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MAA Sets Sights on 25th Anniversary

New Logo, New Look, New Goal

By Vondea (Bohaychyk) Sheaffer ('76)

Every seed planted is an expression of hope — an acknowledgement of potential. Mother's Day seeds cautiously carried home in a crayon decorated paper cup. Morning glory seeds spaced evenly at the base of a trellis. Even a wobbly pine sapling in its temporary flower pot home, each represents potential. For the sower of the seed, there is a sense of anticipation and a willingness to wait. Results come — but only with time and patience.

In 1989, with only 430 charter members and contributions totaling just over \$4,000, the Marlington Alumni Association awarded its first two scholarships, each \$200. In 1993, following the untimely death of their son Jim, Lyle and Margaret Krabill fully funded an endowed scholarship in his memory. Subsequent scholarships have been funded by alumni and community members who shared the vision of the fledgling organization. Since that time, the Marlington Alumni Association has welcomed thousands of new members and received gifts, establishing eleven additional scholarships from ten different families and one community based non-profit.

In 2007, an ad hoc Committee on Fundraising was appointed by Norita (Robinson) Webb ('76), President of the MAA. Out of this committee's work came a recommendation to the board to develop a five-year fundraising plan that would culminate in our 25th year anniversary. It was recommended that a dollar amount be set for a goal and a name for the campaign be chosen. The committee further recommended a new logo be created to help brand the Marlington Alumni Association and to clearly identify its role as a separate 501c3.

The new logo, as seen at the top of this newsletter, was the first step. While a campaign theme has not yet been decided, we are excited to announce our goal to reach \$1,000,000 by 2014 — just in time to celebrate our twenty-fifth year of making a difference in the lives of Marlington students and alumni! It is an exciting time to be part of this organization and it is our hope you will consider partnering with us over the next five years to help reach this goal.

As you peruse the pages of this issue, we hope you will notice the varied paths our graduates have taken and the impact they have in communities across the country. You will also learn the influence caring faculty and staff have had in shaping lives. Seeds have been planted. Tender shoots continue to grow. We are excited to see what the next five years will produce and hope you will partner with us to help "plant acorns and grow oaks."

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Hello fellow alumni and friends,

I want to begin by saying "Thank you" for supporting the Marlington Alumni Association. With your gifts, we continue to help graduates further their education.

You will read about several new scholarships created this year. Not only families but local organizations have stepped forward to help us make a difference. Please remember donations may be added to any of our scholarship funds at any time and we look forward to answering your questions should you desire to establish a new scholarship.

The Board of Trustees works very hard to make sure we are both good stewards of your gifts and to share news of other alumni. We have made vast strides in technology the past five years. Information via a new web page is our next step. If you would like to assist us in these endeavors, we welcome your input and talents.

As I complete my term as President, I want to welcome the Class of 2009 and extend congratulations to board member Marsha (Rinehart) Graham ('70). Marsha retired from MHS in June with more than 30 years of service! Welcome also to new MAA officers: Vondea Sheaffer, President, Dave Wolf, Secretary and Nancy Prueter, Treasurer.

Thank you to all who helped with the production of this newsletter, ran the golf outing, managed the annual banquet, updated the database and participated in committees. Your help is invaluable to our organization.

To all alumni- please stay in touch and send us your updates. We love to include your good news in the newsletter. Updated information also helps as classes make reunion plans. (Don't forget to include maiden names and class years.)

Norita (Pohinson) Wahh '7

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By Karen Humphries ('83)

Melinda Tarter, Bethany Fleisher, Mary Snode, Jennifer Hoffman, Kaci Robertson, Patricia Topper, Aaron Madison, Christine Whittaker, Lindsay Brugger, Brittany Shultz, Elizabeth Conrad

For graduating high school seniors, receiving a scholarship is two-fold. First, it is needed financial help that provides assistance with semester fees or books, alleviating some of a graduate's financial burden. But the scholarship also helps in another important way. It shows confidence in our graduates, affirming their goals and dreams. Some of the recipients of these scholarships are pursuing careers in medicine, business, agriculture and the arts. Some aspire to educate others, to solve problems and to create new products. Their dreams and ideas have been encouraged by generous philanthropic members of the arlington community and together we look forward to learning of their successes in the coming years.

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When scholarships are awarded, not only are the recipients' lives changed, many other lives are impacted as well. The philosophy of benevolence is cultivated and enlarged. Those who receive understand the value of helping others and continue to live philanthropically. Scholarships make a difference. Scholarships impact the present and the future.

