



## Dedication Slated for the Mathile Center for the Natural Sciences

Ohio Northern University will hold a ribbon-cutting and dedication ceremony for the new Mathile Center for the Natural Sciences at 4 p.m., on Friday, Oct. 16.

The student-centered academic research and learning facility blends hands-on teaching excellence with advanced technology in a functional modern environment.

The building includes 21 classrooms, five seminars/conference rooms, 21 laboratories, 34 offices and four storage spaces. The 95,145-square-foot structure connects the Meyer Hall of Science with the Robertson-Evans Pharmacy building.



Dr. Kendall L. Baker, Ohio Northern University president, said, "The new building has become the cornerstone of our signature science programs, and it will continue to meet the needs of science as technology continues to evolve. It is also a tribute to the Mathile family, which has supported the students and programs of ONU."

The Mathile Center is named for Clayton and MaryAnn Mathile, who initiated the campaign to construct the center by pledging \$5 million, plus an additional \$5 million in matching funds.

Clayton Mathile graduated from ONU in 1962 with a business administration degree. After seven years with the Campbell Soup Company, he joined the Iams Company in 1970. The Mathiles became sole owners of Iams in 1982 and sold the company to Proctor & Gamble in 1999.

In 1998, the Mathiles established the Mathile Family Foundation as a vehicle for sharing the many blessings of their business success. The Foundation strives to foster hope, inspire change and impact children in need. MaryAnn is the Foundation's CEO, board chair and treasurer; Clayton and all five of their children are represented on the board of trustees.

The Mathiles will participate in the ribbon-cutting and dedication ceremony, which will be presided over by Baker. Dr. Jeffrey Gray, ONU professor and chairman of the department of chemistry, and Chase Baumgartner, a senior forensic biology major from Ossian, Ind., will make remarks.

## It's Not Rocket Science. Give!

ONU employees have received the annual campus campaign mailing with a pledge card and ONU mouse pad, inviting them to join other faculty and staff members in giving back to ONU.

To quote one contributor, Paul Nutter, associate professor of technology, "ONU provides an outstanding environment for students to learn and grow, for faculty to pass on knowledge and values, and for employees to support their families on a safe and beautiful campus."

Tom Simmons, assistant professor of sports management, agrees, "Giving back to ONU is an easy decision... It makes me feel good to do more than contribute my time. I believe in ONU."

Last year's campaign had nearly 80 percent participation with more than \$100,000 in gifts and pledges.

Why give? Internal participation is a compelling indicator of support when the University requests external funds through grants, corporations and foundations. The stronger the support internally, the more likely the University can secure additional funding. Every

gift, of any amount, matters.

Giving is easy. Give online [www.onugive.com](http://www.onugive.com) or send your pledge card in campus mail. You can give via payroll deduction, too. Already made your gift for this year? Thank you for your continued support!

Please return your campaign pledge card by Friday, Oct. 30.

All participants are invited to a celebration luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 5, in the McIntosh Ballroom.

Questions? Call 419-772-4022 or e-mail Dacy Wilcox, associate director of annual giving at [d-wilcox.1@onu.edu](mailto:d-wilcox.1@onu.edu).





**Anne Lippert, retired vice president for academic affairs, leads the Homecoming parade as grand marshal on Saturday. Hundreds took part in the weekend of festivities across campus.**

## Freed Center Presents 'Runt of the Litter'

The Ohio Northern University Freed Center for the Performing Arts presents "Runt of the Litter" in the Biggs Theatre on Tuesday, Nov. 3, at 9:30 a.m. and 8 p.m.

An off-Broadway hit written and performed by Bo Eason and directed by Larry Moss, "Runt of the Litter" examines a father's expectations, a son's dream and a brother's rivalry.

"Runt of the Litter" is a semiautobiographical account of Eason's life and career as a defensive back for the NFL's Houston Oilers in the 1980s. The play debuted in New York in 2002, and Eason has subsequently performed it at theatres around the country. "Runt of the Litter" is currently running off Broadway at 37 Arts Theatre.

Tickets are also available online at [www.freedcenter.com](http://www.freedcenter.com)

## Band-O-Rama 2009, Nov. 8

The Ohio Northern University music department presents the Marching Band-O-Rama 2009 in the Freed Center for the Performing Arts on Sunday, Nov. 8, at 4 p.m.

Known as the "Star of Northwest Ohio," the marching band will perform music from their 2009 programs, "That 60s, 70s, and 80s Show" and "Sketches of Spain." "That 60s, 70s, and 80s Show" includes music from the movies "Rocky" and "Back to the Future." The show also includes music from the late Michael Jackson.

