

DC ALUMNI class notes

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, also worked in the furnace room of Defiance College circa 1930.

James H. Treece '57 and **Marjorie (Enyart) Treece '57** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 17, 2007. The couple was married in the Church of God in Celina, Ohio by Rev. Norman Folk. They celebrated this special occasion with a family weekend at Sauder Village in Archbold. James and Marjorie reside in Ayersville, Ohio.

William Grant '59 and his wife Sally Jane (Dayson) Grant celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 1, 2007. Bill and Sally reside in Dayton, Ohio, and both are very active in the Defiance alumni group that meets in Dayton monthly.

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.

Roger E. Farlee '60 and **Karen (Coplin) Farlee '71** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 25, 2007. They were married in the Rosehill Church of God by Karen's father, Rev. Ralph Coplin. The Farlees celebrated the occasion at an open house at the First Church of God Fellowship Hall. They reside in Defiance, Ohio.

Bruce Pickering '64 and his wife, Barbara, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 24, 2007. The couple was married in St. John Catholic Church in Defiance, Ohio. The Pickering's celebrated this special occasion with a family dinner in Columbus, 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.

Ann (Williamson) Rhyan '73 is the new director of communication for the West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church. She and her husband, Charles, reside in Sidney, Ohio.

Sandra J. Buenger '74 retired in 2005 after 31 years of service in education. She was recently selected for inclusion into the 11th Edition of "Who's Who Among America's Teachers" for 2006-2007. Currently, Sandra is tutoring grades K-3 in reading. She resides in Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

Michael England '74 was inducted into the Alumni Varsity 'D' Hall of Fame on October 6, 2007 during the 2007 Homecoming festivities. Mike and his family reside in Gilbert, AZ.

Ronald Coles '75 and **Rex Shreve '77** recently won the fifth annual OWL-USA Cup tournament held in Bad Oeynhausen, Germany. The team consisted of local golfers, and this was the fourth victory the US team has earned.

Keith Bell, Sr. '78 was one of the 2007 inductees to the Woodward Hall of Fame for Calvin M. Woodward High School in Toledo, Ohio. Bell was referred to as "an innovative education leader," and he "has developed positive reinforcement programs with students." (West Toledo Herald) He is currently the principal at Westerville High School. Keith and his wife, Toni, reside in Columbus, Ohio.

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.

Staci (Smith) Kaufman '82 is the new Superintendent of Vantage Career Center in Van Wert, Ohio. For 15 years, she was the Career Technical Supervisor for Four County Career Center in Archbold, Ohio. Staci has two daughters, Colleen and Kacie. She resides in Defiance, Ohio.

Kevin S. Miller '83 recently received his doctorate of education in organization leadership from Nova Southeastern University. Dr. Kevin Miller is the superintendent of Hicksville Village Schools in Hicksville, Ohio. He and his wife, Carla, have three sons: Yale, Collin, and Breckin. The Miller family resides in Payne, Ohio.

Wesley Douglas '83 and Jennifer Hohman exchanged vows on June 9, 2007 at the First Presbyterian Church in Norwalk, Ohio. Wesley,



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Jennifer, and their children (Hannah, Issac, Ben, Ally, and Evan) reside in Norwalk, Ohio.

Gregory Jones '86 and **Mary (Deitrick) Jones '74** recently celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary. The couple was married on June 24, 1977 in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Defiance, Ohio. They have three children and one granddaughter. Gregory and Mary reside in Defiance.

Martin A. Miller '86 is one of 200 distinguished primary and secondary educators heading to Tokyo, Japan to promote intercultural understanding between the United States and Japan. He will depart in October for a three week program funded by Japan's Fulbright Memorial Fund. Miller is currently the principal at Paulding Elementary. He and his wife, **Nancy (Wiseman) Miller '90** and their children reside in Defiance.

Pamela D. Borton '87 is head coach for the University of Minnesota Lady Gopher basketball team. She has been to the final four and had five straight NCAA appearances. Pam was invited to be the guest speaker at the Becker Youth Basketball Association's end of the year banquet. Her advice to her audience was to "dream big dreams." Pam was also inducted into the Defiance College's Alumni Varsity 'D' Hall of Fame on October 6, 2007 during the 2007 Homecoming Festivities. She resides in Minneapolis, MN.

Philip Weaner '87 and his wife Amy are proud to announce the birth of their first child, J.T. (Jacob Thomas) Weaner, born September 22, 2007 in Lakeland, FL.

Loretta Neff '89 recently became engaged to be married while vacationing in Bordeaux, France, the month of August. Her fiance, Pier



Loretta Neff '89 and
Pier Bjorklund

Bjorklund is from Sweden and is the president of an investment banking firm in West Palm Beach, Florida.

The 90's



Andrew Lewis '90 and
Amy Wakeland '00

Andrew Lewis '90 and **Amy (Wakeland) Lewis '00** exchanged vows on April 21, 2007 at the Indian Run United Methodist Church in Dublin, Ohio. Andrew is currently employed by the State of Ohio, and Amy is a loss prevention specialist with Discover Card. The couple resides in Powell, Ohio.

Craig Walsh '90 and his wife Koren are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Brynn Ann, born on January 12, 2007. Craig and his family reside in Montgomery, AL.

