

Honors Tutorial College celebrates 30 years

By Jennifer Kirksey Smith

The Honors Tutorial College's history dates back to 1945 when it existed as an honors program. In 1959, an honors program and awards committee was established to set rules for and supervise honors courses conducted by various academic departments. These courses were open only to juniors and seniors with a 3.0 cumulative average.

Former Ohio University President Vernon Alden first authorized the Honors College in January 1964.

College enrollment grew from 23 in its initial year to 430 students in Alden's final year at the University. But despite interest and strong growth for the college, enrollment was limited to only 5 percent of the student body and students were required to have a 3.5 cumulative average.

"Honors College courses for sophomores were similar to regular University courses except classes were small and more was expected of the college's students," said Jan Hodson, assistant dean of the Honors Tutorial College. "For juniors and seniors, courses were interdisciplinary and often designed by students and faculty."

Under the direction of Professor Edgar Whan, the college began to accept freshman students by inviting them to participate in special seminars to satisfy an English requirement.

In 1972, Professor Ellery Golos, who had served as assistant director under Whan, proposed a tutorial system to "provide the best education for the highly gifted, highly motivated undergraduate student."

The Curriculum Council approved this proposal and the program became the Honors Tutorial College, adopting the tutorial format.

"The college is one of the only degree-granting honors tutorial colleges in the United States," said Joseph Berman, dean of the college. "The college is very special."

Now there are 26 major areas of study offered by the college with approximately 225 students enrolled.

"The experience of being an honors tutorial student is a situation where you found the perfect place to be for what you wanted to be," said Erin Jones, a 1995 graduate and president of the college's Board of Visitors. "The professors work with you to find your place. We weren't the students of our professors, we actually became their friends."

Students win national awards

By Katie Fitzgerald

Ohio University's Office of Nationally Competitive Awards is proud to announce awards to three outstanding students selected from among hundreds of undergraduate students nationwide.

Katherine Smith of Dayton, Ohio, was awarded the Harry S. Truman Scholarship and Dan Wik of Springboro, Ohio, and Matt Hill of Brecksville, Ohio, were awarded the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship.

Smith, a junior, was one of 77 scholars chosen for the Truman Scholarship, which is awarded to students who are interested in pursuing careers in public service. Scholars are selected on the basis of leadership potential, intellectual ability and likelihood of "making a difference."

An English major in the Honors Tutorial College, Smith will receive \$3,000 for her senior year and \$27,000 for law school. Truman Scholars also receive priority admission and supplemental financial aid at some premier graduate institu-

tions, leadership training, career and graduate counseling and special internship opportunities with the federal government.

"Katherine is internally driven, very ambitious and clear-sighted about her goals," said Linda Zionkowski, an associate professor English and one of Smith's mentors. "She is a wonderfully charismatic person."

Wik and Hill were two of 309 undergraduates nationwide to receive the Goldwater Scholarship, which rewards math, science and engineering students of outstanding potential with support for the completion of undergraduate studies. Wik, an astrophysics major in the Honors Tutorial College, and Hill, a biochemistry, cellular and molecular biology and legal communications major, will each receive a maximum stipend of \$7,500 for next year to cover tuition, fees, books and room and board.

TOPS program awarded \$2.4 million

By Tina V. Bryson

The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) awarded a two-year \$2.4 million grant to TOPS (Training Opportunities for Program Staff) in Job and Family Services at Ohio University. This grant will support the TOPS Administrative Unit as they continue to oversee the curriculum needs and program administration for 25,000 state and county ODJFS workers. This is the sixth year the administrative unit contract has been awarded to Ohio University, which administers the program through Steve Flaherty, executive director of TOPS and associate vice president of Regional Higher Education.

The TOPS Administrative Unit markets and supports the program in conjunction with policy experts from the ODJFS, and develops course materials. The materials are then used in courses offered by the

29 participating colleges and universities statewide on-site, over the Ohio Video Conferencing System and over the Internet.

"We do a lot with technology-based training to reach workers statewide," Flaherty said. "The barrier to attending most training is the expense associated with traveling off-site or schedules for case workers that are already extremely busy.

"Now case workers are expected to do even more," he added. "TOPS helps to train the case workers on the changing environment that impacts the populations

that they serve. New curriculum is important in learning the changes."

Some of the curriculum developed by TOPS for college credit focus on specific ODJFS policies such as case management. Other targeted training includes interpersonal skills such as interviewing. TOPS currently offers 23 core courses that meet the training needs of ODJFS staff.

