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Our Mission

The mission of the Great Lakes Colleges Association is to take actions that will help strengthen and preserve our colleges; and be a leading force on behalf of education in the tradition of the liberal arts and sciences. Rich in tradition, GLCA will continue to enhance our colleges by leading as new areas of opportunity and challenge emerge.

FEATURE ARTICLE

Evolving List of Top Academic Employers

The Collaborative on Academic Careers in Higher Education (COACHE), through its surveys and reports, has stressed the importance of having a wide variety of policies in order to attract and keep young faculty talent. COACHE insists that the variety of policies should not focus solely on pay and benefits.

In surveying junior professors about the various policies and attitudes at their college, the project continues to identify some well known liberal arts colleges and research universities as well as regional institutions that are finding ways that do not require huge endowments to keep young professors content.

Through surveys and research, COACHE has discovered that young faculty members are less interested in prestige and money. What the young faculty are interested in most include tenure practices over all, clarity of tenure process, reasonableness of tenure policies, overall effectiveness of policies, overall nature of work (teaching, research, and support services), work and family balance, compensation, climate and collegiality, and global satisfaction.

COACHE surveys are used by some of our colleges, and three were identified as exemplary:

Denison University showed exemplary in the following categories: reasonableness of tenure policies and nature of work in research.

Kenyon College showed exemplary in the following categories: tenure practices overall, clarity of tenure practices, overall effectiveness of policies, compensation, and climate and collegiality.

Wabash College showed exemplary in the following categories: reasonableness of tenure policies and climate and collegiality.

The number of participants in the survey is continuing to grow. Currently there are 100 institutions involved for the next iteration. Only four-year institutions are polled at this time but there is discussion on including community colleges in the future.

The entire list can be found at <http://www.insidehighered.com/news/2007/12/05/coache>

Call for Submissions

The deadline for submissions for the next issue of *The Beacon* is February 9, 2008. Please send submissions electronically as e-mail text or attachments to Charla White, Editor at white@glca.org. Submissions may be edited for length. Feedback and comments are always welcome.



GLCA Receives the 1st Annual Peoples Choice Best Nonprofit to Work For Award

Opportunity Knocks announced the winners of the 1st Annual Peoples Choice Best Nonprofit to Work for Awards. Winners were selected after nominations from employee essay submissions. National nominations were held November 15, 2007 through December 31, 2007. Individuals were told to submit a brief essay on why they consider their organization to be a great place to work.

Opportunity Knocks wants to recognize non-profit professionals and show appreciation to the organizations for providing quality work environments for the people in jobs that change the world. Opportunity Knocks believes that this award demonstrates how non-profit organizations not only make a difference in the community but have a positive impact on the lives of their employees.

A total of fifteen awards were granted based on three categories of operating budget size.

Congratulations!

Nomination Essay

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In addition to the promotion of liberal arts education, there is a unique comradely of employees. We are a small staff of nine and while we may sometimes don funny hats and go off to a public restaurant for lunch or we may share the loss or pain of a colleague, it is because we are a family that cares. We celebrate one another's accomplishments without jealousy. We do this because we are an outstanding staff and our leadership is such that any other behavior would be abnormal.

The twelve colleges that are within our consortium are like family as well. We feel their pain and celebrate their joys as if they were right here with us. We watch over these schools with love and affection.

My relocating here to Ann Arbor would have been traumatic except for the fact that I found a home here in GLCA complete with family that cares. I have struggled with many personal and professional issues and with the help of my co-workers (aka family) I would not have made it. GLCA has also enabled me to graduate. Not many employers would pay for tuition and allow time to take off work to go to school.

I have never dreaded coming into work and I know my colleagues feel the same way. What other company can boast this? Yes, GLCA is special.

