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MUSKINGUM ON THE MOVE:

**Renovated Patton Dining Hall
Enhances the Student Experience**

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From the President's Desk

Greetings to all Muskingum Alumni and Friends! Muskingum is on the move. The 2018-19 academic year is underway with an exciting energy and a sharp focus on how the Muskingum experience impacts our students and alumni, and how they impact the world.

Through the pages of this UPDATE, we are proud to share many examples of our Muskingum momentum. Our students helped shape an important aspect of campus life with their input into a **\$3.7 million renovation of Patton Dining Hall**, an investment created in partnership with our dining service provider, Aramark Corporation. Through the generosity of John '68 and Therese Gardner, important **accessibility enhancements have been made to Brown Chapel**, with a newly added elevator connecting the main and lower levels.

We welcomed our newest Muskies, the Class of 2022, with a powerful message on **"Building Creativity and Character"** delivered by Larry Triplett '80, and the revival of the century-old **"Key of Knowledge"** tradition. As always, our faculty and staff are deeply engaged in facilitating life-changing opportunities for our students in and out of the classroom with a focus on high-impact, hands-on experiential learning practices. We have much to celebrate, including our nursing program's third consecutive year of achieving a coveted 100% pass rate on the national licensing exam.

It was wonderful to welcome so many Muskies home for our first combined **Reunion Weekend @ Homecoming**, which brought current students and alumni together in a dynamic shared celebration. We were honored to shine a spotlight on the inspiring stories of the impact our alumni have upon the world, as we recognized eight individuals with our **2018 Alumni Distinguished Service Awards and first-ever Emerging Alumni Awards**. From catching up with classmates and enjoying Homecoming football game traditions, to celebrating championship teams from three reunion decades – Men's Golf of 1978, Men's Basketball of 1988, and Women's Softball of 1998 – it was a great time to be a Muskie! Our weekend together ended with a meaningful worship service, during which we installed the University's **new Chaplain for Student Affairs**, underlining our commitment to supporting the spiritual development of our students.

Thank you for the many ways in which you support and serve Muskingum and those around you! Your actions, your commitment, and the example you set as alumni help ensure that the Muskingum educational experience and the Muskie impact on the world will continue to change lives for the better.

With warm regards,
President Susan S. Hasseler

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MUSKINGUM ON THE MOVE: **PATTON**
DINING HALL RENOVATION
ENHANCES THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE



Muskingum students are enjoying a dynamic dining and socializing space in the newly renovated and expanded Patton Dining Hall, which reopened in time for the beginning of the 2018 Fall semester.

Featuring a bright, open environment with a variety of high top and traditional seating options and plenty of mobile device charging ports, Patton provides multiple opportunities for students to relax and connect with each other.

The concept for the new dining experience was extensively shaped by student input. Luke Lloyd '19 served as Student Senate President for the past two years, while the plans were taking shape. "It is so impressive to see how students' ideas about a great campus dining experience have become reality," he said. "Patton is now a comfortable and welcoming place for us to hang out. We are really enjoying the choices from the new food stations."

Do you remember?



Patton Hall c. 1980s.



Featuring seven restaurant concept stations, the revamped menu offers healthy dining, vegan, and vegetarian options as well as traditional choices. Stations include Piazza with handmade brick oven pizza and pasta; Prime Grill with hamburgers, chicken, vegetarian, grilled cheese, and specialty sandwiches; The Garden Table salad bar; Hey Pickle Deli; Heritage with a rotating menu of home-cooked comfort favorites; Kitchen Made for U exhibition station with a variety of internationally-inspired offerings; and Sugar and Spice dessert bar.

During the renovation, care was taken to preserve the dining space's decorative plaster and ceiling work, which reflect the detailed craftsmanship of Patton Hall's 1921 construction.

"We were able to retain the best of the past while creating an exciting environment to meet the needs of present and future students," said Phil Laube '09 MISST, the University's Vice President for Finance & Operations.

"Patton Dining Hall was last upgraded in 1996. This much-needed renovation also allowed us to consolidate the former Thomas Dining Hall operations into the larger space, so that our students can enjoy a broader menu range in one primary dining location."

