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## THEODOSIA D. GOODMAN 1903 (THEDA BARA)

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Theodosia Goodman was one of the most popular silent film actresses of her era. Goodman, whose stage name was Theda Bara, rose to acclaim as cinema's earliest sex symbol. She cultivated an explosive sexual movie persona which earned her the nickname "The Vamp", a star on Hollywood's Walk of Fame and led Fox Film Corporation to great early success. As was commonplace in the industry, this native Cincinnatian was billed as an exotic and elusive Egyptian. Theda is best known for her starring role in the epic *Cleopatra*. Only 40 seconds of this film are known to remain in existence. Theda is the most famous of completely silent film stars and unfortunately has the highest percentage of lost films than other actresses. Only six of her 40 films are still in existence. After an early retirement, Theda spent the remainder of her life as a well-known hostess in Hollywood and New York. In 1994, Theda Bara was honored with a United States postage stamp designed by caricaturist Al Hirschfeld.

## HELEN ELSIE AUSTIN 1924

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Armed with family inspiration and the belief that education is a tool to self-improvement, Elsie Austin worked tirelessly to break down racial and gender barriers. Her distinguished life reads as a list of "firsts": 1928, attends University of Cincinnati's first integrated undergraduate class; 1930, first African-American woman graduate of UC College of Law; and first African-American Assistant Attorney General of Ohio. She was the eighth National President of Delta-Sigma-Theta Sorority, one of the largest African-American women's organizations in the world. Dr. Austin traveled the world as a Foreign Service Officer, diplomat and attaché with the U.S. Information Agency. Here she initiated the first USIA Women's Activities Program, an organization which encourages women's involvement in leadership roles, in 13 African countries. Devoted to the Baha'i Faith, Elsie was elected to the nine-member national governing body and helped establish the religion in Africa. She believed the Baha'i Faith principals, which emphasize the Oneness of God and Unity of Mankind, aligned with her deep desire to contribute to the well-being of humanity.





## HELEN IGLAUER GLUECK 1925

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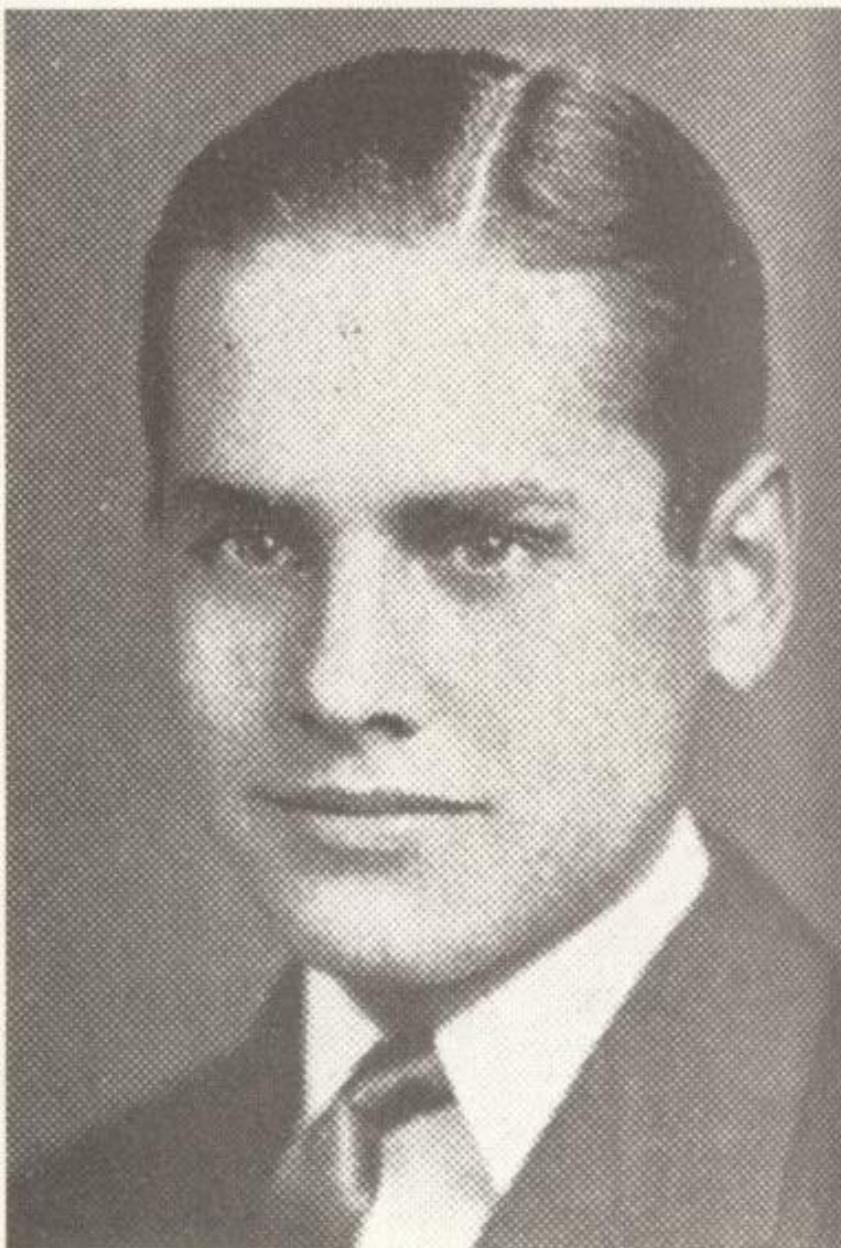
As the granddaughter, daughter and mother of physicians, Helen Iglauer Glueck had medicine in her blood. In turn, the medicine of blood would be where Dr. Glueck would make her most significant contributions. An expert on blood clotting, she is world renowned for her research indicating breast-fed newborns suffer a deficiency of vitamin K. As a result, newborns are routinely given vitamin K shots shortly after their birth. Her path was not an easy one. In the 1930's, discrimination against women in medicine was widespread. In a field dominated by men, it took sheer determination to enter medical school as one of three women in a class of 75 students. Described as, "modest but always working on something brilliant," Dr. Glueck published over 84 research papers, two considered classics in their field. Her professional work began at the Hadassah University Hospital in Jerusalem, continued to the May Institute for Medical Research at Cincinnati's Jewish Hospital, and UC's Student Health Service. She founded the Coagulation Laboratory at UC's College of Medicine.

## DONALD ANDREW SPENCER 1932

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Education and Real Estate enabled Donald Spencer to earn a living and build a legacy. He earned bachelor and master degrees from the University of Cincinnati. "Teaching was the best job black people could get upon graduating from college." With his first home purchase he learned about real estate opportunities. Soon Donald A. Spencer and Associates thrived with Spencer as the first African-American broker of the Cincinnati Board of Realtors, and President of Cincinnati Association of Real Estate Brokers. A staunch supporter of education, he was the first African-American Chair of Ohio University's Board of Trustees. Here he and wife Marian established an endowment for the African-American Library Collection. Cincinnati Public Schools benefited from Spencer's tireless support. He chaired and was instrumental in the passing of bond and tax levies. He is a member of the inaugural WHHS Alumni Foundation Board. Honors include the Charles P. Taft Civic Gumption Award, Donald Spencer Overlook in Eden Park, and Ohio University's Founders' Citation. He was named a Great Living Cincinnatian in 2005.





## NELSON SCHWAB, JR. 1936

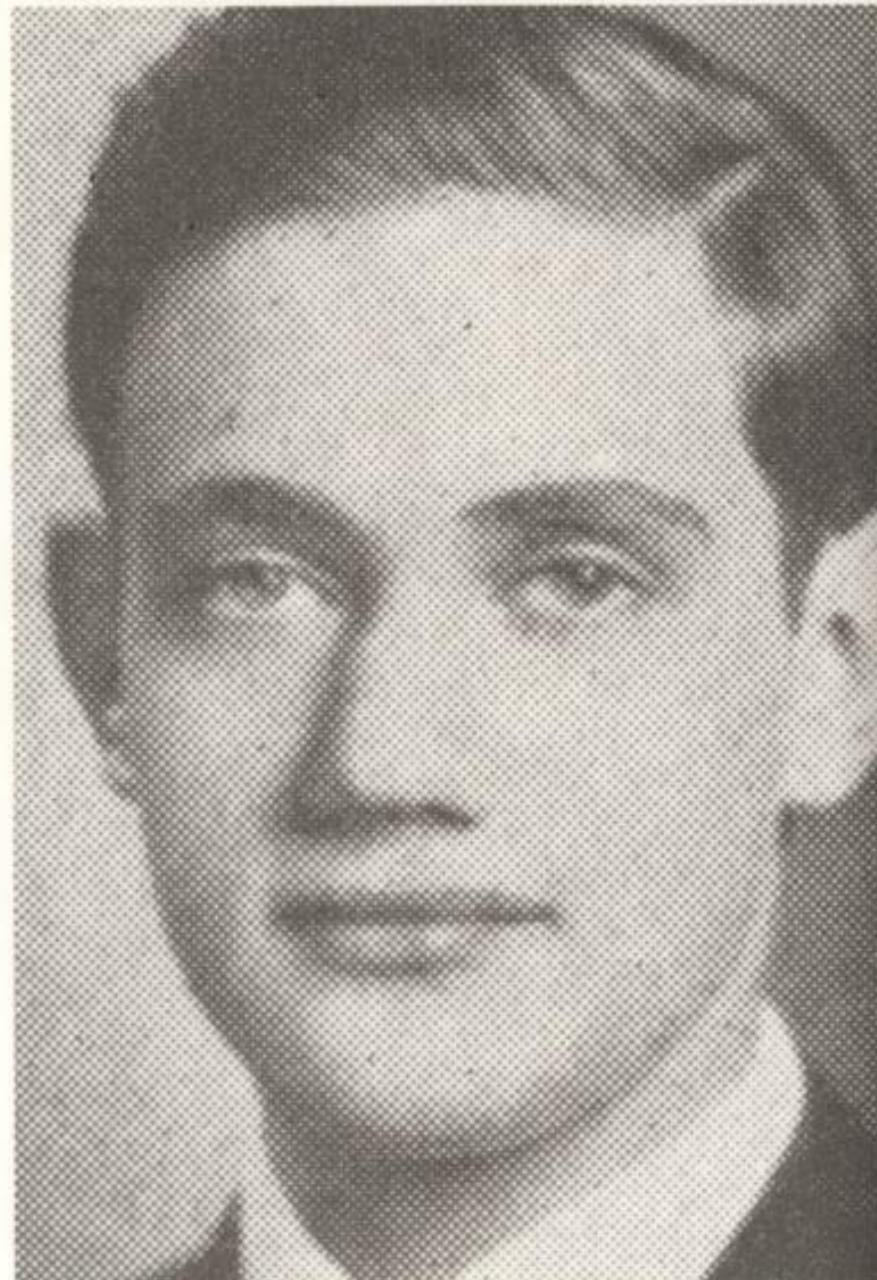
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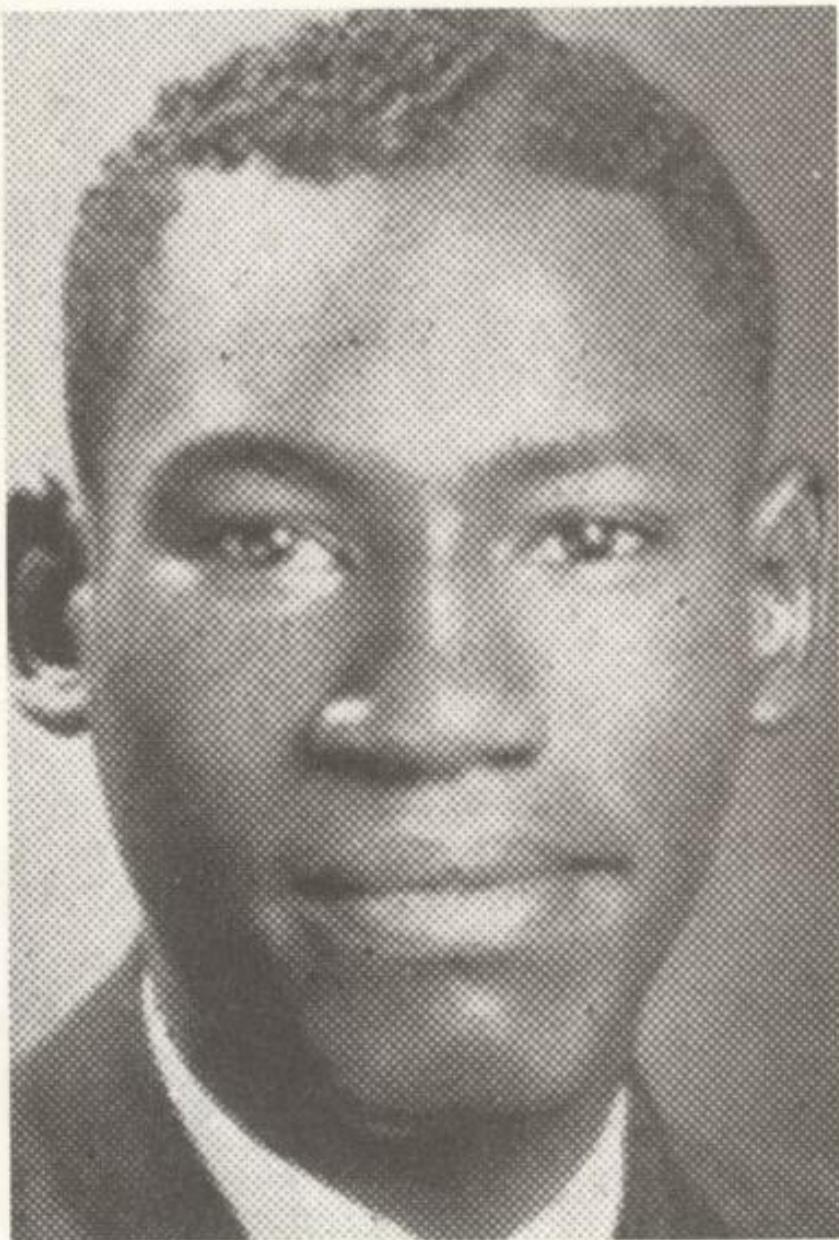
Proud of his family's prominent Cincinnati legacy, Nelson Schwab strove to make the community better than he found it. Nelson graduated from Yale University and served as a World War II Navy Commander. Upon his return, Schwab graduated from Harvard Law and began a highly respected career with the law firm of Graydon, Head & Ritchey. A remarkable attorney, he was legendary in his abilities. A sampling of Schwab's community service includes: Citizen's Development Committee (created the city's 1948 Master Plan), Co-Chairman of the Review Committee of the Cincinnati 2000 Plan (master development plan for central business district), Volunteer Lawyers for the Poor Foundation, Playhouse in the Park and UC's College Conservatory of Music. He was Chairman of WCET-TV, was elected to the Cincinnati School Board and was a member of the inaugural Walnut Hills High School Alumni Foundation Board. Nelson Schwab memorial gifts were made to Cincinnati Regional Chamber USA and created The Nelson Schwab, Jr. Distinguished Leadership Alumni Award. He was named a Great Living Cincinnatian in 1991.