TOPS provides distance learning through 105 video conferencing sites. This allows trainees to turn on the TV and have an interactive discussion with the instructor on topics like diversity, customer service or Microsoft products. Other web-

based options also provide an increased level of flexibility when it comes to schedules. TOPS Extended Productivity Web sites let agency professionals continue their training experience at their own time and convenience.

Eligible workers can apply for tuition waivers for college classes and possibly earn bachelors' and masters' degrees in work-related areas.

Visit <http://topsnet.org/>.

That's a fact

Saludos Hispanos has named Ohio University one of its 100 Educators of Distinction for 2002 for demonstrating a commitment to higher education success for Hispanic

University book named "best of best," Page 3



Capsules

Pond constructed for campus irrigation

Ohio University has constructed a ground water irrigation system in the form of a pond on campus that will provide water for many areas on the West Green. The one-acre pond constructed on the Ohio University Golf Course is expected to save the university more than \$206,000 annually in water expenses.

The pond's water supply is replenished during the evening when energy rates are lower. It receives the water from a main pumping station that is tapped into a ground well.

The pond will be used to irrigate Peden Football Stadium, the football practice fields, softball, soccer and baseball fields and the four new holes of the golf course across the Hocking River. Other areas expected to receive irrigation lines are the marching band's practice field behind the Ohio University Visitor's Center and the five remaining golf holes on the north side of the river.

The Ground Water Irrigation project cost was \$545,500 and will be paid for by Ohio University's performance contract with VESTAR.

Lecture series highlights impact of science

The Frontiers in Science Lecture Series brings internationally renowned scientists to campus to talk about the role of science in our lives. The series also serves as a forum to highlight the contributions of women in science and to create unity between science and the arts.

The featured lecturer for May is Bernard Bulkin, chief scientist for British Petroleum International. He

will present "Inheritance Tax: Passing on the Planet to Our Kids," at 8 p.m. May 7 in Templeton-Blackburn Alumni Memorial Auditorium.

The author of more than 100 papers and two books on Ram spectroscopy, polymers and liquid crystals, Bulkin developed BP's clean fuels strategy and implemented the "40 Cities Program" of clean fuels. He serves on both the Energy Advisory Board of SAIC and the Board of Governors of Argonne National Laboratory.

For more information, call Gerri Collins at 593-9375.

Literary festival kicks off May 8

Poetry lovers and book junkies can satisfy their cravings at the 17th Annual Spring Literary Festival May 8-10.

This year's festival features five award-winning authors: fiction writer Jim Harrison, poets Stephen Dunn and Eleanor Wilner, and non-fiction writers Andrea Dworkin and Susan Griffin. Lectures and readings by the authors will be conducted in Irvine Auditorium on West Green and are free and open to the public.

The festival begins at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 8 with a reading by Wilner followed by a reading by Griffin at 8:30 p.m. A complete schedule of readings and lectures is available at www.ohio.edu/litfestival/.

The Literary Festival is sponsored by the Program in Creative Writing in the Department of English.

Ohio University purchases The Oasis

By George Mauzy

In early April, Ohio University announced that it had purchased The Oasis, a restaurant/convenience store located at 70-72 University Terrace. The University purchased the property for \$592,250 and will take possession on July 1.

The property will be managed by the Ohio University Auxiliaries Division and will continue to be operated as a convenience store.

"We haven't formulated any long-term plans for The Oasis," said Ohio University Vice President Gary North. "However, we recognize the store's current popularity and would like it to maintain its charm. We figured the purchase should pay for itself within five years."

North said the opportunity to purchase The Oasis came suddenly and University officials believed it would be beneficial to own it because of its location in the heart of campus. In fact, The Oasis was the



Rick Fedra

city directories, The Oasis has been at its current location since 1980. The building previously served as a laundry. In 1962, the building also included a men's clothing store. The property was used as a residence in the 1940s.

only privately-owned commercial business surrounded by University property.

"We appreciate the Farley family giving the University the opportunity to buy the property at a fair price," North said. "The operation is at such a visible point on our campus, we thought it was important for us to buy it in order to assure that it will be operated in an appropriate manner."

Memorabilia needed for Bicentennial Book

In conjunction with Ohio University's bicentennial in 2004, the Ohio University Press will publish a history of the University. Alumni, faculty, and friends of Ohio University are invited to submit memories of their time at OU.

"It would be wonderful if people whose ancestors went to Ohio University in the 1800s, especially before 1875, would look around to see if they have daguerreotypes, old letters written from campus or other materials focusing on studies, classmates, pranks, professors, recreation, life in the town, boarding houses, conditions on the

campus, local or national politics," said Betty Hollow, editor of the book.