The \$3.7 million renovation was completed in partnership with Aramark Corporation, the University's food service provider. ■

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– Luke Lloyd '19

Welcoming Our Newest Muskies

OPENING CONVOCATION:

“Building Creativity and Character”

Entrepreneur Larry Triplett '80 was the featured speaker of the August 28, 2018 Opening Convocation ceremony, which formally welcomed the Class of 2022 to Muskingum and began the 2018-19 academic year.

You have made one of the best decisions you'll make in your lifetime," Mr. Triplett told the newest Muskies. "You are going to build your competencies, knowledge and skills here, and even more importantly, Muskingum is unique in its ability to help you build creativity and character."

"Over the next four years, you will be surrounded by faculty and staff who are rooting for you, providing character examples, and secretly making the weights heavier and heavier for you to build character muscles so that when you graduate or get to the end of your life, you will have impacted the world by inspiring others through your character," said Mr. Triplett.

He encouraged students to take advantage of the many opportunities offered at Muskingum. "The more fields of expertise you can expose yourself to, the better creative problem solver you will be. Take classes you wouldn't otherwise think you need and get involved in every co-curricular activity you can."

Mr. Triplett co-founded Resource Systems, a healthcare software company, immediately upon graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business and Speech Communication. Over a 31-year period, he and his business partner, Greg Adams '81, built the company into the premier provider of software for the nursing home industry. Resource Systems was named one of Inc. magazine's fastest growing companies in the nation; was acquired in 2011 by Cerner Corporation; and continues to operate in New Concord today.

In 2004, Mr. Triplett helped found the Muskingum County Business Incubator (MCBI), a non-profit organization designed to help businesses expand and create new jobs and opportunities for the region. He served as the Chairman of the MCBI Board from 2004 to 2014.

Mr. Triplett also helped found the East Central Ohio Tech Angel Fund in 2011. A private/public collaborative that helps Southeastern Ohio's entrepreneurs find private equity investors, the fund has been recognized as one of the best performing angel investment funds in the nation.

Currently, Mr. Triplett is co-owner of Triad Labs, a startup company developing virtual reality experiences for physical therapy rehab, and Chief Executive Officer of Yodel, a calendar app that helps families and communities connect.

He serves on multiple for-profit and non-profit boards of directors and volunteers his time for many local organizations, including mentoring Muskingum students and facilitating hands-on learning opportunities in entrepreneurial business settings.



“Key of Knowledge” Tradition Revived

During the early 1900s, the passing of Muskingum University’s wooden “Key of Knowledge” was an important tradition of welcoming new classes. The tradition faded as times and customs changed and the Key was relegated to storage.

Muskingum Provost Nancy Evangelista began the tradition anew by once again presenting the more than 100-year-old Key at Opening Convocation. “This Key represents Muskingum University’s commitment to provide you, our students, with the knowledge that will be the key to your future,” Dr. Evangelista said.

“You will acquire the knowledge and build the skills you will need to become innovative problem-solvers and catalysts for change. You will explore diverse interests and perspectives to understand your own purpose. You will learn how to



communicate and collaborate with others, to make your own unique impact on our world.”

Student Senate President Kayla Wilkerson ’19 accepted the key. “My hope is that all new Muskies will have the same transformative experience I have had, which is a true testament to the work our faculty and staff pour into us day in and day out,” Ms. Wilkerson said.

“Muskingum is my home, and I have no doubt in time it will become yours. I am honored to welcome our new Muskies home!”

MEET THE CLASS OF 2022

369

First Year Students

209

High Schools

16

States

14

International Students

52%/48%

Female/Male

3.29

Average High School GPA

98

National Honor Society Members

30

High School Class Officers

2

Eagle Scouts

2

Gold Award Girl Scouts

107

First in their Family to Attend College

51

Muskingum Legacies: one or more siblings, parents, grandparents, or other family members are Muskies

Vibrant Campus Events Kick Off the New Year

New and returning students alike enjoyed vibrant campus events throughout Welcome Weekend and the annual Involvement Day, as they explored the campus, connected with friends old and new, and served others in the communities of New Concord and Zanesville.



Welcome New Educators

Muskingum proudly welcomes to our community the educators who are beginning their first academic year with the University and congratulates those who are now serving in new leadership roles.



