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## The 30's

Alice (Murrell) Rose '36 and her husband, Paul, celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary on July 6, 2009. Alice is a Defiance College Schauffler graduate and would love hearing from other Schauffler graduates. (Please contact the alumni office for Alice's information.) Alice and her husband reside in Cleveland, OH.

## The 40's

Phyllis Meier '47 is retired from teaching school. She serves as the music librarian at her church and produces a weekly children's newspaper, Kidz Times. Phyllis resides in Toledo, OH.



## The 50's

Roger '54 and Janice (Moore)
'89 Avery are living in Bryan, OH.
After 40 years of being employed
as a psychologist, Roger has
retired. Janice worked for Defiance
College for eight years and 12
years for the District Office of the
United Methodist Church. Their
daughter lives in Buffalo, NY, and is
employed with the I.R.S. Their son
lives in the New Orleans area and is
employed as a salesman for Pelican
Construction Supplies.

William Fisher '54 and his wife, Sonia, celebrated their golden anniversary on March 28, 2009. The couple celebrated with a summer trip to Door County, WI. The Fishers currently reside in Waterville, OH.

Carl '58 and Regina (Roehrs) '61 Snyder celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 8, 2009. The Snyders celebrated the special occasion with an open house, hosted by their family. Carl and Regina have two children and six grandchildren. The Snyders reside in Defiance.

**Dean Wellman '59** and his wife, Evie, celebrated their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on July 11, 2009. The couple have two daughters and reside in Defiance.

## The 60's

Walter Becker '60 and his wife, Joan, are the parents of three sons and have been blessed with five grandchildren. Joan is a retired teacher who taught ESL in the Cincinnati Public Schools system for 28 years. Walter is still selling cleaning products. The Beckers reside in Cincinnati, OH.

Kenneth Beard '61 and his wife, Rita, celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 14, 2009. The Beards reside in West Milton, OH

Retired U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Philip Hosmer '62 had the honor of commissioning his grandson, Grant Bloom, as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. in the Air Force on December 29, 2008. Phil retired from the Air Force in June 1984 and from his civilian career with IBM in 2004. In September 2008, Phil and his wife, Barbara (Mikesell) '65 were presented with a National Community Service Award by the Daughters of the American Revolution for service they provided to the Black Forest Community. Together they organized and managed a team of 18 people to support a handicapped woman on dialysis, transporting her to and from her sessions and providing a variety of assistance to her. That effort helped extend her life for two and a half years. They have also provided community service to Black Forest through leadership in the Black Forest Community Club. Phil and Barbara have resided in Colorado Springs since 1982.

Sally (Tustison) Myers '63 was recognized by the Volunteer Connection of Northwest Ohio for her seven years of outstanding volunteer work for the Historic Homes of Defiance. Sally is a retired college professor and freelance editor, living in Defiance with her husband Leonard Myers '59.



Douglas '66 & Linda Short

**Douglas Short '66** and his wife, Linda, celebrated their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 14, 2009. Doug and Linda reside in Sidney, OH.

Robert Stewart '66 retired from the girls varsity basketball program at Quincy High School with 320 victories. Bob and his wife, Linda, are actively involved in the Memorial Weekend Civil War Reenactment in Coldwater, MI. The Stewarts are blessed with seven grandchildren.

Gail Friend '67 represented Florida in the National Senior Games in San Francisco in August 2009. Gail received a bronze medal in the 50 yard backstroke. Gail also placed fourth in the 200 IM, eighth in the 100 IM and ninth in the 200 freestyle as well as swimming the 50 and 100 freestyle.

Willard Peters '67 was inducted into the Northwestern Ohio Colt Racing Association Hall of Fame in 2008. Willard resides in Edgerton, OH

Jan Bergeon '68 was recognized by the Volunteer Connection of Northwest Ohio for his 15 years of volunteer work for the Defiance Elks Lodge. Jan is retired from Campbell Soup and resides in Defiance.

Arlene (Siler) Rozevink '68 retired in June 2009 after teaching in the Northeastern School District for 40 years. Arlene was a first-grade teacher at Noble Elementary.

