Cloaked in the clouds: A morning walk to class alongside Baujan Field almost feels like spring.

Photograph by LARRY BURGESS
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This is our UD

I’m the kind of person who enjoys sitting in the second row applauding everyone else.

When the campus inauguration committee asked my thoughts about the design of the April 2-5 celebration, I hesitated for a moment. Then I realized this moment in history is not solely about me. It’s about us — and all we’ve accomplished together over 167 years, one imaginative, faith-filled moment after another.

This is our UD.

The committee is filled with creative thinkers who will choreograph a magnificent few days that will showcase the University of Dayton’s creativity, innovative spirit, collaborative nature — and the faith and power of our people. The events, including my installation address, are meant to be personal, reflective and forward-looking. (See story, Page 11, and the inauguration website: go.udayton.edu/inauguration).

All are invited to join in the celebration, which starts fittingly with a Mass with Archbishop Dennis Schnurr in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception and an afternoon of community service projects. It ends on a rousing note with hundreds of students performing on stage at the Benjamin and Marian Schuster Performing Arts Center and presenting their undergraduate research at the Stander Symposium. In between, we’ll showcase scholarship and research, convene a panel of experts on humanizing technology for the common good and, because stories have power, bring together 80 people in the ancient Native American art of story circles to share their hopes and vision for our future.

At my official installation April 4, the University of Dayton Arena will be transformed from a rowdy basketball venue into a stylish amphitheater where a university’s dreams for the future can soar. Two dozen members of the diverse UD family — from students and professors to community leaders and alumni — will offer short, from-the-heart reflections on what makes our University extraordinary. I’ll touch on our emerging strategic vision for the future, which will be informed through hundreds of conversations with alumni, faculty, staff, students and friends.

With my family, friends, dignitaries and, most important of all, the University of Dayton community, we will celebrate our heritage and boldly and imaginatively embrace a future of greatness.

This is our UD.
I somehow loaded “ROCKY FLYER” for the new mascot, and that is how the Dayton TV audience was introduced to him.

—Bob Romond ’71

Editor’s note: Thanks to all who wrote letters and left comments regarding the Rudy Flyer feature, “The Making of an Icon,” from the Winter 2016-17 issue. Below is a selection of anecdotes that add to the rich history of University of Dayton mascots.

YOUR MASCOT IS (A) CHICKEN

I remember being at a soccer game at Baujan sometime in the fall of 1980 with some friends from Campus South. There was a guy in a chicken costume parading on the sidelines. It was no San Diego Chicken-type costume either, but the weakest looking chicken I had ever seen. A few of us looked at each other and asked, “Is that the best they can do for a mascot?” Very soon there were catcalls coming from our section of the stands: “It’s the Dayton Fryer!”

That “mascot” wasn’t seen again (by us, anyway). We attended the basketball game where Rudy made his appearance. He went over pretty well. As for the name Rudy (which came through the naming contest), it wasn’t an instant success. It stuck, however, and we got used to it. Hard to believe the mascot has been around 35 years officially as “Rudy.” He certainly has borne witness to some pretty great athletic feats from then through now. Too bad he missed the Stagg Bowl with us in December 1980.

TOM MCLAUGHLIN ’81
CARY, ILLINOIS

INFLATABLE FLYER

If you go to the Flyer News, 1959 to 1962, you will find that Marty Held and I formed the first UD pep club. The purpose was to get some student enthusiasm for the football team, which unfortunately was not real good back in those days, and to add to the excitement at UD basketball games, then played in the Fieldhouse.

The pep club thought we needed a mascot, and I came up with a rubber inflatable suit the U.S. Air Force used in the 1950s. Unfortunately it no longer inflated, so I would climb into it and fill it with eight to 10 pillows donated by fellow residents of Founders Hall (they only donated once as they got pretty sweaty). I also put clown makeup on my face and wore fake bare feet over my shoes. I was welcomed warmly by the students and was at every UD home game, both football and basketball, in 1959 and 1960. I once received a standing ovation from the crowd at a game in the Fieldhouse after I dribbled a beach ball (no easy task) the length of the court, faked a trip over the foul line and flipped the beach ball up toward the basket as I fell face first on the floor. Lying there I heard the crowd roar; the beach ball was laying on top of the basket.

Go Flyers!

JIM O’HORA ’62
VESTAL, NEW YORK

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ROCKY VS. RUDY

I just loved your story on the evolution of Rudy Flyer. As the studio director for UD basketball on WHIO-TV, I was responsible for identifying, via electronic character generator, the players and other game information. I somehow loaded “ROCKY FLYER” for the new mascot, and that is how the Dayton TV audience was introduced to him.

Fortunately, at least one of the studio crew was a student and recognized the error, called the control room, and we had it fixed before the phone calls started.

The next day, legendary Channel 7 manager Stan Mouse asked me how that error came about. (I’m guessing a phone call from Tom Frericks started Stan’s wanting to know.) It was here my Catholic upbringing and my UD education went into full speed: “Mea culpa.”

BOB ROMOND ’71
CENTERVILLE, OHIO

TOUR GUIDES ROCK

[Regarding “UD Hospitality,” 10-28-16]: As a UD alum whose son currently attends UD, I have got to say that all it takes is a campus tour conducted by one of those wonderful student tour guides, some friendly interaction with students along the way, and an appreciation for the beautiful campus, and a decision to attend UD is almost guaranteed!

JIM BERNAUER ’70
POSTED TO UDQUICKLY

AMAZING APPALACHIA

Thank you for bringing back great memories [“Sharing Love in Appalachia,” 10-25-16]. I will never forget the amazing stars there, the warm people, going to a Friday night high school football game and sitting on the front porch with my friend Betsy while she sang “Amazing Grace” to all of us. What an amazing place and a true reminder of the power that love can have in the world.

CHRISTIAN ’02
POSTED TO UDQUICKLY

‘AWESOMENESS OF GOD’S CREATION’

I thoroughly enjoyed the article about the National Parks [“Wild for America’s Greatest Idea,” Autumn 2016]. My wife and I have been going to National Parks since 1961, more than half of the lifetime of the National Park Service. We have been to 169 National Park sites, including 44 National Parks, 38 National Monuments, 27 National Historic Parks, 19 National Historic Sites, 11 National Memorials and 30 others. We have taken our children, our children’s families and our grandchildren to many of these sites.

We are blessed to live in a country where we have had leaders with the foresight to preserve our “natural and cultural resources and

THE OTHER FLYERS

Great background on our beloved mascot, Rudy Flyer. It references that, in 1972, believing we were the only American institution nicknamed “Flyers,” Gene Schill wrote cartoonist Milton Caniff for mascot concepts, from which came D-Bird. Coincidentally enough, Lewis University (Illinois, Division II) has also used “Flyers.” According to Lewis University history, in 1963, Caniff illustrated the comic strip “Steve Canyon.” That year, Lewis students were discussing the need for a mascot. They remembered reading about the character Bedcheck Charlie and wrote to Caniff, who replied with permission to use Charlie. The identity has recently been modernized. By most accounts, Dayton and Lewis remain the only college Flyers.

UD was way ahead of NHL Philadelphia Flyers, too, a 1967 expansion team during the height of our Blackburn-era national basketball popularity. They must subliminally love Dayton like we do!

A shoutout to my old roommate and former Rudy, Matthew Hahn ’95 — never been one better.

TODD HERZOG ’96
MASON, OHIO

Editor’s note: We called Lewis University to ask about their Flyers. Lewis University, a Catholic university (Lasallian), started as a technical school and changed its name to Lewis Holy Name School of Aeronautics in 1934. They trained pilots and mechanics, thus adopting the name “Flyers.” There is debate about the artist who first drew Bedcheck Charlie. While Caniff did illustrate “Steve Canyon” in 1963, the character Bedcheck Charlie is reported to have appeared in the comic strip “Terry and the Pirates.” George Wunder, who took over that strip from Caniff in 1946, has also been identified as the Lewis University mascot artist.

PLANE TRUTH

UD did have a few symbols before the D-Bird. The Flyers had a symbol of a plane in the ‘20s and ‘30s. Later symbols were jet planes. In the 1960s, UD had a pilot symbol. The D-Bird was a major flop with the students in the early 1970s.

JOE BLUM ’71
NEW WASHINGTON, OHIO
values” for us and future generations: natural wonders that remind us of the awesomeness of God’s creation; wilderness areas that protect the plants and animals put under our care by our Creator; historic sites and national monuments that educate us on our history.

BILL KLENK ’57
LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

ADVOCATES FOR THE INJURED
This was a great article regarding a very important subject [“Hard Knocks,” Winter 2016-17]. I’m a 1970 UD grad who sustained a severe traumatic brain injury and six-week coma in a 1999 skiing accident. I can relate to many of the issues discussed. I commend your advocacy for the students and wish you continued progress and success.

PATRICIA LAIDLAW
POSTED TO UDQUICKLY

PUPPY PRIDE
As an ’81 UD alumna, I am proud to see this great program on campus [“Who Let the Dogs Out?” 11-28-16.] The non-profit organization I operate, Magnified Giving in Cincinnati, teaches teens how to serve and be philanthropists, and 4 Paws for Ability receives grants from our teens every year to continue their great work. Kelli and her team do amazing work. Congrats!

KELLY VOSS COLLISON
POSTED TO UDQUICKLY

WELCOME
Great story [“At Home in Dayton,” Winter 2016-17]. So glad the Spinas chose us. The UD community is very lucky to have them.

JERRY WALSH ’87
POSTED TO UDQUICKLY

PRESERVATION APPRECIATED
Pleased to read about the Lincoln Hill Gardens [“Grow On,” Summer 2016]. I began my teaching career as a second-grade teacher at Lincoln Elementary School. The stately building occupied the grounds atop Nassau Street since 1927. This prime property with its overlook of the city of Dayton is historically significant. The plans and efforts to preserve the green space are appreciated. Thank you.

CAROL O’CONNELL ’57
MIAMISBURG, OHIO

“The big question marks are how is President Trump going to react to places and things and people that didn’t line up behind him?”
—POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR NANCY MARTORANO MILLER ON OHIO GOV. JOHN KASICH IN AN ASSOCIATED PRESS ARTICLE PICKED UP BY CBSNEWS.COM

“King's holiday must be contextualized within a larger global struggle against racism and hatred.”
—HISTORY PROFESSOR JULIUS AMIN IN “NO EASY WALK TO FREEDOM,” FIRST PUBLISHED ON THE CONVERSATION AND PICKED UP BY SALON AND NEWSWEEK

“These are promises that no president, no country can deliver on, certainly not within a four-year period.”
—CHRISTOPHER DEVINE, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE, ON PRESIDENT TRUMP’S PROMISE TO COMPLETELY ELIMINATE ISLAMIC TERRORISM, IN GERMANY’S DEUTSCHE WELLE

“Jim Crow laws were struck down many years ago, but we still see the effects today.”
—RUTH THOMPSON-MILLER, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY, ON THE ACADEMIC MINUTE, WAMC

“Most people are still quite naive about embedded technologies, and therefore tend to forget that it can compromise privacy.”
—LAW PROFESSOR SUSAN BRENNER ON “CARTAPPING,” A TERM SHE COINED FOR DIGITAL CAR-TRACKING AND RESULTING LEGAL CASES, IN FORBES

“If the world economy takes a bit of a slowing down ... all these plans will obviously be put on the shelf.”
—SERDAR DURMUSOGLU, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF MARKETING, ON MARKETPLACE DISCUSSING WALMART’S RETAIL JOBS FORECAST

“It’s not just about avoiding civil rights liabilities, it’s also good business practice to not alienate co-workers and customers.”
—LAW PROFESSOR JEANNETTE COX IN THE WASHINGTON POST IN “HOW THE RACISM UNLEASHED IN THE AFTERMATH OF TRUMP’S CAMPAIGN COULD GET YOU FIRED”
CONEVERSATION PIECES

“I didn’t know that was actually a thing.”
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Thank you

What does a philanthropist look like? On March 8, students got a look — at their professors, dining hall servers, groundskeepers and even magazine reporters who wore buttons to indicate their Flyer devotion includes donating to the University. On this Philanthropy Day, members of the Student Alumni Association put price tags around campus as visual reminders that a laboratory, building or book was made possible thanks to a donor. In addition to thanking the faculty and staff in person, SAA asked fellow students to sign thank-you postcards they then mailed to donors. Said junior Stephanie Townsend, “They are an inspiration to students, as we hope to follow in their footsteps.”

Human and divine

youtube.com/UniversityofDayton

A new video tour of the Mirror of Hope sculpture by artist Kevin Hanna describes the sweep of Christianity from creation to the City of God. The artwork is 12 feet long and 5 feet high, with 24 scenes and more than 240 figures. Among them is the child Jesus playing in the mud. When he crafts doves from clay and releases them, they fly. “This is showing Jesus as both human and divine,” says Marian Library volunteer docent Ann Persensky of the images from the Apocryphal Gospel of Thomas. This video and more are available by subscribing to the University’s YouTube channel.

Salud!

With an intimate ceremony in Kennedy Union ballroom Dec. 16, the first class of the University of Dayton’s Physician Assistant Practice program celebrated the completion of the seven-semester program. The cohort is sitting for the Physician Assistant National Certifying Exam and receiving and accepting jobs in emergency trauma, mental health, cardiology, neurology, family practice and more. They’ve received more than 50 job offers from Maine to Texas, including Ohio. Their successes bode well for subsequent classes, which continue to receive record applications. As Kelli Huesman, director of clinical education, said, “They set the bar high.”

More power

A little yellow robot had the power and traction to win the battle for top sumo-bot. Students in assistant professor Tim Reissman’s mechatronics class built and programmed the robots. “The project is a riff on the popular driverless cars, as the robots must operate autonomously without a remote control or other direct input,” Reissman said. The winning bot, programmed by seniors Brandon Smith and Kyle Vanden Eynden, proved to be the pushiest, edging opponents out of a meterwide ring thanks to its protective, yellow, 3-D printed shield.
UD, Premier Health to purchase fairgrounds, revitalize property

The University of Dayton has entered a partnership to ensure the revitalization of a 37-acre property near campus will support community and economic development as well as complement the growth and momentum already occurring in the area.

On Jan. 24, the University, Premier Health and Montgomery County signed a purchase agreement for the Montgomery County Fairgrounds. The fairgrounds—roughly bounded by Main Street, Stewart Street, Patterson Boulevard and Apple Street—is located across Stewart Street from Emerson’s Helix Innovation Center and the GE Aviation EPISCenter, both research facilities on University of Dayton property. Premier operates Miami Valley Hospital, which abuts the fairgrounds.

The agreement signed in December broadly defines the terms of the $15 million sale. UD and Premier are expected to pay $5.25 million each, with an additional $2.5 million expected from a state grant. As part of the agreement, Montgomery County committed to providing $2 million toward preservation of the fairgrounds’ historic roundhouse.

In announcing the decision in December to join with Premier to purchase the fairgrounds, President Eric F. Spina said it is vitally important that the University has the ability to ensure development of the site will be compatible with the University’s strategies, mission and investments in the area.

“While there are no specific plans at this point, with the property’s location adjacent to campus, there is great potential for future synergies with our partners, perhaps on initiatives that may arise from the strategic visioning process now underway,” Spina said in his message to campus. “Our active involvement in redevelopment affords a variety of possibilities for the future of the University that we otherwise would not have.”

The University and Premier will jointly own the land. A closing on the property is expected in spring, with Premier and the University jointly taking possession in fall 2017 after the conclusion of the Montgomery County Fair in July and the Dayton Horse Show in August.

UD and Premier will be starting a process to study redevelopment opportunities. The process will include gathering community input to develop a plan that will take advantage of the site’s location, potential opportunities for collaborations, and future needs of the University and Premier.
You’re invited: Inauguration of UD’s 19th president

For the past year, UD’s 19th president has been listening, discussing and discerning how the University’s distinctive character can propel us forward as a national, Catholic leader in higher education.

On Tuesday, April 4, Eric F. Spina will share his preliminary thoughts on the University’s future during his installation ceremony, the centerpiece event of the University of Dayton inauguration celebration April 2-5. The ceremony will be streamed live on the University’s Facebook page.

Spina, who became University president July 1, 2016, has participated in 15 strategic visioning events, during which board members, alumni, donors, faculty, staff and community leaders have offered thoughts on what makes UD distinctive and what the University should work toward during the next 20 years. “While there is more work to do to achieve the bold, aspirational vision that is the objective, this foundational work clearly positions the University of Dayton for success,” Spina said.

The visioning committee, led by Provost Paul Benson and MPA Program Director Michelle Pautz, presented this spring some emerging, signature themes that will be refined into a strategic vision that looks ahead 20 years. These include:

- Becoming the premier Catholic university for leadership development in civic engagement, social innovation and community building.
- Making essential to the University’s mission a deep and pervasive commitment to diversity and inclusivity, including affordability and accessibility of a UD education.
- Advancing new academic programs, research initiatives and institutional partnerships in emerging fields of health and community well-being.
- Expanding UD’s footprint to other cities nationally and globally, as well as developing deeper, more visible and reciprocal partnerships in the Dayton region.
- Leadership in a small number of multidisciplinary research domains from among such areas as sustainable energy, human rights, machine intelligence and advanced sensors, biomedical science and engineering, teaching and learning, and Marian studies.

The inauguration ceremony at UD Arena will include an official commissioning of the president by both the University board of trustees and the Marianist Province of the United States. It will also feature two dozen members of the Flyer family speaking about “Our UD” during an imaginative inauguration filled with tradition and surprises.

Inauguration events are free and open to the public. To register and learn more, visit go.udayton.edu/inauguration.

Sunday, April 2
- Mass with Archbishop Dennis Schnurr, noon, Chapel of the Immaculate Conception
- Student-led social and service activities, 2 p.m., Stuart Field

Monday, April 3
- Faculty and community symposium: “Shared Expertise for Shared Solutions,” 10 a.m., Kennedy Union ballroom
- Story circles, 1:30 p.m., Raymond L. Fitz Hall Black Box Theatre
  Facilitated by Tim Eatman, co-director of Imagining America, and Michelle Hayford, director of the Theatre, Dance and Performance Technology Program

Tuesday, April 4
- Continental breakfast and keynote address, 8:30 a.m., Kennedy Union ballroom
- Nick Donofrio, former IBM executive vice president for innovation and technology, discusses innovation and higher education in the 21st century
- Panel discussion, 10:15 a.m., Kennedy Union east ballroom
  JP Nauseef ’88, president and CEO of Krush Technologies, leads a conversation to answer the question, “How do we humanize technology to deepen our connections with one another for the common good?”
- Installation of the 19th president of the University of Dayton, 1:30 p.m., UD Arena
- Reception, 3:30 p.m., 1700 South Patterson Building
  Includes tours of UD Research Institute labs
- Celebration of the Arts, Schuster Center, 1 W. Second St.
  Art installations in the Wintergarden open at 6:30 p.m.; performance in Mead Theatre begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are free but required; visit udayton.edu/provost/stander

Wednesday, April 5
- Stander Symposium, all day, throughout campus
  Reception and Horvath Award presentations begin at 5 p.m. in Gallery 249, Raymond L. Fitz Hall. See udayton.edu/provost/stander.
More than a brand

Marianists publish books. Lots of them. Owned by a Marianist foundation in Spain, the corporation Grupo SM has a catalog of thousands of titles, $300 million in annual sales and 2,000 employees. The company has offices in eight Latin American countries in addition to its headquarters in Spain.

Successful in publishing K-12 educational materials, religious literature and fiction for children and teenagers, Grupo SM a decade ago was looking to expand into teaching English in Spanish-speaking countries. Looking for a collaborator, they found the University of Dayton.

Today, University of Dayton Publishing is one of Grupo’s key brands.

UD gets more than book royalties from the partnership. And it offers more than its name.

The University now trains people from other countries to teach English in those countries. “We have a summer program for Latin American teachers,” said Amy Anderson, executive director for UD’s Center for International Programs. Each summer, between 60 and 70 high school students and 30 to 40 teachers come to campus from Latin America; some, but not all, are from Marianist high schools.

“University faculty and staff also provide input on trainings and other materials,” Anderson said. “Students produced and directed a series of videos that were companions for one textbook. And UD students have interned with Grupo SM.”