Front: Hannah Oyster, Ann McAlister, Abigail Worchol, Jessica Wallace, Kim Knisley, Lauren Hohman. Back: Isaac Rummel, Justin Eberly, Valerie Eldridge, Scott Brand, Bethany Porter

Close friends for fifty years

Class of '59 Remembers

By Alice Faye (Moles) Martin, Mary (Berger) Frase and Bob Frase

The class of 1959 was the first graduating class of the newly-created Marlington School District. Everyone had been encouraged to provide suggestions, and after months of discussion among the students, staff, faculty and community, the name Marlington was chosen. A combination of Marlboro, Lexington and Washington Township schools, Marlington was the name given to the new melting pot of the community.

The Class of '59 celebrated its 50th class reunion on Sat., July 11, 2009 at the Alliance Area Senior Center. Thirty-seven class members and spouses as well as former teacher/coach Gene Pickens enjoyed reminiscing with one another. Guests perused a variety of memorabilia, enjoyed conversations and took lots of photos during a reception. The following day, those who were able to attend gathered at Sable Creek Golf Club for more socializing.



Alice Faye (Moles) Martin ('59)



Mary (Berger) Frase ('59)

Some of the memories spoken of our high school days were afternoon football games, along with our favorite food at the time – burgers, fries, shakes and cherry cokes. We would sometimes gather at Lou & Hazel's across the street from the school in almost a "Happy Days" atmosphere. We also had "Sadie Hawkins" dances where the girls invited the boys to dance, a very scary thing for girls at that time!

We remember the drive-in restaurants and movie theatres. Most cars were a lot bigger then, with V8 engines the guys loved. We had lots of sock hops, wearing saddle shoes with our white socks folded down. Back then,

girls never wore blue jeans to school, not even slacks! And almost everyone rode the bus to school, because very few had their own cars. If they did own a car, it was because they had a parttime job after school.

A few of the favorite songs of the era were Paul Anka singing "Lonely Boy"

and Bobby Darin's "Mack the Knife." Other favorite singers were Frankie Avalon and The Platters.

All in all we had a wonderful reunion weekend. We only had 42 members in our class, but we all knew each other well and continue to be one big family. We are all still reasonably healthy, having only two deceased members. We feel very fortunate to have been part of this class and even more fortunate to still be together as friends.



Robert Frase ('59)

"Friends are the most important ingredient in this recipe of life"

Class of 1984 – Memories for a Lifetime

By Tammy (Lamp) Watson ('84) and Krista (Cox) Williams ('84)



Tammy (Lamp) Watson ('84)

As the class of 1984 celebrates their 25th high school reunion, we cannot imagine our lives without the friendships we established so long ago. It seems hard to believe that twenty-five years ago, we went our own separate ways — taking on life and the challenges of this world. We've celebrated our friendships, our marriages, our children being born, and for some of us, even grandchildren. And yes, sadly, losing some dear friends along the way.

Like other years, 1984 had many "firsts"... The Macintosh personal computer was introduced; the first MTV Music Awards aired with Bette Midler and Dan Ackroyd as hosts; The Challenger Space Shuttle completed the first in-space satellite repair and the list goes on. We were listening to new songs like "Born in the USA," "Purple Rain," and "Time After Time," while still jamming to our favorite bands; Def Leopard, Ratt, Scorpions, Journey, and Michael Stanley and getting to know the hot new artist of 1984, Madonna. Could we ever forget Michael Jackson's hair catching on fire during the filming of a Pepsi commercial? According to the February '84' issue of The Shield, Jackson was our favorite entertainer winning Best Album (Thriller), Best Male Vocalist, and Best Video, "Thriller" ("Beat It" was second). Who remembers Nena's "99 Red Balloons"? She was voted Best Newcomer.

Marlington High School gave us the many wonderful memories we still discuss today, telling our children about the crazy antics, making them realize we too were once their age! We looked forward to the next issue of The Shield, the pep rallies and listening to the football and basketball captains talk about how the team was going to pull off a win on that Friday evening. We watched the cheerleaders performing their dances and cheers and the Marching Dukes of Marlington blaring the high school fight song. We can't talk about our high school years without bringing up the infamous food fights in the cafeteria, The Barn, The Alliance Youth Center, 80's hair styles, and of course "freshman day" rituals! We had sports, choir, cheerleading, musicals and band competitions on our minds. It seemed like nothing could stand in our way.

It doesn't seem possible — that twenty-five years ago, we were handed our diplomas from Mrs. Graham and Mr. Givens, our class advisors . . . laughing, crying and in the back of our minds wondering if we really would "stay in touch." Yet twenty-five years later, friendships have remained intact and, thanks to social networking such as Facebook or MySpace (We never saw this coming in 1984, did we?), old friendships have been rekindled, and new friendships have been made.



Krista (Cox) Williams ('84)

We all have our own special, and probably some unique memories of our years at Marlington High School. 1984 was our year and our time and **that**, we will never forget!

Alumni Highlight

Paul Steed Remembers

By Karen Humphries ('83)

Paul Steed ('83) spent six years in the United States Air Force, and while stationed in Frankfurt, Germany, he met Marion, his wife of 20 years. They have a son Trent, who is 19, and a daughter Brianna, who is 17.

