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## **Our Mission**

Penta Career Center's mission is to educate high school and adult students in their chosen occupational programs to:

Make informed career decisions;

Transition successfully from school to work;

Advance in the changing world of work; and

Recognize the necessity of continuous education.



## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Outstanding Alumni and Friends of Penta:

ince the inception of the Penta Outstanding Alumni Award in 1993, we have honored 72 former students who represent excellence and success in their chosen careers. This year we add six alumni to the list. Each has a unique story to share about how their education and training at Penta helped them achieve personal and professional success.

As you review this booklet you will notice how our outstanding alumni recipients recognize that education and training are important aspects of their career accomplishments. They often mention how education is a lifelong process. Our alumni acknowledge the importance of upgrading their workplace skills



Fred Susor

through additional training leading to a certificate, a license, or a college degree.

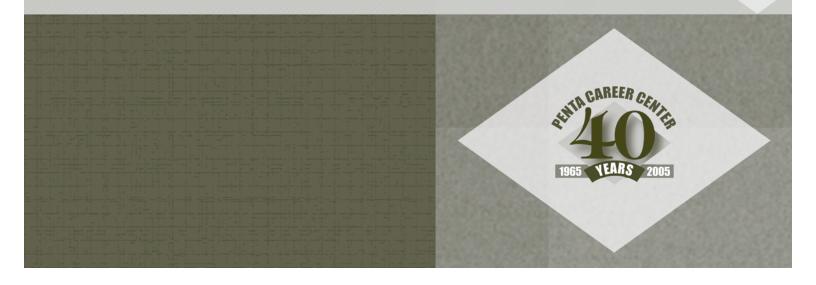
This year's recipients also recognize how their Penta training and guidance from their instructors made a positive impact on their careers. Not only did they acquire skills for a specific career, but they gained self-confidence and encouragement from their instructors setting the foundation for their success.

Community service is another common characteristic of our outstanding alumni recipients. By participating in professional and community organizations, volunteering and serving on boards, our alumni get involved to help make a difference in the community.

As educators, we are always pleased to see the accomplishments of our alumni. Their success validates our belief that we make a difference in the lives of our students.

Congratulations to all of our outstanding alumni!

Fred Susor Superintendent Penta Career Center





Bryan A. Christy

ducation and training has always been a high priority for Bryan Christy. By combining his career training in the Machine Trades program at Penta with his college degrees, he has achieved success in the field of engineering.

"Penta helped me to develop skills that I use everyday in my engineering career," says Bryan. "My training at Penta provided me with practical knowledge and personal responsibility which is important for today's work force.

One of Bryan's most memorable experiences at Penta was earning first place awards in the regional and state SkillsUSA contests which qualified him for the National SkillsUSA Competition in Louisville, Kentucky.

After completing his training in Machine Trades at Penta, Bryan attended Owens Community College and earned two associate degrees. He has an associate of applied science in both quality engineering and computer aided machining.

While finishing his degree at Owens, Bryan landed his first engineering job as a quality technician with Libbey-Owens-Ford Company in Northwood. Soon after starting in this position, Bryan decided he wanted to pursue more education in order to advance in his career so he enrolled in the engineering program at Purdue University.

At the same time Bryan attended Purdue, he obtained an engineering position in Huntington, Indiana. As a quality engineer with Wabash Technologies, Bryan was part of a team of engineers responsible for production line manufacturing of plastic-injected VR electronic sensors and fuel-injection solenoids for such companies as Ford, Saturn, Caterpillar and Siemens Diesel.

Bryan graduated from Purdue in 2003 with a bachelor's degree in engineering technology. After earning his degree, Bryan stepped up another level in his engineering career. He obtained a job back in Toledo with the Textileather Corp., a leading supplier of vinyl coated fabrics for the auto industry and other industrial applications.

