Wayne College student assistants Yanni Frederick and Jackie Hunter ask, “Did you get your passport to the world at Wayne College’s International Festival January 30-31?” The event drew over 500 students and community members to campus. See story here, http://www.the-daily-record.com/local%20news/2013/01/31/traveling-around-the-world-while-in-orrville.modal. Look for the dates of next year’s festival to be announced in a future issue of Insight.
The Dean’s Notes

In September we came together to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the founding of Wayne College and to recognize the important role that many community members played in making Wayne College a reality in Orrville. The College was founded on the principles of community engagement and service to students. We remain committed to those founding principles and continue to seek new ways to support our community partners and to provide enhanced opportunities for our current and future students.

In response to requests from within the community and from our students, we continue to expand the curricular offerings available at Wayne College. This spring, we partnered with The University of Akron Department of Social Work to deliver third and fourth year social work courses to students at Wayne College who can now complete a Bachelor of Social Work entirely at Wayne College. In partnership with the UA College of Business Administration, we are laying the groundwork for students at Wayne College to be able to complete a Bachelor of Business Administration.

Also, in partnership with the UA College of Business Administration, the first cohort of students entered the Saturday Master of Business Administration program in the fall of 2011. In response to increasing community interest in this program, we are pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for admission to another cohort scheduled to begin in the fall 2013 semester.

Wayne College faculty and staff are dedicated to meeting the needs of our neighbors through classes and activities both within and outside of the classroom. We continually seek new and bold ideas that will drive our future. For Wayne College to remain vital and relevant, we must hear from you. How can we serve you today? How can we collaborate to help our community prepare for tomorrow? I look forward to our continued shared dialogue and engagement.

Dr. John Roncone is Midwest District College/University Health Teacher of Year 2012

The year is off to an exciting start for Wayne College’s Dr. John Roncone. Dr. Roncone, assistant professor and program coordinator, sport science & wellness education, was named 2012 Health Professional of the Year for Ohio and 2013 AAHPERD Midwest District Health College/University Teacher of the Year.

Granted by the American Alliance for Health and Physical Education (AAHPERD), the award recognizes significant contributions to the field of health education for the six-state Midwest district of Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and West Virginia.

Roncone says he is honored to be the recipient of this year’s award. “Representing the Midwest AAHPERD as Health Professional of the Year at the college/university level is truly a humbling experience,” he said. “When I look at the list of past recipients, it is an honor to be given such recognition and to be included with this talented group of health professionals. Serving as a health educator is who I am and what I love to do. I cannot think of any profession other than education that could give me such a truly rewarding experience. To share my knowledge with my students is very gratifying.”

Roncone earned his B.A. in Sports Administration from Mount Union College, 1994; his M.S. in Health Science from Slippery Rock University, 1995; and his Ph.D. in Health Education and Promotion from Kent State University in 2005. He has taught at The University of Akron Wayne College since 2002 (part-time) and began his full-time duties as assistant professor in 2009.
Bachelor of Arts in Social Work, Bachelor of Organizational Supervision, Saturday MBA. . .It’s All Here!

The year 2013 will be an historic one for Wayne College. Not only will the Bachelor of Arts in Social Work degree be offered at Wayne, but the first graduates of the Bachelor of Organizational Supervision program will earn their degrees at the end of the summer, as will the first students of the Wayne College Saturday MBA cohort! These exciting events are a result of the hard work of many employees at Wayne College and are, we believe, just the beginning of great things to come as more students earn their bachelor’s and master’s degrees here at Wayne!

Bachelor’s Degree in Social Work Coming to Wayne College!

The University of Akron is planning another Saturday MBA cohort! The program uses distance learning (DL) technology that enables students and professors to interact in real-time regardless of their location. Professors on the Akron campus teach classes to students in Akron and at the Wayne College campus simultaneously. The courses currently offered include Social Work Practice I, Social Work Practice I Skills Lab, Social Work Ethics, Human Behavior and Social Environment II, Social Policy Analysis for Social Workers, and Social Work in Health Services (DL).

