than North American ash.

Cipollini said Wright State officials are particularly concerned because there are thousands of ash trees growing naturally on the campus and probably a hundred or more planted around buildings and along walkways.

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Fulbright Scholar Researches Culture, Business Ethics

In the Chinese business world, personal relationships—termed guanxi (gwanchee)—pave the way for business success. As China’s role in international business becomes increasingly critical, the relationship of business integrity to guanxi takes on added significance.

Lijun Chen, a business professor at Zhejiang University near Shanghai, is on a Fulbright Scholarship at Wright State, researching how managers balance integrity and guanxi within a cross-cultural context.

Chen, who holds a doctorate in managerial psychology, has concentrated her research efforts over the past eight years on business ethics. She selected Wright State for her Fulbright studies because of Peterson’s published work, and expertise and international reputation in the field.

Fulbright Scholar Lijun Chen and Joseph Petrick, management.

The Legacy Of Dr. Kim Goldenberg

Wright State University’s history is filled with milestones, but one important event occurred quietly 24 years ago when Dr. Kim Goldenberg joined the Wright State faculty in the Boonshoft School of Medicine.

Kim Goldenberg’s innovative and visionary leadership was noticeable from the start. It was obvious that he successfully drew from his experience as an engineer on the Apollo 11 team and was guided in a special regard for humanity by his medical background.

As the university grew, Kim Goldenberg grew with it. He became dean of the medical school in 1990. A proud highlight was when the school won the top national academic award for community service, which was presented at the Kennedy Center.
Goldenberg was appointed the fifth president of the university in 1998 and committed himself to leading Wright State in a manner that produced “educated citizens who can think critically, communicate effectively, and act morally in an increasingly complex world.” He envisioned Wright State’s future as one based on creating innovation in cultural and technological development and in programs that promote human justice. Both he and his wife, Shelley, dedicated themselves to creating a culture on campus that embraced diversity and an “appreciation for the rich differences that gender, race, and religion bring to the human condition.”

Human justice is not just a theory for Kim Goldenberg, it is a strong belief demonstrated through personal engagement with the community. The recipient, along with Wright State, of the Humanitarian Award from the National Conference for Community and Justice in the region, Goldenberg was also the 2002-2003 honorary co-chair of the Martin Luther King Jr. celebration in Dayton. He and Shelley were active in the Dayton Urban League and the NAACP’s fight for racial equality and human justice. Together they marched in the rain across Peace Bridge in Dayton and he served as honorary chair of the Urban League’s 2005 dinner. Goldenberg instituted Quest for Community: A Call to Action, a state-wide conference held annually at Wright State University exploring diversity issues in higher education, and the university community was encouraged to join Goldenberg in his active support of the Dayton Dialogue on Race Relations and the National Conference on Race and Ethnicity.

During his presidency, Goldenberg encouraged a culture that valued collaboration throughout the organization and with schools and business, government, and community organizations.
Demonstrating Excellence

Wright State earned a respected reputation for its collaborations and agreements with community organizations, including Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Veterans Affairs, and community hospitals. Internationally, academic collaborations were thriving with institutions of higher learning in Africa, Asia, Europe, and South America.

“It’s hard to select what particular trait sets Kim apart from the many people with whom I’ve worked over the years,” said Bill Pardue, CEO of Qbase. “But if I have to pick one, it’s bringing people together and how he can introduce and build a spirit of collaboration and consensus, often without people even knowing that it’s his fingerprints that are all over the place.”

With Goldenberg at the helm, the university attracted increasingly strong students, including more Miami Valley valedictorians than any other university in the nation, according to a Dayton Daily News survey. Those students consistently demonstrated their excellence by winning national awards in accounting, ethics, engineering, mathematics, and at the United Nations, to name a few. Wright State was the only university in Ohio, and one of only 26 in the nation, recommended by the Kaplan/Newsweek College Catalog for individual attention to students.

In 2002, one year before the expiration of his five-year term as president, Wright State’s Board of Trustees announced the extension of Goldenberg’s presidency until 2007.

“The Board believes that Dr. Goldenberg’s commitment to academic excellence, fiscal responsibility, attracting talented people, and fostering community partnerships have enabled him to take Wright State to the next level,” said Mike Adams, then chair of WSU’s board of trustees. “Under his leadership, Wright State has made an impact on the entire Miami Valley, educating tomorrow’s leaders, conducting pioneering research, and improving the quality of life for us all.”