Grupo contributes corporate profits to programs — supported by the Marianist foundation which owns it — that improve the quality of education in the communities they serve.

—Thomas M. Columbus

Standing together

In the freezing cold on Feb. 2, more than 75 members of the campus community stood in support of those affected by the temporary travel ban that had resulted from the Jan. 27 presidential executive order. According to UD officials, 45 students, faculty and staff fell within the ban’s criteria.

The rally, organized by senior mechanical engineering major Robert Alexander, included support for refugees. Nick Cardilino, director of the Center for Social Concern, addressed the duty of people of faith to stand with those who are most marginalized. This includes refugees of all religious minorities, he said, as he read from a statement by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops: “[Refugees] are children of God and are entitled to be treated with human dignity.”

Under the gaze of the statue of Blessed William Joseph Chaminade, students, faculty and staff took turns at the microphone to share their stories. Among them were students from the seven predominantly Muslim countries named in the executive order. A student from Iraq held the sign, “I’ve been studying so hard. Now my parents can’t even attend my graduation.”

A student from Libya thanked his fellow Flyers for their support: “Without you, I have no education,” he said.

Alexander then took the mic and spoke directly to his international peers. “We want to say that UD is a community,” he said, “and that you are welcome here.”

SOURCE: Center for International Programs, fall 2016
Safe landing

When Flyers leave campus, they land safely in full-time employment related to their majors, according to the most recent career services report.

Ninety-six percent of recent UD graduates responding to the Flyer First Destination Survey report being employed, pursuing a graduate degree or participating in a service program within six months of graduation. It’s a success rate with a 95 percent or higher rating for the past five years.

“This is a testament to our students’ hard work and achievement that result in good jobs after graduation,” said Jason Eckert, director of career services.

For students wanting to be a teacher or work in the medical field, there’s good news: School of Education and Health Sciences graduates responding to the survey report a 99 percent success rate. Business majors report 96 percent. And the School of Engineering and College of Arts and Sciences report 95 percent success rates.

Ninety-five percent of all respondents report they hold full-time jobs and 95 percent of them are working in their fields or a position that is a first step toward a position in their field. Nearly half of the graduates found employment in Ohio while the other half have found opportunities in 42 states and abroad.

Eckert said a recent survey by PayScale indicates graduates with a bachelor’s degree from the University of Dayton earn an average yearly salary of $52,700 early in their careers and $90,200 midway through their careers.

—Shawn Robinson

From Dayton to Mars

Last August, Faith Carver received her master’s in chemical engineering and switched her focus from Dayton to Mars. Her year of working as a graduate student researcher at the UD Research Institute under Senior Research Scientist Douglas Hansen helped Carver land a position in the fuel processing unit of Los Alamos National Laboratory. A UD professor first introduced Carver to the multi-mission radioisotope thermoelectric generator, a long-lived power system to provide electricity and heat to spacecraft. Los Alamos is the first step in a chain of laboratories that are creating fuel from plutonium-238 to power the Mars 2020 rover into infinity and beyond.

How did you learn you got the job?

I got a call right before my last final. They said, “You can accept it right now if you wish,” and I said, “Well, yes, I do! And I have a final in 20 minutes, so thank you!”

Was it a hard decision for you to move to New Mexico?

I had interviews and different offers, but this was the ideal job for me. I love working with alternative energy. I love electro-chemistry — this is a little bit of both — and it was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. It’s hard to be away, but I absolutely love it.

Two members of the UD family — your former professor Dan Kramer and UDRI research scientist Chad Barklay — said they created a “survival handbook” to give to alumni headed to Los Alamos; I hear there are five alumni there now.

Yes, and I very much enjoyed it. The handbook ranged from how Los Alamos operates to where to live and fun facts. It made me feel a little more welcome.

UD follows you everywhere and it’s great.

Describe your workplace.

I work in a secured area and I’m still waiting for my security clearance, so I’m escorted in. The people I work with include other engineers, doctors, contractors — you name it, they’re here. They come from all over the world to work here. We have our nice work stations right behind the fence of the plutonium facility and I’m around the greatest minds in the country — it’s unbelievable.

What about your job makes you go “wow”?

It’s amazing to look at something and think, “That’s going to space; that will be on Mars in a few years.” It’s incredible, it’s surreal and I want to be actively involved in that process.

What is it like being part of the new generation of researchers to contribute to the plutonium-238 project?

It’s exciting because there are not very many people who do this job. It’s kind of intimidating to be on it because there are people working at the lab who have been doing this for 20 years and they worked on Cassini or New Horizons, and now their projects are in outer space and on Mars. But, it’s also very humbling. You realize they are extremely experienced and you should try to learn everything you can from them.

What is your favorite part of your work?

Beyond the fact that I get to work on things that are going to space, we also work with labs all over the nation — NASA, Jet Propulsion Laboratory and UDRI. I love it, and I can’t imagine doing anything else.

—Danielle Damon ’18

Out of this world

Since 2010, students have filled 1,592 positions working on sponsored research at the UD Research Institute. In its 60-year history, UDRI has employed approximately 13,000 students. Does that include you? If so, send your story to magazine@udayton.edu.
100 years of Fighting Flyers

As UD gets set to celebrate 100 years of ROTC, what has remained true is the program’s purpose: to prepare its devoted Fighting Flyers for a life of leadership and service.

Army training started on campus in 1917 with World War I on American minds. Since then the Army Reserve Officers’ Training Corps at UD has provided its members with the opportunity to better themselves, both as citizens and as members of the military. When it began, UD’s program was obligatory for freshmen and sophomore men. As Maximilian Von Mach, Class of 1919, wrote in the April 1917 edition of The Exponent, “The subject, Universal Military Training, is of vital importance, for it concerns the safety and welfare of our nation.”

These early-20th century students provided their own uniforms, took a course on marching and received 40 cents a day from the Secretary of War. Military training remained a mandatory study for male students at UD until 1969. A few years later, in 1974, ROTC admitted its first woman; today, women make up 20 percent of the approximately 80 total cadets each year.

UD ROTC has become one of the nation’s oldest continually operating ROTC programs. As the 21st century churns on, students keep its legacy going. “Our program is rooted in the Army values of loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity and personal courage,” said biology major Margaret Yocum ’17. “Our instructors and fellow cadets ensure that we live according to these values on a daily basis.”

The ROTC program is divided into a basic course, usually first and second years, and an advanced course, usually third and fourth years. Students who receive

Frank B. Mahoney ’14
“I am with the No. 16 Company, R. O. T. C., Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. I am lonesome for the boys and St. Mary’s though, and will be glad to get a little news from any of them.” (The Exponent, Nov. 1917)

James Whalen ’47
“I was in the enlisted reserve corps during the war years, so I went into the Army in 1943 and got out in 1946. There were a lot of guys like me who were in the service and came back to university. It really changed campus.” (Oral history project)

Jack Darcy ’55
“I don’t think I could have accomplished what I did, careerwise, had it not been for the basics of having a degree, which I continued with additional studies while I was in the Army. The University did a lot for me, and it was something that I gained a great deal of maturing, a great deal of experience and a great deal of knowledge from.” (Oral history project)

Thomas Askins ’76
“My experience in both ROTC and at UD was one of the most profoundly positive steppingstones to a rewarding career in the U.S. Army. My time in UD ROTC gave me a positive environment and structure that allowed me to do something meaningful with my life. I ended up serving 27 years in the Army.”

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Cyberhealthy

The University of Dayton will establish the Center for Cybersecurity & Data Intelligence with a lead gift from Premier Health to enhance the cyberhealth of the Dayton community.

“We want to help spread a culture of cyber-mindfulness across the community. Everyone should be ‘cyber-mindful’ of threats and able to alert others when things don’t seem quite right,” University CIO Tom Skill said. “The majority of network intrusions happen because someone willingly, but unknowingly, gave their ID and password to a bad guy.”

The center will initially focus on the health care environment, Skill said. By adding lead partners representing other industry sectors, the University plans to broaden the scope of the center’s work.

Premier will collaborate with the University’s faculty experts and information technology staff to identify and test new cybersecurity practices, create education and awareness programs for employees, and share best practices with the greater Dayton community. Both institutions support the goals of educating, attracting, retaining and supporting a local workforce that can recognize and respond to growing threats to information security personally and professionally.

Several University departments and Premier will also develop free, public resources to help protect sensitive data, especially health information, including a blog, tips via social media, forums and webinars.

—Cilla Shindell

MBA@Dayton

University of Dayton and 2U Inc., an education technology company, are partnering to offer a new online MBA program starting in October 2017. UD faculty and executives-in-residence will teach courses through live online classes and seminars, accessed through an interactive and mobile online campus. The design offers the intimacy of an on-campus classroom with online flexibility.

The limited-residency program will include two credit-bearing, intensive immersion experiences, where students come together with faculty and cohort members, once on campus and a second time in a domestic or international city.

The MBA@Dayton program will include two offerings: a general MBA and an advanced-standing MBA for individuals with significant work experience. The advanced-standing MBA, a 30-credit curriculum in core business courses and electives, will allow students to complete their MBA in one year.

For more information, visit onlinemba.udayton.edu.

The Rev. Richard Rockwell ’93

“ROTC was even more valuable than my major. It gave me leadership skills, and I met some wonderful people there, both staff and cadets. It gave me a great understanding of how the Army works, and I was able to go in as a second lieutenant and do my job.”

Haley Roach ’16

“My closest group of friends was in ROTC. They were the people that I spent the most time with, and it’s the same group of people that I’m closest with now. Even so, ROTC was the thing that challenged me, that transformed my perspective and made me realize what was available for me to accomplish.”

credit for the basic course and show promise for becoming successful officers may enroll in the advanced course, which is designed to prepare cadets to be Army lieutenants.

“A lot of what we do is getting these cadets to learn about themselves and what they’re capable of,” said Lt. Col. Jeffrey Rosenberg, chair of the Department of Military Science. “We’re teaching them the necessary leadership skills like confidence and the ability to problem solve, which are important both in the military and in civilian life.”

Though 2017 looks very different than 1917 did, male and female ROTC students still embrace the values-based foundation on which the program was built.

“The bedrock of ROTC — servant-leadership and serving something bigger than yourself — has been there since day one,” Rosenberg said. “Honorable service has been our hallmark since the beginning, and has not changed in the century since.”

—Courtney Mocklow ’17

Premier Health employees will be among those to benefit from the cybercenter.
Kathleen Daly, Patty Barbour White and Barbara Levy Lobb, all from the Class of 1968, traveled to Eastern Europe earlier this month. The trio took several photos during their travels with University of Dayton Magazine.

Kelly Mullen ’11 was one of 35 educators in the U.S. and Canada selected to be a Grosvenor Teacher Fellow by National Geographic and Lindblad Expeditions. She writes, “They sent me on an expedition to the Galapagos Islands on their ship, the Endeavour. At the Charles Darwin Research Station, I learned about their work preserving and growing the giant tortoise population on the islands.”

Brian Dorsey ‘11 and his wife, Alyssa Buckingham Dorsey ‘11, enjoyed their beautiful hike on Mount Craig in the Black Mountains of North Carolina, which they say is “the second highest mountain in eastern North America.”


Jenn Smith ’94 said that the timing was right when the “Learn, Lead, (Park) Service” edition of University of Dayton Magazine came in the mail the day before a 30+ mile hike through Yosemite National Park. Jenn went to the summit of Cloud's Rest with the iconic Half Dome in the background. She said, “Throughout the time spent here, I just kept thanking John Muir for making sure this treasure became a National Park.”

Roommates from the Class of 1973 and 232 Lowes St. met in Vail, Colorado for a 50th birthday reunion and brought their University of Dayton Magazine along. From left to right are: Joanne Winguay McBride, Kate Cain Deger, Anne Henry Chasser, Jean Grassini Poole and Carol Condon Buddie. Anne said, “We had a blast and enjoyed reminiscing the days on Lowes Street — across from the Dirty Deli!”

Michelle Stachler Keating ’05 and husband Charles Keating ’05 read University of Dayton Magazine on Hurricane Ridge at Olympic National Park in Washington state in September 2016. Michelle said, “We enjoyed hiking in the rainforest, seeing waterfalls, and exploring tidal pools and hot springs on our visit to the park.”

Ceferino Cata, Anne Charters Cata, Rita Schenkel Brown and Terry Brown, all Class of 1984, enjoyed a long October weekend in Napa Valley, California with “great friends, fun, food and, of course, wine!” Rita said.

Jim Yanosko ’89 and his daughter Emma, a second-year student, posed in front of Akaka Falls on the Big Island of Hawaii during their family vacation. He said, “One of the many highlights was visiting the volcano. Emma was especially interested as she is pursuing her B.S. in geology at UD.”

Ryan Shea ’16 and Maggie Shea ’14 were at the top of Le Morne mountain in Mauritius. Ryan writes, “I’m researching the levelized cost of renewable energy technologies in Mauritius through the Fulbright U.S. Student Program, and I’m fortunate to have my sister visiting me in the farthest country in the world from the U.S.”

Angela Cape Homm ’06 took her summer 2016 issue of University of Dayton Magazine with her to Bayrischzell, Germany. She writes, “I’m doing a session in Bavaria as part of an executive management development journey. I spent the day developing solutions for Syrian refugees taking asylum in Bavaria for my company, Munich RE. The trip taught me to take nothing for granted.”

Barbara Pier White ’68 and husband Dale White traveled to Rome in late November with the St. Thomas More Church Choir of Sarasota, Florida. The choir sang four times at the Vatican and Assisi. Barbara said, “What a privilege to be able to see Pope Francis perform this ceremony, move so graciously through the people and hear our choir sing.”

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Raising hope

“"I got a job today,” she said. “And I got offered a place to live.”

Inside the St. Vincent de Paul homeless shelter in Dayton, a small group of women cheered those two life-changing sentences.

It was the start of a support group led by University of Dayton students in a small room decorated with handmade paper stars hanging from the ceiling and completed puzzles taped to the walls.

The students are there five days a week to offer help managing stress, training on computers and preparation for the GED.

Their immediate aim: Empower the women, enhance their coping abilities and improve the social climate of the shelter. Across town, they have the same goals at the Gettysburg Gateway for Men.

Their work is led by professor Roger Reeb as part of his research on behavioral activation — the idea that a program or experience can improve someone’s thoughts, mood and behavior, and help them recognize and pursue opportunities in the future.

“The goal is lasting change,” said graduate student Bernadette O’Koon.

That lasting change is for shelter guests to ultimately find employment and a home.

‘Rays of hope’

The project started four years ago when Reeb, a licensed clinical psychologist, formed a partnership with David Bohardt, executive director of St. Vincent de Paul. The two wanted to find a way to improve job and housing retention rates while dealing with constrained resources.

St. Vincent serves more than 100,000 people each year — 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The shelters offer temporary emergency housing for as many as 400 men, women and children on any given night. The nonprofit also provides food, showers, clothing and a caseworker to help each person or family secure a permanent place to live.

The students can be “rays of hope,” Bohardt said. The students — 20 or more participate in a semester and are supervised by graduate students — say they are inspired by the interactions, too.

“I’ve realized how similar we are,” said Nate Bloss ’16, who received a bachelor’s degree in psychology. “It’s just the circumstances they were given that led them here.”

He said he will always remember meeting a gentleman sitting in the corner at the men’s center reading a book. In their conversations, Bloss learned the man knew three languages and often quoted poets.

“I would be kind of embarrassed because I didn’t know the poets,” Bloss said. “Then one day, he wasn’t there anymore. He worked hard to move on. He deserved it.”

‘A place of opportunity’

Reeb said the project is about making the shelters a “place of opportunity” instead of one of despair. On any given day, students do so through casual conversations or games of cards. They might offer mediation sessions to relieve stress and anxiety. Or refer someone to a much-needed resource in the community, such as a free clinic. Or work with someone on creating a résumé or applying for a job.

Their interactions are guided by the shelter guidelines of respect, empathy and confidentiality. When students meet someone, that person might have been staying at the shelter for just hours or for several days. It might be their first time there or their sixth stay.

“The shelter guest might say of a student: ‘He seems like a nice guy. He won’t judge me. He can help me to help myself.’ Then, that person is not waiting on the system for help, but they are working with our students to pursue opportunities,” said Reeb, the University’s Roesch Chair in the Social Sciences and research associate for the Human Rights Center.

The students, who come from a variety of majors including social sciences, engineering, education and pre-medicine, prepare for the experience in Reeb’s class. The project goes year-round, including summers and holiday breaks, and some students continue with it for the remainder of their undergraduate careers.

The future

The results of the project so far are positive, according to data gathered by students through surveys and analyzed by Greg Elvers, an associate professor of psychology.

More than 1,000 men and women at the shelters have participated in the project. They rate the programs as enjoyable, meaningful, important and worth repeating. And they feel the programs have improved their hope, mood and motivation.

Reeb is also monitoring the impact on students — whether they are less likely to stigmatize and more likely to recognize and understand their own privilege once the semester ends. He also asks whether the project impacts their feelings that they can make a difference in the community.

In the next phase of the project, Reeb and Bohardt said they will track the employment and housing situations of those who leave the shelter. They will compare their outcomes to people who stayed at the shelter but did not participate in the project, people who stayed at the shelter before the project began and people at similar shelters in other areas.

“If we can prove our efforts made a difference here, we can offer a model for homeless shelters in other communities,” Reeb said.

—Meagan Pant
Leading from the middle

Without great mentors, Don Pair couldn’t have facilitated some key environmental initiatives during the past two decades. He counts Marianists and students in that group.

“If we want to advance these new ideas and approaches, we need to listen to those around us,” said Pair, professor of geology.

His definition of mentor is broad — from Brother Don Geiger, S.M., who shared his ideas for a learning initiative focused on global environmental issues during their first lunch in 1991, to students whose passion for the environment fueled the creation of the Rivers Institute. Pair said they’ve all been his mentors.

Pair came to UD in 1991 and accepted a challenge from Chuck Ritter, then chair of the Department of Geology, to expand the department’s environmental offerings.

“Now, 25 years later, I’m serving as the acting head of the Hanley Sustainability Institute, which in some ways is reconnecting with my first role as an assistant professor,” Pair said.

Pair also serves as associate dean for interdisciplinary research and experiential initiatives of the College of Arts and Sciences, a position that lets him work directly with other programs, centers and institutes, such as the Fitz Center for Leadership in Community and the Human Rights Center. He’s also been a strong advocate for student success, participating in collaborations with the Division of Student Development and helping to implement the Common Academic Program.

“I’m leading from the middle,” he said. “It’s a role I really like, and I think we’re acknowledging that we’re surrounded by great ideas that come from students, staff and faculty. I’ve been really blessed with the opportunity to try and take some of those great ideas and move them forward.”

Full circle

Nearly 17 years ago, Kathleen Watters led a task force to improve conditions for women on campus. Today, she leads the center that emerged from the group’s effort.

Although Watters, an associate professor in the Department of Communication, began her University of Dayton career in 1989, she said she didn’t gain a full understanding of the University’s Marianist character until she joined the President’s Advisory Committee on Women’s Issues in 1996 under then-President Raymond L. Fitz, S.M. In 2000, the committee recommended the establishment of a campus women’s center; it launched in 2003.

“Our work was driven by the Catholic, Marianist identity of UD,” Watters said. “That was my introduction to the Marianists and to really learning and being able to apply and appreciate what it means to be part of a Catholic, Marianist university.”

Watters has also served as director of graduate studies and chair in the Department of Communication, and she joined committees related to diversity and academic program groups in the Human Rights Studies and Women’s and Gender Studies programs.

Last fall, Watters answered another call: She became interim director of the Women’s Center. The center has become what she and her colleagues envisioned more than 20 years ago — a space for education, collaboration, community and support. What they didn’t foresee was it becoming a gathering space for Muslim women or non-native speakers of English who now use the space for conversation and study.

Said Watters, “The center is fulfilling its mission by being a space for the campus community, facilitating and collaborating with others on campus, as well as being a focal point for intellectual and spiritual exploration.”

For contributions to the Catholic, Marianist character of the University, these are the 2017 Lackner Award winners

Faculty remembered

David W. Ahern 12-26-16
Professor emeritus of political science

“David had a delightfully sharp sense of humor. He was a creative and innovative educator, developing simulations and computer-facilitated learning well before inquiry-based models of learning became more common in higher education. Former students are still quick to remember fondly their time in Ruritania.”

