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From the President's Desk

Greetings to all Muskingum alumni and friends! As we continue the exciting work of implementing our IMPACT 2025 Action Plan, the whole student experience remains at the heart of our efforts.

Our athletic program represents a central piece of that experience, as more than half of our incoming students plan to participate in a particular sport. The leadership, skill building, and learning opportunities surrounding athletics offer powerful educational benefits for our student-athletes who compete in 22 varsity intercollegiate sports. In addition, our program provides challenging, hands-on experiences for those majoring in fields such as athletic training, athletics communication, and sport administration, as well as a shared social experience for the entire Muskie community as fellow students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends support our athletic teams.

As part of educating the whole student for the whole world – intellectually, spiritually, socially, and physically – Muskingum recognizes that **excellence in academics and athletics go hand in hand**. In this UPDATE issue, we are delighted to share how the powerful combination of excellent academic and athletic experiences have shaped the lives of our students and alumni as well as the campus as a whole.

We are proud to congratulate the members of the **Class of 2019** and welcome them to the Long Magenta Line. Inspiring remarks by **Coach Dan Hughes '77** and **Trustee Greg Adams '81** highlighted the celebrations for our newest undergraduate and graduate alumni.

You will also learn more about some amazing **international learning experiences** offered by our faculty and staff. I had the wonderful privilege of traveling to China this spring to visit with our educational partners, gaining a first-hand perspective on the exchange opportunities that help prepare our students to be citizens of the world. This year marks the 15th anniversary of these bridge-building programs, which have brought more than 180 students from China to our university community.

As our alumni and friends, you are living proof of the impact made possible with a Muskingum education. Thank you for all you do for our University and our students, and for the many ways in which you serve the world around you.

With warm regards,
President Susan S. Hasseler

Keep up with President Hasseler through her monthly newsletter Magenta Lines. Email magentalines@muskingum.edu to subscribe.



Congratulations & Welcome TO THE LONG MAGENTA LINE!

Championship Coach Dan Hughes '77 Inspires Newest Alumni in “Coaching Your Life”

The Muskingum undergraduate Class of 2019 received Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, and Bachelor of Science in Nursing degrees at the University's 174th Commencement Ceremony on May 11, 2019.

Daniel Dean Hughes '77, Head Coach of the WNBA 2018 Champion Seattle Storm and member of the USA Women's Basketball National Team coaching staff for the 2020 Olympics, was honored with a Doctor of Humane Letters degree in recognition of his impact as leader, mentor, educator, and championship-winning coach.

Coach Hughes inspired the graduates by reflecting on his own years on campus and sharing his top ten list of advice for “coaching your life.”

“My four years at Muskingum University changed the arc of my life. It was an incredible experience, it taught me a lot, and the people here influenced me.

Those four years you spent here will continue to resonate in ways you don't even imagine. When you get to the stage of life where you are reflecting back on it, you'll understand how moments here have influenced moments in the up and coming.

When you get to a more advanced stage of life, you'll remember the relationships. Not how much money you made, not even how many wins you had. It's about the relationships. That's what resonates as you move through life.”

Coach Hughes has served as a WNBA Head Coach for nineteen seasons, guiding the Seattle Storm to the 2018 WNBA Championship. He is the WNBA all-time leader in games coached (558), ranks third all-time in the league in career

victories (263), has 10 post-season appearances in the league, was twice named Coach of the Year by his peers (2001 and 2007), and twice served as Head Coach for WNBA All-Star games (2009 and 2018).

His appointment to the 2020 Olympic Coaching Staff follows his accomplishments in helping the USA Women's Basketball National Team program achieve international prominence. Coach Hughes served as a member of the Player Selection Committee from 2009-2016 and as an assistant coach for the 2018 team which captured a gold medal at the FIBA Women's World Cup to qualify for the upcoming Olympics.

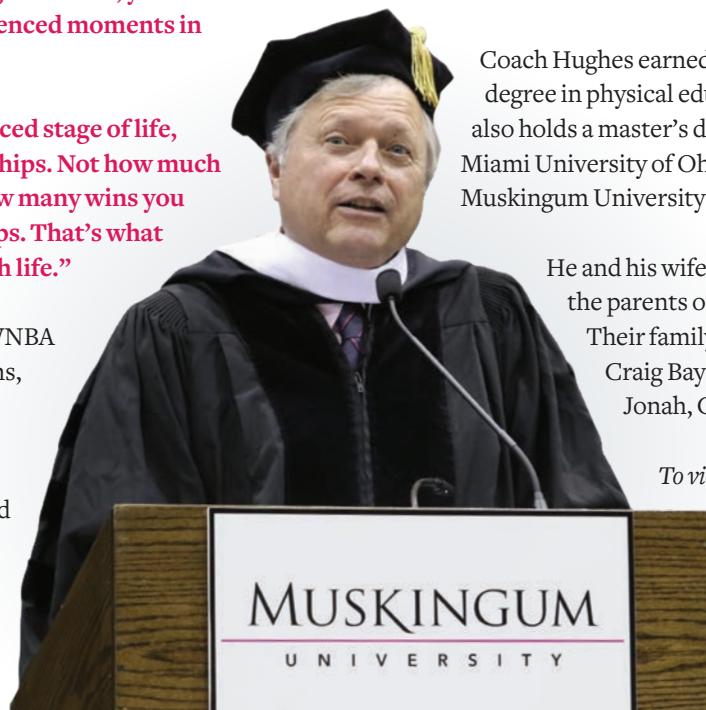
Coach Hughes' WNBA players have received 17 All-Star selections, four All-Rookie Team honors, four All-WNBA First Team selections, seven All-WNBA Second Team selections, and four All-Defensive Team honors.

