2009-2010 Academic Affairs Omegas

Patricia F. Beilke
Patricia F. Beilke received her doctorate in Educational Leadership with an emphasis in Curriculum from Western Michigan University in 1974. Her Masters Degrees are in Librarianship and the Teaching of Literature and Language. She has a Librarianship Life Diploma from the California State Board of Education, plus the State of California Standard Supervision Credential in Library Services (All Grade).

Dr. Beilke came to Ball State University in the fall, 1978, from the School of Library Science at Emporia State University (Kansas) and eventually affiliated with the Department of Educational Studies. Since that time, Dr. Beilke has devoted her energies to recruitment, teaching, and program coordination of the Teaching Major in Library Media and Computer Education at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Over the years, she has expanded the offerings of the program to address the changing needs of information science and globalization and added courses in educational technology and multicultural education. Thanks to Dr. Beilke’s efforts, Ball State University can be rightfully proud of the production of leadership in the field of library media.

Dr. Beilke is an unselfish colleague who has gone out of her way to accommodate students and assist departmental colleagues. As she celebrates the culmination of her 32-year tenure with Ball State University, her legacy is apparent in schools and libraries throughout Indiana, where former students apply the lessons she has taught. In her retirement, Dr. Beilke plans to travel, spend time at her retreat in Pine Mountain, Georgia (gateway to the Callaway Gardens), and write poetry.

Barbara L. Bogue
Barb Bogue received her B.A. in English, with minors in French and Women’s Studies, from Indiana University at Indianapolis, in 1988. She went on to earn her M.F. A. in creative writing, with a specialty in fiction, from The Wichita State University in 1991. Her fields of specialization
include: fiction writing; community-based education in creative writing; crime fiction; and contemporary fiction by women.

Ms. Bogue has taught undergraduate and graduate level fiction writing classes in the English Department for 17 years. She started as a contract faculty member in 1993 and moved to a tenure line in 2002. She was tenured and promoted to Associate Professor in 2007. Her classroom teaching has been outstanding, and she has served as advisor for many Honors and M.A. theses.

Perhaps Ms. Bogue’s most outstanding achievement has been the designing and teaching of the annual “Creative Writing in the Community” immersive course that also produces the journal entitled *Writing Out of the Margins*. This course is a very innovative initiative and has been a wonderful experience for both the Ball State students and the community members participating. It has provided students an opportunity for civic engagement in writing the life experience stories of the elderly, disabled persons, and others in cooperation with local social service agencies such as Hillcroft Services, Inc., Big Brothers, Big Sisters, CrownPointe Communities, and Motivate Our Minds. Students gather anecdotes for stories in prose or poetry to be written in the “voice” of the community members from whom they gather the information. These original pieces of creative writing are then published in *Writing Out of the Margins*. Two of the resulting works by students have also been published in nationally distributed journals.

Finally, Ms. Bogue has more than 30 works of fiction, poetry and creative nonfiction published in numerous high quality literary journals and anthologies, plus a critical book (*James Lee Burke and the Soul of Dave Robichaux*; McFarland Publishers, Inc.) published in 2006, and numerous critical and creative presentations.

**Ronald G. Bullock**
Ron Bullock obtained his B.S. in Education at Ball State with a Major in English and minors in Mathematics and Chemistry in 1967. He taught at Storer Junior High and earned his Masters in English Education before joining the Burris faculty in 1974. Ron has been a long-term member of the middle school team at Burris. He has also served as the Middle School
Coordinator, Technology Coordinator, Learner Competencies Team Leader and many other positions within Burris.

Mr. Bullock has been a positive influence on his students, and on his fellow teachers at Burris who will remember and miss him for years to come. In recent course evaluations his middle school students have anonymously stated, “Mr. Bullock is AWESOME.” “He tells jokes often, and, unlike Mr. Carr, they are funny.” “It’s the best class of the day. If I’m having a bad day I know I can go into this classroom and come out happy.” “He is a great teacher, I will be sad to see him go, he is one of my favorite teachers I have ever had. Probably the best.” This is high praise from middle school students who often take education for granted.