Next Saturday MBA to begin Fall 2013 at Wayne and MCUC

The Saturday MBA program being held at The University of Akron Wayne College, in the final stretch of its two-year run, has been so successful that a new class is scheduled for fall semester 2013. An information session regarding the fall program is being held Monday, Feb. 25, from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

The Saturday MBA program is designed to fit the lifestyle of busy professionals, with classes held two Saturdays each month for six semesters. The program uses distance learning (DL) technology that allows students at two locations to participate simultaneously. Students receive instruction in person from the professor one Saturday each month and are instructed via DL on the other Saturday.

The classes are taught by professors of The University of Akron College of Business Administration, which is a nationally recognized school of business accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).

The current cohort of 24 students will earn their MBA degrees at the end of summer semester 2013, and The University of Akron is planning another program to begin this fall at Wayne College and UA’s Medina County University Center.

According to class member Scott Boyes, a major advantage of the program is convenience. Boyes, who is the Chief Financial Officer of Wooster Community Hospital, knew for years that he wanted to complete an MBA program, but finding the perfect fit was difficult. He looked at several different MBA options over the years, but none seemed ideal. He knew he wanted an in-class experience, so online programs weren’t an option, and his busy schedule didn’t allow for a traditional evening MBA program, which would be held two evenings per week over the course of several years. When Boyes saw a Wayne College advertisement promoting the Saturday MBA program in Orrville, he thought to himself, “If I’m ever going to do this, now is the time.”

Admission criteria for the Saturday MBA program include a 500 minimum GMAT score, a bachelor’s degree (in business or another area) with a minimum 3.0 GPA, and two years of professional work experience. Potential students or employers who would like more information about the program may contact Academic Adviser Wendy Cundiff at 330-684-8907 or wcundiff@uakron.edu. Additional information is also available at: uakron.edu/cba/cba-home/academic-programs/grad/saturday-mba.

FYI

Spring Enrollment: 2,290 students for 18,594 credits.

Registration for Summer classes begin Monday, March 4.

Class Schedule LINK: http://wayne.uakron.edu/courses/
**INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL**

**January 30**
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**January 31**
10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Live entertainment
Ethnic foods
Cultural displays
Free t-shirts and door prizes
Chair massages
Speakers
Workshops
Hands-on activities
Fashion show
Zumba

**Community Night Italian Dinner**
*January 31*
5-7 p.m.
All activities are in the Student Life Building. Open to the public, and free except when marked with an *

**Twenty-first Poetry, Prose & Acoustical Jam**

*Thursday, February 28*
7:30 p.m.
The Marketplace in the Student Life Building
Coffeehouse-style event for sharing readings and music
Free and open to the public.

**Jim Tressel**
Vice President of Strategic Engagement, The University of Akron

“Paradise is Where I Am”
*Thursday, March 7* • 7 p.m.
Student Life Building
Community Open House 6 p.m.
Tour the Wayne College campus, meet Zippy, and enjoy light refreshments before enjoying a motivational talk from one of college’s winningest coaches.
Free and open to the public.

**10th Annual Writers Workshop**

*Saturday, April 6*
8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Register by phone at 330-684-8985 by March 29 for $40 • after March 29 for $45
Keynote speaker: Tom Batiuk
author of “Funky Winkerbean”

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**Wayne County 2013 Career Expo**

Sponsored by the Wayne County Employment and Training Connection and the Wayne County Common Good, Inc., in partnership with The University of Akron Wayne College

*Friday, April 12*
10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Student Life Building

Free workshops for employers and job seekers, job fair exhibits and more.

For more information or to become an exhibitor, contact Employment and Training Connection at 330-264-5060

**Theresa Flores, LSW, MSed**

Human trafficking survivor, author, victim’s advocate and founder of S.O.A.P. (Save Our Adolescents from Prostitution)

*Tuesday, April 23*
7 p.m.
Auditorium, Main Building

**Administrative Professionals Day**

*Wednesday, April 24*
8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Student Life Building

*Julie Ann Sullivan*
Change Reveals Opportunity and Laugh Often...Live Well
Continental breakfast, buffet luncheon, vendor exhibits, door prizes
For more information or to register, visit our website at www.wayne.uakron.edu

**A Night of Jazz**

*Friday, May 17*
7 p.m.
Student Life Building

Seating is club-style at tables. Tickets $20.
Tickets available at Cashier’s window during regular business hours, or at the door.
Complimentary glass of wine and appetizers served.