ACADEMIC & STUDENT AFFAIRS DIVISION

Front Row, L-R:

Katie Smith, *Student Life Coordinator*
Jacob Graham, *PLUS Program Learning Consultant*
Kathryn Carter, *PLUS Program Learning Consultant*
Deborah Stout, *Instructor of French*
Nancy Evangelista, *Provost*

Back Row, L-R:

Robin Kuhns, *PLUS Program Learning Consultant*
Susan Waryck, *Dean of Students*
Kerry Guerard, *Assistant Dean of Students*
Julia Sprague, *Chaplain for Student Affairs*
Tyler Hendzel, *Student Life Coordinator*
Shaomeng Jia, *Visiting Professor of Economics*



ATHLETICS DIVISION

Front Row, L-R:

Aimee Cline, *Head Athletic Trainer*
Kirsten Hammer, *Assistant Coach Women's Basketball*
Michael Pannone, *Assistant Coach Football*
Bridget Barrett, *Head Coach Women's Tennis*
Erik Ieuter, *Head Coach Football*

Back Row, L-R:

Taylor Graf, *Head Coach Women's Lacrosse*
Nathan Roach, *Assistant Coach Football*
Tyler Walker, *Assistant Coach Football*
Steve Brockelbank, *Vice President & Director of Athletics*

To read more about our new Athletics Division educators, visit www.fightingmuskie.com.

Making an Impact



Dr. Robert Sharp, Dr. Mark Stambush, Dr. Shelley Amstutz-Szalay

Faculty Honored for Teaching, Scholarship and Service

The University's highest faculty awards were presented during Opening Convocation, recognizing exceptional impact in teaching, scholarship, and service.

The William Oxley Thompson Award for Excellence in Teaching:

Dr. Robert Sharp, Associate Professor of Philosophy

Since 2008, Dr. Sharp has taught introductory and advanced courses in Philosophy. In nominating him for the award, his faculty colleagues noted that students have been known to change their majors or add philosophy as a minor after taking one of his courses. Dr. Sharp earned a B.A. from the University of Alabama-Huntsville and a Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University. The William Oxley Thompson Award is named for Muskingum's Class of 1878 graduate who served for three decades as a transformational president of The Ohio State University.

The William Rainey Harper Award for Outstanding Scholarship:

Dr. Mark Stambush, Associate Professor of Psychology

Dr. Stambush joined the Muskingum faculty in 2005. His research explores how people feel about themselves in different situations and how they are perceived by others. Each year, Muskingum students work alongside Dr. Stambush

on research projects, participate in professional conference presentations, and can earn co-authorship of articles publishing the research results. He holds a B.S. from the University of Charleston, M.S. from Ball State University, and Ph.D. from St. Louis University. The William Rainey Harper Award is named in honor of Muskingum's Class of 1870 graduate who became the first president of the University of Chicago.

The Cora I. Orr Faculty Service Award:

Dr. Shelley-Amstutz Szalay, Associate Professor of Health Science

A member of the faculty since 2008, Dr. Amstutz-Szalay serves as the Chair of the Department of Health Sciences and as Muskingum's Director of Student Success. By designing effective approaches to tutoring, academic coaching, and other services, Dr. Szalay helps ensure that students from all majors can achieve success in their coursework. She earned a B.S. from Baldwin Wallace College, M.S. from the University of Michigan, and Ph.D. from Walden University. The Cora I. Orr Award is named in tribute to a faculty member and administrator who served Muskingum with distinction for four decades.

Three-peat: Nursing Achieves 3rd Year of 100% NLCEX Pass Rate



For the third consecutive year, 100% of Muskingum's nursing graduates passed the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX) on their first attempt. The Class of 2018 joins the Classes of 2017 and 2016 in achieving a coveted milestone within the nursing profession.

"Few nursing programs are fortunate enough to accomplish this result three years in a row," said Dr. Cynthia Wilkins, Director and Chair of Muskingum's nursing program. "Every

member of our faculty takes great pride in our students' remarkable achievements and the important and meaningful impact they make on their communities."

Muskingum's nursing program is accredited by the national Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Students can choose from two degree options: The Bachelor of Science in Nursing for those new to the field and the online RN-to-BSN program for registered nurses in current practice.