His students and his many friends and colleagues at Burris will miss Ron.

**Ronald M. Cosby**

Dr. Ronald Cosby joined the Department of Physics and Astronomy at Ball State University in the fall of 1970. Over the past four decades, he has provided leadership in teaching, scholarship, and service that resulted in his being appointed the George and Frances Ball Distinguished Professor of Physics in 2005.

Dr. Cosby’s active research agenda has produced over 50 refereed journal articles and 140 refereed papers and presentations, spanning the range from applied solar energy research to computational nanoscience. He has received national and state grants to support research activities involving students and other faculty members. Ron was selected as a Summer Faculty Research Fellow at NASA and Atomic Energy Commission labs. He was the Principal Investigator on National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates and Teachers grants. He was a leader in the concept development and design of the Center of Energy Education, Research, and Service. Ron was co-principal investigator on a $1.5 million inter-institutional grant from the Indiana 21st Century Research and Technology Fund to establish the Center for Computational Nanoscience.
He was co-recipient of the Outstanding Faculty Research Award in 2005 for his sustained research activity over several decades.

Ron has been an innovator in the classroom as well. He has designed and taught undergraduate and graduate courses in general physics and in his evolving research areas, has developed and improved academic programs with active learning pedagogies, and has been an enthusiastic mentor for students working on individual research projects and master’s theses. He has high standards of performance, encourages students to do their best and is a strong advocate for the profession.

Ron has been an exemplary liaison between our department and area business and industrial leaders, working with the departments industrial advisory board and helping to create applied research opportunities for faculty and students that advance Indiana business. He has maintained strong ties with our alumni and has promoted collaborations between our faculty, students and alumni and community leaders. He has served the department, college, university and state well. We hope Ron will remain engaged in his retirement.

**Elaine M. Fisher**
Since 1984, Elaine has been leading the university’s community economic development outreach efforts providing services to communities, counties and regions throughout the state. Through her leadership of the Indiana Economic Development Academy, the Center for Economic and Community Development and now Building Better Communities, Elaine has assisted hundreds of Indiana cities, towns, county and regional economic development organizations, associations, commissions, non-profit organizations, and the state of Indiana. During her career, she has educated thousands of Indiana economic development volunteers and professionals through workshops, training programs, and the nationally accredited annual Indiana Economic Development Course held at Ball State each of the last twenty-six years. In addition, Elaine conducted an accredited Economic Development Course and an Executive Economic Development Institute in New Zealand.

Elaine has facilitated more than seventy community/economic development plans and projects throughout Indiana. She developed the Toolbox Guide
to Development Funds, an online database of all federal and state government grants and programs available to Indiana communities.

Throughout her career, Elaine has been an active member in and served on the Boards of Directors of the Indiana Economic Development Association, the Mid-American Economic Development Council, and the American Economic Development Council. She has spent the last decade leading training efforts for the Indiana Economic Development Association. Elaine has received numerous awards for her work including: The Excellence in Leadership Award by the Indiana Economic Development Association; The National Continuing Education Association Award for Excellence in Economic and Community Education; A commendation from Lt. Governor Joseph E. Kernan for her service to the Lt. Governor’s Job Council; The Distinguished Service Award as a member of the American Economic Development Council Board of Directors; The Excellence in Planning Award from the Indiana Chapter of the American Planning Association; and most recently, The Indiana Distinguished Hoosier Award presented by Governor Daniels.

Carol A. Flores

Since joining the faculty of Ball State University 13 years ago, Professor Carol Flores has exemplified the teacher-scholar model. Her students strongly praise her knowledge of architectural history, concern for student learning, and enthusiasm for teaching. In the words of one of her students: “Carol is never in cruise control, she is always focused; she is always there.”

Carol has an overwhelming passion for the world of ideas. That passion has taken her to produce work that has merited the use of words such as “masterpiece,” or “monumental work of high scholarship.” Her book, OWEN JONES: Design, Ornament, Architecture, and Theory in an Age in Transition, received the Henry-Russell Hitchcock Book Award for 2007 and was selected as one of the top ten books of 2006 by The Architects’ Journal in the United Kingdom.