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For more information on these events, call 1-800-221-8308, ext. 8729 or 330-684-8729, or visit our website at www.wayne.uakron.edu
The 10th annual Writers Workshop is being held on Saturday, April 6 from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at The University of Akron Wayne College. This year’s workshop allows writers and aspiring writers to meet published authors and participate in sessions with professionals in the field.

The program begins with a light breakfast followed by two 75-minute workshop sessions, a panel discussion by all of the presenters, lunch, the featured speaker, and then an awards presentation for regional and student writers, including the annual Writer of the Year award.

The featured speaker this year is Tom Batiuk, author of “Funky Winkerbean.” He created the well-known comic strip over 40 years ago, and in those four decades it has remained one of the most popular (and highly regarded) comic strips in America. Batiuk recently published “The Complete Funky Winkerbean Volume 1: 1972-74” presenting the first three years for Funky fans to relive the trials and tribulations of his cast of memorable characters. Batiuk was also a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for the work that portrayed character Lisa Moore’s battle with breast cancer, compiled in the book Lisa’s Story: The Other Shoe.

Other workshop presenters include award winning poet and Bluffton College professor Jeff Gundy and highly regarded Civil War historian and writer, Eric Wittenberg.

Registration is required; $40 before March 29/$45 after deadline and for walk-ins that day. To download the form go to http://wayne.uakron.edu/writers/workshop.dot or register by phone at 330-684-8985.

Ever wish there was a place in Orrville to eat, shop and enjoy the arts all under one roof? Well, surprise– it’s all right here...at the The University of Akron Wayne College! The Student Life Building is open to the public and has a Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Marketplace Café, and an art gallery! Plus, there’s a nice view of the lovely Phyllis Wiebe Garden right outside the windows. So please stop by, check it out, and let us know what you think- we look forward to visiting with you!

A bookstore- in Orrville? Yes, indeed! Barnes & Noble runs the college bookstore at the Wayne campus of The University of Akron and welcomes the community to the store, along with students. You will find a variety of University of Akron clothing and merchandise and plush animals such as Zippy! Besides textbooks, there is also a fine selection of sale books including cookbooks, novels and more. The Wayne Campus Bookstore is open Monday & Tuesday 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Wednesday & Thursday 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m.-3 p.m. when classes are in session. Please call us at 330-684-8920 during other times with any questions.

If you’re hungry and in Orrville, come on over to the Marketplace Café located in the Student Life Building of The University of Akron Wayne College! This is no regular little snack shop; at the Marketplace you can get an exceptionally varied menu. The Marketplace carries handmade sandwiches and wraps at the deli, hot soup changing daily, savory fresh baked pizza, salty golden pretzels and soft flavorful breadsticks, in addition to full hot meals (including wings, phoenix subs, hot Italian subs, meatloaf, chicken breast, and many others) and an assortment of handmade desserts! There truly is something for everyone! Come on in and find out! The Marketplace Café offers a hot breakfast item daily from 7:30-10 a.m. and lunch is served from 10:45 a.m. – 6 p.m., except on Fridays (closing time 1:00 p.m.) Plus, the “AVI Signature” selection is coming soon in the new deli area. “Come hungry…leave happy!!”
Wayne Warriors are ORC State Basketball Champions

On Sunday, the Wayne Warriors men’s basketball team finished a successful season the way they hoped they would- as Ohio Regional Campus state champions. With an overall season record of 18-17 the Warriors won the state championship for the first time since 1996, an accomplishment Coach Patrick Rufener knew the team was capable of.

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The Warriors, seeded fifth in the tournament, won over four-time tournament champion Miami Middletown by a score of 99-89 on Saturday and defeated The Ohio State University at Newark by a score of 89-72 on Sunday.

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Team members receiving tournament honors were ORC Tournament MVP, De’Shon Hudson from Akron East High School and all-tournament team, Rick Brewer, of Green High School.