Linda (Derrow) Clippinger
'69 retired in June after 27 years
of teaching at the Defiance City
Schools as an elementary school
intervention specialist. Conrad
"Clip" Clippinger '69 continues
as the Director of the Paulding
Chamber of Commerce. Their son,
Major Scott Andrew Clippinger, is a
summa cum laude graduate of Ohio
State University and Ohio State

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School of Law. Major Clippinger is presently serving at the U.S. Marine Barracks, Washington D.C. He and his wife, Renae, have twin sons, John and Noah.

Stuart Douglas '69 enjoyed his recent trip around the United States in his Nissan Sentra. He covered 17,111 miles including 677 miles of walking. He visited two of his Defiance College classmates, Doug Howe '69 and Bob Herbst '68. He also spent a lovely afternoon on the DC campus!

Douglas Howe '69 is a member of the Practitioner Faculty at Pepperdine University's Graziadio School of Business and Management, teaching Entrepreneurship, Global Marketing and Strategic Issues in Global Management. Doug resides in Simi Valley, CA with his wife, Carla.

Janet (Hettesheimer) Von Deylen '69 recently retired after 36 years of teaching. She taught the last 31 years with Central Local Schools in Defiance County and lives in Sherwood, OH.

## The 70's

After graduation from DC, Joseph Giliberto '70 moved to California in the Riverside area and lived there for 30 years, employed as a chiropractor. In 2008 he moved to Indonesia and is a practicing chiropractor in a town called Bandung, 60 miles from the capital city, Jakarta. Joe stated, "It has been a real experience living in a Third World country.... the people need chiropractic care badly here and we are doing good work."

Rev. Curt Fuller '70 is the Senior Minister at University City United Church in San Diego, CA. He is the current President of J.O.B. (Justice Overcoming Boundaries) in San Diego County. J.O.B. is a non-profit community organization of churches, universities, students and labor unions working on fair immigration policies, health care reform, workers' rights and housing issues.

Robert Reed '70 and his wife, Carol, were married for 45 years in October 2009. They are currently living in Virginia and have a great view of the Chesapeake Bay.

Phyllis (Simmons) Shaw '70 recently retired after 37 years of teaching music in elementary and middle school classrooms. She is looking forward to spending more time with granddaughter, Ariana, 2. Phyllis' daughter, Vanessa, works in Rockville, MD as a public heath analyst for the federal government. Vanessa received two master's degrees (Public Health and African Studies) from UCLA. Phyllis' son, Tyler, also resides in the D.C. area. He is doing post-doctoral research in psychology at George Mason University. Phyllis has been teaching private piano lessons since 1977 and also teaches the children's choir at her church.

William Finn '71 and his wife, Gloria, celebrated their silver anniversary in April of this year. The couple lives in Defiance and have four children and ten grandchildren. They celebrated the occasion with a trip to Gatlinburg, TN.

John Decker '71 was elected into the second class of the Wauseon High School Athletic Hall of Fame in December 2008. John graduated in 1966 earning 10 varsity letters in football, wrestling, track and baseball. He was All League in all sports and All State in football and wrestling. He continued his athletic career at Defiance College where he ran track and played football. He was selected as a football All American in 1970 and graduated in 1971. He is currently Superintendent of Miami County Schools and living in Troy, OH.

Wade Marbaugh '71 recently won a third place medal in a national competition for college magazines and annual reports. His publications have won first, second and third places in the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations. He resides in Atlanta, GA.

Dennis Newth '71 passed away on October 10, 2007. He is survived by his wife, Francine (Larouch) Newth '71 and his two sons, Sean and Terrence. He was an entrepreneur and developed several successful businesses in the pharmaceutical and marine industries.

**Susan Crossland '74** retired in June 2009 from the Oakwood Elementary School after 26 years of service as a physical education teacher.

Rodric Hersha '74 retired in June 2009 after teaching 16 years at Defiance High School as a math teacher. He resides in Napoleon with his wife Pamela (Oxender) '74.