Send submissions to Betty Hollow, Bicentennial Book Project, 101 Alden Library, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, 45701. E-mail her at hollowb@ohio.edu call at 593-2654. For sample submissions, more information or to complete the online form for submissions, visit the Web page at www.ohio.edu/memories.

Items will be returned or can be donated to Ohio University Archives and Special Collections to become part of the university's official record. To arrange the return of loaned items for this project, a self-addressed, stamped envelope should be included with submissions.

Calendar

Special Events

Herrmann's Original Royal Lipizzan Stallions of Austria will perform at the Ohio Horse Park located in Franklin Furnace, Ohio, about 14 miles from Ironton at 7 p.m. Friday, May 3, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Sunday, May 5. Performances hosted by Ohio University's Southern Campus. Advance tickets: \$6 for children 6 to 12 years of age, \$10 for adults. \$2 surcharge for each ticket purchased at the gate. For tickets or more information, call 1-800-626-0513 or 740-533-4551.

Outstanding Administrators will be named at the reception for Administrative Service Awards and retirees, May 7, 3-5 p.m., Baker Center Ballroom. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Sue Boyd at boysds@ohio.edu.

Graduate Programs Fair to inform undergraduate students about the resources available for their graduate studies at Ohio University, May 9, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Baker Center Ballroom. Topics will include financial aid information and career counseling. Refreshments will be provided. For more information, contact Shannon Brogan at s_brogan@yahoo.com.

A Walk Back in Time, along the bike path, to celebrate National Employee Health and Fitness Day and get a fun look at past and present health beliefs and practices. Complete the two-mile walk and your "passport" to enter raffle, May 15, 4 - 7 p.m. Try a free chair massage, blood pressure screening and a flexibility screening. Registration starts May 1. The first 100 registered participants will receive a free t-shirt. Sponsored by WellWorks. To register, call 593-2093.

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Ohio University Press book honored

A book published by Ohio University Press about a civil rights pioneer in Appalachia has been selected by the American Association of University Presses as among "The Best of the Best from the University Presses: Books You Should Know About." The book is "Memphis Tennessee Garrison: The Remarkable Story of a Black Appalachian Woman," published by Ohio University Press in June 2001. The book launched the Ohio University Press Series in Ethnicity and Gender in Appalachia.

Born in 1890 in West Virginia, the daughter and granddaughter of slaves, Memphis Tennessee Garrison was named after an aunt who was a schoolteacher in

Memphis. Garrison attended Ohio University as a young woman. She became a schoolteacher, later serving as conduit between the upper management of U.S. Steel in Gary, W. Va., and its coal-mining workforce.

In the days before unions, Garrison presented miners' grievances to the company. By the early 1960s she was a vice president of the board of directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). She died



An Ohio University class photograph, circa 1910, that included Memphis Tennessee Garrison.

in 1988, at age 98.

Her oral history was edited by Ancella Bickley, a retired administrator and professor of English at West Virginia State College, and Lynda Ann Ewen, a sociology professor at Marshall University and co-director of the Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Gender in Appalachia.

Ewen found the transcript of Garrison's memories in an archive at Marshall. The oral history had languished for thirty years, having been recorded at Marshall in 1969.

When Ewen read it, she realized its historic and social value.

Although the annual NAACP dinner in West Virginia is named in her honor, younger generations had forgotten Garrison. "This was a national figure who had simply been lost," Ewen said.

In its review, Publishers Weekly said, "Anecdotal rich, 'Memphis Tennessee Garrison: The Remarkable Story of a Black Appalachian Woman' fills the gap in historical accounts of mining. Of particular interest is her work in the NAACP and her recollections of its less-remembered cultural mission . . . as well as its political one."

Panelists from the American Association of University Presses and a committee of librarians picked the work as one of 35 books published by university presses that are "essential additions for public and/or secondary school library collections." The panelists will present the books to the American Library Association at its summer conference June 15 in Atlanta.

More information can be found at <http://www.ohio.edu/oupress/memphisgarrison.htm>



Golf renovations enter new phase

By George Mauzy

The creation of a safer recreational environment and an ongoing tree renewal program are significant elements of the next phase of renovations at the Ohio University Golf Course began last week.

The course, closed since April 15, is scheduled to reopen spring 2003.

About 60 trees will be removed from the course. Many of the trees are in decline and others will be removed to avoid forcing golfers to hit shots that travel toward the bike path and its patrons.