Within her chosen discipline, she has been very influential as President of the Southeast Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians. In 2007 Dr. Flores received Ball State University’s Outstanding Faculty Award,
which recognizes exceptional achievements in teaching, research, and service.

In the words of her colleagues: Carol can exercise leadership based on pure enthusiasm, Carol is who you want to be when you grow up, and Carol will always be there.

**John P. Gee**
John P. Gee joined the Department of Art faculty in 1972 and has enjoyed a long and productive association with his colleagues. He has taught a wide range of classes over the past 37 years, but with constant focus in drawing and foundation. Primarily, John is a “studio drawer.” His artwork has been in over 200 exhibitions and his drawings are represented in various private and museum collections. John was the recipient of the College of Fine Arts Dean’s Teaching award and has served as both a presenter in, and Regional Coordinator of, the professional organization “Foundations in Art: Theory and Education” (F.A.T.E.) John Gee believes that in the classroom, more often than not, he has been the learner, a gift for which he will forever be indebted to his many students. He looks forward to Ball State’s continued successes and intends to remain a loyal and supportive alumnus. [requested another line or two from Prater]

**John J. Hill**
John Hill began his career at Ball State University in 1968 as a graduate assistant for Dean Robert Koenker in the Graduate School Office. In 1969 he was hired by Dean Koenker as an assistant to the Dean and served in that capacity until 1980.

In 1980, after Dean Koenker’s retirement, Dr. David Wheeler was named Dean of the Graduate School and John was promoted to Assistant Dean of the Graduate School and Director of Graduate Admissions. For the next 9 years, he served as Dean Wheeler's confidant and advisor to the Graduate Education Committee. He held this position until 1989.

From 1989-1995, John was named Director of the E. B. and Bertha C. Ball Center for University and Community Programs. While there, he was
instrumental in forming the *Association of Lifelong Learners* which continues today after 18 years. This organization explores such topics as history, current events, world religions, and other issues of importance to its members.

During the years of 1995 – 2006, he held the position of Director of Off-Campus Education Programs for Teachers College and the School of Extended Education. From 1995 through 2000, he also represented the Indiana Academy for Science, Mathematics and Humanities as their outreach representative promoting distance education opportunities through IHETS. In addition, John served as academic advisor for Master's Programs for the departments of Educational Leadership and Special Education.

For the past three years, John has served as the Director of the College Transition Program offering dual-credit opportunities to college bound high school juniors and seniors. He also continued to serve as academic advisor for master's programs from the departments of Educational Leadership and Special Education.

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**Judy A. Lane**

Judy Lane, who holds a Bachelor’s Degree from Western Michigan and a Masters’ from Washington State, came to Ball State in 1984 from stints as a counselor and teacher in German and England. She has served Ball State University at WIPB, as an instructor, managing editor and Associate Director of the Center for Business and Economic Research.

As an adjunct professor, she’s published five scholarly papers, taught dozens of classes at Ball state winning four consecutive college-wide “Excellence in Teaching Awards.” She was named by Ball State’s Alumni Association as one of the “Professors Who Changed Our Lives.”
As Managing Editor of the *American Journal of Business*, Judy has nurtured a fledgling publication from its creation to become a “Commendable Journal” through Cabell’s. As the journal’s only managing editor, Judy has worked with 53 members of the Journal’s editorial board and five different editors in chief. She has overseen the publication of 325 articles (the journal has an acceptance rate of 23 percent, so roughly 1,400 papers have passed through her hands). She’s pulled together 36 executive viewpoint articles, 29 dean’s forum articles and dozens of book reviews. The *American Journal of Business* is about to publish Vol. 25 No. 1. She has seen 48 Journals in print, the 49th on its way.

Most critically though has been Judy’s work in the Center for Business and Economic Research where she has worked since 1987, rising to the Associate Director position in 1999. She is personally responsible for creating a culture of ‘easy professionalism’ at the Center, and has overseen hundreds of thousands of dollars of contract research. She was personally responsible for four national publications award the Center received in 2008 and 2009.

