

CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS SCHOOL  
HALL OF FAME  
Fourth Induction 2005

**Carl Harris**

Class of 1950

**Academic/Career Accomplishments**

Much of Carl Harris's career has been devoted to social welfare. He has been instrumental in coordinating support services, food, housing and medical care in less privileged nations. Most recently, Mr. Harris provided logistical and technical support for the Iraqi out-of country voting program in Syria. His work has taken him to points around the globe including the Ukraine, Baghdad, Kosovo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Vietnam and Rwanda.

Early in his career, Mr. Harris served as an assistant rector in the Episcopal Church, where he was responsible for developing youth and vocational conferences. He spent much of the 70s and 80s working for the Department of State. He also was a consultant to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare and United Nations High Commissioner for refugees. In addition, Mr. Harris was regional director of World Vision International.

Mr. Harris graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1956 and Virginia Theological Seminary in 1961. He was a sergeant in the US Marine Corps between 1950 and 1952.

**George Hussey**

Class of 1945

**Performing Arts/Cultural Contributions**

George A. Hussey might better be known as a music man. He has played the oboe in countless concerts in the United States and internationally and was a professor in the School of Music at Southern Illinois University for more than three decades. His teaching specialties included the oboe, woodwind methods, music theory and music appreciation.

Hussey moved to Cuyahoga Heights at the age of 12. As a student, he participated in the band. His first encounter with the oboe left a lasting impression on him. He has been quoted as saying "The first time I ever heard that lovely sound it just changed my life forever. I've had a love-hate affair with this thing ever since."

Hussey graduated from Baldwin-Wallace College, where he was later honored as an outstanding teacher, and studied at the Cleveland Institute of Music. He received his master's degree from Washington University in St. Louis in 1963 and also served in the U.S. Air Force.

Hussey currently is director of music at the First Christian Church in Carbondale, Illinois.

**Dr. Carol Ann Lockhart**

Class of 1960

**Academic/Career Accomplishments**

Carol Ann Lockhart, Ph.D. has contributed to the medical community as a nurse, professor and consultant during a career spanning four decades. She is president of a health systems research consulting firm and partner in a survey research consulting firm. As an associate professor at the University of Tennessee College of Nursing, she teaches health economics and leadership courses in the doctoral program.

Began in 1991, C. Lockhart Associates provides assistance to national and international organizations planning for and implementing health and public health policy and program change. She provided short-term consults to a Jordanian organization between 2001 and 2004. As a partner in One-To-One LLC, Lockhart assists clients in posing and answering questions through interviews, assessments and evaluations. She is currently conducting a survey of Arizona hospitals.

Lockhart has served as a public health consultant in the state of Arizona and sat for five years on the Physician Payment Review Commission, a commission created to advise Congress of physician payment under Medicare.

Lockhart graduated from Case Western Reserve University in 1965 and the University of California at San Francisco in 1974. She received her Ph.D. in 1988 from Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts.

### **Jim Sponseller**

1949 – 1978

#### **Major Contributions to Cuyahoga Heights Schools**

In gratitude for his many contributions to the Cuyahoga Heights Schools, Jim Sponseller was recognized in 2001 with an endowed scholarship in his name. He was an administrator, teacher and coach during his nearly 30 years with the Cuyahoga Heights School District.

Sponseller's career began in 1949 at Cuyahoga Heights, where he taught high school math and coached athletics. His contributions as a coach earned him a spot in the Cuyahoga Heights Schools Athletic Hall of Fame. Later in his career, Sponseller served as assistant high school principal, athletic director and assistant superintendent. He also spent two years in Nigeria, Africa, heading the math department at the Teachers Training Center. He retired in 1978.

A few of Sponseller's many accolades include induction into the Hiram College Athletic Hall of Fame as well as the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts. He also served three years as a navigator in the U.S. Air Force.

### **Gary Tucholski**

Class of 1956

#### **Academic/Career Accomplishments**

In 34 years at the Eveready Battery Company, Gary R. Tucholski was responsible for numerous technical achievements. He has been granted well of 30 U.S. patents in addition to many foreign patents and was named a technology fellow, the highest position available to him at Eveready Battery.

Some of Tucholski's innovations include development of miniature batteries used in many electronic devices, portable lighting devices such as flashlights, powerful military batteries and improvements to the inside and outside of Eveready Energizer Batteries. He was instrumental in developing a battery tester, used on batteries sold throughout the world.

Tucholski retired from Eveready Battery after nearly 40 years of service and began work as an engineering consultant. His clients included Mactac in Stow, where he developed electro luminescent lamps and Thin Battery Technologies in Parma, where he was named vice president of technology.

Tucholski is a 1963 graduate of Fenn College, earning a BSME Degree.