While the family currently resides in Lawrenceville, New Jersey, Paul says, "I travel so much I could live anywhere." He goes on to say that his family really loves New Jersey, so "as long as they are happy, I am happy."

Paul took College Level Examination Program classes and video courses, but never attended college. In 1991 he moved to Austin, Texas and became involved in video game development. He currently designs and directs the ideas and art for video games. He has also published three books on characters.

ideas and art for video games. He has also published three books on characters for games and regularly gives lectures at schools and conventions.



Paul says that while at Marlington he "dug video games but didn't know you got paid to make them." He says he would have tried to learn programming sooner if he had known the career path he would take, but at the time, his goal was to be a comic book artist. Paul says, "My interests in reading, video games, writing, art and movies prepared me well for my career." He also says that he feels he had an advantage of being a bit more "socially developed" than most of his peers in the video game industry since he did not "touch" a computer mouse until he was 28 years old.

Regarding his time at Marlington, Paul says "Mr. Haupt had a profound impact on me. He had to both discipline and watch over me, but went the extra mile in just a few key moments." Paul says that in his senior year, Mr. Haupt walked up to him during football practice and told him that he was proud of him. "It changed my life," he says. He believes it helped him to see that Mr. Haupt's

"tough guy image" was for Paul's own good. Paul added, "As a father, teacher, entrepreneur and a man, I hope he would still be proud of my accomplishments. He saw something in me that was worth paying attention to and cultivating. It would be an honor to shake his hand today." Paul also holds a special place in his heart for Mrs. Graham. He says that she was "the most human teacher I had," saying that she "always brought light into our days."

When asked what exciting life experience or wisdom he would like to pass along, Paul said, "Always embrace change; try harder to listen to what people say; don't wait for anything; work hard; play hard; and enjoy the journey."

Alumni Highlight

Matt Wood Shares Fond Memories

By Karen Humphries ('83)

Matt Wood ('83) makes his home in the Junius Heights Historic District of Dallas. Having obtained his Bachelor's of Business Administration in Accounting from Abilene Christian University in 1987, and



his Doctorate of Jurisprudence from Texas Tech University School of Law in 1989, Matt is currently the Principal and General Counsel for a sports industry consulting firm, as well as Vice-President and General Counsel of a commercial construction company. He says, "These two positions allow me to work in two different areas of both law and business development, which satisfies my love of both industries."

Since graduation, with the exception of 1990 through 1992 when he lived in Melbourne, Australia, Matt has made his home in Texas. It was while he was in Australia, however, that he was able to become involved in issues relating to Melbourne's bid for the 1996 Olympics. Even though the bid was lost to Atlanta, Matt says the involvement in that process introduced him to the sports industry in general. Since that time he has continued to develop a network in not only the sports industry, but also the entertainment world. He has been involved in launching and conducting other Olympic bids, hosting Olympic trials, developing regional sports authorities and working with Olympians, as well as professional and amateur athletes. He has also worked with all aspects of independent film funding, development, production and distribution.

Matt says that from the very early age of 5 or 6, he knew he liked history, government and politics. Then, he became acquainted with a few attorneys and found he was fascinated by their work. Since he had the interest in politics and realized that most national-level politicians were attorneys, his mind was made up as to the road he would take. By the time he attended Marlington, he says, "I was already politically involved."

While at Marlington, Matt states he was "a bit of a volunteer junkie." He says that through volunteering, he was able to not only make a contribution to get needed work done; it was a way to get out of study hall. Because of this, he was able to help Mr. Burke in the High School library. Matt says, "It took him 10 seconds to see through me and what he saw — apparently — was someone who was getting by just fine, but grossly underachieving." He goes on to say that Mr. Burke challenged him by asking about his goals and direction, as well as by pointing out skills he didn't realize he had, and then urging Matt to develop them. "He pushed me when no one else was, or perhaps just in ways no one else could. I've long been very thankful for the time he spent teaching me how to identify a goal and map a path to it." Matt has been married to Susan, a CPA with RSM McGladrey, since February 8, 2000, and they have twin daughters who are 5 years old.

Tell us your story! In 1000 words or less, share your fond memories of Marlington High School as well as current highlights.

We will consider all submissions and photos but reserve the right to edit and/or refuse.

Send submissions and contact information to: marlingtonalumni@yahoo.com

Memorial and Tribute Gifts

Caring friends, classmates and family members remembered and honored the following individuals with gifts to the Marlington Alumni Association from January 1, 2008- April 30, 2009

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New Murals Show School Spirit

Gymnasium Wall Shows "Duke"

By Vondea (Bohaychyk) Sheaffer ('76)

If you have not been in the Marlington gymnasium in the past year, you'll want to make a point to stop in and see "Duke," the fierce looking mascot of Marlington High School.

