The 50’s

Robert Sanderson ’50 and his wife Beverly (King) Sanderson ’63 have two children; Stan of National Trail, and June at Lincolnview Local Schools, 5 grandchildren – 2 in Eaton, Ohio – 3 in Van Wert, Ohio – 2 great-grandchildren in Van Wert, Ohio. Robert and Beverly will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary this coming summer, August 15, 2008.

Ralph D. Bond ’54 was employed for the U.S. Department of Defense at Picatinny Arsenal, Dover, N.J., for over 30 years, writing manuals and books for artillery equipment. He is now retired and lives with his wife, Maria, in Londonderry, NH. During his childhood years, he lived on Pearl Street which is near the DC campus. Ralph along with his siblings played on the DC Campus. His grandfather, John Thomas Bond, was employed at the Crusher Company, Inc. for 13 years in Shelby, Ohio. Bell was referred to as “an innovative education leader,” and he “has developed positive reinforcement programs with students.” (West Toledo Herald)

The 60’s

Phyllis (Mayes) Stuckey ’62 and her husband, Larry, celebrated their Golden Anniversary on August 4, 2007. For this special occasion, they held an open house for family and friends. The couple has 3 sons, 8 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren. Phyllis and Larry reside in Stryker, Ohio.

The 70’s

Daniel A. Fortman ’70 was named Pioneer Career and Technology Center’s 2007 Business Person of the Year. He has worked for the Eagle Crusher Company, Inc. for 13 years and is currently the vice president of human resources. He, his wife, Lynn, and their four children reside in Shelby, Ohio.

William Metz ’70 recently retired after teaching middle school social studies for 31 years. He taught from 1970 through 1979 at Hicksville High School where he also coached Varsity Football from 1973-78. After five years in the industrial world, he was hired to teach middle school social studies from 1985 through 2007 at Antwerp High School. While at Antwerp, he coached Varsity Softball for 17 years. Bill now resides in Hicksville, Ohio and enjoys the summers riding his Harley Davidson.

The 80’s

Robin “Rob” Harris ’80 was inducted into the Alumni Varsity ‘D’ Hall of Fame on October 6, 2007 during the 2007 Homecoming festivities. Rob and his family reside in Hilliard, Ohio.
The 90's

Andrew Lewis ’90 and Amy Wakeland ’00

Andrew Lewis ’90 and Amy (Wakeland) Lewis ’00 announced the birth of Keidin Shane Pratt, born on August 21, 2007. Keidin was born on May 5, 2007.

Hilary M. Giana ’97 participated in the first Cleveland Breast Cancer 3-Day, held August 17-19, 2007. She walked 60 miles over 3 days in honor of close friends who have died from breast cancer. Thank you to all of the DC friends who helped meet the fundraising goal. Much love to all of you and many blessings.

Brandon M. Knott ’97 had his pottery displayed at the Wassenberg Art Center in Van Wert, Ohio, alongside the paintings of Larry Golba of Toledo. Knott resides in Continental, Ohio.

Stacy (Goebel) Pratt ’97 and her husband Kyle are proud to announce the birth of Keidin Shane Pratt, brother to Zane Ethan (3 yrs old.) Keidin was born on May 5, 2007. Stacy has been a teaching at Milton-Union High School and has recently received her master’s degree from Wright State University. Stacy and her family reside in Piqua, OH.

Adam McCullough ’98 and Nikki (Schubert) McCullough ’00 are proud to announce the birth of their son, Carter Paul, born on August 13, 2006. Nikki and Adam also have a 4 year-old son, Casey. Nikki is the Human Resource Manager for ITW Tomco in Bryan, Ohio and Adam is the IT Manager for TQS in Auburn, IN. The McCulloughs reside in Bryan, Ohio.

The 00’s

Stephen Minor ’00 married Jeremy Kurtz on August 11, 2007. Stephanie is employed by New Eczy Gro, Inc. Stephanie has one daughter named Hailey, and her husband, Jeremy, has three children -- Andrew, Kara, and Jenna. The family resides in Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

Annette (Rue) Hoefsel ’99 was promoted to Manager, Marketing and Advertising at Chief and Ray Supermarkets. She has been part of the marketing team since 2001. Annette lives in Continental with her husband Chris ’96 and their two children, Alex and Andrew.

Angela Karacson ’98 and Clint Zeedyk are proud to announce the birth of their son, Cross Alexander, on August 21, 2007. Cross has an older sister, Noelle. The happy family resides near Hicksville, Ohio.

Jennifer (Timbrook) Mavis ’99 and her husband Scott are proud to announce the birth of their third daughter, Kayla Elizabeth, born on January 5, 2007. Kayla has twin big sisters, Cassie and Brook, who turn 6 on August 8, 2007. The Timbrooks reside in Edgerton, Ohio.

Lee Anne (Frazier) Sorto ’99 and her husband Francisco welcomed a son, Lathan Michael, on July 9, 2007. He was born in Lima Memorial Hospital in Lima, Ohio. Lee Anne and Francisco have 4 sons, Isaiah - 6, Joel - 3, Kevin - 1 ½, and Lathan. The Sorto family resides in Lima, Ohio.
Mary W. Born ’01 is now the Title 1 Reading teacher at Brickell Elementary School in Defiance. She resides in Defiance.

