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FROM THE DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI RELATIONS...



Alumni and Friends of Heidelberg:

“We have all drunk from wells we did not dig”

Hearing this quote from a keynote speaker at a recent conference reminded me once again that the current students, faculty and staff at Heidelberg benefit from the investments of time, talent and treasure of our alumni.

The members of the Class of 2008 now join the 12,000-plus living alumni of the institution. Challenged by commencement speaker alumnus and comedian Brian Regan, they are now pursuing their dreams. We encourage you to remain connected to your alma mater and to share where your dreams lead you in the years ahead.

The celebration of the 50th anniversary of the American Junior Year Program in Heidelberg, Germany, in June highlighted the legacy that Dr. Charles Prugh left by establishing that study-abroad experience in 1958. His daughter, Margrace Grotefend, '59, was pleased that the celebration was held on the 102th anniversary of her father's birthday. Now the longest-running program of its kind in Germany, more than 150 alumni and friends participated in the anniversary activities.

In this issue of *The Bulletin*, you will see photos of those who made the journey to Heidelberg for Alumni Weekend 2008. More than 500 returning alumni shared memories of faculty and classmates who had such an enormous influence on their development as students. The Class of 1958 dedicated a bronze sculpture, commissioned by the class, to express their appreciation for the liberal arts education they received at Heidelberg in and out of the classroom. This sculpture has already become a focal point of the campus, and the college motto inscribed on the globe reminds us of our roots, *Religion and education are the safeguards of our nation*.

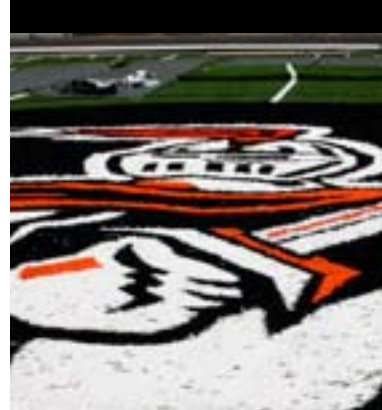
The enclosed Donor Report shows the financial support provided by our alumni and friends. We are most grateful for the contributions of these individuals that will ensure that current and future students will have the curricular and co-curricular resources necessary for their education.

As we began another academic year, we welcomed one of the largest classes of new students in the institution's history. Cleveland and Columbus alumni took the time to share their Heidelberg stories with new students at picnics in August. We are looking forward to the educational challenges that new faculty, coaches and staff have brought to the campus this fall. We know that these individuals will be developing lasting relationships with students as faculty and staff have done for decades at Heidelberg.

We invite you to return to campus often or to keep informed about the exciting educational opportunities that Heidelberg has to offer by visiting our website at www.heidelberg.edu. Thank you for “digging the wells” from which we drink today.

Sincerely,

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ON THE COVER

The new Student Prince costumed mascot made his spirited debut at the Heidelberg football game against Westminster Sept. 6. The Berg defeated Westminster 62-27.



By Angela Giles

For many years, Heidelberg's Student Prince has been regarded as one of the most distinctive college nicknames. In September, the college unveiled a contemporary new mascot image worthy of the iconic Student Prince.

This fall, athletic teams are sporting the new Student Prince of Heidelberg image on uniforms and warm-up jerseys. The Office of Communication & Marketing worked with Carnegie Communications of Boston to develop the new image with input from coaches, students, administrators, alumni and the college's Marketing Advisory Group.

Creative Director Audrey Burkholder explained that the most recent iteration of the Student Prince, which had been in use for about 20 years, was highly detailed and didn't translate well to athletic apparel. "The coaches wanted something that was more athletic looking," she said.

Along with the new image is a costumed Student Prince mascot who made his debut at an enthusiastic student sports rally on Sept. 5. Alumnus and ESPN anchor John Buccigross, class of '88, returned to campus to emcee the event. Currently, students are participating in a contest to name the new mascot, and a competition is planned for a person to serve as the mascot.

People will see the new mascot image on the newly renovated Mayer Field and at center court in Seiberling Gymnasium. It's also being utilized in athletic publications, on the college's website, on apparel available for sale in the Heidelberg bookstore and on this year's Berg Pride T-shirts.

The costumed mascot will appear at athletic events and other campus events, and hopefully, in the community as well. Already, he has created a sense of excitement—and mystery—around campus. His identity is a guarded secret.




THE STUDENT PRINCE OF HEIDELBERG

March on, Student Prince!

Heidelberg welcomes new mascot image and costume

This page: The Student Prince of Heidelberg. Opposite page: (clockwise from top left) The football team encircles the new mascot on Mayer field, the costumed mascot during the student sports rally; cheerleaders rev up the fans during the rally and the mascot at his first game appearance Sept. 6.

Golden anniversary for AJY

The American Junior Year Program celebrates 50 years

By Julie D. O'Reilly



Alumni who traveled to Germany were treated to an excursion to the castle and gardens at Schwetzingen and a cruise on the Neckar River to view fireworks and the lighting of the Heidelberg Castle to commemorate its burning in 1689, 1693 and 1764.

Heidelberg celebrated the 50th anniversary of the American Junior Year at the University of Heidelberg June 5-8 in Heidelberg, Germany. Faculty, staff, students and an alumni delegation traveled across the Atlantic to participate in the celebration.

The anniversary events began June 5 with a welcome reception at the Haus Buhl at the University, where a Heidelberg alumni group led by Jim and Nancy Getz, Board of Trustees, faculty and staff members joined AJY alumni, current and prospective AJY students and AJY staff members for champagne and hors d'oeuvres.

Following the reception, guests reconvened at Providence Church for a combined concert of the Heidelberg Concert Choir and the University of Heidelberg's Camerata Carolina, a choir of international students. A Heidelberg honors group traveling under the direction of Dr. Ellen Nagy, director of the Academic Success Center, Dr. Vicki Ohl, associate vice president for Academic Affairs, and Dr. Jan Younger, associate dean of the Honors Program, joined reception guests at the church.

A highlight of the concert occurred when the Concert Choir, under the direction of Dr. Grant Cook, associate professor of voice, performed "Elijah and the Raven," a piece based on a poem written by Dr. William Reyer, professor of English, and composed by Dr. Doug McConnell, professor of composition and theory.

On the evening of June 6, the official 50th anniversary celebration was held in the Alte Aula at the Old University. This event again featured music by the combined choirs remarks by university and local dignitaries, including then-President Dottavio and AJY Director Dr. Brian Tracy.

In his remarks, Dottavio noted that 1,800 students from 300 colleges and universities had participated in the AJY program and recognized attendee Margrace Grotefend, an AJY alumna and daughter of Charles Prugh, the founding director of the AJY program, commenting that this would have been her father's 102nd birthday.

These remarks were followed by a keynote address titled *The United States, Germany, and Europe 1871-1990: An Interpretation* by Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c.

Detlef Junker, a senior distinguished professor and the founding director of the Heidelberg Center for American Studies.

Tracy said he was pleased with the celebration, which they began planning three years ago.

As part of the festivities, a group of 50 alumni traveled to Germany for a 10-day excursion to experience the romance of medieval castles and the old world wine country. The delegation toured Munich, ending at Marienplatz, the city's historic square.

The alumni also enjoyed other famed sights such as the Hofbrauhaus, the Neuschwanstein Castle and the Black Forest. On their tour of Old Heidelberg and the castle grounds, they took a brewery tour and enjoyed white asparagus and spaetzle.

Highlights of the trip were a Rhine River cruise with views of medieval castles. The trip concluded with an excursion to the castle and gardens at Schwetzingen and a cruise on the Neckar River to view fireworks and the lighting of the Heidelberg Castle to commemorate its burning in 1689, 1693 and 1764.



AJY Director Dr. Brian Tracy and Margrace (Prugh) Grotefend reflect on the history of the program.



At the final concert of its first European tour in more than four decades, the Concert Choir performed at the Providenzkirche in Heidelberg, Germany, on June 5.

Choir makes music in historic venues

As members of the Concert Choir sang at a Salzburg, Austria, cathedral in June, they looked through the venue's back doors and laid their eyes on the home where Mozart was born – a monumental moment for the 46 students, many of whom had never before experienced travel abroad.

The concert was part of a 10-day, 10-performance tour of Europe, the choir's first international travel in 30 years. Also performing in Vienna, Munich and Heidelberg, Germany, the choir was an integral part of the 50th anniversary celebration of Heidelberg's American Junior Year program.

Choir Director Dr. Grant Cook, '89, who had previously visited Europe, wanted to convey to his students "the sense of power and musical history" they were experiencing. "For me, the opportunity to share those experiences with the students was amazing," Cook said.

Choir members raised half of the funds for their tour. Generous donations from alumni paid for the other half. "The trip would not have happened without alumni support," Cook said.

Heading up a steering committee, 'Berg and choir alumnus Ed Ayers, '72, spearheaded the alumni fund-raising effort.

