

## The Columbus Academy New Faculty and Staff Profiles August 2008

**Jennifer Barren- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Assistant** - Jen is returning to the faculty this year after a hiatus to be home with her three young sons. She previously served on the Lower School faculty from 1991-2000, initially as a Kindergarten intern and then as a lead teacher for 4<sup>th</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades and also with PreK. Jen earned her B.A. in Elementary Education from Wittenberg University. She and her husband Mark (Upper School faculty) live in Worthington, and their three sons will be in grades 5, 2, and Kindergarten respectively.

**Jeannine Hamilton - Development Office Coordinator** – Jeannine officially came on board in April after working for four years in the Development Office of The Ohio State University Medical Center, where she was most recently Assistant Director for Annual Giving. She also has prior office experience with Acloche Staffing and Office Team and the International Executive Housekeepers Association. She earned a B.A. in Education from The Ohio State University. Jeannine lives in Columbus.

**Darnell Heywood - Director of College Counseling** – Darnell was most recently Director of College Counseling and Testing at Columbus School for Girls, where she worked for the last six years. Prior to that she was Associate Director of Admissions at Kenyon College, where she had previously earned her B.A., with a major in English. Darnell and her husband Will live in German Village with their two sons, the older of whom, Liam, will be entering our Kindergarten.

**Evelyn Kelley-Antoine – Morning Receptionist** - Evelyn has been an active volunteer at the Academy in a variety of roles, including serving as Co-Chair of the 2008 Antiques Show. Most of her prior professional experience here and in Cleveland has been in the arts as a graphic designer and graphic artist. Evelyn has a B.F.A. (Art History) from the University of Arizona. She and her husband Albert live in Columbus and daughter Kelley Marie Antoine will be a 3<sup>rd</sup> grader this year.

**Patricia Killoren – Assistant Librarian, Middle School** – Pat is an experienced elementary teacher and librarian, having worked in public and private schools in both Missouri and Pennsylvania before moving to this area. She has a B.A. with a major in Mathematics from St. Louis University. Pat and her husband Robert live in Gahanna, and their daughter Rachel will be a senior at Columbus Academy this year.

**Shane MacElhiney – Head of Upper School** – Shane comes to Columbus after ten years at the Wooster School in Danbury, CT, where he taught Mathematics and Economics and coached soccer and tennis. He most recently was Dean of the Upper School at Wooster. Shane earned his B.A. from Yale University, where he majored in Economics and Pre-Med, and he has a M.A. from Teachers College, Columbia University in Education Leadership with a concentration in Private School Leadership. Shane and his wife Emily Russell live in Gahanna.

**Trisha Mayhorn – Development Office - Data Entry** – Trish has a variety of professional experiences in database management, most recently with Prudential RK Morris and Associates and with the American Institutes for Research. She is a graduate of Ohio Dominican University, from which she earned a B.A. in English. Trish lives in Westerville with her husband Jay and son.

**Dan Olexio – Upper School Mathematics** – Dan is recently retired from a twenty year career in the United States Army, where he achieved the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He earned his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the United States Military Academy. He has two Masters degrees, one in Business Administration from the M.I.T. Sloan School of Management and one in Middle School Education from Old Dominion University. Dan has a variety of experiences as a teacher, including teaching Economics at West Point and training military and civilian analysts in geospatial analysis at Ft. Belvoir (VA). He and his wife Kristin live in Westerville with their four children, the youngest of whom, Evelyn, will be entering CA's Kindergarten.

**Anne Ramsey – Fourth Grade Assistant** – Anne has been very involved at the school in recent years as a short and long term substitute, including filling in last spring as a maternity leave replacement in the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade. She also has tutored a number of CA students in math. She has a B.S. in Education from The Ohio State University and has considerable prior experience in this area and in South Carolina in the restaurant business. Anne, her husband Christopher and three children live in Newark.

**Michael Ray – Director, SAGE Food Service** – Michael is a native of Indiana who has been in the food service industry for thirty years. He graduated from Johnson and Wales Culinary Institute (RI), and his past experience includes five years as Food Service Director at University of St. Francis (IN) and, most recently, ten years at Christchurch School, an independent boarding school in VA. Michael and his son Andrew live in Westerville.

**Terri Reed – Business Office - Accounting Assistant** – Terri started her responsibilities in the Business Office last spring, and she came to Columbus Academy with twenty years of prior experience in accounting and payroll. She has a degree in Applied Business Accounting from Kent State University. Terri, her husband Mark, and two daughters live in Pataskala.

**Kathy Webner – Administrative Assistant to the Headmaster** – Kathy has considerable prior experience here, having served in the Development Office from 1994-99 in various roles, including that of Editor of the *Academy Magazine*. She is also the parent of two alumni, Richard '05 and Russell '07. Since her prior tenure here Kathy has been a freelance writer and worked in communications and media relations with The Longaberger Company and The John Glenn Institute of The Ohio State University. Kathy earned a B. A. in Journalism from OSU. She and her husband Bob live in New Albany.

**Megan Webster – Upper School Counselor** – Megan has a variety of professional experiences as a counselor and social worker, most recently at The Buckeye Ranch and at St. Vincent Family Centers. She earned a B.A. in English from Gustavus Adolphus College (MN) and a Masters in Social Work with emphasis on Women's Issues and Mental Health from Washington University (MO). Megan lives in New Albany.