Shaune Skinner '74, President of ASC Group, Inc., has been named by the Columbus, Ohio Chapter of the National Association for Women Business Owners, as the 2009 Visionary Award honoree. Go to http://nawbocolumbusohio.com/ to view the complete media release.

Beverly (Nolt) Witzerman '74 has accepted a position as acting deputy director for the Global AIDS Program through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the US President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) in Namibia, working with that nation's public health ministry in combating HIV infection rates, effective July 27. Her temporary duty station is located in Windhoek, the country's capital and home to approximately 275,000 residents. Prior to her recommitment to sexually transmitted disease and HIV field work, Beverly served as public health advisor in the Women's Research Branch, Department of Reproductive Health at CDC in Atlanta, GA. Bev, her husband, Robert Witzerman '75, and their pets reside in northeast Atlanta.

Rev. James Dinkel '75 continues to be pastor at All Saints Lutheran Church in Cincinnati, OH. He is Chair of Lutheran Disaster Response Taskforce of the Southern Ohio Synod and Vice Chair of LDR Ohio. James made his fourth pilgrimage to Israel in June.

**JoAnne (Feilitz) Rupp '75,** a fifth grade teacher at the Archbold City Schools, retired this June after many years of teaching.

David '76 and his wife Sandra (Sanders) Diehl '76 were recognized by the Volunteer Connection of Northwest Ohio for their outstanding volunteer work for the Habitat for Humanity of Defiance County. The Diehls have helped with the building of homes and have acted as

instructors and volunteer managers. The Diehls reside in Defiance.

William Fulton '76 retired from teaching at the end of the 2008 school year. Bill taught at Indian Lake High School for 28 years. He was the head wrestling coach during that time period before he started coaching for the middle school program. Bill and his wife, Mary, reside in Huntsville, OH.

Steve Meador '76 was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize in Poetry and a 2008 National Book Award from his recent book, *Throwing Percy from the Cherry Tree*, a collection of autobiographical poems which read like short stories. Steve and his family reside in Lithia, FL.

Denise (Shaffer) Molnar '76 is retiring from the Clark-Shawnee School District after teaching first grade for 33 years. Gary Molnar '74 presented a paper, Making Preschool Assessments Family Friendly, at the February 2009 National Association of School Psychologist Convention in Boston. Gary is lead school psychologist for the Springfield City Schools. Denise and Gary reside in Springfield, OH.

Robert Shipman '78 retired from the B.F. Goodrich Company in March 2007 after 37 years of service. Robert and his family reside in Paulding, OH.

Schneider Downs Wealth Management Advisors, LP has announced the promotion of Columbus-based managing director **Jeffery A. Acheson '79**, QPFC, to partner. Acheson oversees the firm's wealth management practice in Columbus, Ohio, and is a leader in the firm's overall retirement plan, executive benefit and investment advisory service areas.

Karen (Couch) Billman '79 announces the birth of her first grandchild, Owen Sullivan Newkirk, born June 11, 2009, at eight pounds, 12 ounces and 21 inches long. Karen resides in Sandusky, OH with her husband, Roy.

## The 80's

Clara (Bow) Lisi '81 was selected as "Educator of the Year" for 2009 at Inland Empire Job Corps Center where she is a reading instructor. She lives in Highland, CA.

Mary (McFarland) Walter '81 was recognized by the Volunteer Connection of Northwest Ohio for her outstanding volunteer work at the Defiance Regional Medical Center. Mary is employed at a Defiance law firm as a legal assistant.

Sandra (Packer) Wurster '81, was recognized by the Volunteer Connection of Northwest Ohio for her five years of outstanding volunteer work at the Community Pregnancy Center of Defiance. Sandy is a retired teacher, living in Defiance with her husband Jack Wurster '59

**James Wyse '81** became the new Superintendent of Evergreen Local Schools in August 2009. James currently resides in Stryker, Ohio.

Joe Blosser '82 and his wife, Beverly, celebrated their 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on July 27, 2009. The Blossers will celebrate the special occasion on a bear hunt to Manitoba, Canada, this fall and a cruise planned for a later date. Joe and Beverly have four children and one granddaughter and reside in Defiance.

