2007-2008 Common Book Author
Returns Thursday May 8 at 7:30 PM

Helena Maria Viramontes is returning to campus and will present her Friends of the Library book talk on May 8, 2008 at 7:30 pm on the 2nd floor of the Courtright Memorial Library. This annual friends event, normally held in the fall, was this year moved to the spring term.

We hope you will come and bring your friends to listen to this fascinating speaker. It will be a great opportunity for book clubs to join us. Copies of her book will be available for purchase at this event and she is very willing to autograph her books for you.

Information About the Author

Helena Maria Viramontes was born in 1954 in East Los Angeles, California, where her parents were migrant workers. She started writing while attending college and won numerous awards for her work. In 1981 Viramontes began her studies for the Master of Fine Arts Creative Writing program at the University of California at Irvine.

The major themes of her stories can be traced to her childhood experiences as she grew up in East Los Angeles. Also, the work of Cesar Chavez and the United Farm Workers influenced her life and her art. In 1995 Viramontes' powerful novel, Under the Feet of Jesus, was published. She dedicated this work to the memory of Cesar Chavez and her parents who met while they labored in the fields of California.

Ms. Viramontes has won a fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts to collaborate on a workshop with Gabriel Garcia Marquez at the Sundance Institute. Also, her work has appeared in the anthology, Cuentos, and in 1985 her book, The Moths and Other Stories, was published. In 1993 she began to...
A Erin McKenzie Virtual Welcoming Space Event

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Jonathan Mooney

The Short Bus:
A Journey Beyond Normal

The Erin McKenzie events are proudly co-sponsored by the Friends of the Otterbein College Courtright Memorial Library in connection with the Erin McKenzie Virtual Welcoming Space and Ohio TASH—promoting equity, opportunity, and inclusion for people with disabilities.
Jonathan is founder and President of Project Eye-To-Eye, a mentoring and advocacy non-profit organization for students with learning differences. With the publication of *Learning Outside The Lines* (now in its 14th printing) when he was 23, Jonathan has established himself as one of the foremost leaders in LD/ADHD, disabilities, and alternative education. His second book, *The Short Bus: A Journey Beyond Normal*, is a memoir, published by Henry Holt in June, 2007. Lauded as “a heartfelt rebuke to the rigid definitions of normality,” by Kirkus Review, the book is Jonathan’s journey across the United States, in a converted short school bus, as he seeks to celebrate cognitive and physical diversity through profiles of people who have been labeled abnormal their entire lives. His work on behalf of students with disabilities was recognized by the LD Access Foundation in 2003 when he was awarded the Golden Advocacy award. Jonathan has been featured and quoted in The New York Times, USA Today, NPR, ABC News, New York Magazine, The Washington Post, The Boston Globe and numerous other local and regional papers in the cities, states, and countries where Jonathan has traveled.

For more information visit: [www.jonathanmooney.com](http://www.jonathanmooney.com)
Election Report

The following people were elected at the March 16th Annual Meeting to be our new officers:

**FOL Board**

President - Margaret Trent  
Vice President - Nancy J. Smith  
Secretary - Judy Christian  
Treasurer - Lois Szudy  
At-Large Members - James Bailey & Barbara McKenzie

**FOL Council**

**Bookmark**

*Brett Kromer*  
who knows where I will end up! Then again what artist does?

**About the Artist**

Growing up I have always been interested in art, something that followed me to high school and now to college. As a freshman attempting a degree in the Arts, I have a little bit of time before needing a complete graduation plan. Eventually I want to start my own photography business. However, I am interested in more than just photography so

**About the Bookmark**

There was nothing too abstract about my creative process on this bookmark. As most people would upon hearing the word "library" I thought of books. I searched for pictures of books on the internet and found one that gave me an idea. I decided to take the picture myself and when taking it I zoomed in on a part of the book people don't normally look at. When creating the words I wanted the type to portray the same feelings as the picture. I remembered that most libraries stamp their book which gave me the idea of where to put "Otterbein College."