Charla White

GREEN NEWS



Global Warming Solutions for America



Support of the green movement normally takes the form of construction, pledges, investments, etc. A national effort to promote environmental activism on campus will result in a 'teach-in' with professors at more than 1100 colleges discussing issues relating to global warming in their classes and/or take part in panels on January 31, 2008. Through the efforts of Focus The Nation, students and pro-

fessors on campus utilizing this innovative style of activism will focus on reaching and educating students who aren't aware of the depth of the problem of global warming. Eban Goodstein, Economics Professor at Lewis & Clark, is the mastermind behind this initiative and had this to say, "The function of a teach-in is that it's a statement by educators about what should be important to young people. By

Global Warming Solutions *continued*

building it into the regular class day, we're sending a strong signal that, hey, you should be paying attention to this."

Professors will modify their lectures, create short presentations or attend panel discussions. By eliminating evening rallies and focusing their class periods on global warming, more students are being reached and educated. Albion, Denison, DePauw, Hope, and Kalamazoo participated.

Focus the Nation broadcasted a live Web cast addressing climate change issues on January 30th.

Organizers of this event will provide faculty members with model lesson plans and panel topics that can be utilized in their lectures/presentations.

Topics chosen include: a seminar on green investing and lectures on limits on power plant carbon dioxide pollution. Colleges are planning a wide range of activities including sustainability fairs, alternative-energy demonstrations, poetry slam, art show, and more.

For more information: <http://www.insidehighered.com/news/2008/01/17/environment> or go to www.focusthenation.org

Kalamazoo Commits to Climate Neutral Campus

Kalamazoo College recently joined Albion, Antioch, Oberlin and 344 other colleges and universities as a signatory to the [American College & University Presidents Climate Commitment](#), a pledge by the institutions' leaders to sharply reduce and eventually eliminate their emissions that contribute to climate change. Kalamazoo College is the second college in the State of Michigan to sign the document. President Wilson-Oyelaran has established a campus wide committee, chaired by Director of Facilities Management Paul Manstrom, which will create a comprehensive institutional action plan to move towards climate neutrality. In addition, in the short term, the College will require ENERGY STAR certification for products purchased by the university, continue its participation in the Recyclemania Waste Minimization competition, and launch a campaign to reduce campus waste

currently going into landfills. These efforts build on ongoing commitments to sustainability, including the College's nationally recognized recycling program, the anticipated silver level LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification for the renovation of the College's student center, and the "[Farms to 'K'](#)," a program administered through the College's [Mary Jane Underwood Stryker Institute of Service-Learning](#). The program promotes local sustainable agriculture and the use of locally grown food in the College's food services operation, one beneficial effect of which is reduction in transportation emissions. For her work on this program, Kalamazoo College student Holly Anderson was one of five students in the United States to receive the 2007 Howard R. Swearer Student Humanitarian Award.

Study of Environmental Issues at Hope

Hope students can make the study of environmental issues a formal part of their degree program through two different interdisciplinary minors. Offered for about ten years, the college's environmental science minor is designed for science students, and correspondingly has an intense science emphasis and requires a major in one of the natural or physical sciences. Established more recently, the environmental studies minor is open to all students but geared especially toward those not majoring in the natural or physical sciences, and includes a mix of courses from departments

including English and Religion as well as general education mathematics and science, and interdisciplinary studies programs. Institutional efforts geared toward sustainability emphasize energy conservation and recycling, and include installing heat recovery on new buildings, recycling programs for offices, and student residences alike, changing to more energy-efficient light bulbs, and reducing the college's use of paper through a centralized effort to use electronic technologies more extensively.

Websites that offer advice and tips for "going green":

The Green Guide:
www.thegreenguide.com

The Daily Green:
www.thedailygreen.com

Students for Sustainability at Wabash

Wabash courses cover sustainability topics such as environmental awareness and responsible global citizenship within the regular curriculum. A student driven organization, "Students for Sustainability," leads all on-

campus efforts and solicits scholars and activists in the field to come to campus. There are efforts underway in the college-wide strategic planning that will speak directly to sustainability.