**Douglas DeCola '81** and **Paula** (**Bok**) **DeCola '84** celebrated their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on July 27, 2009. A surprise celebration was hosted by their daughters, at which time the couple renewed their marriage vows. A family trip to New York City and Washington D.C. completed the celebration.

Beth (Hook) Headley '82 and her husband celebrated their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 16, 2009. They celebrated the special occasion with a cruise. The couple have one son and two daughters and reside in Hicksville.

Joyce (Koeller) Combs '83, '09 was recognized by the Volunteer Connection of Northwest Ohio for her six years of outstanding volunteer work for the Zonta Club. Joyce also volunteers her time serving on many executive boards in the Defiance area. Joyce and her husband. Paul. live in Defiance with

their two children.

After spending 20 years in the trucking produce business, **Curtis Ruhlin '83** started his own business, SOS Logistics, in April of 2008. Curtis and his family reside in Cary, II

Suzanne (Coolman) Kline '84 and her husband, James, recently celebrated their silver wedding anniversary. The Klines have three children and reside in Hicksville, OH.

Wauseon High School girls basketball coach, **Bradley Myers** '86, was named the 2009 Northwest District Coach of the Year. He coached his team to the regional playoffs for the first time since 1998, after winning the NWOAL championship with a perfect 8-0 record.

In September 2009, **Timothy Binkley '85** began his new position as Archivist at the Bridwell Library, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX. In April 2009, Scarecrow Press released a book that Tim edited, *A Higher Moral and Spiritual Stand: Selected Writings of Milton Wright.* Tim and his family reside in Dallas.

Phyllis Germann '85 recently retired from the Defiance Regional Medical Center where she was Supervisor of Surgery. Phyllis and her husband Randolf '63 reside in Napoleon, OH.

Timothy Moog '86 was promoted to lieutenant April 22, 2009 in a special ceremony held in the council chamber of the Defiance firehouse. Timothy currently resides in Defiance.

Judy (Hoening) Jaworksi '88 and her husband, David, announce the arrival of their son, Samuel Ernest, on June 2, 2009. Samuel has two sisters, Sophia and Sasha. The Jaworksi family resides in St. Charles, MO.

James Martin '88 and his wife, Susan, announce the birth of their daughter, Emily, born on March 3, 2009. Emily has an older brother, Cody. James is currently employed by the Lorain County Sheriff Department as a corporal.

Mary (Hoeffel) Slattery '88 retired from nursing 10 years ago and is still loving retirement. This past June, Mary hosted the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Linus Slattery Memorial Golf Outing in Hicksville, OH. Mary resides in Hicksville.

## The 90's

Timothy Hunsaker '90 retired from the Miamisburg Police Department and law enforcement in May 2008 to begin his new career at Southwestern College (Franklin Campus) as the Lead Instructor within the Criminal Justice Program.

## Keep in Touch

We'd like to know about your new job, recent marriage, new member of the family, new address, or other happenings in your life. For photos, please send those of Defiance College people only, identify everyone, and label the back with your name and address. If you are moving, please send this form in with your new address.

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Alumni Office, Defiance College, 701 N. Clinton St., Defiance, OH 43512, or email your news to: <a href="mailto:alumni@defiance.edu">alumni@defiance.edu</a>.

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Rebecca (McDaniels) Harmon '91 and her husband, Matthew, announce the birth of their daughter, Katrina Elizabeth, on March 11, 2009. Rebecca is employed as a Case Manager Supervisor for the Senior Options Program for the Franklin County Office of Aging. She and her family reside in Columbus, OH.

Mary (Hallock) Morris '91 was promoted to Associate Professor at the University of Southern Indiana. She became the Chair of the Department of Political Science and Public Administration in July 2009. She and her husband, Gary Morris '90, reside in Evansville, IN.

Christine (Zechman) Short '91

teaches at Four County Career Center as an Accounting and Business Management instructor. She also teaches Oracle database and other computer programming classes, and is employed part-time at Northwest State Community College in the business department. She has been married for 15 years to Lonnie Short, and they have two wonderful children, Zachary and Emily.