Students Selected for NEW Leadership Ohio

Carly Palmer '19 and Destiny Williams '19 are among a select group chosen to participate in NEW Leadership Ohio, a national bi-partisan program designed to prepare college women for political and public leadership.

During a 5-day intensive residential experience at the John Glenn College of Public Affairs at The Ohio State University, NEW Leadership participants engaged with current political leaders, formed a peer network, and explored a variety of political issues.

Ms. Williams is majoring in political science, minoring in sociology and pre-law, and serves as the President of Muskingum's Black Student Union. Ms. Palmer is majoring in history, minoring in psychology, and her activities include serving as Student Homecoming Co-Chair and as a Muskie Preview Leader.



Educator Preparation Programs Awarded CAEP Accreditation

The Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) Board recently awarded Muskingum University's educator preparation program full accreditation on all five national standards. This distinction reflects the quality of Muskingum's multiple teaching licensure programs at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. CAEP was created in 2016 as the result of the merger of the former National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and the Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC).



Engineering Program Accreditation Renewed by ABET

Muskingum's bachelor's degree program in Engineering Science recently received renewed accreditation from the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, the global accreditor of university programs in the engineering discipline. Through a rigorous peer-review process, ABET accreditation assures that degree programs meet the standards to produce graduates ready to enter the critical fields that are leading the way in innovation and emerging technologies.



Engineering
Accreditation
Commission

THANK YOU for Your Service

Muskingum gratefully recognizes and congratulates those who recently retired from the University. Thank you for your commitment and the profound impact you have had on our students and our community!

Professor Emeritus **Rick Nutt** retired from the Department of Religion after 30 years of service.

Professor Emeritus **Robert Hite** retired from the Department of Education after 7 years of service.

Library Acquisitions Assistant **Connie Burke** retired after 5 years of service.

Professor Emerita **Donna Edsall** retired from the Department of English after 29 years of service.

Administrative Assistant for Brown Chapel **Linda Walters-Smith** retired after 16 years of service.

Athletic Director **Larry Shank** retired after 16 years of service.

Associate Professor **Richard Hydell** retired from the Department of Economics, Accounting, and Business after 28 years of service.

Coordinator of Graduate and Continuing Studies **Bettina Brown** retired after 15 years of service.

Thank You

CATCHING UP WITH THE FIGHTING MUSKIES



Volleyball Garners Championship Berth and OAC Awards

The exciting 2018 Muskies Volleyball team captured a finalist appearance in the Ohio Athletic Conference (OAC) Tournament along with top OAC coaching and player awards. On their way to a spot in the OAC Tournament Finals for the first time since 2006, the team posted an overall 25-7 record, which included 11 consecutive wins, 15 straight-set victories, and a 7-2 slate in the OAC. Before falling to 20th-ranked Ohio Northern in the Tournament Championship match, they notched victories over Otterbein in the semifinal and Mount Union in the opening round.



Coach Hallie Donathan

Volleyball Head Coach Hallie Donathan was named OAC Coach of the Year for her outstanding performance. Coach Donathan has led the Muskies for three years, coaching her teams to 60 victories for a win percentage of .670.

Sophomore Brooke Fatheree was named First Team All-OAC, sophomore Erin Dickson was named Second Team All-OAC and the sophomore tandem Jessica Cottle and Brynn

Guist were both named Honorable Mention All-OAC.

Visit fightingmuskies.com for wrap-ups on all fall season sports and previews of upcoming winter sports action.



Members of the new Muskie Athletic Club enjoy the field-level view and hospitality from the Touchdown Tent.

New Muskie Athletic Club Announced

The Muskingum Athletic Department is proud to announce the new **Muskie Athletic Club**. This annual membership program is open to everyone – alumni, family, friends, and community members – who would like to support the Fighting Muskies.

Muskie Athletic Club memberships will support student-athlete programming, uniforms and equipment, facility improvements, recruiting efforts, travel for all Muskie teams, and professional development for the coaching staff.

The mission of the Muskie Athletic Club is to provide student-athletes with an outstanding athletic and academic experience, and to strengthen the overall competitiveness of Muskingum's athletic programs.