In the community Judy has served on the executive board of the Delaware County United Way, as a campaign captain with the Ball Memorial Hospital Foundation, a loaned executive with the United Way, the national mission director at 1st Presbyterian and many other positions. She has been active in fundraising campaigns for the arts and been instrumental in the United Way’s annual campaign here in Delaware County.

**James F. McKenzie**

Jim earned his BS and MEd from Bowling Green State University, his PhD from The Ohio State University, and a MPH from the University of Michigan. He is concluding his 21st year as a Professor in the Department of Physiology and Health Science. For the first seven years, Jim also served as the department chairperson. Prior to working at BSU, he also served on the faculties and held administrative positions at Mankato State University and at Bowling Green State University. Before that, he taught health education in a junior high school. While teaching in the junior high school, and for several years at BGSU, he served as an assistant baseball coach. At BSU he has taught courses in health promotion program
planning, community health, and patient education. He has also taught for
the Honors College and, this semester, is leading a Building Better
Communities immersive learning course. He has also served as a
consultant for several different organizations and is currently working with
the Indiana State Department of Health and the Ball Memorial Hospital
Family Medicine Residency program. In 2005, he was recognized as the
Outstanding Faculty of the Year at Ball State University.

Jim has authored or co-authored 50 articles and book chapters and has
been the recipient of over $3 million in external grants and contracts. He
has co-authored four textbooks and serves as a reviewer on seven health-
related journals.

During his professional career, Jim has provided service to a number of
organizations. Currently, he is a member of the Tobacco Free Coalition of
Delaware County, co-chair of the program approval committee for
undergraduate community health education programs, and he is the
coordinator of the board that creates the Certified Health Education
Specialists exam. On campus he has served on a number of committees
and has been an advocate for the smoke free campus and the employee
health promotion program Working Well.

**Sally A. Myers**

Since shortly after Sally Myers arrived at Ball State, she has been the
coordinator for the AED 200 Understanding Art program, which is a hands-
on art appreciation class for non-art majors. Over the past twenty years,
her role has been to act as a catalyst to open the world of art and art
making to thousands of students who might otherwise have never known
anything about art. Because many of these students are elementary
education majors, their knowing about art and art making also opens up
the possibility that many of these students might include art in their future
teaching careers. In this way, Sally Myers has been helping to raise a
generation (or rather many generations) of children who both know more
and care more about art. In addition to her classroom work, Sally has
made presentations at many national conferences, is the author of many
articles on art education, and is a sculptor who works in clay and steel.
Her work has been shown all over the United States in national juried and
invited exhibitions and she has been awarded many prizes for her art work.
Most recently she organized and curated the “Reuse, Reclaim, Renew” exhibition in the Atrium Gallery which included “Reuse, Reclaim, Renew Billboard Project,” resulting in the series of art-billboards that are still on display in places around Muncie.

**James R. Needham**

Jim Needham is an Assistant Professor and for years served as Primary Departmental Advisor for the Department of Telecommunications. His background is primarily in TV Production and in management. His research interest has been the physiological aspects of media audience behaviors. He is a former radio announcer, TV producer, documentary producer/director, Community Affairs Director, Talk Show host, and TV Station General Manager. His favorite project was the development of the "Joy of Painting" Program with Bob Ross, still seen on most public television stations in the U.S. and in 26 foreign countries, despite Ross’ death in 1995.

Jim came to Ball State in May 1976 as the GM of WIPB-TV and since that time has taken an active interest in the Muncie community. Jim is known for his volunteer efforts raising funds and donating time to numerous organizations from his church group to the Harvest Food drives.

He left WIPB and took on a tenured teaching position in the Department of Telecommunications. During that time he has developed a “large” following of alumni and in particular a wide variety of students from other countries who have stayed at the Needham residence with wife Linda and him as their guests. The College has also honored Jim for work with his students and the community with the 2000 and 2009 CCIM Social Responsibility Award and the 2008 Community Connections Award.

Both Linda and Jim have endowed a scholarship in the Needham name and the first recipients were awarded their scholarships in 2009.