**Dr. Mark Lee '92** has graduated from law school and is currently working toward his fifth degree, his MBA. Mark resides in Columbia, SC.

Sheila (Retcher) McGill '94 is currently employed by the Defiance County Engineers Highway Department and as a hairstylist for Designs Unlimited in Bryan, OH. Sheila married Matt McGill of Bryan, on November 15, 2008. The McGills are expecting their first child in November 2009.

Jeremie Thiel '94 and his wife Kelly (Jones) '02 announce the birth of their daughter, Kelsie June, born on April 21, 2009. Kelsie has an older sister, Kailee, 3. The Thiels reside in Bryan, OH.

Bret Booher '95 and his wife Shayna (Waldron) '01 announce the birth of their daughter, born on May 18, 2009. The Boohers reside in Defiance.

Margaret Johnson '95 retired from the Defiance City Schools in June of 2009, after teaching for 34 years. Margaret and her husband, **Howard** '69, reside in Paulding. **Dennis Ordway '95** retired in June of 2009 from the Continental School system as the co-athletic director.

Jamie '96 and Stephanie (Nafziger) Fetter '98 had their third child, Trenton Jamison, in March, 2008. Trenton has two siblings a brother, Tyson, 8, and a sister, Brook, 6. Jamie is the head athletic trainer at Adrian College while Stephanie is a stay-at-home mother.

Thomas Horn '96 and Holli (Rutter) Horn '98 announce the birth of their son, Elliot Rutter Horn, on July 9, 2009. Elliot has two sisters, Hannah, 9, and Quinn, 6. The Horns reside in Defiance.

**Staci (Hesselschwardt) Benoy** '97 and her husband announce the birth of their son, Ethan Wayne, on February 29, 2009. She and her family live in Greensboro, NC.

**Lamar Dietsch '97** and his wife, Marchell, announce the birth of their son, born on March 3, 2009. The family lives in Edgerton, OH.

Helen (West) Reich '97 and her family have relocated to Alliance, OH. Her husband, former DC sports information director, Leonard Reich, is the SID at Mount Union College. They have a three-year-old daughter, Caroline Joy.

**Kirt Tegenkamp '97** and his wife, Keri, announce the birth of their daughter, Kelis Lynn, born on May 8, 2009. The Tegenkamp family resides in Omaha, NE.

Clarissa Ankey '98 was recognized by the Volunteer Connection of Northwest Ohio for outstanding volunteer work to the Girl Scouts of Western Ohio Tre Rios Service Unit for the past four years. As a troop leader, Clarissa has led some of her older girls through the Pathway Awards. Clarissa and her husband, Christopher, live in Sherwood with their three children.



Calista Ann Boyd

Jennifer (Bok) Boyd '99 and her husband, Christopher, announce the birth of their daughter, Calista Ann, on June 9, 2009 weighing six pounds, 11 ounces. The Boyds live in Defiance.

Christopher Elston '99 and his wife, Dawn, announce the birth of their son, Brandon Tyler, born April 15, 2009. Brandon has two brothers, Jess, 16, and Jamie, 13, and a sister, Emily, 2.

Briana (Hollister) Lindahl '99 and her husband, Ryan, announce the birth of their daughter, Aubrey Victoria, on June 6, 2009. The Lindahls reside in Findlay, OH.

Karen Varner '99 accepted a position with the State Bank and Trust Company as a mortgage loan originator. She has 27 years in the banking industry, and has worked in the mortgage area for 20 years. Karen and her husband, Rick, have three children and reside in Paulding.

## The 00's

Benjamin Bostelman '00 and his wife, Lana, announce the birth of their son, Jake Michael, born on March 2, 2009. Jake joins his sister, Brooke, 4, and his brother Luke, 2. The Bostelmans reside in Deshler, OH.