2000
• WSU receives $5.8 million contract from DOD to study Gulf War syndrome.
• NCR presents WSU with WorldMark 4800 computer valued at $1.2 million and the largest of its kind in the Midwest.
• The School of Medicine establishes Center for Brain Research.
• The first ArtisGala is held to benefit need-based WSU scholarships for Miami Valley students in the fine and performing arts.
• Big Brothers/Big Sisters honors Goldenberg for community leadership.
• Wright State’s Global Trade, Relations, Assistance, Development, and Education (G-Trade) Program is only university in the state to receive Governor’s Excellence in Exporting Award.

2001
• For third straight year, more valedictorians from Miami Valley choose WSU than any other college in the nation.
• The first Quest for Community, a statewide conference on diversity and inclusiveness in higher education, is held.
• WSU sponsors first annual Cameos of Caring awards ceremony, honoring dedication and service of area nurses.
• The university launches Tomorrow Takes Flight: The Campaign for Wright State University.
• Kaplan/Newsweek College Catalog lists Wright State as one of 26 colleges and universities nationwide, and the only one in Ohio, recommended for its "...high level of individual attention from faculty."
The next year, Goldenberg was honored by the Dayton Business Journal as Business Executive of the Year. He was cited for his leadership and support for the university’s academic accomplishments, successful capital campaign, significant research funding, strong fiscal management, and extensive professional and community involvement. “Excellent management of resources provides Wright State University with the flexibility it needs to weather any financial crisis,” said a contest judge.

In 2005, when the Congressional Base Realignment and Closure legislation threatened defense jobs at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Kim Goldenberg was quick to gather the university’s experts to join with regional business and government in support of its long-term partner. Working side-by-side with the community, the Wright State team helped save over 5,000 jobs.

“It was wonderful seeing the CEO of a major corporation, the president of Wright State University, researchers, and others joining together to bring a proposal to the national research council that talked about the virtues of this community,” said General (retired) Lester L. Lyles, former commander, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, and a member of WSU’s Board of Trustees.

Wright State is also engaged in research projects that will create new jobs for Ohio. One noteworthy initiative is participation in the governor’s Third Frontier project. Through this $41 million project, Wright State established daytaOhio, an organization that partners to solve the complexities of large-scale data management issues. daytaOhio is the home to the LexisNexis Eminent Scholar, a program to place the state at the forefront of the knowledge economy.
One of Kim Goldenberg’s most distinctive contributions to the university is the leadership he provided to the first-ever capital campaign. A resounding success, the university’s first-ever capital campaign raised $123 million, three times the original goal of $40 million established by national goal-setting principles. The campaign raised funds to provide additional resources for nearly every area of the university and resulted in innovative new academic programs, major facility renovations, and new buildings across campus.

“Leadership in a capital campaign is one of the essential ingredients of success and Dr. Goldenberg articulated a very compelling and compassionate story that had a great impact and contributed significantly to the outcome of the capital campaign,” said Malte vonMathiesson, campaign co-chair with Dan Duval.

Fundraising is only one aspect of Kim Goldenberg’s legacy. Together he and his wife, Shelley, personally endowed eight funds to support the performing arts, cultural diversity, and for students with disabilities. Goldenberg’s leadership has impacted programs across the entire university, and the unique successes of Wright State’s college and schools are Goldenberg’s pride.

Wright State University has accomplished much in its short history, and Kim Goldenberg has played a significant role in positioning the university to achieve even greater things in the future. Dr. Goldenberg’s legacy of promoting the growth and development of students, faculty, staff, and of the university itself will be felt for years to come.

Governor Bob Taft recognizes Goldenberg for leadership and service on the Governor’s Commission on Higher Education and the Economy.

Research and Sponsored Program funding increases 9 percent in 2003-2004 to $50,462,293 for 570 awards, the highest in university history. Wright State continues to rank third among state universities in Ohio in federal research dollars.

Thanks to a $5 million commitment from Premier Health Partners and a partnership with Dayton VA Medical Center, the School of Medicine becomes one of only a handful in country to have a Department of Geriatrics.

Matching awards from the Ohio Board of Regents and LastOhioXs net $1.46 million to fund an Ohio Eminent Scholar Endowed Chair In Advanced Data Management and Analysis.