Just as it was for Ayers and previous generations of choir members who toured internationally, Cook said the most meaningful aspect of the trip were the performances. "In the end, it was about making music."

Deutschland discoveries

AJY once-in-a-lifetime experience for Heidelberg Trustee

By Julie D. O'Reilly



Bill Landess, '95, in Germany during his time in the American Junior Year Program.

Many students who study abroad discover the unexpected: a previously untapped aptitude for languages, a love for the local cuisine or a passion for their adopted culture's national pastime. Bill Landess, a '95 alumnus and current Heidelberg trustee unearthed something even more unanticipated—that farming sometimes requires a flak jacket.

During the first three months of Landess' American Junior Year experience in 1993, he lived with a family whose members "quickly and politely" corrected his German grammar and just as quickly put him to work in their fields.

One day while plowing a new section of land, Landess and his host family discovered several empty shell casings that "were obviously of World War II vintage." As Landess recalled, "I was sitting on top of the combine, and there were all of these small armaments. Then, the combine eventually got stuck on an actual mortar round. We all had to jump out and call the proper authorities to pull it out."

The round was disposed of safely, and Landess was left understandably shaken, but with a story he enjoys telling even 15 years later.

Landess, a business administration and German major, described his AJY experience – armament adventure and all – as "life-altering." Although he had visited Germany twice before, he credited his study abroad experience with changing his world view.

"Personally, I would certainly say it [AJY] broadens your horizons. Especially being American, it pulls you from this typical American egocentric view and reminds you that there is life outside the United States," he explained.

Landess so enjoyed his year in Germany that he has made several return trips. "I go back relatively regularly, usually once or twice a year," he noted.

These trips have deepened Landess' appreciation for the German people and their industry standards—standards he relates to his own work as the CEO of The Carriage Group in Hudson, Ohio. German workers, he said, strive for perfection, whether making sure every train runs on time or in the manufacturing industry. "We try to do the same thing in my business, so I truly have a lot of respect for the attitude that their industry has. You can see it in the automotive industry, the beer industry, and right on down the list."



Landess in 2008

The purpose of Landess' most recent trip to Germany was to participate in AJY's 50th Anniversary Celebration. He commented that the trip "meant a lot – as a trustee being able to celebrate the connections between our two schools but also being able to relate to my experiences as an alumnus of the AJY program."

Landess encourages all Heidelberg students to consider a study abroad opportunity that "allows them to immerse themselves and experience a different culture." Such experiences, he emphasized, are not only important for the students themselves but for the country as a whole to have future leaders who can understand and look at things from a world view.

"Getting a chance to experience a global perspective not only gives you an appreciation for other countries, but a deeper appreciation for your own country—your own language and culture."

And maybe a great story to tell.

From the Berg to the big time

Alum John Buccigross, '88, on the road from Heidelberg to ESPN

By Angela Giles



John Buccigross, '88, emcees a special recognition of Fellows Organization members at the Sept. 6 game.

Throughout his life, people have been quick to recognize John Buccigross' talent.

Perhaps it was his parents, who gave their pre-teen son a tape recorder as a gift. Twelve-year-old John would turn down the volume and become a play-by-play announcer for games and a deejay for music.

Perhaps it was Dr. Gary Dickerson, his broadcasting professor, who took note of the kid who was always carrying around a video camera.

Or maybe it was Al Jaffe, the top talent executive at ESPN, who looked at an audition tape John sent him, and invited the up-and-coming sportscaster to interview at the top TV sports network.

Since 1996, Buccigross has been living his dream as an anchor on ESPN and the writer of a popular weekly hockey column on ESPN.com.

"It was always my goal, always my dream to work at ESPN," said Buccigross, who returned to the campus in September to talk with students about his career and participate in a variety of athletic and development events. "To me, ESPN was like Major League Baseball or the NBA. It was the big leagues ... although I didn't have a lot of confidence I'd ever get there. It just seemed too big to me."

After graduating from Heidelberg in 1988, he moved to New England and took a job at a small TV station on Cape Cod. For five years, he worked days in the retail industry and nights at the station "for poverty wages," but it was his entrée into TV sportscasting. Five years later, he moved up to WPRI-TV in Providence, R.I., as a sports anchor.

"I loved what I did and I showed up every day," he recalled.

Dickerson knew shortly after meeting Buccigross that he was special. "He always had a camera and was always shooting video," the professor said. A long talk with Dickerson persuaded Buccigross to stay at Heidelberg after his basketball career here didn't pan out. "He (Dickerson) was the only person who really cared whether I stayed or not. He always looked at me like I could be something. He saw potential and communicated that to me," Buccigross said.

As a student, Buccigross jumped on every opportunity to learn about the media, writing for the Kilikilik and working on the air for WHEI radio and TV. "I'm doing some of the same things now I did when I was at Heidelberg," he said.

Today, Buccigross describes himself as "a bit of a contrarian" who has a natural

curiosity about history, politics, pop culture—even poetry. He is a wordsmith with a keen appreciation of the English language, more comfortable as a writer than an on-air personality. His passion for sports and enthusiasm for his work are as strong as ever, driven by a workmanlike mentality. The key, he said, "is to have something to be enthusiastic about."

Back on campus in September, he spoke to students about broadcasting fundamentals, interviewing techniques and perseverance. "You have to have a vision, and stick with it."

Buccigross told them the balance between being entertainer and journalist is "a tough line to straddle. Walking that line is really challenging. In the end, I think I'm probably an entertaining person who writes well. I try to be both."

People are surprised to learn that ESPN anchors write their own scripts, so his affinity for writing has served him well. His weekly hockey column – because it allows him complete creative freedom in a quieter place – is his favorite assignment. The niche he carved as ESPN's hockey analyst, paired with strong writing ability, led to his first published book, *Jonesy: Put Your Head Down and Skate*, a memoir about the improbable hockey career of gritty NHL player Keith Jones.

Success hasn't tainted his passion for his work. "I didn't get in this business to be famous. I have no interest in that," he said. "I just love it. I love the creativity, love being around athletes ... all of it."

The heart of Heidelberg

Class sculpture captures the *Essence of Liberal Arts*

By Angela Giles

During Alumni Weekend in June, the 50th anniversary class of 1958 presented its reunion gift to the college—a stunning bronze sculpture titled *Essence of Liberal Arts*. The sculpture captures the class’s warm feelings about its alma mater and provides an aesthetic centerpiece at the crossroads of the campus that will remind students of the deeper meaning of their education.

At the official dedication of the sculpture,

Dr. David Drake, who chaired the gift committee, said the class began its quest to raise funds for its reunion gift five years ago, and ultimately decided on the highly detailed sculpture, created by California artist Erik Blome. The sculpture, he said, creates a time capsule of their years at Heidelberg.

“It is a tribute to learning, and represents the best of what Heidelberg College was, is and will be,” Drake said. “It is an

affirmation of our liberal arts education and adds beauty to the campus.”

Four 5-foot panels of the metaphoric art form collectively create a pyramid, each depicting an important aspect of the liberal arts of the ’50s: music, science, humanities and sports. “Elegant visual details interconnected by the various campus trees were sculpted into each of the four panels,” Drake explained. Atop the sculpture is a 3-foot open-form globe with the college’s motto, *Religion and Education are the Safeguards of Our Nation*, engraved around the circumference. Interpretation of the globe’s symbolism is intentionally left to the imagination, but he suggested it could stand for open-mindedness or global expression of thought.

Drake said the class set out to create a visual representation that would transcend the test of time. “We want everyone to see the pride of a generation of Heidelbergers. We offer our gratitude to Heidelberg and to those who have made our experiences and opportunities so valuable,” he said.

In accepting the sculpture, then-President Dottavio assured Drake and his classmates that the sculpture will live on in the college’s history. “I am truly overwhelmed by what I see here today,” he told the class. “Current and future generations of students who pass by the sculpture every day will begin to understand the meaning of their education.”

The sculpture presents “a very powerful metaphor of what’s happening each and every day on this campus,” Dottavio said. “This will clearly add to the educational experience of our students and remind them of the richness and complexity of their education.”

“This really wraps up our past, our present and our future. It adds to our educational resources and the aesthetic beauty of the campus.”

Members of the class of 1958 and others admire the class gift after the dedication ceremony during Alumni Weekend.



From L to R: Richard Winter, '44 Fred Schuld, '48, Tom Bartlett, '74, Chris Parmelee (seated), David Sharp, '57, and J. Mark Busch, '82.

The notion of giving back is a common thread among this year’s slate of Alumni Award recipients, who were recognized during Alumni Weekend in June for their contributions to their careers, their communities and their alma mater.

TOM BARTLETT, '74
Outstanding Alumni Award

Tom is one who leads by example. A retired science teacher, he demonstrated his passion for learning, service and nature by engaging his students in active learning and inspiring them to preserve the environment. During the summers, he worked as a biologist for the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. His love of birds led him to become one of the first bird-banders in the country and he passed on that skill to numerous students.