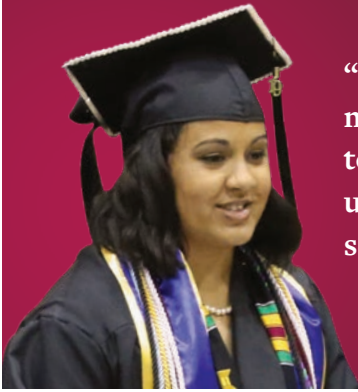
Known for encouraging leadership development among his coaches and players, four current WNBA Head Coaches previously served with Coach Hughes and many of his former players now coach at the professional, collegiate, and elite amateur levels.

Coach Hughes earned his Muskingum bachelor's degree in physical education and history and also holds a master's degree in education from Miami University of Ohio. He was inducted into the Muskingum University Athletic Hall of Fame in 2017.

He and his wife, Mary Regula Hughes '78 are the parents of two children, Bryce and Sara. Their family also includes son-in-law Major Craig Bayer and grandchildren Logan, Jonah, Casey, and Penny.

To view the Commencement ceremony video, visit [Muskingum.edu/live](https://www.muskingum.edu/live).





“To be a graduate of Muskingum is to be part of something that truly makes a difference. I want to say thank you, on behalf of my classmates, to all our families, friends, faculty, staff, and administrators for getting us here to this day. We all had a goal and dream and you were there to see us through. We are forever grateful for your love and your support.”

—Kayla Wilkerson '19, Student Senate President

“You have an opportunity to rebuild the world as you see fit. The generations that follow you will inherit the world you create. My colleagues and I have given you the tools for forging this new world. They are a part of who you are now, they can't be lost, and you will carry them with you for the rest of your life. We can't wait to see what you build with them.”

—Dr. Robert Sharp, Associate Professor of Philosophy



Muskingum honored two members of the Class of 2019 posthumously during the undergraduate ceremony, presenting diplomas to family members of **Bryce Skok (1997-2015)** and **Jarrell Marsh (1997-2017)**.

Thank You for Your Leadership, Hal Burlingame!

Hal Burlingame '62 celebrated his 25th Commencement as Chair of the Muskingum University Board of Trustees. After serving continuously as Chair since 1994, he retired from the role on June 30, 2019. He will continue to serve the University as a member of the Board of Trustees, which he joined in 1985. Succeeding Mr. Burlingame as Chair of the Board is Dr. Kim Gage Rothermel '71 (see Page 7).





“Muskingum left an indelible imprint on me, helping me lead a more intentional and fulfilling life.

To me, the Long Magenta Line means Passion, Perseverance, People.

Passion is the desire to make a difference. To be impactful. To be useful.

Perseverance and tenacity are the willingness to push boundaries, to challenge the status quo when needed, and to not let initial failure be the end, but a learning opportunity.

Muskingum brought and continues to bring impactful people into my orbit – and I know into yours as well. As you entered Brown Chapel today, you were given a magenta carnation. Before this day is over, please take a moment to thank someone who helped you in your educational journey by presenting them with that carnation as a token of appreciation and a symbol of the Long Magenta Line.”

Graduate Commencement

“Boldly engage your passion, your perseverance, and people to lead a rich impactful life of service.” Greg Adams ’81

Entrepreneur, civic leader, and Muskingum Trustee R. Gregory Adams ’81 delivered the address during the University’s 27th Graduate Commencement Ceremony on May 9, 2019. Degrees were presented to Educational Specialist, Master of Arts in Teaching, Master of Arts in Education, and Master of Information Strategy, Systems and Technology recipients.

Mr. Adams encouraged the new alumni to use their knowledge and passion in the service of others, as he shared his reflections on what it means to be part of the Long Magenta Line.

Mr. Adams was awarded a Doctor of Humane Letters degree recognizing his significant contributions to entrepreneurship, national health care technology, regional economic development, community government, and civic leadership.

He co-founded and for three decades was co-owner of Resource Systems, a national leader in care-tracking solutions for long-term health care facilities, which was recognized as one of the fastest-growing companies in America by Inc. magazine. He currently serves as Chief Executive Officer and

Co-Owner of Reach Rehab, a start-up company that applies virtual reality to enhance shoulder rehabilitation, and as Co-Owner of Triad Labs, an entrepreneurial consulting and management firm. His long-time business partner is fellow Muskie Larry Triplett ’80.

A Board Member of the Ohio Appalachian Business Council, the Appalachian Partnership for Economic Growth, and the Southeastern Ohio Regional Medical Center, Mr. Adams contributes his time and talents to multiple civic and cultural organizations in the region. He served for 27 years as Mayor of the Village of New Concord (1988-2015). He is a recipient of Muskingum’s alumni Distinguished Service Award and has been a member of the University’s Board of Trustees since 2016.

Mr. Adams earned his Bachelor of Arts degree *magna cum laude* in mathematics. He and his wife Eileen McComb Adams ’80 reside in New Concord and are the parents of Chelsea Adams and Clare Adams. Mr. Adams is an IFR certified private aircraft pilot, a certified SCUBA diver and successfully climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro with his daughter Clare Adams.

To view the Graduate Commencement ceremony video, visit [Muskingum.edu/live](https://www.muskingum.edu/live). 

Baccalaureate 2019

Muskingum's traditional Baccalaureate service was held in Brown Chapel on May 11 to celebrate the Class of 2019.

Rev. Anne Weirich, pastor of College Drive Presbyterian Church, encouraged the graduating class with her sermon *Choosing the Extraordinary*: **“Go out into the world, not leaving this place behind, but taking it with you to transform the whole world.”**



Hope Worstell '19 offered the student reflection, “Living the Dream.” She urged her classmates to **“live through every moment of our story, no matter the unexpected twists and turns, and go confidently in the direction of your dreams.”**



Outgoing Student Senate President Kayla Wilkerson '19, Asa Kline '19, and vocal soloist Elizabeth Files '19 also participated in the service.

To view a video of Baccalaureate, visit [Orbit Media's YouTube page](#). 

