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Alumni Fund Drive Reaches 51% of \$3,000 Goal

With one month to go, this year's fund drive has reached 51 percent of its goal. The Charter Class leads in percentage of participation and total dollars pledged with the Class of '64 close behind in both categories. Head Agents and Class Agents are trying to reach two goals in this drive: \$3,000 in total dollars and 100% participation. The latter goal is extremely optimistic but one that is pursued vigilantly by each classes' fund drive agents.

Head Agents for this year's drive are Ron Miller '63, Phil Williams '64, Ed Windeler '65, and Howard Coffin '66. During the drive, members of each class team have met in groups to prepare mailings and map strategy. The competition to have the best participation percentage has motivated the groups to actively seek

out classmates and to urge that they contribute to this year's drive.

Before sending in your contribution, be sure you check to see if your employer has a matching gift program. Many employers encourage support of higher education by contributing amounts equal to alumni employee gifts to colleges and universities. Also remember that this year those alumni who contribute \$25 or more will be designated Wilson Donors and will receive a certificate signed by Mrs. Wilson.

Help your class win the percentage of participation award, and your University move forward, with your contribution to this year's Alumni Fund Drive. The drive closes in June so send your check, or pledge TODAY.

Lost 781 Alumni Questionnaires

Somewhere between Oakland University and Boston, New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Taiwan, Munich, Istanbul, and many other locations across the world, 781 O. U. Alumni Questionnaires are lost. We apologize for the inconvenience because *we know* these 781 alumni certainly completed the questionnaire and mailed it to our office. But, since it is important for the University to gather information on the distinguished members of its alumni body, we ask that you take the five minutes required to complete the enclosed questionnaire and mail it. "To err is human, to forgive divine;" maybe the post office will do better this time. To those 253 alumni whose questionnaires made it through, the pony express award!

Mrs. Hope Honored—Named One of Detroit's Top Ten Working Women



Mrs. Hope was chosen one of this year's Ten Top Working Women by the Central Business District Association in March. During Salute to Women Who Work Week, Mrs. Hope and the other members of the Top Ten were presented Susie Awards and were given the deluxe, red-carpet treatment in week-long activities including TV appearances, receptions, (one at the Mayor's office to receive "keys to the city") luncheons and banquets.

Director of Placement and Alumni Relations, Mrs. Hope was instrumental in organizing both departments. She set up the placement bureau in 1962 and launched the University's charter class into the labor market. In 1964 she was asked to head the Alumni Relations Department through which alumni records, publications, reunions and fund drives are administered.

Mrs. Hope's background includes top jobs in industry and government. She worked for the U. S. Secret Service in Detroit and later headed personnel operations for The Jam Handy Organization for many years. Immediately prior to affiliating with Oakland University she was Personnel Administrator for an electronics company on the West Coast.

Congratulations, Mrs. Hope. The University and its alumni are proud of your accomplishments.

NEW CONSTITUTION—Includes Students in University Senate

A new constitution for the governance of Oakland University was presented in March by Chancellor Varner for approval by the Michigan State University Board of Trustees at its regular monthly meeting.

One of the features of the new document is the addition of three students to the Senate, which serves as the major policy-making board of the University, responsible for developing the University's role, character, and functions. Forty-four other seats on the Senate will go to faculty members. The new organization will replace the current Senate of 39 faculty members.

Commenting on the addition of stu-

dent members, Varner told the board: "This represents a clear departure from past patterns here and one which has been quite controversial within the faculty. I have consistently supported this position on the grounds that most junior and senior students have achieved a workable level of maturity and judgment and because they have a clear stake in the affairs of the University."

The new constitution provides for much of the routine academic business to be conducted by the organized faculties of the School of Engineering, the School of Education, and the College of Arts and Sciences. Their action will be subject to the concurrence of the Senate.

192 Receive Degrees at April Commencement

President Hannah, the Board of Trustees and Chancellor Varner were present to award five students Master of Arts degrees and 187 students baccalaureate degrees at the fifth annual commencement Saturday, April 22. Twenty-two of the bachelor's degree recipients were awarded University Honors. Nine received their degrees magna cum laude and 18 received cum laude honors.

Thomas H. Hamilton, president of the University of Hawaii and a former vice-president of Michigan State University, delivered the commencement address entitled "On Understanding Asia." Dr. Hamilton was one of three recipients of honorary degrees granted by Oakland University.