J. MARK BUSCH, '82
Career Excellence Award

Mark joined the family-owned Busch Funeral and Crematory Services in Cleveland after graduation. For more than two decades, he has provided bereavement support and encouragement to families during difficult times. Today, he stands on his individual accomplishments to his profession and his dedication to philanthropy. He is active with the Funeral Service Foundation Hand in Hand program and supports many community organizations, including his church and the YMCA.

ROBERT PARMELEE, '52 (posthumously)
Outstanding Alumni Award

A quiet and unassuming man who devoutly supported his profession, his country, his community, his family and his alma mater, Bob was a World War II Navy veteran. After graduation from Heidelberg and Harvard, he forged a successful career in packaging and financial services industries. After his retirement, he mentored business executives and continued his long-standing involvement in his community. In 1975, he was elected to the Heidelberg Board of Trustees and served—often behind the scenes—for more than 30 years. He died March 8, 2008. His son, Chris, accepted the award on his behalf.

FRED SCHULD, '48
Alumni Service Award

Fred took his fraternity’s pledge to “give your best” to heart. Throughout his career as a history and social studies teacher, he not only made history come alive for his students, he challenged them to stretch beyond their comfort zones. Long before Heidelberg had an official program to involve alumni in the recruitment of students, Fred was encouraging high school students to attend Heidelberg. The many students he sent to his alma mater were successful in the classroom, on the athletic field, and are loyal alumni today.

DAVID SHARP, '57
Alumni Service Award

Reprising his role as class president, Dave Sharp learned to expect the unexpected. His classmates nominated him for the award because of the extraordinary leadership he demonstrated in organizing the 50th anniversary for his class and his role in educating them about the benefits of planned giving and Heidelberg’s needs. Thanks to Dave’s leadership, honed over many years as a professional fund-raiser for the Boy Scouts of America, the class of 1957 donated or pledged more than \$1.5 million toward the college’s endowment, and set a benchmark for which future classes can aspire.

HERBSTER-WINTER FAMILY
Legacy Family Award

The members of this family began their relationship with Heidelberg in the mid-1800s, shortly after the college was founded. The legacy includes generations of faculty members, graduates and trustees. The family has supported the endowment of scholarships and awards, and donated funds for the creation of Herbster Chapel. Their global influence has included missionary work in China and Japan and ministries in the Presbyterian and United Church of Christ denominations that continues today. Accepting the award on behalf of his family was Richard Winter, '44.



1943

Row 1: John McQuate, Ruth (Pheiffer) Shanower, Robert Booth



1953

Row 1: Pat D'Agostino, Richard Elliker, Betty (Perl) Roggenkamp, Ruth (Armbruster) Riedel, Jane (Herbster) Buehrer, Norma (Barker) Rininger
Row 2: Gerald Gillam, John Rininger, Paul Yackey, Norm Jackson, Dick DeWalt, Arthur James



1948

Row 1: Phyllis Barker
Row 2: Norma (Specht) Dougherty, Madolyn (Nichols) Key, Barbara (Bender) Koosed, Neva (Bartell) Weidig, Bernard Izzo
Row 3: Jo-An (Zimmerman) Stein, Michael Hoshiko, Fred Schuld, Bill Hime, Gunther Doerfert



1963

Row 1: Donna Warner, Neil Hartschuh, Denny Gallagher
Row 2: Gail (Dreger) Shively, Carol (Sours) Schubert, Judy (Baker) Calcei, Nancy (Blaine) Clark, Bonnie (Cline) Estep, Martha (Hertzler) Hammel, Meta (Mathes) Meckstroth, Nancy (Kinney) Whitaker, Marni (Wallace) Wetzel, Carolyn (Loucks) Moore
Row 3: Jerry Eighmy, Gary Bishop, John Kratz, Richard Warren, Tom Wetzel, Ron Grothaus, Ernie Estep, Terry Owen, Tom Lurz, Frank DeWolf, Rudy Schade, Lee Moore, Elaine (Hunter) MacFarland Dayton, George Ware, Joel Bernstein, Jim Drake



1958

Row 1: Kathy (Fisher) Nutter, Jane (Hushour) Anderson, Carrie (Briggs) Scheufler, Jan (Arnold) Cummings, Dianne (Hall) Allison, Mary (Grau) Hubbard, Eileen (Dressel) Lischer, Hildegard (Wehling) Bansbach, Margaret (Neff) Cloutier, Jeanie (Ziegler) Perl, Margaret (Zartman) Saltis, Tula (Macos) Jacobs, Carolyn (Bordner) Brailer, Martha (Stuckey) Swalley, Dorothy (Palmer) Piper, Carole (Shumaker) Stephenson, Marsha (Zeis) Votaw
 Row 2: George (Ted) Hissong, Bill Groman, Richard Williams, David Dow, J. Thomas Priemer, James Linthicum, John Suter, Jim Meier, Bill Bruns, Ralph Zecchino, Roger Perl, Bill Brickman, Steve Stephenson, David Gebhart
 Row 3: Robert Baur, Earl Greenho, Scott Read, Dave Drake, Gene Topp, John Adams, Jim Getz, Jim Evans, Mark Williams, Ned Dammeyer, Dave Harbaugh, Milt Feather, Ed Michener, Gus Newport, Don Chesnut, Dave Baker



1973

Row 1: Linda (Reed) Swaisgood, Nancy Collins, Susan (Tillou) McKearnan, Mark Frey
 Row 2: Pam (Ingram) Hume, Sue Seal, Claudia (Slee) McKosky, Jeannette (Gittinger) Smith, Diane (Kinsey) Nowakowski, Jacquelyn (Rike) Howell
 Row 3: Jerry Swaisgood, Paul Kostyu, Connie (Lockhart) Cheesbrough, Greg Gunder, Jim Boroff, Ken Ziegler



1968

Row 1: Stan Parrish, Ira Turpin, Doug Starkey, Drew Stiebeling
 Row 2: Ellie (Lauchlan) Hoffmeier, Kathy (Cowhard) Drugan, Paul Burlin, Sharon (Cramer) Goeman, Edie (Anthony) Watson, Beth (Nuss) Myers, Conn Drugan, Jim Berarducci
 Row 3: J.C. Hoffmeier, Walt Chidester, JoAnn Condry, Judi (Anderson) Watterson, Karen (Blackwell) Howell, Alexis (Malone) Lynk, Suzanne Shermer, John Nuss, Dudley Stephan, Ed Hyland
 Row 4: Bruce Caley, Diane (Nikiforow) Gochnour, Tom Bowdler, Jack Myers, Ted Siller, Doug Twells



1978

Row 1: Mary (Chesler) Gresco, Barbara (Wesley) Green, Susan (Wickham) Walker, Stefanie Griffith, Kathy (Humer) Ries
 Row 2: Rudy Rothmund, Barb (Coy) Wagner, Ann (Rickenbacher) Millett, Roxanne Amico
 Row 3: Phillip Tsafarides, John Metz, Elrich "Pete" Green, Kim (Holan) Rodenbeck, Linda (Rueger) Giblin
 Row 4: Lynn Rothmund, Bruce Burdick, Kathy (Tirbovich) Geier, Debralee (Schriner) Divers



1983

Row 1: Deb (Dacek) Elliott, Deborah Dewey, Cindy (Quellhorst) Bowser, Karen (Keating) Cantrick, Mindy (Quellhorst) Lacefield
 Row 2: Jim Elliott, Jeff Copper, Kurt Huenemann, Sandra (Goodin) Pech, , Kate (Liederbach) Pfaff, John Gerstenberger



1988

Row 1: Rich Sisco, Sheila (Burkhardt) Morrow, Wendy (Murphy) Fachini, Lisa (Meade) Bruns, Jennifer (Schultz) Hanser, Chris Bohach
 Row 2: Lori (Schneider) Groenewoud, Sharon (Keeler) Freeze
 Row 3: Andy Reese, Sara (Olsson) Lloyd, Gary Chiles, Chad Breedon, Larry Hall, Greg Gerber, Beth (Roth) Gerber, Christine (Dryfuse) Gooding, Kellie (Dunham) Sisco, Heather (Wilson) Scullin



Legacy students
2008

Among the college's 125 legacy students whose families represent multiple generations of Heidelberg students are these members of the freshman class: Seated (L-R): Casey Edgington, Kalya Gerber, Kate Loar. Standing (L-R): Max Danko, Wally Church, Andrew Long-Higgins, Rob Bowser, Matt Ehrman

Two new members join Board of Trustees



Dr. David Drake



Lee Shobe

The Board of Trustees welcomed two new members in July. Joining the board are Dr. David L. Drake, class of '58, of Tiffin, and Lee Shobe, class of '60, of Tucson, Ariz.

Drake, a retired orthodontist, received his master's degree from the University of Illinois and his DDS from The Ohio State University. He and his wife, Margot, are the parents of three children, Monica, and twin sons, Todd and Randall, both class of '96.