Bryan is currently working as a process engineer with Textileather Corp. and has high level responsibility in this position. Bryan is a leader in the embossing department for the vinyl sheeting used in General Motors, Ford, Toyota and Chrysler vehicles. He is also responsible

for Six Sigma Black Belt activities (an extensive engineering discipline), statistical tools and safety initiatives for the department. Bryan is very committed to his profession and he is planning to soon earn his certification as a Six Sigma Black Belt.

Although his job keeps him very busy, Bryan still has time to enjoy mountain biking, fishing and traveling. He hopes one day to learn the Spanish language and continue to explore different parts of the United States.



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Vonne Fey is proud of her career as a business owner. She credits her training at Penta for providing the skills and knowledge to become successful as the owner/director of Body & Sole Massage Therapy Center in Perrysburg.

"At Penta I gained an understanding of the business world and learned how to effectively and efficiently manage an office," says Yvonne. "When I started my own business, I had the tools necessary to become a successful business woman."



Yvonne M. (Kieswether) Fey

After completing her training in High Skill Stenography at Penta, Yvonne worked for many years for top level managers in a variety

of industries. Although she was quite successful in industry, Yvonne decided to pursue a new career in massotherapy. In 1998, she graduated from the Northwest Academy of Massotherapy. She is a licensed massage therapist, has earned her national certification in Event Sports Massage from the American Massage Therapy Association (AMTA), and is a nationally registered Emergency Medical Technician.

Yvonne is a dedicated volunteer for local and national events through her participation as a sports massage team member. Yvonne has helped at events such as the U.S. Triathlon, United States Air Force Marathon, Boston Marathon, the 2002 Winter Olympics, and Canadian semi-professional hockey leagues.

Not only is Yvonne involved professionally with sports massage therapy, but she is also the Ohio coordinator for the AMTA's Emergency Response Team. She coordinates the deployment of workers to areas in Ohio that have been damaged by natural disasters like floods and tornadoes. Most recently, Yvonne provided massage therapy services to workers who helped clean up the Van Wert, Ohio area that was devastated by tornadoes.

Yvonne says one of the most positive experiences in her career as a massage therapist was serving two tours of service in New York City after the September 11 terrorist attacks. Yvonne provided massage therapy treatments to the workers during the recovery effort and clean up of Ground Zero.

Yvonne has earned many awards and has been recognized locally and nationally for her work

in massotherapy including her service at Ground Zero. She is the recipient of the Honor the American Spirit Award from Ohio Governor Bob Taft and the First Class Hero Award from the United States Postal Service.

In her spare time, Yvonne enjoys swimming, hiking and watching professional hockey. She has been married to Roger Fey for 29 years and they have two children and two grandchildren. Graduated: 1974 Career Program: High Skill Stenography Member School: Maumee Current Occupation: Owner/Director Company: Body & Sole Massage Therapy Center 214 Louisiana Avenue Perrysburg, Ohio 43551 419-873-SOLE





Fredrick L. Kubitz

or Fred Kubitz, Penta's Security and Law Enforcement program was the stepping stone to personal and professional achievement. Fred says his high school experience provided positive mentoring, daily encouragement and support.

"With my teachers' guidance and directions, I discovered hidden abilities enabling me to put forth my best efforts," says Fred. "The Penta experience enabled me to start my adult life by believing in myself."

Fred's best efforts after high school have paid off because he is enjoying a highly successful career in the field of security and law enforcement. Soon after graduating from Penta in 1987, he entered the U.S. Army and graduated from the military police school in Ft. McClellan, Alabama.

It is clear that Fred is a lifelong learner. Throughout his career in the military, he has continued his education and training. He has undertaken a tremendous amount of training to help him advance in the service. Fred has completed a lengthy list of courses including: Special Reaction Team School; the Department of Defense Patrol Dog Handler's Course; Detector Dog Handler's Course; Rappelling and Mountaineering School; and the U.S. Customs Inspector's Course.

This extensive training enabled Fred to advance professionally in the military. Some of the positions Fred has held in the military include: road patrol officer, special reaction team, patrol dog handler, and explosive detection dog handler. During his military career, Fred experienced several high profile national events including the Oklahoma City Bombing. He has assisted the Secret Service for visits by President Clinton and Vice President Gore.