Other recipients of honorary degrees were David Riesman, author of "The Lonely Crowd: A Study of the Changing American Character" and professor of social sciences at Harvard University; and William T. Gossett, Detroit lawyer and president elect of the 123,000-member American Bar Association.

With April graduation, graduates of Oakland University now number 1133.

Graduates Entertained at Meadow Brook Hall

On Friday, April 21 members of the January and April '67 graduating classes were honored at a dinner dance at Meadow Brook Hall. Mrs. Wilson hosted the affair that featured a festive pink motif that was carried throughout from decorations to desserts. Guests danced and enjoyed the atmosphere of Meadow Brook Hall before and after a sensational buffet supper prepared by Ed Goodwin's food service staff. Over 300 graduating seniors attended the dinner dance along with University staff and faculty members.

Auto Pioneer's Will Cancels Indebtedness on OU Dormitory

An automotive engineer's bequest to Oakland University of \$825,000 in bonds to cancel the indebtedness on Hill House, a dormitory for women, was accepted for the University by the Michigan State University Board of Trustees April 20.

The donor was Ormond E. Hunt, the first man to hold the position in General Motors Corporation of vice president in charge of engineering. Mr. Hunt, whose home was at 1650 Rathmor Road, Bloomfield Hills, died last January 3 at the age of 83. Mr. Hunt purchased Oakland University dormitory revenue bonds in the amount of \$825,000 in 1964, the money being used to finance the construction of Hill House on the Rochester campus. He received interest on the bonds during his lifetime, but stipulated that upon his death the bonds would be given to the University, thereby cancelling the indebtedness on the dormitory. It is the first of Oakland's six dormitories, all built through self-liquidating revenue bond issues, to be paid for.

Commenting on the benefactor, Chancellor D. B. Varner said, "Ormond Hunt was a great friend of young people in general and Oakland University in particular. His enthusiasm for the University was a continuing source of inspiration for all of us associated with the development of this new University. We are deeply indebted to Ormond Hunt, not only for this generous financial bequest, but for his continuing counsel and support during these early formative years."

**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN
THE ENCLOSED QUESTIONNAIRE.
THANK YOU!**

Four Join Alumni Council



Ed Windeler and Phil Williams welcome (left to right) Beth McKenney, Mel Kozek and Virginia McIntyre to the Alumni Council.

At the April meeting of the Alumni Council Phil Williams, Chairman, welcomed four new members to the Council. Howard Coffin "66", Mel Kozek "67", Virginia McIntyre "63", and Elizabeth McKenney "66" were appointed by the Chancellor to begin four year terms on the Council in May. At the meeting the Council officially commended the members leaving office, Russell Van Allen "63", Julie Becker Frederick "63", Mary Schultz "63", and Thomas R. Kershner "63" for a job well done. Officers to serve for the next year were elected; Ed Windeler "65" Chairman, Ron Miller "63" Vice-Chairman-Treasurer and Margaret Smith MacTavish "65" Secretary.

Dr. Obear Receives Ford Grant



Frederick W. Obear, assistant provost, is the recipient of a Ford Foundation grant through the American Council on Education for a fellowship in the Academic Administrative Internship Program. Dr. Obear will be an assistant to President Kenneth Pitzer of Rice University, Houston, Texas for the 1967-68 academic year, September through May. During the tenure of the grant Dr. Obear intends to study cluster colleges, administration and development, and graduate school organization.

PERSONALS—NEWS OF THE ALUMNI

Ilse Werzer '65 is living in New York City where she is employed as an Applications Engineer with General Electric's New York Division.

Betty J. Sherman '65 received an M.A. at University of Minnesota in South Asian Area Studies, with a supporting program in political science. She will do graduate work, with a continuing fellowship, for the Ph.D. degree in political science.

Penelope Batts '64 and Lt. Patrick Ward were married recently and are making their home in Louisville, Kentucky.

Terry Monson and *John Wiczorek*, both '66, are in graduate school at the University of Minnesota majoring in economics and political science.

Michael Wyzgoski '64 and *Sandra Jeanne Ward* were married on February 4 in Detroit. They are living in Midland, Michigan where Mike is employed by Dow Chemical.

Patti Koenig '63 is living in Farmington, New Mexico, where she is employed with Chaparral Girl Scout Council. She writes, "I'll work in Scouting with the Ute, Hopi, Apache, and mostly the Navajo Indians. I've wanted to know more about them ever since studying the Indians both in art and sociology at Oakland. Now I have my chance to really see their art work and learn about their customs."