**Robert R. Pinger**

Dr. Pinger arrived at Ball State in August 1977 from his position as a research scientist in the Brazilian Amazon. At that time, the Public Health
Entomology Lab and his office were located in the basement of the old science building, now known as the Burkhardt Building. It was dark and foreboding, and one had to stoop under wires and duct work to get into the office. Only the most daring or desperate students would visit uninvited. “I was the only scientist remaining in the entire building.” The Lab was eventually moved to the Cooper Science Building in 1984.

Bob notes that “One of the things I have enjoyed most about Ball State has been the variety of my teaching assignments over the years. I have taught more than a dozen undergraduate and graduate level courses. I have also taught in Korea for a semester, taken students on the Far East Asia Study Program, and served as Director of the London Centre program.”

“Throughout my career at Ball State, I have enjoyed strong support from my departmental colleagues, and those at the college and university levels. I especially appreciate the support of those in the Sponsored Programs Office and in Contracts and Grants.”

During his 33 years at Ball State, Bob has coauthored two textbooks and authored or coauthored 23 peer-reviewed, scientific articles. He has been awarded more than $1 million in research funding including grants from the Indiana State Department of Health, the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, the National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health. He has directed or supported the research of many graduate and undergraduate students, encouraging them to apply for research grants of their own. In 1987 Bob received Ball State’s Outstanding Researcher Award.

Thomas A. Ray
Dr. Tom Ray graduated from Ball State in 1946 with a bachelor’s degree in education. He taught high school until 1950. Tom then served as an associate professor of music at Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell, South Dakota until 1957. In 1959, Tom returned to Ball State as an academic advisor. He served in that capacity for five years and then spent the next six years as an assistant to then-provost Richard Burkhardt. In this position, Tom was responsible for the preparation of the university catalog and course schedules.
In 1970, Dr. Ray joined the staff in the School of Extended Education where he held various job responsibilities. Those included serving as director of contracts, the university’s summer program, and marketing extended education programs. For the past few years, Tom has been an instructor in the Correctional Education Program teaching a variety of courses in Psychology. He is a licensed pilot and was a member of the Muncie Symphony.

Tom was a recipient of the Sagamore of the Wabash from Governor Evan Bayh in 1996 and was given the Lefler Award in 1962 for outstanding church layman. Dr. Ray was published in Who’s Who in American Poetry in 2004 for one of his many poems, “The Front Porch Swing.” Tom plans to continue teaching psychology courses, on a part-time basis, in the correctional education program after retirement.

Sandra L. Rector
Sandy Rector began at Burris as a special education resource teacher in 1974. She transferred to the BSU Math Department in 1988 where she was recognized as Outstanding Teaching Professor for the 1995-96 academic year. In 1997, Sandy returned to Burris as a middle school instructor of mathematics, a position that she has held since that time. Sandy has influenced thousands of young people and helped them become successful higher level mathematicians. Some middle school math programs are based on Chicago Math, others use Singapore Math, at Burris for the past 35 we have used Rector Math, a hands-on, critical thinking and problem solving approach that enables students not only to do math, but to understand mathematical concepts and thinking. Ms. Rector has had an impact on the school as a whole. Her colleagues have embraced the problem solving and critical thinking approaches she modeled over the years.

Sandy is very kind hearted. In the past few years she began involving middle school students in service projects in the community. I am sure she will continue and even expand her service contributions. Hopefully, she will continue to invite young people to join her in worthwhile community service projects.
**Jolena A. Sutherland**

Jolena Sutherland joined the Burris faculty in 1975. She has been a contributor to the growth of many elementary and university students and to the growth and development of Burris Laboratory school. Her first principal wrote on a recommendation written in 1972, “As she gains, she should be a successful leader in the field of education.” This prediction came true as Jolena was employed at Burris Laboratory School as a teacher and role model for university students. A university instructor who supervised BSU students conducting practicum teaching experiences in Jolena’s class wrote, “The students had a very productive and worthwhile experience working with you and the children in your room.”

Over the years, other students have written “Mrs. Sutherland was a good listener...taught me the value of an open mind....she is a positive and wonderful person...she served as a model that helped me earn about teaching.... This experience has removed some of my fears about teaching and now I am ready for the next step.”