Save the Date!
Wednesday, April 24
18th Annual Administrative Professionals Day
8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Breakfast, Lunch, Vendors, Prizes • Speaker – Julie Ann Sullivan

Julie Ann mesmerizes with her energy, enthusiasm, and insight. She has the unique gift of helping people realize their potential. Julie Ann will discuss the topic of Change Reveals Opportunity and will help you control how you react to change and discover ways to find its positive qualities. Ms. Sullivan will also present: Laugh Often…Live Well, where research has shown that laughter improves breathing which enhances attentiveness and creativity and reduces stress. And when people connect through laughter, it allows people to work together more efficiently and effectively.

Julie Ann is a “certified Laughter Leader”.

Network Security Professional Training Grant-funded by the Department of Labor
FREE INFORMATION MEETING
The University of Akron Wayne College’s Office of Continuing Education and Workforce Development has received funds as part of a Department of Labor H-1B Technical Skills Training Grant for the purpose of recruiting and training individuals as network security professionals. The grant is funded over four years with the goal of training 96 people and placing them with employers. Please join us Monday, March 4 at 6 p.m. in Wayne College’s Student Life Building for a FREE INFORMATION MEETING. You will be given details on funding for tuition, books and certification exam.

You can register online at www.wayne.uakron.edu/ce or call 330-684-8980.

The 18th annual Administrative Professionals Day Event will be held Wednesday, April 24, 2013, at The University of Akron Wayne College’s J.M. Smucker Co. Multipurpose Room in the Student Life Building. The program is a presentation of The University of Akron Wayne College Office of Continuing Education and Workforce Development.

The keynote speaker is Julie Ann Sullivan. Julie Ann has been engaging people with her workshops and presentations for more than 30 years. She speaks to educators, students and professional organizations about life’s journeys. Whether she is working with a group of teachers, a group of students, or a team of co-workers, Julie Ann mesmerizes with her energy, enthusiasm, and insight. She has the unique gift of helping people realize their potential. Julie Ann will discuss the topic of Change Reveals Opportunity and will help you control how you react to change and discover ways to find its positive qualities. Ms. Sullivan will also present: Laugh Often…Live Well, where research has shown that laughter improves breathing which enhances attentiveness and creativity and reduces stress. And when people connect through laughter, it allows people to work together more efficiently and effectively.

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Spring semester is in full swing here at the Holmes County Higher Education Center in Millersburg with a full menu of credit courses and noncredit offerings delivered both face to face and via Distance Learning (DL) technology. Expanded use of DL technology has enabled us to broaden our range of offerings by linking students in Millersburg to live classrooms at Wayne College in Orrville and UA Lakewood. While we have successfully doubled our DL offerings in the past year, we are working toward greatly expanding our distance learning capabilities with an eye toward tapping in to the nearly 500 credits of programming offered each semester by The University of Akron through its various locations. Creation of a dedicated Distance Learning Lab is an essential key in this process and we are presently working on plans and funding to make that lab a reality.

Each February for the past seven years we’ve filled the Center on a chilly “College Goal Sunday” afternoon with volunteers from Wayne College, Ashland University, the Holmes County Education Foundation, Hiland High School and West Holmes High School to help future college students and their families complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Following closely on the heels of that event is our Post-Secondary Enrollment Options Program Information Night where we invite students in the 9th, 10th and 11th grades, along with their parents, to the Center to learn about the opportunity to gain college credit while they are still in high school.

Six times throughout the year (twice in the spring) the Center acts as the only local testing site for the national ACT, the key college entrance exam. As a further service to area students, in July the Center will once again play host to an intensive, one-day “ACT Turbo Workshop”. The course, organized and underwritten by the Holmes County Education Foundation, is open to students in the Holmes County area seeking to improve upon their ACT scores, and is being offered at a very minimal cost. Students may elect to have the registration fee waived entirely by performing several hours of service within the community. Last year’s workshop was a quick sell out, so it’s important to register early!

Last summer, in pursuit of our day-to-day mission of fostering the concept of lifelong learning, we ramped up our non-credit, general interest offerings for both the adult student population as well as local children. “Summer at the Center” was a great success and will enable us to expand our summer offerings even further in 2013! Watch the Center’s website for details!