The band will heat up the theatre with music from the "Sketches of Spain Show," including music to be performed on the band's upcoming tour to Spain later this year. The group will perform "Malaguena" by Earnesto Lecuna, "Spain" by Chick Corea and "Children of Sanchez" by Chuck Mangione. Soloists include trumpeters Matt Keasal, a senior music education major from Fostoria, Ohio, and Tyler Graves, a junior music performance major from Wickliffe, Ohio.

The band is under the direction of Dr. Charles Bates, ONU professor of music and director of bands.

Tickets are also available online at [www.freedcenter.com](http://www.freedcenter.com)

## Kormendy Lecture Hosts Columbia Law Professor

Dr. Barbara Aronstein Black, professor emerita of legal history at Columbia Law School, will speak at the Ohio Northern University Pettit College of Law's Kormendy Lecture in the Moot Court Room (129) on Wednesday, Oct. 28, at 11:30 a.m. The presentation, titled "Who Judges? Who Cares? History Now and Then," is free and open to the public.

Black taught at Yale University for nine years before joining the Columbia Law School's faculty as professor emerita of legal history in 1984. Two years later, she became dean and the first woman to head an Ivy League law school. Concurrent with her deanship, she served two terms as president of the American Society for Legal History.

Black has focused a great deal of her research on 17th- and 18th-century law, including pieces on judicial independence, judicial review and the constitutional dimension of the American Revolution.

ONU's College of Law established the Kormendy Lectureship in 1987 through an endowment established by Helen E. Kormendy, widow of Dr. Steven W. Kormendy. The Dr. Steven W. Kormendy and Helen E. Kormendy Law Lecture Fund is used each year to bring prominent individuals to campus to address relevant, topical matters of law.

Dr. Kormendy, who died on Jan. 6, 1985, graduated from ONU's College of Law in 1928 and was posthumously awarded an honorary LL.D. degree in 1985. The Ohio State Bar Association honored him for 50 years of law practice, and he was active in the Hungarian community in Cleveland.

Past Kormendy lecturers include U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas, U.S. Senator Orin Hatch, former Attorney General Ramsey Clark and Harvard Law School professor David Kennedy.

## University Singers Announce 2009 Fall Tour

ONU's University Singers kick off their annual fall tour in Lima, Ohio, on Wednesday, Oct. 25. The tour will conclude with a home concert at Ohio Northern's Presser Hall on Saturday, Nov. 1, at 7 p.m.

This 50-voice choir is lead by Dennis L. Kratzer, director of choral activities and professor of music at ONU. Student accompanist Ryan Neal, a sophomore music major from Norwalk, Ohio, will serve as associate conductor.

The 2009 fall tour includes church and high school concerts in Lima, Defiance, Norwalk, Sandusky and Westerville and features primarily a cappella music and African music with percussion.

Guest artists on the tour will be Mary Jane Eichelberger, music organ faculty member at ONU, and A. Lewis Jones, a percussionist and professional church musician from Lima, Ohio. The assistant accompanist will be Faith Heflin, a junior music major from New Richmond, Ohio.

# Public Relations Program Receives OCA Distinguished Program Award

ONU's public relations program received the Distinguished Program Award at the 2009 Ohio Communication Association (OCA) Conference held in Columbus on Oct. 3. This prestigious award honors Ohio Northern as having one of the best public relations programs in the state.

The OCA bases this award on student success and the outstanding work of ONU's chapter of the national Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA). The Ohio Northern PRSSA chapter has won nearly every major award and scholarship offered by the organization. Students have continually served as national committee members for the organization and, for two years (2006-08), as PRSSA national presidents. The OCA Distinguished Program Award is presented only when the executive committee feels a program truly serves as a model for the state.

Part of the criteria for the OCA award is the excellence of faculty who participate in the public relations program. Dr. Stephen Iseman, APR, Fellow PRSA, directs the public relations major at

## 'Play-cation' for Parents and Kids

A free program by students in the exercise physiology program will help parents and children discover the fun of physical activity and fitness.

Scheduled from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 29 and Nov. 5, the program offers activities that will increase fitness levels and improve balance, agility, flexibility, endurance and strength.

With activities like Mission "Possible" Fitness, Through the Quicksand, Simon Says and Couch Potato, parents and their children will find an environment where families can play together and improve their physical fitness.

To register for this free program, contact Jillian Huber at [j-huber@onu.edu](mailto:j-huber@onu.edu). Huber, along with other senior exercise physiology majors Kathy Baker and Scott Snyder, are presenting this seminar as part of a course requirement. For more information, go to [tinyurl.com/yh9mpxu](http://tinyurl.com/yh9mpxu)

## Legendary Leon Redbone to Perform at ONU

The Ohio Northern University Freed Center for Performing Arts presents Leon Redbone in the Biggs Theatre on Saturday, Oct. 17, at 8 p.m.