## ISADORE EPSTEIN 1937

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Columbia University astronomer Isadore Epstein was a leader of modern observatory site surveying in the Southern Hemisphere. His 1960's work studying clarity and stability of the atmosphere and accessibility of sites in Australia, South Africa, Chile and Argentina was of fundamental importance to 20th century astronomy. His models of site selection are still in use. Major observatories were constructed at every site he recommended. He was particularly involved in establishing an observatory in El Leoncito, Argentina. Here a long term survey, the Yale-Columbia Proper Motion Survey, was initiated. Epstein taught astronomy at Columbia for 37 years. He served as acting departmental chairman in 1959 and was named Professor Emeritus in 1987. Here Epstein developed theoretical models and made fundamental observations of stars which were useful in determining the size and age of the universe. It was his calculations predicting the temperature and density at every point in the sun that resulted in an accurate prediction of its total light output and radius. Isadore Epstein has an asteroid named after him.





## LAWRENCE CHARLES HAWKINS 1937

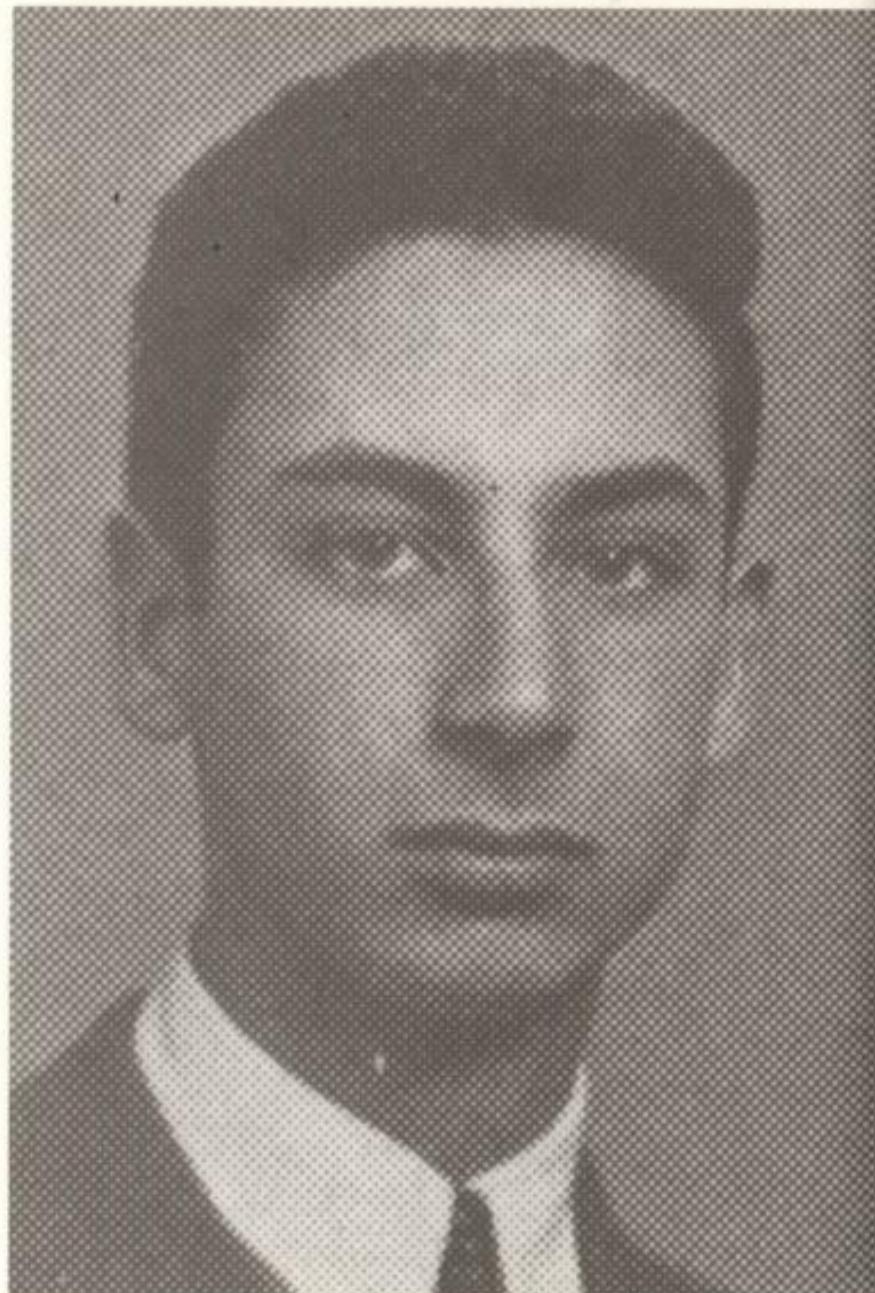
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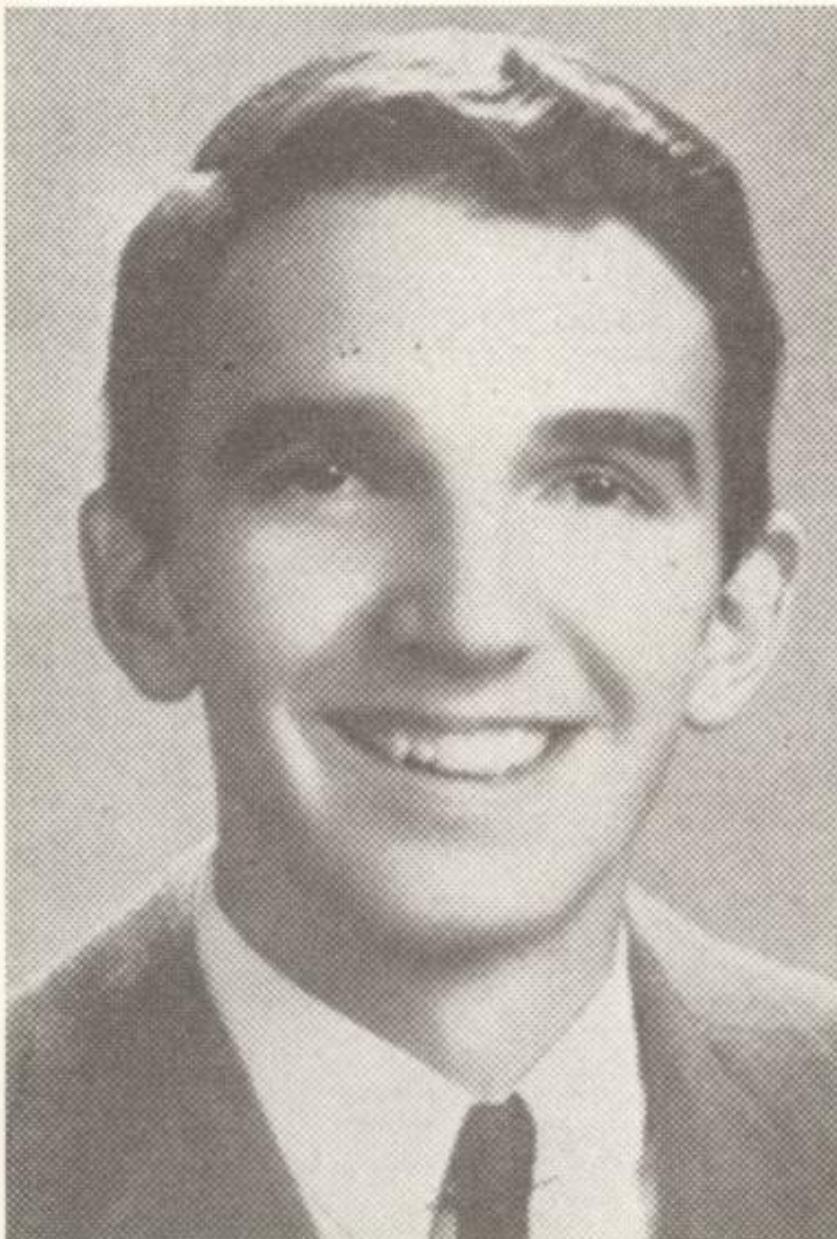
Through his prominent leadership in neighborhoods, classrooms, boardrooms and institutions of higher learning, Lawrence Hawkins dedicated his life to education and the improvement of society. The son of a sharecropper, whose education began in a one-room school house, Hawkins was inspired by teachers who taught students to strive for excellence. In turn, his inspirational life is a legacy of hope for youngsters who face the challenges of poverty and discrimination. Intertwined in his educational pursuits, Lawrence Hawkins also served his country in World War II as an original Tuskegee Airmen. He lent his expertise to an extensive array of past and present professional affiliations as Professor Emeritus, University of Cincinnati; Board Member of several universities; consultant with city, state and national Boards of Education; The National Underground Railroad Freedom Center; and the Urban League. His many professional accolades include: the Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce Great Living Cincinnatian Award, Honorary Life Member of National Congress of Parents and Teachers and the National Conference of Christians and Jews Distinguished Service Award.

## CHARLES ELI GUGGENHEIM 1942

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Four-time Academy Award recipient, Charles Guggenheim achieved an international reputation for documentary filmmaking. Described as "probably the most accomplished maker of documentary films in the country," Guggenheim won top awards in every major international film competition, including the George Foster Peabody Award in Broadcasting. Nominated for 11 Oscars, he produced over 100 films on architecture, history and social issues. His primary passion being documentaries, his award winning works include *Nine From Little Rock*, *RFK Remembered*, *The Johnstown Flood* and *A Time For Justice*. He also documented the construction of the 660-foot Gateway Arch in St. Louis. Mr. Guggenheim was an originator of the made-for-television political campaign commercial, which became an essential element of 20th century electioneering. His permanent exhibitions include film biographies in the Presidential Libraries of John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson and Harry S. Truman as well as *Journey to America* at Ellis Island. He told history from the point of view of the individuals who experienced it. He said, "There are great stories in what is very common".