The Nursing Institute of West Central Ohio is founded with federal funds.

The university receives its largest private gift to date, $28.5 million, enabling the newly named Boonshoft School of Medicine to expand facilities, fund scholarships, accelerate research, and develop innovative programs in global health and geriatric medicine.

Wright State University Athletics enters a new era with the grand opening of the Setzer Pavilion/Mills-Morgan Center, a new state-of-the-art athletics training center and a national model for gender equity.

Wall Street comes to Wright State with the opening of the MTC Technologies Trading Center, which features an actual stock ticker tape, computer software programs from leading investment information providers, and real-time coverage of financial markets.

2006

• A $4 million capital campaign for the Lake Campus, with leadership from the James F. Dicke family, provides construction of a new science wing and multipurpose center, plus 28,000 square feet of classroom renovation to incorporate the latest in multimedia technology and student services facilities.

• The North Central Association reaccredits Wright State for the maximum 10 years with no recommended improvements.

• WSU records second highest enrollment growth among Ohio’s public universities for fall quarter 2005, in contrast to eight of Ohio public universities which saw enrollment drop.

• WSU is one of 13 four-year institutions nationwide selected for the 2005-2006 Foundations of Excellence in the first College Year Project.

• Wright State University concludes its first comprehensive campaign, Tomorrow Takes Flight, which raised $133.1 million, more than triple the original goal set by national benchmarks.

• The Joshi Research Center opens, and phase 1 of Student Union renovation is completed.

• Construction begins on $3 million Biological Science building with leadership from Matt and Nancy Diggs.

• Renovation of the Boonshoft School of Medicine’s White Hall nears completion.
“Kim Goldenberg has been a thoughtful and effective leader who nurtured a culture of collaboration, where teamwork and outcomes are valued. Wright State has seen a tremendous transformation during his tenure. He has paved the way to move the university to the next level of performance. On behalf of the entire Board of Trustees, I thank both Kim Goldenberg for his leadership and the outstanding job he has done as president and Shelley Goldenberg who has worked tirelessly beside him.”

— Don R. Graber, retired chairman, president and CEO of Huffy Corporation and chair of Wright State University’s Board of Trustees

“Shelley and Kim are a team. You don’t get one without the other. In a community, family environment like Wright State, those two working in concert have helped take the university to the next level. Kim Goldenberg sets the standard for university presidential leadership in this country.”

— J. Thomas Young, an investment advisor and community activist and secretary of Wright State University’s Board of Trustees

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“Kim Goldenberg is the most unique and thoughtful leader I’ve ever had the pleasure to work with. He is thoughtful and concise and has an ability to get to the center of issues quickly and make a fair, timely decision. With Kim’s leadership, the university is poised to go forward and people are going to be amazed to see what Wright State does in the future.”

— Bonnie G. Langdon, former president and CEO of the Maria-Joseph Center, and a member of Wright State University’s Board of Trustees

“The Dayton community understands what is going on at Wright State because Kim Goldenberg takes time and effort to know and understand the needs of the community.”

— Vishal Soin, senior vice president of Soin International and managing director of Soin Capital and a member of Wright State University’s Board of Trustees

“I’ve had the pleasure of working with Kim Goldenberg since the early ’90s, and it didn’t take me long to learn that Kim knew what fundraising was all about. Over the years he has moved this university to a level of excellence that we are all very proud of.”

— Michael Adams, founder and chief executive officer of Adams Robinson Enterprises, and a member of Wright State University’s Board of Trustees
Located adjacent to the Fritz and Dolores Russ Engineering Center, the world-class Joshi Research Center will put Ohio at the forefront of advanced data management and analysis, a field that touches every aspect of our lives, from manufacturing and supply chain management to medicine, military, and defense applications. Home to daytaOhio, part of Ohio’s Third Frontier Initiative to create jobs by expanding the state’s high-tech research capabilities, the center boasts top-flight labs, hotelling space for visiting scholars and businesses, as well as offices and research space for the college’s new LexisNexis Eminent Scholar and his team of researchers. The centerpiece of the facility is the Appenzeller Visualization Laboratory, which will break new ground with its cutting-edge visualization and presentation technology. The laboratory, one of the most advanced in the nation, features a fully immersive 3-D environment allowing researchers to visualize and manipulate their research, from the microscopic functions of proteins to new designs for aircraft controls. Featuring both 2-D and 3-D projection equipment, the lab will be fully interactive with the other research labs in the building, across the region, and around the world. The center’s experimental classrooms will beta test new classroom technologies, allowing the college to train engineers and computer scientists with the innovation and entrepreneurial skills needed to grow the state’s economy. The Joshi Research Center is made possible by a gift from Vicky and Krishan Joshi.