—Jason Pierce, dean, College of Arts and Sciences

Father Joseph P. Tedesco, S.M. 12-2-16
Adjunct professor of psychology

“He was very beloved by his students and admired by other faculty. Father ‘Teddy,’ as he was affectionately known, was also my teaching mentor when I first came to the department in 2007. He was a natural born teacher and standup comedian.”

—Brother Tom Farnsworth, S.M., lecturer in the Department of Psychology

Stories by Shannon Shelton Miller
Even at age 12, Rick Schoen ’72 knew math was his thing. It helped that he had two older brothers, Hal ’63 and Jim ’67, who studied math at UD and encouraged him to follow in their footsteps.

He did, and then he created big footprints himself.

His work has been so influential that, in June, Schoen will travel to Israel where he will be awarded the Wolf Prize in mathematics by the Wolf Foundation — an honor that has been compared to receiving a Nobel Prize.

Schoen grew up on a farm near Fort Recovery, Ohio, a village an hour northwest of Dayton, the 10th of 13 children. Neither of his parents went to college, though they instilled the importance of an education in their children.

“I was lucky because I grew up in the Sputnik era, when math and science were really getting pushed,” he said. “I also had high school teachers who were very supportive of me.”

Schoen has made major contributions to the fields of differential geometry and to ideas of spacetime across his 40-year career. In what is considered his greatest contribution, in 1984 Schoen provided a solution to the Yamabe problem, a question related to the curvature of the universe.

The concept can be visualized by taking a spherical object like a balloon. When air is blown in, the balloon will take on a round shape because the air pressure distributes itself uniformly. However, if you push on some portion of the sphere, you change the shape and the geometry of the object, thereby disrupting its original optimal shape.

“I work on constructing and finding the optimal geometries of objects, but on higher dimensional problems — such as the universe,” said Schoen, a full-time professor at Stanford for 30 years before joining the University of California Irvine as the Excellence in Teaching Chair in Mathematics.

His career has had far-reaching impact. He has advised more than 40 doctoral students, as well as many undergraduates and postdoctoral fellows. Most of his doctoral students remain actively engaged in their fields at universities worldwide.

“Teaching is a way to have a lasting influence, since those whom you teach and mentor can go on to their own careers and have impact on future generations,” Schoen said.

And, quite possibly, on our concept of the universe and beyond.

—Gita Balakrishnan

Bang for your tuition buck

The Princeton Review named the University of Dayton among the top “Colleges That Pay You Back.”

The 2017 edition of the Princeton Review book features the University’s cost transparency, student life and career services. It also ranks the University as 14th in the nation for internship opportunities.

The Princeton Review examined data from hundreds of schools nationwide for the publication. Editors developed a “return on investment” rating based on data including graduation rates, student debt, financial aid, and alumni salaries and job satisfaction.

Said Robert Franek, The Princeton Review’s senior vice president and publisher and lead author of the book, “Students at these colleges also have access to extraordinary career services programs from their freshman year on, plus a lifetime of alumni connections and post-grad support.”

Chapel hues for you

Through Marianist Brother Cletus Behlmann’s eyes, the world is forever vibrant. His watercolor of UD’s Chapel of the Immaculate Conception, featured in the opening spread of the Winter 2016-17 magazine, drew such a response from our readers that the magazine is making available frame-quality prints, with thanks to the University and the Society of Mary. Prints are $15 plus shipping and handling, with proceeds supporting programs of the Office of Mission and Rector.

Behlmann died in San Antonio July 12. His works are displayed on UD’s campus, including Kennedy Union.

To order the print, measuring 16 inches by 12 inches, visit go.udayton.edu/Behlmann.
Student culture

Is it one big, happy family or life in a bubble?

We asked that question of Allison Leigh, director of Marianist strategies in the Office for Mission and Rector. Her doctoral dissertation was on “The Catholic and Marianist Culture at the University of Dayton as Revealed Through Student Voices.”

People at UD know there is a distinctive culture here but often have a hard time articulating it. They speak of “that feeling you get on campus” or describe it as a friendly and hospitable place where people open doors for one another.

Sometimes they describe it as life in a bubble.

Being both friendly and insular seems paradoxical. Perhaps not. Those who see life here as a bubble are quick to emphasize the importance of “bursting the bubble” by getting off campus into the city or going overseas on an immersion trip.

According to students, the “UD bubble” can be positive, helping them connect to each other and giving them pride in a shared experience, but UD also encourages gaining new perspectives beyond the bubble.

Inside and outside the bubble, relationships are the foundation of students’ growth.

In doing my research, I heard students speak of how living, socializing and praying together helped them understand and appreciate differences between themselves and others as well as learn about their own strengths and weaknesses. They spoke of the importance of finding a smaller community — whether in a living-and-learning program, Campus Ministry or Greek life — with whom one shares the same values, of the role such communities play in discovering one’s vocation.

The first Marianists — lay and religious — came together in small groups. The members of these sodalities, or faith communities, were united by shared values. As with today’s students, they also believed that education can happen anywhere. Students I talked with spoke of learning in their courses, in co-curriculars and in campus employment.

And students today, like those early Marianists, are looking beyond their small communities. Like the Marianist founders, today’s UD students believe they can transform the Church and the world.

Open arms and safety nets

More students than ever are going to college with mental health issues — and UD is stepping up to support those students.

UD’s counseling center opened with four counselors in 1976 and has grown to 10 full-time staff members, said Steven Mueller ’74, the center’s director.

He says the increase in students with mental health issues is due in part to earlier treatment and medication, coupled with more social awareness. “Nationwide, we’ve recognized that the severity of things we’re dealing with is greater than it has been in years past,” said Mueller, who holds a doctorate in education.

In 2007, 13.8 percent of students who went to campus counseling centers nationwide did so for matters relating to suicidal thoughts or behaviors, according to the Association for University and College Counseling Center Directors. Last year, that number was 20 percent. And anxiety is now the most common problem, with depression not far behind.

The challenge, said Crystal Sullivan, director of Campus Ministry, is spotting students who hide their symptoms. At UD, faculty and staff work collaboratively to keep tabs on changes in a student’s attendance, grades and overall mood which can be key in helping people get the assistance they need.

“If a student is in distress, and they tell somebody, there will be so much support for them,” said Sullivan.

Mueller and Sullivan both noted that UD’s Catholic, Marianist charism is the backbone of the way people are treated on campus — whether they’re experiencing a mental health problem or just need someone to talk to.

“UD and the counseling center have recognized it’s important to walk with people, to be attentive and supportive as people journey through college,” Mueller said.

Psychology major Ben Balke ’17 is president of Active Minds, a student organization that fights the stigma of mental illness and promotes healthy behaviors. He agreed UD’s counseling center is a helpful resource for students who are struggling.

“There’s really nothing to be ashamed about; that’s the whole thing with Active Minds, is breaking down that stigma,” Balke said. “Sometimes you need help; sometimes you need to talk to someone, and they’re great people about that.”

—Jessica Barga
Mother Mary
Flowers for Mary

In Roesch Library this spring, Mary’s Star will bloom alongside Easter Spikes, with Mary’s Tears falling near Our Lady’s Veil.

Flowers named for Mary, the Mother of Christ — commonly known as daffodil, hyacinth, bleeding heart and baby’s breath — will be part of the live garden exhibit being planted in the first-floor library gallery space. Mary’s Gardens is open to the public March 25 to May 10 during library hours.

Gardens were first planted specifically for Mary as early as the seventh century. In the early 1950s, John S. Stokes Jr. revived the tradition and brought it to America. His Mary’s Garden research is housed in a special collection at UD’s Marian Library.

“It is really a unique approach to library exhibits,” said Sarah Cahalan, director of the Marian Library, which houses the largest collection in the world of printed materials and artifacts on Mary. “This is an opportunity for everyone to think about how gardening can play a role in their lives and to reflect on the spirituality of our interactions with nature.”

Visitors can stroll down paved paths, reflect at the statue “Seat of Wisdom” and learn about the naming of flowers for Mary, a tradition that stretches back to medieval times. The exhibit, planned by the Library Advisory Committee including Georgiana Nye ’70, Sue Ellen Anderson Boesch ’67 and Linda Arvin Skuns ’63, will also include prayer and meditation opportunities.

Portions of the gardens will be replanted four times to showcase flowers from the four seasons. Marty Grunder ’90 contributed the garden design, and his company, Grunder Landscaping, will plant and maintain the display.

The exhibit also includes paintings of flowers inspired by Mary by artist Holly Schapker on the library’s seventh floor, and items from Stokes’ personal collection on display on the second floor. Tours will be held April 8 and April 29, and advance registration on the Mary’s Gardens website is recommended.

Much of Stokes’ collection, including planting guides, is also available online.

“Stokes really wanted to make Mary’s Gardens accessible,” Cahalan said. “They were meant to be places of meditation and prayer, and he wanted them to be available even in the hustle and bustle of modern life. He wanted there to be options for people who didn’t have a lot of space or time, so he had suggestions for kitchen gardens, dish gardens. There isn’t just one way to plant a Mary’s Garden. It can be different things to different people.”

For an indoor dish garden, Stokes suggested the hedge-hog cactus, known as Lady’s Finger, with its magenta pink blooms. For outdoor planting, he offered the pansy — Our Lady’s Delight — for spring blooms and the sunflower — Mary’s Gold — for summer.

Visitors can take a virtual tour of the garden after the exhibit opens. For information on the video, tours, online collection and parking, visit go.udayton.edu/marysgardens.

Mary’s botanical beauty, on display

Campanula glomerata (Canterbury Bells) “Our Lady’s Nightcap”
Cyclamen “Our Lady’s Little Laddles”
Daffodils “Mary’s Star”
Dianthus (Pink) “Our Lady’s Cushion”
Dianthus spectabilis (Bleeding Heart) “Mary’s Tears”
Digitalis purpurea (Foxglove) “Our Lady’s Gloves”
Gypsophila (Baby’s Breath) “Our Lady’s Veil”
Hemerocallis (Daylily) “Eve’s Thread”
Hyacinth “Easter Spikes”
Iris sibirica “Mary’s Sword”
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Flowers for Mary

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in Roesch Library this spring, Mary’s Star will bloom alongside Easter Spikes, with Mary’s Tears falling near Our Lady’s Veil.

Flowers named for Mary, the Mother of Christ — commonly known as daffodil, hyacinth, bleeding heart and baby’s breath — will be part of the live garden exhibit being planted in the first-floor library gallery space. Mary’s Gardens is open to the public March 25 to May 10 during library hours.

Gardens were first planted specifically for Mary as early as the seventh century. In the early 1950s, John S. Stokes Jr. revived the tradition and brought it to America. His Mary’s Garden research is housed in a special collection at UD’s Marian Library.

“It is really a unique approach to library exhibits,” said Sarah Cahalan, director of the Marian Library, which houses the largest collection in the world of printed materials and artifacts on Mary. “This is an opportunity for everyone to think about how gardening can play a role in their lives and to reflect on the spirituality of our interactions with nature.”

Visitors can stroll down paved paths, reflect at the statue “Seat of Wisdom” and learn about the naming of flowers for Mary, a tradition that stretches back to medieval times. The exhibit, planned by the Library Advisory Committee including Georgiana Nye ’70, Sue Ellen Anderson Boesch ’67 and Linda Arvin Skuns ’63, will also include prayer and meditation opportunities.

Portions of the gardens will be replanted four times to showcase flowers from the four seasons. Marty Grunder ’90 contributed the garden design, and his company, Grunder Landscaping, will plant and maintain the display.

The exhibit also includes paintings of flowers inspired by Mary by artist Holly Schapker on the library’s seventh floor, and items from Stokes’ personal collection on display on the second floor. Tours will be held April 8 and April 29, and advance registration on the Mary’s Gardens website is recommended.

Much of Stokes’ collection, including planting guides, is also available online.

“Stokes really wanted to make Mary’s Gardens accessible,” Cahalan said. “They were meant to be places of meditation and prayer, and he wanted them to be available even in the hustle and bustle of modern life. He wanted there to be options for people who didn’t have a lot of space or time, so he had suggestions for kitchen gardens, dish gardens. There isn’t just one way to plant a Mary’s Garden. It can be different things to different people.”

For an indoor dish garden, Stokes suggested the hedge-hog cactus, known as Lady’s Finger, with its magenta pink blooms. For outdoor planting, he offered the pansy — Our Lady’s Delight — for spring blooms and the sunflower — Mary’s Gold — for summer.

Visitors can take a virtual tour of the garden after the exhibit opens. For information on the video, tours, online collection and parking, visit go.udayton.edu/marysgardens.

Mary’s botanical beauty, on display

Campanula glomerata (Canterbury Bells) “Our Lady’s Nightcap”
Cyclamen “Our Lady’s Little Laddles”
Daffodils “Mary’s Star”
Dianthus (Pink) “Our Lady’s Cushion”
Dianthus spectabilis (Bleeding Heart) “Mary’s Tears”
Digitalis purpurea (Foxglove) “Our Lady’s Gloves”
Gypsophila (Baby’s Breath) “Our Lady’s Veil”
Hemerocallis (Daylily) “Eve’s Thread”
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Above, Above: Layout of UD’s Mary’s Garden, which will feature seasonal flowers and a pathway in the shape of the cross. Left: “Seat of Wisdom” statue, from the Stokes Collection.

Program website: go.udayton.edu/marysgardens

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**SPORTS**

Flyers in the finals

*The 1967 NCAA Tournament*

**BY MICHAEL WILLIAMS ’82**

Fifty years ago, the Dayton Flyers, coached by Don Donoher ’54, played in the final game of the NCAA Men’s Basketball Championship for the only time in school history. The 1966-67 Flyer season is chronicled in “Flyers in the Finals: The 1967 NCAA Tournament,” by Michael Williams ’82, the cover story of the January-March 2017 issue of *Timeline*, a publication of the Ohio History Connection. The following is an abridgement of part of that article, beginning with the first-round game against the Western Kentucky Hilltoppers.

**FEW** among the Flyer Faithful expected a big run in the tournament. … Sixth-ranked Western Kentucky was far tougher than the Flyers’ first-round opponents had been the previous two years.

Nearly equidistant from the two campuses, the Lexington coliseum was filled with partisan spectators. Hilltopper fans yelled, waved red handkerchiefs and hoisted half a dozen rebel flags overhead, although their stars, Clem Haskins and the Smith brothers Dwight and Greg, were African-Americans who had broken the color line at Western. Dayton fans stood and waved white handkerchiefs and roared just as loudly.

Hilltopper partisans had more to cheer in the first half as their team took a 10-point lead. Don May’s steady scoring and rebounding kept Dayton in the contest. Down by 12 in the second half, Rudy Waterman sparked a Dayton surge and tied the game with a free throw. Soon, his layup gave the Flyers their first lead, 52-50. … Dwight Smith tied it at 62, sending the game into overtime.

Dayton scored first, but Waterman fouled out on a driving layup. … Haskins had broken his wrist in February; hampered by his injury and Dan Sadlier’s aggressive defense, Haskins had managed only two field goals all night but broke free for a layup that tied the game at 67. After overtime.

**DAYTON** was again the underdog as it headed to Evanston, Illinois, to face Tennessee in the regional semifinal. The Volunteers finished the year ranked seventh nationally. Coach Ray Mears employed an unorthodox 1-3-1 zone defense anchored by his 7-foot center, Tom Boerwinkle, while All-American forward Ron Widby did much of the scoring. Mears insisted, “Being unusual means other teams have to make unusual preparations.” Donoher was not awed.

“We prefer that the first game would match us against the team that is the toughest to prepare for.” And Donoher had six days to get ready for Tennessee. It was dangerous to play a Donoher-coached team with

1966-67 Dayton Flyers’ season

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Dan Obrovac wins the championship’s final game opening tip against the legendary Lew Alcindor.
Donoher loved watching films to dissect what made a team tick, and his players reaped the rewards.

“He broke things down for us,” Klaus later said. Donoher pointed out that Tennessee hoped to make opponents impatient and shoot themselves out of the game.

During the game, Klaus and Hooper effectively put on a clinic. Predictably, the Tennessee zone collapsed on May, who scored just nine points, mostly from the foul line. Dayton's guards were a model of patience and precision as they drove the seams of the zone, passing to their partners until an opening occurred. Klaus and Hooper combined to shoot 11 for 14 on the night. Sadlier, too, picked his shots carefully and went 4 for 4. The Flyers led 36-25 at the half.

Mears used halftime to “chew a few rear ends,” and his team responded. Still playing a deliberate pace, the Volunteers chipped away at Dayton's lead. Even before midpoint of the second half, both teams went into a stall — Dayton to preserve a two-point lead, Tennessee to prevent Boerwinkle from fouling out. After five minutes that nearly lulled the crowd to sleep, Tennessee hit a jumper to tie at 50. Dayton again held the ball. Hooper got fouled with 24 seconds left and made his single free throw. A Tennessee shot bounced off the rim and was corralled by Sadlier, who was fouled over the back. Sadlier's free throw tied the game at 50. … Tech had the ball as the clock wound down.

While they dribbled, Sadlier closed in and got a five-second call with 20 seconds left. He won the tip, but Hooper's shot bounced off the rim. Tech's last-second heave missed as well.

In overtime, Waterman connected on two foul shots. On Dayton's next possession, Waterman found May open on the baseline; he dunked the ball for a 67-64 lead. After a Tech basket, Waterman lost possession but redeemed himself by deflecting the inbounds pass off a Tech player. Free throws by Torain and Hooper sealed the 71-66 victory.

As the horn sounded, Flyer fans surged onto the court and began hoisting players onto their shoulders. In the midst of the celebration, staff at McGaw Hall began retracting the Flyers' basket toward the rafters while a Dayton student, junior Jack Hoeft still clung to the net. After much shouting and waving, the backboard was briefly lowered to allow the fan to jump down safely. Apparently, McGaw's nets were too valuable to cut.

NEXT stop was Freedom Hall in Louisville to play in what has become the Final Four. Dayton’s first opponent was fourth-ranked North Carolina, coached by Dean Smith. His aggressive, stunting defense — known as the jump and run — was designed to disrupt an offense and cause turnovers. To exploit turnovers, Smith had a pair of rangy, high-scoring All-Americans, 6-4 junior Larry Miller and 6-3 sophomore Bobby Lewis.

As with Tennessee, Donoher had six days to prepare, but, after viewing North Carolina's films,
admitted to “thinking in terms of how not to get embarrassed.”

Smith feared his players were looking beyond the Dayton game to a championship showdown with UCLA.

“Our team wasn’t worried, but the coaching staff was,” he recalled.

Despite Smith’s repeated warnings that “Dayton is dangerous,” his Tar Heels knew the Flyers had only squeaked past Virginia Tech, a team they had thrashed less than a month earlier. The semifinals were on Good Friday, and the Flyers left nothing to chance. The team attended a noontime rosary service, and Don May inserted an Immaculate Conception medal into the waistband of his shorts.

After the game’s opening minutes suggested the expected Carolina route, May hit a 10-foot jumper and from that point on could not miss. He made 13 straight field goal attempts, an NCAA tournament record that has yet to be equaled. By halftime, the Flyers were up 29-13.

Dayton stretched its lead into the second half. Midway through the half, Carolina cut the margin to nine, but then Dayton scored the next four points. As the clock wound down, Flyer fans began to chant, “We’re No. 1!” A group held a banner reading: “Who needs ’Cindor? We’ve got Gliner!” Tarain had played a brilliant game, fouling out before the 2-minute mark with 14 points, 11 rebounds and assists on three of May’s baskets. Saddler provided a punctuation mark with a dunk that made the final score Dayton 76, North Carolina 62.

For the third game in a row, Donoher agreed with those insisting it had been UD’s biggest win ever.

THE final was only 24 hours away, insufficient time to prepare for one of the greatest teams in basketball history, especially when much of Donoher’s Saturday was consumed by a coach’s luncheon and taping a sports talk show. Assistant coach Chuck Grigsby supervised Dayton’s brief practice. Later, on reflection, Donoher recognized his mistake of running their regular offense against the Bruins. The only teams that had beaten Dayton that year had featured an athletic big man, none of whom had the size, speed or agility of Lew Alcindor.