## WILLIAM K. SCHUBERT 1944

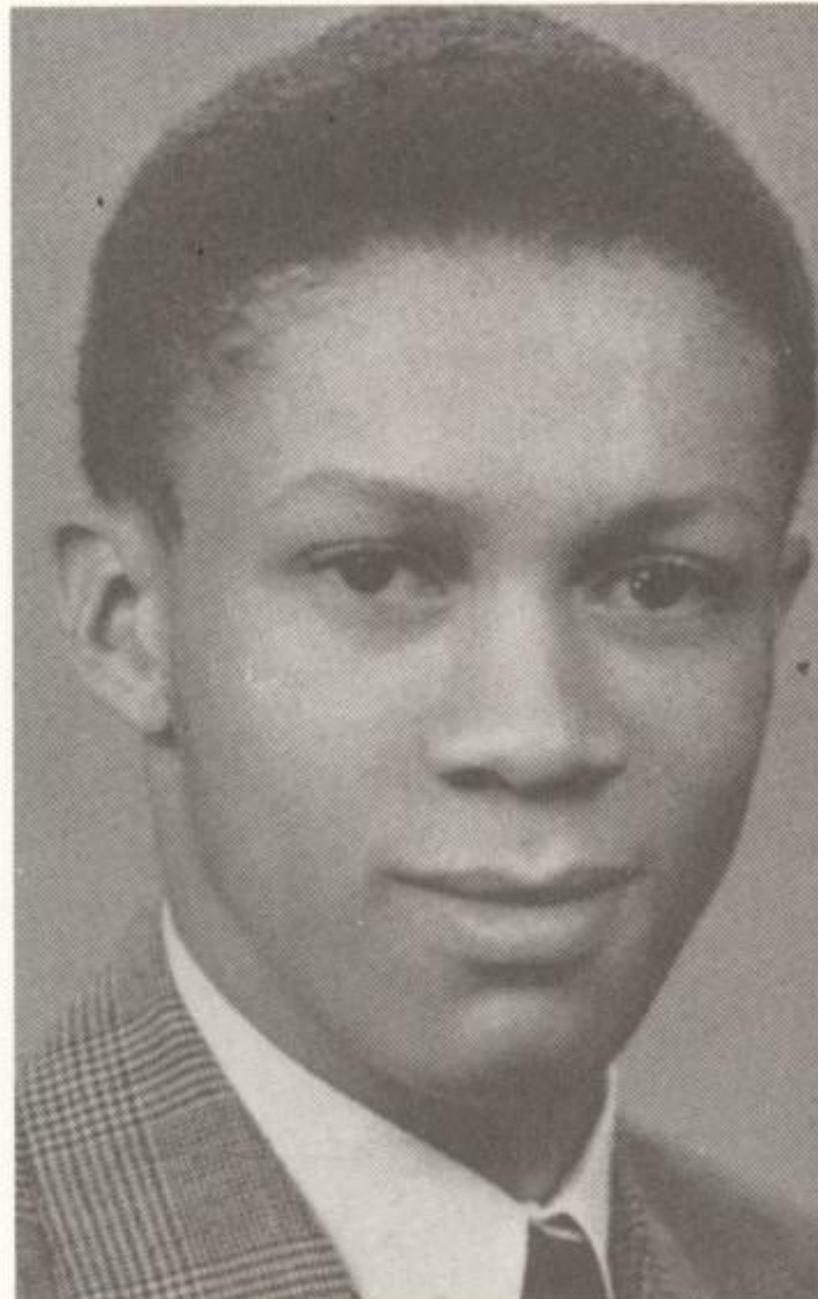
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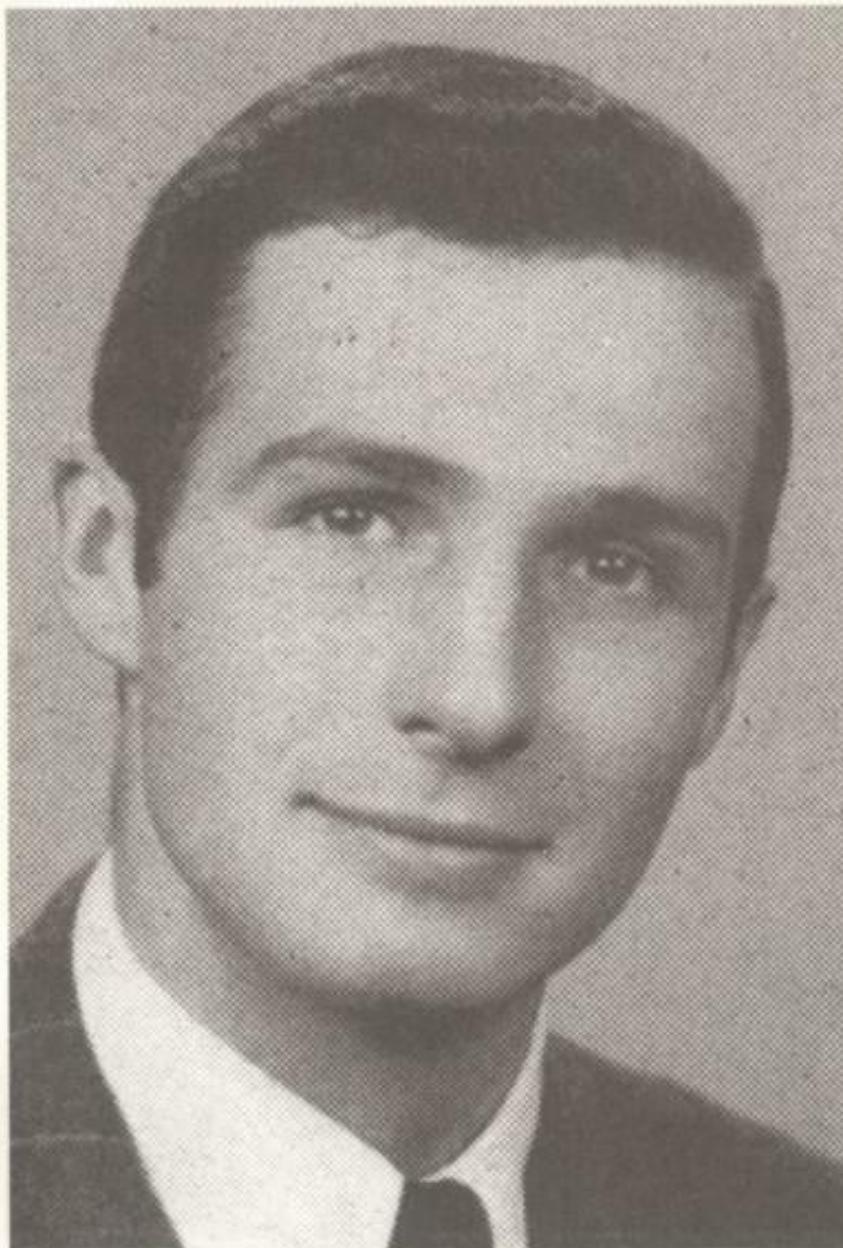
“I was always interested in science,” William Schubert recalls. William made his decision to go into medicine while at Walnut Hills High School. He continued his education at the University of Cincinnati and UC’s College of Medicine. Over his distinguished career, Dr. Schubert was instrumental in transforming Children’s Hospital Medical Center into a nationally recognized top-five pediatric institution with a Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center designation. During the 1970’s, he led “centralization of pediatric care into a single medical center where a critical mass of expertise, research and teaching enhanced the quality and accessibility of children’s care.” In 1976, he led inclusion of children in the Hamilton County Property Tax Levy for Indigent Care. Dr. Schubert serves as Professor Emeritus of Pediatrics at University of Cincinnati and as Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center historian and consultant. His contribution to children’s medical care is immeasurable. A variety of professional and civic honors have been bestowed upon Dr. William Schubert, including being named a Great Living Cincinnati in 2004.

## FRANK BENJAMIN FOSTER, III 1946

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Two-time Grammy award winner Frank Foster has been in the music industry for more than fifty-five years. A member of the renowned Count Basie Orchestra from 1953-1964, Foster contributed extensively to the band's repertoire. He appeared with the orchestra on every major television variety show, including Jackie Gleason, Dinah Shore, Perry Como and Steve Allen. His soundtracks can be heard in two major Hollywood films: Woody Allen's *Hannah and Her Sisters* and Jerry Lewis' *The Errand Boy*. Foster has worked with such notables as Quincy Jones, Frank Sinatra, Dizzy Gillespie, Tony Bennett and Ella Fitzgerald. In 1986, Frank returned to lead the Basie Orchestra and received two Grammy awards for his arrangements for Diane Schurr and George Benson. Frank Foster was awarded an honorary Doctor of Music Degree from his *Alma Mater*, Central State University and a PhD in Humane Letters from the College of St. Rose. In 2002, Frank Foster became one of three recipients of the American Jazz Masters Fellowship Award from The National Endowment for the Arts.





## ROBERT ALLAN CHRISTOPHER 1947

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Robert Christopher grew up in a working class family during the Great Depression. Encouraged by his grandmother, Robert attended Walnut Hills High School, which he credits for his inspiration for excellence and teaching life's poignant lessons such as tolerance of all races, religions and economic bases; the acquisition of knowledge; and our obligation to do for and share with others. Diligence and hard work took him literally from graveyard shift foreman to the CEO-Owner of a multi-million dollar corporation. Giving back through countless volunteer hours and financial support is perhaps his greatest contribution to the world. Of his many philanthropic endeavors, establishing and funding, with his wife Marty, The Thomas J. Pappas School for Homeless Children exemplifies his dedication to his core beliefs. As a member of the inaugural WHHS Alumni Foundation Board, he was instrumental in fundraising for the new Alumni Arts and Science Center. He truly and humbly believes, "All blessings come from God and giving back is an act of recycle, not any great feat of generosity".

## DOUGLAS S. CRAMER 1949



TV Producer, network and studio executive, production company owner, and independent producer, Doug Cramer possesses one of television industry's most outstanding track records. His prolific career spans over 25 years and includes tenure with such industry giants as ABC, Fox and Paramount. He was instrumental in the development of multiple hits including *Peyton Place*, *Batman*, *The Odd Couple* and *Room 222*. Television movies include *Dawn: Portrait of a Teenage Runaway*, and the first mini-series *QB VII*, which won seven of its 11 Emmy nominations. Twelve years as Executive VP of Aaron Spelling Productions, Cramer co-executive produced *The Love Boat*, *Hotel*, *Dynasty* and several mini-series including Jackie Collins' *Hollywood Wives*, and Danielle Steel's *Crossings*. Mr. Cramer is considered one of the world's foremost contemporary art collectors. He serves on the Board of Trustees of New York's Museum of Modern Art, is a founder of Los Angeles' Museum of Contemporary Art and appears regularly on the Top 100 Collector's list. He created The Douglas S. Cramer Foundation to preserve and promote contemporary art.





## STANLEY ARONOFF 1950

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After earning both Bachelor and Law degrees from Harvard College, Stanley Aronoff returned to his native Ohio where he practiced law and began his political career. Elected to Ohio's General Assembly an impressive 36 consecutive years (three terms Ohio House — eight terms Ohio Senate), his distinguished service includes seats as Senate Finance Committee Chair, Ohio Senate President Pro Tem (1985-89) and Ohio Senate President (1989-96). While receiving numerous commendations and honorary degrees, Mr. Aronoff's legislation of education reform and public support for arts are among his most notable achievements. His civic and philanthropic efforts helped secure public funding for numerous venues including Cincinnati's Convention Center, the Contemporary Arts Center, Riverbend, Playhouse in the Park and The National Underground Railroad Freedom Center. Perhaps the most significant testament to his work, the culmination of his career, are the three buildings that bear his name: University of Cincinnati DAAP Aronoff Arts Center, the Stanley J. Aronoff Laboratory of Biological Sciences at The Ohio State University and Cincinnati's The Aronoff Center for the Arts.

## ELIZABETH BRENNER DREW 1953

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Award-winning journalist, commentator, lecturer and author, Elizabeth Brenner Drew continued her education at Wellesley College. Graduating Phi Beta Kappa with a Political Science degree, she began her illustrious career writing for various publications such as the *New York Times*, *Atlantic Quarterly*, and with the *New Yorker*. Here, as a Washington Correspondent, Elizabeth enjoyed a twenty-year association. Drew developed into a keen observer of the Washington political scene, a regular on *Meet the Press* and television commentator on *The News with Brian Williams*, CNN's *Inside Politics* and *Hardball with Chris Mathews*. She was a panelist for the first 1976 Political Debate and moderated the 1984 Democratic Candidate Debate. A prolific writer, Elizabeth Drew has written more than ten books including her noted account of Watergate, *Washington Journal: The Events of 1973-1974*, her highly praised *On The Edge: The Clinton Presidency*, and her analysis of politics over the past 25 years in, *The Corruption of American Politics: What Went Wrong and Why*. Elizabeth Drew is a highly acclaimed political writer and lecturer.