While the "Duke" you might see wandering around football or basketball

games is not the least bit vicious, the image portrayed on the high school wall attests to the fierce team spirit and commitment Marlington players have for their sports. The "Duke" mural, as well as smaller ones in the high school main office and in the teachers' lounge, were all gifts from the Class of 2008. The Marlington community is grateful for the talents of David Kovach and appreciates

the much-admired gift from our 2008 graduates.

Former Band Uniforms Go Green!

Beautiful Pillows Hold Memories

By Vondea (Bohaychyk) Sheaffer ('76)

The MHS band has a new look! When you see the band perform this year, you won't be able to miss the striking new uniforms. After more than 30 years, band faculty and staff decided it was time to retire the uniforms and purchase new ones. But instead of simply destroying the old uniforms, the Band Boosters made arrangements to have the previous uniforms reconstructed into memory pillow. These 14 x14



Band pillows available by order only

pillows incorporate a portion of the uniform slacks, jacket, sash, flaps and even the buttons to create a striking throw pillow perfect for the former band member in your life. Pillows cost \$30 and would make a great gift! Contact Band Booster president Eldon Brugger (330) 821-7785 with questions or to purchase your MHS band memory pillow.

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Class Notes

1940's

James E. Stevens ('42) and Evangelia (Pappas) Stevens ('42), Marlboro High School sweethearts, have been married for 62 years.

Wilma Eshelman Broemsen ('46) passed away on March 19, 2009.

1950's

Jane (Pownell) Erwin ('58) is focusing on Holistic Nursing Skills in LaCrescenta, California and can be reached at jenaerwin@yahoo.com.

1960's

George Wahl ('60) went skydiving on his 60th birthday!

Linda Pilmer Loy ('65) passed away on May 27, 2009.

Dennis Doyle ('68) passed away on May 15, 2009.

Linda Hoover Pauli ('68) is an R.N. and director of the Ramsayer Student Health Center at Mount Union College. She has been elected to the office of program planner for the Nurse Directed Division of the American College Health Association. She and her husband Mike Pauli ('68) have four children and four grandchildren and reside in Lexington Township.

Janice Moore Spalding, M.D. ('68) specializes in pediatric, adolescent and women's health issues at the Family Medical Center in Alliance.

Tom Green ('69) was recognized as a board member of the Ohio Nursery and Landscape Association at its annual meeting at the Greater Columbus Convention Center.

Ronald L. Hoover ('69) is a financial advisor in Litchfield, Ohio and has two married children.

1970's

Janice Skipper Carlile ('73) passed away on January 14, 2009.

James King ('73) passed away on March 14, 2009.

Dorsey Ney ('74) is the owner of two Alliance businesses. Healthy Heart, Healthy Pleasures is a store which carries health food and health-related items. Dorsey also owns Andrea's Garden, a restaurant specializing in organic foods. Les Devies ('75) Graduated from Touro University, College of Osteopathic Medicine in June 2006. He is currently a Family Practice resident at Mercy Medical Center in Redding, California.

Bruce Collins, Sr. ('76) passed away on April 2, 2009.

Teresa Frank Keller ('79) passed away on November 23, 2008.

Holly Wiles Quinn ('79) received a Cameo of Caring Award from The University of Akron. She is an R.N. at Robinson Memorial Hospital in Ravenna. She and her husband Rick have two daughters and reside in Lexington Township.

1980's

Denise Cornett Calabretta ('80) can be reached at dccalabretta@neo.rr.com.

Lt. Col William J. Cojocar ('81) received a Ph.D. from the Capella University of Business and Technology, specializing in leadership and organizational management. He retired from the U.S. Army in 2004 after 23 years of service. He currently serves as a senior intelligence trainer for the National Guard Bureau's Battle Command Training Center's Battalion Staff Training Team. He resides in north San Antonio, Texas.

Kimberly Lough Jacobsen ('81) is a U.S. Army veteran and works for Northrop Grumman. She and her husband live in Missouri and have two children and three grandchildren.

Cindy Mullett Donelan ('82) is Director of Health & Information Management at Akron Medical Center. She and her husband, John, have one son.

Steffon Hoppel ('82) won First Place Chopper, Duck and Best of Show at the Rod and Custom Autorama in Cleveland for a custom motorcycle he built. He is the owner of Hoppel Fabrication Specialties in Marlboro Township.

Matt Woods ('83) is an attorney in Dallas, Texas. He and his wife have twin daughters.

John Chopka ('85) is VP for Enrollment Management at Messiah College and lives in Dillsburg, Pennsylvania. Marty Hall ('86) passed away in May of 2009.