With his signature sunglasses and Panama hat, Redbone has forged a musical career spanning more than 30 years. Breaking in through the folk scene, Redbone's repertoire ranges from Bob Dylan to Eddy Arnold to tunes from his childhood.

Known for his distinctive low-key and laidback voice, Redbone's first album came out in 1975. Since then, he has released more than 15 albums and has written and developed music for television and the big screen.

Redbone has provided theme songs for television shows such as "Harry and the Hendersons" and "Mr. Belvedere." His recording of "Baby, It's Cold Outside" with actress Zooey Deschanel served as the theme song for the movie "Elf."

Tickets are \$35 for general admission.

Tickets are also available online at [www.freedcenter.com](http://www.freedcenter.com)

ONU. During Iseman's tenure as head of the program, ONU has received the Certified for Education in Public Relations (CEPR) designation and has become one of only 19 programs in the world to earn the certification from the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA). Iseman also advises the student PRSSA chapter, which has won five national Teahan Awards, including the 2008 Award for University Service.

Alisa Agozzino, visiting instructor in communication arts, contributes to the broad scope and relevancy of the public relations program because of her specialization in social media tools. Agozzino's research examines how public relations practitioners use social media tools to effectively reach a younger demographic.

In a PRSA Certification review of ONU's program, reviewers noted, "Faculty members are intensely engaged in counseling students for both academic and career planning. The reputation of the ONU public relations program within the communication arts department and throughout the University would be the envy of any college PR program."

## Health Screenings

6:30-8:30 a.m.

Thursday, Oct. 15

and

6:30-8:30 a.m.

Saturday, Nov. 14

McIntosh Activities Room

Open to all employees and spouses whether enrolled in ONU health insurance plan or not. Open to retirees at no charge; retiree spouses who are not part of ONU retiree insurance plan are welcome but must pay a fee.

Hemocult test kits and specimen samples containers can be picked up at the Student Health Center.

A 12-hour fast is required before the blood draw.

(Do not eat for 12 hours prior to the testing.)

Seasonal flu shots available to all participants at no charge.

**Bring stamped envelopes to the health screening, addressed to where you want results forwarded, such as your doctor and yourself.**

Questions? Contact the Office of Human Resources.

## Sign Up For Text Messages

ONU has a cell phone text messaging service to alert faculty, staff and students of campus closings or emergencies.

Sign-up is voluntary.

To subscribe, log on to Luminis and follow the link at the bottom of the page. You can unsubscribe in the same manner at any time. Depending on your cell phone plan, charges to receive a text message may apply.



# Northern Events Oct. 15 - 21

## Campus Events

**Oct. 18**

6:00 p.m., TNT Worship Service, Chapel

**Oct. 20**

5:30 p.m., University Council, Dicke Forum

**Oct. 21**

11:00 a.m., Chapel Service, Kappa Phi, Chapel



## Arts and Lectures

**Oct. 9-Nov. 3**

Noon, Pre-Visions, paintings by John R. Nativio, Elzay Gallery of Art and Stambaugh Studio Theatre Gallery

**Oct. 17**

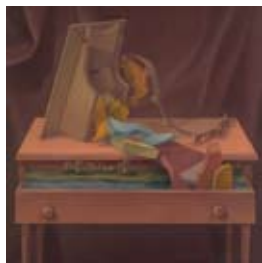
8:00 p.m., Leon Redbone, Freed Center

**Oct. 18**

7:00 p.m., ONU Women's and Men's Chorus, Snyder Recital Hall

**Oct. 20**

3:00 p.m., Dr. Bruce Frohnen, The Papal Revolution



## Athletics

**Oct. 17**

10:45 a.m., Men's and Women's Cross Country at Oberlin Invitational

1:00 p.m., Volleyball at Muskingum

1:00 p.m., Men's Soccer vs. John Carroll, ONU Soccer Field

1:30 p.m., Football at Marietta

2:00 p.m., Women's Soccer at John Carroll



**Oct. 19**

4:00 p.m., JV Football vs. Adrian, Mich., Dial-Roberson Stadium

**Oct. 20**

7:00 p.m., Volleyball vs. Wilmington, ONU Sports Center

7:00 p.m., Men's Soccer at Heidelberg

**Oct. 21**

4:00 p.m., Women's Soccer vs. Heidelberg, ONU Soccer Field

**For more events, go to:**

**[www-new.onu.edu/event](http://www-new.onu.edu/event)**