## STANLEY MORRIS CHESLEY 1954

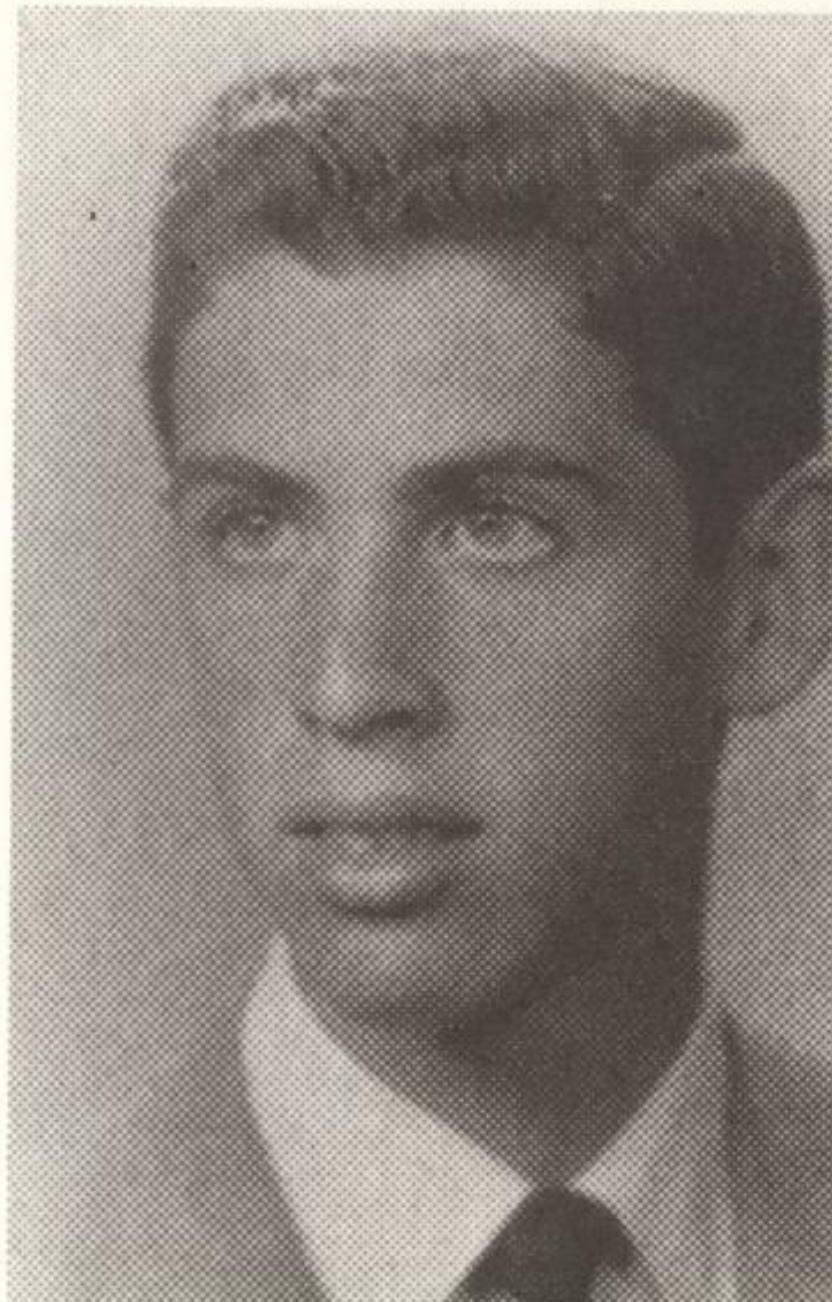
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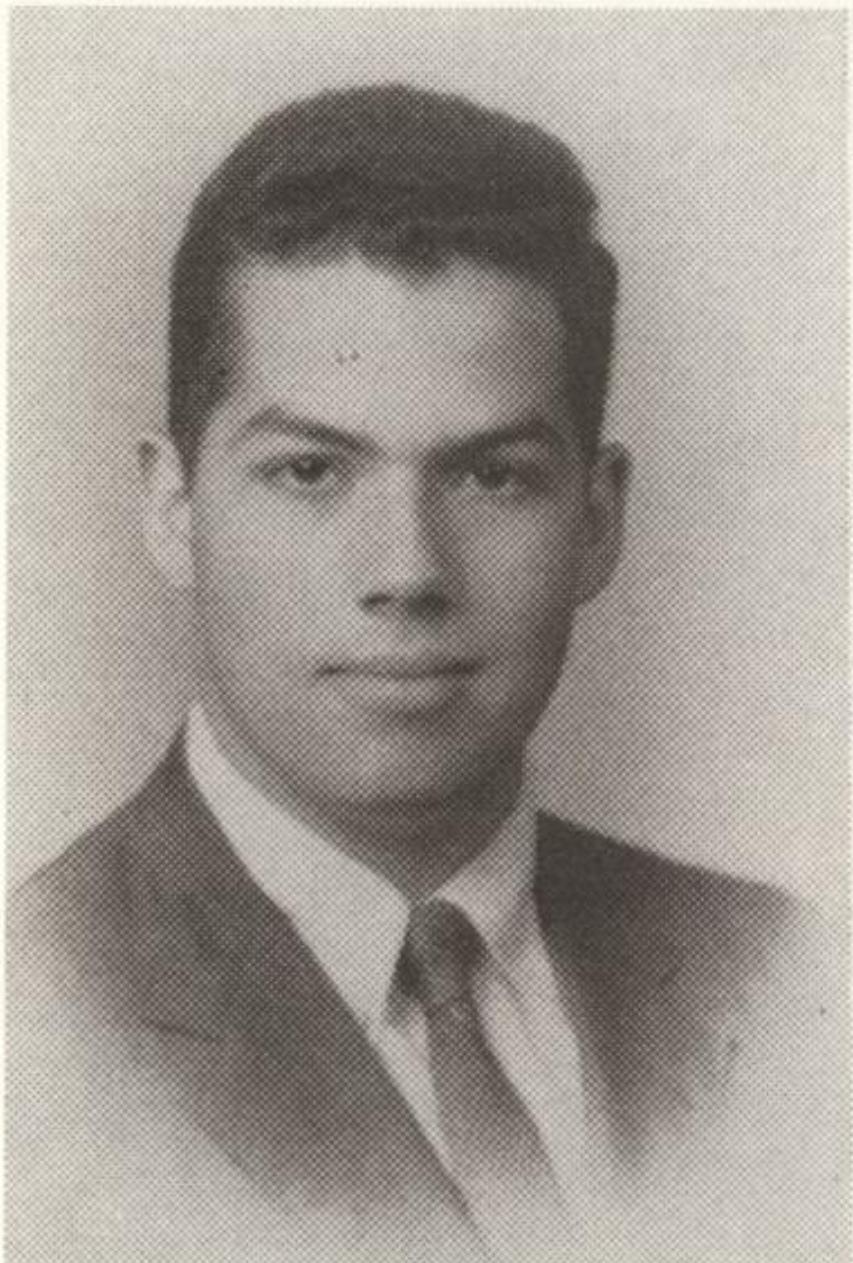
Plaintiffs' Class Lead Counsel in the 1977 Beverly Hills Supper Club Fire Litigation catapulted Stan Chesley to national prominence. Here he pioneered case management strategies, which fundamentally changed litigation of complex multiparty cases. For decades, he has represented plaintiffs in a world-wide range of high profile cases and negotiated settlements in such blockbuster litigation as Agent Orange, Bendectin, Bhopal, Bjork-Shiley Heart Valve, and Breast Implants. Stan prefers the designation, "People's Lawyer." He says, "I've always been for the little people, the underdog. Those are the people I've tried to represent." He was Pro Bono Counsel for organizations representing Jewish material claims against German, Austrian and Swiss financial institutions. A fraction of Stan's civic work includes service on over a dozen boards of national Jewish organizations, recognition as a Life Board Member of the NAACP and five years as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the University of Cincinnati. Mr. Chesley was honored with the Shalom Peace Award from the Jewish National Fund being one of only ten recipients internationally.

## JOHN MENDELSON 1954

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By every measure John Mendelsohn excelled by earning his bachelor's degree, Magna Cum Laude from Harvard College, being named a Fulbright Scholar, then graduating Cum Laude from Harvard Medical School. For decades Dr. Mendelsohn forged an exemplary path in clinical and laboratory research. At the forefront of understanding how growth factors regulate the proliferation of cancer cells, he developed a specific monoclonal antibody called Erbitux™. In 2004, the FDA approved Erbitux™ for use. His vast experience includes, Professor of Medicine at University of California, San Diego where he directed the National Cancer Institute, reorganized and expanded the Department of Medicine at Memorial Sloan-Kettering where he held the Winthrop Rockefeller Chair in Medical Oncology. Served as Professor and Vice Chair of Medicine at Cornell University Medical College. In 1996, Dr. Mendelsohn assumed the Presidency of M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. As author, editor, researcher, and professor, Dr. Mendelsohn's vast distinguished recognition includes the Joseph H. Burchenal Clinical Research Award, David A. Karnofsky Memorial Award and the Bristol-Myers Squibb Freedom to Discover Award.





## STANLEY BEN PRUSINER 1960

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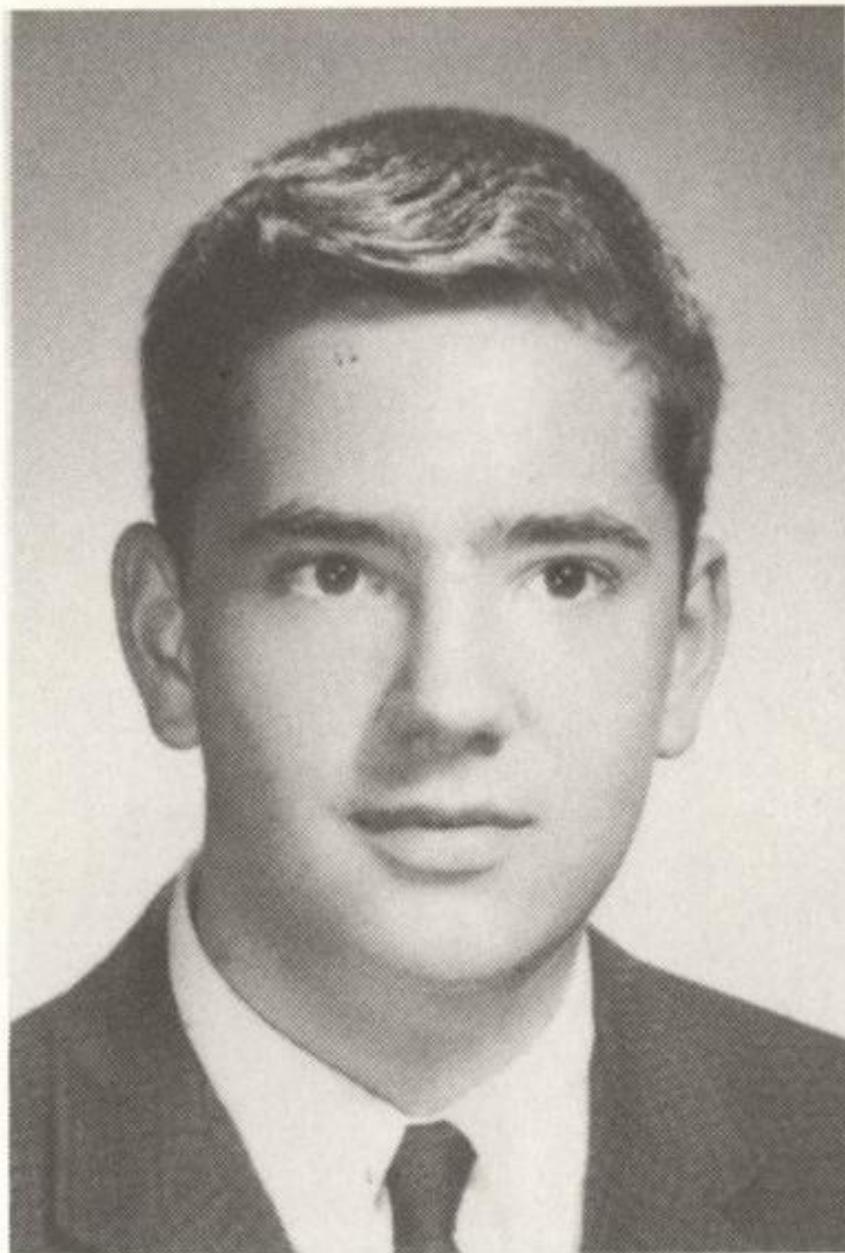
Born in Iowa, Stanley Prusiner spent his childhood in Des Moines and Cincinnati. After graduating from Walnut Hills High School, Prusiner received his undergraduate and medical training at the University of Pennsylvania then his postgraduate clinical training at University of California, San Francisco. A neurologist and biochemist, physician, lecturer and professor, he has spent his significant professional career at UCSF. Here, Dr. Pruisner discovered an entirely new class of pathogens that replicate without nucleic acid. His discovery provides important new insights into the causes of degenerative brain diseases, like "mad cow" disease, and may establish a foundation for disease tracking, drug development and new treatment therapies. Internationally recognized, he is editor of 12 books, author of over 330 research articles and holds more than 35 issued or allowed US Patents. In 1997, Dr. Prusiner was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for his pioneering discovery of "prions," a "new genre of disease-causing agents." Prusiner has since founded InPro Biotechnology, Inc., which is devoted to commercializing these discoveries.