Fred's career in the military ended in 1995 when he was honorably discharged. Fred wanted to continue his career in security and law enforcement so he enrolled in the Colorado Department of Corrections Academy and graduated in 1997. Fred has worked as a correctional officer, lieutenant, external security officer, squad leader, and various supervisory positions for the Colorado Department of Corrections. He is currently assigned to a correctional facility in Sterling, Colorado where he works both as an external security officer and as the K-9 supervisor.

Fred is active in several professional organizations such as the Correctional Peace Officers' Association and the National Disabled Veterans' Coalition. Through his position at Sterling,

he recently developed a program for elementary schools that informs kids about good and bad drugs, choices and consequences. He teaches the program annually with his K-9 partner Sheba, a German shepherd.

In the future, Fred hopes to help young people. "I've been very fortunate in my career that I would like to pass the torch of knowledge to young men and women so they can learn from my experiences," says Fred.

In his spare time, Fred enjoys competitive pistol shooting, hiking, fishing and camping. Fred is married to Renae and they have three children James, age 11; Nathan, age 8; and Leah, age 1.



Graduated: 1987

Career Program: Security & Law Enforcement

Member School: Maumee

Current Occupation: Correctional Officer III/ Supervisor

**Company:** Colorado Department of Corrections 12101 Highway 61 Sterling, Colorado 80751 970-521-5010

A multi-talented and goal-driven individual is perhaps the best way to describe Rose Mock Scott. In 18 years since completing Penta's Clerical Specialist program, Rose has achieved tremendous success by continuing her education and working in a variety of careers.

Rose credits Penta for helping her in college as well as in her career. "Penta prepared me for the real world," says Rose. "The clerical and leadership skills I learned at Penta were of great value in college and in my career."



**Rose Mock Scott** 



After completing her training at Penta in 1987, Rose focused on a business career. She worked for a Canadian marketing firm where she specialized in marketing a television station in Virginia and the Chicago Opera Theater. Her interest then turned to the brokerage business. Rose worked as a bond trader in Chicago and then returned to Toledo as a stockbroker for a local investment company. Soon after returning to Toledo, Rose decided to finish college at The University of Toledo (UT) where she earned a bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary science. Rose wanted to continue with her education after earning her bachelor's degree so she pursued a law degree at UT. She earned her juris doctorate degree in 1999.

During college, Rose volunteered for the Toledo/Lucas County Victim-Witness Assistance Program where she helped victims of violent crimes. This volunteer experience helped her obtain a job with the Lucas County Prosecutor's Office launching an innovative juvenile crime prevention program. She worked in that position for several years. Upon graduating from law school and passing the Ohio Bar Exam, Rose became an assistant Lucas County prosecuting attorney.

Rose has worked for the Lucas County Prosecutor's Office for nine years. In her current career, Rose represents the State of Ohio on adult felony matters. She prosecutes cases dealing with everything from forgery to robbery.

Rose has been active in the community as a board member of the Eleanor Kahle Senior Center and Advocates for Justice. She also serves on Penta's Administrative Assistant Advisory Committee.

In her spare time, Rose enjoys spending time with her husband, John, and their children, Jacob, age 6 and Victoria, age 4. She also takes time to relax by playing squash and golf.

Graduated: 1987

Career Program: Clerical Specialist

Member School: Springfield

Current Occupation: Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

**Company:** Lucas County Prosecutor's Office 700 Adams Street Toledo, Ohio 43624 419-213-4686



Wayne A. Strayer

ayne Strayer has always been a determined individual. He set goals early in his life so he could become successful. He credits Penta and his former instructors for motivating him to pursue his career interests and goals in the agriculture industry.

"Even though my two Penta instructors, Karl Lucal and Leigh Russell, have passed away, I still feel their presence in my accomplishments," says Wayne. "Thanks to my Penta teachers and my experience as the FFA president at Penta, I became confident in my abilities and developed important leadership skills."

