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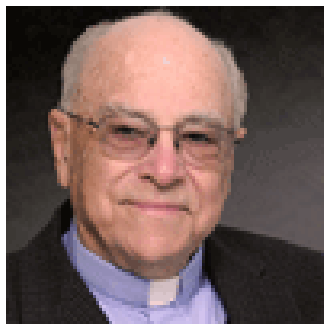
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The next time your computer freezes, you can thank a University of Dayton graduate when you're quickly able to unlock it.

Best known for inventing the three-key sequence known as "Control-Alt-Delete," David Bradley holds 10 patents related to computer design and was one of the original 12 engineers who began work on the IBM personal computer in 1980. On top of a 30-year career at IBM, he has been an adjunct professor at Florida Atlantic University and North Carolina State University. Bradley, who earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering in 1971, will receive the University of Dayton Alumni Association's highest honor, the Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Over half a century, more than 27,000 alumni took the Rev. Norbert Burns' Christian Marriage course — the most popular course in school history. Burns, who earned a bachelor's degree in philosophy in 1945, has given more than 60 years of his life to the University of Dayton in roles like student, clergy, professor, counselor and evangelist for the Marianist religious charism. For that, he's receiving the Special Service Award.

"I've spent 70 years as a Marianist, 60 years as a priest, 50 years as a professor, 67 years in the classroom, 40 years as a marriage counselor, 25 years as a radio program host and 20 years of service in local parishes and to UD students in the chapel," he said. "And, I've presided over more weddings of UD alumni than I can count."

A sports reporter and columnist for more than 50 years, Bucky Albers started his writing career at the University of Dayton with the *Flyer News* and the sports information department. He spent most of his professional career with the *Dayton Daily News*. After long stretches covering the Cleveland Browns, Cincinnati Bengals, Cincinnati Reds and professional golf, he spent the last 19 years of his full-time career covering Dayton Flyers football and basketball, following the teams to games, tournaments and championships. Albers, who's receiving the Special Achievement Award, graduated in 1968 with a bachelor's degree in communication.

As a teenager, Theresa Flores was made a slave — first raped, then threatened with her life and her reputation if she failed to comply with the demands of the sex traffickers who oppressed her. Today, she is a vocal advocate for victims of human trafficking. In 2008, she started the nonprofit Gracehaven House to find and free girls enslaved in child sex trafficking. Flores was appointed to the Ohio Attorney General's Human Trafficking Commission in 2009 and has testified before the Ohio House and Senate in support of human trafficking legislation. Flores, who earned a master's degree in human services in 2007, will be honored with the Christian Service Award.

Laura Schmitz Keefe took the University of Dayton's "Learn. Lead. Serve." tradition to heart and to work, starting the Marietta, Ga., youth mentoring program YELLS (Youth Empowering through Learning, Leading and Serving). The program matches high school student mentors with elementary school students in creating large-scale service projects, such as a local community garden. She earned a bachelor's degree in English in 2005. The former high school English teacher will receive the Joe Belle Memorial Award.

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