Shobe, retired as CEO of Dow Brands Inc. He earned his master's degree in industrial administration from Carnegie-Mellon University in 1962. He and his wife, Sally, are the parents of a son, Matthew.

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To learn more about endowments and how you can plant your own redwood, contact Jim Minehart at the Office of Planned Giving at 419.448.2060 or at jminehar@heidelberg.edu.

1946

Dr. **Kenneth Davison**, Tiffin, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Ohio Academy of History in April. Ken remains active with historical and genealogy research on the local, state and national levels.

1947

Rev. Dr. **Harry W. Eberts**, Akron, Ohio, received a commendation from Akron Mayor Donald Plusquellic July 11 in recognition of his work to promote world peace and publicize Akron as an International Peace City. Rev. Eberts is the retired pastor of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and former executive director of the Akron Area Association of Churches.

1951

R. Marilyn Schmidt, '51, Chatham, N.J., knows a lot about a lot of things. With an advanced degree in pharmacology, she authored a 1,500 page text on the topic, plus many more on cooking. The owner of Barnegat Press, she recently took on a new adventure: owner of Buzby's General Store in the Pine Barrens. She runs the gift shop in the back and rents the front to a café.

1953

Richard Elliker, Cable, Wis., works part time as a rehabilitation specialist for the Wisconsin Office of the Blind and Visually Impaired. He continues to play trombone in several Dixie-land bands and is active in his UCC church.

Ken Jasnau, Eatonville, Ga., was recently recognized as the Kim Benfield David Volunteer of the Year for his 32 years as volunteer director of Meals on Wheels. The organization's volunteers held a surprise retirement party for Ken in April.

1956

Robert Gucker, McCutchenville, Ohio, was inducted into the Ohio State Fair Hall of Fame in July. He exhibited sheep at the state fair for more than 50 years and has been active with the Seneca County fair for many years. He continues to raise Columbia sheep on his rural Tiffin farm.

1957

Ed Biegert, Arlington Heights, Ill., recently penned an article, *Come Out of the Wilderness*, his recollections of time spent with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in the '50s and '60s, the events that led to King's assassination and the civil rights movement in the 40 years since King's death. The article was published by the Institute

of Continued Learning at Roosevelt University, where Ed and his wife, Jan, are coordinators.



David M. Zartman, Bloomville, Ohio, was recently honored by the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry with its district Meritorious Service

Medal in recognition of his devoted service to the Freemasons and his contributions to the work of the Scottish Rite, Valley of Toledo. The award was presented at the 111th annual meeting in Cincinnati.

1959

Rev. **Donald Rock** retired from full-time ministry at Faith UCC in Altoona, Pa., on Nov. 1. He and his wife, **Shirley (Derringer) Rock**, '57, moved back to Bluffton, Ohio, where he is serving as interim pastor of St. John's UCC. The Rocks celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 7.

1963

Duane Webster, Potomac, Md., retired in May as executive director of the Association of Research Libraries. Under his two decades of leadership, ARL emerged as a significant agent for change in the world of research libraries and scholarly communication.

Marni (Wallace) Wetzel, Wixom, Mich., retired as a physical therapist with Kids in Motion and the Waterford School District. Her husband, **Tom Wetzel**, '63, also retired as chief administrative officer for the North American Operations of NGK Spark Plugs in July. They plan to relocate to Denver to be closer to their children and grandchildren.

1964

Gary Ulrich, Findlay, Ohio, is the recipient of the James W. White Award from the Ohio Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators for exemplary contributions and dedication to students and his community. He is a financial aid advisor at Owens Community College in Findlay.

1966

Susanna (Furbay) Pugh and her husband, Melvin, have managed the 31-acre Emerson Park Tree Farm in Middlebranch, Ohio, for the past 15 years. Earlier this year, their work was recognized by the Northeastern Ohio Forestry Association, which named them Tree Farmers of the Year for 2008. Over the past 10 years, they've planted thousands of trees and worked with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources to develop land maintenance plans.

Larry Rice, Chardon, Ohio, received the 2007 Assistant Coach of the Year Award from the Northeastern Chapter of the National Football Association. After coaching at Hiram College for 28 years, he has retired. Along with his wife, **Carolyn (Grimm) Rice**, '67, Larry plans to spend time with his children and grandchildren.

1971

Gregory Van Ho, Euclid, Ohio, was elected to serve as a city councilman, and is chairman of the Housing and Building Standards Committee. While new to elected office, Greg has worked on many political campaigns, including that of his wife, **Kay Babuder**, '70, who is serving her sixth consecutive four-year term on the Euclid City Board of Education. She is currently president, a position she has held many times over the years.

1973



Bela Molnar, Elyria, Ohio, retired from the Berea City Schools after serving as a high school principal for 25 years. He began his teaching career in 1973 as an HPE teacher and coach.

Mandy (Barbara) Garver and her husband, Allen Wolf, finished a three-year assignment in Bangkok, Thailand, at the end of the year and retired from Ford Motor Co. after 30 years. They spent 3½ months traveling in China, Vietnam, the Philippines, the Maldives and Japan before returning home to Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

William Stetler, Uniontown, Ohio, is the new superintendent of the Northwest Local Schools in Canal Fulton. He had been executive liaison for the Ohio Department of Education and superintendent of Lake Local Schools, among other educational administration positions.

1975



Ken Evans, Strongsville, Ohio, has joined Plante & Moran as a regulatory risk and compliance consultant. He has more than 30 years of banking experience.

Barbara (Heck) James, Rochester, N.Y., has been elected a member of the American College of Trusts and Estates Counsel.

1976

Patricia (Hall) Hillmer, Tiffin, retired as director of the Tiffin-Seneca Public Library in March.

1978

Erich "Pete" Green, Burlington, Vt., recently passed his exam as a registered Prince project manager at the registered practitioner level. He also is a certified ISO 9001:2000 internal auditor. He serves as an elected official in Burlington County and is a New Jersey presidential delegate. Additionally, Pete has been invited to be the keynote speaker for a Barack Obama fund-raiser in New Jersey, as recommended by a district Superior Court judge.

1979

David Drewyor, Holland, Ohio, was named superintendent of the Mason Consolidated Schools in May.

1980

Jeff King, Toledo, Ohio, is a training specialist with Eaton Corp. He self-published a novel, *The Substance Hoped For*, in 2006, and is currently working on his second novel.

For the third consecutive year, a Seminole Community College honors student, nominated by **Laura (Ohl) Ross**, Winter Springs, Fla., has been named a Jack Kent Cooke Scholar, receiving a \$30,000 award. The competitive scholarship is the largest in the U.S. offered to a community college student and is given to a student who plans to transfer to a four-year institution. Laura is the director of SCC's Art and Phyllis Grindle Honors Institute.

1981

Andrew Donnan, Albany, Ga., recently received national recognition as a Distinguished Fellow of the American Academy of Physician Assistants. He practices radiation oncology at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital and has been a physician assistant for 24 years. He also works with two doctors and previously worked in cardiac surgery.

1983



Marie M. (Koch) Rady, Strongsville, Ohio, has joined the law firm of Weston Hurd LLP, where she focuses on domestic relations and family law with an emphasis on alternative dispute resolution.

Jerry Buccilla, Columbus, is the new boys basketball coach at Fisher Catholic High School in Lancaster.

1986

Thomas Hedrick was recently promoted to corporate director of creative services in the Marketing Department at SUPERVALU Inc, a large supplier for independent grocery retailers. Tom also released *Salads and Ballads*, his second CD of original music, available by searching for Tom Hedrick on Apple iTunes or at www.tomhedrick.net. He and his family relocated from Phoenix to Minneapolis.

1987

Brian Wagner, Covina, Calif., is the new principal at Lakeside Middle School in the Little Lake City School District. He is pursuing his doctorate in organizational leadership at the University of La Verne.

1988



Larry Hall, Twinsburg, Ohio, received the Citizen Award from the Ohio Association for the Education of Young Children. The award recognizes those dedicated to the field of early childhood education and acknowledges dedicated professionals whose work impacts the quality of care for young children in all settings.

Jennifer (Schultz) Hanser, Madison, Wis., is the director of educational programs for the Department of Dermatology at the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health.

1990

Bob Frantz, Elyria, Ohio, received the Norman A. Drew Memorial Citizen of the Year Award, given by the Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial Society. A midday talk show host on Newsradio WTAM 1100 in Cleveland, Bob has been an outspoken supporter of the law enforcement community and has often dedicated his talent to ensure that officers are treated fairly in the media.

Steve Marin, Miami, Fla., was prominently featured in the magazine *SF New Establishment*. He operates Marin and Sons, one of the top campaign management and lobby firms in Miami.

1991

Joseph Trolian, Wooster, Ohio, has been promoted to executive director of the Richland County Mental Health and Recovery Services Board.