Dr. Kim Rothermel elected Chair of the Board of Trustees

On July 1, 2019, Dr. Kim Gage Rothermel '71 became Chair of the Muskingum University Board of Trustees, succeeding Hal Burlingame '62. Dr. Rothermel joined the Board in 1997 and has served on the Executive Committee and as chair of the Academic Affairs Committee.

A retired pediatrician, Dr. Rothermel served in private practice at the Ohio Center for Pediatrics, as a Clinical Assistant Professor at The Ohio State University, and as President of the Medical Staff at Nationwide Children's Hospital. She earned her medical degree from Rush University College of Medicine in Chicago and trained in Pediatrics and Pediatric Hematology/Oncology at Nationwide Children's Hospital, achieving board certification in both specialties.

Dr. Rothermel earned her Bachelor of Science degree in biology *summa cum laude* and is a recipient of a Muskingum Distinguished Service Award (1997) and honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters degree (2010).

She and her husband, general surgeon Dr. William Rothermel, are the parents of four sons, Peter, Aaron, Luke, and Adam and delight in their 10 grandchildren.



Excellence

IN ACADEMICS & ATHLETICS GO HAND IN HAND

55% of each year's incoming class of Muskingum students plan to compete in a varsity sport, while they pursue majors from across the disciplines and engage in a variety of leadership and service opportunities.

Our Muskingum student-athletes have a long and proud history of excellence – in the classroom, in their sports, and in the lifelong impact they bring to their professions, their communities, and the world around them.

FIGHTING MUSKIE AWARDS BY THE NUMBERS: 2018-19

Topping last year's award totals in nearly all categories, our academically and athletically talented student-athletes earned multiple honors at the OAC (Ohio Athletic Conference), regional, state, and national levels, as well as recognition by their peers and mentors through the Golden Hook Awards and the Muskingum Athletic Department Awards.

<p>50 Academic All-OAC</p>	<p>26 All-OAC</p>	<p>12 OAC Players of the Week</p>	<p>1 OAC Player of the Year <i>Softball: Krissy Hughes '20</i></p>
<p>1 OAC Freshman of the Year <i>Softball: Haley Hawk '22</i></p>	<p>4 <i>All-Ohio Track & Field:</i> Adam Fox '20 (3 honors), Kevin Dreyer '21</p>	<p>1 Academic All-American <i>Wrestling:</i> Jordan Burkholder '19</p>	<p>1 All-American <i>Softball: Krissy Hughes '20</i></p>
<p>6 All-Region: <i>D3football.com: Tim Ousley '20</i> <i>NFCA Softball:</i> Rachel Eberling '19, Haley Hawk '22, Krissy Hughes '20, Jaelyn Meade '21 <i>NCAA Wrestling: Jordan Burkholder '19</i></p>		<p>5 OAC Coaches of the Year: <i>Volleyball: Hallie Donathan</i> <i>Softball: Kari Winters '08,</i> Courtney Moyer '14, Hannah Murphy, Steve Cowgill</p>	<p>1 Louisville Slugger/NFCA National Player of the Week <i>Softball: Krissy Hughes '20</i></p> <p><i>For complete coverage of the fourth Annual Golden Hook Awards celebration hosted by Muskingum's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) visit fightingmuskies.com.</i></p>

Congratulations to all of our multi-talented student-athletes and coaches!

ON OUR COVER

JULIE FOBES '17

Academic All-American Julie Fobes '17 graduated *magna cum laude* with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, while garnering five-time Academic All-OAC recognition.

Now a registered nurse on the pulmonary unit of Nationwide Children's Hospital, Julie continues to race and recently completed her first Ironman Triathlon. She and fellow Muskie Cross Country athlete Tim Fries '15 will be married on August 10, 2019.

During her Muskie career, Julie was a Team Captain, excelling in Cross Country and Track. She set University records in the Track indoor mile, 3K, and 5K and Cross Country 6K. She won the Division III All-Ohio Indoor Championship 5K to earn All-Ohio honors and is a four-time NCAA Division III Cross Country Regional Qualifier, a two-time All-OAC selection in Cross Country and in Track, an OAC Track Athlete of the Week, an OAC Scholar-Athlete of the Month, and an OAC Clyde Lamb Award recipient.



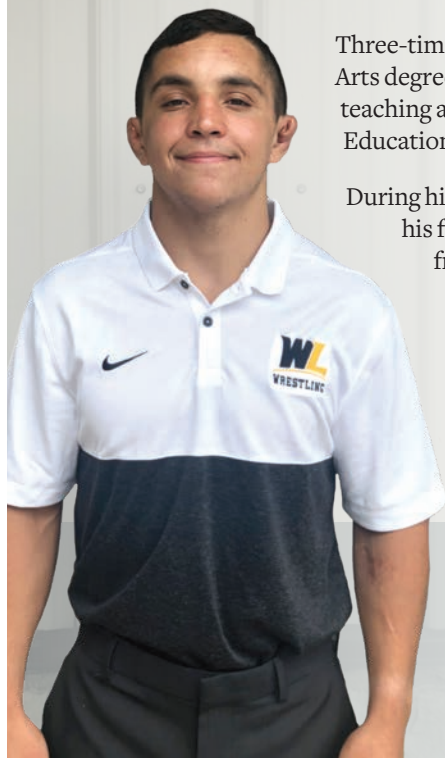
“Attending Muskingum was the best decision I ever made. I was attracted by the quality of the nursing program and was very happy to also have the opportunity to be a college athlete. My coach and my nursing professors were so supportive in helping me **balance the demands of my academics and athletics.”**

JORDAN BURKHOLDER '19

Three-time Academic All-American Jordan Burkholder '19 graduated *magna cum laude* with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Health Education, Physical Education, and Health and Fitness. He is now embarking on a teaching and coaching career, serving as a graduate assistant wrestling coach and pursuing a Master of Education degree in Sports Leadership and Coaching from West Liberty University.