In addition to “traditional” coursework, special events like the ACT, College Goal Sunday and Summer at the Center are incredibly valuable to us in terms of showing folks exactly what we mean when we say that the Wayne College Holmes County Higher Education Center is “Your Community’s College.”

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**Coming to Wayne College**

**Smokin’ Joe Robinson**

2008 Winner

*Australia’s Got Talent*

March 16 at 8 p.m.

Auditorium – Main Classroom Building

Tickets available in the cashier’s office or charge by phone at 1-800-221-8308

Reserved seating

$15 Faculty/staff, general public

$5 Students with Zip Card

http://joerobinson.com/media/videos

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Jack Schantz

video

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VtUsFGt52n0

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INSIGHT
New Employees

The University of Akron Wayne College is pleased to announce the hiring of Julie Hartzler as the College’s new Disability Specialist and Service Coordinator. Julie will be assessing student eligibility for services, determining reasonable accommodations and coordinating services for students with accessibility needs.

Julie comes to Wayne from the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission’s Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation where she was a vocational rehabilitation counselor from July 2007 to January 2013. Julie also served as an adjunct faculty member for North Central State College in Mansfield from 2005 to 2012, where she taught basic social work classes, and at Goodwill Industries of Wayne and Holmes Counties (1999 to 2007), where she served as their WorkFirst training program specialist.

A licensed social worker, Julie graduated from Wayne College with an A.A.S. in Social Work. She then went on to earn her B.A. in Social Work from The University of Akron before completing her M.S. in Human Services from Capella University. Her degree concentration is in management of non-profit agencies.

Married to Al Hartzler, they have a daughter, Brittany, who attends Wayne College and a 7-year-old daughter, Brenna. Family hobbies include bowling, raising chickens and rabbits, and shoe shopping!

The Wayne College police force has a new face this spring. Brian Moore will be working the 3-11 p.m. shift at Wayne College and comes to us from main campus, where he had been employed since 1996. Brian began as a part-time student assistant, patrolling the Polsky building and was hired full time in March 1998. He served as a detective for four years and returned to patrol three years ago. Brian also has previous experience with the Beach City Police Department, NEOMED, Case Western Reserve University, and the Carroll County Sheriff’s Department.

Brian is married to Valerie, who is the day shift dispatcher on main campus. He is working towards his degree in criminal justice and enjoys traveling on his Harley, riding four wheelers, hunting and fishing.

Rebekka Reusser has recently joined the academic advising staff at The University of Akron Wayne College. Previously, Rebekka worked in the Office of International Programs at The University of Akron, where she advised all international undergraduate students who were not yet in their degree granting colleges. She also evaluated international transfer credit and the accreditation of international academic institutions. In addition, she was in charge of programming for the office and organized the international student orientations, International Education Week and various other cross-cultural programs.

Rebekka earned her M.A. in Political Science/International Politics from The George Washington University, her B.A. in Political Science with a minor in German from Gettysburg College, and spent her junior year studying abroad at the Goethe Institute at Prien am Chiemsee in Germany and the University of Vienna in Austria.

After graduating from Gettysburg College, Rebekka spent three years in Japan working for the Japanese Lutheran Church. She lived in Tokyo and Kumamoto, where she taught English at Kyushu Jogakuin Tandai, a junior college. Rebekka loves to travel both around the world and domestically. Rebekka now lives in Holmes County, and is enjoying both the shorter commute and the opportunity to learn more about Amish culture.

Wayne College thanks Dr. Jerry Obiekwe for recently creating an important scholarship for students. Read on to find out more about his story and tribute gift.

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Summer Classes
Summer Scholarships and more

Registration for summer 2013 courses will begin on Tuesday, March 5. Students can begin making appointments to see an academic advisor if they need assistance with their scheduling of courses. It is important that students schedule early so that they can get the courses that they need at the time that is most convenient for them.

