

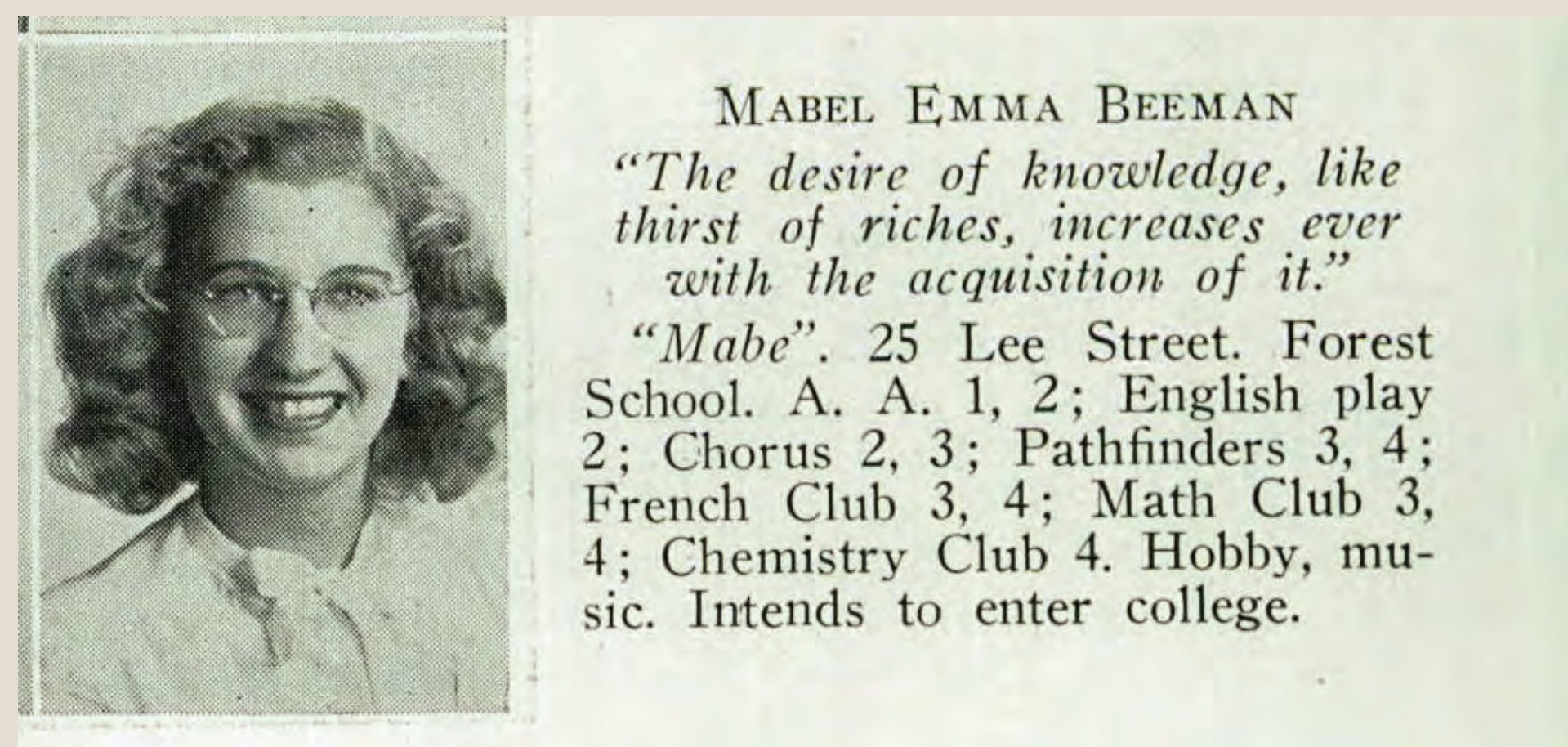
Dr. N’omi Greber: A Monumental Professional of the Hopewell

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Professional Career

Mabel N’omi Beeman Greber (1929-2014) was one of Ohio’s and the Midwest’s most notable archaeologists.



Mabel Emma Beeman, page 20, Blue Banner-1947, West Haven High School Yearbook

Mabel Beeman graduated from West Haven High School in Connecticut in 1947 after participating in many clubs. She then attended her graduate studies at Smith College and Harvard University. With degrees in mathematics from both institutions, her first professional step into Midwest archaeology occurred in 1974 presenting at the Midwest Archaeological Conference on the Middle Woodland Period. In 1976 to round out her career as a student at Case Western Reserve University in Ohio, she submitted her doctoral thesis “Within Ohio Hopewell: Analyses of burial patterns from several classic sites.”

Dr. Greber then spent 40 years studying and writing about Ohio and Midwest Archaeology. Specifically, Dr. Greber was most known for her work on the Ohio Hopewell. She served in various positions with the Cleveland Archaeological Society (Exeuctive Board), the Ohio Archaeological Council (trustee, Vice President, and as a member of several committees), the Central States Anthropological Service (Executive Board), the Midwest Archaeological Conference, (Nominations Committee and Program Chair) and the Society for American Archaeology (Native American Affairs sub-committee).



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The last years of her profesional career were spent as Curator of Archaeology at the Cleveland Natural History Museum.

In 2013, Dr. Greber received both the Midwest Archaeological conferences Distinguished Careers Award as well as the Ohio Archaeological Council’s Scholarship Award.

Dr. Greber produced more than 60 papers, articles, chapters, and presentations on all things Hopewell.

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Dr. Mabel N’omi Beeman Greber was a professional with a monumental amount of written works, but she also held the roles of an influencer, advocate, coworker, advisor, mentor, mother, and wife.

Her patience and kind-heartedness are remembered by those who knew her.



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