TAKE A LOOK!

On the following pages you’ll get a glimpse of today’s Wright State. Like most 40-year-olds, Wright State has come into its own. If you haven’t been to campus in years, you may not recognize the Wright State you knew during your college years. We hope you’ll visit us and see for yourself how Wright State not only looks different, but is MAKING a difference!
Whether they are preparing for the challenging and demanding profession of teaching or for a rewarding career in health and human services or educational leadership, students in the College of Education and Human Services are prepared to be instruments of change in society. Located in Allyn Hall, the College of Education and Human Services creates professionals and leaders in education as well as mental and physical health, by offering a variety of majors. With its strong ties to the community, through projects such as the Urban Literacy Program and collaboration with area schools, the college is fulfilling its commitment to service and making a difference in people’s lives. The college supports highly specialized instruction and training, and—with the newly renovated Allyn Hall opened in the late 1990s—offered one of the newest technologies on a college campus: the wireless classroom. Today, flexible classrooms support collaborative learning, and an updated and expanded Educational Resource Center serves the students and faculty, plus teachers and administrators from throughout the Miami Valley. The College of Education and Human Services continues to embrace the use of current and emerging technology to inspire the next generation of teachers and health and human services providers.
The $4 million Lake Campus capital campaign, with a leadership gift from the James F. Dicke family, reflects the dedicated community backing the campus has enjoyed for more than 30 years. The Lake Campus was a pioneer in bringing higher education to the counties surrounding Celina. To meet changing needs, the curriculum has evolved from solely offering associate degrees to granting bachelor’s and master’s degrees. The renovation project will help prepare students of the 21st century with an appropriate learning environment while enhancing campus facilities available for use by the community. State-of-the-art labs in a new wing support science education. The consolidation of student affairs in one area provides one-stop shopping for student service needs. A new multipurpose center and banquet facility more than doubles the space available for lectures, guest speakers, entertaining, and performances. And this center will be available as a much-needed resource for community events. Over the years the Lake Campus has worked with community leaders to meet the needs of area residents, and this project continues this mutually beneficial arrangement.
The College of Liberal Arts (COLA) uses knowledge and ideas to open minds and possibilities for people from every background, preparing them with the essentials required by employers and needed for graduate education. With its colors, textures, artwork and architectural detail, the recently renovated Millett Hall, home to COLA, reflects the diversity and forward thinking embraced by students and faculty. The college has a reputation for excellence and for preparing students to compete at the highest level. From the students’ 27-year winning streak at the National Model United Nations Conference to their award-winning performance at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and recognition at the Sundance Film Festival, students from the college are recognized nationally for their outstanding performances and contributions. Twelve computer labs now help students maintain that competitive edge. And new student lounges on every floor of Millett contribute to the collaborative atmosphere embraced by the college. The renovation of Millett Hall resulted in nationwide recognition through an educational interior design excellence award. Patrons of the nationally recognized COLA theatre arts program also enjoy the new seating in the Stein Auditorium of the Festival Playhouse. The drama and music programs presented in the Creative Arts Center continue to offer one of the region’s best entertainment values.
From its home in University Hall, the Wright State University–Miami Valley College of Nursing and Health radiates good health care practices to counties throughout Southwest Ohio, fulfilling its mission of serving and strengthening the nursing workforce of tomorrow. Committed to innovation in health care education, community service, and research, the college offers accessible nursing education to meet the needs of nurses at all levels. For six years, the college has held the Cameos of Caring event, which recognizes the contribution nurses make in a community committed to high-quality health care for its citizens. Proceeds go to scholarships to help train the next generation of nurses and alleviate the region’s nursing shortage. University Hall is also headquarters for the Nursing Institute of West Central Ohio, a 16-county collaborative regional venture involving 10 hospitals and medical centers and 26 higher education institutions. The college and institute work together to provide support and leadership for an effective RN workforce through partnerships, service, education, and research. Their commitment to recruiting and retaining high-quality registered nurses is critical to meeting the growing health care needs of an aging population in the region and state.
It is appropriate that the College of Science and Mathematics’s new research building, with a leadership gift from Matt and Nancy Diggs, is designed and being built following environmentally sound practices that mirror the college’s respect for the earth and all that it embodies. This will be one of the first university research buildings in Ohio with certification for good environmental practices. The facility will house as many as 80 researchers, including about 20 faculty from Biological Sciences, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, and provide a world-class environment for the training of graduate students in M.S. and Ph.D. degree programs. Research areas include genetics, cancer, protein structure, cell dynamics, and live cell imaging, which will ultimately improve the state of health care throughout the world. The Center for Genomics Research, which explores the genetic basis of human disease, and the Wright Brothers Institute, an aerospace research and development initiative, will also occupy state-of-the-art laboratory space. When complete, the $15 million project adjacent to the Biological Sciences and Health Sciences buildings will be the focal point of a research corridor encompassing medicine, engineering, computer science, and science and math research for tomorrow’s generation.