For the first time Wayne College will be offering scholarships to students who are currently attending the University of Akron (UA) and plan to take at least 6 credits at the UA Wayne College Campus during the summer semester. The qualifications for the scholarship are to have a minimum college GPA of 3.0 at UA and have successfully completed at least one semester at UA. Also, the student must be enrolled at the University of Akron during the Spring 2013 semester to qualify. More information about the summer scholarship can be gathered through the Wayne College Student Services Center at 330-684-8900.

Wayne College will be offering various accelerated courses during the three-week intersession, May 20 through June 9. Information regarding the courses can be found at the college’s website at www.wayne.uakron.edu
The Noble Foundation Scholarship Expands with Noble Foundation Gift

The Noble Foundation recently gave a generous gift of $100,000 to the Wayne College Founders Scholarship. This will generate five more scholarships annually for Wayne County and Holmes County students. The Foundation is named in honor and memory of Donald and Alice Noble. Mr. Donald Noble was one of the 34 founding leaders of Wayne College. David Noble, president of the Foundation, hopes others will consider the Founders Scholarship as a way of helping local students achieve their higher education goals.

The Founders Scholarship distributes many awards every year of $1,000 to full-time students and $500 to part-time students. If you desire to also make a gift to the Wayne College Founders Scholarship, you may mail in your contribution or give online at http://wayne.uakron.edu/supportus/

Wayne College Founders Scholarship

Wayne College Founding Leaders
Titles as they appeared at the time of the founding of Wayne College

Dr. John Roncone


Conference Round-Up, The University of Akron Wayne College, “Step and Drink It Up!” Ohio College Health Association (OCHA) Mini-Grant Recipient Academic Year 2011-2012. Presentation to colleagues, hosted by Faculty Development Committee (FDC), Friday, October 19, 2012.

Awards
2013 Midwest District AAHPERD Health College/University Teacher of the Year Award. The American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (AAHPERD) – Midwest, represents one of six Districts within AAHPERD (Eastern, Central, Midwest, Southern, Southwest, and Northwest); AAHPERD Midwest District includes: Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and West Virginia. Health Professional of the Year Award for the State of Ohio for 2012, Ohio Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (OAHPERD), Awards and Honorary Life Committee of OAHPERD, December 6, 2012, the Greater Columbus Convention Center, Columbus, Ohio.

Amber Ferris

Appointed as Assistant Editor of the Ohio Journal of Communication.

Dr. John Kristofco
Over the past three months, Jack Kristofco has had new poetry accepted for publication in Blue Unicorn (Kensington, California), Ibbetson Street (Somerville, Massachusetts), Blueline (Potsdam, New York), Abbey (Columbus, Maryland), The California Quarterly (Orange, California), and Whirlwind (online). Undocumented Latino/a: Art Representing Life” (published in Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education, September 2012)

Gary Bays
Gary Bays and Kim Goudy presented “Wikis: Creative Spaces for Collaborative Learning” at the Ohio Association of Two-Year Colleges (OATYC) annual conference in Lorain, Ohio, on October 12, 2012.

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Honors, Presentations & Publications • October - January 2012

INSIGHT
According to student Andrew Ravelo, Wayne College is a great option for any student, regardless of where they currently live. Andrew should know, having moved from Oahu, Hawaii to Orrville in August to attend classes at the regional branch of The University of Akron.

An aspiring mechanical engineer, Andrew has big plans for his future, and believes Wayne College is the perfect starting point. Drawn to the excellent reputation of the engineering program at The University of Akron, Andrew decided that’s where he would pursue his undergraduate degree. Andrew hopes to eventually attend a top-ranking engineering graduate school such as MIT and states that an engineering degree from The University of Akron is viewed favorably by those schools.

Starting at Wayne College wasn’t part of Andrew’s initial plan, but his girlfriend, a junior in the UA nursing program, began her college education at Wayne and encouraged Andrew to do the same. The personal attention and affordability of Wayne College convinced Andrew to start at Wayne. Six months- and 4,500 miles later, he’s very happy with his decision.

“This school is an amazing place; I really love going here,” Andrew said. “The professors are approachable and it seems like they legitimately love whatever field they went into and want to pass that on. My hand is up once or twice during every lecture and they always help me because they want to.”

Approximately 30% of Wayne College students are adults and 27-year-old Andrew says his experience as a non-traditional student has been a good one.