“We are thrilled about the launch of the Muskie Athletic Club and the assistance it will provide to our student-athletes,” said Vice President and Athletic Director Steve Brockelbank.

“We hope that alumni, parents, and friends will enjoy being part of this new opportunity to support our program.”

Muskie Athletic Club memberships range from \$50 to \$1,500 annually, and members receive exclusive benefits at each level. Access to special athletic hospitality events such as the Touchdown Tent at all home football games and the Muskie Skybox at select home basketball games; private athletic department tours; and Fighting Muskie apparel are some of the benefits available.

For full details and to join online, visit fightingmuskies.com, or contact Steve Brockelbank by emailing stevenb@muskingum.edu.

Athletics Official Online Store NOW OPEN

The Muskingum Athletic Department, in partnership with BSN Sports, has launched the Official Online Store for Fighting Muskie gear. Offering a wide variety of famous-brand apparel for men, women, and kids as well as fun game-day accessories, the store features many items which can be customized with sports, names, numbers, or relationships. Proceeds from the store help support the Muskingum Athletic Department. To shop, visit fightingmuskies.com.





REUNION WEEKEND @ HOMECOMING 2018

October 19-20, 2018 started a new tradition of alumni and current students celebrating Reunion Weekend and Homecoming together, and spotlighted the tremendous impact Muskies have on the world.





Thank You, Class of 1968!

The **\$1,714,491.79** Reunion Gift from the Class of 1968 was presented by Dave Evans '68 and Muskingum Trustee John Gardner '68. Thank you for your commitment to Muskingum!

New Chaplain for Student Affairs Installed

Rev. Julia Sprague was installed as Muskingum University's first Chaplain for Student Affairs during the Reunion Weekend @ Homecoming Worship Service. Serving alongside University Chaplain Rev. Dr. Will Mullins '02, Rev. Sprague's work will focus on supporting Muskingum students in their spiritual development, exploration of purpose, and service to others. A graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary and St. Lawrence University, Rev. Sprague served Muskingum as a Chaplain Intern during the 2017-18 academic year.

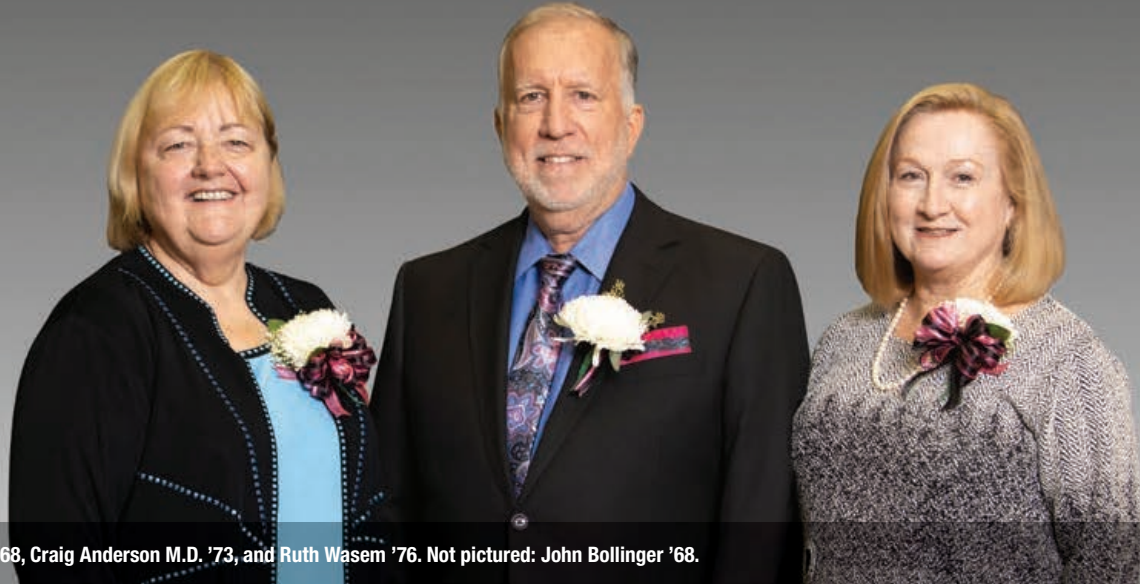


M-Club Breakfast Honors Championship Teams



The annual M-Club Breakfast brings together Muskie varsity letter award winners from throughout the decades. Three championship teams were honored this year during the breakfast and on Sherman Field at halftime of the Homecoming Game: Men's Golf of 1978, Men's Basketball of 1988, and Women's Softball of 1998.