“If I could do it over, I’d take our guys to a ballroom to do a walk-through and restructure our offense,” Donoher said. “I don’t think we could’ve beaten UCLA, but we could have made a better showing.”

Seconds after Dan Obrovac stunned the Freedom Hall capacity crowd of nearly 19,000 by winning the opening tip, the ball came back to him at the high post. Adrenalin pumping, he turned and launched a foul-line jumper, something he had never done before at this point in a game. It missed. Bringing the ball up against the Bruin press, the Flyers turned it over. UCLA cor- rulled the rebound and scored at the other end. The rout was on.

The Flyers learned to manage the press, but their first-half shooting was atrocious. Almost six minutes in, Torain finally scored for Dayton. By the mid-point of the first half, UCLA led 20 to 4. Alcindor blocked four shots and altered many more. May missed his first eight attempts. Meanwhile, when Alcindor got the ball down low, he usually dunked it. Double- or triple-teamed, he passed to guards Mike Warren or Lusius Allen, who combined for 36 points, or to forward Lynn Shackelford, who added another 10. Donoher switched to a zone, but it made little difference as the half ended with UCLA up 38-20.

May got on track in the sec-ond half and finished with 21 points and 17 rebounds. Waterman was the only other Flyer in double figures with 10. The Bruins at one point pushed their lead to 29. Coach John Wooden began benching his starters at the five-minute mark. Alcindor finished with 20 points and 18 rebounds.

In the final minute, Donoher also cleared his bench so everyone could get court time in the finals. Senior reserve John Samanich made a basket before the game ended, UCLA 76, Dayton 62.

To reporters, the heavily favored Bruins seemed more relieved than elated at winning the national championship. In contrast, the Cinderella Fly- ers felt neither shame nor sadness in finishing second. For the third year in a row, Dayton had lost to the nation’s top-ranked team. Of them, Donoher conceded that UCLA topped them all and that “Alcindor makes them the best.”

SHORTLY after, the NCAA rules committee outlawed the dunk, citing concerns over injuries and damage to rims and backboards that delayed or can-celed games. Most considered it an attempt to curb Alcindor’s dominance, yet UCLA repeated as national champions his ju- nior and senior years. The seven straight NCAA titles captured by Wooden’s Bruins is a record that will likely never be broken.

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College basketball then and now

The most obvious differences between college basketball in 1967 and today are the absences then of 3-point shots and shot clocks. Despite that, many games of the earlier era were high-scoring and fast-paced.

Shooting percentages were lower, which led to much higher rebound totals. Each common foul resulted in one free throw. Despite more frequent trips to the foul line, games flowed uninterrupted by television timeouts.

More frequent timeouts have since encouraged coaches to micromanage lineups according to game situations or opponents’ lineup changes. Once Donoher found a combination that worked, the same seven players dominated court time from the second game of the regular season through the NCAA finals.

Highly talented college teams also stayed together longer in the 1960s because (with exceptions only for transfer or injury) profes-
editor Si Burick observed that basketball had almost become a religion in the city. As predicted, the new UD Arena opened in 1969. To date, it has hosted more NCAA tournament games than any other venue. Dayton’s crowds consistently rank among the top 30 college programs, despite the presence of many larger arenas.

Expectations for the Flyers in 1967-68 were sky-high, and preseason polls ranked Dayton in the top 10. However, nagging injuries, narrow defeats and unexpected racial turmoil off the court produced a dismal 7-9 start. Then Donoher found a lineup that clicked, and the Flyers won their last nine games to make the NIT. Four victories later, they claimed the championship, with May taking honors as the tournament’s most valuable player and surpassing Hank Finkel as Dayton’s career scoring leader.

One factor in Dayton’s 1968 run was Dan Obrovac’s development into a fine center, especially on defense. He graduated in 1969 and briefly played pro ball before returning to Dayton for a computer science career. Alcindor also graduated in 1969 and was drafted by the NBA’s Milwaukee Bucks. In 1971, he converted to Islam and changed his name to Kareem Abdul-Jabbar.

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During Abdul-Jabbar’s 20-year NBA career, he won six championships and six MVP awards and is still the league’s all-time leading scorer.

YEARS after their encounter on the court, Obrovac and Abdul-Jabbar ran into each other at Chicago’s O’Hare Airport and shared a few laughs over Obrovac’s brief moment of fame. In 2008, both men were diagnosed with cancer. Abdul-Jabbar’s was a form of leukemia that has been held at bay. Obrovac had esophageal cancer that spread, forcing him into two years of grueling chemotherapy. Hearing of the struggle, Abdul-Jabbar reached out to him with two personal notes. The kindness touched Obrovac deeply.

From his home, Obrovac cheered as his beloved Flyers won their third NIT championship April 2, 2010. The next morning, he developed flu-like symptoms and was taken to the hospital, where he died April 21.

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The runner-up trophy comes home.

2017 Hall of Fame inductees

- Walt DeAnna ’62 became coach of the UD Flyer hockey club the year after he graduated. The next year he took the club to the nonscholarship varsity level. His salary never topped $150 per year, but during his 22 seasons coaching varsity teams, he amassed a 211-107-16 record with four conference championships. His players still annually reunite with each other and him. (See UD Magazine, Autumn 2016.)

- Erin Showalter Justice ’04 played on three UD women’s soccer teams that went to the NCAA tournament, including the 2001 Sweet 16 team. Three times she was first team all-conference. Her senior year she was Atlantic 10 defensive player of the year; that year in the conference tournament, UD did not give up a goal.

- Faye Barhorst Barlage ’07 holds UD’s volleyball career records for kills (1,796 — more than 100 better than the next player), solo blocks (173 — 55 better than the next) and block assists (495). She holds the single-season record for hitting percentage (.431). A three-time honorable mention All-American and three-time first team all-conference, she also played three times in the NCAA tournament.

- Brian Roberts ’08 holds the UD career record for three-pointers made (291) and three-point field goal percentage (.441). He is fourth all-time in free-throw percentage (.848). Leading the team in scoring three seasons and in assists for two, he played in 125 straight games. A three-time most valuable Dayton player, he was three-time all-conference (second team as a sophomore and junior, first as a senior).

Abubakar goes No. 5 in MLS draft

Lalas Abubakar ’17 was the most valuable player on Dayton’s men’s soccer team last fall as well as Atlantic 10 defender of the year and a Scholar All-American. He is the sixth Flyer in history to be picked in Major League Soccer’s SuperDraft. Being picked fifth by the Columbus Crew makes him the second-highest draft pick in UD history — only Jim Paxson Sr., ’56 went higher, being picked third by the Minneapolis Lakers.

Writers, too, gain fame

Tom Archdeacon ’72 got fired from his first job as a sportswriter when “his response to an edict to stop covering African-American athletes was to ramp it up,” noted the newsletter of the United States Basketball Writers Association in announcing his selection to the USBWA Hall of Fame.

His basketball-related stories in the Dayton Daily News during the last year include interviews with the family of Steve McElvane after the UD student-athlete died in May 2016, with three UD players from Chicago on the gun violence in their hometown, and with player Kyle Davis on the stories behind his tattoos.

Before Archie and Sean, there was John

Two of today’s top college basketball coaches are brothers, UD’s Archie Miller and Arizona’s Sean Miller. It’s in the blood. Their father, John, had a record as a high school coach of 657-280. His teams won four Pennsylvania state championships.

His life is chronicled in Miller Time: Coach John Miller’s Story, by David A. Burhenn, available online and in bookstores.
Alicia Linzmeier
@alicialinzmeier
First day of my last semester at @univofdayton...where has the time gone?

Andrea Chalfin
@AndreaChalfin
To this day, I think about working for 4 years at the #Marycrest dining hall at the @univofdayton. Experiences stay with you. Embrace them.

Steve Ripepi
@S_Ripepi52
3 years ago today I was accepted into @univofdayton and it has to have been one of the best decisions I have ever made! #FlyerFaithful

Jenni McGrail
@jenni_mcgrail
What a beautiful night on campus. @univofdayton

ann perkins
@E_Rooney96
@univofdayton I MISS YOU

Univ of Dayton Mag
@daymag
“It’s snowing! Why can’t it snow every day?”
-overheard from a buddy at #UDCoC2016

Roesch Library
@roeschlibrary
Sun’s out, nuns out #FlyerFriday

Alicia Linzmeier
@alicialinzmeier
Las Gaviotas, Rosarito
Love and Happiness are the only cures to every problem ♥
#presidentwong2020
#mexico2017
#udtijuanamissiontrip

Austin Winhusen
@Austin_Winhusen
The University of Dayton has some of the nicest squirrels you’ll ever meet.

Bridget Krysztopa
@Bbridggett
it’s official!! #Dayton2021

Brett
@brettslaug
@UD_Spectrum I pledge to make the community safer for everyone
#CommunityMeansEveryone

LaurelBeHa
@LaurelBeHa
Told a student last wk I thought finals week was fun, he glared. Guess everywhere isn’t as great as @roeschlibrary and @univofdayton

amalishin
@amalishin
She turned her can’ts into cans and her dream into plans.
مرأة يعاني التقلاب
#Flyer16Grad

Morgan Kurtz
@the_MOTUS
I got to paint a sheet sign at work #FlyerFriday at its best

Eric F. Spina
@DaytonPrezSpina
I have seen a lot of bball over many years; have never seen teams with as much heart as these @Archie_Miller @DaytonMBB teams. 🏀🍂🔴 #trueteam

John Koterba
@koterbro
I hope the woman I marry makes me as happy as the University of Dayton does
In this jubilee year, the siblings are celebrating.

The Marianist brothers and sisters each mark 200 years of service to their communities during a worldwide, 20-month celebration.

“Both religious institutions have been ‘siblings’ from the beginning, according to the mind of our founders,” wrote the superiors general of the Society of Mary and the Daughters of Mary Immaculate.

Born out of the chaos of the French Revolution, the congregations’ roots began in diverse lay communities of faith open to all Christians. Founded by the Blessed William Joseph Chaminade, Adèle de Batz de Trenqueléon and Marie Thérèse de Lamourous, the lay communities grew and sparked the desire of a small group eager to take religious vows.

“Our Marianist founders’ vision for rebuilding society and Church through a network of dynamic and engaged faith communities is as applicable today as it was 200 years ago,” said Sister Leanne Jablonski, F.M.I. ’85, director of the Marianist Environmental Education Center at Mount St. John and Hanley Sustainability Institute scholar-in-residence for faith and environment.

“Marianist sisters today live Adèle’s spirit by collaborating with our other Marianist branches and with other organizations to

Above, a three-paneled icon that features artwork of the wedding feast at Cana created by Brother Salvatore Santacroce, S.M., of Italy. Flanking the art are original letters penned by Adèle and Chaminade.
address justice concerns, including the needs of women, children, the environment and those in poverty. In Pope Francis’ spirit of hope, mercy and care, we are joyfully building a Church and world where no one is left out.”

The jubilee theme “To know, love and serve” highlights actions ever-present in Marianist text and traditions.

The celebration began May 15, 2016, just prior to the 200th anniversary of the founding of the Congregation of the Daughters of Mary Immaculate, and encompasses the founding anniversary of the Society of Mary, Oct. 2, 1817.

The celebration continues through Jan. 22, 2018, the feast day of Chaminade.

The congregations commissioned a three-paneled icon, which is traveling the world visiting Marianist communities. It features artwork of the wedding feast at Cana created by Brother Salvatore Santacroce, S.M., of Italy. Flanking the art are original letters penned by Adèle and Chaminade.

“The icon is a way to unify every Marianist community,” said Father Bob Jones, S.M. ’98, chaplain at Chaminade Julienne High School, during the icon’s December visit to Dayton.

The Society of Mary founded what would become known as the University of Dayton in 1850. The Marianist sisters joined them on campus in 1962 when the University opened its first women’s residence hall. Both congregations remain integral to campus, religious and scholarly life.

“We are small but mighty,” said Sister Laura Leming, F.M.I. ’87, associate professor of sociology. “We have about 330 sisters and are the smallest of the three branches. When we choose a ministry, it’s often to complete the Marianist Family because we are best when we — women and men, lay and religious — are together,” she said.

This will again be the case in Malawi, where the sisters will, in a new ministry this year, complement the works of the Society of Mary and lay communities by teaching in a high school for girls. The sisters will also be starting a ministry in Vietnam, their 16th country of service and as the first religious branch to go there.

“I think [Adèle] encourages us to be risk takers and to, in faith, know that Mary and her son will be with us,” said Sister Estella Ibarra, F.M.I. ’68, former member of the general administration in Rome. “When you use that refrain over and over in prayer and everyday activity, pretty soon you live it. It becomes more than a mantra; it becomes a reality.”

Today, the Marianist Family operates 18 high schools, three universities, four retreat centers and six parishes in the United States. Worldwide, they can be found on six continents and in 34 countries.

“Few things last 200 years these days in our rapidly changing world,” said UD President Eric F. Spina. “Yet the Marianist charism has endured and thrived during an era when it seems we’re always busy chasing the next big idea, when faith and culture often clash, when electronic communication replaces, all too often, personal conversations.”

Two hundred years ago, Chaminade recognized power in the revolutionary call for “liberty, equality and fraternity,” said Father Jim Fitz, S.M. ’68, vice president for mission and rector. But he also realized something was missing — Christian values. The violence of the Revolution betrayed the Christian values on which it rested.
“If we were all sons and daughters of God, the violence of the Revolution wouldn’t be a part of it,” Fitz said of Chaminade’s insight. “We talk a lot about community. It is rooted in this time, when through adversity we some-
how came together to support each other but also to be witnesses to different values — to working together and collaborating across class lines.

“How do we dialogue; how do we work together for a common humanity; how do we keep faith in the mix? Chaminade showed us how in his day and age. We must do the same today.”

—Michelle Tedford

Faith in a UD education

When Brother Blaise Mosengo, S.M., joined the Marianists, he, like all vowed religious, accepted the call to go wherever God needed him.

During the last five and a half years, that place has been the University of Dayton.

“I came to UD as a mission,” Mosengo said. “I live in a community of people who teach here and work here. That's their mission. God called me to go to UD and to study. That's my mission — to be a student.”

A native of the Democratic Republic of Congo (formerly known as Zaire), Mosengo came to UD in fall 2011 when Marianist superiors wanted him to obtain a master’s degree to enhance his administrative skills. Mosengo, a high school principal in the neighboring Republic of Congo and 2013 graduate of UD’s educational leadership program, is now working on his doctorate.

Mosengo is one of about five international Marianists pursuing advanced degrees at the University with the goal of returning to their home nations to strengthen established missions there. With Asia and Africa providing the bulk of the Catholic Church’s growth in the late 20th and early 21st century, the Marianists see those two continents as crucial to spreading the Gospel, and established Marianist schools there already educate thousands of students annually.

“How can we assist our growing presence in the developing world? We have an excellent university,” said Father Jim Fitz, S.M. ’68, who lives in the Stonemill community with Mosengo. “We can bring them here for academic studies, especially from east and west Africa and India. It's one thing we can contribute at the University of Dayton to the worldwide Marianist community: educating them so they can then enhance their educational missions at home.”

Fitz, vice president for mission and rector, said the Marianists commit to supporting advanced degree study at UD for four to five international members at a time, and an alumnus, who chooses not to be named, funds their living expenses. Brothers from Kenya, Congo, India and Togo, among other nations, are currently completing graduate work.

“Having these men here allows us to maintain a global perspective,” Fitz said. “We're not just ‘filling holes.’”

Father Ignase Arulappen, S.M., is another member of the Stonemill community studying at UD with assistance from the Marianists. “Father Iggy” as he's nicknamed, was executive director of the University of Dayton Deepahalli Educational Center in Bangalore, India, before coming to UD in August 2016.

Arulappen taught theology in India and is completing a doctoral program in theology with a focus on Mariology through the International Marian Research Institute. When he’s done, he plans to return to Bangalore.

“All my life as a Marianist, I have been teaching and administering a formation program,” he said. “My interest in education was already there, and the Provincial Council in the United States and the Regional Council in India made a request to me to see if I wanted to take a break from my work and do these studies.”

During their time here, the international Marianists also get involved in the greater UD community. Arulappen presides at the Eucharist at Holy Angels Church adjacent to campus, and the communities host students for dinner and conversation. Mosengo has developed friendships with students from China and Saudi Arabia through the Center for International Programs, and they often reflect on the commonalities they share beyond their individual faith traditions.

“We come from different faiths, but we come together to talk about one God,” Mosengo said.

The international Marianist presence in Dayton extends beyond the men receiving graduate-level scholarships. Koreans study at the novitiate at Mount Saint John, as no novitiate exists in South Korea, and five Marianist sisters from Vietnam, Italy and India have studied on campus, learning English through the Intensive English Program.
The international Marianist network isn’t a one-way connection either. Other partnerships develop when American-born UD students spend time at international Marianist missions in places like Zambia, Kenya and Malawi. Fitz notes the example of Matt Maroon ’06, who spent a year at a mission in Malawi and remains there more than a decade later operating the nonprofit charity Determined to Develop.

As for the Marianists who do earn advanced degrees and return to Africa and Asia, they’re already making a difference. Brother Basant Kujur, S.M., earned a master’s degree in human services in 2010 and works as a scholasticate director in Bangalore as well as a faculty member at the Deepahalli Educational Center.

“The UD environment opened up a new horizon for me to see the new reality of Marianist pedagogies of education,” Kujur said. “I am very grateful to all my professors and classmates, Marianist brothers, sisters and fathers, and the entire UD environment for giving me a golden opportunity to learn and to be formed as what I am. I am grateful to God and to my Marianist family.”

Mosengo, the Congolese high school principal, noted that the United States is currently the only nation with Marianist universities, meaning Marianist higher education is unavailable to most of those they serve.

“In many countries in Africa, parents and students will complain that we provide education until a student graduates from high school, but there’s no follow-up,” Mosengo said. “The idea is that we can start having a Marianist presence at a higher educational level in the countries where we are.”

With his impending doctoral degree, Mosengo hopes to further that mission.

“I would love to teach in college, but I can also help in the administration,” he said. “I want to go back somewhere in Africa, but which country, I don’t know. I know what I would like to do, but I will wait and see where they ask me to go.”

—Shannon Shelton Miller

By Laura Leming, F.M.I.

I am a vowed Marianist religious with nearly 40 years of profession. When I talk with our young religious — women and men who feel excitement about this moment of possibility in the Church — too often the conversation shifts to the recent past. They comment on how disheartening it is to hear others talk not about the vibrancy of religious life but about the loss of the great numbers of religious we once had.

It’s important to acknowledge the sense of loss that many older Catholics feel when invoking the “diminishment narrative” about today’s religious life. But the reality is that we no longer need large numbers of religious to build hospitals or create schools — those Catholic institutions already exist and in many places are thriving. While we’ll continue to support the spirit of such institutions, we are listening for the spirit to understand how we should focus our energies into the future.

Marianist co-founder Blessed William Joseph Chaminade told us “new times call for new methods,” and it’s especially instructive in this challenging moment of U.S. history.

How do we leverage transformation of the society for God’s vision for the world? For God’s people — which is everybody, not just the Catholics, not just the poor?

While there is a genuine questioning from Catholics about what the future will hold, we can look to our foundations for insights into our ways forward. For our first 15 years, Marianists were a lay group, and only later a small number of individuals felt called to dedicate their life energy to fostering those communities. Chaminade called us “religious sodalists,” reinforcing that we are a continuation and extension of the lay groups.

The laity will be our partners and even our leaders in whatever our future holds. It’s a gift we’ve been given for the Church — that lay and religious are equal and have gifts that are complementary. We celebrate our Marian model for the Church, one which has its foundation at Cana when Mary recognized the needs and called them to Jesus’ attention to meet them. At the University of Dayton, having lay leadership allows the religious to focus our energies not on the day-to-day business of the University but on making sure we provide the support for the people who fill those crucial administrative roles: President Eric Spina, Provost Paul Benson and Director of Campus Ministry Crystal Sullivan. Although the religious have had more opportunity to steep in the charism, our faculty and staff who are Marianist Educational Associates own

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the charism also. They bring it to campus and the classroom in greater numbers and in ways that are unexpected and inspiring for our students. We have students who each semester study the Marianist charism and make a commitment to share it here at the University and beyond as they move on.