David Haller '64, his wife, Myra, and small son have moved to Memphis, Tenn. where Dave is in college sales with Holt, Rhinehart and Winston, publishing firm.

Louis Buchanan '63, instructor of English at O.U., has received a leave for one year to study and complete work toward the Ph.D. degree at the University of Toronto.

Anna Massacesi '64 completed graduate studies at the University of Michigan in December of 1966. She received an M.A. in Romance Languages & Literature, Spanish. Anna will be returning to O.U. for the fall semester as a faculty member.

James Drummond '63 will be on the O.U. campus next fall as graduate assistant in the English Department. Jim has taught in the Frankenmuth School District and most recently has been on the faculty of Flint Northern High School.

After 1½ years with Fisher Body Craftsman's Guild, *Edmund Morosso* '65 is now an Advisor with the O.U. Admissions Office.

Thomas Miles '65 has returned from the West Coast to reside in Birmingham, Michigan. He is a merchandising representative for Federal Mogul Corporation.

Maxim K. Rice (Engineering Science, '64) is finishing his second year of graduate theology at Garrett Theological Seminary on the Northwestern University campus in Evanston, Illinois. Beginning in June he will be spending an intern year working on the Southwest Georgia Project of the Student Interracial Ministry (SIM) organization. This group is exploring new modes of a ministry of reconciliation between the white and Negro communities in and around Americus and Albany, Georgia.

Tenya Algor (April '66) left March 2 to serve in Ecuador as a Peace Corps volunteer.

She is one of 44 volunteers trained at Antioch College to help craftsmen and artists of Ecuador organize and develop new products and markets. About half of the corpsmen have backgrounds in business, the others experience in art. The 17-week training program at Antioch was designed to teach the artists something about business and the businessmen something about art so that they could help improve the operation of Ecuadorian handicrafts co-operatives. The new group of volunteers is scheduled to spend two years in Ecuador.

Letters . . .

After completing my last semester at O.U. last August (1966), *Donna Kaye* ('65) and I became the first couple to be married at St. John Fisher's Chapel. Leaving soon after, we camped across the country to S.F. where we caught a flight to the Far East. A one day stop-over in Honolulu made us all the more anxious to get to the Orient. Roaming through the Tokyo smog we managed to see the Imperial Palace grounds, Asakusa Temple, and the Ginza. Riding trains and buses we took in the Great Buddha at Kamakura, Mount Fuji and Kyoto—still a Japanese city, in sharp contrast to Tokyo, which could be easily mistaken for New York. We spent three days there wandering in and out of temples. Our Japanese travels were "go-where-one-pleases," making no plans or reservations, but just going to places we wanted to, and sometimes (because I speak no Japanese) places we had no intention of visiting.

After two weeks of getting settled down in Taipei, I started (Chinese) classes at Taiwan Provincial Normal University. *Donna* landed a teaching job at the Taipei American School; she is team-teaching in a carpeted, air-conditioned room. I also teach English a few hours a week at the Normal Univ.—more for the experience, than the money.

When earthquakes, typhoons and air raid drills are not entertaining us, we try to go to a different part of northern Taiwan each weekend. We have seen Prof. Appleton and his family several times—our two families comprising the Taipei O.U. Alumni Club.

Taipei in many aspects has few similarities with its "sister" Oriental cities in Japan. Japan's pre-occupation with cleanliness makes for far cleaner cities, homes, and even people. Traffic control and general civic responsibility are clearly more evident in Japan. In Taipei, one gets the impression that 20th century technology and its accompanying problems were dropped on the city, and they seem unable to cope with it.

Our regards to friends and alumni back home. *Herbert W. Loner, Jr.* ('67)

Every time I receive another issue of the Alumni News I am overcome with the almost irresistible urge to write you myself. Until now I have been successful in suppressing such urges.

Since graduation I too have wandered hither and thither, settling finally—temporarily—here in Buffalo. Immediately after graduation from O.U. I traveled to Munich, Germany, where I supposedly studied for a year. (Any one who makes it through Oakland deserves a year off!) It was in Munich that I met my wife, Mecki (no one can pronounce her real name, Mechthild), and became engaged to her. We married several months later in the States.

I entered graduate school in September 1965 after having received a Graduate Assistantship at the State University of New York in Buffalo. Apparently I was a disaster as a teacher, because after my first year I was offered the remainder of a NDEA fellowship in order to get me out of the classroom. Because I will have completed the necessary hourly requirements for a Phd by the end of this summer, I have been granted permission to use the final year of my fellowship in Germany. Thus, I and my family will be returning for a twelve-month stay in Munich. Before leaving in September, however, I intend to take time out this spring to obtain a Master's degree. One must play it safe . . . doctorates are hard to come by.