Close to Home Childcare Center and Preschool has won a State Award for Excellence in Early Child Care and Education for providing a higher standard of care that exceeds Ohio's licensing standards. "This translates to more teachers, a greater commitment to in-service training and a more nurturing environment for children to grow and develop," said Terrie Hare, Chief, Ohio Bureau of Child Care and Development. "This outstanding commitment to children and early learning is why Close to Home Childcare Center and Preschool has earned our One-Star award." Close to Home Childcare Center and Preschool is owned by Darlene Clemens '00.

**Kimberly (Griffith) Jones '00** and her husband, Robert, announce the birth of their son, Jack, on March 9, 2009. They reside in Napoleon, OH.

Adam Baumgartner '01 and Sheila (Punches) '00 announce the birth of their third child, Max, born on July 7, 2009. Max has a brother, Jack, and a sister, Lily. The Baumgartners reside in Napoleon, OH.



Dan Fiore '01 and family

Dan Fiore '01 and his wife, Donna, announce the birth of their son, Rocco Joseph, born on March 16, 2009. Rocco has an older brother, Giovanni. Dan is currently the Business Development Manager for North American Coating Laboratories, which is an optical coating service provider for manufacturers in the automotive, medical, consumer electronics, and military industries. He recently presented a technical white paper titled "Optical Coating Applications for Consumer and Industrial Polymer Displays" at the International Plastics Showcase held at the McCormick Center in Chicago on June 24. He resides in Mentor, OH with his family.

Nicole (Crites) Grine '01 and her husband, Matt, announce the birth of their son, Evan Robert, born on April 10, 2009. They reside in Bryan, OH.

### Laura (Richardson) Kline '01

was recognized by the Volunteer Connection of Northwest Ohio for her outstanding volunteer work at the State Bank and Trust Company. Laura currently holds the position of Vice President and Trust Officer at the State Bank and Trust Company. She and her husband, Kevin, reside in Defiance with their two sons.

Meghan (Davis) Scheirer '01 and her husband, James, announce the birth of their son, Trenton, born April 15, 2009. Meghan is currently employed by Postema Insurance and Investments. The Scheirers reside in Defiance.

Beverly (Rethmel) Singer '01 and her husband, Andrew, announce the birth of their son, Anthony Donald, born on April 17, 2009. Anthony has a 3-year old sister, Bethany. Beverly a 3-year old sister, Bethany. Beverly started her ninth year of teaching eighth grade math at Fairview Middle School. She is the Student Council, Math Club and Varsity Club advisor for the high school. The Singers reside in Defiance.

Paul Ricker '02 and Jill Wagner were married on July 4, 2009 at St. Michael Church in Kalida, OH. Paul is employed as an accountant and CPA by Invacare.

Collette (Cooley) Knight '02 and her husband, Alex Knight '03, announce the birth of their daughter, Alivia Ruth, born Sunday, March 29, 2009. The Knights reside in Defiance.

**Dr. Joy Ellerbrock '03** graduated magna cum laude with a doctor of optometry degree from Ohio State University in June 2007. In March 2008, she opened her optometry practice in Continental, OH.

Amanda (Karnes) Rau '03, '09 was recognized by the Volunteer Connection of Northwest Ohio for her outstanding volunteer work at the Defiance Regional Medical Center. Amanda is currently a professor at Northwest State Community College and resides in Defiance.

Kathryn Litle '04, '09 was recognized by the Volunteer Connection of Northwest Ohio for her nine years of outstanding volunteer work at Defiance College. Katie has recently accepted a position with Christopher Newport University.

Kimberly (Plassman) Musch '04 and her husband, David, announce the birth of their son, Brody David, born on April 2, 2009. Brody has a sister, Tayten, 2.



Mellisa Snyder '05 and Tyson Cole

Mellisa (Snyder) Cole '05 married her childhood friend of 22 years, Tyson Cole, on June 5, 2005 at an Books
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elegant outdoor ceremony at Camden Falls in Tiffin, OH. Mellisa is an athletic trainer employed by Optima Rehabilitation Services in Tiffin. Her husband is a team leader for Cardinal Health. The Coles reside in Findlay, OH.