## JAMES LAWRENCE LEVINE 1961

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**A**t 10, James Levine debuted as piano soloist with the Cincinnati Symphony Youth Orchestra. At 18, this prodigy conducted his first opera. Having graduated from the Juilliard School, he became Assistant Conductor with the Cleveland Orchestra under the direction of George Szell and enjoyed a long association with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and as their music director of the Ravinia Festival. In 1971, Levine made his Metropolitan Opera debut. His continued success led to appointments as Principal Conductor in 1973, Music Director in 1976 and ultimately the Metropolitan Opera's first ever Artistic Director in 1986. Under Maestro Levine's exceptional leadership, New York's Metropolitan Opera has achieved unparalleled excellence and global recognition. In October 2004, Levine made history once again, as the first American Music Director of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Unprecedented, Levine now leads the country's finest Opera House and Orchestra. Highly acclaimed, Levine is a passionate chamber musician, a regular guest of the Vienna Philharmonic and the Dresden Staatskapelle and. In 2002, Levine was a recipient of a Kennedy Center Honor.





## STEPHEN WITHROW SANGER 1964

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Describing his childhood as "boringly normal" Stephen Sanger says Walnut Hills, "had a very powerful impact on me. I learned very early on there was enormous talent in a diverse group of people." This idea served him well at DePauw University and when earning an MBA at University of Michigan. Sanger joined General Mills in 1974. He made his mark at the Big G Cereal Division, then at Yoplait USA before being named President of General Mills and then Chairman and Chief Executive Officer in 1995. Dubbed "The first of the gum chewing CEOs" he is roundly praised for making the workplace more flexible. Creativity is his hallmark. Steve is credited with boosting sales by putting the "Blue Diamond" in Lucky Charms cereal. But equally important is the fostering of his employees' imaginations. When it comes to business, he's not shy about setting high performance goals. Sanger sits on several boards, is a Director of the Target Corporation, and past Chairman of the Grocery Manufacturers of America and the Guthrie Theater.

## THE 1921 WALNUT HILLS FOOTBALL TEAM

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It was the golden age of sports when the term *Superstar* was first conceived. And Cincinnati-born DeHart Hubbard remembered the "roaring 20's": Hubbard was known as a brainy guy who was the fastest kid in school, the star of track, gymnastics, baseball and the football teams. For a challenge, DeHart would run the 60-yard low hurdles against others running the 40-yard dash. This was the "playing field" when the 1921 Walnut Hills football season would unfold. Football captain, George Mason, remembered it well. "He practiced with us at end and halfback," recalled Mason. "I remember the day a car of men I'd never seen before pulled up. Next thing we knew, the athletic board for the league said DeHart was ineligible for interscholastic sports... We all liked DeHart. Somebody, I don't remember who, said, 'If DeHart can't play, none of us should play.' and none of us did. Our season ended right there." These young men of character, in the face of injustice, exemplify the essence of "*Sursum ad Summum*."

Earl Mason, *Captain*

Charles Meade, *Manager*

Dr. Knoch, *Coach*

Davis Blocksom

George Bohache

Howard Davis

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Carl Henn

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Albert Mayer

James Niehaus

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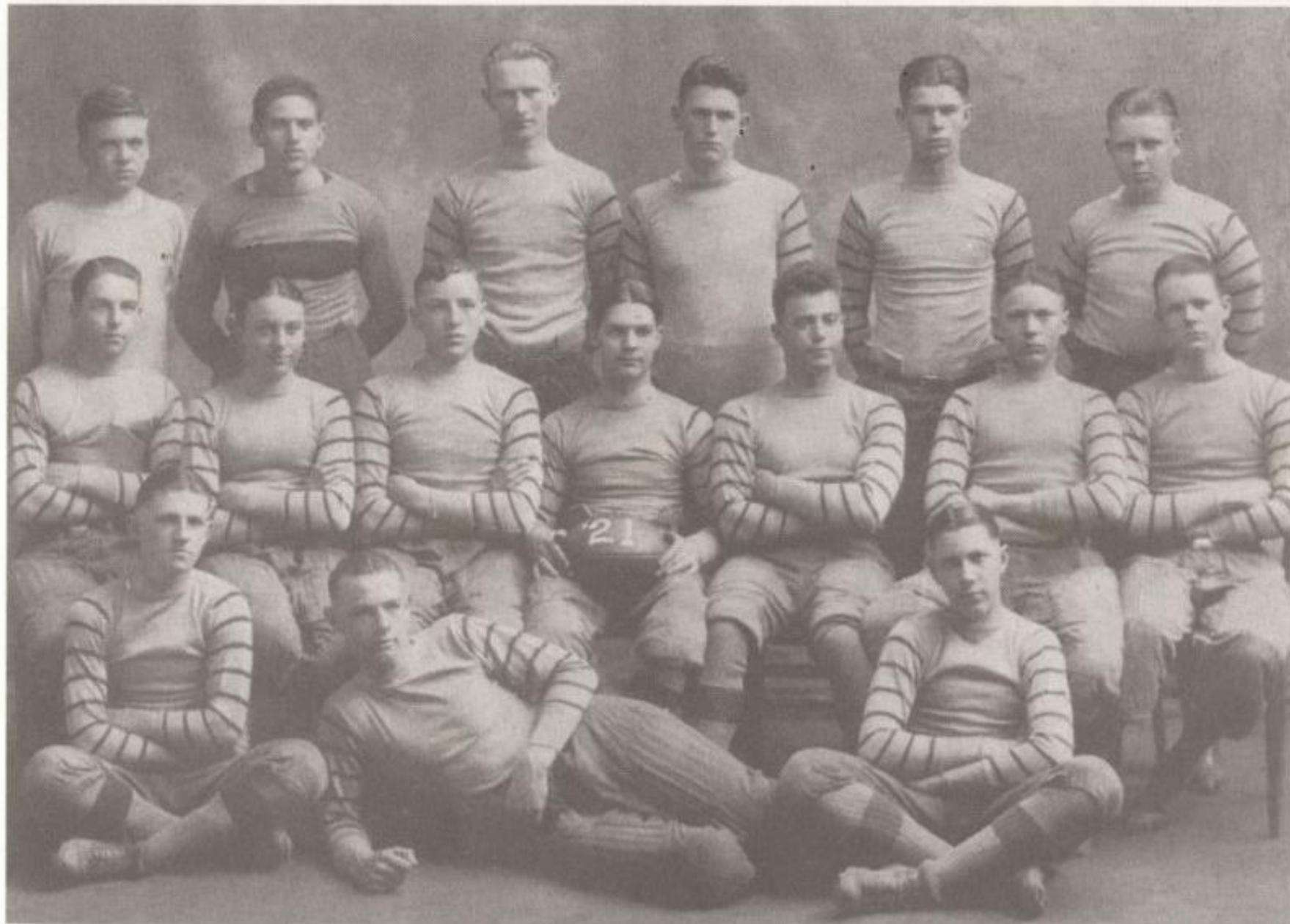
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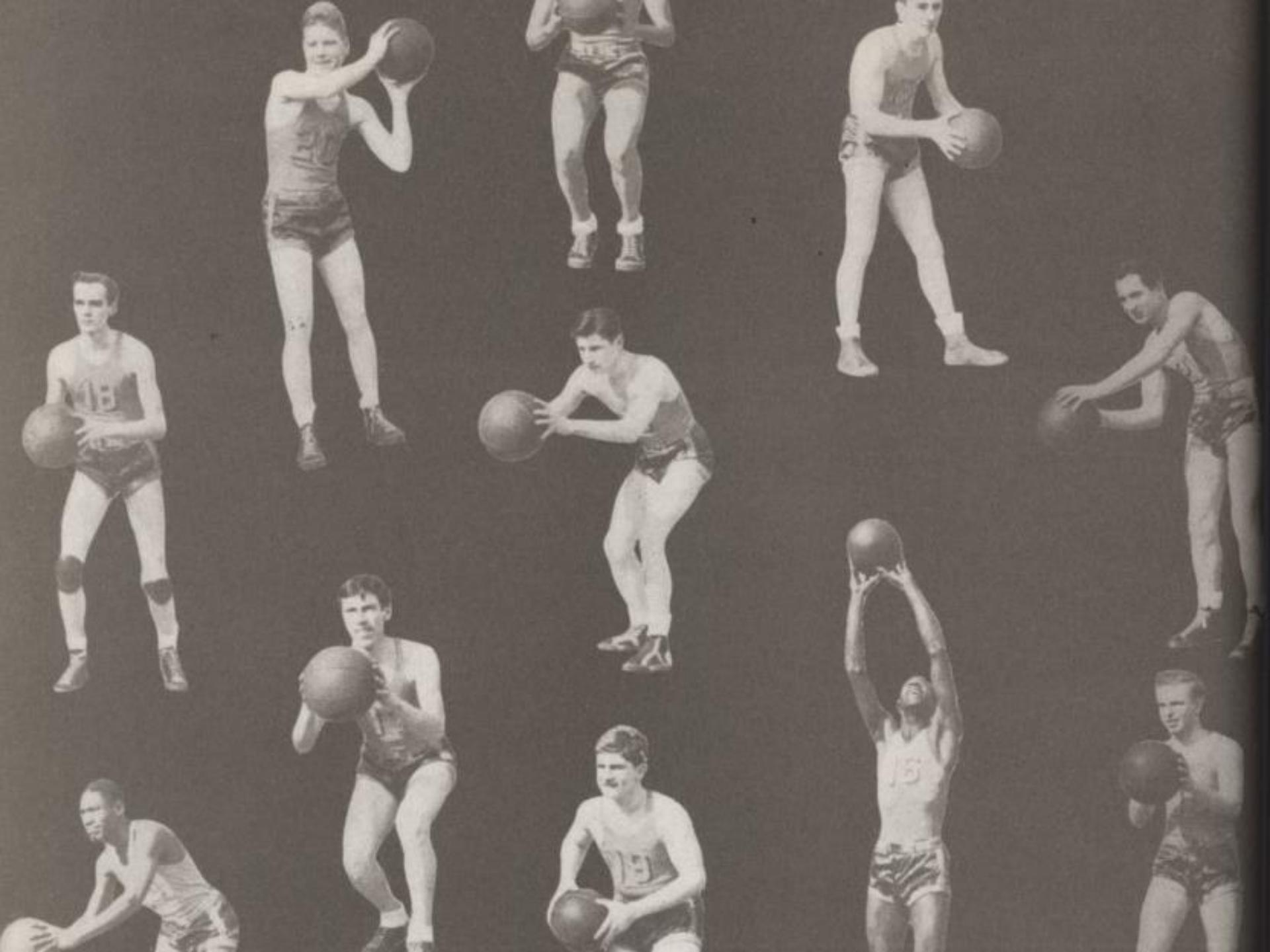
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## MILLER HUGGINS 1897

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Miller Huggins played baseball on the Walnut Hills team. He continued playing baseball while earning his law degree at the University of Cincinnati. Although small for an athlete (5'6"), Huggins pursued his professional baseball career against the wishes of his family. Eventually playing second base for the Cincinnati Reds, he went on to St. Louis where he became a player-manager. He found his true success as player-manager of the 1920's powerhouse New York Yankee teams. Nicknamed "Mighty Mite," Huggins skippered the finest offenses ever assembled including Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig and Bob Meusel. Huggins presided over six American League championships and three World Series championships. Huggins maintained his authority over players twice his size; he emphasized being champions on and off the field. Miller Huggins was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame. The Yankees dedicated it's first-ever monument to honor Miller Huggins and placed it in front of the flagpole in center field at Yankee Stadium. This monument calls Huggins "A splendid character who made priceless contributions to baseball."