Recently, I was invited to give a talk in Rome to the International Union of Superiors General where I discussed Pope Francis’ challenge of moving “from the center to the margins.” People in religious life today are quite accustomed to having been at the center of things — of the Church, of the big institutions we built. But our call is also to move to the margins and to be with and people who aren’t at the center and perhaps don’t have access.

How do we share our resources with people who live on the margins? The congregations in Rome are doing all they can to respond to the immigrants in need on their shores. In the United States, how are we at Catholic universities going to stand for the protection of our own students and those whom society has put at its margins? We may not know what the future will hold, but we certainly have hints about where we need to put our energies.

We know that as Marianists we are always going to be providing community spaces because faith formation in community is our method. That’s what attracts people — students and staff, faculty and presidents — to Marianist institutions. They recognize communities in which they can thrive.

That is our gift in the Church.

We have to make sure that the people at the margins have access to that kind of community.

When the angel visited Mary, she said “yes” so that Christ could be born into our world in her very flesh. The newest generation of vowed religious are saying “yes.” They are called today to give flesh to God’s Spirit in a world both blessed and broken by globalization; they are called to be blessed to communicate and partner with people from all parts of the globe who are excluded and oppressed for their race, class, ethnicity, geography, religion and a host of other identities.

Whether lay or religious, we will re-shape our institutions and communities and our very selves.

We will take the Gospel, as Pope Francis has charged us, to the margins. UD

Sister Laura Leming, F.M.I., is director of novices, an associate professor of sociology at the University of Dayton and a board member at St. Mary’s University. She received a master’s in theology from UD in 1987.
Marianist Province of the United States

UNIVERSITIES
Chaminade University of Honolulu; St. Mary’s University, San Antonio; The University of Dayton

HIGH SCHOOLS
From California to Florida, and Puerto Rico to Dublin, Ireland

PARISHES
From Maui to Maryland, faith families inspired by the mission of Mary

RETREAT CENTERS
Places of inspiration and renewal in Texas, Missouri, Ohio and New Jersey
Michelle Flaments Hall ’02 nearly lost her life when she gave birth.

She went to the hospital anxious and excited to meet her daughter. But as doctors induced labor, she suffered the most severe type of hemorrhage and required 18 units of blood — the equivalent of the entire blood supply of a person plus half that of another.

She underwent an emergency Caesarean and a life-saving hysterectomy. She spent five days in the intensive care unit and developed pneumonia.

A steady stream of health care professionals visited her room to give

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By **Meagan Pant**

Illustration by **Ted Pitts**

**Undetected. Untreated. Unvoiced.**
her additional units of blood, monitor her vital signs, check her incision, look for infection, adjust her IVs, administer painkillers and closely monitor her physical recovery. But, Hall says, “My emotional needs weren’t even on the radar.”

Now, she is working to change that for other patients.

Hall, a graduate of the counselor education program, and her husband, Scott Hall, associate professor of counselor education and human services, have written a new guide for health care professionals that, for the first time, describes best practices for treating medical trauma in health care settings.

They say the need was clear: Too often, the emotional costs of medical experiences go undetected, untreated and unvoiced. It is staggering to think about the number of people who might be affected, they write. Every minute in the United States, one person will have a heart attack and two will suffer strokes; every hour, nearly six women will suffer grave complications while giving birth, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

Their book, Managing the Psychological Impact of Medical Trauma: A Guide for Mental Health and Healthcare Professionals, offers models for how to bring mental health professionals into the treatment team to ensure a patient’s emotional health isn’t on the back burner. It also gives doctors, nurses and students the tools and strategies they need to recognize signs of stress in patients and their families.

“Health care has really become a team sport, in a sense. But what we have seen is mental health is still sometimes separated, or even absent,” said Michelle Flaum Hall, an associate professor in counseling at Xavier University.

“We want to put the need for mental and emotional well-being on the radar for health care professionals and for patients,” Scott Hall added. “It starts with awareness.”

BUILDING A BRIDGE

There’s never been a better time to work to bridge the gap between mental and physical health care to better meet the needs of patients, the Halls write in their book. Medicine has made great strides in treating the whole person, but more can be done to address the emotional effects of medical trauma.

“In medicine, it’s often only about doing the surgery, making sure this person is healing properly and getting the right medication,” Michelle Flaum Hall said. “There’s nothing that says, ‘You might really struggle emotionally following this surgery. Here are some signs of depression or anxiety, and here are the resources that can help you.’”

The Halls drew on their own experiences as patients and professionals to develop tools that allow clinicians to be much more proactive about protecting a patient’s emotional well being.

One tool, the Medical Mental Health Screening, helps doctors flag risk factors in patients before a surgery or treatment. It asks patients to mark “yes” or “no” on a series of statements, such as “I have experienced depression at some time in my life” or “I tend to be pessimistic about many things (for example, the future or my health).” It also gauges whether the patient is worried about going under anesthesia or how their families will cope with the illness or procedure.

Other tools help monitor the patient’s emotional well-being after a procedure, including the Secondary 7-Lifestyle Effects Screening. The checklist also uses “yes” or “no” questions, such as, “Since my medical procedure/diagnoses, I have had to alter my life plan or have been unable to reach important milestones (for example, delayed graduation or marriage, relocation).”

Also included are tools Michelle Flaum Hall developed as part of her work on a maternal safety bundle for the Council on Patient Safety in Women’s Health Care. The materials lay out what every hospital should have in place to support women, their families and health care providers when the unexpected happens, said Christine H. Morton, research sociologist at Stanford University and program manager for the California Maternal Quality Care Collaborative.

“The impact for this work in the area of maternity care is potentially quite high,” said Morton, who worked with Michelle Flaum Hall as part of the council. “This book is essential reading for every maternity care clinician in the United States.”

The assessments, available online at hawthorneintegrative.com, are also important for many patients because it can be difficult to recognize what is happening to them emotionally. Physicians need interventions and strategies in place automatically, as the Halls write, as a “safety net to ensure that fewer patients who experience medical trauma ‘slip through the cracks’ of a health care system that can sometimes have a singular focus on caring for the physical body at the expense of all else.”

“We’re all responsible,” Michelle Flaum Hall said. “It doesn’t end when the patient walks out the hospital doors. We have to do a better job of protecting patients’ mental health.”

A PERSONAL JOURNEY

Medical trauma goes beyond what is obviously a traumatic event — like some-
Patients’ guide to medical trauma

Patients need to know:
- Medical trauma is complex. It develops through multiple factors, including the diagnosis or procedure, how you interpret the experience, and the quality of staff communication.
- Medical trauma can have powerful psychological impacts affecting your relationships, sense of self, physical limitations, vocation, leisure activities, spiritual life and meaning/purpose.
- Medical trauma is subjective. If you experience health care as traumatic, it is trauma.

Patients need to do:
- Pay attention to your emotional health before, during and after a medical procedure or diagnosis of a serious medical condition. This includes stress, anxiety, depression and increased negative thoughts.
- Be willing to communicate with health care providers about any fears or emotional discomfort you are feeling about upcoming procedures.
- Report any changes in emotional health to your primary care physician or health care provider. Ideally, you will receive a referral to a mental health provider for assessment and treatment, or you can follow up independently with a counselor, psychologist or clinical social worker.

Patients can also suffer emotional effects later — long after a hospital stay or doctor’s visit.

“Patients can suffer what we call a secondary crisis,” said Scott Hall, whose more than two decades of experience as a counselor includes work with veterans who experience trauma. “A traumatic event can impact them in terms of their careers, their relationships and in developmental milestones. And sometimes that impact might not show up for three months, six months, 12 months.”

Scott Hall said he gained insight into secondary crises after he had lower-back surgery and realized he could no longer do taekwondo with his daughter. Their weekly lessons had been a bonding time over the eight years they earned black belts together. With his surgery, he was not able to achieve the second-degree black belt they had been working toward, although his daughter did.

“I couldn’t do taekwondo anymore. I couldn’t do the kicks or the twists. I had to stop doing the very thing we shared for years, and in some ways it redefined our relationship,” he said.

“I had to think about what the new normal was, and what else in my life I needed to modify,” he said. “And I realized: If I’m experiencing this, how many modifications are other people trying to make in their lives by themselves as a result of health care? It highlights the need on a much larger scale of how there are deficits in the health care system.”

Scott Hall, whose experience as a patient is built into a case study in the book, said he has addressed similar issues with patients and friends. It could be someone who can no longer play golf. Or someone who can no longer run with their husband, wife, son or daughter because of an orthopedic injury — an example they use in the book.

“It’s the kind of medical event that a lot of people would say is outpatient surgery — no big deal,” Michelle Flaum Hall said. “The focus of recovery is very much on managing pain and recapturing whatever mobility may be possible. But something like an orthopedic injury and surgery can be the first of many dominos to fall in someone’s life, because all of a sudden they’re not as mobile and they’re not engaging in aspects of their lifestyles that are really important to them.”

Even for professionals, it can be difficult to recognize the signs of depression and get treatment. Michelle Flaum Hall described herself in the hospital as “utterly drained” and “exhausted, raw and very fragile.” In a daze, she did not ask for mental health care.

“If anyone on my treatment team had enlisted the help of a mental health professional ... then I could have begun treatment for what eventually became PTSD,” she wrote for Nursing for Women’s Health. She notes PTSD refers to a long-term clinical set of symptoms, which for her stemmed from the magnitude and complexity of the trauma she experienced and the fact that she spent several more days in the hospital where the trauma originally occurred.

Sharing her story in the Nursing for Women’s Health clinical journal started the Halls’ journey to write the book. Through new connections, the Halls pitched the idea for the book and received almost immediate acceptance.

“It’s been a very personal journal for me,” Michelle Flaum Hall said, “because it’s been about ensuring the suffering I endured was not in vain, and I could potentially make a difference, even in a small way in sharing my story.”

Michelle and Scott Hall hope their book can revolutionize the way mental health and health care professionals work together to better meet the needs of patients. From current practitioners to better training protocols, their goal is to have this model at the forefront of people’s minds when they approach their work with patients.

And while the book is written for health care professionals, the message has resonated outside the industry.

“People reached out with their personal stories of being patients or knowing patients, and knowing how painful emotionally these experiences can be,” Michelle Flaum Hall said. “They just wanted to say ‘thank you’ for bringing awareness because there was a helpfulness that something would change.”
The life story of Joseph Dickman lives on campus in a yellowed scrapbook in the archives on the second floor of Albert Emanuel Hall. Carefully turn back the pages and you’ll discover brittle newspaper clippings with headlines like “Dickman Leads Advancing Army.”

His sister kept the scrapbook; she signed the inside back cover, “Mrs. Chas. Frech, 16 1/2 Auglaize St., Wapakoneta, O.” As you unfold each story you reveal a new account of his life, from his many campaigns in Europe to his trip to Dayton in 1923 to receive from his former secondary school, now known as the University of Dayton, an honorary Doctor of Laws.

“It is a genuine pleasure ... as this is the scene where the Brothers laid the foundation of my education more than half a century ago,” Dickman said in his address to the Class of 1923.

Dickman was born in Dayton Oct. 6, 1857. When his father went to fight in the Civil War, Dickman’s mother took the children to live in Minster, Ohio. There, he attended the village’s elementary school. In 1871, he returned to Dayton to attend St. Mary’s Institute. When his father was elected sheriff of Auglaize County, Ohio, the family moved to Wapakoneta, where Dickman graduated from high school before entering West Point.

In the army of the early 20th century, Dickman rode horseback to capture Mexican bandits, policed union strikes in Chicago, sailed to Cuba for occupation duty, fought insurgents in the Philippines and provided relief to China at the end of the Boxer Rebellion.

When war was declared in Europe on July 28, 1914, Dickman wrote that his cavalry unit was living a calm and peaceful existence. “Little did we dream that our cozy garrison of Fort Ethan Allen [Vermont] was soon to become one of the initial points in the hegira of a great American army to transatlantic fields of action,” he wrote in his memoir, The Great Crusade.
Joseph T. Dickman

A Soldier's Soldier
The United States had, as Dickman wrote, taken an “ultra-pacific” position on the war raging overseas. It was not until continued attacks by German submarines, and an intercepted correspondence showing Germany meant to ally with Mexico and threaten our southern border, that the U.S. intervened.

Dickman transferred to Camp Greene, North Carolina, where he assumed command of the 3rd Infantry Division and trained until they deployed to France in April 1919.

When the Americans arrived, they found the French influence on their activities stifling. Their units were distributed among the French, they took command instructions from the French, and they received little credit for victories they achieved. American officers began to question why the Americans could not lead independent operations, with Dickman particularly vocal about what he saw as the superior manners of his men. As Dickman wrote in his diary, “Colonel P. Brown C. of S. 2d says our secret service has written evidence that the reason English and French try to prevent us from having Corps and Army organization is that a victorious American Army would have too much influence in the peace negotiations. I asked Gen. [Hunter] Liggett whether the time had come for us to speak out a little.”

The Americans began pushing their tactical suggestions, such as allowing the Germans to advance unmolested into the open before an attack. “[T]he principal object of the bit of bravado had only been to convince our Allies that the American rifleman was not under intimidation,” Dickman wrote in his memoir.

After a successful defense at Château-Thierry by the American Expeditionary Forces, Dickman noted a change in the French attitude: “[I]t became apparent ... that the days of tutelage, patronage and condescension had passed.”

Dickman wrote that he saw such respect intensify during battles, including the reduction of the St. Mihiel salient and at Meuse-Argonne. After the Armistice, Dickman was honored by an appointment as commanding general of the Third Army. Under Pershing, the Third Army became the Army of Occupation, with Dickman and his troops following the retreating Germans through France and back to the Rhine River.

As a forward to The Great Crusade, Pershing wrote of Dickman’s valor: “In July, 1918, the German advance against his front was halted by a regiment of his division in a most brilliant action. His Corps in the battle of Saint Mihiel and in the grilling struggle of Meuse-Argonne performed distinguished service. After the Armistice, under circumstances requiring tact and discretion, he commanded our Army of Occupation on the Rhine for several months with marked efficiency.”

“He services both in staff and line, whether in peace or war, have been marked by constant devotion to duty,” Pershing wrote.

For Dickman, the conclusion of his 45-year military career brought more travel, including an assignment to Texas. He attained the rank of major general, and he retired in 1921.

As an officer, Dickman held his men in high esteem. After the war, he wrote of their discipline and how it influenced the role America played in the World War. “Their conduct not only surprised the Europeans but exceeded.
the expectations of our best-informed officers,” he wrote. “From the moment of their enrollment they exhibited a degree of willingness, loyalty and devotion to duty that was beyond praise and was of inestimable value during the formative period of their careers.”

The admiration was returned. His men considered him a “soldier’s soldier” and endeared him with the nicknames “Uncle Joe” and “Daddy Dickman.” The evidence lies in the family scrapbook. Open it and unfold a tattered newspaper tucked lovingly inside. Upon his death, the newspaper of the 3rd (Marne) Division, The Watch on the Rhine, devoted its entire cover to the man the headline calls both a commander and a friend.

As it wrote, “His graciousness of spirit and nobility of character were symbolic of his life.”

—Michelle Tedford

Among the battles in which Joseph T. Dickman commanded troops was the battle for the reduction of the St. Mihiel salient. The chunk of land in northeastern France had been seized by the Germans and blocked the Allies’ communications and transportation lines. In the war’s first independent U.S. operation and supported by the Allies, forces attacked the Germans in September 1918. Dickman commanded the IV Corps, sending three divisions in from the south. This included the 3rd Division, which he had commanded as it landed in France in April 1918. In Europe, Dickman found himself fighting not just the Germans but also the perceptions of the French and British militaries, which regarded the American troops as underprepared and the American tactics as foolhardy for their embrace of open warfare tactics. The success at St. Mihiel, followed closely by the battle of Meuse-Argonne, proved the mettle of the U.S. troops and the strategy of the Americans. It also made Dickman proud of his men.

The edited excerpt below is from his book The Great Crusade, published by D. Appleton & Co. in 1927 just months before Dickman’s death following a heart attack. He is buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

The immense fields of wire known to exist in front of the enemy’s lines gave me much concern. One method proposed of overcoming this obstacle was by means of portable sections of wire matting, which were to form a kind of bridge over the entanglement for the passage of attacking doughboys. A demonstration at Vaucouleurs on Sept. 8 was fairly successful.

The next day there was an exhibition of the operation of five French tanks at Autreville. These machines, in addition to dealing effectively with machine-gun nests, were counted upon to go through fields of wire, unless the rains should make the soil of the Plain of the Woëvre too soft and slippery. However, our principal reliance was placed on wire cutters, and arrangements were made to secure a large supply of the powerful two-handed kind to assist in clearing the way for the advance.

The only cavalry in the IV Corps was a squadron of the 2nd Cavalry, comfortably located in barracks and stables at Dommartin, a mile east of Toul. A review of the squadron was held and an inspection of its equipment made, partly to show the troopers that, [as] their former colonel, [I] had not forgotten them among the large forces of the other arms now under [my] command.

One of the difficult things to teach new troops is the avoidance of exposure, not only on account of the unnecessary personal danger, but also, in many cases, to avoid betrayal of the plans of the High Command. At one time the division recently arrived in the Marbache sector was suffering daily casualties from artillery fire, about noon, although the sector was rather quiet at other times. One of the enemy’s aviators had discovered that the American soldiers formed long lines in the streets while waiting for their turns to be served with the midday meal at the company kitchen. This exposure furnished good opportunities for artillery concentrations which the enemy was not slow in utilizing. Eventually our local Commanding Officer realized that this artillery activity was not a mere coincidence, so he ordered that the men come up in groups of four, the rest remaining behind a wall or other cover until ready to be served.

The original plan of the American Commander-in-Chief, [Gen. John J. Pershing], contemplated a strategical operation of the highest importance, namely, a break in the enemy’s line and a deep advance at a point seriously menacing the line of communications so vital to the existence of his army. When the Meuse-Argonne operation was decided upon by the Allied High Command, the reduction of the St. Mihiel salient was considered as preliminary thereto and thus became a secondary and limited operation to flatten out the salient and to liberate the enclosed territory and several important lines of railroad.

The principal attack was to be made by nine American divisions; the secondary attack by two American and one French division; and the holding attack by a French corps of three divisions.
The Germans had established a succession of strongly fortified defensive lines, with many bands of wire. Their command, as organized, was divided into three groups, [with] six divisions in reserve.

The American concentration commenced on the 28th of August. As secrecy was highly important the movements were made by night, the marches being about 10 miles per day for foot troops and 15 miles for vehicles. In the daytime the troops were concealed in woods and buildings. In this way our forces opposite both sides of the salient were increased to about 600,000 men, but depots on the outpost line were not changed until the last day, to prevent identifications. Although the Germans expected an attack, it came sooner and much stronger than they had anticipated.

The IV Corps was to attack on a front of about 6 miles, from Limey to Richecourt with the 89th, 42nd and 1st Divisions in line from east to west, each with a front of about 2 miles.

Promptly at 1 a.m. Sept. 12, the battle commenced when our artillery opened an intense fire of penetration that was intended to damage the German wire, destroy many of the enemy’s machine guns, and drive his troops to cover. On the southern face of the salient this artillery fire continued until 5 a.m., and the infantry of the corps front then moved out under a powerful barrage.

Some of the French generals had gone to the hills of Boucq to observe the great bombardment from the walls of the château. This was too far from Corps headquarters, where a busy time was in prospect; but a position on high ground about 200 yards in advance of the Corps dugout enabled me to witness, for about an hour, a display of fireworks never seen except in a great war. More than 2,000 fiery mouths belched forth their vehicles of destruction against the enemy who scarcely made a reply.

The attack came as a tactical surprise to the Germans who were thrown into the utmost confusion. Mustard gas fired on occupied woods and crossroads contributed to the disorder; large trains of transportation were caught on the roads and destroyed.

Rainy weather had left the ground soft and in poor condition for military operations. The 12th was cloudy, with squalls of rain; our air observation was deficient and rendered very mediocre assistance. The tanks got into trouble early in the game, on account of the mud, rough country and impassable trenches.