Camryn Lehrman '05 earned her master's degree in Educational Leadership in July 2009 from Concordia University in Ann Arbor, MI. Camryn resides in Sylvania,



Stacy Sattler '05 and Matthew Schimmoeller

Stacy Sattler '05 and Matthew Schimmoeller were married on October 25, 2008 at St. Andrew's United Methodist Church in Findlay, OH. Stacy is currently employed as an environmental consultant, and Matt is employed at a video production and media relations company. The couple reside in Columbus, OH.

Kenneth Stefko '05 and Mary Burkhart '08 were married on September 16, 2009 in Maui, Hawaii. The couple resides in Wauseon, OH.



Kenneth Stefko '05 and Mary Burkhart'08

Jessica (Nicely) West '05 and her husband, Eric, announce the birth of their daughter, Bailey Katherine, born May 30, 2009. The Wests reside in Defiance.

Adam '06 and Jamie (Thomas) Huber '07 announce the birth of their daughter, Addilyn Marie, on March 10, 2009. The Hubers reside in New Bavaria, OH.

James Lassiter III '06 completed an MBA with a concentration in Applied Management, from Indiana Wesleyan University, February 2009. James resides in Cleveland, OH.

This past April, Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference recognized 18 athletes at the conference's "Athletes of the Decade." Nathan Schaublin '02 and Mehgann Savard '06, were honored for their athletic careers at Defiance College. To view the complete press release visit http://www.heartlandconf.org/conference\_releases/2009/4\_13\_athlete\_decade.htm

Steven Szente '06, was married on June 20, 2009 to Ruthann Cherry in Toledo, OH at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Since graduating from DC, Steven received his master's degree from Wright State in 2008. His wife, Ruthann is a graduate of Wright State for both her bachelor's and master's. Steven is employed by Northrop Grumman. After eight

years in the Air National Guard he was commissioned in November of 2008 as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant. He is currently serving in the West Virginia Air Guard and will be attending pilot training to become a C-130 Pilot. The Szentes reside in Springboro,

**Jessica Dehnbostel '07** and her husband, Craig, announce the birth of their daughter, Jillian, born on April 1, 2009. They reside in Napoleon, OH.

**Daniel Detmer '07** and **Katie Pile '08** were married on July 25, 2009 at the Golf Club at Yankee Trace in Centerville, OH. Katie is employed as a forensic computer analyst by Paradigm Solutions, Lorton, VA. Daniel is employed as a consultant for AIMCO, a real estate investment trust in Lake Ridge, VA. The Detmers reside in Woodbridge, VA.

Stefan Gliwa '07 and Amanda (Benson) Gliwa '07 announce the birth of their daughter, Marcella, on January 23, 2009. They are currently stationed in Hawaii.

Phil Kosier '07 and Allynne Scherzinger '07 were married in March of 2009 and are currently living in Springboro, OH. Phil is teaching third grade in Dayton, and Ali is working in Mason as a pharmacy tech.

John Lancaster '07 and Kathryn Fedele '08 were married on July 31, 2009, in Madison, OH. Kathryn works for a specialty running shop, and John is an insurance agent for Farm Bureau Insurance of Michigan. The Lancasters reside in Kalamazoo, MI

In July 2008, **Stephanie Shine** '07, was hired by the Delaware County Sheriff's Department as a Road Deputy. Stephanie resides in Delaware, OH.

Monica Sigurdson '07 and David Cornell were married on May 30, 2009 at St. Mark Lutheran Church in Toledo, OH. The couple resides in Oregon, OH.

Eric Tipton '07 and Alicia Allen '07 were married on August 15, 2009 at St. John United Church of Christ. Eric is employed as a fourth-grade teacher for Northeastern Local School District; Alicia is employed as an intervention specialist at the Paulding County Board of DD. They reside in Defiance.

Kacee Nagel '08 and Eric Weber were married on June 20, 2009 at St. Michael Catholic Church. Kacee is currently employed as a credit analyst by First Federal Bank. The couple resides in Napoleon, OH.

Isaac Lee '09 and his wife, Kristen, announce the birth of their son, Jackson Ryan, born on May 11, 2009. Jackson has two older sisters. Issac is the Assistant Director of the Defiance County Economic Development. Isaac and his family reside in Defiance.