Doug Wonner ('89) and Linda Robertson Wonner ('88) Provide security two times a year for NASCAR events. Linda has been Dale Earnhart, Jr.'s security on Pit Road for the last four years at Michigan International Speedway. She is part-owner of Robertson Heating Supply in Alliance.

1990's

Timothy D. Freshly ('90) is an attorney in Richmond, Virginia and can be reached at TimFreshly@hotmail.com.

Karli Schumaker Anderson ('91) and her husband live in Denver, Colorado.

Gina Krabill White ('92) and her husband Rick became the parents of twins, Elliana and David, in April of 2008. Elliana was born with a rare genetic disease and received a lung transplant in August at St. Louis Children's Hospital in Missouri. Gina is on a leave of absence from her teaching job at Washington Elementary School. The family resides in Plain Township.

Jennifer Kessler ('94) is an R.N. in North Dakota. She and her husband have three children.

Sgt. Douglas M. Kollar ('97) has returned from serving in military intelligence in Iraq with the U.S. Army. He completed his military duty with the Army in June of 2009.

Justin LuCore ('98) works as an Assistant General Manager for China Grill in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

Tim Besse ('99) is the founder of Glassdoor.com, a site that allows employees to anonymously share reviews, ratings and salary reports about their employers. He and his wife Wendy live in Sausalito, California.

Rob Graham ('99) has returned from Iraq and brought with him a U.S. flag that was flown at Camp Fallujah during Operation Iraqi Freedom. He presented the flag and a thank you letter from his commanding officer to Mount Union College, where his mother works, to show his appreciation for the filled Christmas stockings that the staff and students sent to his battalion serving in Iraq. He is married and currently stationed at Camp LeJeune, North Carolina.

2000's

Tina Vitale ('00) has returned home after her second tour of duty in Iraq with the U.S. Army Reserves. Back home, she is a unit administrative technician with the U.S. Army

Department in North Canton. She has two children.

Nathan Berget ('02) is a graduate of Malone College with a degree in Accounting. He works at PCC Airfoils as a Financial Materials Manager and recently moved to a home on the square of Marlboro.

Jeffrey Strouble ('02) and his wife Lauren are both graduates of Ohio Northern University with Doctorate of Pharmacy Degrees. Both are employed by Walgreen's Pharmacy and reside in Batavia, Ohio with their daughter Charlotte Ann.

Katie Papania ('03) is an Engineer I with the Kimberly-Clark Family Care Division. She plans to get married in September 2009.

Anita Joy Troyer ('03) is a missionary in Bangkok.

Justin Everitt ('04) is serving in the U.S. Air Force.

Andy Reinsel ('04) and Jessica Markle ('05) were married on June 20, 2009. They reside in Washington Township.

Julianne Burner (*05) married Matthew Davis on June 28, 2008. She is a graduate of the University of Oklahoma with a degree in elementary education. The couple resides in Edmond, Oklahoma.

Daniel Schreckengost ('05) is a Border Patrol Agent employed by The Department of Homeland Security.

Micah Hahn ('06) is serving in Iraq with the National Guard.

Erica Johnson Humbert ('06) married Corey Humbert on July 12, 2008. She is battling a rare medical condition, Wegener's Granulomatosis, while being a full-time student at Stark State College and working in telecommunications and security dispatch at Mercy Medical Center. The couple resides in Marlboro Township.

Andy Zamagias ('06) is a member of The University of Akron's Ice Carving Team which competed at the National Ice Carving Association's Collegiate Nationals in Frankenmuth, Michigan in January 2009. He hopes to use his ice carving skills in his future career in the catering industry.

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2008 & 2009 Outstanding Alumni

By Karen Humphries ('83)



Jenny Hoover ('71)

Each year, the Marlington Alumni Association recognizes graduates of distinction. For 2008, the recipients of this honor were **Jenny Hoover** ('72) and **Dr. Rose Moulin Kuceyeski** ('67).

Former Marlington School Superintendent Harold Hall introduced Ms. Hoover. She became a licensed practical nurse and then a registered nurse before accepting a position in 1983 with Lifeline of Ohio Organ Procurement. She has spent hundreds of flight hours recovering life-saving organs for patients needing transplants. She is an organ donor herself, having given one of her kidneys to a young woman in need.

Ms. Hoover stated that she is a patient advocate and has loved her vocation of over 30 years. She thanked her family for their love and support and stated that she will continue to be a patient advocate.

Dr. Rose Moulin Kuceyeski was introduced by **Deneen**

Schillig Wachsman ('67). Dr. Kuceyeski received her Master's in Education at Bowling Green State University and her Doctor of Philosophy at the University of Toledo. She is a professor in the School of Business and Information Systems at Owens Community College in Toledo.

Dr. Kuceyeski stated that because of the caring and effective teachers at Marlington, she was set to become a teacher. She believes that her enthusiasm for teaching is imparted to her students, helping them add value to their lives through higher education.