Wooster's Commitment to Sustainability

First-year President Grant Cornwell drives a motor scooter to work just about any day the weather allows. But the efforts to make Wooster a green campus run much deeper than that. The Environmental Task Force is in the process of gathering information, forming subcommittees to study options and initiatives, and developing plans to ensure that environmental issues will be considered in new building and renovation plans. It is a collaborative effort with considerable involvement by Wooster students,

who are placing an emphasis on local foods, recycling, and the reduction of energy use. Some of the early efforts have come from the hospitality services division, which has replaced many of the disposable goods with containers that are both biodegradable and compostable. The campus is also using bio-diesel fuel made from waste vegetable oil, and efforts are underway to establish a bio-diesel fueling station on campus.

NEWS ABOUT GLCA MEMBER SCHOOLS

Albion Senior Named George J. Mitchell Fellow



Catherine Fontana

Catherine Fontana, a senior majoring in Biology and English at Albion College, was recently selected as a George J. Mitchell Fellow, an honor known as the "Irish Rhodes." She will pursue an environmental science master's degree at Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland next year. Fontana has participated in environmentally-focused research and internships in Germany (with a multinational marine biology study), at Walden Pond in Massachusetts (with the U.S. Geological Survey), and in Seattle (as a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency research fellow). She simultaneously served as president of the Michigan Federation of College Democrats and of Albion's Student Senate. As a senior, she holds a leadership role

with the national College Democrats of America Women's Caucus. A member of the College's marching band, Fontana has also headed a variety of campus projects, including a children's book drive, and she helped lead Albion's inaugural Recyclemania national competition effort.

This past summer, Albion senior Catherine Game was named a Morris K. Udall Scholar, in recognition of her efforts in establishing the College's Environment House and leading an environmental awareness program on campus that was funded by a \$10,000 grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. She is majoring in biology and visual arts.

Antioch's Glen Helen Summer Honors Institute Awarded Grant 2008

The Glen Helen Summer Honors Institute Awarded Grant for 2008 is a highly competitive grant given to fourteen students in the state of Ohio. Rising 10th and 11th grad students will spend two weeks studying the environment in Antioch College's beautiful Glen Helen nature preserve.

"The Glen Helen Summer Honors Institute is one of finest in the state for providing an in-depth, authentic experience. Glen Helen does a great job integrating different perspectives where kids are immersed in the scientific and social aspects of the environment and it all happens in a setting that is really unique, "

Antioch's Glen Helen Summer Honors Institute *continued*

said Rosemary Pearson of the Ohio Department of Education's Gifted Services.

The Ohio Summer Honors Institutes are academic summer programs for gifted students funded by the Ohio Department of Education (ODE). The program's purpose is to provide in-depth study of challenging topics, to provide opportunities for exploring education and career options and to provide opportunities for interaction with gifted peers.

For decades Glen Helen's Outdoor Education Program has allowed primary school students to experience environmental concepts first hand.

In a highly competitive process, grants are submitted to the Ohio Department of Education where gifted teachers and professional readers select proposals for 14 sites across the

state of Ohio. Officials from the ODE say that they receive more applicants than they can ever serve.

The Antioch grant award this year will be for \$44,895. The Summer Honors Institute serves 30 students for two weeks.

Glen Helen naturalists, joined by Antioch faculty members and community members who are working in the field of environmental studies cover topics like environmental restoration and environmental problem-solving, policy, land management, geology, alternative agriculture and population connection.

The 2008 Ohio Summer Honors Institute is a joint project of the Antioch College Glen Helen Ecology Institute and Antioch College with funding provided by the Ohio Department of Education.

"I like meeting the professors, experiencing classes that I cannot take at my school, going outside, and gaining hands-on scientific experience in the environment--that will help us make a difference in our changing world."

from a Summer Honors Institute student

Denison Receives the "Dream in Action Award"

Denison University was awarded the Dream in Action Award. The recipient of this new award exemplifies the best in the philosophies of nonviolence and social justice through acts of compassion and understanding. Dr. King stated that, "A basic fact that characterizes nonviolence is that it does not seek to defeat or humiliate the opponent but to win his friend-

ship and understanding."