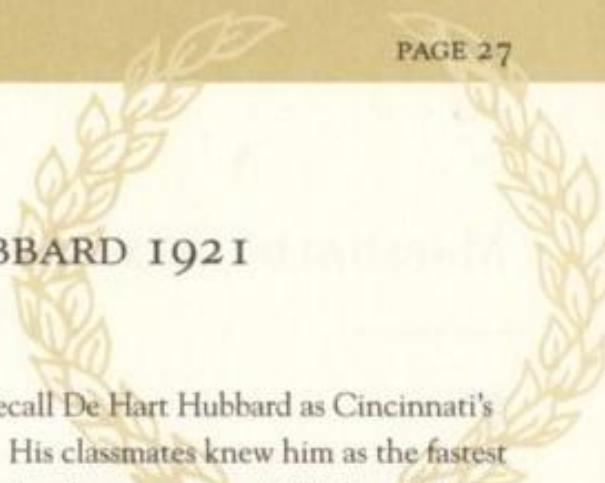


## DE HART HUBBARD 1921

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Newspaper reports recall De Hart Hubbard as Cincinnati's first super athlete. His classmates knew him as the fastest kid in school, modest, and a phenomenon. At Walnut Hills High School, he lent his athletic prowess to the football, baseball, gymnastics and track teams, and maintained an excellent academic record. The first to win a "full ride" scholarship to the University of Michigan, Hubbard tied the world record for the 100 and 600-yard dashes. After the long-jump pit was lengthened two feet to accommodate him, De Hart won the NCAA long-jump title six times. He was voted one of the 10 greatest athletes in U. of M. history. De Hart Hubbard competed in the 1924 and 1928 Olympic Games. The 1924 long-jump victory made him the first black athlete to win an individual Olympic Gold Medal.

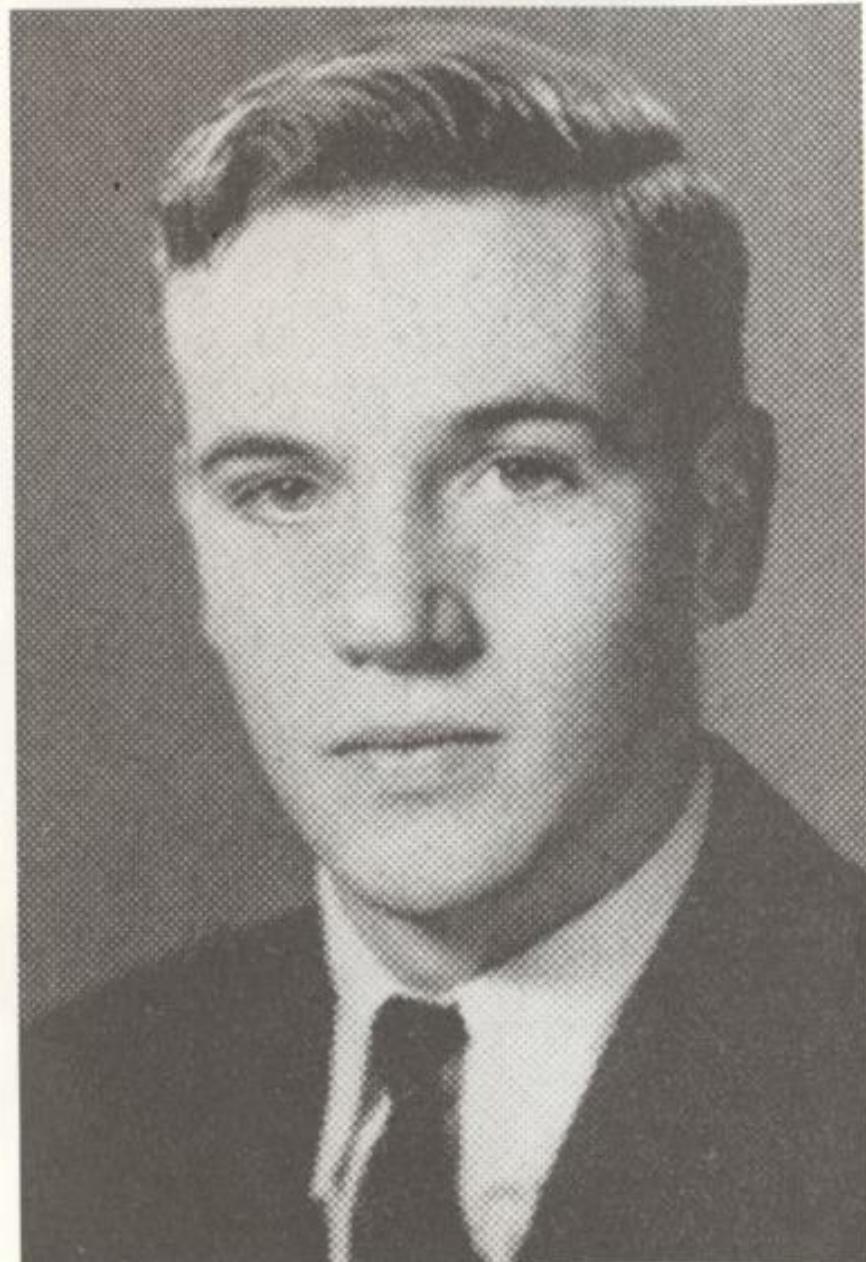
It is worth noting, De Hart won the respect of his classmates and the community. It is no surprise, when the League Athletic Board pronounced Hubbard ineligible for interscholastic sports, the entire 1921 WHHS football team refused to play without him.

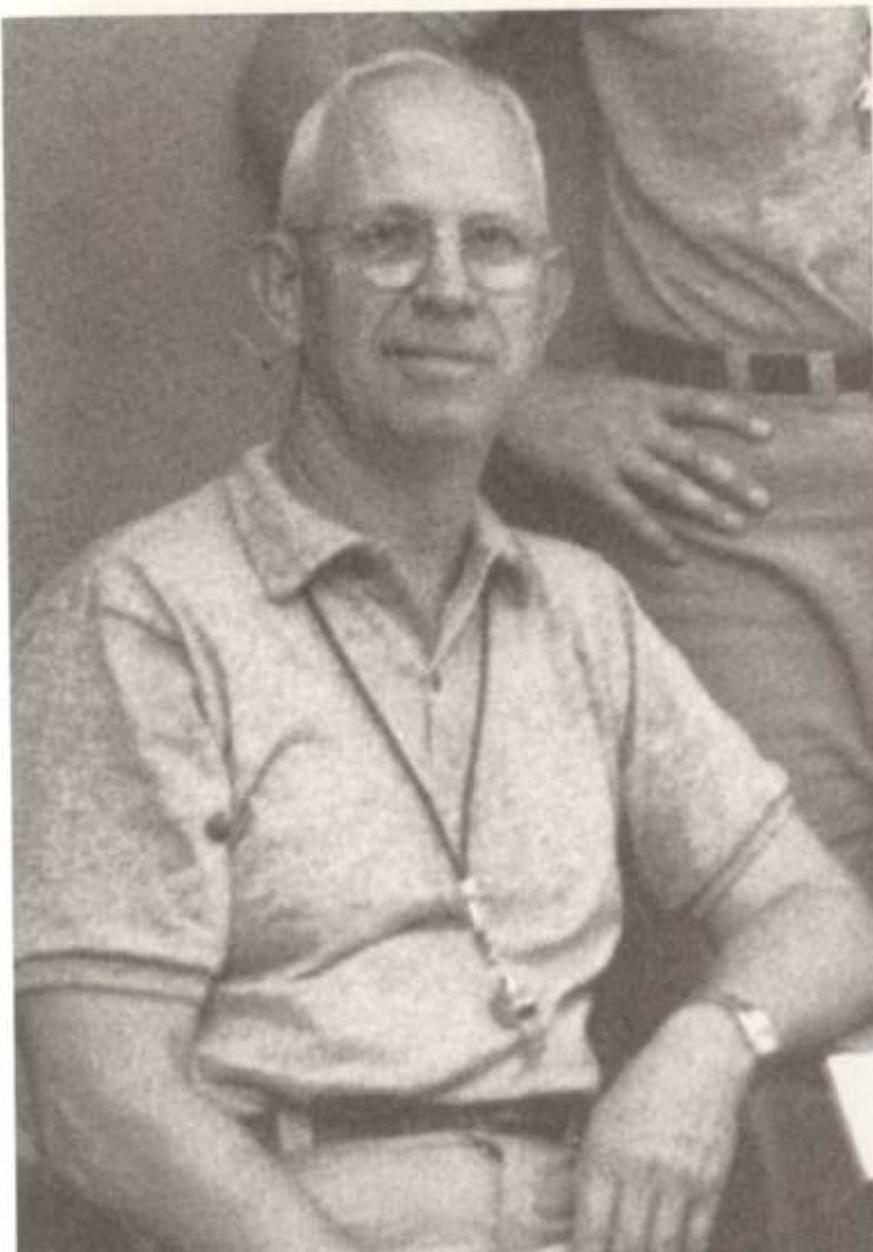


## MARSHALL CHAMBERS 1940

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Exceptionally talented as a tennis star, Marshall Chambers also excelled in football and basketball. His tennis abilities earned him the country's number one ranking in boys' doubles and the number two ranking in boys' singles. In addition, Chambers played first-string basketball at Walnut Hills High School for four years. He was second-string quarterback for the football team his junior year, moving up to first-string quarterback his senior year. Simultaneously, he won Ohio State High School tennis championships in 1938, 1939, and 1940. He went to the University of North Carolina with a scholarship in tennis and basketball, and did not lose a match playing first singles on the freshman team. Leaving school to enlist in the military, he flew 35 B-24 bomber missions over Europe in W.W.II. After Chambers completed his combat tour, he returned to the University of Cincinnati where he played number one singles on the tennis team. Marshall Chambers continued to play tennis five times a week well into retirement from his engineering career.





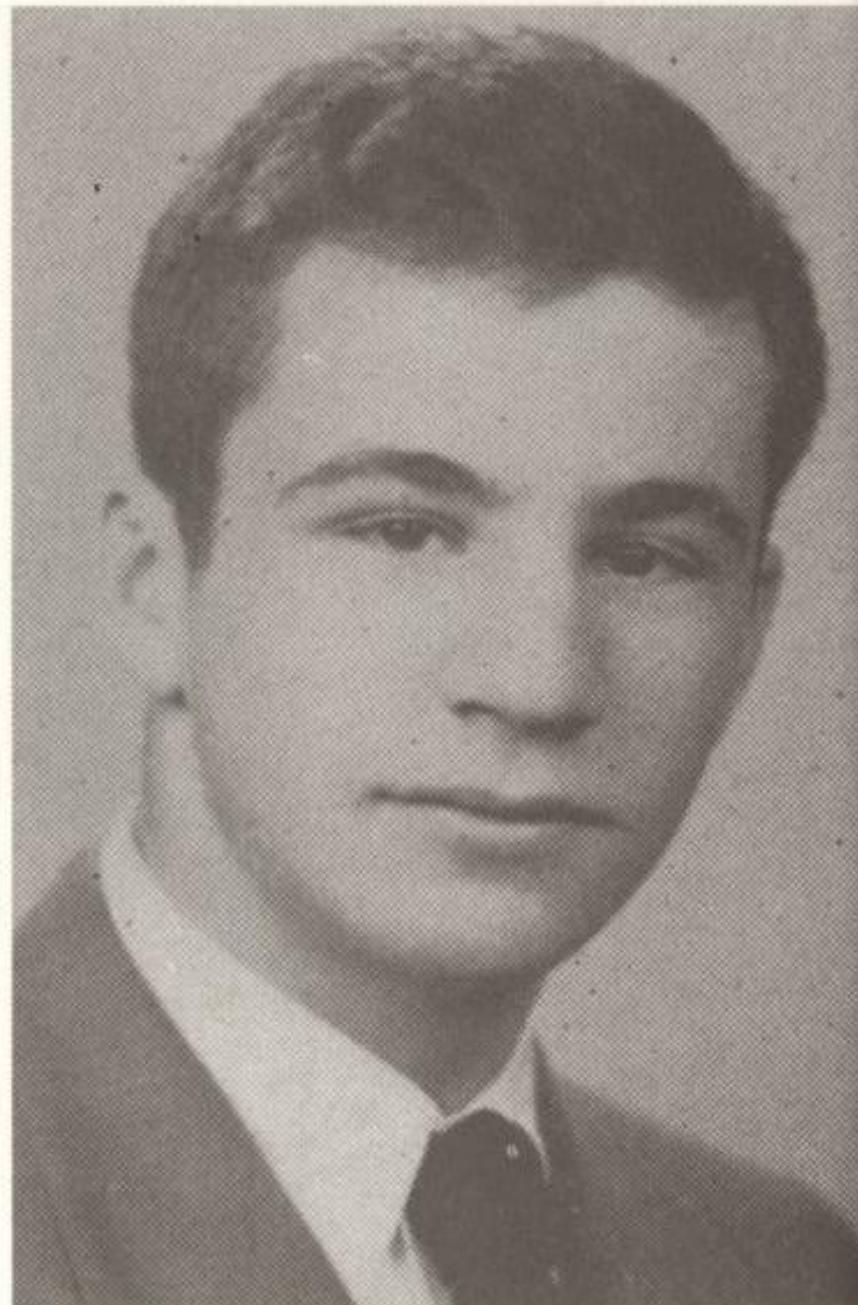
## WILLARD BASS, FACULTY AND COACH 1944-1972