The 2009 Outstanding Alumni Awards were presented April 27 at the annual banquet to **Dana Bauer** ('83), **Kay Vaughan** ('55), and **Diane** Wellman ('72).



Dana Bauer ('83)



Dr. Rose Moulin Kuceyeski ('67)

Don Prather introduced Dana Bauer. Dana enlisted in the Navy the year he graduated, having anticipated working in structural mechanics but then volunteering for air and sea rescue. In the Navy, Dana spent time in the Philippines, Key West, Virginia, Italy and Hawaii. He received numerous awards and reached the rank of Chief Petty Officer. Dana said he was very fortunate to have been raised in the community and really couldn't find the words to express his gratitude. He stated he was "humbled and honored" to receive the Outstanding Alumni Award.



Kay Vaughan ('55)

The second recipient of the Outstanding Alumni Award was Kay Vaughan. In his introduction of his father, Steve Vaughan ('77) stated Kay, a 1955 graduate, was a consummate teacher, detailing his teaching career as well as recalling his father's years on Marlington's Board of Education. Both Kay and his wife, Donna (Rohrer) Vaughan ('55), graduated from Marlington, as have all three of their children. Further, all of their grandchildren have either graduated from Marlington or are currently attending school in the district. Kay said, "We have lived here our entire lives," also stating it is a fine community of which he is proud to be a part.

The third recipient of the Outstanding Alumni Award was **Diane Wellman**. She was introduced by her supervisor at Stark State College, Russ O'Neill, who stated that Diane never aspired to fame or fortune but just to live her life in a "quiet and unassuming way." As an Administrative Assistant in the Continuing Education

Office, her hard work, dedication and customer service stand out. Mr. O'Neill described Diane as helpful, caring, understanding, positive, showing more initiative than most — even while experiencing health-related problems. In her remarks, Diane thanked her mother for making her move outside of her comfort zone when she was in high school. She also thanked her father, her supervisor, Mr. O'Neill, as well as her grandparents.

Nominations for Marlington High School Outstanding Alumni are accepted throughout the year and are evaluated by a committee of former Outstanding Alumni. Consider nominating a deserving classmate by using the form on page two or by emailing necessary information to *marlingtonalumni@yahoo.com*. Information may include personal and/or professional accomplishments, community involvement, or assistance to the Marlington Alumni Association. Include details regarding awards or recognition, newspaper clippings or photos as available. Take a moment and consider who in your class might be deserving of this honor. Photos of previous award recipients are located in the Hall of Fame just inside the Victory Bell lobby. Take a look the next time you visit



Diane Wellman ('72)

Marlington! Planting acorns, growing oaks — our Outstanding Alumni Award recipients well represent Marlington High School in communities both nearby and across the country. Your support of the Marlington Alumni Association continues the tradition of excellence.

The MAA thanks Tom Schott ('81) who made and donated the frames for the pictures of the Outstanding Alumni in our Hall of Fame at the high school.

Alumni Feature

Fourth Grade Left Lifetime Impressions

By Emily Snode ('02)

While at Lexington Elementary School, I was very fortunate to have a fourth grade teacher who would become my role model and inspiration. Mrs. Carol Teutsch took teaching to an entirely new level for me. Those students privileged to have her as a teacher recall that she would create a rainforest in her classroom and have her students do various science and art projects involving endangered species. She showed the injustices being done against the environment and taught us that we have an obligation to stop these actions.

One of the most memorable experiences was when she had us, as a class, sell t-shirts to raise money for rainforest conservation. We composed a tropical rainforest rap song to promote our t-shirts. Although it never made it to the top of the Billboard charts, it made a huge impact on me. Our fourth grade class raised enough money to save an acre of rainforest. The experience of making that positive impact filled me with a sense of pride — pride that as a fourth grader, I could do something to help make the world a better place not only for myself, but for species that lived in that one acre of rainforest. This motivated me to choose a career involving conservation.



Emily Snode with Arnold the bandicoot



Emily Snode and a koala

Life after Marlington has been fulfilling and challenging. I received my Bachelor's of Science degree in Conservation Science at Muskingum College. I also had the wonderful opportunity to go to Australia as a field research intern for a semester. I was able to handle and work with rainforest reptiles, amphibians, and marsupials. After Muskingum, I made a big move across the country to Colorado where I am now pursuing my Master's degree in Biological Science at the University of Northern Colorado.

My current thesis work involves epauletted fruit bats in South Africa and their effects on fig seed germination. Within South Africa, Kruger National Park has seen a decline in the number of sycamore fig trees. Fig trees are one of the few plants that fruit during the dry season, providing food for over 100 species of mammals and over 500 species of birds inhabiting the park. Since bats are known to feed on sycamore figs and are key seed dispersers in other ecosystems, they may play an important role in fig tree recruitment. Determining how fruit bats affect fig seeds will allow South African park officials to make educated management decisions.