1992

After 15 years as a broadcast journalist, **Yusila Ramirez** joined Florida International Univer-

sity's Office of Media Relations as assistant director. She and her husband, Jose Antonio St. Esteban, live in North Miami.

Jeff Sellers, Xenia, Ohio, was recently promoted to director of fund development for the Cincinnati Area Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Ted Seward, Apex, N.C., recently joined Virtual Systems as a member of its leadership team. He is a nationally recognized speaker, writer and expert in operations management, variable data printing and mailing.

1994

Matthew Maurer, Beaver, Pa., is an assistant professor of science education at Robert Morris University and the program coordinator for the RMU Secondary Biology Certification Program.

Jonathan Miller, Los Angeles, is enjoying success as a composer in Hollywood, writing scores for horror films, trip-hop and industrials. His work has recently been featured on three Discovery Channel and TLC programs, *Verminators*, *Greenovate* and *Flip That House*.

1995

Brent Swartzmiller, Perrysburg, Ohio, was promoted from assistant principal to principal at Perrysburg's Frank Elementary School.

1996

Kirsten (Baden) Coffman, Defiance, Ohio, was a guest performer in the Defiance College Community Band concert season finale, performing in *Marches, Some Candy and a Pineapple Too? No Way!* An elementary school music teacher, she is a frequent performer in local theater productions.

Clint Davis, Clyde, Ohio, passed his RN board exams in April, and has accepted a position as a registered nurse in internal medicine/telemetry at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation.

1997

Dr. Todd Lewis, Greensboro, N.C., was recently promoted and granted tenure at the University of North Carolina, Greensboro.

1998

Sarah Balas Johnson, Sanford, Fla., was promoted to director of development for the Seminole Community College Foundation. She is responsible for the foundation's annual fund-raising programs including the faculty and staff campaign, the Presidents' Club and all fund-raising events.

alumni notes

1999

Michelle (Carskadden) Crockett, Columbus, is a group insurance account manager with Ohio Insurance Services.

Nathan Hill, is the new boys basketball coach at Bucyrus (Ohio) High School. He's also an elementary physical education teacher.

2000

Shawn Wolfe, Beavercreek, Ohio, received his master's degree in educational leadership in August 2007. He is a social studies teacher in the South-Western City Schools.

2003

Faith Ferkel, Fremont, Ohio, is a nationally certified instructor of pistol training. She offers concealed carry training courses to women in her community. She also teaches piano to students ranging in age from very young to senior citizens.

Amber (Boetefuer) Peariso, Toledo, Ohio, is the co-author of a scientific journal article published in the January 2008 edition of *Proteins: Structure, Function and Bioinformatics*. She works as a mass spectrometrist at the University of Michigan Medical School.

Amy (Perkins) Slates, Elmore, Ohio, has been promoted to tax manager at the William Vaughan Co.

Emily Stamitti, Pacific Grove, Calif., received her master's degree in international policy studies from the Monterey Institute of International Studies. She is an adjunct instructor of political science at Hartnell College in Salinas, Calif. In September, Emily and her husband

moved to Scotland, where she began work on her Ph.D. at the University of Edinburgh in underwater archaeology and heritage studies.

2004

Amy (Kopyar) Hinebaugh, Gahanna, Ohio, received her master's degree from Ashland University in educational administration, along with a principal's license.

Dr. **Hannah Ison**, Milan, Ohio, joined Edewood Veterinary Clinic in Tiffin after receiving her Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from The Ohio State University in June.

2005

Ryan Gelhaus, Columbus, Ohio, is the athletic director for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Muncie, Ind.

Adam M. Powers, Chicago, works for Barnes & Noble as the operations manager for one of the book stores at DePaul University. He also is the bass player in a rock band, A Friend Called Fire.

2007

Willis "Frank" Calhoun, Sioux City, Iowa, is studying band instrument repair technology at Western Iowa Tech Community College.

Leo Cappabianca, North Ridgeville, Ohio, is completing his master's degree in sport management with an emphasis in sports security at the University of Southern Mississippi. He is a graduate assistant for the Center for Spectator Sports Security Management.

Joel McMichael, Tiffin, is currently deployed to Kuwait for Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is a member of the battalion staff charged with convoy security.

in memoriam

1934

Clara (Huffman) Redfern, La Crescenta, Calif., died April 26, 2008. She is survived by her half-sister, Faith; a son, John; and two grandchildren.

1937

Dr. **Kathryn J. Beck**, Canal Fulton, Ohio, died March 17, 2008. She taught high school and college classes and in 1950, she moved to New York to teach history at the State University of New York at Geneseo, retiring in 1979. She received her Ph.D. in history from Case Western Reserve University. She is survived by her brother, Rev. **Robert F. Beck**, '41; and several nieces and nephews, including **Barbara (Beck) Steingass**, '67 and **Marguerite (Beck) Frey**, '74.

Edith (Harding) Whitaker, Salt Lake City, died May 23, 2008. She was a graduate of the Fairview Park Hospital School of Nursing. She is survived by four daughters, Susan, Nancy, Joan and Margaret; a son, Jim; 10 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Alice and Mary.

1940

Donald L. Barrett, Athens, Ohio, died April 4, 2008. He completed graduate work at Ohio University and the University of Nebraska. He was a career Air Force officer for 28 years, having achieved the rank of colonel. In 1965, he joined the OU faculty as professor of aerospace studies and served as mayor of Athens from 1972-84. He is survived by a daughter, Beth Ann; two sons, Donald and Douglas; three grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Martha (McDowell) Shinn, Washington, D.C., died June 16, 2008. A retired piano teacher and community volunteer, she is survived by a daughter, Sandy, and two grandchildren.

Geraldine (Difford) Smith, Pittsfield, Mass., died April 2, 2008. She was a librarian for the Berkshire Athenaeum. She is survived by a daughter, Sandra; two sons, Scott and Denison; twin granddaughters; and a sister, Nancy.

1941

Florence I. "Peggy" (Woleslagel) Brook, Fort Myers, Fla., died April 12, 2008. The first female graduate from Heidelberg to enlist in the military, she was the first woman officer candidate from the Great Lakes Naval District selected by the Coast Guard in 1942. After receiving her commission, she served as a communications officer working on coding boards in Washington, D.C., and San Francisco. She

in memoriam

left active service in 1945 as a lieutenant. She is survived by her husband, Iver; two children, Jean and John; and two grandchildren.

1943

F. Louise (Herman) Dettmer, Elyria, Ohio, died March 31, 2008. She retired from Baldwin-Wallace College, where she had worked in the Registrar's Office. Surviving are two sons, James and Herbert; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Lenora M. (Graeter) Shaw, Knoxville, Tenn., died March 28, 2008. She taught high school general science and biology for 30 years. She is survived by two daughters, Heather and Katie; and a granddaughter.

1946

Dr. John Bugosh, Venice, Fla., died June 12, 2008. He received his Ph.D. from Case Western Reserve University and worked for the DuPont Co., where, as a research chemist, he was responsible for 29 patents. He published many scholarly articles through his career. He is survived by his wife, Nancy Ann; two daughters, Nancy and Pamela; and a brother, Andrew.

Rev. **George F. Roser**, Largo, Fla., died June 14, 2008. He served as a UCC pastor in New York for more than 38 years

1947

Beverly (Deinzer) Imhoff, Rittman, Ohio, died March 16, 2008. She had been a chemist at Morton Salt Co. and a middle school teacher. She is survived by three daughters, Cindy, Jennifer and Catherine; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

1949

Robert E. Steinecker, Perrysburg, Ohio, died July 14, 2008. His college years were interrupted by U.S. Army service, for which he received a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star. A member of the Heidelberg Athletic Hall of Fame, Bob earned his master's degree from The Ohio State University and worked in many capacities for Perrysburg Schools. He was a teacher, coach, guidance counselor, athletic director and assistant principal. He served on the city council for six years and as city treasurer for 14 years. He is survived by his wife, Nelva; two sons, David and Robert; a daughter, Cyndie; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Dr. **Robert Turk**, Hollywood, Fla., died May 30, 2008. A sergeant in the Army Air Corps during World War II, he received his master's degree from Ohio University and his doctorate from

Florida Atlantic University. He spent his career as a high school and college teacher, retiring in 1985 from Miami Dade Community College. He is survived by his wife, Martha; three children, Susan, Jeff and Michele; and two grandchildren.

1950

John L. Marty, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, died April 17, 2008. A World War II veteran, he graduated from Purdue University and retired after 35 years as an aeronautical engineer with Rockwell International. He is survived by his wife, **Carol (Bode) Marty**, '49; a daughter, Kathy; two sons, David and Dan; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Charles R. Dispenza, Rochester, N.Y., died June 12, 2008. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II and a retired teacher. He is survived by his son, Gregory, and a sister, Sally.