After completing his training in Penta's Horticulture program in 1974, Wayne was inspired to learn more about his chosen career so he enrolled in The Ohio State University Agriculture and Technical Institute. He graduated with an associate degree in landscape and nursery and quickly landed a job with ChemLawn Corporation (now known as TruGreen/Chemlawn), the largest lawn and landscape company in North America.

Wayne spent 11 years with ChemLawn where he started out as a route manager and worked his way up to a branch manager position in Syracuse, New York. Wayne helped make ChemLawn a success in Syracuse by growing the branch sales from \$100,000 to \$1.5 million.

In 1987 family commitments brought Wayne back to the Toledo area where he took a position with The Andersons as a garden center merchandiser. He spent eight years in this position and helped operate the garden centers at both the Maumee and Woodville Mall stores.

Wayne left The Andersons in 1995 when he accepted his current position as the grounds foreman at Owens Community College. Wayne supervises a staff of three full-time employees and several part-time student workers. In this position, Wayne's responsibilities are many. He designs and installs landscapes; performs daily maintenance of the campus greenhouse; oversees the maintenance of grounds equipment; orders supplies; and hires and evaluates employees.

Community involvement is also important to Wayne. He serves as an advisory board member

Graduated: 1974 Career Program: Horticulture Member School: Anthony Wayne Current Occupation: Grounds Foreman Company: Owens Community College P.O. Box 10,000 Toledo, Ohio 43699-1947 419-661-7577 for the landscape and turfgrass program at Owens. He also is a member of the Sports and Turfgrass Managers Association and the Black Swamp Hosta & Day Lily Society.

Wayne has been married for 26 years and has a son at Adrian College. He is an avid bowler and enjoys all types of sports, especially golf. He is looking forward to one day retiring to Florida.



or Becky Stutz, exploring career options in high school led her on a path to a career she enjoys. As a marketing education instructor for Penta at Springfield High School, Becky encourages her students to take advantage of opportunities to get involved in a career.

"I think students should take chances and try new things," says Becky. "That's why Penta is a great option because it gives you the opportunity to try out a career which can provide a head start."

After completing her career-technical training through Penta's Marketing Education program at Anthony Wayne High School, Becky attended Bowling Green State University and earned a bachelor's degree and master's degree in marketing education. She began her teaching career with the Toledo Public Schools in 1993 and was hired later in the year by Penta as an employability skills instructor. Two years later, Becky achieved one of her career goals and accepted the position of marketing education instructor at Penta. In this position, Becky was not only responsible for teaching Marketing but she also managed and operated the Penta bookstore.

In 1999, Becky accepted a new challenge and became Penta's marketing education instructor at Springfield High School. Becky has grown the program at Springfield. Through her guidance, many students have achieved local, state and national awards through DECA, an association of marketing education students. Becky has been involved in DECA as a co-chairperson of the district competitions and as the treasurer of the Independent Association of DECA Treasurers.

Becky is a tremendous supporter of career-technical education. "I would recommend Penta to others because it offers a unique opportunity to explore a career and start a future," says Becky. "Penta helps set the foundation for a good work ethic and can help you enhance a resume or college application."

Becky has an active family life. She is married with two young children. Becky and her family raise calves at their home in Swanton. When she is not busy working and raising her children, Becky enjoys gardening and bird watching.



Rebecca L. (Cooper) Stutz



## Graduated: 1987

Career Program: Marketing Education

Member School: Anthony Wayne

Current Occupation: Marketing Instructor

Company: Penta Career Center 30095 Oregon Road Perrysburg, Ohio 43551 419-666-1120

### PREVIOUS PENTA CAREER CENTER OUTSTANDING ALUMNI

#### **1993** Recipients

Dianne (Steindam) Bochi – Oak Harbor Major Constance Gaiser-Phillips – Anthony Wayne Joseph Murray, Jr. – Lake Gary J. Muswick – Springfield Wanda (Gentry) Snyder – Woodmore Randy Wax – Woodmore