After allegations of racial bigotry caused controversy and tension on the campus, the Denison family united together to promote understanding, racial unity and the appreciation of diversity.

Earlham Takes First Place in Scientific Computing

A team of four Earlham College undergraduates won first place in the Scientific Computing Program contest for students during the Education Program at SC07 known as one of the world's largest supercomputing conferences which was held in November, in Reno, Nevada.

Earlham, the only liberal arts college in the student competition, was represented by Andrew Fitz Gibbon, Nate Smith, Brad Johnson-Stahlhut and Bryan Purcell.

Participants had nine hours to solve nine real world problems. Teams were gathered in one

room for the competition, and each team could divide the work among its members. Most of the problems required participants to write entirely new programs while others asked for analysis of existing programs. Teams had to be able to apply computational science programming skills to problems in other disciplines.

Earlham's team was selected as the winner because it was judged to have made the best progress on more of the problems than the other competitors.



Andrew Fitz Gibbon, Nate Smith, Brad Johnson-Stahlhut and Bryan Purcell

Hope Selected by Howard Hughes Medical Institute

Hope College was selected by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) to implement a new genomics course that will involve incoming freshmen in cutting-edge research during their first semester in college. Hope was selected from a dozen colleges and universities national wide and was the only institution in Michigan.

The research-based, year-long laboratory course has been designed to provide beginning

college students with a true research experience that will teach them how to approach scientific problems creatively and hopefully solidify their interest in a career in science.

The program is a new initiative intended to help shape science education nationwide. HHMI is committing a total of \$4 million overall over the first four years of the program, including the support given to all the individual colleges and universities.

Kenyon Recognized as Top Fulbright Fellowship Producer

For the fourth consecutive year, Kenyon has been recognized as a top producer of the winners of the J. William Fulbright Fellowship among small liberal arts colleges. Fulbright grant winners spend a year abroad to undertake self-designed programs that foster global outreach and international understanding.

Kenyon's 2008 Fulbright Fellows: Willow Belden, Rose Calnin, Kimberly Ziegler, Anna Zimmermann, Katharine Bente, Rebecca Dash, Andres Millan, Lauren Ostberg, and Charlotte Nugent who later declined the award.

Kalamazoo Oldest Institution of Higher Learning in Michigan

Happy Birthday, Kalamazoo College! On April 22, 1833, the College was chartered by the state of Michigan, making it the oldest institution of higher learning in the state. But it'll take more than one day to celebrate all that's transpired from that historic moment. Besides, 2008 marks another significant anniversary: 50 years of study abroad at Kalamazoo. Starting with a very special Founders Convocation on April 24, Kalamazoo is preparing for some serious fun with a serious purpose: to connect students, faculty, staff (past and present), friends, and townspeople more deeply to the history and values of Kalamazoo College. At the Founders Convocation students will make music, distinguished faculty and alumni will speak, and College pioneers will be honored. On Saturday, May 17, students, faculty, staff, and interested alumni will help mark the College's birthday with a gift to the community that their campus has called home since 1833. On a day dubbed "A

Day of Gracious Giving," More than 1,000 Kalamazoo students, staff, faculty and alumni are expected to fan out through the community to perform acts of service. Commencement weekend (June 14-15) will feature more anniversary events, including the publication of a comprehensive history of the institution written by alumna and trustee emeritus Marlene Crandell Francis '58. Homecoming events in fall 2008 will focus on the 50th anniversary of study abroad at "K" and include panel discussions, various country program reunions, and memorabilia displays. An interactive history website will be unveiled in April and is expected to grow throughout the year and beyond. It will contain a timeline of the College's history, a library of digital images and theme pages (athletics, faculty, student life, and more), and a place for alumni to share their memories and pictures with the entire College community. It's a special year at a special place.