The MTC Technologies Trading Center at the Raj Soin College of Business makes available one of the most advanced trading centers in the United States to Wright State students and faculty, and community members. Students can acquire the knowledge base needed for leading positions in asset management, investment banking, and corporate finance, significantly expanding their employment prospects following graduation and improving their ability to command higher salaries. The center also will be used by the area business community for seminars and executive training programs and by area educators for continuing education. It features software for trading and facilities management and combines the latest high-tech innovations with an already outstanding business curriculum. The ticker board and data wall display real-time coverage of financial markets that bring Wall Street to Wright State. It will provide all who use it with an unprecedented opportunity to understand the art and science of investment banking, asset management, and financial risk management, further demonstrating the impact that the Raj Soin College of Business makes in our regional and global community. The center was made possible by MTC Technologies, with a substantial matching gift from Raj Soin.
The greater Dayton area is widely known for having a high emergency patient caseload in its 21 regional hospitals. An expanded anatomy learning center with fiber optic lighting located in the newly renovated White Hall medical education center at the Boonshoft School of Medicine will advance the skills of area EMTs and paramedics, the first responders so critical to a burgeoning community. Students will enter the medical profession with extensive hands-on experience and area physicians will have access to the state-of-the-art center. A transformative $28.5 million gift from philanthropist Oscar Boonshoft is helping the school to advance several strategic medical education goals including innovative programs in global health, genomics, human growth and development, brain research, geriatric medicine and intervention, treatment, and addictions research. A new 150-seat auditorium, which will be available for community and outreach programs, is designed with the capability to stream video on the Internet to a global medical community. With its focus on generalist physician training, dynamic partnerships with our community, and collaborative research initiatives, the Boonshoft School of Medicine continues to meet the critical health care needs of the region while addressing global concerns.
The School of Professional Psychology (SOPP) manages the Ellis Human Development Institute, a unique training facility in American higher education. In a professional clinical training environment, SOPP doctoral students and faculty work with individuals, families, and community groups to address a multitude of psychological issues and concerns. These include youth depression, adolescent violence, and domestic abuse. The students receive exposure to real-world situations and the problems of a predominantly underserved population. The faculty benefit from observing their competency and professionalism in a clinical setting. For many community residents with limited resources for behavioral health services, the Ellis Institute is a safety net for such needs as family grief counseling and determining children’s learning disabilities. Programs offered at the institute include the Male Responsibility Program, the Mental Health and Deafness Program, Preventing Abuse in the Home, The Center for Child and Adolescent Violence Prevention, and a general clinic. The training mission, range of services, location in a major urban renewal area, and administration by SOPP set it apart from other similar facilities in the state and nation.
The Student Union offers a unique combination of campus recreation and student services under one roof, providing one-stop shopping for students in search of fun, relaxation, and exercise or those in need of help or health services. Within the Union, a major redesign of the Union Market food service area creates eight food stations to meet varied student tastes. The renovation includes the Cyber Café, the first location on campus devoted to social use of computers for e-mails and Internet surfing by the students. The Student Union, a major community resource as a conference center, houses a greatly expanded fitness center as part of its health and wellness component. The fitness center features more than 50 pieces of state-of-the-art exercise equipment for use by students, faculty, staff, and alumni. It also is one of the few fitness centers in America located in a campus Student Union. To address student health and wellness needs, future renovations will include the campus pharmacy, health services, counseling and wellness center, a climbing wall, billiards, and table tennis. The Student Union has been honored as one of the 17 best in the world, while the Union Market renovation was selected as the best higher education design project in the U.S. for 2003.
The Setzer Pavilion/Mills-Morgan Center—made possible by Fred Setzer and Bob Mills, along with 80 donors—compares to the finest NCAA Division One athletic training centers in the country. The well-appointed facilities for both men and women place Wright State at the forefront of gender equity for intercollegiate athletics. This state-of-the-art complex helps attract the nation’s best student athletes for the men’s and women’s programs in 16 sports. With this training center, the university matches an excellence in academics with an excellence in facilities. The pavilion includes a full-size gym, basketball lockers for men and women, meeting rooms and player lounges, and a Hall of Champions that honors the university’s athletic history.
CLASS OF 1974
Charlie Painter (M.S.) has been selected as the Greater Western Ohio Conference Tennis Coach of the Year. He is currently teaching mathematics at Beavercreek High School in the Dayton area. His ’86 Beavercreek Boys Tennis Team won the GWOC with an 11-1 record. The championship was Painter’s eighth straight. Painter was the former head women’s tennis coach at Wight State and was selected as WSU Coach of the Year in 1996. He won his 455th career match placing him among the top 20 active coaches in Ohio.