Keith A. McMahon '93 recently joined the L.E. Smith Co. as general manager. Keith and his wife, Renee, and their family reside in Wauseon, Ohio.

Elaine (McMaster) Fedderke '94 and her husband, Dennis, celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on August 11, 2007. They were married on August 11, 1972 at the Wharton Church of God in Wharton, Ohio. The couple celebrated the special occasion with a family cookout.

Holly L. Kobee '95 has joined the Hicksville Exempted Village School staff as the new high school intervention specialist. Holly has also taught at Edgerton and Antwerp schools. She and her husband, John, reside in Antwerp, Ohio.

Lara Homan '95 was married to Eric Limbert on August 4, 2007. Lara and Eric reside in Tipp City, Ohio

Timothy R. Held '96 was promoted to Head Baseball Coach at Cincinnati Moeller High School. Timothy has been the assistant coach to former head coach, Mike Cameron, for 11 years. He resides in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Amy Wildermuth '96 received her master's degree in education in 2006 and is currently a 5th grade teacher at Fairview Elementary. In March of 2005, Amy's husband, Butch, suddenly passed away. Amy currently resides in Sherwood, Ohio.

John Davis '97 recently joined the Hicksville Exempted Village School as a high school social studies teacher. He and his wife, Cheryl, reside in Hicksville, Ohio with their two children.

Hilary M. Glanc '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 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

Annette (Rue) Hoeffel '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.



Cross Alexander

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 turned 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.

The 00's

Stephanie Minor '00 married Jeremy Kurtz on August 11, 2007. Stephanie is employed by New Ezy 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.

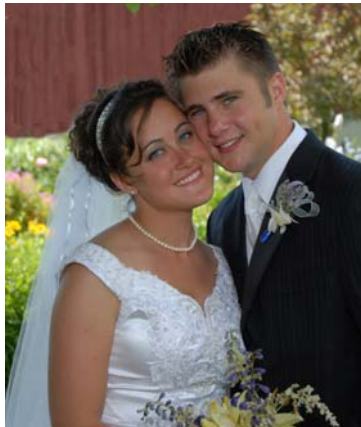
Mary W. Born '01 is now the Title 1 Reading teacher at Brickell Elementary School in Defiance. She resides in Defiance.

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 the salon coordinator at Michael David Salon. The couple resides in Westerville, Ohio.



Mariah O'Shea '02 and Jared Orzolek

Mariah O'Shea '02 and **Jared Orzolek** were married on Saturday, June 30th, in St. Raphael's Catholic Church, Copemish, Michigan by Fr. Dennis Walsh. The bride is a 2002 alumna of Defiance College and a 2005 graduate of Bowling Green State University. She is currently employed as the Director of Residence Life at Defiance College. The groom is a 2003 alumnus of King's College, Wilkes-Barre, PA. He is employed as a reporter by *The*

Crescent-News and serves as the assistant soccer coach at Defiance College. Mariah and Jared reside in Defiance.

Brad Plonka '02 and Lisa Silberstein were married on August 18, 2007 in Malibu, California. Brad and Lisa reside in Encino, California.

Brandon J. Baker '03 and Tiffany Ryan were married on June 16, 2007 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Defiance, Ohio. Brandon is currently employed as a middle school teacher at St. John Lutheran School. Tiffany is a speech and language pathologist employed by Defiance Clinic's ProRehab. Brandon and Tiffany reside in Defiance, Ohio.

Mandy (Haldiman) Hanna '03 took a new position with Downtown Bryan, Inc as the program manager. She and her husband, Douglas, reside in Bryan, Ohio.

Meredith Peffley '03 graduated from George Washington University with a master's degree in public administration with an emphasis in non-profit management. She is currently 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 Eitnear 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.

Kari (Appelfeller) DeLano '04 is a fifth grade teacher at Holgate Local Schools in Holgate, Ohio. She and her husband, Dave, and their children reside in Ayersville, Ohio.

Erin Williams '05 received her Masters of Arts in Organizational Management with high honors on May 5, 2007 at Tusculum College. Erin and **Tony Studer '05** were married on September 1, 2007 in Hillsdale, MI. Erin is employed as a computer programmer/independent contractor. Tony is a doctoral candidate at the University of Wisconsin, in the Genetics department. They reside in Madison, WI.

Melissa (Laukhuf) LaBounty '05 was recently hired as an Intervention Specialist at Paulding Elementary School. Melissa and her husband, **Jason LaBounty '03**, reside in Paulding, Ohio.

Timothy Manz '05 recently accepted a position at the Central Local School in Sherwood, Ohio as a middle school science teacher. He was previously employed by the Montpelier school system as a middle school science teacher for two years. He resides in Paulding, Ohio.

Kelly VanderHorst '05 and **Zac Fulmer '07** were married on June 23, 2007. Kelly is currently a teacher at Pettisville Local Schools in the physical education and health department. Kelly and Zac reside in Archbold, Ohio.

Jessica L. Hoepfner '05 is employed by the Defiance Middle School as a physical education teacher. She is also the high school girls' soccer coach. She resides in Woodburn, Indiana.



Eric Sprague '05 and Erica Anspach '06

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 IUPUI 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.

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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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