"We have more than 450 trees on the golf course and tried to save every one we could when we designed the new holes," said Ohio University Executive Director of Campus Recreation Jim Gilmore. "We realize the importance of trees, but found it necessary to cut down some of them for safety reasons."

Ohio University Director of Grounds Mark Whitney said, "The tree renewal program will give us an opportunity to diversify the species of trees at the golf course. We will plant hundreds of trees on the course as part of this program."

A memorial tree program also is being discussed that will allow people to dedicate new plantings in memory of loved ones.

The golf course redevelopment project includes the construction of the Hocking River Bridge built in the spring of 2000. The bridge was built to provide access to the land between the Richland Avenue entrance to U.S. routes 50/33 and the Hocking River, where four new golf holes are being developed.



Spotlight on Learning

System increases time with students

By Susan Green

Engaged learning, the current buzzword in education reform, encourages students to take charge of their own learning by defining goals and problems, understanding how activities relate to those goals and evaluating how well they have achieved these goals.

The teacher's role in this process is to provide opportunities for collaborative work, problem solving and shared knowledge and responsibility.

For the past year, the Department of Physics and Astronomy has been piloting LON-CAPA, a full resource management system that allows faculty to deliver interactive and conceptual materials in introductory physics and chemistry courses. Developed at the University of Michigan, the system allows lecture materials, interactive demonstrations, exercises, movies, etc. to be "published" online and available to be pulled together to

create a complete course or a subset of course materials.

"This multi-institutional collaboration is a wonderful opportunity for Ohio University to play a leading role in developing and sharing materials with other institutions," said Mark Lucas, the system's administrator.

One advantage of the system's computerized administration and homework component is that it allows the department's teaching assistants to spend more one-on-one time with students.

"In the homework portion of LON-CAPA, problems are coded into the computer and students have about 10 to 15 tries at the correct answer. They get instant feedback," Lucas said.

Because feedback is available around-the-clock, students don't have to wait a week to see whether they've correctly solved the problems; they spend more time working

on the problems and, ultimately, get more out of the process.

"The goal is to improve the active and interactive nature of student engagement in introductory physics courses," he added.

As a result, since teaching assistants spend less time grading papers they have more time to engage with students.

LON-CAPA will be available to other disciplines at Ohio University once the system is solidly in place.

Lucas, assistant professor physics and astronomy, is among faculty participating in the first University-wide "show and tell" about best learning-centered practices, Spotlight on Learning, May 16-17. Outlook and Outlook Online are bringing you a sneak peek with profiles of participating faculty members appearing in each issue through May 15.

Volunteers needed

120 administrative contract staff needed at commencement

June 7 and June 8

three available time slots:

Friday, 8 a.m. until noon;
Saturday, 8 a.m. until noon
or Saturday, 1 to 4:30 p.m.
(Lunch provided for those who work both shifts on Saturday.)

information/training session
10 a.m. Thursday, June 6, at the Convocation Center

Contact Gretchen Stephens at stephens@ohio.edu or Eileen Wirsing at emwirsing@yahoo.com.

Deadline to sign up is May 1.

Students win regional Emmys

By Aaron Smith
Student writer

Two Ohio University students have won Ohio Valley Regional Emmys for short films. Rob Bowlus was the producer of an original film, "Agoraphobia," and Patrick Horne won the Emmy for his work as director, producer and editor on his adaptation of Kurt Vonnegut's "Harrison Bergeron."

The two Emmys give Ohio University three such awards in two years. Frederick Lewis, assistant professor of telecommunications, said there is a new era taking off in the University.

"We used to have single-camera productions and now we are more studio-based. It's reflecting the interests of the kids," he said. "I tell everyone to think big and scale down and 'Agoraphobia' and 'Harrison Bergeron' reflect this kind of thinking."

Horne said that it is an honor to be recognized for his work, but

that it wasn't an individual effort.

"I am very proud of everyone involved on the project," he said. "It was tough at times, but we had a lot of fun. I had a bit of a vision that I chose to create and every person helped, through their own amazing creative efforts, to foster the specific vision that Mr.

Vonnegut first wrote about in his original 1961 publication."

Also winning Emmys for their work on "Harrison Bergeron" are Ohio University alumni Kara Wombacher, producer and assistant director, Joshua Mills, director of photography and Michael Papa, associate producer.

Bowlus said his experience mak-

ing "Agoraphobia" is one that he greatly enjoyed.