Jerome Keller, Tiffin, died March 23, 2008. He graduated from Coyne Electrical School in Chicago and was a U.S. Army veteran. He was a timekeeper and lathe operator at National Machinery, retiring after 46 years of service. He is survived by his wife, Ann; a son, Phillip; a daughter, Jacqueline; a grandson; and two sisters, Madlyn and Mary.

Robert J. Storck, New Philadelphia, Ohio, died July 15, 2008. A U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, he was an insurance agent for Western-Southern Life Insurance Co. for 28 years, retiring in 1980. He is survived by his wife, Janice; a daughter, Susan; two sons, David and Donald; four grandchildren; and a sister, Phyllis.

1951

Leonard P. Spore, Sandusky, Ohio, died March 29, 2008. A decorated Army veteran of the Korean War, he was an accountant for American Crayon/Dixon Ticonderoga for 42 years. He is survived by his wife, Janet; three sons, Peter, Jan and Richard; a sister, Gloria; 10 grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; and a step-great-grandchild.

1952

Phyllis Mae Ashbolt, Canton, Ohio, died April 17, 2008. She was a missionary in India, and later taught the hearing impaired for 38 years after receiving her master's degree from Columbia University. After retirement in 1989, she was a tutor and a bank teller. She is survived by many cousins.

Phyllis A. (Rogers) Washka, Elyria, Ohio, died Feb. 3, 2008. She was employed by Elyria and Midview Schools as a teacher for many years.

Surviving are two daughters, Sandra and Marilyn; three grandchildren; and a sister, Evelyn.

1954

H. David Barringer, Mansfield, Ohio, died April 2, 2008. A Korean War Army veteran, he worked for the Social Security Administration, retiring as a field representative in 1986. He is survived by wife, Betty; a son, John; a daughter, Susan; and two grandchildren.

Beulah J. "Boo" (Bertsch) Stephens, Fort Wayne, Ind., died Aug. 6, 2008. She received her master's degree from St. Francis College and was a teacher and counselor for 32 years, retiring in 1995. She is survived by her husband, James; a son, Thomas; a brother, Rev. **William Bertsch**, '56; and three grandchildren.

1959

Joyce E. (Blossom) Rawson, Madison, Ind., died April 7, 2008. She spent her career as an elementary school teacher in Indiana. She is survived by her husband, Dr. Harve E.; two sons, Paul and Reed; a sister, Jeannine; and four grandchildren.

1961

 **Sara E. (Marty) Jacobs**, Clarington, W.Va., died April 13, 2008. She worked at the College of Ganado on the Navajo Indian Reservation for 10 years. In Clarington, she worked as a tutor for many years. She also was clerk and treasurer for the village and was an accomplished grant writer. She is survived by her husband, **Melvin G. Jacobs**, '63; a son, Devon; two sisters, Eileen and Lois; and a brother, Marvin.

1963

Susan Brown, Torrance, Calif., died May 11, 2008. She was a teacher in the Torrance School System from her graduation until her retirement, and had earned a master's degree from Pepperdine University.

1964

Karl T. "Tom" Bame, Newkirk, Okla., died March 28, 2008. An ace pilot, he served three tours of duty in Thailand and Vietnam. He received numerous service medals and after achieving the rank of colonel, he retired from the Air Force in 1976. His second career was with General Electric. He is survived by his wife, Jeannette; a brother, **Paul Christian "Chris,"** '62; a sister, Judy; and a half sister, Janice.

Hall of Fame athletes reunite

Former 'Berg athletes (l-r) Bill Groman, '58, Paul Baetz, '59, Cal Dilworth, '57, and James Boeke, '60, held a reunion in August in southern California. Collectively, they have quite an impressive resume. Bill played for three NFL franchises and still holds the NFL rookie record for receiving yards. Paul was an on-field official for the NFL for 24 years and called three Super Bowls. James also played for three NFL teams. All four are members of the Heidelberg Athletic Hall of Fame.



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in memoriam

1965

Joseph E. Sevenich, Delta, Ohio, died July 1, 2008. He spent his career as a teacher and coach, beginning at St. Francis de Sales High School and moving to Wauseon as principal in 1979, after receiving his master's degree and principal's certificate. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen; daughters Kendra, Jacqueline, Sheryl and Tricia; eight siblings, Mary Ann, Vincent, James, Theresa, Barbara, Michael, Martha and Janel; and eight grandchildren.

1966

Juanita C. (Ziegler) Miller, Tiffin, died April 29, 2008. She taught elementary school for many years in the rural Tiffin area, retiring in 1982. She is survived by a son, Steven; a daughter, Catherine; three stepdaughters, Diana, Gail and Andrea; six grandchildren and three step-grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and two step-great-grandchildren; a brother, Henry; and two sisters, Evelyn and Alice Jean.

1968

Judith A. (Menaar) Ebbitt-Glover, North Olmstead, died March 19, 2008. A graduate of the Riverside White Cross School of Nursing, she worked in the nursing field for 35 years at Cleveland Metro and the Lorain County Health Department. She is survived by a daughter, Karen; a son, Stephen; three grandchildren; a brother, Roger; and a sister, Cindy.

Mary Jo (Klinefelter) Hyatt, Middletown, Ohio, died April 29, 2008. She taught math in the Middletown/Monroe City Schools for most of her 35-year career. She is survived by her husband, **Bill Hyatt**, '68; and two children, Ken and Amy; and her parents, **George**, '40, and **Josephine (Nicewander) Klinefelter**, '41.

1970

Caron (Crom) Kindel, Akron, Ohio, died June 1, 2008. She was a French instructor at Kent State University. She is survived by her husband, Robert; a son, Ian; three brothers and her mother, **Florence (Cartlidge) Crom**, '44.

Rev. Dr. **Robert D. Sayre**, Millersville, Pa., died May 16, 2008. He was an assistant professor of history at Millersville University and a retired minister, having served with United Campus Ministry at Millersville from 1981-97. From 1996-2002, he was pastor of the Wrightsville

Presbyterian Church. He is survived by his wife, Roma; two daughters, Jennifer and Amanda; four grandchildren; three brothers, Conard, Larry and James; and a sister, Patricia.

1979



Bruce Corwin, Valparaiso, Ind., died Nov. 15, 2007. He earned his MBA from the University of Chicago in 1994. He worked in the lab for PMS Consolidated in Sandusky, Ohio, Chicago and Anoka, Minn., where he was manager of operations. In 1986, he joined Bee Chemicals (now NB Coatings) and was the director of business processes. He is survived by his wife, **Christina (Mohr) Corwin**, '80; and two daughters, Kathi and Debby.

1992



James A. Dzorney, Alpharetta, Ga., died March 3, 2008. He received two master's degrees from the University of Pittsburgh and later worked in Dallas as a financial analyst for PriceWaterhouseCoopers and then with Spherion Outsourcing Services. He is survived by his wife, Wendy, and two daughters, Abigail and Anna.

FRIENDS

Janet Lea Hughes, Dayton, Ohio, died May 6, 2008. She had received Heidelberg's Unsung Hero Award in 2003 for her hospitality and support of the college's African students. In Tiffin, she had been the director of Easter Seals of Seneca County. She is survived by five children, Donald, Brian, Tracy, Randy and Jennifer; five grandchildren; a sister, Nancy; and a brother, Donald.

Suzanne Simmons, Tiffin, died April 24, 2008. She had worked in the Registrar's Office at Heidelberg. Surviving are her husband, Robert; a son, Jeff; a daughter, Andrea; five grandchildren, a sister, Sr. Mary St. Paul; and three brothers, David, George and Gerard.

CORRECTION

James D. King, '58, Sharon Center, Ohio, died Feb. 25, 2008. He had worked for Ohio Bell as general manager, retiring in 1991 after 33 years with the company. Surviving are his wife, Nancy; two sons, Craig and Mitchell; a daughter, Cynthia; six grandchildren; and a sister, Melissa.

wedding bells

1971

Stephen Welch married Susan Konkel on May 9, 2008. He is senior pastor of first Congregational UCC of Oconomowoc, Wis., where they reside.

1990

Mark F. Jenkins and **Jenny (Hawkes) Potter**, '91, were married June 14, 2008. She is a major with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves and he is an information analyst for Cheryl & Co. They live in Westerville, Ohio.

1998

Sarah Balas married **G. Chip Johnson**, '05, on May 24, 2008. She is the director of development for the Seminole Community College Foundation. The couple resides in Sanford, Fla.

2000

Melanie Daniels married Greg Underwood on July 7, 2007. They live in Carey, Ohio.



Wesley Buchanan married Jessica Schmiesing on June 21, 2008. He is an insurance consultant and she is a teacher. They reside in Delaware, Ohio.

2004

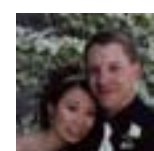
Rachael Huffman married Charles Wain in February 2006. They live in Huber Heights, Ohio.

Jeremy Salyers and **Cassandra Purola**, '05, were married Nov. 19, 2007. They live in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Kelly Schneider married Steve Rice on May 17, 2008. She is a part-time law student. They live in Norwalk, Ohio.