During his first year after graduating from Crooksville High School, Jordan worked in construction with his father, helping to build the University's library. After making a campus visit on his lunch break from the job site, Jordan became a Muskie and quickly began garnering academic and athletic recognition.

His athletic honors include NCAA National Qualifier, NCAA All-Region, First-Team All-OAC, three-time All-OAC, OAC Wrestler of the Week, and OAC Clyde Lamb Recipient. He was nationally ranked in Intermat Wrestling's Division III top-ten throughout his senior season, ending the year with a 30-4 record, including three first-place tournament finishes. He finished his career with 98 wins.



“The Muskingum community is amazing – everyone encouraged me, not just my fellow wrestlers. The field work in my major and the time spent working with my coaches were life-changing experiences. My goal is to become a head coach at the college level so **I can help future students develop as athletes and people.”**



SOFTBALL POSTS CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON

The 2019 Muskingum softball team gathered multiple team, individual, and coaching honors on their way to this year's OAC Regular Season Championship, posting a 31-11 overall record and a 15-3 mark in the OAC.

The team's stellar play was nationally recognized during the season with 7 weeks of votes in the NFCA Top 25 Poll, including being ranked as high as 25th. Fifteen Players on the team were recognized with Easton/NFCA Scholar-Athlete accolades, which require a 3.5 or above cumulative grade point average for the academic year.

Krissy Hughes '20 was named NFCA Third-Team All American, becoming the 16th All-American honoree in Muskingum softball history. She was also honored as a Louisville Slugger/NFCA National Player of the Week, First Team All-Central Region, OAC Player of the Year, and twice as OAC Softball Hitter of the Week.

Haley Hawk '22 was named First Team All-Central Region and OAC Freshman of the Year. Rachel Eberling '19 and Jaelyn Meade '21 were named Third-Team All-Central Region. Head Coach Kari Winters '08 and assistant coaches Courtney Moyer '14, Hannah Murphy, and Steve Cowgill were named the Donna J. Newberry OAC Coaching Staff of the Year, marking the second time (2014) in Coach Winters' career that she and her staff have received the honor.

Muskingum hosted the OAC Championship Softball Tournament on campus for the first time since 2008. Fans from throughout the University community reveled in the exciting 3-day competition atmosphere and cheered on the team, as a crew of 24 students majoring in sport administration and athletics communication gained hands-on tournament production experience. The Muskies ended their post-season run with a 2-1 loss to Ohio Northern.



A NIGHT OF IMPACT:

HONORING 2019 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES AND SENIOR STUDENT-ATHLETES

Muskingum held its first-ever Night of Impact celebration on February 8, 2019.

Class of 2019 senior student-athletes from all varsity sports were honored and four alumni were inducted into the Muskingum University Athletic Hall of Fame during the event. The Hall of Fame inductees were also recognized during halftime of the February 9, 2019 men's home basketball game. The 2019 Night of Impact was held at EagleSticks Golf Club in Zanesville and presented by Carol Goff & Associates Real Estate.

Visit fightingmuskies.com for a video recap and watch for details on how you can join us for the second annual Night of Impact on February 7, 2020 at EagleSticks Golf Club. The honorees will also be recognized on Saturday, February 8, 2020 during Muskingum's basketball doubleheader against Heidelberg.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2019 ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

ERIC CALDWELL '92

TRACK

All-American Eric Caldwell finished fourth in the 110-meter high hurdles at the 1989 NCAA Outdoor Track & Field National Championships, helping lead the Muskies to a 17th place National Championships finish. He was an NCAA National Qualifier in 1990 for both indoor and outdoor track, and still holds Muskingum records in the 55-meter hurdles (.766) and 110-meter high hurdles (14.7).



DOUGLAS SMART '69

FOOTBALL

Three-time First-Team All-OAC honoree Douglas Smart anchored the offensive line and helped lead the Muskies to back-to-back OAC Championships in 1965 and 1966. The 1966 team went 9-1 overall and 6-0 in the OAC, ending their season with an appearance in the Grantland Rice Bowl, and the 1965 team posted an 8-1 record overall and 7-0 record in the OAC. During his collegiate career, the Muskies compiled an overall record of 25-3 and an OAC record of 18-1.



KRISTINA NAEGELE '92

SOFTBALL

All-American Kristine Naegele helped lead the Muskies to three OAC Championships, four NCAA Regional appearances, and an NCAA National Tournament appearance. She was honored with First Team All-American and First Team All-OAC accolades during her senior season. During her playing career, the Muskies compiled a 112-45 (.713) overall record and a 53-10 (.841) OAC record.



ANNIE ROME STAMM '00

VOLLEYBALL

All-American Annie Rome Stamm helped lead the Muskies to consecutive OAC Regular Season and Tournament Championships in 1998 and 1999. The 1999 team finished third in the NCAA National Tournament and posted a 40-win season that ranks second in Muskingum all-time wins in a year. Her honors include Second Team All-American (1999), OAC Player of the Year (1999), and two-time First Team All-OAC. During her two-year career, the Muskies notched a record of 70-10 (.875) overall and 17-0 in the OAC.





LEGENDARY COACHES HONORED

Coach Donna Newberry Enters Ohio Basketball Hall of Fame

Coach Donna Newberry (1951-2010) was posthumously inducted into the Ohio Basketball Hall of Fame on May 18, 2019. As head coach of the women's basketball team for 26 seasons (1974-75 through 1999-2000), her teams went 403-219 (.647). At the end of her career, she was the fifth-winningest among active Division III coaches.

She led six of her basketball teams to NCAA Division III Tournaments, including to the 1991 championship game appearance, and eight of her teams posted 20 or more wins in a season. Coach Newberry's many basketball honors included NCAA Division III Coach of the Year (1991) and Ohio Coach of the Year (1984) recognition. She assisted with the coaching of the 1988 Olympic women's basketball team.