#### 1994 Recipients

Nicholas Espinoza, D.O. – Springfield Jim Kasch – Eastwood Peter Kolan – Bowling Green Thomas Kretz – North Baltimore James Lennox – Lake Suzanne (Boyer) Myers – Anthony Wayne Major Daniel Tack – Oak Harbor

#### 1995 Recipients

Brent Bomer – Bowling Green Brenda (Carrol) Hoot – Perrysburg Michael K. Ott – Otsego Susan (Vidra) Reamsnyder – Rossford

#### **1996 Recipients**

Joe W. Gargac – Genoa Nicholas B. Getzinger – Otsego Jason Romer – Anthony Wayne David Sawicki – Anthony Wayne Robert Torres – Swanton

#### 1997 Recipients

James L. Barnes – Bowling Green Craig A. Bauer – Anthony Wayne Claudette R. Davis – Perrysburg Cindy Goodman-Eckel – Eastwood Paul R. Grimm – Otsego Christopher S. McIntire – Woodmore Ben Richmond – Lake

#### 1998 Recipients

Tony E. Castillo, Sr. – Perrysburg John R. Colley – Maumee Cheryl L. (Hirzel) Fitzpatrick – Rossford Sharon Roman – Rossford Nicholas K. Shultz – Lake

#### 1999 Recipients

Tina (Etchison) Dowling – Anthony Wayne Jonathan Hart – Clay Martin Sniadecki – Maumee Robert Steinline – Perrysburg

#### 2000 Recipients

Rhonda (Delphous) Bliss – Genoa Pamela (Recker) Buck – Eastwood James R. Dahms – Adult & Continuing Education Cynthia (Hart) Millinger – Maumee John F. Spilker – Anthony Wayne Richard Young – Lake

#### 2001 Recipients

Marty Almester – Rossford Barbara Ceculski – Genoa Mike Chiarelli – Perrysburg William E. Harris – Bowling Green Teri Lynn (Gearig) Murphy – Swanton Wayne R. Nault – Northwood Duane Roach – Bowling Green

#### 2002 Recipients

Jennifer E. Glassford – Woodmore Deborah S. (Tober) James – Rossford Bonny (Peske) LaPoint – Anthony Wayne Synthia L. (Cox) Mahler – Elmwood Kathy (Woodruff) Powers – Maumee Scott Sevenish – Rossford

#### 2003 Recipients

Nancy J. Gerwin – Woodmore Richard Gross – Perrysburg John K. Hughes – Lake Robert E. Landolt – Rossford Lee Powell – Perrysburg Mary J. (Pfaff) Schroeder – Swanton Frank I. Zygela – Anthony Wayne

#### 2004 Recipients

Lynne (Mullen) Burch – Maumee Carole A. (Hughes) Brennan – Lake Chris Cufr – Northwood Edward J. Gonzales – Adult & Continuing Education Jeffery W. Hamons – Woodmore Gerald O. Herman – Northwood Thomas G. Overmyer – Grand Rapids (Otsego) Mike Smith – Otsego



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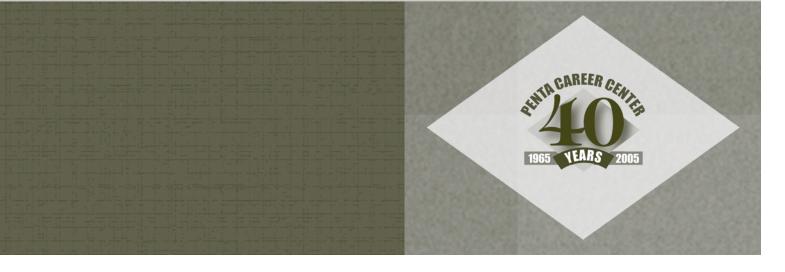
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#### Member Schools

Anthony Wayne Local Benton-Carroll-Salem Local **Bowling Green City** Eastwood Local Elmwood Local Genoa Area Local Lake Local Maumee City North Baltimore Local Northwood Local Otsego Local Perrysburg Exempted Village Rossford Exempted Village Springfield Local Swanton Local Woodmore Local



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