No one represented the highest principles in coaching better than Willard Bass. A cutting edge technician in basketball and a creative football mind, he left a lasting impression on scores of athletes whom he affectionately called "his boys." During his 28 years as WHHS Athletic Director and coach, he expected discipline and commitment from all. Teacher, friend, critic, conscience... Bass' role went beyond coaching. He built confidence, inspiration, and self-assurance in his students. Diminutive yet fiery, he demanded and received complete dedication from every team member. Tireless, he devoted immeasurable time and effort to his job. He developed some of the finest student athletes in Walnut Hills' history and kindled an infectious spirit — a spirit that spilled over into the entire life of the school, energizing all the students. Strict yet supportive, tough but caring, he taught the traditional American values that his players carried with them throughout their lives. Coach Bass inspired success in those he mentored including protégé and most winningest college coach in history, UCLA's Johnny Wooden.

## JERRY KANTER 1947

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**V**oted best WHHS athlete by the class of 1947, Jerry Kanter won 11 varsity letters in five sports when Walnut Hills' sports programs flourished under Coach Willard Bass. He played four years of football, basketball and track, plus some volleyball and baseball. He was instrumental as the football quarterback and captain who led the team to its first PHSL Championship. He started as forward on the championship basketball team. He finished near the top in the State shot put competition. Jerry was an honor student and class officer whose all-around performance inspired many younger students to follow in his footsteps. He went on to Harvard where he was an exceptional scholar and athlete, lettering three years in both football and track. His leadership, integrity, spirit and athletic prowess are fondly recalled. An avid jogger, Jerry competed in three Boston Marathons. He is the author of seven internationally recognized books on computer science and serves as Director of Babson College's Center for Information Management Studies.





## TONY TRABERT 1948

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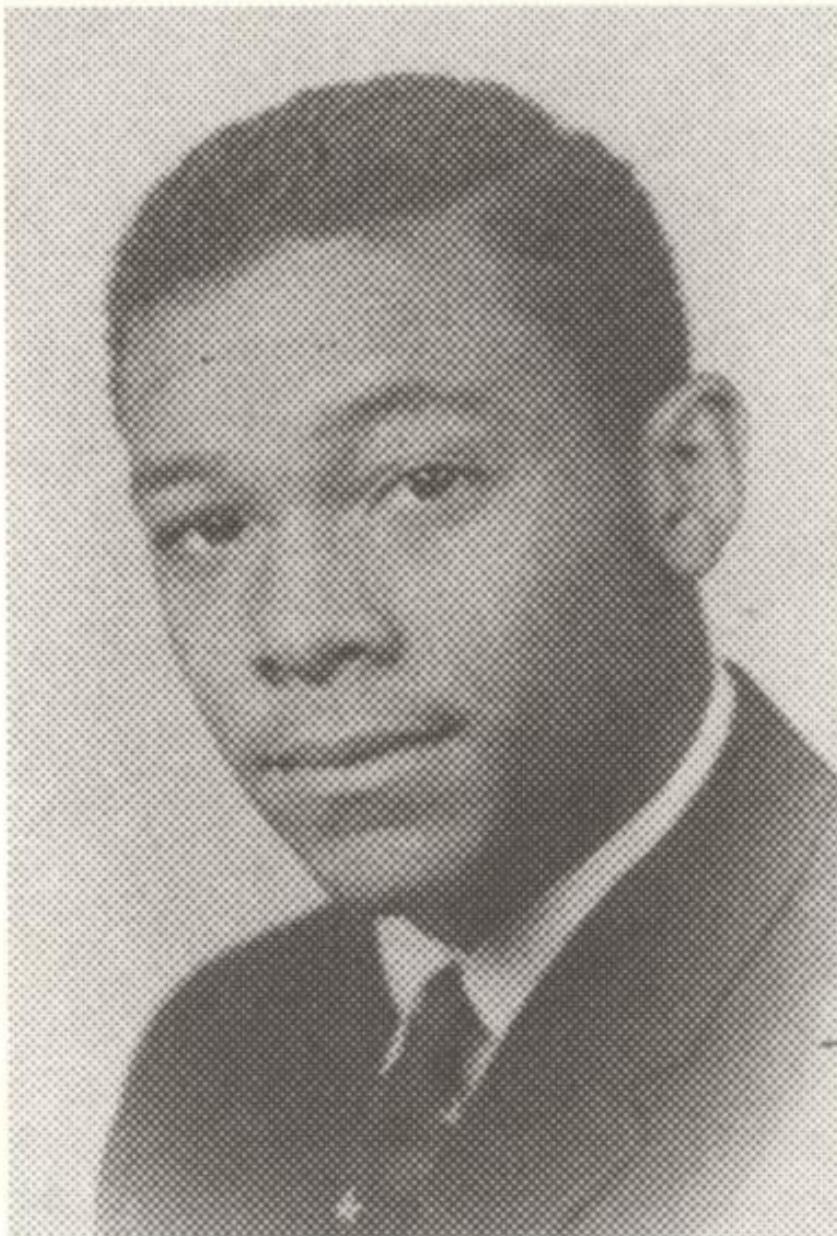
Tony Trabert got his tennis start on the city courts of his hometown, Cincinnati. As a WHHS student, he won three consecutive Ohio State titles. At the University of Cincinnati, the right-hander captured the NCAA singles championship in 1951. A standout athlete, Tony was also a starter on UC's basketball team. As a professional, he holds all of the major singles titles: U.S. Open, French Open, and Wimbledon. Tony holds prestigious doubles titles as well, winning the U.S., French, Australian and Italian competitions. He captained the most winning matches in Davis Cup history. Known for his backhand, Tony won U.S. Championships on all four surfaces – wood, clay, concrete and grass. Tony was elected to the International Tennis Hall of Fame in 1970. In later years, he served as the Hall of Fame's President. Presented in his honor, The Tony Trabert Cup is an ITF Men's 40 Competition. For years, Tony was a well-known tennis commentator for CBS Sports and Founder of the Tony Trabert Tennis Camp at UC's Trabert-Talbert Tennis Center.

## BARRY BISHOP 1949

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Noted mountain climber, scientist, explorer and scholar, Barry Bishop participated in the first American ascent of Mount Everest in 1963. At the 28,000 foot peak, he and his companions spent the night without any shelter. He suffered severe frostbite and was carried piggyback down the mountain by a Sherpa guide, then flown by helicopter to a hospital in Katmandu, Nepal. The ordeal cost him his toes and parts of two fingers. President Kennedy presented Dr. Bishop with the National Geographic Society's Hubbard Medal at the White House. Dr. Bishop gave Kennedy the U.S. flag he had carried to Mount Everest's summit. Subsequently, Dr. Bishop led or participated in a dozen other expeditions in Alaska, the Yukon Territory and the Himalayas. He joined the staff of *National Geographic* as a picture editor and later was on the magazine's foreign editorial and photographic staffs. At the time of his death in a car accident, Bishop was Vice President and Chairman of the Committee for Research and Exploration of the National Geographic Society.





## DICK GORDON 1961

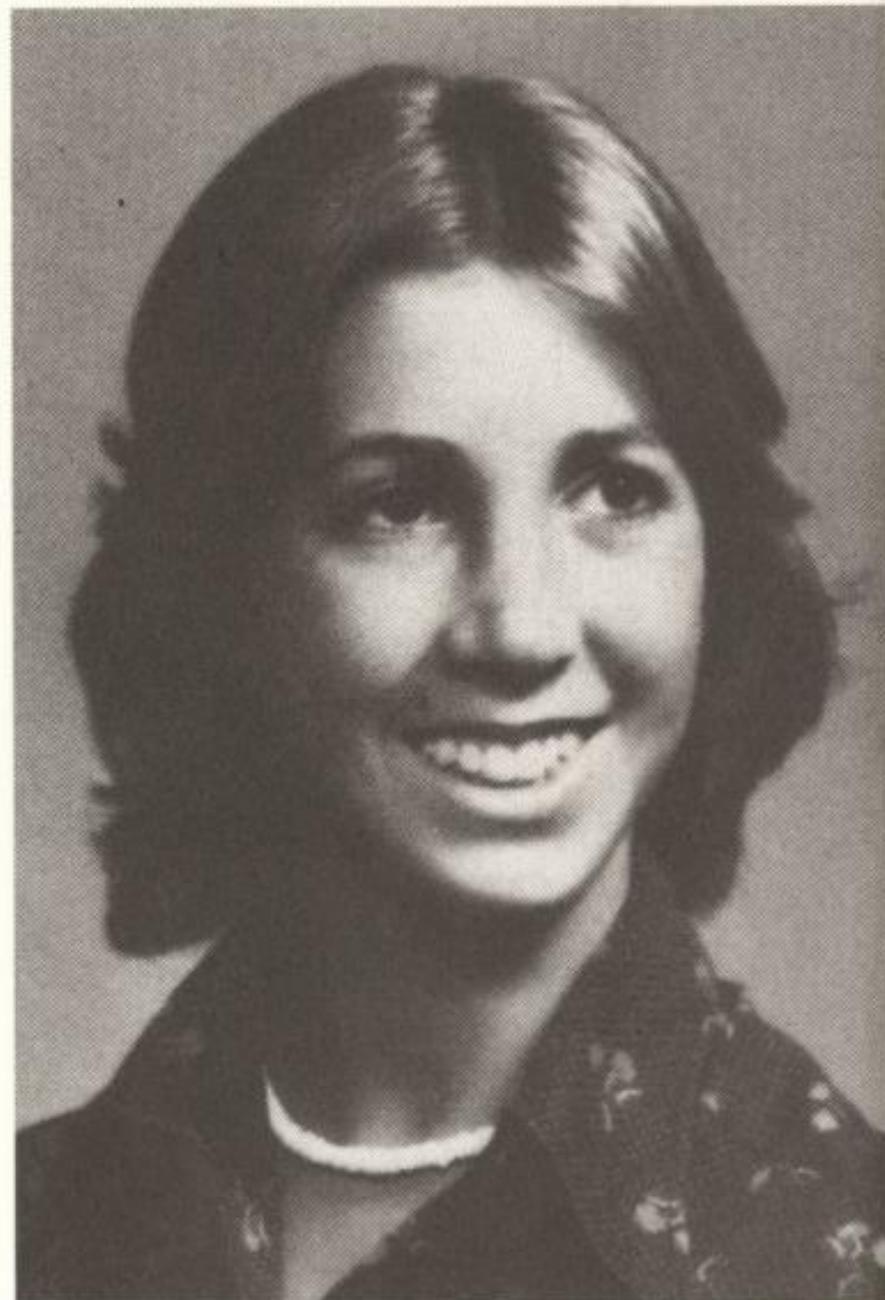
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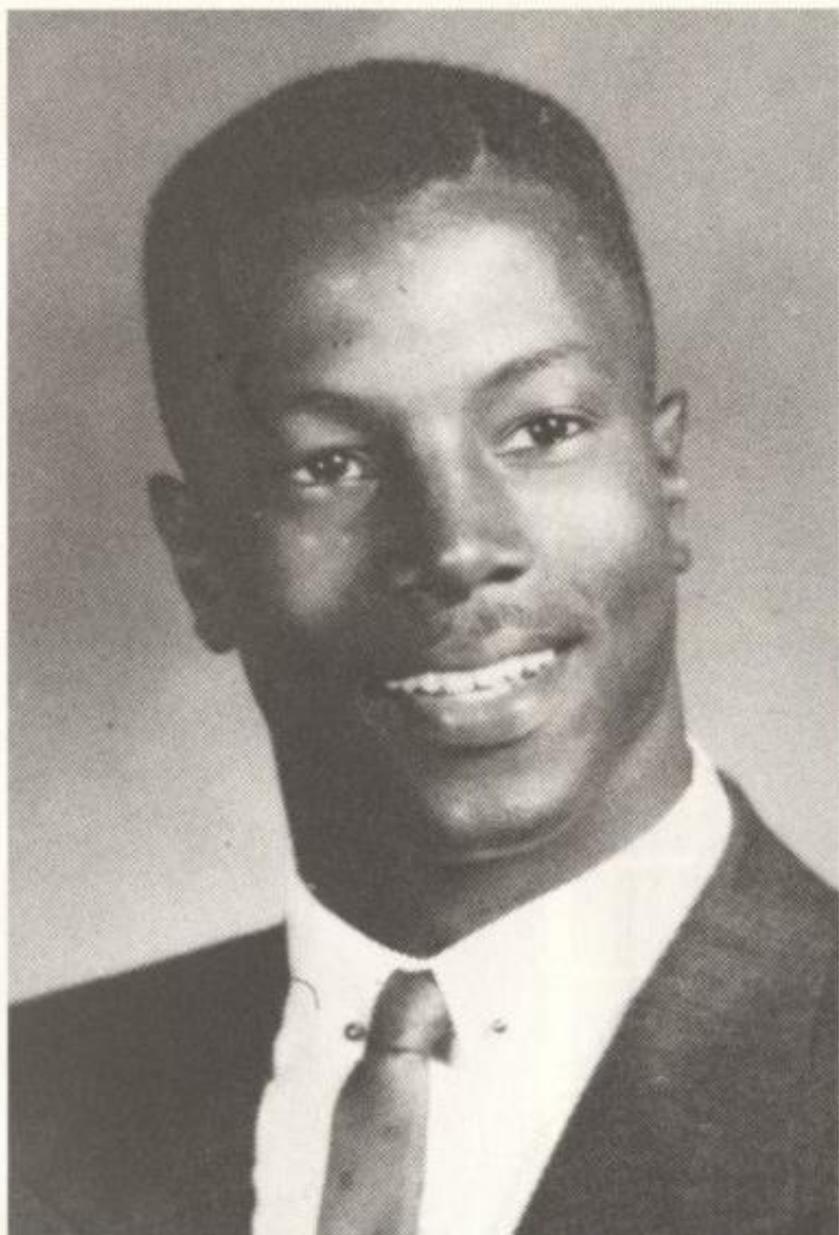
While at Walnut Hills High School, Dick was an All-City Football and Baseball player. He attended Michigan State University where he was on the varsity football and track teams and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Zoology. Collegiate honors include: member of the All-Big Ten Scholastic Team and the second team All-American (UPI-AP-Newspaper Enterprise Association), participant in East-West Shrine Game, Most Valuable Player in the Senior Bowl and Most Valuable Player for Michigan State. Drafted by the Chicago Bears in 1965, Dick started at wide receiver and played for seven years. He also played two years each for the L.A. Rams and the San Diego Chargers. During his professional career in the National Football League, Dick held Chicago Bears' pass receiving records, and tied most single season touchdown receptions at 13. He was voted All-Pro, led the NFL in pass receptions and was selected for the Pro-Bowl three times. He is a member of the Chicago Bears Hall of Fame. A Cincinnati resident, Dick is co-owner of Crosstown Records.