Coach Newberry's legacy of excellence at Muskingum also encompasses her 36-year career as Head Softball

“Any of us who are in the coaching profession have truly been blessed with an opportunity to be a positive influence in the lives of the athletes who play for us.”

Coach Donna Newberry, 2010,
in *From the Pit to the Pinnacle:
A Coach's Life Journey*

Coach (1974-75 through 2009-2010). She posted 900 softball victories, becoming only the 25th coach across all NCAA divisions to reach the milestone, and was inducted into the National Fastpitch Softball Hall of Fame. Her softball teams claimed Muskingum's first-ever NCAA National Championship (2001), captured 18 OAC Championships, and perennially ranked in the top 25 nationally.

As a Professor of Health and Physical Education, Coach Newberry was known for her high academic standards and her commitment to her students' learning, and she served Muskingum students from across campus as Director of the Intramural Program.

Highly respected by her professional peers, Coach Newberry broke new ground for women's athletic leadership as the first female president of the Ohio Athletic Conference.

Perry Reese, Jr. '88 Honored by OHSAA

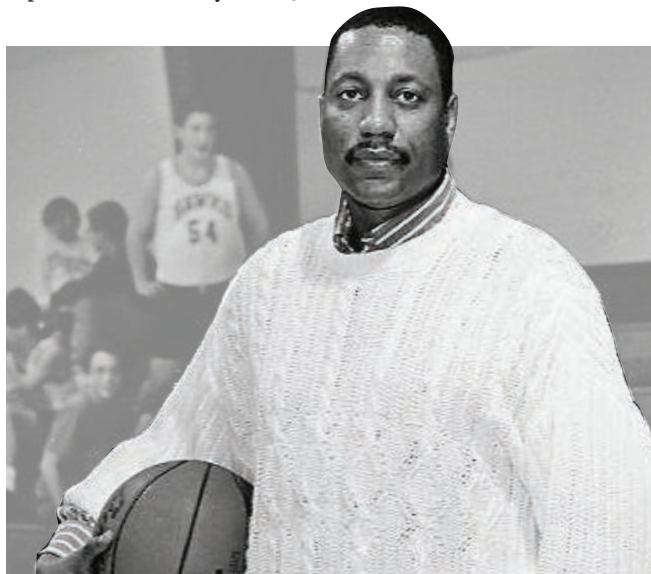
During the March 2019 state basketball tournament, the Ohio High School Athletic Association presented the Naismith Meritorious Service award posthumously to Perry Reese, Jr. '88 (1952-2000).

A Canton, Ohio native who entered the workforce immediately after high school, he completed his studies on a part-time basis at Muskingum to earn his Bachelor of Arts degree in History.

He served as a history teacher and basketball coach at Hiland High School in Berlin, Ohio from 1984-1988, posting a 304-85 career coaching record and leading the Hiland Hawks to their first state championship and three consecutive semi-final championship appearances.

He broke racial and cultural barriers as an African American Catholic living and working in an Amish and Mennonite community. Those whose lives he touched characterize him a person who saw the best in everyone, created a culture of respect and teamwork among students and community members, challenged others to think broadly and outside of their own concerns, and had a unique ability to form lasting friendships with people of all ages and backgrounds.

After Coach Reese died of brain cancer at the age of 48 on November 22, 2000, his story was told by Gary Smith in the March 5, 2001 issue of Sports Illustrated, inspiring millions of readers around the world. When Sports Illustrated celebrated its 60th anniversary, the article was designated as one of the "60 best ever to appear in the magazine" and was reprinted on January 9, 2015.



Coach Jim Burson '63: Leading the Way

Coach Jim Burson '63 was the first Muskie to be inducted into the Ohio Basketball Hall of Fame (2007). A Muskingum professor of Physical Education for more than four decades and men's Head Basketball Coach for 38 years, he holds the record as the University's all-time winningest basketball coach with 542 victories. His teams won three OAC Regular Season Championships, three OAC Tournament Championships, and had five NCAA Tournament appearances. He also served Muskingum as athletic director for seven years.

He helped select the 1984 gold-medal winning Olympic basketball team, coached at the Olympic Sports Festival (1988), served for two years as President of the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC), received the NABC Outstanding Service Award (2006), and garnered NCAA District IV Coach of the Year and five OAC Coach of the Year honors.



Currently, Coach Burson continues his leadership and teaching by serving as a motivational speaker and as a consultant to basketball coaches and sports companies including Nike. He holds a master's degree in education and a doctor of philosophy degree in physical education with an emphasis on kinesiology from The Ohio State University. He has authored two books, *The Golden Whistle* and *The Daily Nugget*.

The Ohio Basketball Hall of Fame recognizes those who have made outstanding contributions to the sport at the high school, collegiate, and professional levels. Alongside Coach Burson and Coach Newberry, Muskingum is represented in the Ohio Basketball Hall of Fame by **Gretchen Prichard '58** (2011), **Walter Harrop Sr. '29** (2014), **Tim Gebhardt '75** (2016), and **Gene Ford '74** (2018).

"Coaching is teaching. In coaching, we teach our athletes how to play sports and how to play life. Being in the classroom is as much fun for me as coaching a game."

INNOVATION & IMPACT

Muskingum Establishes Esports Program

Muskingum's 22nd varsity intercollegiate sport begins in Fall 2019.



One of the fastest growing and innovative sports in the country, esports involves teams of students representing their institutions in competitive, multi-player online gaming matches.

Muskingum joins more than 125 member schools across the country in the National Association of Collegiate Esports (NACE). Games and practices will take place in the University's newly-created esports arena room, located in Boyd Science Center and equipped with 17 high-powered computers. Fans will be able to greet the team in person and be part of the game-day action in the Boyd amphitheater or watch remotely through live streaming.