**Officers, 2007 - 08**

President - Margaret Trent  
Vice-President - open  
Secretary - Judy Christian  
Treasurer - Lois Szudy  
College Development Liaison - Carolyn Williams  
Programs - Mary Pat Knight, Pat Kessler & Petie Dodrill  
Membership - Liz Allen, Jane Horn & Gary Tirey  
Publicity - Becky O'Neil and Nancy Smith
Seasons of Love

An Evening of Music and Entertainment
Presented by the 2008 Freshmen

Sunday, March 16, 2008
7:00pm
A Farewell to Friends Lost

John Robert Knight

John Robert Knight, age 101 years, died Thursday, March 20, 2008, at 5800 Forest Hills Blvd., Columbus, OH. He is survived by son, Robert M. Knight (wife, Carol) of Clarksville, TN; son, Douglas R. Knight (wife, Mary Pat) of Westerville, OH; grandson, Douglas A. Knight (wife, Marcelle; and great-grandson, Robert F. Knight) of Rockledge, FL; grandson, John L. Knight (wife, Vasanta) of Nashville, TN; granddaughter, Julie Stokol (husband, Alan and great-granddaughter, Rachel A. Stokol) of Walnut Creek, CA; and grandson, Mark D. Knight of Troy, NY. He is predeceased by wife Gertrude Reid Knight in 2007, young daughter Carol E. Knight in 1938, parents John Melvin and Lelia Coile Knight of Parkersburg, WV, brother Ralph C. Knight (wife Helen) of Middletown, OH, sister Maurine Knight Leavitt (husband Charles) of Parkersburg, WV and sister Helen Knight Williams (husband J. Hutch) of Columbus, OH. J. Robert graduated from Parkersburg High School in 1924, Otterbein College in 1928, and the Ohio State University in 1939. His career in the Young Men’s Christian Association (YMCA) was served in Dayton, OH (1928-1935), Columbus, OH (1934-1940), Toledo, OH (1941-1947), and Columbus, OH (1948-1972). After retirement in 1972, he held various offices in the YMCA professional society and was inducted into the North American YMCA Hall of Fame in 1996. He was a life-long member of the United Brethren (later United Methodist) Church. A memorial service was held Saturday, March 29th, 11 a.m. at the Summit United Methodist Church, 82 E. 16th Ave., Columbus, OH. Friends were received by the family one hour before the service. Any desiring to do so may contribute to the General Scholarship Fund of Otterbein College, Development Office, 1 Otterbein College, Westerville, OH, 43081. (Columbus Dispatch, March 28, 2008: B7)

Wilma Maurine Macke

Wilma Maurine Macke (nee Vandersall), age 86, passed away at her home in Feridean Commons on Saturday, April 26, 2008. She was preceded in death by her parents Clarence and Ida Vandersall and sister Marguerite. She is survived by her husband, Woodrow "Woodie"; and children, John Macke (Katie), Mary Buchanan (Stu), William Macke (Nancy), Robert Macke (Yoonhee); and brother, John Vandersall (Pat). Wilma was raised on the family farm in Sandusky County, Ohio. She attended Bowling Green University and graduated in 1944 from North Central College in Naperville, Illinois. In 1946 she was appointed by the Evangelical Church as a missionary to serve in West Africa. In 1949 she met and married Woodie in Nigeria, and they served there together until 1964. In 1965 the family moved to Westerville, Ohio. Wilma became an active member of the First EUB Church, later to become the Church of the Master United Methodist, and a delegate to the UM Ohio Conference Assembly. She continued her service through the Church, helping countless friends and strangers throughout the years. She made lifelong friends through her membership in the Child Conservation League, and her love and support will be missed by many. Family received friends from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday April 29 at HILL FUNERAL HOME, 220 South State St., Westerville. Memorial Service was held at the Church of the Master, 24 N. Grove St., Westerville at 11 a.m. on Wednesday April 30. Dr. William Amy and Dr. Todd Anderson officiated. In lieu of flowers, friends may contribute in her memory to Mt. Carmel Hospice or the Church of the Master, UM. (Columbus Dispatch, April 29, 2008: B5)
To insure proper gift credit, please make checks payable to Otterbein College. Contributions are tax deductible in accordance with Internal Revenue Service rules.

One benefit to being a Friend is borrowing privileges at the library.

Are you interested in receiving borrowing privileges?

☐ No, I do not need borrowing privileges.

☐ Yes, I would like to have borrowing privileges.

Member Signature: ____________________________ Date: ________________

Memberships are valid for one year.

☐ Renewal  ☐ New Member

Choose the donation category most appropriate for you:

☐ Imaginative Friend: Generous donation, including special purpose or non-financial

☐ Philanthropist ($500+)

☐ Benefactor ($100-$499)

☐ Contributor ($50-$99)

☐ Family: 2 + people in same household ($35)

☐ Individual Friend ($20)

☐ Otterbein Student ($5)

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Enclosed is your latest copy of
“Friendly Correspondence”
the newsletter of the
Friends of the Courtright Memorial Library

Please note that your membership expires on the date shown on your mailing label.
To renew, fill out the enclosed form and mail it to Lois Szudy at the above address.