Someone once said,
"Teaching is not filling a
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conservation issues,
Mrs. Teutsch's spark
will never
be extinguished.

- Emily Snode ('02)

Last summer (2008) was the first field season and it was an overall amazing experience. Being able to conduct my own research in a remote part of the world was a dream come true. The 2009 field season will hopefully be as successful as the first and will allow me to graduate in May 2010. From there, I plan to pursue my Ph.D.

It is a remarkable feeling when you encounter a person that changes your entire perspective on life. The reason I am a passionate woman today is because of Mrs. Teutsch. In the summer of 2003, the world lost one of the best, due to cancer. Someone once said, "Teaching is not filling a bucket, but lighting a fire." As long as I have the opportunity to educate and talk to others about conservation issues, Mrs. Teutsch's spark will never be extinguished.

Alumni Feature

Scholarship Assistance Was Motivation

By Nick Evanich ('96)

I was fortunate enough to earn a scholarship from the Marlington Alumni Association in the spring of 1996. Earning this scholarship helped me in many ways. Obviously, it was a financial help, but beyond that, it also

provided me with an additional motivational tool. As I wrapped up my senior year of high school, my school pride was at an all-time high, and I wanted to continue to represent Marlington in a positive fashion. Becoming an Alumni Association scholarship winner provided me with the opportunity to continue to represent the Marlington name.

I received my B.S. in Mathematics, with a Minor in Economics and a secondary teaching certificate from Marietta College in 2000. I then attended Marygrove College where I received my Master's in the Art of Teaching in 2003. I am now a math teacher at Marlington High School and am also the Head Basketball Coach.

Receiving the Marlington Alumni Association scholarship was a great honor for me. I wanted to work hard to make sure the Association was pleased with their decision to choose me. I am also proud today to be fortunate enough to be able to return the favor by financially supporting the Alumni Scholarship program. I believe the more people we can help now with financial assistance, the more we will be able to help down the road.

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2008 Golf Outing Raised the Bar

By Karen Humphries ('83)

The goal of The Marlington Alumni Association's Golf Outing is two-fold: to have FUN, as well as to raise money. It would seem, then, that the 2008 event was very successful! Not only were there 31 teams there to enjoy the day, but \$9,513.34 was raised — the largest amount raised to date. The winner of the event was the Chase Bank team consisting of Dan Eshler, Todd Huda, Tim Pester and Matt Lavelle.

Organizer Martha Palmer says that all skill and age levels are welcome. Some teams are made up of business or social organization associates, while others are comprised of friends, fathers and sons. In fact, there is a team of four 1945 classmates. The members are Bob Haines, Don Moore, Gordon Knisley and Tom Chenevy. Having been friends since grade school, this team has played in every Alumni Golf Outing to date! And the Witte brothers proved that this outing can be a good way for family to connect. All three brothers — Luke, Veryln and Wyland — participated.

For those planning upcoming class reunions, the Golf Outing can be another vehicle to help classmates reconnect. For the 2008 event, the class of 1978 did just that, having four teams that participated.

For the past two years, the goal for the golf outing has been to break the \$10,000 mark. The opportunity to help the Alumni Association reach that goal presents itself on July 23, 2010, when the next Golf Outing will be held. You can be a part of the fun, as well as the fundraising, by contacting the Association at *marlingtonalumni@yahoo.com*.



Tim Lanzer ('65), Ralph Bingham ('61), Jack Liber, Bill Liber ('65)



John Hunter ('69), Charlie Baylor, Charlie Grove, Dick Hohler



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SAVE THE DATE

Make plans now to attend the 2010 Marlington Alumni Golf Outing

Friday, July 23, 2010 Tannenhauf Golf Course

All proceeds benefit the MAA Scholarship Fund!

The 2009 event was held on July 25th and will be reported on in next year's newsletter.

MAA Class Contacts 2009

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40 year mystery solved

Ring Returned to MHS Alumni

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In May 2009 the Marlington Alumni Association received an email from a woman in California asking for our assistance.

In the sands of Torrence Beach, California, she had found a man's 1963 class ring engraved with the initials of D.R.D. A child at the time, with no way to find the owner, Frances Porper thought the ring's blue stone was pretty, so she saved the newly found treasure.

For more than forty years she kept the ring in her jewelry box. In recent months her curiosity prompted her to search the internet for Marlington High School and she quickly located the MAA.

With only two men matching the initials in the class of 1963, it took only a few minutes to locate Don R. Donovan. The ring had been lost on the California beach while he was serving in the military.

In July of 2009, Ms. Frances Porper of Temecula, California was as delighted to return the ring to its rightful owner as Don Donovan was to receive it.