Whitney Simmons married Zach Harkavy on April 11, 2008. She is a reference librarian at Lake Erie College. The couple lives in Painesville, Ohio.

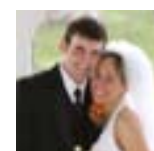
2006



Sarah Ling (MBA '08) married Aaron Gordon on May 17, 2008. She is a financial analyst, and he is a staff scientist. The couple lives in Cleveland.

Sheila Miller married Danny Grant on Oct. 7, 2008. They live in Middlefield, Ohio.

2007



Keri Miller married Corey Newell on April 5, 2007. She is an admission counselor at Heidelberg and he is a farmer. They live in Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

Luke Spurlock and Danielle Judge were married on May 26, 2007. They live in Bellevue, Ohio.

babybergers

1990

Mr. and Mrs. **Arief Raun**, Ottawa, Ontario, a daughter, Suria Valentina, born May 14, 2008.

1991

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick (**Tracy Canavan**) **Dallmeyer**, Plainfield, Ill., a son, Jonathan Michael, born March 7, 2008.

Mr. and Mrs. **Joseph Trolan** (MA, '93), Wooster, Ohio, a daughter, Alexandria, born Sept. 19, 2007.

1997

Dr. and Mrs. **Todd (Denise Schneider) Lewis**, Greensboro, N.C., a son, Alexander Todd, born Dec. 21, 2007.

1998

Dr. and Mrs. **Brandon (Rebecca Shroyer) McClelland**, Mount Gilead, Ohio, a son, Griffin Wayne, born Sept. 19, 2007.



Mr. and Mrs. Brian (**Mindy Tillinghast**) **Toth**, Brooklyn, Ohio, a daughter, Alayna Gabrielle-Marie, born March 28, 2008.

1999

Mr. and Mrs. Jon (**Lori Zieber**) **Craddock**, a daughter, Berkeley Cate, born May 17, 2008.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob (**Michelle Carskadden**) **Crockett**, Columbus, Ohio, a son, Aidan Daniel, born Oct. 4, 2007.

Mr. and Mrs. Jason (**Ericka Daniels**) **Kurtz**, Carey, Ohio, a daughter, Abigail Louise, born April 21, 2008.

2001

Mr. and Mrs. **Travis '02 (Jessica Steyer) Thomas**, Findlay, Ohio, a son, Brody Stephen, born Feb. 29, 2008.

2000

Mr. and Mrs. Heath (**Trisha Moffett**) **Conklin**, Marysville, Ohio, a daughter, Payton Kathryn, born Aug. 30, 2007.

2002



Mr. and Mrs. **John Woolbridge**, Canal Winchester, Ohio, a son, Benjamin William, born March 23, 2008.

2003

Mr. and Mrs. **Brendon (Kylee Daeger, '04) Moody**, Van Wert, Ohio, a daughter, Brynleigh Dash, born April 22, 2008.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron (**Amber Boetefuer**) **Peariso**, Toledo, Ohio, a daughter, Julia May, born March 26, 2007.

2004



Jennifer R. (Adams) Bean and her husband, Hubbardsville, N.Y., a daughter, Juliana, born April 22, 2008.

Mr. and Mrs. **Jeremy (Cassandra Purola, '05) Salyers**, St. Petersburg, Fla., a daughter, Elizabeth Angela, born Feb. 25, 2008.

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin (**Amy Perkins**) **Slates**, Elmore, Ohio, a son, Carson, born Oct. 4, 2007.

2005

Mr. and Mrs. **Eric (Jill Alderman) Bisignano**, Centreville, Va., a son, Abram Joel, born May 7, 2007.

2006

Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy (**Emily Sendelbach**) **Brubaker**, Bettsville, Ohio, a son, Gabriel Edwin, born May 8, 2008.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny (**Sheila Miller**) **Grant**, Middlefield, Ohio, a daughter, Mattie Inez, born March 7, 2008.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick (**Cassandra Norman**) **Humphrey**, Bloomville, Ohio, a son, Nickolas James, born May 28, 2008.

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Blue light special

New code-blue system enhances campus-wide security campaign

By Angela Giles



This code-blue phone, installed on the Campus Center lawn, enables students to call for help in the case of an emergency.

Safety and security have become hot-button issues since 9/11. The tragic shooting incident at Virginia Tech in April 2007 brought the issue home to college campuses, prompting many of them to dust off emergency response documents that had been sitting untouched on office shelves.

At Heidelberg, however, emergency planning and crisis communication are issues that receive ongoing attention. “We are already a safe campus, but we can always do better,” said Dean of Students Dustin S. Brentlinger.

Heidelberg’s emergency response plan was updated a year prior to the Virginia

Tech incident. Security technology was recently updated with code-blue phones that tie into 911 and campus security, and an emergency alert notification system.

Installation of the code-blue phones at five high-traffic locations on campus was completed in May. When in use, a blue strobe light at the top of the phone is activated. Users can select a red button that calls 911, and the Tiffin Police Department will respond, according to Julie George, director of Security and Safety. A black button can be activated for non-emergency situations.

This fall, the campus community will be acclimated to SendWordNow, an

emergency alert notification system that will allow administrators to distribute a message over multiple systems, including texting, voicemail and e-mail—all simultaneously.

Campus officials will have the capability to send a pre-recorded message for a situation such as a tornado warning, Brentlinger explained. The system also can be tailored to send a message to selected groups. Administrators can tap into it from wherever Internet access or an 800 telephone number is available.

Based on the updated emergency response plan, each office on campus received an indexed chart detailing emergency contacts and proper reactions to a series of emergency situations, from health and weather to chemical spills and terrorist attacks. Brentlinger said other institutions have asked if they can use Heidelberg’s index chart as a model.

Coming this fall is a card-swipe system that will be required for entry to exterior doors of all residence halls. Students will still have keys to their individual rooms, but will need the swipe card for outer doors.

“Students have been asking for this for some time,” Brentlinger said, adding that he’s looking at expanding to a one-card system in which students could add money to their card and use it to do laundry, purchase supplies, check out library materials and eat meals on campus.

In addition to the visible emergency response measures, college personnel continue to take advantage of professional development opportunities by attending workshops designed to give the most up-to-date information about crisis planning and management.

Historic new class creates buzz of excitement

Heidelberg welcomed an incoming class of 450—the largest in the institution’s history—on Aug. 25. The new class includes first-time traditional freshmen and transfer students, as well as a 26 percent increase in out-of-state students.

Overall, Heidelberg’s full-time undergraduate enrollment stands at 1,210—100 more than the 2007-08 academic year. The figure does not include students enrolled in Heidelberg’s three graduate programs or at its branch campuses.

The college’s enrollment growth is due in large part to a strategic plan to reach a goal of enrolling 2,000 students by the year 2010. The comprehensive approach to recruiting and enrolling students focuses on a broad and integrated approach that includes all aspects of institutional life from academic advising to financial aid pricing strategies, said Thandabantu Maceo, vice president for enrollment and marketing.



Maceo credited the enrollment team for working closely with prospective students and their families to educate them about Heidelberg. The team had wide spread support—from alumni, coaches, faculty and Board of Trustees members—who were actively involved in the recruiting process. Current students participated in a successful peer telephoning campaign of prospective students. The Admission Office increased the number of open houses and major-specific preview days, during which potential students visited the campus to get a taste of the Heidelberg environment, said Lindsay Sooy, director of admission.

The historic freshman class has created a “buzz of excitement” about the new academic year, she said. “This is a great time to be a student at Heidelberg.”

Partnership puts NCWQR in elite company

The National Center for Water Quality Research has partnered with the Institute for Public Health and Water Research to undertake initiatives related to drinking water and public health.

The mission of the not-for-profit institute is to improve public health through the consumption of quality drinking water. The lab’s goal is to support the sustainable use of the nation’s water resources and the protection of human health and ecological integrity as they are affected by the quality of these resources.



“I knew there was enormous potential for collaboration between the IPWR and the NCWQR,” said Dr. Gary Winston, the lab’s director. “I believe this partnership, at the very least, will enhance our global status, and lead to inclusion in numerous initiatives in the future with IPWR and other prestigious partners.”

Other partners include the University of California, Berkeley, the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies of Science, the University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health, the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine and Virginia Tech.

Together, the two organizations are committed to fostering an enhanced understanding of the interconnections between watershed health and human well-being. They plan to jointly sponsor conferences and position papers with the theme of sustaining human well-being and improving the human condition through better recognition of water as a raw material for enterprise, a recreation vehicle and an equal opportunity resource.

For 21st year, Berg ranks among best colleges

Heidelberg has again received high marks among its peers in *U.S. News & World Report* magazine’s national survey, confirmation that the college continues to provide a quality education to its students.