Quinn O'Bryan, the University's first-ever esports head coach, explains that esports offers many benefits to student-athletes. "As players develop their game skills, they also develop their strategic thinking, analytical, and team-work abilities. Training and preparation for esports competition applies the same theories that lead to success in traditional sports: we work on fundamentals of our game, analyze replays of our own performances and those of our competitors, and develop our game plan and play calling strategies."

Along with his top credentials as an esports player in multiple games, leagues, and league tournaments, Coach O'Bryan also brings traditional sports experience as a basketball coach, football player, and track athlete. He has a strong background in performance analytics and he has been part of two world championship esports events. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Informatics from Northern Kentucky University.

Visit fightingmuskies.com to follow our newest varsity team.

Did You Know? Legendary Muskingum Football Coach, Athletic Director, and Faculty Member Ed Sherman '36 (1912-2009) was a founding father of NCAA Division III.



As a key figure in NCAA governance from 1967-1979, Coach Sherman chaired the committee that created the nationwide athletics divisional structure.

He also served as NCAA secretary-treasurer and in leadership roles on multiple NCAA committees, including the NCAA Television Committee and the NCAA-NAIA Joint Committee.

Among his many honors, Coach Sherman received a White House Citation for Outstanding Contributions to Athletics and was the first Division III coach inducted into the National Football Foundation's College Hall of Fame. He also appears in the Halls of Fame of the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA), Muskingum University, and Newark High School.

Varsity Athletics at Muskingum: 2019-2020

NCAA DIVISION III	HEAD COACH
Baseball	Gregg Thompson
Basketball – Men's	Travis Schwab
Basketball – Women's	Erin Eaton
Cross Country – Men's & Women's	Jacob Gleason
Golf – Men's & Women's	Joe Puch
Football	Erik leuter
Lacrosse – Men's	Alec Chisholm
Lacrosse – Women's	Taylor Graf
Soccer – Men's	Adam Ponder
Soccer – Women's	Mary Beth Caudill
Softball	Kari Winters '08, MAE '10
Tennis – Men's & Women's	Bridget Barrett
Track & Field – Men's & Women's Indoor	Ashley Shaffer MAE '10
Track & Field – Men's & Women's Outdoor	Ashley Shaffer MAE '10
Volleyball	Hallie Donathan
Wrestling	Zach Mizer
NACE	HEAD COACH
Esports – Men's & Women's	Quinn O'Bryan



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A GREAT DAY TO
BE A MUSKIE!**

In Memoriam:

Gene Ford '74, 1952 -2019



Ohio Basketball Hall of Fame (2018) and Muskingum Athletic Hall of Fame (1980) member Gene Ford was Cambridge High School head basketball coach from 1980-2005, posting a 400-183 record with 19 sectional titles, eight district titles, five regional titles, and five state tournament appearances.

He joined Muskingum's men's basketball staff as an assistant to his son Geno Ford in 2005 and then served as head coach from 2007-2015. A 4-year Muskie letter winner, he earned All-American, three-time All-OAC, and OAC Player of the Year honors, and still ranks second in the University's all-time scoring with 1,717 career points. Coach Ford is survived by his sons Ryan (Rebecca) of Cambridge, Geno (Traci) of Long Island, NY, Dustin (Marcie) of Stow, and seven grandchildren.

Robert Stokes '53, 1931-2019



Muskie football All-American and Athletic Hall of Fame (1983) member Bob Stokes served Muskingum as a head coach from 1965-1970, first for the basketball program and then for the football program. During his long career at Ashland University, he was head basketball coach, assistant football coach, director of athletics, associate professor, and the founder and director of the Sports Science Department. He was elected to the Ashland University and Ashland County Sports Halls of Fame, and he oversaw the Northwest District Basketball Tournaments for 25 years. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Joyce Cosby Stokes '53, their children Steve of Perrysville, Debbie (Dan) McNaull of Ashland, Chris of Wooster, six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Educational Excellence

Dr. Lekan Awarded Fulbright Lectureship in China

Professor of Philosophy and Director of Assessment and Accreditation Dr. Todd M. Lekan has been awarded a Fulbright lectureship at Xiamen University in China for the Spring 2020 semester. While in China, he will teach American philosophy to Xiamen students and collaborate with Xiamen faculty on cross-cultural philosophical inquiry.

Dr. Lekan's work will explore new ideas and approaches to cross-cultural studies and exchanges, with a focus on how they may be applied to the Muskingum curriculum and student experience. He has been a Muskingum University faculty member since 1996.



Gary Kinney '21 Selected as Newman Civic Fellow



Sociology major Gary Kinney is one of 262 students from around the world competitively chosen as a 2019-2020 Newman Civic Fellow.

An active campus leader, he is involved in organizations including the Muskingum Programming Board and Black Student Union, serves as a Resident Assistant, Muskie Ambassador of Diversity and One Love Facilitator, and is a member of Kappa Sigma and Order of Omega.

The Newman Civic Fellowship is a one-year experience emphasizing personal, professional, and civic growth for students who have demonstrated a capacity for leadership and a commitment to solving public policy problems. Multiple learning opportunities are provided by Campus Compact, including a national conference of Newman Civic Fellows in partnership with the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the United States Senate.

Elizabeth Nease '22 Earns National Forensics Recognition

Spanish, education, and environmental science major Elizabeth Nease placed 4th in the nation among first-year competitors in Informative Speaking, leading to a national 3rd place team ranking in Division III for Muskingum's forensics team at the 3-day Novice National Forensic Association Tournament. The team is directed by Assistant Professor of Communication Rachel Pollock.

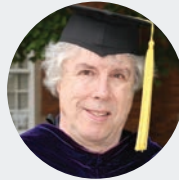


THANK YOU for Your Service

With gratitude and appreciation, Muskingum recognizes and congratulates those who have recently retired from the University. Thank you for your dedication and the immeasurable impact you have had on the Muskingum community of students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends!