Kalamazoo College

Wooster Professor Discovery Could Save Environment

A collision between a supertanker and a barge off the coast of South Korea sent 65,000 barrels of thick, pungent crude oil gushing into the ocean last week in that country's largest-

ever environmental calamity. Approximately 2,200 troops, police and volunteers gathered to assist with the clean-up which is expected to cost millions. Thanks to a discovery made by

Wooster Professor Discovery Could Save Environment *continued*

Wooster's Paul Edmiston such disasters could be easier to clean up and control. Edmiston who is in the process of refining an explosive sensor he created that will aid in the war on terror, is currently testing a new substance that could restore the environment after catastrophic spills like the one in South Korea.

The substance, an absorbent material that is capable of neutralizing the effects of toxic liquid spills, whether in bodies of water or on dry land, resembles shavings of ground glass that swells to more than five times its size as it surrounds and "swallows up" various liquids. What makes the substance especially attractive is its resistance to water and the fact that it will not dissolve or swell in water, the substance is able to immobilize the contaminant and separate it from the water, which makes for easy extraction of what becomes a semi-

solid material. Once the material is removed, the water left behind is fresh and clean. The substance can also release the eradicated liquid and return to its original form so that it can be used again for another clean-up effort – a feature that further benefits the environment.

Applications for Edmiston's swellable glass are numerous – it will work against the type of spill in South Korea, toxic spills on dry land, and can be used to remove noxious vapors from the air. The ultimate irony is that it was discovered quite by accident. One of Edmiston's former students, Colleen Burkett, was experimenting with different materials to absorb TNT while working with his explosive sensor when she discovered the absorption properties of the new substance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ohio Wesleyan Names Rockwell "Rock" Jones as President

Rockwell "Rock" Jones, Ph.D., executive vice president and dean of advancement at Hendrix College in Conway, Arkansas, has been elected as Ohio Wesleyan's 16th president. Jones, 49, will assume the Ohio Wesleyan presidency in July 2008.



Rockwell "Rock" Jones

"I am humbled and deeply gratified to be selected to serve as president of Ohio Wesleyan University," said Jones, who has worked at Hendrix College since 1995. "OWU is blessed by a rich heritage as one of the nation's premier liberal arts institutions and has an extraordinary opportunity to build on that heritage. It was clear to me during my recent campus visit that everyone associated with OWU, including trustees, faculty, staff, students, and alumni, has great affection for the university. I am particularly impressed by the universal commitment of the OWU community to the mission of transforming the lives of students through an educational experience that touches every aspect of students' lives. Melissa and I look forward to becoming a part of the OWU family and to working with the entire univer-

sity community toward its continuing advancement."

At Hendrix, Jones has served as executive vice president and dean of advancement since 2001. In that role, he spearheaded a comprehensive campaign to reposition the college as a leader in engaged liberal arts education. The campaign included both visibility and capital components. In addition, Jones provided leadership in strategic planning efforts, taught in the college's Explorations program, and served on numerous faculty committees.

His previous responsibilities at Hendrix included serving as vice president for enrollment and dean of admission and financial aid (1996-2001), interim vice president for student affairs (1998-99), and chaplain (1995). Jones holds a Ph. D. in educational administration from the University of Texas-Austin, a master of divinity magna cum laude from the Divinity School at Duke University, and a bachelor of arts with honors from Hendrix, where he was

Ohio Wesleyan Names Rockwell “Rock” Jones as President continued

the first recipient of the college's President's Medal, now presented annually to the student who best exemplifies the school's highest ideals.

In the local community, Jones has served as chair of the board of United Way of Faulkner County and serves on the board of directors of the Arkansas Repertory Theatre in Little Rock.

Michael G. Long, chair of Ohio Wesleyan's presidential search committee, said the committee was pleased with the level of national interest in leading the university and the caliber of the candidates.