Robert Ryan (M.Ed.) has recently retired after a 30-year civil service career with the Department of the Navy. A resident of Mesquite, NV, he returns to the Dayton area frequently to visit family and long-time friends.

Denise J. Youngblood (B.A.) is professor of history at the University of Vermont, specializing in Russian and Soviet history. Her most recent book is Russian War Films: On the Cinema Front (1914–2005), University Press of Kansas, 2006.

CLASS OF 1978
Cindy Snowball (B.A.) and her husband Mike own two Atlanta Bread Company franchises in the Sarasota/Naples, FL area. She recently won an award for marketing at the Atlanta Bread Company’s national convention. The Naples café was ranked in the top 10 in sales in only its second year, and was nominated for the Atlanta Bread Company’s Franchise of the Year Award. The Snowballs have three more locations they plan to open within the next five years.

CLASS OF 1982
Keith Jones (Ph.D.; B.S.E.G.) presented “Common Operational Picture for Avionics and Embedded Electronics” at the Military Embedded Electronics and Computing Conference in Long Beach, CA, last May, the “History of Science and Technology Systems Engineering: the Histen” and “A Need for Visionary Systems Engineering: the Visioneer” at the 25th Digital Avionics Systems Conference in Portland, OR, last October, and talked about the engineering profession at Career Awareness at the University of Dayton last November. Jones is a lead avionics engineer at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

CLASS OF 1983
Barbara Wallace (M.B.A.) was recognized in Ohio Magazine’s 2006 Excellence in Education edition. Wallace is a professor and chair of the Health Information Management program at Sinclair Community College. She has also been honored with a teaching excellence award from the National Institute of Staff and Organizational Development and recognized as a distinguished member of the Miami Valley Health Information Management Association.

Robert J. Karl (B.A.) was selected for inclusion in the 2006 edition of The Best Lawyers in America. The publication is based on peer reviews by top attorneys in the country. Karl is an attorney with Ulmer & Berne LLP, where he chairs the firm’s Environmental Law Group as well as focusing on real estate, business law, and business litigation. Karl has served as assistant Ohio attorney general, and as the Ohio representative for the National Association of Attorneys General.

CLASS OF 1988
Michael Clark (B.S.) is senior vice president of sales for JDS Uniphase, a $1.4 billion publicly traded company specializing in fiber optic technology. With an office at the world headquarters in Milpitas, CA, he resides in Cary, NC.

Gary LeRoy (M.D.; 82 M.S.M.T.) was honored as a 2006 Greater Dayton NCCJ Humanitarian. LeRoy is assistant dean for Minority and Student Affairs in the Boonshoft School of Medicine at Wright State University. He also serves as associate professor, Department of Family Medicine, and president of the WSU Alumni Association. NCCJ, the National Conference for Community and Justice of Greater Dayton, is a non-profit human relations organization dedicated to fighting bias, bigotry, and racism.