## BARBARA WEINSTEIN MCGRATH

1976

Barbara began diving at the age of nine so she would have "something to do in the summer." By 18, Barbara was driving to Cleveland State University to practice platform diving. Barbara Weinstein McGrath graduated Cum Laude from Walnut Hills High School in the class of 1976 then Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Michigan in 1980. She captured 33 State Diving Championships on the three-meter springboard. Coached by Ron O'Brien of The Ohio State University, she added the 10-meter tower to her repertoire and finished second in the collegiate All-American, three-time National Champion in platform diving and Gold Medalist in platform diving at the Pan American Games in 1979 in Puerto Rico. She was a member of the U.S. team in platform diving for the boycotted 1980 Moscow Olympics. "I don't know how I would have done in the 1980 Olympics. Diving is so subjective. But anything was possible," she recalls. McGrath received a Congressional Medal and carried the torch in preparation for the 1996 Atlanta Olympics.





## DARREN HUNTER ANDERSON 1987

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Darren Anderson lettered four times in track and twice in football at Walnut Hills. Twice chosen as the MVP of the track team, he earned the same honor in football as a senior. He was one of the fastest runners in Ohio during his high school career. In 1987 he was named the WHHS Athlete of the Year. During his college years at Toledo, he excelled in both football and track. As a senior cornerback, he was voted All-Mid American Conference. As a senior track performer Darren won the MAC indoor 55 meter title and finished second in the outdoor 100 meter competition. Drafted into the National Football League by the New England Patriots in 1992, he then played 1½ years with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Darren was traded to Kansas City where he played on both the defensive and special team units. Anderson stays actively involved with various community campaigns such as No Hope with Dope, Athletes in Action and at Walnut Hills as a Junior Achievement volunteer.

## THE STARGEL FAMILY

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Not only is Walnut Hills High School known as an institution of academic achievement, but excellence in athletics has historically played a significant role in developing "strong minds and strong bodies" among student athletes. The Stargel family is an exceptional example of outstanding athletic and scholastic contributions to WHHS. The Stargel legacy spans three generations and influenced multiple sports and coaching. The influence on local sports does not stop here. Jason went on to excel as a receiver with University of Cincinnati's football program from 1982 to 1986. He recorded 106 receptions and 2,088 yards for the Bearcats. Will Stargel, Jr. was inducted into the La Rosa's Most Valuable Players Hall of Fame in 1979. Cincinnati Public Schools built the Willard R. Stargel stadium to honor his tenure over successful football, basketball, baseball, and track teams at Walnut Hills and Taft High Schools. The original inductees and honorary chairs of the Walnut Hills High School Athletic Hall of Fame, the Stargel family includes:

Robert Stargel 1949 (Deceased) — Lettered in football, basketball and track.

Will Stargel, Jr. (Coach) 1966-1979 (Deceased) — Represented the highest principles in coaching.

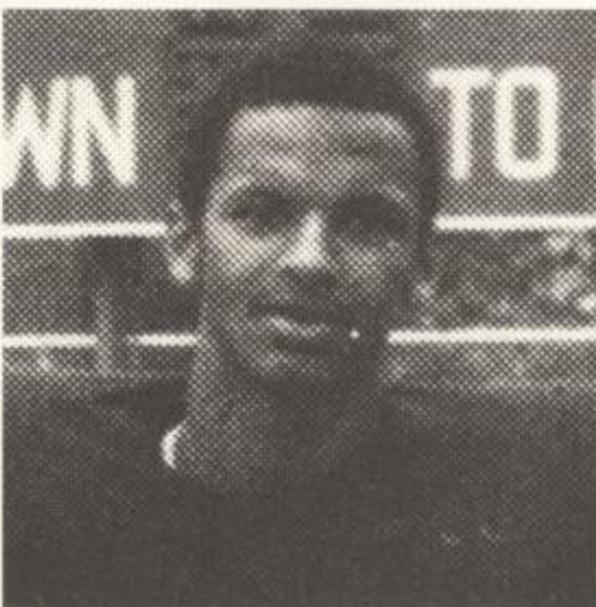
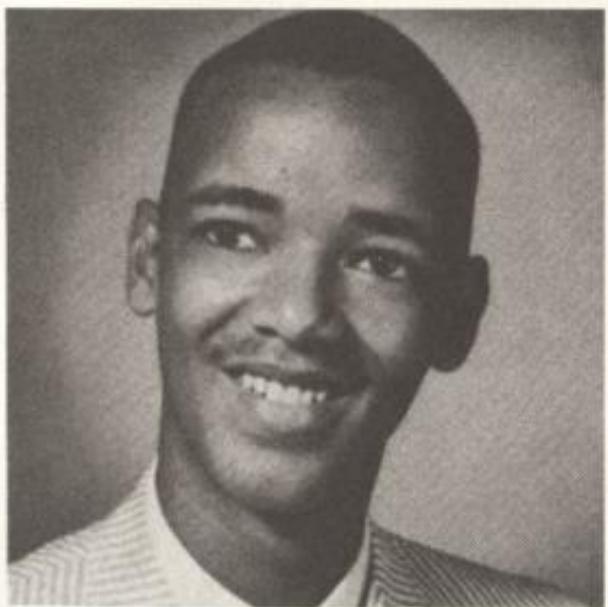
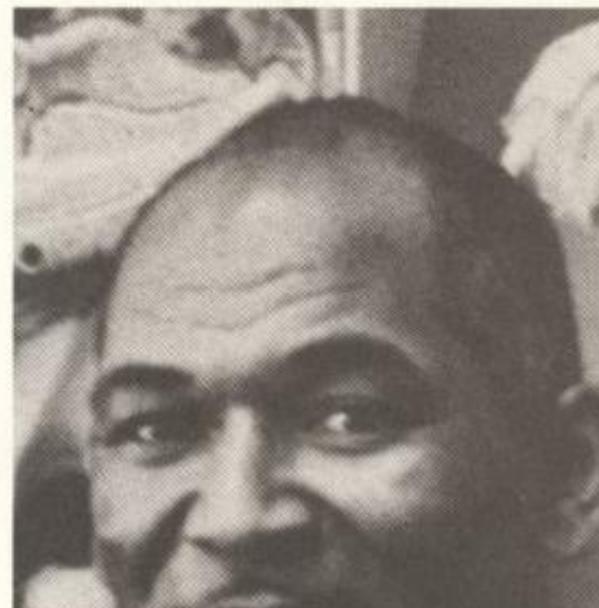
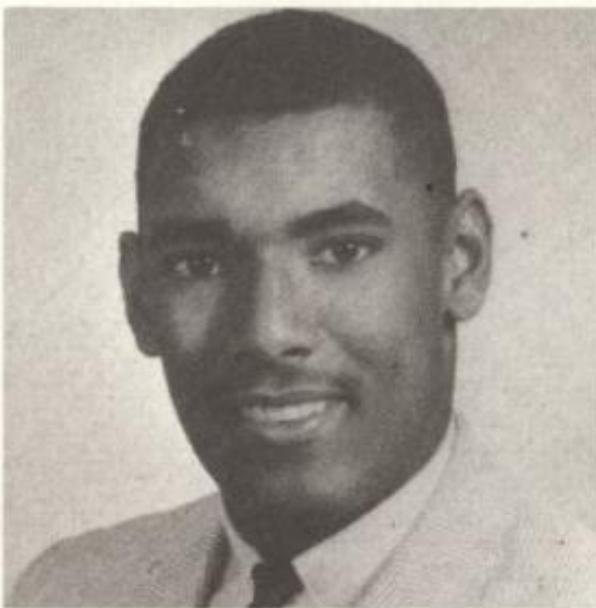
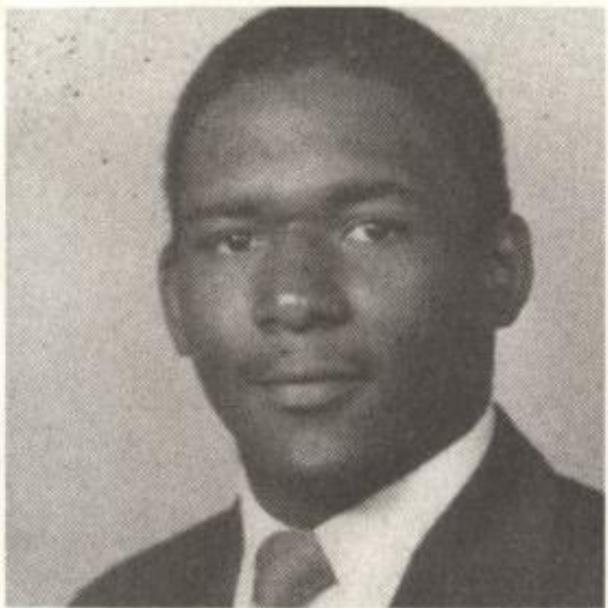
Will Stargel, III 1965 — Lettered in basketball and track.

Scott Stargel 1966 — Lettered in basketball and track.

Jason Stargel 1982 — Lettered in football and track.

*Clockwise from top to bottom:*

Robert Stargel, Will Stargel III,





ART HAS NEVER BEEN A POPULARITY CONTEST.

— JAMES LEVINE