"The search committee – comprised of faculty, students, trustees, alumni, and Interim President David Robbins – reviewed materials from an unusually large and strong pool of candidates, nine of whom we interviewed off-campus in November and three of whom visited Ohio Wesleyan this month," said Long.

"Even as the committee found much to praise in all of our semi-finalists and finalists," Long concluded, "it was clear to each of us, to the board, and to the members of the campus community who met Rock, that he is absolutely the right person to lead Ohio Wesleyan to the next level of excellence."

Call for Papers: 2008 GLCA Conference Transnational Feminisms

Transnational Dialogues: De-centering the Academic Debate on Global Feminisms, September 26-28, 2008 at Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio

The internationalization of local feminisms has significantly impacted how, in recent years, research agendas are structured in the U.S. and elsewhere. Feminists from all over the globe are addressing how globalization brings about new forms of gender inequality that, in many cases, are rooted in older histories of colonialism and racism. These transnational approaches move across national boundaries to assess political, economical, and cultural shifts affecting women's lives, and emphasize connections without necessarily creating similarities. Within the U.S., feminists of color who had experienced first hand race and class biases were the first ones to create a network that included new social movements and transnational alliances. The exclusion that women of color from different racial, ethnic, physical, national, or sexual identities experienced created the conditions that generated novel coalitional movements.

Academic debates have tended to ignore other overarching issues that have produced their internationalization. Local feminisms went global during the 1990s, and produced contentious debates over the goals and strategies of

feminist politics. These transnational dialogues resist essentialism and universalism and propose theories and methods that go beyond the exclusive focus on gender to make visible other forms of oppression where issues of race, class, culture, and sexual orientation intersect.

This conference seeks to engage scholars from various areas of the globe in a dialogue to challenge exclusions and omissions of these debates in mainstream academia and college curricula. Papers, panels, and workshops may be on, but are not limited to, any of the following topics:

Theories, Methods and Challenges of Transnational Feminisms

The Politics of the Global / Local Dynamic in Women's Literary and / or Artistic Productions

Feminist Geographies and Transnational Flows: Globalization, Immigration, and Displacement

Politics of Sexualities

Women's Movements, State Building, and the Growth of Civil Society

Community Building through Technology

Building Academic Alliances Within and Beyond Women's and Gender Studies Programs

**Call for Papers: 2008 GLCA Conference Transnational Feminisms
*continued***

All individual papers should be limited to 20 minutes reading time. Proposals for panel discussion and teaching workshops will receive priority. Papers in languages other than English will be considered. Selected proceedings will be considered for publication.

Undergraduate research (papers or poster sessions) is encouraged, faculty approval of final

paper is required to assure students' participation. **Students must submit an abstract by Feb. 29 and paper by May 30th.**

Send a one-page abstract (300 words) submission by February 29, 2008 to:

Prof. Clara Román-Odio (romanodioc@kenyon.edu) and Prof. Marta Sierra (sierram@kenyon.edu)

GLCA Faculty News

Faculty Recognitions

Albion—Vanessa McCaffrey, Chemistry, was recently named as a 2007-08 Fulbright grant recipient to conduct research in Florence.

Denison—Johanna Kieniewicz, Robert Malcuit, and Ronald Winters presented their research at the 119th annual meeting of the Geological Society of America held at the Colorado Convention Center in Philadelphia.

DePauw—James Beckel Jr., Music, wrote the 11 minute piece that will open the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra's pair of Classical Concerts entitled Fantasy after Schubert in celebration of its 75th Anniversary.

Two articles written by Tom Chiarella, creative writing, are among the "40 Film Journalism Must-Reads and Sees of 2009". The pieces in question are "Halle Berry's Date with a Perfect Stranger," which appeared in the May 2007 Esquire, and "The Sexiest Woman Alive IV Starring Charlize Theron as Herself," from Esquire's November edition. Chiarella is the magazine's fiction editor.

Mark Allan Jackson, English, was selected by Choice: *Current Reviews for Academic Libraries* magazine for its annual "Outstanding Academic Title" list.