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Technology Changes Alumni Interaction

Marlington Alumni Association Facebook Page

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Technological changes experienced the past ten years have likely created both opportunities and challenges for each of us. Virtually everyone has a cell phone. Most have digital cameras. Many families have multiple computers in their homes as well as countless mobile devices, data storage devices, MP3 players, PDA's and more. Staying in touch is easier than ever. But alumni associations worldwide could never have anticipated the success and popularity experienced in recent years with Facebook.

As is often the case, it's the under-twenty crowd who embraces opportunities most quickly. Those of us in the (well) over-twenty crowd often wait to see if technologic advances are a passing fad before we jump on board. Such was the case with Facebook. When the MAA board members started playing on Facebook, it was obvious the younger alums had beaten us to the punch. A resourceful recent grad had set up a page and had assembled nearly 400 others. In the six months since, the Marlington Alumni Association has taken responsibility for the page, and at this printing more than 800 MHS Alumni have joined the group!

In addition to sharing reunion information and reconnecting with classmates, this group page has provided a great number of appreciative comments from former students about those faculty and staff who made a difference in their lives. Below we are sharing just a few. To see the rest, you'll have to have a Facebook page, and then simply join the group Marlington Alumni Association. It's open to alumni, friends, teachers and staff. We look forward to seeing you there!

Who at Marlington made the greatest influence in your life?

- Micah Hahn (Akron, OH) I say for me Mr. Williams. He really helped me find my strengths and weaknesses. He taught
 me how to strengthen my weaknesses and develop my strengths. He was encouraging even after graduation.
- Samantha Sukosd Kerns (Akron, OH) Mr. Dennis Turner! Looking back he kept me on the right track on many occasions!
- Nathan Fuller (Marlington) Señora B, for sure. She's just extremely awesome. I hope to be as good at teaching as she is someday.
- Allan Funk (Atlanta, GA) As a whole, I would say my fifth grade teacher Miss Shearer had the most impact on my life in more ways than I can describe! But in high school it was definitely Marsha Graham . . . she taught me that you can be serious and still have fun at the same time!!
- Tammy Lamp (Cincinnati, OH) Mr. Turner . . . great teacher and track coach!
- Caren Schultz Davis (Columbus, OH) Mr. Frenz . . . he had more confidence in me than I had in myself and he challenged me to achieve more than I thought possible.
- Chad Peterson (Akron, OH) Mr. Hamilton, no doubt. Knew how to push you to achieve more without pushing you over the edge. He was able to get me to show my full potential.
- Kimberly Umberger Hill Miss Hempstead! She pushed us like no other! She was a fantastic, difficult teacher!
- Mrs. Haynam she inspired, and encouraged individuality.
- Connie Mentzer (Lancaster, PA) Bruce Fergason inspiring and empowering band director who encouraged my leadership skills by entrusting me with leadership. I've never forgotten that and am eternally grateful for it!
- Susan Barzda Mr. Waldeck, High School Band Director and Music Theory Teacher. He inspired us to be the best we could be our band was fantastic then!
- Michelle Gross (Lima, OH) Mrs. Vicki Herbert Librarian. She encouraged me to my current career of being a librarian. Thanks!!!
- Douglas Domer (Springfield, MO) I had many great teachers! But my vote goes for Mrs. Helen Hodge. She taught Senior English. She encouraged me to go to college and treated me as if I had talent! I never got (made the effort) to thank her until now, almost 40 years after the fact!

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New Scholarship Created

Generous Donors Leave Legacies

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The Marlington Alumni Association Board of Directors is pleased to announce that, over the course of the past year, four new scholarships have been established. The Wayne and Bertha McAlister Family Scholarship was created by the family to honor their interest in higher education. It was awarded in 2009 for the first time.

The Gerald P. Burke Scholarship, created by Mrs. Maryann Burke and their children, was established to honor Mr. Burke's many years of service as an educator and librarian at Marlington High School. Mr. Burke loved to read and to learn and encouraged students to work hard to pursue their dreams. The Marlington Alumni Association is privileged to help the Burke family honor his memory with this scholarship.

The Lee and Carolyn Gabric Agricultural Scholarship was established to benefit those graduates interested in a career in Agriculture or Horticulture. The Gabric family has a longstanding tradition of agricultural careers and is honored to help interested Marlington students pursue similar dreams.

The Lexington Township Fire Fighter's Scholarship in memory of Berkley Barker was initially funded by members of the Lexington Township Fire Department with funds received in memory of their fallen fire fighter. Local fire fighters continue to add to this fund and welcome your gifts as well.

We are incredibly grateful to each of the families and friends of the Marlington Alumni Association whose philanthropy and generosity has made these scholarships possible. Your gift of any amount can be designated to these newly funded scholarships or to any of the existing scholarship funds. The MAA Board welcomes conversations with other individuals or organizations interested in establishing named scholarships.