This year marks the 21st consecutive year that Heidelberg has been ranked in the top tier in the “Best Universities—Master’s” category in the Midwest region. *U.S. News* uses a set of nine indicators to rank the best colleges and universities, including peer assessment, retention, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources, graduate rate and alumni giving.

Across the board, these factors are an excellent indication that the college is living up to its mission to be a student-centered institution that prepares students for lifelong success, not only professionally but personally, said Interim President Dr. James A. Troha.

“Our consistent appearance on the rankings is a strong reflection of the college’s commitment to student success. Everyone at Heidelberg works hard to provide our students with the type of quality experience that has earned the respect of our peer institutions,” he said.

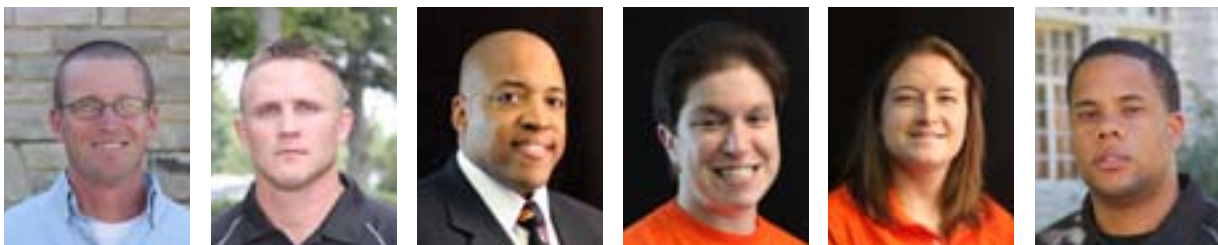
“We are motivated by our responsibility to provide a quality academic experience and a personally enriching experience for each of our students from the moment they arrive on campus.”

The 572 colleges and universities in the “Best Universities—Master’s” category are ranked within four geographic regions, and then divided into tiers. Heidelberg appears in the top tier in the Midwest.

Changing the face of Berg athletics

Heidelberg welcomes new coaches

By Julia Hada, '07



From L to R: Matt Palm, Jason Miller, Anthony Gholson, Marcie Alberts, Betsy Hada and Keith Roberts.

The coming year looks to be an exciting one for Heidelberg athletics. With a new athletic director and a crop of fresh faces, enthusiasm is high and so are hopes for success.

Over the summer, head baseball coach Matt Palm was promoted from associate athletic director to the head position. "Matt brings a high level of enthusiasm and energy, as well as respect from his peers both at Heidelberg and throughout the Ohio Athletic Conference," said Interim President Dr. Jim Troha. Head wrestling and volleyball coach Jason Miller was named associate athletic director. Both Palm and Miller continue with their coaching duties.

Four new coaches also joined the staff. Marcie Alberts came aboard as head women's basketball coach. She arrived at the Berg after serving as head women's coach at Orrville High School for six years. Alberts was a four-year letter winner at The Ohio State University. She earned All-Big Ten Honorable Mention honors and served as a team captain in her senior campaign. Following her time on the court at Ohio State, she played one season with the WNBA's Cleveland Rockers.

"The Ohio Athletic Conference is a tremendous conference across the board, especially in women's basketball," said Alberts. "We will set our goals high and continually strive to compete for a conference championship."

Taking over the head men's basketball coaching position is Anthony Gholson, an assistant at Ohio Northern the past

four years who is accustomed to success. During his tenure as head coach at Columbus State Community College in 2000-04, he led the Cougars to an 86-36 record. In his last season at Columbus State, his team was ranked No. 1 in the nation in the National Junior College Athletic Association Division II with a 29-2 record. That same year, they won the Ohio Community Athletic Conference Championship.

Palm said Gholson's experience as a player and a coach, as well as a teacher and administrator, made him the ideal candidate to take over a program that has been surging upward the past few seasons. "We feel he is the right person to continue the momentum this program has built over the last few years," Palm said.

Rejoining the Heidelberg family is head softball coach Betsy Hada, a 2001 graduate who most recently worked as the assistant softball and pitching coach at Marietta College. The Pioneers were consistently ranked in the top 25 of the National Fastpitch Coaches Association poll and made the 2007 NCAA regional tournament. In 2006, Hada shared Ohio Athletic Conference Coaching Staff of the Year honors.

"Betsy is a strong recruiter who has numerous connections throughout Ohio and beyond that will pay dividends in her quest to raise the softball program to a conference front-runner," said Palm.

Lastly, Keith Roberts Jr. moved from his assistant coach position with the Berg sprinters and hurdlers to take over the

head coaching position of both the men's and women's cross country and track and field teams for the 2008-09 season as interim head coach.

"We are confident that Keith will continue to build on the success of our cross country and track and field programs at Heidelberg," Palm said. "He played an integral part in the overall success of the program a year ago, and has the determination to continue to keep Heidelberg among the leaders in the OAC as well as the nation."

Prior to arriving at Heidelberg, Roberts was head coach for the Logan County Elite Track Club in Bellefontaine, Ohio. He attended Kent State University and was a member of the track and field team, winning the Mid-American Conference Championship in the indoor 60-meter hurdles. He holds the indoor 55-meter hurdles record. Roberts also placed 11th in the nation in Division I in the indoor 60-meter hurdles in 2003, and was named a Freshman Verizon All-American in the outdoor 110-meter hurdles.

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Julie O'Reilly

Dr. **Julie O'Reilly** (communication) and Dr. **Virginia Gregg** (psychology) co-presented a paper titled *Undermining Masculinity, Exaggerating Femininity: The Gendered Representation of Obsessive Compulsive Disorder in Film and Television* at the national Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association conference in San Francisco.



Virginia Gregg

Dr. **Lori Arnold-Grine** (education) has had her dissertation research accepted for presentation at the annual American Educational Research Association conference in New York City. Her paper is titled *Laboratory Preschools: Bridging the Gap between Theory and Practice for Early Childhood Education Teacher Education*, and will be presented as part of a session titled *Creating Powerful Field Experiences*.



Dr. **Gary Winston** (National Center for Water Quality Research) has been named to the Scientific Advisory Board of the Institute for Public Health and Water Research, an international nonprofit organization.



Dr. **Marc O'Reilly** (political science) is the author of the newly published book, *Unexceptional: America's Empire in the Persian Gulf, 1941-2007*, published by Lexington Books, a division of Rowman & Littlefield. The book, based on Mark's doctoral dissertation, examines U.S. policy vis-a-vis the Persian Gulf since the Second World War.



Dr. **Bill Reyer** (English) celebrated April as National Poetry Month with readings in Beeghly Library (*Promentory Pines*) and Autumnwood Care Center (*Eight Poems of Springtime*).



Dr. **Barbara Specht** (music) conducted the Perrysburg Symphony in a concert at the Fine and Performing Arts Center at Owens Community College. Concerto Competition winner **Margaret Townsend**, '08, performed the *Mozart Concerto No. 3 in G Major* on the violin.



Dr. **Aaron Roerdink** (chemistry, NCWQR) gave a presentation at the 39th Central Regional Meeting of the American Chemical Society. The title was *Comparative Study between 5 Micron Particle-Packed C18 and Monolithic C18 Columns for the Separation of Algal Pigments by High-Performance Liquid Chromatography with Fluorescence Detection*.



Dr. **David Bush** (archaeology) published the *Guide Map to the Confederate Cemetery on Johnson's Island* through the Friends and Descendants of Johnson's Island Civil War Prison. The college and Dave's work were mentioned in the latest edition of *Archaeology* magazine, which highlighted the magazine's association with Heidelberg since 1999 and the virtual dig in which the college has participated since 2002.



Dr. **Cindy Lepeley** (Spanish) attended the annual conference of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese in San Jose, Costa Rica, where she gave a presentation titled *Bridges to Understanding: Service Learning on the U.S./Mexico Border*.



Dr. **David Hogan** (history) has been prominently quoted in a series of articles about the popularity of White Castle's sliders. An expert on the history of White Castle and the evolution of the hamburger, David's *Selling 'em by the Sack: White Castle and the Creation of American Food* details the history of the fast-food restaurant. He was recently quoted in the *New York Times*, *Financial Express* and *Commercial Appeal*.



Dr. **Daniel Cruikshanks** (graduate counseling) recently concluded his term as president of the Ohio Counseling Association. In that role, he contributed to numerous meetings on national issues affecting the field of counseling. He hosted the annual Legislative Advocacy Day with Ohio's first Lady Francis Strickland.



Dr. **Mike Pratt** (Graduate Studies, Arrowhead) was involved in a briefing with U.S. Secretary of the Interior Dirk Kempthorne and U.S. Rep. John Dingell, D-Michigan, in an effort to have the River Raisin battlefield site in Monroe, Mich., designated a unit of the national park system. Earlier this summer, Heidelberg received a grant from the National Park Service for an archaeological study of the battlefield. Mike is directing that study.



Fellows Organization members were recognized on the field during halftime of the season-opening home football game Sept. 6.

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