Jolena has been a friend to her colleagues and an instructional leader who assured growth in each and every student in her classroom. Jolena was formerly known as not only an excellent teacher and role model, but was somewhat of a globetrotter. Hopefully she will again find the time to travel, relax and reflect on an outstanding career.

**Marilyn Weaver**

For those who have worked with Marilyn Weaver during her 33 years at Ball State University, she has been more than a teacher or colleague--she has been a visionary, a mentor, and a friend. A Ball State alumna, Marilyn spent 12 years teaching journalism at the high school level before returning to her alma mater in 1977.

In 1996, Marilyn was appointed chair of the Department of Journalism, and, under her stewardship, the program has become one of the most acclaimed in the nation. She developed and implemented an extremely popular and prestigious summer workshop for high school student journalists; began J-IDEAS, a nationally recognized First Amendment program; established the Ingelhart News Scholars program to attract talented journalism students to the university; and, most recently, she
oversaw a massive curriculum reform that will ensure that Ball State media graduates are among the best prepared media professionals in any medium.

Marilyn's achievements have not gone unnoticed. In 2009, she was named the Charles E. Scripps Administrator of the Year. In 2003 the Ball State Alumni Association presented her with the Benny Award for outstanding service to the university. In 2009, she received her second Dean's Faculty Award from the College of Information, Communication, and Media.

**Donald R. Whitaker**

Donald Whitaker has devoted 34 years of dedicated service to Ball State University. Fourteen of those years were as chair of the Department of Mathematical Sciences. Since 2001 Don has served as interim director and Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness.

Don’s area of expertise is mathematics education. He taught high school mathematics for 10 years prior to coming to BSU. Most of Don’s early scholarship activities focused on mathematics education. In 1993, the first Ball State Mathematics Day was held for middle and high school girls to help them understand the role women can play in mathematics and science. This has become a yearly event.

Under Don’s leadership, the Office of Academic Assessment and Institutional Research has moved the Making Achievement Possible (MAP) freshman survey to an online version in partnership with Educational Benchmarking, Inc. MAP-Works was expected to be used by 150 institutions nationwide in Fall 2010. BSU was also a participant in the Foundation of Excellence program which was a self-study of the first year experience. Don chaired this effort as he had done as one of three co-chairs for the university’s accreditation self-study. AAIR has also developed an Institutional Research (IR) Certificate program, one of only five in the country.

Don’s influence has extended into the Muncie community as he has been a member of the Muncie Symphony Orchestra Board of Directors since 1999 including serving as President. He has also been active with Rotary International and United Way of Delaware County.
**Sue H. Whitaker**

Dr. Sue Whitaker, CFCS, associate professor, Department of Family and Consumer Sciences leaves a large imprint after 34 years of service to Ball State. She came to the university in 1976 after completing her doctorate in continuing and vocational education at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She was department chair for 11 years, was instrumental in developing the residential property management program and advisory board, and led the process of changing the department name from home economics to family and consumer sciences. She has also administered the department’s Moore Scholars program for the past 12 years. Sue was chair of numerous university committees, including the Athletics Committee, the UCC Sub-committee, and both department and college promotion and tenure committees. She is noted for her leadership and participation in every committee she serves.

Dr. Whitaker has a successful record of receiving external grants, including support from Indiana Campus Compact and the National Apartment Association Education Institute. She is well recognized for innovative teaching and disseminates her successful teaching models through professional presentations.

Sue actively served her profession through the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. She was district and state president and in 1995-96 was national president. She recently was national chair of the 100 year anniversary celebration of AAFCS.

Sue has received well-deserved recognition for service and leadership. She is Outstanding Alumnus of the College of Human Ecology, University of Wisconsin, and the College of Human Environmental Sciences, University of Kentucky. She was designated a Sagamore of the Wabash by Governor Evan Bayh. She also received the AAFCS Leader Award and the prestigious Distinguished Service Award.