Just in case *Miriam Friedmann* is interested, she is not the only Oaklandite now in Munich. Both *Ingrid Ohlhaver* ('64) and *Anne Schultes* ('65) have married German fellows and are residing somewhere in that metropolis.

Best regards to all those who might still vaguely remember me (all two or three of you!)

Sincerely yours,
John A. McCarthy ('64)

BRAVISSIMO! Meadow Brook Music Festival Announces 4th Season

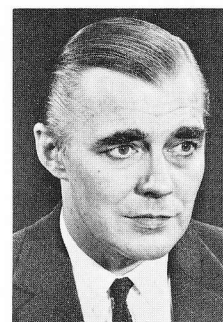
This season's Meadow Brook Music Festival bears real promise of topping its own remarkable record for quality and excitement. The 1967 "new look" eight week season available to subscribers in two four-week programs features a roster of outstanding soloists including such names as Van Cliburn and Vladimir Ashkenazy, pianists; James Oliver Buswell IV and Itzhak Perlman, violinists; and vocalists, Jane Marsh and Jan Peerce.

Sixten Ehrling will conduct the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in 22 of this summer's 32 concerts. Four concerts each will be conducted by Charles Munch, former Boston Symphony director, and Hiroyuki Iwaki, noted Japanese conductor, appearing for the first time in the United States in a guest role. Robert Shaw, head of the Meadow

Brook Music Festival choral and orchestral programs, will appear on the series for two performances.

The Festival committee has commissioned Ernest Krenek to write a major orchestral work tentatively titled "Horizon Circled" for premiere August 12-13. Eugene Zador's "Trombone Concerto" will be given its premiere performance July 20-21 with Allen Chase the soloist.

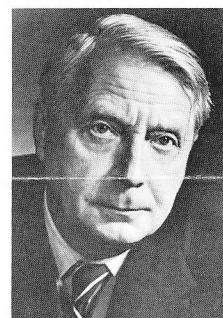
Concerts will be presented Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 8:30 p.m., Sunday's at 6:30 p.m. from June 29 to August 20. Advance sales have been most active so alumni interested in tickets should subscribe as soon as possible. For tickets and festival information write the Meadow Brook Music Festival office, Oakland University, or call 338-7211, ext. 2301.



Sixten Ehrling



Robert Shaw



Charles Munch



Van Cliburn



Jane Marsh



Vladimir Ashkenazy



More than 150,000 enjoyed last summer's "Meadow Brook Music" in the sylvan atmosphere of the Baldwin Pavilion.

MEADOW BROOK SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Plans for the Summer program of the Meadow Brook School of Music, June 25-August 6, have been announced to include:

A Choral Institute, to provide a fabric of practical experience professionally valuable to all choral musicians.

An Orchestral Institute, to study and perform major concert works in its own concert series presented concurrently with the Meadow Brook Festival.

A Vocal Institute, designed especially for the solo singer, the voice teacher, or the choral musician to improve vocal techniques and knowledge of repertoire.

A Chamber Music Institute, a highly concentrated survey of some of the finest standard and contemporary chamber works.

For further information contact: Dr. Walter S. Collins, Dean, Meadow Brook School of Music, Oakland University.

Academy of Dramatic Art

The new Academy of Dramatic Art of Oakland University will hold auditions in May for students who are suited by temperament and talent for professional stage careers. The May auditions for the Fall class of 15 students will be held in Detroit, Chicago, and New York, and possibly at other centers, if necessary. Similar auditions will be held later for additional classes of 15 each to begin in January and April of 1968.

Believed to be the first academy of its kind to be introduced by an American university, it will be directed by John Fernald and based on the plan so successfully evolved during his ten years as head of the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art of London. "I am looking for genuine acting talent—I cannot stress this too much," Fernald said in announcing plans for the Academy. "A good education is desirable, some acting experience may be valuable, but the real criterion is talent."

Application information may be obtained by writing to the Academy of Dramatic Art, Oakland University, Rochester, Michigan 48063.

The Alumni News

Issues of the Alumni News will now be published regularly three times a scholastic year, Fall, Winter, and Spring concurrent with the Oakland University trimester. Special issues may be published from time to time.

The personals you send in are of particular interest to your classmates and fellow alumni and help the University follow your progress. Photos, letters, personal notes, observations, suggestions, editorials are all welcome.

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