Professor Emeritus **Eugene L. Alesandrini** retired from the Department of Communication after 32 years of service.



Professor Emeritus **Steven J. McGuire** retired from the Department of Sociology after 31 years of service.



Professor Emerita **Joyce L. Alesandrini** retired from the Department of Music after 29 years of service.



Professor Emerita **Rae L. White** retired from the Department of Education after 8 years of service.



Professor Emeritus **A. Charles Drubel** retired from the Department of Business after 33 years of service.



Director of the Wellness Center **Susan D. Fracker, R.N.** retired after 39 years of service.



Professor **Kenneth J. McCollum** retired from the Department of Art after 19 years of service.



Administrative Assistant for the Student Affairs Office **Barbara Shank** retired after 17 years of service.

Thank You

In Memoriam: Charles J. Fisher 1920-2019

Trustee Emeritus Charles J. Fisher retired as President, Chief Executive Officer, and Chief Operating Officer of Reliance Universal, Inc. He also served on multiple corporate boards of directors and as the President of the National Paints and Coatings Association. A World War II veteran, he posted a combined 22 years of active and reserve duty in the U.S. Navy, retiring as a Lieutenant Commander. Predeceased by his wife of 72 years, Alice Holland Fisher, he is survived by his sons Charles J. Jr. '71 (Lynnette) and Matthew C. (Diane) of North Carolina, and by two grandchildren.



Muskie Travels 2019: From Atlantic to Pacific

Ireland

Dr. Nainsí Houston, Director of the Library and Professor of Library Science, and Dr. Joe Nowakowski, Professor of Economics, led a ten-day travel-study trip to Ireland and Northern Ireland.

With stops in Belfast, Dublin, and Counties Cork, Tipperary, and Antrim, the group visited key Irish and Northern Irish political, historical, and cultural sites.

Focused experiences led by each faculty member provided hands-on opportunities for students to extend their studies in Dr. Nowakowski's international business course and Dr. Houston's archives course, which focused on Irish history from 1913-1923.

For Dr. Houston, who holds her Doctor of Philosophy degree in English Language and Literature with a focus on Ireland and Irish Literature, the trip marked her sixteenth visit to Ireland.

Highlights of the trip included the Book of Kells Exhibition and Old Library at Trinity College; the Titanic Experience Museum; National Gallery, National Museum, and National Library of Ireland; Giant's Causeway; Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge; Dublin's General Post Office; Kilmainham Goal; and the Michael Collins Ambush Site.



Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge. County Antrim.



Saint Gonnait's Cemetery. Glebe, County Cork.

Hawaii

Associate Professor of English Kekoa Kaluhiokalani and Associate Professor of Religion Melissa Conroy led the travel study trip for students from the “Hawaii: Topics in Literature, Film, and Culture” and “World Religions” courses.

Visits to sacred, cultural, and historical sites included Pearl Harbor, Iolani Palace, Byodo-In temple, Kwan Yin temple, the Mormon visitor center, the ancient temple (heiau) of Pu’u O Mahuka, the Polynesian Cultural Center, Bishop Museum, and Dole Plantation.

The group experienced Hawaii’s natural wonders including beaches and waterfalls, and had the chance to view sea turtles, octopi, and sea cucumbers in their habitats.

They enjoyed spending time with Dr. Kaluhiokalani’s family, who hosted a traditional luau at their home in the town of Laie on O’ahu’s Windward side. Students helped prepare for the luau by cracking open coconuts, wrapping the meat in ti leaves, creating ti leaf crowns, and learning traditional Hawaiian songs and dances.

Students also had the opportunity to connect with alumni living in the area during a Muskie gathering hosted by President Sue Hasseler at the Honolulu Club.



Kwan Yin Temple. Honolulu, Hawaii.



A traditional imu (pit oven). Laie, Hawaii.

Building Bridges through International Partnerships: China

A group of Muskingum leaders and faculty members led by President Sue Hasseler traveled to China in March 2019 to strengthen and celebrate the University's long-standing partnerships with several Chinese educational institutions.

The delegation also included Muskingum Provost Nancy Evangelista, Board of Trustees member Pat Fridley '76, Professor of Political Science Walter Huber, International Admissions Counselor and NCIST Program Coordinator Min Qu, Ruth Dorsey Neptune Distinguished Professor of Fine Arts Yan Sun, Director of International Exchange and Assistant Professor of Art Hong Yin, along with spouses Ken Hasseler and Joe Dosch.

Traveling to Beijing, Langfang, Lanzhou, and Xi'an, the group visited institutions including the North China Institute of Science and Technology, Lanzhou University, and multiple

high schools. While there, they were hosted by Muskingum alumni and friends living in China, including Yufeng Sun '16 MAE, the family of current Muskingum student Fangzhou Shi '21, and the family of first-year student Letong Zhang '23.

The visit to Lanzhou celebrated 15 years of partnership in student and faculty exchanges between Muskingum and Lanzhou regional high schools led by Professors Yan Sun and Hong Yin. A highlight event was the opening reception of the combined John Glenn High School-Lanzhou High Schools Art Exhibition, hosted by Mr. Nan Zhanjun, Director of the Lanzhou Education Bureau, and featured prominently in Lanzhou media outlets. In October 2018, Muskingum hosted the companion showing of more than 120 John Glenn and Lanzhou student works in "Inspiration in Art Education" at the Louis A. Palmer Gallery on campus.

Led by Professor Walter Huber and NCIST Program Coordinator Min Qu, Muskingum University and the North China Institute of Science and Technology have been developing shared programming in which Chinese students complete a second degree in Health Administration at Muskingum University.

Muskingum's Chinese partnerships also include frequent scholarly visits to China by Professor Huber, Professor Sun, and Associate Professor of Geology Eric Law, as well as opportunities for Muskingum students to visit China and engage in student/faculty collaborative research with their counterparts in Chinese institutions.