CLASS OF 1998
Steve Stout (B.A.) has been inducted as the 27th member of the Urbana University Blue Knight Esquire Club Athletic Hall of Fame. Stout has been an ardent ally to the Urbana University athletic department for more than two decades. He began working at the Urbana Daily Citizen in 1979 and has followed the Blue Knights since the mid-’80s. He became one of the youngest beat reporters in Bengals, Reds, and Ohio State University history when he started covering them in 1979 as a correspondent for the Daily Citizen at the age of 15. In April of 1993, Stout was named the paper’s sports editor. Stout has won over 30 sports writing awards, including three first-place finishes in the statewide Associated Press contest.

CLASS OF 2002
Gary Mull (B.S.B.) was elected to a two-year term on the Board of Directors of Toastmaster International during the organization’s 75th annual International Convention in Washington, D.C., last summer. A dedicated Toastmaster for nearly 20 years, Mull has had a number of distinguished leadership positions within the organization. Mull is a professional speaker and CEO of Mastering Technology, Inc., located Dayton.

CLASS OF 2003
Selena Burks (B.F.A.) is one of 20 film, video, and new media artists in the U.S. to receive the Media Arts Fellowship from National Video Resources fellowship. Filmmaker Burks will receive a $35,000 grant to produce Fuse, the story of her foster sister’s erratic teenage years as a runaway. Burks’ first film, Saving Jackie, a documentary portrait of her mother’s dependence on crack cocaine, premiered at the 2005 Sundance Film Festival.

CLASS OF 2004
Jeanne Miller (M.S.) is a part-time faculty member in the psychology department at Sinclair Community College. As part of her work on a Ph.D. in clinical psychology, she was a member of a research team whose work was published in the Psychological Aspects of Legal Processes.

CLASS OF 2005
Stephen Thompson (B.F.A.) is playing the part of Cookie Monster and the Count as a member of Sesame Street Live’s Elmo Makes Music touring company. He auditioned, and got the part, shortly after moving to New York City following graduation. The tour began last August and ends this coming July with stops in cities on both the east and west coast. Family and friends were able to see him perform when the show performed at Hara Arena last September. This is the second time he’s toured with a Sesame Street Production: the first was with Sesame Street Live’s Elmo’s Coloring Book.

CLASS OF 2006
Joel Shier (B.F.A.) is a lighting designer working on Broadway as the assistant lighting designer for Martin Short’s new musical comedy, Fame Becomes Me.
From the President’s Desk

INCLUDED IN MY INAUGURAL SPEECH as Wright State’s fifth president was an important maxim ingrained in me by family: “If you can conceive it, you can achieve it.” Maybe that’s one reason why Wright State has been such a good fit for me: 40 years ago a community conceived the idea that having a public university in the area would offer immeasurable benefits for its citizens and the region. The result was a groundbreaking community partnership that achieved that dream: the founding of Wright State University.

In fact, when coming to Wright State in 1983, I was immediately struck by the great community spirit that prevailed throughout both the campus community and the region it served. It’s a spirit that has continued to thrive and grow, fueling a tremendous transformation of the university over the past 10 years: national recognition of our first-year student experience program; a broader and more innovative research enterprise; one of the strongest enrollment growth rates in the state; and a greatly successful first-ever fundraising campaign.

There is no question that these achievements are directly related to a superb group of faculty, staff, alumni, and students, as well as the contributions of WSU’s external partners who realize the important role this university plays in the region, state, nation, and beyond.

This is my ninth year as president and 24th in leadership positions at Wright State University. With the university on firm footing, I think the time is right to pass the baton of presidential leadership in 2007. This will allow me to meet the increasing demands relating to my interests in informing public health policy and security, an area of acute need. I also look forward to helping develop strategies for growing our successful partnerships with government, business, and donors, as well as serving as a member of the Boonshoft School of Medicine faculty and as president emeritus.

While this is a bittersweet moment, I believe it also an opportunity for the university. Dr. David Hopkins, who has served the university so admirably as provost and a member of the Boonshoft School of Medicine faculty and as president emeritus, will continue our great success together.

I have been deeply honored to serve as president of Wright State University and trust our relationship will also continue to grow as we build for the future of the region.

Regards,

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PRESIDENT, WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY
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