Alumni Distinguished Service Awards 2018



Bev Coen '68, Craig Anderson M.D. '73, and Ruth Wasem '76. Not pictured: John Bollinger '68.

Craig W. Anderson, M.D. '73

Muskingum University Trustee Craig Anderson has had a powerful impact on children and families, the medical profession, and new physician education. A neonatologist, he is the founder and president of Central Ohio Newborn Medicine, Inc. and practices at OhioHealth Grant Medical Center, Mount Carmel Medical Center, and Nationwide Children's Hospital. He is a faculty member of his medical school *alma mater* The Ohio State University College of Medicine, has served as the president of regional and statewide medical associations, and received multiple professional awards. He and his wife Deborah Hart Anderson '74 are the parents of Ashley Anne Anderson '09, Andrew Anderson, and Allyson Anderson Wycuff, and the grandparents of Ella, Finley, and Piper.

John C. Bollinger '68

John Bollinger has made life-changing impacts for veterans, their families, and people with disabilities. Commissioned in the U.S. Navy in 1969, he served until a cervical spine injury ended his military career. For 35 years, he assisted veterans and their families, first with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and then with the Paralyzed Veterans of America, from which he retired in 2006 as Deputy Executive Director. He has served on the boards of the President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities, Christopher Reeve Foundation, Spinal Cord Research Foundation, and Alexandria Commission on Persons with Disabilities. He and his wife Judith reside in Alexandria, Virginia, and are the parents of Lindsay and John.

Beverly J. Coen '68

Muskingum University Trustee Bev Coen's impact has enhanced child and family life, community vibrancy, and educational opportunities. After an early career as a junior high school English teacher, she earned a Case Western University law degree. Serving as Chief Tax and Risk Officer of Nordson Corporation, she oversaw global tax and risk management functions and was a trustee of the Nordson Corporation Foundation. She co-founded the Greater Cleveland Interfaith Hospitality Network (now Family Promise of Greater Cleveland) and has held volunteer leadership roles for multiple service organizations. She holds an honorary Muskingum Doctor of Humane Letters degree and was named a Volunteer of the Year by the Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges.

Ruth Wasem '76

Researcher, analyst, and educator Ruth Wasem has impacted government leaders, students, and the public with critical policy insights. She holds M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Michigan, served for 25 years as a domestic policy specialist on immigration at the U.S. Library of Congress Congressional Research Service, and was honored by the U.S. Library of Congress and the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library. Currently Professor of Policy Practice in the Lyndon Baines Johnson School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin, she has authored many publications and contributes to TheHill.com, NPR's *All Things Considered*, and other media outlets. She served as a representative to the Presbyterian General Assembly in 1974 and 2002.

Emerging Alumni Awards 2018



Luke Ford '03, Rob McBurney '05, Rachael Hrisak Gorsuch '06, and William Sherry '13.

The new Muskingum University Emerging Alumni Award honors alumni who have graduated within the past 15 years.

Personal Initiative:

Lukas Ford '03 & Rob McBurney '05

Luke Ford and Rob McBurney established The Quincy Conner Foundation to raise college scholarship funds in honor of Quincy Conner '00, who died suddenly at age 28 from a massive heart attack.

Nearly \$40,000 has been distributed to date through The Q Scholarship, for graduates of Quincy's high school *alma mater* Woodbridge Senior High School in Woodbridge, Virginia; The Memorial Scholarship, for Ohio students enrolling at Muskingum; and The Legacy Scholarship, for students who have lost a parent due to heart disease.

Muskies from across the country have contributed to the Foundation, which annually sponsors Phi Kappa Tau golf outings throughout Ohio and the "5Q" 5k race and fun run in Virginia.

Luke and his wife, Jen Stover Ford '11 are the parents of daughters Brooke, Charley, and Bristol and son Titan. Rob and his wife, Emily McBurney '01 are the parents of Grace and Robert.