**William T. (W. T.) Wrege**
William T. (W. T.) Wrege is originally from southern Indiana. His undergraduate degree in finance was earned at Indiana University. That was followed with an MBA with an accounting major from the George Washington University and a DBA with an accounting major from the University of Kentucky. He came to Ball State University in 1987 and has taught in the Department of Accounting since that time. W. T.’s area of specialization is governmental and not-for-profit accounting and that is where his scholarship is focused. He also published articles dealing with pedagogy and learning.

During his Ball State tenure, W. T. worked with the Not-for-Profit (NFP) section of the American Accounting Association, the professional organization for accounting academics, and eventually served as its national chairman. W. T. was active in replying to the national standard-setting boards in response to their proposed reporting standards in the NFP area. He was also part of the state-level transition committee formed by the then newly-elected Governor Evan Bayh to set his administration’s executive and legislative agenda. For that effort W. T. received a Sagamore of the Wabash award from the state.

In addition to his teaching and research, W. T. has provided much valuable service to the university, not the least of which was as faculty advisor to the Zeta Omega chapter of Beta Alpha Psi, the accounting honorary, for 13 years. In recognition for his service, he received an Outstanding Faculty Advisor award from the national organization. As the faculty advisor, he watched students grow in their loyalty to Ball State, act with integrity and vigor to carry out the activities necessary to gain Superior Chapter—the top designation—each year, and develop close relationships with their fellow members. In fact, W. T. is most proud of his interactions with students and the apparent positive influence he has had in many of their lives. He will tell you that most close friends and people for whom he has the highest respect today are former students.

W. T. will miss working with students. To help create an environment that fostered professional, intellectual, and social growth for many was rewarding to him.
**Fred Ehnes**
Dr. Fred Ehnes was Professor of Music Performance at Ball State from 1971 until his death in August 2009. He taught French horn and horn ensemble and coached chamber music ensembles over a thirty-eight year career at Ball State University. He held advanced degrees from Ball State and Northwestern Universities. He was the hornist with the Musical Arts Quintet, woodwind quintet in residence at Ball State, and was the principal horn of the Muncie Symphony Orchestra and the Marion Philharmonic. He was founding member and principal horn of the Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra for 25 years until his retirement in 2009. Prior to his appointment at Ball State, he was a member of the Buffalo Philharmonic, the Atlantic Symphony of Halifax, Nova Scotia, and the Kurt Graunke Orchestra of Munich, Germany. He appeared as soloist on several occasions with the Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra and the Marion Philharmonic, and also with the Anderson (IN) Symphony and the Indianapolis Philharmonic.

**Thad Godish**
Dr. Godish completed his Ph. D. degree at Penn State University in 1969 and joined Ball State University in 1976. He took a medical leave of absence from Ball State during Fall semester 2008 and passed away in June 2009.

Thad was a major influence in the evolution of the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Management by virtue of his contributions to teaching and service, and to scholarship in particular. Thad’s area of specialization was Air Resources, with a special focus of indoor air quality. He later expanded his expertise to embrace industrial hygiene and occupational safety and health. He taught courses in Air Resources, Indoor Air Quality, Industrial Hygiene, Asbestos and Lead Management, and the 40-hour OSHA course (Hazardous Materials Site Operations and Emergency Response).

Thad conducted extensive research in indoor air quality including hydrocarbon emissions from building materials, formaldehyde release and capture, mold contamination, and so-called ‘Sick Building Syndrome’. In the 1990s, he earned certification as a Certified Industrial Hygienist.
Thad authored scores of papers in national and international scientific journals and gave numerous presentations at scientific conferences in the U.S. and abroad. He authored several textbooks relating to both ambient and indoor air quality. His text, *Indoor Air Quality*, has been translated into several languages.

In recognition of his achievements, Thad was honored as Researcher of the Year for 2000. In 2007, Thad received a $2.5 million grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security as coordinator of an interdepartmental effort to create nationwide educational training programs for emergency responders.

Over the years, Thad was a tireless member of committees at the Department, College and University levels. He was instrumental in the creation of a new academic program, the Emergency Management and Homeland Security minor. Also active in professional organizations, Thad was a fellow of the Air and Waste Management Association and formulated the Environmental Quality section of the Indiana Academy of Science.