Mitchell Merback, Art, wrote the introduction to and edited "Beyond the Yellow Badge: Anti-Judaism and Antisemitism in Medieval

and Early Modern Visual Culture" published by Leiden and Boston/Brill Academic Publishers.

Kerry Pannell, Economics & Management, and Pamela Propsom, Psychology, received the Exemplary Teaching award for 2007-08 given by the University and the General Board of Education of the United Methodist Church.

Kori Stoffregen, Kinesiology and Coach, received the Wartburg College's 2007 John Kurtz Alumni coach of the year award for guiding his team to 24 cross country and track conference championships.

Hope—Aaron Best, Biology, contributed article published in the September 28th issue of "Science."

John Cox, English, authored "Seeming Knowledge: Shakespeare and Skeptical Faith" published in the "Studies in Christianity and Literature" series of Baylor University Press of Waco, Texas.

Anne Larson, French, awarded the "Translation or Teaching Edition Award" for her exemplary bilingual edition which clearly elucidates the historical context in which early modern intellectuals and proto-feminists flourished.

Dianne Portfleet, English, authored "Walter



Faculty Recognitions *continued*

Hope—Dianne Portfleet, English, authored “Walter Wangerin, Jr.: Artist, Poet, and Prophet” published by Greenleaf-Wilcop Press, 2007.

The media section of the Richard and Helen DeVos Fieldhouse was named in the honor of Tom Renner, Public & Community Relations, and wife, Carol Renner, for the significant role they have played in the life of the college.

Kalamazoo—Hannah McKinney, Economics, appointed to chair the National League of Cities’ (NLC) CityFutures Panel on Equity and Opportunity in 2008.

Amy Elman, Political Science, authored *Sexual Equality in an Integrated Europe* published by Palgrave Macmillan Press.

Kenyon—Mo Hunsen, Chemistry, awarded the Henry Dreyfus Teacher-Scholar Award to help student collaborators work on green-chemistry research and travel to national conferences to present findings.

Lewis Hyde, English, received a fellowship award from the National Endowment for the Humanities for research.

Oberlin—David Orr, Environmental Studies, helps The Presidential Climate Action Project to send a message on global warming to the White House.

Ohio Wesleyan—Kristina Bogdanov, Cynthia Cetlin, Frank Hobbs, James Krehbiel, Justin

Kronewetter, Zane Pappas, Jonathon Quick, Leigh Rabby, and Crit Warren, Fine Arts, are Celebrating Creativity” with a multimedia exhibit through 2/3/08 at the Richard M. Ross Art Museum.

Wabash—Stephen H. Webb, authored *Dylan Redeemed: From Highway 61 to Saved*, published by Continuum International Publishing.

Wooster—Josephine Wright, Music and Black Studies, has been invited to present paper titled “U.S. Slave Narratives as an Authorial Source of Musical Biography for a Colonialized People” at the 9th Annual International Conference on “(Auto) biography as Musical Discourse” at the University of Arts in Belgrade in April.

In Memoriam ...

We say good-bye to some dear friends who were instrumental in the lives of students, faculty, friends, and their families.

Emeritus Dan Hanna, Music & Director of University Bands, DePauw University, 1923-2007.

Emeritus Agnes Beaudry, French, DePauw, 1933-2007.

Emeritus Russell Compton, Philosophy, DePauw, 1909-2007.

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GLCA Event Calendar 2007-2008

2/8-9/2008	Japan Study Advisory Committee	4/10-11/2008	President's Diversity Summit
		4/11/2008	Board of Directors
2/10-12/2008	Deans & Directors of Admissions Meeting		
3/5-7/2008	New York Arts Advisory Meeting		
3/7-8/2008	Oak Ridge Sciences Advisory Meeting		
3/14-15/2008	International and Off-Campus Education Committee (IOCEC) Meeting		
4/9/2008	Deans' Council		