"It's such a great feeling seeing something on paper turn into a short film," he said. "I had a lot of fun working on the film because I got to write some of the music also. It's an honor that professionals thought so

highly of our film and awarded us the Emmy."

Former Ohio University students Dan McKosky, director; Tracy

Piniarczyk, director of photography; Thom White, assistant director; and Zack Davis, editor, also won Emmys for their work on the film.

All Emmy recipients were honored at a black-tie ceremony in Cincinnati.

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Kudos

Classified Senate named **Jackie Quigley** the non-bargaining Classified Employee of the Month for April 2002. Quigley, who has worked at Ohio University for almost three years, is a records management coordinator in the Registrar's Office.

Jane Pidcock, assistant registrar for operations nominated Quigley. "Jackie willingly accepts new challenges and additional duties without reservation. She deals with issues in a professional manner and is not afraid to share her ideas for modifying procedures that can improve our customer service and make things easier for our staff."



Quigley

Quigley assisted in implementing the on-line graduation application for the University. She describes herself as an enthusiastic team player and says she's so proud to be a part of the Registrar's Office.

She also has been named to the program planning committee for next year's Ohio Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers Conference, and serves as a team leader for the Registrar's Office Imaging Project.

According to Quigley, one of her most important accomplishments has been raising her three children, Tamie, Craig and Eric and seeing the wonderful adults they've become.

This monthly award is made based on nominations submitted by members of the University community for any non-bargaining unit, classified employee who is setting standards for excellence and innovation by promoting unity, community, continuity and visibility. Award winners show outstanding individual achievement, contribution, innovation and performance of their jobs.

The nomination form can be obtained by contacting Sharon Porter at the Lancaster campus, 823-211 from Athens, or 740-654-6711, ext. 211, from elsewhere, or porter@ohio.edu



Suzanne Roberts, outreach coordinator for WOUB/WOUC-TV, received this year's "Celebration Literacy Award" from the Appalachian Reading Council. Through the Ready to Learn Program, WOUB/WOUC-TV last year distributed more than 7,000 books to children throughout the viewing area.

International Week: "Experience Our World"

20th Anniversary

Monday, May 13, 2002

- **"The Future of International Education:** A View From Ground Zero." Morton Hall 235, 8 p.m. Dr. Allan E. Goodman, Director of the Institute for International Education will present the keynote address.

Tuesday, May 14, 2002

- International Talent Show School of Music, Recital Hall, 8 p.m. Sponsored by International Student Union, International Student and Faculty Services and School of Music.

Wednesday, May 15, 2002

- "A World of Possibilities Through O.U." 1804 Lounge, Baker University Center, 6 - 7 p.m. Come and learn about Ohio University students' Overseas experience. Sponsored by the Office of Education Abroad.
- Gifford B. Doxsee North African Studies Lecture Morton Hall 237, 8 p.m. Elizabeth Fernia, distinguished

scholar in North Africa and Middle-East; documentary film producer will present "Historical Reconstruction and Existential Memories: A neighborhood in Egypt." Sponsored by African Studies.

Thursday, May 16, 2002

- Free International Dance Lessons Corner Room, Baker University Center, 7 - 9 p.m. Learn salsa, mambo, samba, and more!
- International Photo Exhibits 1954 Lounge, Baker University Center Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Scenic snap shots by the university community. Deadline for entry is May 6.

Friday, May 17, 2002

- Fulbright Scholars Panel Discussion Scripps Auditorium, 6 p.m. Fulbright Scholars at Ohio University will discuss relevant socio-cultural and political issues around the world.
- Midnight International Film The Athena Cinema, midnight

"Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" will be playing.

Sponsored by ISU and UPC.

Saturday, May 18, 2002

- International Street Fair Court Street, noon - 6 p.m. Join the parade of world flags with live entertainment. International organizations and community groups will have booths and, present various cultural performances; serve authentic cuisine, display arts and crafts from around the world.
- Benefit Dinner for Afghan Relief First Christian Church, 24 W. State Street, 6 p.m. Share Afghani food and music in return for a generous donation to the work of Oxfam and Doctors without Borders among Afghan refugees. Reservations required by May 15. Call 740-446-3071. Sponsored by People for Peace and Justice, and the Appalachian Peace and Justice Network.

For more information: Contact International Student and Faculty Services, 176 Scott Quad, or call 593-4330.

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Correction

In the April 17 *Outlook*, Richard Irwin was misidentified as the father of the Irwin brothers interviewed by Lighting Dimensions magazine. Larry Irwin, assistant professor of electrical engineering and computer science, is the father of Michael, David and Steve.