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**Deanna Bachtell** is a graduating English and Psychology major. She intends to pursue a career in creative writing.

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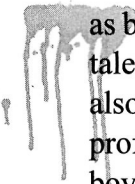
**Mike Beatty** found a purpose in life at the tender age of eleven when he clicked the street-light green 'order' button on his cable remote control; thus exposing him to the sensational artistic medium known as softcore pornography. The first step in Mike B's eventual--inevitable--meteoric rise to softcore obscurity is nearing completion as he works towards his Honours Bachelor of Arts with Distinction in English at OSU.

**Tammy Blair** is the biggest procrastinator you will ever meet. She has been attending college for 13 years now (on and off, of course). She is the mother of the two best looking children on the face of the planet. She is an English major who wishes she could be a CSI, but she is scientifically and mathematically challenged, so she'll settle for writing true crime novels, hopefully. Her pet peeves are unreasonable people, picky eaters, and the misuse of "there" and "their". Her poem printed in this issue is dedicated to her daughter's twin, who is presumably the best looking angel in Heaven.

**Tabitha Clark** was raised in Marion, Ohio. She graduated from Harding High School in 1998 before moving to Jacksonville, North Carolina. While in North Carolina, Tabitha was the President of the Enlisted Wives Club of Camp Lejeune, North Carolina and a Key Volunteer; both are Marine Corps Organizations. Tabitha is a single mother of two and has a passion for writing. She has recently returned to Marion to begin her college education at OSUM and earn her double bachelors in Journalism and Political Science.

**Natalie Burks** writes, "I am very fascinated with the old. I think that it is very beautiful and unique. I also love to use color. I think it adds a lot of emotion and drama to any piece of art."

**Rachel Clemons** writes of herself: "I am 24 years old. I attended OSUM while working on my bachelors in English. I am currently enrolled in the Masters of Education program on main campus so that I can teach 7-12 Language Arts. Honestly, I hate writing these blurb type things. I get the impression that no one really reads them. I think most people do not give a rip about the author or even needs to in order to enjoy the piece of work. Ultimately, knowing a bit about me will not change or enhance the way you feel about my poems. Anyway, I would characterize myself



as beautiful, gorgeous, a bombshell, and talented in too many areas to elaborate. I am also very spunky and outgoing--ask any professor who had me. Pretty much, the boys want me and the girls want me too. I am hot stuff. Enjoy my masterpieces, and tell everyone about them. I am sure they will be great conversation starters at parties or awkward first dates."

**Jodi Cunningham** says, "No, Kitty! That's my pot pie!"

**Laura Daum** is in her second year at OSUM, planning to double-major in English and Psychology.

**Joshua Elchert** is a senior-ranked English major and was abducted by aliens in 2002. He enjoys multiple types of cheeses. In his spare time, what little of it he has, he enjoys indulgence in his voyeuristic intentions by capturing images forever on film. Joshua is happily in lust with his mistress, Lady Juicy.

**Kim Gale** is a freshman at OSUM. She's planning (as of now) to major in industrial design, which will combine her love of art and her need to produce something practical. She is open to any other interests that may present themselves along the way. Since her photography class here at OSUM, she has

continued taking pictures as a hobby.

**Anthony Iacobucci** is a senior English major from Marion, OH. He plans to teach high school English and loves to play bass guitar with the band Belga Girl. He also loves his best friend and fiance, Mallory.

**Sandy Irwin** writes, "I am a beginning photographer. These shots were taken as my first attempt at using a digital camera. I was trying to capture the beauty of central Ohio for an Art 300 project entitled Off the Beaten Path: The Road Less Traveled. As a gal from the country, I wanted to share the beauty of country living with those who normally drive by it without taking time to notice it."

**Tanya Kunze** writes, "While my family moved around Alabama and Texas when I was young, most of my childhood was spent on a dairy farm in Morrow county. Writing poetry and short stories has been a true release for me since about junior high. Leopold was a real lizard who, for a couple of months, actually lived around my friend's shower window in Florida. He was deeply missed once he moved on. As for me, currently I am taking math courses at OSUM for the fun of it (yea' right) and have truly enjoyed the OSUM math faculty (that part is

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true). I hold a bachelor's in Music Education from Ashland University and a Masters of Habilitative Sciences from the University of West Florida. My professional work has been with universities and 2-year colleges, primarily with students who are at risk or who have disabilities. This includes working for OSU's main campus Disability Services for 8 years before coming to work at Marion Technical College. I hope that each of you have a Leopold in your life: someone who will listen quietly and allow you to be free to be you."

**Andrew Lautzenheiser** currently attends OSU Marion.

**Beth (Pamela E.) Mohon** is a junior studying at the Ohio State University, Marion campus. She plans to attend graduate school and hopes to teach English literature at the college level. Her major area of literary interest is the Romantic period, and she works as a tutor in her campus writing center.

**Jodi Osborne** is a sophomore majoring in Art Education. She plans on moving down to Main Campus in the fall and living with the coolest girls ever!!! She loves art and looks forward to teaching it someday.

**Morgan L. Pugh** is a recent graduate of OSU-Marion.

**Scott Shirk** is a loyal OSUM student majoring in English. Some of his favorite activities include smoking within twenty five feet of public buildings, and watching tele-novellas with his adoring wife Shellie. He also takes long walks in the park with his cat Coquina.

**Mindy Smith** is a senior majoring in English, and she loves monkeys, Heath\* Ice Cream, and television. She realizes that too much T.V. supposedly kills brain cells, but she is hooked and can't seem to end her relationship with the boob tube. When she isn't lounging lazily in front of her 62 inch television, she can be found lounging on her bed instead writing never ending papers for school. Oh, and she finally cleaned her entire car on April 22, 2007 for the first time in four years! She's extremely proud of herself!

**Sarah Stahl** loves to travel.

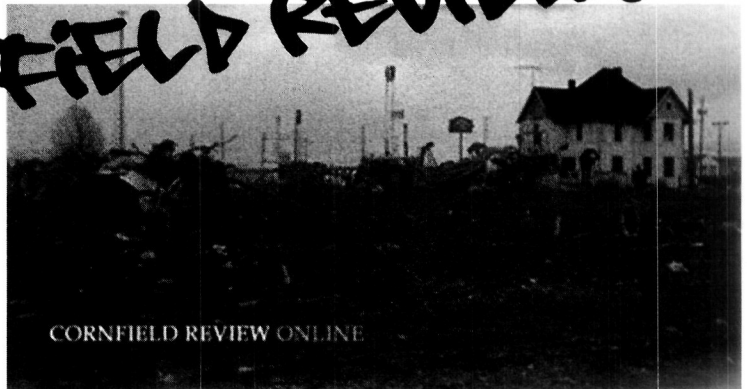
**Tyler Thomas** says, "I herd you b----s wanna play wiffell ball!"

**Charity Turner** is currently a sophomore majoring in Middle Childhood Education. She enjoys writing, reading, listening to music and watching movies. Her favorite poet is Sylvia Plath, and she hopes to travel to Europe someday.

**Lydia Wetzel** is a junior at the Ohio State University at Marion. She is currently taking a break from her studies at OSU and attending a mission training school with the University of the Nations in Kona, Hawaii. She loves to communicate through art, story, and creativity.



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