Much of the wire was found to be old and insecure. The enemy was demoralized by our artillery fire and the rapid advance of our troops, and made but weak resistance. Numbers came out of dugouts and gave themselves up. Occasional strong points and machine-gun nests made more resolute opposition, but as a rule the resistance was quickly overcome.

In the evening of Sept. 12 a report was received that the retreating German artillery was choking the roads south of Vigneulles and Hattonchâtel. The rumbling of retreating German transportation on that highway was audible in the night. This indicated a good opportunity to make huge captures. Accordingly, the 2nd Brigade, with machine guns and cavalry, was ordered in advance in force to the outskirts of Vigneulles and Hattonville, so as to close all roads to the north and east of these towns.

By the evening of Sept. 13 the St. Mihiel operation practically was over. All the exits from the salient had been closed since early morning and the escape of the troops remaining therein cut off. Early in the day the last division had attained the Army Objective, and all divisions were consolidating their positions and operating towards the Exploitation Line.

Sept. 16 marked the end of the battle of St. Mihiel, the front having become stabilized. The operation was a success in every respect. We captured nearly 16,000 prisoners, 182 guns, hundreds of machine guns, and an immense store of material, supplies and ammunition. [We] recovered 200 square miles of territory and freed the Paris-Avricourt railroad. The force and speed of our attack had overwhelmed the enemy so that he offered but slight resistance. Our casualties were so small, less than 7,000 during the period of advance, that these units were immediately available for another and greater operation in a new theater of war.

The greatest results of the victory were moral. It raised the morale of our troops and of our Allies; the Germans were correspondingly discouraged and began to realize that final defeat was inevitable. An efficient American army had been developed and its fighting power demonstrated to friend and foe. The victory gave our troops implicit confidence in themselves and a sense of superiority over the enemy. Wire entanglements ceased to be regarded as impassable obstacles, and training for open warfare required no further vindication.
“Yes, sometimes you can go home again.”

Way to learn, lead and serve, Class of 2016!

LeBron James had a full belly because of this guy. See Page 55.

Conversations in space

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186 total pints of blood donated by one Flyer
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Historic mark(er)

The fingerprint of alumnus Paul McEnroe is on your gallon of milk, your umbrella and every other item you’ve purchased from a store that uses an electronic check-out scanner.

The electrical engineering major graduated in 1959 with the dream of developing a universal product code system to improve efficiency at the supermarket. He got his chance at IBM in 1969 when the company gave him $300,000 and the freedom to invent a new business line. He pulled together a team, contributed technically, and created a vertical bar-coding system and scanning technology known as the UPC.

“I do the shopping,” McEnroe said by phone from his ranch in the Santa Ynez Valley of California. “I get a real kick out of going to the grocery store and playing with the scanner.”

The last he heard, the world was scanning 5 billion bar codes daily.

For his work on the UPC and other innovations — including the Local Area Network to connect computers, multi-chip modules for computer processing and the addition of the magnetic stripe to the SKU to allow it to be scanned like a credit card — he has received many awards and honors, including UD’s Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1998.

But last year, as he walked across the stage at California State Polytechnic University, he and his wife, Tina Hansen McEnroe, were being honored for their devotion to education.

The citations for the honorary doctorates they received commended the McEnroes for their impact on developing reading skills in children in grades one to eight by founding the Tina Hansen & Paul V. McEnroe Reading and Language Arts Clinic at University of California, Santa Barbara.

“The more you live life and the longer you live life, the more you realize the goals change toward giving back to other human beings,” said McEnroe, 79, a 30-year member of the Cal Poly President’s Council of Advisors.

When McEnroe retired from industry, the couple bought a cattle ranch and restored the 1869 Pleasant Valley one-room schoolhouse. Today, it offers living history field trips with Hansen McEnroe, a teacher and reading specialist, as instructor.

McEnroe said it’s a great joy to watch children pile off the bus onto their property.

“I meet them on my horse to give them the authentic experience,” he said. “The children follow the horse and me up the hill while Tina rings the school bell.”

McEnroe is a full-time cattleman and chair of the education committee for the Santa Barbara County Cattlemen’s Association. But his inventions are never far from his mind, or his fingers.

Recently, while cleaning out his barn, McEnroe uncovered his patent for the pistol grip barcode scanner from 1971.

“What could you invent that touches more people?” he asked.

—Michelle Tedford
Donation from the heart

Brandon Mayforth’s $500 contribution to Dayton Children’s Hospital was far from the largest donation in the institution’s history, but the hospital’s chief medical officer won’t soon forget it.

Mayforth, a senior majoring in sport management, credits Dayton Children’s and a dedicated doctor for saving his life when he was suffering from a rare disease as a teenager. That’s why he chose Dayton Children’s as the recipient of money from a Division of Advancement fund promoting student giving.

“I’m here because of Dayton Children’s,” Mayforth told a group of classmates in November 2016 during his presentation for professor Peter Titlebaum’s Sales and Fundraising in Sports class. “Dayton Children’s never gave up, even after other larger, more well-known hospitals did.”

Mayforth’s presentation took place during a philanthropy “tournament” that concludes the class each semester. A panel of judges awards top finishers money to donate in their names to their chosen causes. Mayforth beat 17 other students to capture first prize.

Close to $1,000 went to four community organizations in all thanks to the students and the University’s Gary Mioli Leadership in Community Fund. The fund honors Gary Mioli ’79, a New Jersey high school teacher and football coach who died unexpectedly in 2014 at 57.

In spring 2016, the sport management program in the Department of Health and Sport Science, along with Mioli’s family, friends, former classmates and students, established the fund to honor his legacy of service. The Mioli Fund gives students the opportunity to make a meaningful impact in their communities by becoming advocates for 501(c)(3) organizations whose service holds personal meaning.

In January, Adam Mezoff, chief medical officer and vice president at Dayton Children’s, came to campus to receive the Mioli Fund donation. His visit also served as a reunion — Mezoff was the doctor who diagnosed Mayforth with superior mesenteric artery syndrome, a disease in which one’s arteries compress the intestines.

Only 400 cases have ever been reported, and in extreme cases, patients could starve to death without proper treatment.

Because Mayforth got the help he needed, he no longer had to miss weeks or months of school and could enjoy a regular life as a UD student. His grades soared, taking him from academic probation to the honor roll. This May, he’ll graduate on time with the rest of his peers in the Class of 2017.

—Shannon Shelton Miller and Joey Gardner ’18

When Peggy Fahey Cawley’s number came up short in the apartment lottery her sophomore year, she became the unintended resident of 1316 Brown St. But, she says the misfortune led to some of her best UD years.

The six bedroom, two bathroom home had a sprawling wrap-around porch that led to a large living room with stairs on either side leading to the bedrooms.

Cawley ’85 was one of 12 women living in the home between 1983 and 1985 and recalled it being full of chatter and camaraderie.

“It was fun living with 11 other women,” Cawley said. “There was always someone to talk to downstairs in the shared living area.”

But with 12 women, issues were bound to arise.

“In the era before cell phones and email, the shared telephone was a challenge,” Cawley admitted. Another challenge was navigating the tiny kitchen space, keeping the house clean, and finding ways to cram food into two small refrigerators. The ladies tackled the household chores with teams of roommates put in charge of various tasks each week.

The system worked out well, as housemate Lorri Black Stewart ’86 recalled: “Each team only had to clean the house once every six weeks.”

As for the refrigerator situation, there were times when items were “borrowed” or (un)intentionally used.

“I remember one time that caused an issue, when someone ate a whole batch of raw cookie dough and wouldn’t admit to it,” Stewart said. “We got over it.”

Issues were easily forgotten because there was dancing to Prince records, Secret Santas, holiday meals and big get-togethers.

“Just say ‘party at 1316’ and everyone knew,” Cawley said.

For resident Lee Kelly ’85, graduation was most memorable because the housemates all put 1316 on top of their graduation caps so their families could spot them.

Cawley, Stewart and Kelly all agreed that living with so many roommates taught them tolerance, responsibility and how to work with different personalities — a trying task, at times.

Still, Cawley said she hopes the current residents of the home “find a special bond to its walls” just as they all did more than 30 years ago.

—Gita Balakrishnan

Suggest we take a tour of your old house.
Email us at magazine@udayton.edu.
L Street legacy lives on

Joni Mitchell said it best: “They paved paradise and put up a parking lot.” P Lot to be exact. For the former residents of 236 L St., the location just west of the Frericks Center will always be the place where a group of women, who call themselves the piglets, became lifelong friends with Ann Malone Zangari ’73.

Last spring, this close-knit group, which has gotten together every year since graduation, mourned the loss of Zangari after her 20-year battle with Parkinson’s disease. Her housemates remembered her sense of humor, infectious laugh, talking, love of dancing and coffee.

“Laughter and coffee were the spices of her life,” said Zangari’s husband, Nick. “And she never let her illness confine her or cut her off from friends.”

Housemate Deb Rushin Millette ’72 added, “She could defuse tense situations with a quip and a laugh. Her faith was strong and her relentlessly cheerful personality made her a role model for us all.”

After graduating from UD with a psychology degree, Zangari earned her master’s degree in theological studies from Harvard. The couple raised four children at home in Connecticut, where Zangari also found time to be involved with the local parish of St. Timothy Church as director of religious education.

She was diagnosed with Parkinson’s after the birth of her fourth child. It was a disease she knew all too well from watching her father struggle with the same illness.

“Ann was very close to her mother, who helped her dad. She understood the disease and was a great source of encouragement to Ann,” said Debbie Hays Piwkowski ’73. “My relationship with Ann taught me about the joys of human friendship.”

Zangari’s ability to communicate and connect with all kinds of people was one of the ways she worked through her illness. Another was to write. Her book, A Gift, Silently Given, was published in 2006.

“Ann wanted her book to be a positive statement about a way to deal with chronic illness,” her husband said. “Her philosophy is summed up on Page 46, and I carry a wrinkled copy of it in my wallet.

Memo to self: For the rest of my life I want to always:
Choose hope over fear
Choose humor over pessimism
Choose peace over anxiety
Choose prayer over damning
Now... Get working on it!”

Her friends share that philosophy. Karen Gleisinger Balderrama ’73 said, “Luckily and lovingly, Ann left us with the most important conversation of all, her book, where her legacy of faith, humor, strength and courage comforts and touches the hearts of so many.”

Piwkowski agreed, saying, “Ann showed great courage facing her illness. Fear of the future didn’t seem to rob her of her capacity for joy in the present.”

Each of Zangari’s housemates admired her perseverance, faith, strength and attitude. And the stories from the L Street days are too numerous to recount in this space. But it’s a friendship wrapped in laughter, house parties, late night talks and the many joys and challenges that take place in four decades of sisterhood.

“My housemates have always been important to me, but now, there is such a warmth and peace being with people who ‘knew you when,’” Millette said. “We’ll never stop missing Annie, and she’ll always be a part of the piglets.”

—Jeaneen Parsons
Eddie Murphy bought his house

Sitting in the empty 50-seat theater with the tunes of Bach or Mozart filling the silent void, Tom Flynn ’77 finds his creative energies most focused. It is here, with only the light of his laptop flickering, where the screenplay writer says his characters speak to him best.

Flynn said he knows he has something special in that theater when stacked hours seem like mere minutes, and his “characters talk so fast, you have to tell them to slow down.” The whole process, he said “is kind of schizophrenic.”

But, his characters knew what they were talking about back in 2011, when a writing frenzy produced Gifted, a major Hollywood movie set to hit theaters nationwide April 12.

The story follows the difficulties of Frank Adler, played by Chris Evans, who tries to give his child prodigy niece (McKenna Grace) a chance for a normal life. Difficulties occur when Frank’s mother (Lindsay Duncan) wants to separate them. Other major actors and actresses set to appear in the film include Octavius Spencer and John Finn. The film was directed by Mark Webb.

For Flynn, this success is a testament to the frustrations of his early writing career. When he moved to Los Angeles in the early 1990s, his scripts got picked up by some big Hollywood players: Paramount Pictures, Universal Studios, Warner Bros., the Weinstein Co., Twentieth Century Fox and The Walt Disney Co.

“I wrote nothing but comedies and romantic comedies while I lived in Los Angeles,” he said. “Comedies are fun because you try to make yourself laugh as much as possible, and you could sell them for a lot of money.”

That first script he wrote was sold to Paramount and, according to Flynn, had Eddie Murphy attached to it. More than 15 years later, Flynn was standing in front of the actor in a coffee shop and told the barista to add the tab for the guy standing behind him.

Murphy found Flynn and asked why he bought his coffee.

“Because you bought me my first house,” Flynn said to a very confused Murphy. “When I told him that he was attached to my first-bought script, he laughed and said, ‘You owe me a lot more coffee than that.’”

That script, along with so many others, stayed hidden from the silver screen.

“I’d have all these big sales that made me hot again [in the industry], but then they never got made,” Flynn recalled.

The long hours in isolation, bringing to life the characters and places his mind created, weeks away from his wife Andi Matheny—none of it seemed worth it.

“I was done with it,” Flynn said. “I was done writing and selling and then nothing happening.”

He left his paper and pen behind and moved to St. Petersburg, Florida, to rehab old houses. But he couldn’t let it go. For three years, he had stories and ideas but refused to be disappointed again.

Matheny, a voice-over artist, provided the final push to encourage her husband: Either write a drama or get a normal job. And as Flynn admitted, “Having a cartoon mouse yell at you like that is sobering.”

Five weeks later, he had written Gifted. The script caught the eye of Hollywood legend Meryl Streep in 2013, giving it a boost of street cred. The next year, Gifted was selected by The Black List, a filmmaker survey, as one of the best unproduced screenplays of 2014.

At 61, the English graduate seems to have some long years of scriptwriting ahead of him. He is currently rewriting the movie TOGO for Disney, as well as writing the script for a movie adaptation of the Peter Heller novel The Dog Stars.

“The good and bad thing about Hollywood is this: You write scripts and never get a movie made. But the good side is there are automatic elevators if you do get a movie made.”

It seems Flynn is on that elevator now and hopes the gift of Gifted lets him ride it for as long as he can.

—Gita Balakrishnan

Fund a Flyer

The cost for conferences, competitions and service trips that contribute to students’ real-world educations can add up quickly.

Flyer Funder, the Division of Advancement’s official new crowdfunding platform for UD students, aims to lessen that burden. All projects must support University-based groups and organizations, as well as secure support from an academic dean or the executive director of student involvement.

The inaugural project teams included students from the Model United Nations club seeking funds to attend an international conference, Society of Automotive Engineering club students looking for support to build a competition vehicle, and Alpha Phi Omega members hoping to raise money to volunteer at a resort for children with life-threatening illnesses and their families. Dollar goals run between $1,500 and $3,000.

The funding period ran from Feb. 13 through March 15, getting an assist from the I Love UD initiative in mid-February. Another application round is currently in process, and a third is scheduled for September. Current undergraduate or graduate students are welcome to apply. To learn more, visit flyerfunder.udayton.edu.

Register for Reunion 2017

Pack your bags, plan your trip and get on the phone with your old classmates, because it’s time to start thinking about and planning for Reunion Weekend. Registration for on-campus housing and events opened March 13. Everyone is invited back to campus each year, even if you are not part of milestone reunion classes.

Classes celebrating milestones in 2017 are the Golden Flyers, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002, 2007, 2012 and 2016. Some of the special interest groups that will be represented at reunion are: Phi Beta Alpha, rescue squad, rowing and Sigma Alpha Epsilon (Ohio Chi Sig Chapter). There is something for everyone throughout the weekend, from class parties and the Flyer Fun Run and Walk to the marriage vow renewal ceremony.

Come back to campus and reunite with fellow Flyers. A schedule of events is available at your.udayton.edu/reunion.
LIES, DAMNED LIES, AND COST ACCOUNTING: HOW CAPACITY MANAGEMENT ENABLES IMPROVED COST AND CASH FLOW MANAGEMENT
Reginald Tomas Lee Sr. ’87

If your job involves improving profits, managing people, making investments and ensuring the sustainability of your company, Reginald Tomas Lee Sr.’s book *Lies, Damned Lies, and Cost Accounting* could be next on your reading list. Lee, who also holds master’s and doctoral degrees in engineering, published his third book in February 2016 to help managers analyze money-making transactions and optimize cash flow. “My objective is to have the readers understand cost accounting is not what it’s made out to be and there are options if their job involves managing people or profits, making investments, and ensuring the sustainability and viability of their companies,” Lee said. He said he hopes the tools in the book provide leaders with proper insight to save jobs, companies and their economies. The book is published by Business Expert Press.

Los Angeles holds the top international spot for its claim to entertainment, fashion, cuisine and cultural hotspots. While being home to some of the world’s most famous actors and actresses, the City of Angels is also home to over 800 Flyer Faithful. With summer weather year-round these alumni get to enjoy tourist attractions like the Walk of Fame, the Hollywood sign, Rodeo Drive, Walt Disney Concert Hall and the Getty Center just by going out their back doors.

Question: What was your biggest celebrity sighting?
I saw Mark Wahlberg at the West Hollywood Target. Much shorter in person; they all are! It seems on a weekly basis you do a double take and think, “Aren’t you that one person from that one thing?” It’s usually common to see a reality star or someone from a commercial. —Jimmy Scharpf ’11

I ran into Giuliana Rancic from *E! News* one morning when I was training for a snow bike race in the Santa Monica Mountains. She and her husband asked me what I was doing up in the mountain on my snow bike. And I’ve passed Forest Whitaker on the sidewalk across the street from my office. My husband and I have a mutual friend with Tig Notaro, so we sometimes do activities with her too! —Stephanie Grant ’01

I have only seen a few people, but the most “star struck” I got was when I saw a woman who used to write for the TV show *Leverage*. That was one of my favorite shows, so I was gushing a bit when I found out. I’m a writer, so I suppose it figures I would get that excited to meet a fellow writer. —Erin Dooley ’00

Los Angeles Alumni By the Numbers

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LARRY’S HEALTHY 21 DAY FOOD GUIDE
Larry Campanella ’78

With more than 40 years of experience in the fitness field, Larry Campanella published his first food guide in November 2016. *Larry’s Healthy 21 Day Food Guide* helps those interested in bodybuilding, losing weight or simply eating healthy, planned-out meals. The book also includes gluten-free recipes. Campanella said, “My major philosophy is that portion control is the key to success, as well as a nutritionally balanced healthy diet.” Fifty percent of book sales go directly to Elijah’s Food Kitchen, a food bank in Campanella’s hometown of New Brunswick, New Jersey. Flyers are invited to contact the author at fitnessguy2@aol.com.

WOLVES
Keith Klein ’98

In December 2016, Dayton-based band McGuff and The Dumpster Fires released their latest album, *Wolves*. Keith Klein ’98 plays the bass guitar for the group and also helped co-write some of the songs on the seven-track album, including “Collide,” a song which Klein says is about how peoples’ lives can intersect in unexpected ways. Of their indie-rock or alternative sound, Klein said he hopes that listeners enjoy it and come back for more. “I think of a song like a painting,” Klein said. “Each one can take you to a different place.” Follow the group at Facebook.com/mcguffandthedumpsterfires.

—Gita Balakrishnan
Golden Flyers

BILL FORTENER ’58 (MGT) lives in Fairborn, Ohio. He writes, “After enlisting for two years in the U.S. Army, 15 months of which were spent in Korea, I returned home to Dayton and finished my education at UD. I married in 1959 and had one daughter and adopted one son. During the next 30 years, I worked in the Dayton area as an accountant and a controller for five companies. I also played a lot of softball, both fast pitch and slow pitch, and was involved in a triple play in our church league. I became involved in Cursillo, a three-day weekend designed to improve one’s spirituality. I later volunteered in the Kairos Ministry for prison inmates. I was ordained a permanent diaconate by Auxiliary Bishop Pilarczyk in 1976. I went through a divorce, received an annulment and waizcied by the Church. During my single years, I met a wonderful woman, Dorathlea Wiltzie Dunco. We married in 1992. She has five children, one of whom is in heaven. As of now, we have 27 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. My last job before I retired was with the St. Vincent de Paul Society, where I worked for 17 years. Throughout my life, I was healthy enough to give 186 pints of blood, but after four and a half years of working as pastoral assistant for Mary, Help of Christians Church in Fairborn, I was diagnosed with gastric cancer and underwent surgery. It was the first of many health challenges. The doctors have said I am a medical miracle. Now, I have a new career: a full-time prayer warrior. My faith in God has brought me through.” Bill invites classmates to contact him at 937-879-5959 or dpfortener@att.net.