“I know how important it is to have a solid education and not just obtain it, but maintain it,” he said. “It has taken a lot of time and growth to be where I am and it’s benefitted me educationally. I didn’t do this because anybody else wanted me to…I wanted to do it.”

Andrew, who has a Filipino father and an Anglo mother, has also lived in Michigan and Wyoming and enjoys traveling and experiencing different cultures. He notes that the Amish and Mennonite cultures are interesting aspects of Wayne County and that he especially enjoys visiting a Mennonite deli he frequents. Andrew believes respect is the key to enjoying other cultures, saying “If you respect whatever culture you’re in, you can find success and enjoyment.”

Also a student assistant at Wayne College, Andrew works 20 hours per week, splitting his time between the Business Office, Continuing Education and Workforce Development, and Athletics. Additionally, he’s carrying a 15-credit-hour course load for spring.

Andrew enjoys working with his hands and his mind, and says engineering is a marrying of the two. He hopes to someday own his own company, focusing on clean energy programs. He says, “We need to start investing now so future generations don’t pay.”

Summarizing his thoughts about giving up Hawaii for Orrville, Andrew says, “Do I miss being on the beach drinking out of a coconut? Yes, but with an education, I can buy a lot more coconuts!”

In the 1970s, some of my housewifely friends were taking courses at Orrville High School from Kent State University teachers in evening classes. James Rhodes was governor of Ohio and he regretted that he had to go to work rather than finish his education at Ohio State. He was a big supporter of the community college dream of making education available to all ages and all economic situations, and it was whispered around Orrville that a community college might be situated here.

Soon newspapers verified the whispers, and we learned that rather than Kent State, it would be The University of Akron who would be the parent institution, and that Orrville and Wadsworth were competing for the honor. There were dozens of committees and funding appeals, because each town would need to provide an acceptable location. Orrville was able to buy the Blatter airport northwest of town, and the campaign began to convince the state officials. My husband, Bruce Schantz, along with John Johnson, our State Representative joined hundreds of others and in the end, even after the community’s share of the cost of the campus was paid, there was enough residual money to fund substantial scholarships for students of Wayne General and Technical College.

Many friends who had begun their college programs with the Kent State courses at the high school finished their degrees, first at Wayne, and finally on the main campus. Orrville schools benefitted from many teachers who trained that way. Many stay-at-home mothers like me took courses that sharpened our wits and improved our French. But most importantly, as one parent said to my husband, “This is the only way my kids can get to college!”
Each of the technical degree programs has a technical advisory committee composed of representatives who have expertise in the skills and competencies needed in the discipline. Their role is to advise, assist, support, and advocate for the program. They also help to ensure the quality of program graduates by reviewing the relevancy of program outcomes.

**Wayne College Technical Programs Coordinators**

Lori Brinker
Computer & Business Technology
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Social Services Technology
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Shawn Waters
Paraprofessional Education Program
Douglas Woods
Business Management Technology
John Roncone
Exercise Science Technology

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Traveling Around the World in Orrville!

This year the community was invited for the first time to the annual International Festival at the College. Over 500 attendees enjoyed live music, dancing, food samples, and participating in the many interesting and engaging activities that were available in the Student Life Building. Read more about it in The Daily Record.

Beading workshops were conducted by Karmi James, who uses a variety of mediums, including seeds and other natural materials she accumulates internationally, to craft bracelets, necklaces, rings and other items.

HeartBEAT Afrika entertains guests with the help of Wayne College student Eric Tuuk on drums.

Students showcase outfits from around the world during the Fashion without Borders fashion show coordinated by Wayne College student Julie Yockey.

Artifacts and information for more than 15 countries around the world were featured at table displays such as the Mexico, Africa, and the Japan table staffed by student D’Aria Stewart.

United Way Effort a Success

Dr. Heather Howley and Dr. John Roncone led another successful United Way campaign at The University of Akron Wayne College in 2012, with the College receiving a Bronze Award from the Orrville Area United Way. To receive this award, an organization must achieve at least $12 per capita (FTE) giving. The College’s campaign raised a total of $2,970, which is $13.26 per capita. Thank you to all who participated!