More than 180 students have come to Muskingum from China since 2004, when these international partnership programs were first established. We look forward to welcoming the newest group of students in Fall 2019 and to further extending the bridges between our Chinese partner institutions and the Long Magenta Line.





North China Institute of Science and Technology.



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I A Minute with Muskingum Society Members Derron '89 and Tricia Rawn '87 Dulkoski

“Our Muskingum experience shaped our lives personally and professionally. We joined the Muskingum Society because it’s important to us to support the University. We hope that even more alumni will take this opportunity to give back and be closely connected with Muskingum.”



Tricia Rawn '87 and Derron '89 Dulkoski, with their children Kaiden and Kelly.

For Derron Dulkoski '89, “Muskingum is all about the people. Tricia and I met as students and we will celebrate our 29th wedding anniversary in October. We developed a circle of close friends at Muskingum, and each one of them is still an important part of our lives to this day.”

Both Derron and Tricia were student-athletes, majoring in business and physical education, and earning varsity letters in basketball.



“My Muskingum experience gave me the tools and the confidence I needed to be successful in my career,” Derron said. “I always knew I wanted to be a business owner, and when the time was right to start my own company, I was ready.”

Since 1995, Derron has owned a successful industrial supply company, Dee Industries, of China Grove, North Carolina.

In 2016, he acquired a John LaFoy-designed golf course, The Revival at the Crescent, which had fallen into disrepair.

“I wanted another challenge, something different from what I’ve done for most of my work life,” Derron recalls. “It’s been very satisfying to revitalize this great course and to make it a vibrant asset for our community.”

“The golf course is truly a family venture,” Derron adds. Daughter Kelly Dulkoski, a 2017 finance graduate of Kennesaw State University where she played Division I basketball, joined her parents in the business, and son Kaiden, a middle school golfer and basketball player, can frequently be found helping on the property.

Derron’s Muskingum legacy includes his sister Monette Dulkoski Moss '86 and brothers Steven Dulkoski '85 and the late Myron Dulkoski, Jr. '83.

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Muskies Enjoy 2nd Annual Florida Evening

Alumni and friends enjoyed a beautiful evening for the second annual Florida Dinner Dance Cruise on April 14, 2019 in St. Pete Beach. President Sue Hasseler and her husband Dr. Ken Hasseler hosted the event, which was co-sponsored by Maureen McCauley Johnson '64 and her brother W. Keith McCauley, a friend of the University.



“A Night To Remember” in Zanesville

Student performances, faculty presentations, campus updates from President Hasseler, and opportunities to reconnect with fellow Muskies came together in “A Night to Remember” at Zanesville’s VinAmi wine bar on March 19, 2019.

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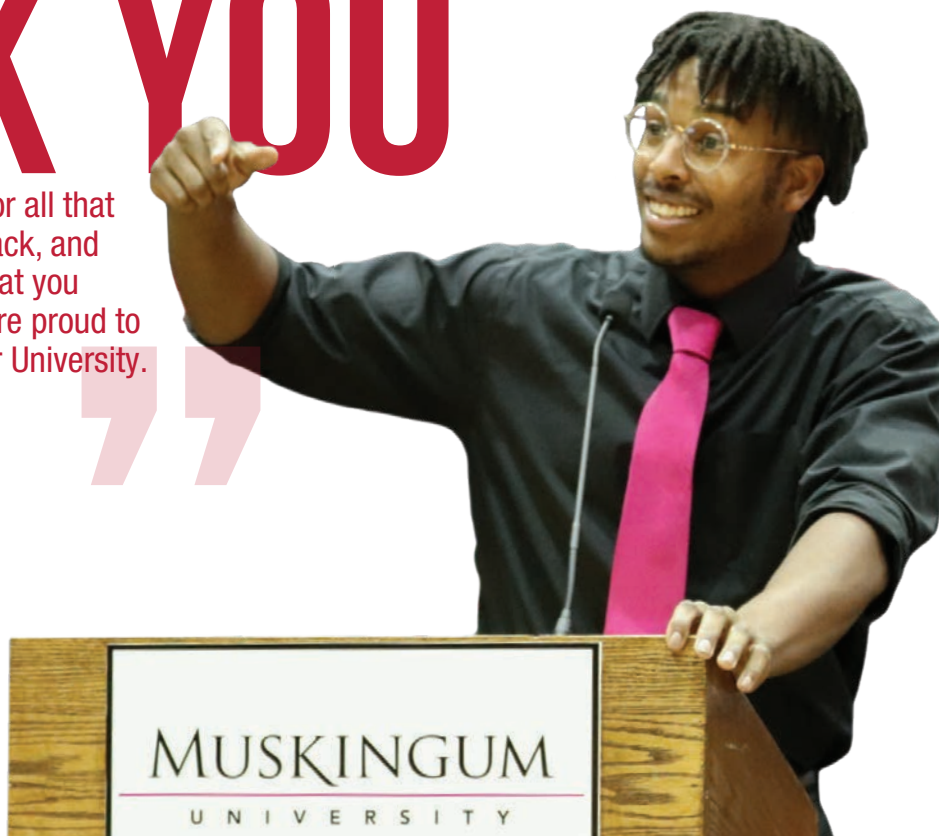
THANK YOU

to the members of Muskie Athletic Club for all that you do to help us succeed on the field, track, and court. The support and encouragement that you show us is a key component of why we are proud to wear the Muskie colors and represent our University.

– Nehemiah Bowie '21

Business management major and football defensive back Nehemiah Bowie '21 recorded 57 tackles and earned Academic All-OAC honors during his sophomore season. He is the Vice President of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) and serves as a Muskie Preview Leader, welcoming and mentoring first-year students.

To join or to renew your annual membership in the Muskie Athletic Club, visit fightingmuskies.com.



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