



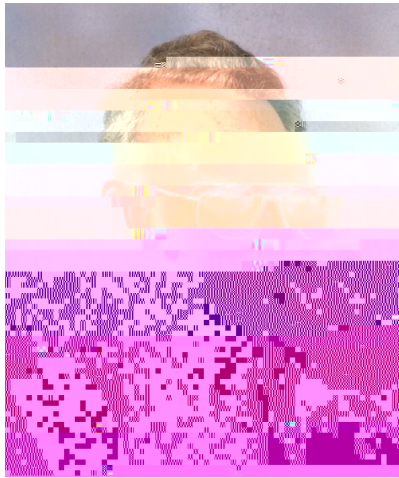
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She earned her BS in science and her MS in botany at Ohio University and her PhD in health education and adult education at Ohio State University. She also has a Master of Public Health degree from the University of Illinois, a Master of Business Administration degree from Illinois Benedictine College, a Master of Library and Information Science degree from the University of Illinois, a Business Faculty Development certificate from the University of Hawaii, and a certificate of advanced study from the American Graduate School of International Management (Thunderbird). She is also a certified health education specialist.

She has published articles on ethical issues in health administration. She is currently researching the Athens Mental Health Center from 1963 to 2006. Her research focuses on the impact of the center on the community and the university.



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A Message From The President
GEORGE WECKMAN

President McDavis should be praised and supported for promoting diversity in the student, faculty and staff of our university. For most of its history Ohio University has been mostly white and male. That reflected the character of our society during much of those two centuries. Of course there were plenty of native, African, and female Americans, but it was assumed in that time that men with northern European ethnicity, especially English or Scottish, would be the benevolent caretakers of the country and its institutions. I am not defending those assumptions, merely describing them.

Our nation is changing slowly but surely toward more diverse and thus representative leadership. Universities must participate in this change by educating the next generations of movers and shakers, promoters and inspired directors and deciders. These future leaders must not be as much white and male as has been the case historically. It is no repudiation of the Baker, Alden, Ping, or Glidden presidencies to be especially grateful for our current president and also our provost. As in national, state, and local government, men and women from many ethnicities and backgrounds will increasingly be the ones steering the ships of state, business, and academia.

GPS data collectors, and the cooperation of a diverse crew. As people who remember simpler days and paternalistic leadership, we know that things have changed. We may regret some losses that come with some changes, but we should try to adjust and affirm the benefits. Our world is better for its greater inclusiveness.

George

Notes on the Manasseh Cutler Scholars Program presented by Charles Ping at the March 15 Emeriti Luncheon.

The program grew out of a conversation between Will Konneker and Charles Ping in the late 1980s about the need to develop a privately funded merit scholarship program at Ohio University. Konneker began the funding of the program with scholarships for graduates of Greenville High School. The program was officially launched in 1990 with 6 scholars.

The program was modeled after the Morehead Scholarship Program at the University of North Carolina and the Rhodes Scholarship Program. From Morehead came a focus on undergraduates with structured summer experiences including before freshman year in Outward Bound, a service component at the end of the first year, a management internship at the end of second, and a cultural immersion the third. These are enrichment experiences. There are also weekly colloquia on important issues, such as the national debt.

From the Rhodes scholarship program came regional based selection with nominations from schools and counties as well as selection criteria: scholarship, integrity, leadership involvement, and physical vigor.

Two students from the program described their experiences. Sophomore Jackson Lavelle had his Outward Bound experience in Washington state with mountain climbing. His service project was in Peru helping build stoves. During winter break he was in Vietnam and in the spring he will be in the study abroad program in Toledo, Spain.

Graduate Matt Denhart had his Outward Bound experience in Alaska, volunteer project in Ghana working at an orphanage, management experience with Bose Technologies, and his cultural immersion in England.

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