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JOHN GIBSON (ENG) and MARYANN GELHAUS GIBSON (EDE) live in Red Bank, N.J. They write, “We visited campus this past August. It was a wonderful homecoming. The

Cincinnati works to end poverty

““What does a white guy in a suit know about poor people?”’

That’s what David Phillips said everyone asked when he decided to open a nonprofit to help low-income people find jobs.

And Phillips has made it his mission to know as much as he can about poverty and its far-reaching consequences. After retirement, Phillips and his wife, Liane, looked at their hometown of Cincinnati — a city with pockets of high poverty — and decided to do something.

They opened Cincinnati Works in 1996 to help residents find jobs. Over time, Phillips learned that the problem goes deeper than simply locating employment.

“People can find a job,” Phillips said. “The hard part is keeping it.”

The reasons are complicated. Phillips says single parents get fired because they have to take time off work when a child is sick. Mental illness can also create roadblocks.

“It seems to have nothing to do with keeping a job, but it has everything to do with it,” Phillips said.

To help ease those stressors, CW provides assistance with childcare, transportation, work clothes, and mental and physical health care for the entire family, as well as assistance to help with any other barriers to employment.

The biggest impact the organization has had, though, has been on Phillips himself, who says he is amazed at the strength of the human spirit. He recalled attending a CW participant’s wedding.

“This big, tall guy ran over to me and picked me up off the floor. He said that without the CW, he’d be dead right now. That’s what David Phillips said everyone asked when he decided to open a nonprofit to help low-income people find jobs.”

According to its own statistics, CW has placed more than 9,000 people in the workforce since it opened its doors in 1996.

Phillips is now traveling the nation sharing the CW model with other communities.

“Poverty is totally unacceptable in our society,” Phillips said. “It’s a condition that strips people of all human dignity. It’s time for citizens to say it is our responsibility and it’s time to say ‘no’ to poverty.”

—Gita Balakrishnan
campus looks amazing. We visited the beautiful, refurbished chapel. As we toured the campus, we were approached several times by friendly students who asked if we needed directions. We had lunch in Kennedy Union and were impressed with the food selections. Maryann’s old house at 330 Lowes was gone, but John’s house on Stonemill was looking better than it did 50 years ago. A nice young man invited us in to look around. Yes, sometimes you can go home again.”

LINDA HALSEY (EDS) lives in Brookville, Ohio. She writes, “My son, Matthew Halsey ’94, and I read our University of Dayton Magazine on the beach at the Outer Banks of Frisco, N.C. We have been vacationing here with our extended family off and on for 28 years. It’s my grandchildren’s favorite place to hang out together. I’m hoping that some of them will find their way to UD in the near future.”

1969

VINCE SHANKLEY (BIO) and MAUREEN HOFFMAN SHANKLEY (FAE-FA) live in St. Petersburg, Fla. They write, “We both work from home, so we can live anywhere. We chose St. Petersburg for the beach and amazing art and fine craft community. Vince is director of research for Asera Sciences in West Lafayette, Ind. Maureen is an art jeweler, thanks to Brother Louis A. Weber, S.M. He started a jewelry-making program at UD the year before we graduated and let Maureen come to the studio even though she couldn’t afford to take the class. She went on to earn a master’s of fine art in jewelry and metalwork and then to teach at several colleges.”

1970

JIM BERNAUER (EDS) lives in Pittsburgh. He writes, “I represented UD at the Oct. 7, 2016, inauguration of Christopher Howard as the eighth president of Robert Morris University in Pittsburgh. It was mentioned by more than a few faculty that UD’s regalia was the most regal of the more than 70 universities.” Jim is a professor of education at Robert Morris.

1971

MARY KAUFMAN (ENG) retired from Delta Air Lines in 2005 after a career spanning over 30 years. She lives up the street from Wrigley Field, so in 2006, she began working for the Chicago Cubs. Mary has been there for the last 11 seasons. She writes, “For a lifelong Chicagoan and history minor, this has been one remarkable year. Last time the Cubs were World Series Champions was in 1908! We were able to share in the victory year when the trophy was on display at our end-of-the-season party.”

DAN KELLEY (SOC) and MARY CUNNIF KELLEY (EDE) live in San Diego. They write, “Four of our six grandchildren wore UD apparel when attending ‘College Day’ at Gwinn-San Martin Science Academy in Morgan Hill, Calif. We weren’t so fortunate with our other two grandchildren, since their mother went to Creighton and their aunt to Notre Dame.”

REGINA D’AMATO LILLIE (MTG) and her husband, Jerry, live in Spokane, Wash. She writes, “Immediately after graduation, I was hired by United Airlines and was in management in operations, consumer research and sales. In 1981, I accepted United’s management buyout, and we used the money to open one Supercuts franchise in Spokane. Today, we own 23 Supercuts and employ more than 200 people. In 2007, we adopted a 5-year-old girl from Guatemala City who was abandoned by her birth parents. She is our only child. Looking back on my time attending UD during the Vietnam era and hippie movement brings back remarkable and vivid memories. I was secretary of the student body during the most turbulent years. I recall attending business classes dressed in jeans, wearing sandals on my feet and flowers in my hair. The conservative, almost all-male faculty were simply appalled. Those were very fun and challenging years.”

BRIAN PARRY (SOC) lives in Roseville, Calif. He writes, “Steve Lorenz of Vermont, Terry Mambort of Toledo, Ohio, and I met for a few days in San Francisco for some fun. We were roommates from the Class of 1971. We read the University of Dayton Magazine in front of AT&T Park before a Giants game. We meet once a year somewhere for a mini reunion.”

1972

FRANK EOVINO (EDP) and JACKIE KREBS EOVINO (FRN) live in Louisville, Ky. They write, “Bill Mills ’72 and Ellen Eichenlaub Mills ’72 hosted us for a weekend of UD basketball, which is always a great reason for a reunion. We also had dinner with Maureen Quealy Johns and her husband, Steve.”

WAYNE HOGREFE (BT) lives in Lake Forest, Calif. He writes, “I’m now working with a new joint venture of our parent firm, Quest Diagnostics, taking on the challenges of a new company integration. I enjoyed yet another biannual reunion in June in Hocking Hills, Ohio, with close UD friends from throughout the United States. Lake Forest will remain home for at least a few more years until retirement comes into closer focus. It’s hard to believe that it has been 45 years since we bid farewell to the campus where such close friendships were forged and remain strong today.”

MARY LOU BAKER JONES (ACC) lives in Silver Lake, Ohio. She writes, “Eight of the 22 members of a Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce tour to Peru in October 2016 discovered that we shared UD as our alma mater. Here we are at Machu Picchu with our University of Dayton Magazine. Pictured with me are Susan A. Baker Poling ’69, Carol Farno Weiland ’68, Vieckie McCabe Shortal ’69, Jeanne Sterling ’79, Warren K. Brown ’72, Stephanie Precht ’14 and Scott Kinnison ’86.”

1973

NICK IAMMARINO (EDP) lives in Houston. He writes, “A small contingent of Flyers sailed around the world this past fall on the Semester at Sea MV World Odyssey. I served as the executive dean of the voyage and was joined by Herbert Schotz, former executive chef of Kennedy Union, and current student Alexandria Graig-Tiso ’17.”

1974

ED O’REILLY (ACC) and DANIELLE
1956
Joseph P. "Pierre" Defett Sr. — Nov. 1, 2016
Edna A. "Alice" Kelley Knabe — March 5, 2016
James J. McGuire — Sept. 21, 2016
1957
James V. "Jim" DeFabio — Sept. 20, 2016
1958
James A. "Jim" Curnyn — April 28, 1959
Frederick E. "Fred" Hajjar — March 5, 1960
Leman L. Dunlap — Aug. 12, 1960
1959
James A. "Jim" Curnyn — April 28, 1960
William "Bill" Heywood — Aug. 12, 1960
Herbert S. "Herb" Wagner Jr. — Nov. 15, 1960
1960
Frederick Miers — Nov. 14, 2015
Albert E. Adkins — Oct. 11, 2016
Joan J. Homan — Oct. 6, 2016
Clareann "Clare" Walker — Oct. 27, 2016
1962
1963
Leman L. Dunlap — Nov. 8, 2016
Frederick E. "Fred" Hajjar — Dec. 10, 2016
Philip A. Indovina — July 8, 2016
Sister Margarette Schoenung, S.N.D. — Nov. 14, 2016
Ada M. Hamilton Stumpe — Nov. 8, 2016
1966
James "Jim" Bruggeman — Nov. 20, 2016
Sister Amy M. Junk, C.P.P.S. — Nov. 20, 2016
Paul Edmonds — Aug. 31, 2016
Kathleen "Kathy" Scott Monaghan — Nov. 21, 2016
Judith A. Bene King — Oct. 11, 2016
David A. "Tony" Poppelstein — April 2, 2016
Patricia A. Buchle Coffman — March 22, 2016
Harold G. Dusko — Nov. 20, 2016
Mary Sutthoff McLeod — June 23, 2016
Jean M. McMahon Amodio — March 22, 2016
Jean M. McMahon Amodio — May 13, 2016
James E. "Jim" Burton — Nov. 17, 2016
Nathzillo C. Bankston Gurney — Oct. 17, 2016
John F. Kopp — Sept. 25, 2016
Patricia A. Buchle Coffman — March 22, 2016
Mary Sutthoff McLeod — Nov. 6, 2016
Robert P. "Rob" Yeager — Aug. 5, 2016
John W. "Jack" Koessler III — May 13, 2016
Jen M. McMahon Amodio — Nov. 30, 2016
Frederick T. "Fred" Bair — Nov. 12, 2016
Theresa M. Gonsioroski Ziegler — Oct. 21, 2016
Deborah K. Bonnell Conner — Sept. 29, 2016
Janet Williamson Barker — March 3, 2016
Steven G. DesGroseilliers — Sept. 22, 2016
William A. "Bill" Hohenstein — Sept. 15, 2016
Rosemary Gacceta Heise — Sept. 22, 2016
Paul M. Lacouture — June 17, 2016
David A. Curcio — June 20, 2016
Eugene J. "Gerry" Franck — Nov. 3, 2016
Thomas H. Westendorf — Nov. 23, 2016
Larry J. Willoughby — Sept. 14, 2016
Lydia Ropp Crewdson — Aug. 9, 2016
Terry L. Surber — Nov. 25, 2016
Linda Warther Martin Murray — Nov. 27, 2016
Jeffrey D. Calmes — Oct. 17, 2016
Nancy J. Clark Vaughn — Nov. 23, 2016
J. Clark Vaughn — Nov. 23, 2016
Jonathan L. Davis — Oct. 27, 2016
Katherine A. Hackney Becker Luby — April 2, 2016
Diana M. Staniskis Pyle — Sept. 23, 2016
Jonathan L. Davis — Sept. 22, 2016
Joan J. Homan — Oct. 6, 2016
James A. Bartley — Sept. 5, 2015
Gerald L. "Gerry" Franck — Nov. 3, 2016
Thomas H. Westendorf — Nov. 23, 2016
Larry J. Willoughby — Sept. 14, 2016
Ann L. Williams — Sept. 23, 2016
Chuck Bryant — Jan. 12, 2016; survived by wife Jan Roelof’s ’77
Sister Audrey Butner, F.M.I. — Nov. 28, 2016; former University staff, ministry of sacristan and hospitality; also known as Sister Mary Margaret Lawrence.
Catherine E. Collins — Oct. 31, 2016; retired UD Research Institute staff.
John J. Delamer — Nov. 12, 2016; retired UD director of public safety; survived by Patricia Delamer, former University staff.
James F. "Jim" Dicke I — Nov. 11, 2016; University benefactor.
David M. Dickerson — Nov. 19, 2016; former dining services staff; survived by friend Debbie Stoner, UD advancement staff.
Marilyn S. Forbriger — Oct. 7, 2016; survived by husband Carl Forbriger ’49, former UD music professor.
Joseph J. Kepes — Sept. 18, 2016; professor emeritus, physics.
Rosemary J. Kern — Oct. 18, 2015; survived by daughters Kate Kern ’79 and Meg Kern Merholz ’81 and son-in-law Pat MacVeigh ’78
Margaret M. "Peg" LeVest — Aug. 19, 2016; former student; University benefactor.
James C. McKiernan — Oct. 18, 2016; retired UD Research Institute staff.
Pamela J. "Patti" Miller Pugh — Nov. 22, 2016; survived by sons Mike Pugh ’75, Bill Pugh ’75, Dan Patrick ’79 and Dave Pugh ’83 and daughters Ann Pugh Fosheim ’84 and Mollye Pugh Hollis ’87
Joseph P. Schrage II — Oct. 3, 2016; survived by wife Kristina Bjelopetrovich Schrage ’06
Roger L. Vissoc — Aug. 20, 2016; retired UD Institute staff.
Ann L. Williams — Oct. 23, 2016; retired UD Research Institute staff.
WIDE EYES, OPEN MINDS, CONTAGIOUS LAUGHTER. THE WHIMSICAL SOUNDS OF CHILDREN EXPLORING INTERACTIVE EXHIBITS KEEP JAN WRZESINSKI THE HAPPIEST SHE CAN BE AT HER JOB AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE GULF COAST EXPLORUM SCIENCE CENTER IN MOBILE, ALABAMA.

A COMMUNICATION MAJOR WHILE AT UD, WRZESINSKI HAD A STINT WORKING IN RADIO BROADCASTING EARLY IN HER CAREER, WHERE SHE WAS KNOWN AS JAN MCKAY. SHE NOW FINDS HERSELF WITH MORE THAN 25 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE WORKING IN MUSEUMS.

AND, SHE SAYS THERE’S NEVER A BORING DAY. AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, WRZESINSKI BLENDS HER SKILLS TO WORK ON FUNDRAISING, COMMUNICATIONS, PLANNING AND OUTREACH TO THE COMMUNITY.

THE EXPLORUM IS A VERY EXCITING PLACE. OUR MISSION IS TO INSPIRE A LOVE OF MATH AND SCIENCE AMONG ALL CITIZENS, IN PARTICULAR SCHOOL CHILDREN, THROUGH SUMMER CAMPS, SPECIAL DEMONSTRATIONS, AND OTHER HANDS-ON LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES,” SHE SAID.

SHE RECALLED THE TIME WHEN NASA GAVE A MOON ROCK TO THE EXPLORERUM FOR TWO WEEKS. “ALTHOUGH THERE WAS A HIGH LEVEL OF SECURITY SURROUNDING THE EXTRATERRESTRIAL OBJECT, THE MUSEUM GUESTS ENJOYED THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE FIRSTHAND A PIECE OF OUTER SPACE.

ULTIMATELY, WRZESINSKI SAID SHE HOPES THE MUSEUM EXPERIENCE PROVIDES AN ADDITIONAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT FOR CHILDREN TO APPRECIATE THE WORLD AROUND THEM: “WE HELP BRIDGE THE Formal CLASSROOM LEARNING ENVIRONMENT WITH GROUP AND INDIVIDUAL SCIENCE ACTIVITIES. WE MAKE IT FUN.”

WRZESINSKI ENJOYS THE CHALLENGES OF RUNNING THE MUSEUM, WHICH HAS A $2 MILLION BUDGET, TO HELP MAINTAIN THE THREE PERMANENT GALLERIES, SEVERAL ROTATING GALLERIES AND THE PRE-KINDERGARTEN DEMONSTRATION AREA.

CHILDREN CAN PARTICIPATE IN CHEMISTRY EXPERIMENTS, LEARNING HOW TO COOK HEALTHY, EXAMINING THE LUNGS OF SMOKERS, AND TAKING PART IN OTHER HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES.

“KIDS MEAN A LOT TO ME IN THE WORK THAT I DO,” SHE SAID. “TO ME, ALL KIDS ARE Precious.”

—KARINA CABRERA ’18 AND GITA BALAKRISHNAN
KEN SHOMAKER (EET) lives in Powell, Ohio. He writes, “I spent two weeks traveling to Greece with my daughter, Kelley Shomaker Schaefer ’12. We visited Crete, Santorini and Athens.”

MIKE WILLIAMS (HST) lives in Vandala, Ohio. He writes, “My article ‘Flyers in the Finals’ about Dayton’s run to the finals of the 1967 NCAA men’s basketball tournament was the cover story for the January-March 2017 issue of Timeline magazine, published by Ohio History Connection. The article is based on a variety of sources, including microfilm of newspaper and magazine accounts from the 1966-67 season, as well as interviews I did with Don Donoher and former team members Dan Sadler and Gene Klaus.”

1983
PATTI JUNKER GRAY (POL) lives in Pittsburgh. She writes, “In 1980, Lynda Gordon Joseph ’83, Sue Harrington Filloon ’83, Janet Bricmont Stone ’83, Cathy Boling Kosinski ’84, Paula Marchese Patriarca ’84 and I met in the hallways of Marycrest 7 North. During the past 36 years, we’ve celebrated weddings, shared in the joy of the birth of babies, comforted each other after the death of loved ones and always encouraged one another’s dreams. We gathered at the Jersey Shore for sun, laughs and reconnection one weekend in August 2016.”

PAULA REYNOLDS MATTHEWS (HEC) and EDWARD MATTHEWS ’82 (CME) live in Upper Saint Clair, Pa. They write, “In November, we celebrated 33 years of marriage. As the song says, ‘Don’t blink,’ because one day you’re holding hands in KU and, 33 years later, you’re looking back at three children and three relocations, wondering where the time has gone.” Paula is a fourth-grade teacher.

1984
DAVID EVANS (IET) and PHYLLIS BOLCHALK EVANS (IET) live in Warren, Ohio. They write, “We took our University of Dayton Magazine with us to the Haleakalā volcano on the island of Maui, Hawaii.”

GLENN LYMAN ’90

Confessions of a chef

It might have been the Chef Boyardee pizza kit he received from a grade school friend as a birthday present, or the cookbook his mom gave him with the peanut brittle recipe he couldn’t wait to try. Or, maybe, it was the “bologna-banger” sandwiches — an original recipe — he loved to whip up at lunchtime.

When Glenn Lyman’s love affair with the kitchen began isn’t clear, but it is unmistakable.

“I cooked in high school for my friends and our dates before dances,” he said. “In college, I’d leave campus and go to Dorothy Lane Market and just look around.”

The culinary arts, however, weren’t an immediate career path for the communication management graduate. Lyman spent more than a decade working in sales — his first commission check, in fact, went to buy a gas grill. His kitchen time was limited to nights and weekends but, at the urging of his wife Lynda Kely Lyman ’90, that all changed in 2003 when he finally shifted gears and became a personal chef.

“It was the scariest thing I had ever done, but the best thing I’ve ever done,” he said. “I drove home the day I gave my notice and felt free. It was incredible.”

Six months into his new endeavor, everything changed when he met with a young NBA rookie in his penthouse apartment — LeBron James.

“I cooked his first pregame meal of the preseason,” Lyman said.

Within days, the Cleveland native was the personal chef for the now four-time NBA Most Valuable Player — a position he held for five years.

The owner of GCooks, in Charlotte, North Carolina, has built an athlete client list that has included five-time Pro Bowl wide receiver Steve Smith Sr., four-time NASCAR Cup champion Jeff Gordon and 12-time Olympic medalist Ryan Lochte.

While much has changed since he regularly grilled out on his porch in the UD student neighborhood, he said one thing has not — his passion for cooking.

“Looking back, this journey has been amazing, and I’m not done yet.”

— Debbie Juniewicz

1985
BRENDA MAYHALL COYLE (SYA) and her husband, Joe, live in Mason, Ohio. She writes, “I brought my University of Dayton Magazine to UD Family Weekend. Our son, James, is a first-year student living in Founders Hall. We’re proud that he is a mechanical engineering major with a robotics concentration. My former residence, 120 Lawnvew, is still there. I tested photos to my UD friends Heidi Zschuppe Cooke, Noel Moran Vickers, Lidia Berrone, Mary Padgett Flounlacker, Renee Rusnack Schnelker, Angela Cardon Kushner and Valerie Bracaloni Ahearn, which triggered a lot of fond memories. Joe and I are new basketball season ticket holders. Go Flyers.”