Melissa (Hunt) Dearth ’01 is now employed by Paulding High School as a social studies teacher. She and her husband, Eric, reside in Defiance.

Carla (Heilman) Goff ’01 and Chad Goff ’03 recently celebrated their 5th wedding anniversary this past October. They have a one-year old son, Levi Philip. The Goff family resides in Defiance.

Steve Binnix ’02 is working as a private investigator with Stealth Investigations in Dayton, Ohio. He would like to hear from class and teammates at sbinnix34@yahoo.com.

Dietrich “Dieter” Lawson ’02 and Mindy Harsha ’02 were married on March 25, 2007 in the wedding chapel of Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas, Nevada. He was recently promoted to Branch Manager with Enterprise Rent-a-Car, and she is promoted to Branch Manager with Enterprise. He was recently employed by Academic Search, Inc. as a research and technology coordinator in Washington D.C. Peffley resides in Washington D.C.

Michelle Cress ’03 and Dan Shively were married on July 28, 2007. Michelle is currently employed by Riverside Local Schools as a third grade teacher. Michelle and Dan reside in Ada, Ohio.

Melissa Schmidt ’03 and Chris Davis were married on August 11, 2007. She is currently the office manager at National City Bank in West Chester, Ohio. She and her husband reside in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Julie (Reinhart) Taylor ’04 is the new principal at St. Mary’s Catholic School in Edgerton, Ohio. She and her husband, John, have three children: Katie, Rachael, and Tommy. They reside in Antwerp, Ohio.

Wendy Elling ’04 and Brad Eitniear were recently married on July 7, 2007 in a private ceremony in Wauseon, Ohio. Wendy is currently an administrative assistant at Integrity Motor Sales, and her husband, Brad, is a mechanic at Integrity Motor Sales. The couple reside in Defiance.

Lisa (Miller) Ford ’04 and her husband, Brad, welcomed their first child on April 3, 2007. Drew Alan weighed 8 lbs. 2 oz. and was 21 inches long. He was born at the Defiance Regional Medical Center at 7:08 pm. Brad, Lisa, and Drew reside in Ney, Ohio.

Eric Sprague ’05 and Erica Anspach ’06 were married on September 1, 2007 in the Historic Embassy Theatre in Fort Wayne, Indiana. The bride is a second year student at the University of Toledo College of Medicine. The groom is a student at IUPU Fort Wayne. They reside in Toledo, Ohio.

Christine (Moreo) Yenser ’05 is the middle school language arts teacher at Holgate Local School in Holgate, Ohio. She and her husband, Geoff, reside in Defiance.

Adam C. Schumaker ’06 was married on August 5, 2006 to Amy Jo Von Sossan. They were married in St. Joseph Catholic Church in Fort Jennings, Ohio. Adam is currently employed as a chemistry and biology teacher with Brookville Local Schools. Adam and Amy reside in Sydney, Ohio.

After a service learning trip taken her senior year at Defiance College, Jennifer (Zimmerman) Slow ’06 decided to apply for a position as an educator in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Jennifer spent the 2006-2007 school year at the LOGOS International School teaching fourth grade students. She returned back to the United States in June, and is hoping to substitute teach and possibly attend graduate school.

Virginia (Duncan) Becker ’06 has joined the Anthony Wayne Elementary staff as a first grade teacher. She and her husband, Bob, and their three children reside in Defiance.

Valerie (Duffy) Besaw ’07 was recently employed by the Defiance City Schools as a fifth grade teacher. She resides in Defiance with her husband, Nate.
Alumni Class Notes

Brooke Lancey ’07 recently accepted a position as the Middle School art teacher at Defiance City Schools in Defiance. She resides in Defiance.

Matthew R. Schnipke ’07 is employed by the Defiance City Schools as a sixth grade teacher. He currently resides in Fort Jennings, Ohio.

Renee Steffen ’07 has accepted the Ohio Campus Compact AmeriCorps*VISTA Campus & Community Collaboration Leader position at Marietta College, Marietta, OH.

DEATHS

Amelia (Newby) McLean ’39
Madison, Ohio - 2007

Harry (Hal) M. Lewis ’59
Bryan, Ohio – July 12, 2007

Michael Craden ’60
Columbus, Ohio – July 19, 2007

Andrea Donnell-Brooks ’65
Chester, VA – August 22, 2007

Eunice (Rhoad) Smith ’69
West Chester, Ohio – August 19, 2007

Joan (Gordon) Bleim ’73
Leesburg, FL – August 30, 2007

Charles F. Daniel ’76
Utica, Ohio – August 10, 2007

Richard G. Gerding ’76
Ottawa, Ohio - April 14, 2007

Robin Bollenbacher ’84
Denver, CO – March 13, 2007

Patricia M. Little ’93
Defiance, Ohio – July 26, 2007

Dennis R. Iffland ’90
Williston, Ohio – June 29, 2007

Mark J. Seibert ’00
Defiance, Ohio – August 21, 2007

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