Social Responsibility:

Rachael Hrisak Gorsuch '06

A Columbus Academy mathematics teacher with a Master of Arts in Teaching degree, Rachael Gorsuch is a frequent conference presenter and the only North American high school teacher selected for the 2018 International Community of Teachers of Mathematical Modeling and Applications conference in South Africa. She and her husband Dean Gorsuch '05 and children Jonah and Arya have made "an intentional 24-7 commitment" to serve others. Since 2015, they have hosted exchange students from predominantly Muslim countries to promote intercultural and interreligious understanding. Leading by example, Rachael encourages service in her mathematics and Sunday School classrooms and with her Wolf Den girls of Cub Scout Pack 220.

Vocational Achievement:

William Sherry '13

William Sherry improves patient care and quality of life, advances clinical research, and helps encourage new members of the nursing profession. He earned his Master of Science in Nursing and Doctor of Nursing Practice degrees from the University of South Alabama. He now serves as a hospitalist for Team Health, managing patient care from admission to discharge for Genesis Hospital. He is an active researcher and has been recognized with the Excellence in Clinical Practice Award and the D.A.I.S.Y. Award. A frequent volunteer with the Muskingum University nursing program, he and his wife Debra are the parents of a newborn son, Noah.

Chapel Accessibility Enhancements Dedicated

Through the generosity of Muskingum Trustee John Gardner '68 and his wife Therese Gardner, significant accessibility enhancements have been made to Brown Chapel. An elevator now connects visitors who use the building's ground level accessible entrance to the main sanctuary and to the basement, allowing everyone to comfortably participate in the Chapel's many worship, musical, and celebratory events. The elevator was dedicated during the Reunion Weekend @ Homecoming Worship Service.



Join Us Again in Florida!

April 14, 2019

Save the date and make your plans now to join Sue and Ken Hasseler in St. Pete Beach, Florida on April 14, 2019 for a magical sunset dinner dance cruise. We will once again enjoy dining, dancing, and spectacular views from aboard the Starlight Sapphire, during an evening co-sponsored by Maureen McCauley Johnson '64 and her brother W. Keith McCauley, friend of the University. Watch your mail and email for detailed reservation information coming soon!



Civil War Historical Bonanza Tour

Led by Bil Kerrigan and Tom McGrath

June 9-15, 2019

Travel with your fellow Muskies and friends on a tour of historic Civil War sites, under the leadership of Dr. Bil Kerrigan, Arthur Cole and Eloise Cole Distinguished Professor of American History, and Dr. Tom McGrath, Associate Professor of History. Tour stops will include Gettysburg, Sharpsburg, Harper's Ferry, Fredericksburg, Richmond, and Charlottesville. Travel dates are June 9-15, 2019. Watch your mail and email for detailed reservation information coming soon!



I A Minute with Muskingum Society Member Brian Wagner '89



Brian Wagner '89 majored in communications at Muskingum. Following a 25-year career in radio and television, he became CEO of the Muskingum County Community Foundation in 2014. He connects with current Muskingum students through teaching a communications practicum course and often facilitates professional development and community service opportunities. He served as the emcee for the Muskingum Society Gala held in September 2018 at the Columbus Zoo & Aquarium.

"I joined the Muskingum Society so that I can help today's students have access to the kinds of transformative opportunities I experienced. Muskingum shaped my life, molding me as a young adult and giving me the tools I would need to achieve my career and personal goals.

"I came to Muskingum from my hometown in Cincinnati because of the PLUS Program. At the time, those of us with dyslexia or other learning challenges were often discouraged from pursuing higher education. I was determined to prove that idea wrong, and Muskingum provided me with the supportive atmosphere I needed to be successful academically.

"The faculty and staff encouraged me to explore new areas and try new things, both inside and outside of the classroom. Many of those experiences sharpened my interest in serving others as a community volunteer, which remained an important aspect of my life throughout my professional broadcasting career, and ultimately led me to my current position as CEO of the Muskingum County Community Foundation.

"Muskingum is truly a special place. I hope my fellow Muskies will join me in staying connected with the University as part of the Muskingum Society!"