Anthony Pettaway '09 recently signed a contract to begin his professional basketball career with the Dachau Spurs of Germany's Regionalliga South-East League.

## Deaths

Elwood Mohley '35 August 1, 2009 - Battle Creek, MI

**John Manchester '41** February 28, 2009 - Holland, MI

Lucille McFarland '42 January 19, 2009 – Defiance, OH

Virginia Webber '42 August 26, 2009 – Newton, MA

**Donald Hazelswart '43** June 2, 2009 – Grand Rapids, MI

**Harry Lowell Hoffman '43** November 2, 2008 – Sandusky, OH

Corrine (Nordquest) Harrer '44 May 22, 2009 - Bristol Village, Waverly, OH

**Hazel (Kimmel) Hincelman '45** March 2, 2009 – Oxford, MI

**Donald F. Weber '46** May 30, 2009 – Portage, MI

**Kathleen (Novak) Reichler '47** October 12, 2007 - Inverness, FL

Nezzie (Carter) Moore '48 March 30, 2009 - Durham, NC

**Roy Larabee Williamson '49** July 11, 2009 – Monclova, OH

Don Canfield '50

July 4, 2009 – Fernandina Beach, FL

William E. Krause '50 April 24, 2009 – Kirkland, NY

**John Berger '51**December 21, 2008 – Mansfield, OH

Paul Pickering '51 July 30, 2009 – Defiance, OH

**John Taylor '51** June 17, 2009 – Hicksville, OH

Marilyn (Goldsmith) MacDuffie '52

September 20, 2009

**Richard W. Robnolte '52** February 1, 2009 – Fort Wayne, IN

**Pauline (Miller) Taylor '58** March 17, 2009 – Continental, OH

Irene (Ely) Ingle '59 July 22, 2009 – Defiance, OH

**John "Jack" Desotelle '61** August 31, 2009 – East Ellijay, GA

Harry Eastridge '63 October 16, 2009 – Northfield, OH

Jeanette (Rice) McIntosh '63 January 18, 2009 – Scott, OH Paul R. Young '64 February 15, 2009 – Central Falls,

**Janet (Peterson) Mayers '67** February 10, 2009 – Delta, OH

**R. Kenneth Sprague '67** August 26, 2008 – Fort Pierce, FL

**Robert Tomlinson '67** March 20, 2009 - Bradford, VT

**Geraldine (Royce) Boomer '69** July 6, 2009 – Defiance, OH

Gary L. Foust '70
July 22, 2009 – Cherry Hill, NJ

Susan Elizabeth (Mabbs) Nolan

June 17, 2009 – Cumming, GA

June Draving '71
July 1, 2009 – Fort Myers, FL

**Dennis Newth '71** October 10, 2007 – Cranston, RI

**Donald R. Sanborn '72** January 19, 2007 – Upton, MA

James T. Brady '76 October 27, 2008 – Blackwood, NJ

**Wade A. Walter '76** July 2, 2009 – Houston, TX

**Thomas Dershem '78**February 2, 2009 – Trussville, AL



David Plant '73, Director of Alumni & Parent Relations, Ryan Gladieux '08, and Gregg Gunsch, Professor of Digital Forensic Science discuss the new ASK program.

## ASK: ALUMNI STUDENT KONNECTION LUNCHES BEGIN

Alumni have been coming to the Defiance College campus to meet President Gordon and then have lunch with a small group of Junior/Senior students. After a 30 minute private chat with the President, the alumnus meets with students to share job skill and job search insights. The lunch lasts approximately 45 minutes. Thank you to alumni Char Johannigman, Lisa Crumit-Hancock, Dave Polzin, Duncan Jameison, Tim Tobias, Ryan Gladieux, Mary Beth Royal, Matt Gilroy, Jenee Seibert, Chris Palmer, Paul Mallet, Deb Detray, Carolyn Mann and Melissa Davies for helping us with the initial roll out of the ASK Lunch. You may contact the alumni office at 419-783-2572 or dplant@defiance.edu if you have interest in being part of our ASK program.