For more information on joining the Muskingum Society, visit muskingum.edu/society, email muskingumsociety@muskingum.edu, or call 740-826-8130.



I Living the Legacy: The Muskingum Fund 2018-19

Kayla Wilkerson '19 has spent her time at Muskingum making an impact.

She serves as the President of Student Senate and is one of only of 268 students from 40 states and 3 countries to be named a national Newman Civic Fellow by Campus Compact, in recognition of her community service and leadership. She mentors first-year students as a Muskie Ambassador and teaches first-graders during her elementary education internship in a Cambridge City School district classroom. She helps her fellow students make the most of their Muskingum experience in her roles as Academic Excellence Chair for Theta Phi Alpha, Resident Assistant, Student Financial Aid Assistant, Admission Tour Guide, Student Assistant for the Education Department, and Assistant Pre-School Teacher.

Kayla credits her ability to make a difference to the unique environment she found here at Muskingum.

“I grew up in a military family and lived in many different places. From my very first visit to the Muskingum campus it felt like I had found my home. The small class sizes allow for close personal connections, and those relationships have helped me to mature and develop as a person. Muskies are driven and willing to be problem-solvers and to work together for the good of everyone.”

The life-changing Muskingum experience is made possible through the generous annual support of alumni like you. On behalf of students like Kayla, thank you for your generosity!

“Muskies are driven and willing to be problem-solvers and to work together for the good of everyone.”

– Kayla Wilkerson '19

To make your 2018-19 gift to the Muskingum Fund, return the enclosed postage-paid envelope, visit Muskingum.edu/giving, or call 740-826-8130.



Planning for the Future

If you are 70 1/2 or older, you can use your individual retirement account (IRA) to help transform the lives of Muskingum students today and extend the Long Magenta Line far into the future.

By making an IRA Charitable Rollover Gift to Muskingum, you can lower the income and taxes from your required minimum distribution this year. Taxes can be avoided on transfers of up to \$100,000 from your IRA and your gift is not subject to the 50% deduction limit on charitable gifts.

IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER
70½ OR OLDER DIRECT UP TO \$100,000

For more information, contact Paul McClelland, Associate Vice President for Institutional Advancement at paulm@muskingum.edu or 740-826-8648.



IN MEMORIAM



Jaime Bermúdez, Sr. '44
1923-2018

Trustee Emeritus Jaime Bermúdez, Sr. '44 served Muskingum for 31 years as a member of the Board of Trustees. He held an honorary Muskingum doctoral degree and received an Alumni Council Distinguished Service Award.

Known as the “father of the maquiladora industry,” Mr. Bermúdez was the Founder and Chairman of The Bermúdez Group. He helped to shape the global manufacturing economy and pioneered Mexico’s comprehensive industrial park model, transforming his country’s approach to economic development. He also served as the elected Mayor of Juárez, Mexico from 1986 through 1989.

Cassandra McDonald '96 M.Ed.
1951-2017



Award-winning vocalist Dr. Cassandra McDonald, '96 M.Ed., taught in the Music Department from 1994 through 2012 and led Muskingum’s Praise Choir. She was also the founder of C.A.S.S.-M.I.N.D., a literacy and career exploration center, and C.A.S.S.-M.I.N.D. Academy, a learning program for children with autism.

Larry Carl Nelson
1937-2018



Dr. Larry Carl Nelson served as Assistant Professor of Economics from 1962 through 1974. His former wife, Betty Palmer Nelson '60, taught English at Muskingum from 1961 through 1969.

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Christmas FESTIVAL

DECEMBER 8 IN BROWN CHAPEL AND
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In the tradition of Muskingum Vespers, the 2018 Christmas Festival, "The Child, The Lamb, The Prince of Peace," will feature the Concert Choir and Chamber Singers, Christmas Festival Orchestra, and Instrumental Chamber Ensembles.

A musical worship experience of choral and instrumental music, poetry, scripture, candlelight, and carols for all to sing, the program will be performed on Saturday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m. in Brown Chapel and on Sunday, December 9 at 4:00 p.m. in Trinity United Methodist Church, 1581 Cambridge Boulevard, Columbus, Ohio. Admission is free and a reception will follow each performance.