LISA PATTERSON HANAHAN (SWK) and DOUGLAS HANAHAN ’91 (IET) live in Germantown, Ohio. She writes, “Our oldest daughter, Jennifer Hanahan ’11, is also a UD graduate.”

MIKE ZERNIC (ME) lives in Cleveland. He writes, “On Sept. 24, 2016, a small group of Phi Sigma Kappa brothers gathered from the Cleveland-Hudson-Pittsburgh area at my house to celebrate a bit more free time as our children become more independent. Joining me were Rich Alt ’85, Mike Castello ’86, Pat McKeon ’89, Mark Werderber ’86 and Eric Hendrickson ’88. We grabbed the latest edition of University of Dayton Magazine for our group pic, and if you look closely in the left background, you will see a grotto with Mary overseeing our mini reunion.”

1986
LAURA STRAMAGLIA MASURAS (RTV-CMM) lives in Sugar Grove, Ill. She writes, “Mary Kelly Brunsman ’87, Valerie Chase Campbell ’87, Debra Ivone Kelly ’87, Beth Gordon Brooks ’87 and I met in Nashville in September 2016 for a Campus South/Alpha Phi reunion weekend. The biannual vacations have been going strong for more than 20 years.”

ANDREW NATALE (POL) lives in Troy, Ohio. Super Lawyers 2017 has named him to its 2017 Ohio Super Lawyers list. Andrew is an attorney at Frantz Ward LLP.

1987
PATTY HARDINA (FIN) currently lives and works in Chicago. She is the managing director in Institutional Equity Sales for Needham and Co., an investment bank headquartered in NYC. Patty opened a Chicago office for Needham in 2013. She is also a co-owner of a Mathnasium, an after-school math learning center, in the West Loop of Chicago. In her spare time, Patty enjoys spending time with her husband, Pat Wells, and two boys, Nate, 12, and Josh, 11. She writes, “We have a hectic lifestyle so we love going on vacation! Some of our favorite trips have been to Hawaii, Aruba, Lake Tahoe and the Grand Canyon.”

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ICHEN JIANG '93

Strokes of inspiration

For Ichen Wu Jiang, Chinese painting and calligraphy is the way to her heart. She has been teaching this subject for 19 years and says she has found her true passion in life in her work.

The fine arts and interior design major founded Ichen Art Academy in 1997. Her studio is the first comprehensive art institute dedicated to Chinese-Western art education in the Bay Area of San Francisco.

“I really like to share my passion of art to other students. Throughout the years, I get to see my students grow up and go to college, often to art colleges,” Jiang said. “I am very happy we make a difference in their lives.”

Jiang initially began her work as an interior designer in Florida, but soon realized it wasn’t the best fit for her artistic nature.

“I loved it, but you have to treat customers according to their taste, which may not be yours. You have to adapt to what they like,” said Jiang. “I am an artist person and I like to make my work.”

Jiang started teaching in her home studio with just two students. Today, the academy has expanded to two locations in California, one in Fremont and the other in Pleasanton.

The students range in age from toddler to adult, with all levels of experience. Students can choose classes such as children’s art exploration, children’s creative art, watercolor and oil painting.

“Teaching is like sharing with other people. I love my job,” Jiang said. “I think the most fortunate thing you can do is something with your life you really love. I feel really lucky to have that.”

—Bridget Lally ’17
Car safety comes first

Her steady hands gripped the steering wheel as she zoomed between the maze of neon parking cones. She didn’t know what was going faster, her heart or the never-before-driven vehicle as it accelerated. “This feels right,” she thought.

Hamblin has always known she wanted to be an engineer. “I loved puzzles growing up because I liked to see how things work together to make something bigger,” she said. “And then I fell in love with physics and just wanted to take more classes. I have a passion for constantly learning and problem solving.”

The Wisconsin native said that when she was a student, she was one of the few female mechanical engineering majors at the University: “Kettering Labs only had women’s bathrooms on every other floor.” Although she was a minority, she never felt like her views were discounted. She said she credits many of her professors who always made sure her voice was heard with the self-confidence she developed.

Hamblin is a senior engineer in the suspension performance department at Honda R&D Americas and led the dynamics team for the 2016 Honda Civic that won the North American Car of the Year award.

“The team as a whole was extremely proud of the car and knew that we had made a home-run product well before the award was given. We had all worked really hard to bring the best of all of our areas to the customers, and always keep that Honda high quality, fun-to-drive mentality as the focus,” Hamblin said. Although she doesn’t consider herself a huge fan of cars, she appreciates understanding how and why they work. Her main task is to make sure everything in the vehicle feels right. From little bumps on the road to taking sharp left turns, Hamblin is responsible for the car’s functionality and gets to test drive the cars at Honda’s facilities near Columbus, Ohio. She finds her job particularly interesting because she said it is a “physical and real-life representation of engineering.”

“Each day is filled with a new challenge and learning curve, but they always offer extremely rewarding opportunities,” she said. “New technology means new projects, and I look forward to them as they come to me!”

—Erin Frey ’18

BRIDGET HAMBLIN ’05

1994

FRANK CHAWK (INS) lives in Alexandria, Va. He writes, “I’m a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps and a foreign area officer for Europe. Last spring, I attended a three-day seminar at George Washington University’s Elliott School of International Affairs to discuss European security issues with other military officers, former ambassadors and experts in European matters. Zlatko Kaurin ’11 is a graduate student at George Washington and helped organize the event. We met and found we’re both INS majors from UD. Go Flyers.”

MATT JOSEPH (ENG) lives in Dayton. Carroll High School (Dayton) named him to its Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame in October 2016. Inclusion is based on academic excellence, career achievement, Christian leadership, dedicated service, philanthropy, heroism, humanitarianism and cultural enrichment. Matt has served as a Dayton City Commissioner since 2004.

SARAH KENDRICK KLINE (PUB) writes, “After two years of living in Ankara, Turkey, my husband, daughter and I moved to Annapolis, Md. I spearhead a global initiative called 5k4Refugees with three friends, raising money and awareness for refugees. Learn more at www.5k4Refugees.com.”

PAULETTE REILLY ZIELSDORF (EDU) and MATT ZIELSDORF ’93 (MKT) live in Pewaukee, Wis. They write, “Matt began a new career as vice president of sales and marketing with Apache Stainless Equipment Corp. in Beaver Dam, Wis., in October 2016. Paulette works part time as an intervention assistant with Pewaukee Lake Elementary School. Our oldest daughter, Ellie, decided to follow in our footsteps and is a freshman at UD. Ellie lives in Marycrest and is majoring in elementary education. Ellie absolutely loves UD. We were all at UD for Family Weekend 2016. While there, our 16-year-old high school junior, Erin, toured UD and is now considering applying. Our youngest, Megan, 13, already has decided that UD is where she wants to be. Go Flyers.”

1997

STEVEN BERRY (HST)(PHL) has been hired as director of development for Merit School of Music in Chicago, where he lives. Previously, Steven was senior director of development at the Green Music Center at Sonoma County, Calif. Steven writes, “I’m thrilled at the opportunity to return to Chicago. Music has been a huge part of my life, and playing music, access to lessons and music appreciation shaped my identity as a young person and continue to enrich my life. Ensuring that young people have access to high-quality music education is an incredibly important mission.”

RICHANNE MANKEY (ESA) lives in Defiance, Ohio. She writes, “I was inaugurated Oct. 13, 2016, as the 19th president of Defiance College. I came to Defiance from Daemen College in New York, where I was vice president for institutional advancement. My positions of leadership in higher education span nearly three decades.”

1998

MATT GUAY (ESM) lives in Indianapolis with his wife, Emily, and daughter, Audrey. The Indianapolis Indians minor league baseball team has named him assistant general manager for tickets and operations. Matt has worked for the organization for 18 years, beginning as a ticket services intern in 1999. Under his leadership, the Indians’ ticketing staff has become one of the most successful in minor league baseball, setting franchise attendance records each year since 2014. In addition, Junior Achievement of Central Indiana selected Matt as a finalist in the 2016 Indy’s Best and Brightest Awards.

2000

THOMAS DERHAKE (ELE) and KATRINA WANZER DERHAKE ’01 (ENG) announce the birth of Leila Caroline (7-5-16), who joins brothers Dylan and Oliver at home in Chicago.

JOE POTT (RTV-CMM) lives in Saint Louis. He writes, “I went on a family trip to Walt Disney World and brought along the summer edition of the University of Dayton Magazine. Along for the trip were Flyers Emily Stenson Pott ’00 and Liz Stenson Benton ’03.”

2001

REBECCA BUTLER (MBA) lives in Oakwood, Ohio. She was recently named vice president of enrollment management and student services at Columbus State Community College in Columbus, Ohio.
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ANDREW BOEHNLEIN '11

Get demotivated

George Scott Baker is an average guy. He’s OK with it, and he wants other average folks to embrace their averageness too. In fact, he gives entire seminars on how to be average. Baker, the alter ego of Andy Boehnlein, says that being average gets a bad rap when it really shouldn’t.

“People think of average as not even trying,” said Boehnlein. “But it’s really about being OK with who you are rather than being stressed out all the time trying to keep up with the person next to you.”

George’s debut was hardly average, however. He appeared on Chicago’s famed The Second City stage in what Boehnlein called, “kind of a terrible sketch.” Still, Boehnlein, who spent six months studying sketch writing, improv and acting during his sophomore year and lived together all four years. After graduation, Louis moved to Salzburg, Austria, to work at the American International School, where he’s still working. His father, who also grew up in the Dayton area, works there as well, and the family has connections to Steyr, Austria, sister city to Kettering, Ohio, which is how the Austria connection originally formed. Lou and I spent eight days riding from the west to the east of Austria.”

I took my inspection in Dallas, met during levee in Leawood, Kan. She writes, “We met at UD and got engaged on the front porch of 240 Kiefaber Ave., where it all began. About 55 UD alumni attended the wedding, including Denis Berger ’53. Rudy Flyer even made a surprise appearance. The wedding party included Ashley Robison ’14, Sarah Parr ’10, Brian Hoyer ’08, Dan Bade ’08 and Doug Wiersma ’08, as well as current student Annie Knezevic ’18. Michael works in sales for an industrial equipment company.” The couple lives in Washington Township, Ohio.

GREGORY MARCONI (EM) married Denise LeBuffe in Malvern, Penn. He writes, “‘Flyers who were groomsmen included Russell Pierce’08, Kevin Heitz ’09, Anthony Miskewicz ’09 and Anthony Antenucci ’09. We look forward to attending a Flyers basketball game this season.” The couple lives in Lewisburg, Pa.

KELLY FOSTER RADWAN (EMS) and JONATHAN RADWAN ’07 (CIS) announce the birth of Jonathan Thaddeus Jr. (5-4-16), who joins sister Jovie at home in Avon Lake, Ohio.

CARRIE ROBISON (EIS) married MICHAEL KNEZEVIC (ENG) Aug. 1, 2016 in Dayton, Ohio. They write, “We met at UD and got engaged on the front porch of 240 Kiefaber Ave., where it all began. About 55 UD alumni attended, including Denis Berger ’53. Rudy Flyer even made a surprise appearance. The wedding party included Ashley Robison ’14, Sarah Parr ’10, Brian Hoyer ’08, Dan Bade ’08 and Doug Wiersma ’08, as well as current student Annie Knezevic ’18. Carrie is an intervention specialist with the Tipp City, Ohio, schools.” The couple lives in Washington Township, Ohio.

JASON TIEMAN (BI-MIS) married Danielle France May 21, 2016, at the Church of the Incarnation in Centerville, Ohio. He writes, “Our wedding party consisted of many Flyer alumni, including Ryan Britt, Steve Kerley, Kevin Hinkle, Ross Pleimann and Julie Smith. We did a lot of our wedding pictures on the UD campus and, of course, we had to make a stop at our old house at 23 Rogge St.” The couple lives in Dayton.
2010

STEVEN NATHANIEL (MEE) and HEATHER PETRIE NATHANIEL ’12 (CME) announce the birth of Byron Andrew (7-13-16), who joins brother Cormac at home in Bloomington, Ind. Steven is a doctoral candidate at Indiana University.

JIM O’CONNOR (FIN)(ECB) married MARY CLARE JORDAN (PUB) April 9, 2016, at Old St. Patrick’s Church in Chicago. They write, “Approximately 40 UD alumni attended. The reception was at Galleria Marchetti in Chicago.” The couple lives in Chicago.

MICHAEL PLASPOHL (CJS) and his wife, Julie, announce the birth of Mackenzie Jane (10-26-16), who joins sisters Alexandra and Elizabeth at home in Broadview Heights, Ohio.

MEGAN KWIAKTOWSKI RITTENHOUSE (ECE) and CHARLES RITTENHOUSE ’08 (ECA)(LAW) announce the birth of Annabelle Elizabeth (7-1-16), who joins them at home in Toledo, Ohio. They write, “We think she had the perfect going-home-from-the-hospital adventure.”

2011

LAINA GROTE (VCD) married TANNER ADAMS ’12 (ELE) Sept. 17, 2016, in Westerville, Ohio. They write, “Many former Flyers celebrated with us, including four in the wedding party: Ashley Fithen Allison ’11, Loni Dickerhoof ’11, Ryan Mellion ’12 and Adam Von Lehmden ’13. Loni and Ryan actually arranged our meeting on Halloween weekend in 2011. We have been inseparable ever since.” The couple lives in Westerville, Ohio.

LAUREN MADDENTE (CJS) lives in Delafield, Wis. She has joined the firm of Fox, O’Neill & Shannon S.C. in Milwaukee as an associate. Lauren provides legal services within the firm’s business and litigation practice groups.

HEATHER PETRIE NATHANIEL (CME) and STEVEN NATHANIEL ’10 (MEE) announce the birth of Byron Andrew (7-13-16), who joins brother Cormac at home in Bloomington, Ind. Heather is a process engineer for Cook Pharmica.

EMILY POEPELMAN (EMS) lives in Charlotte, N.C. She writes, “I spent three weeks traveling through Germany with two of my middle childhood education classmates, Margaret Hermanson ’12 and Kelley Shomaker Schafer ’12. Our favorite town was Bamberg, Germany. It is a small town with lots of history.”

KELLEY SHOMAKER SCHAEFER (EMS) lives in Charlotte, N.C. She writes, “I spent two weeks traveling through Europe with my college roommates, Jacklyn Kowalski ’12 and Nicole Myers ’12. We visited various cities in Germany, as well as Prague and Rome. #foreverflyersforeverfriends”

2012

TANNER ADAMS (ELE) married LAINA GROTE ’11 (VCD) Sept. 17, 2016, in Westerville, Ohio. They write, “Many former Flyers celebrated with us, including four in the wedding party: Ashley Fithen Allison ’11, Loni Dickerhoof ’11, Ryan Mellion ’12 and Adam Von Lehmden ’13. Loni and Ryan actually arranged our meeting on Halloween weekend in 2011. We have been inseparable ever since.” The couple lives in Westerville, Ohio.

CHRIS LAUX (MEE) married JULIE STRUNK (MKT)(ENT) Oct. 17, 2015, in Columbus, Ohio. They write, “Our wedding party included fellow alumni Heather Jorgensen ’12, Evan Jenks ’12, Mike Graham ’12, Mike Owens ’12 and David Strunk ’09. Many other Flyers also attended to celebrate.” The couple lives in Dublin, Ohio.

2013


2014

AUSTIN HEMINGER (ACC)(FIN) married JENNIFER ANDREWS ’13 (MED) July 16, 2016, in Cincinnati. They write, “Many UD alumni attended, including Grant Heminger, Jeff Timpone, Chris Glavan, Mary Toady, Nick Capeley, Olivia Weyler, Matt Oxman, Courtney Edwards, Scott Johnson, Nick DiNovo, Frank Weyler, Mark Fitzgerald, Steve Perkins, Mitch Chamberlin, Paul Ternzi, Kylie Rook, Kyle Hodgeman, Maddie Whelan and Sadie Whelan.” The couple lives in Cincinnati with their chocolate lab puppy, Rudy.

2015

TAYLOR DWYER (ECP) lives in Greenwood, Ind. Taylor was recently inducted into the Alpha Society academic honor society at Franklin College in Franklin, Ind., where he works as a coordinator for Greek life and student activities.

MEGHAN MATHIEWS (BIO) lives in Grove City, Ohio. Meghan was recently accepted to the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine in Urbana, Ohio.

2016

MEGAN BURTON (HST) (CMM) has joined Jesuit volunteer organization JVC Northwest as a full-time volunteer with Catholic Charities of Spokane in Spokane, Wash.

FLANNERY COHILL (PHO) has joined Jesuit volunteer organization JVC Northwest as a full-time volunteer with L’Arche Noah Sealth in Seattle, Wash.

MARIA FINAN (IBM)(ENT) lives in Knoxville, Iowa. She writes, “One of my UD housemates, Erin Mohney, and I joined AmeriCorps VISTA for a year of service after graduation. Erin is serving in Green River, Wyo., as a public works research VISTA volunteer and is looking at the viability and efficiency of the city’s recycling program. I am serving with the I Have a Dream Foundation in Boulder County, Colo., which empowers students from low-income backgrounds to make it to and through college. Earlier this month, Erin and I met for a hike in Medicine Bow National Forest. The copy of our University of Dayton Magazine featuring national parks fit right in.”
A ministry with risk

By Rodney Chatman

You are having your worst possible day. Your spouse has died suddenly or is being rushed to the hospital after a heart attack. Or your best friend has been shot. Who are the first people you see, the first with any opportunity to aid you spiritually?

They are the first responders, the police, the EMTs.

I am a police officer. And my spiritual life is part of who I am. I see my career as a ministry.

Mixing faith with work comes with risk. It’s hard to know if one should ask a person who has just seen an ambulance take away a loved one, “Do you mind if I pray with you?” But it is a question I asked when working on police forces in the public sector. And one that has been answered with gratitude.

I saw the opportunity to come to the University of Dayton as executive director of public safety and chief of police as a chance to authentically be who I am, to have my work life intersect with my spiritual life. At UD you can authentically pray for people; there are other people with whom you can express your faith.

So much of what we do here centers on prayer. If there is a crisis, a national tragedy, we respond with a prayer service. Monthly, people of all faiths and backgrounds and beliefs and cares and hopes gather outside the chapel and pray for peace.

People here often open their meetings with a prayer. Within public safety I have started a virtual Bible study group. Early in the morning I send a verse to my colleagues. Those who the verse may touch can respond to the group. Or someone affected very personally may just respond to me. In December we did Bible trivia, with questions one day and answers the next.

My role in ministering in crisis is different here from what it was in the public sector because of the existence of Campus Ministry and numbers of people who can offer spiritual aid. Working with Campus Ministry has been wonderful. Father Kip Stander, S.M. ’73, blessed our vehicles. We had a Mass for police officers during National Police Week. [National Police Week is annually the week of May 15, National Peace Officers Memorial Day.] And there was a Mass for first responders attended by police in uniform, EMS students and the broader community.

And, like the rest of campus, we try to do things for the Dayton community. At Easter, we provided baskets for people in a shelter. At Christmas, we had Shop with a Cop for some children from the Dayton Early College Academy and Holy Angels School.

At the center, there is community. And that’s not always an easy thing. I was struck watching a television interview recently about changing laws to allow guns on campus. One participant was a Virginia Tech shooting survivor; the other, a student who had been robbed and assaulted. One’s response to guns was “No! No! No!” The other’s, “Yes! Yes! Yes!” But the interview showed us clearly both positions because of the skill of the interviewer, NBC’s Tamron Hall. That’s what the power of community can do. It can’t make us all alike. It can bring us together to live in love and respect.

I am in a profession that can help harness the spiritual power in a community. It is a profession with much risk and difficulty. Police officers are being shot at. They are in situations in which they need to have the temperament and the training to minister effectively to people.

Right now, we could use one thing from you.

Prayers.
The Tonight Show included a clip from morning news on Spanish national television. “Me gusta Al Gore.”

American students in Spanish who they ing matches. One reporter asked a group of board. It was already late and getting later.

One of my housemates, a French national, raised his hands in disgust.

“Who cares? What is he going to do about the economy?” Sebastian harrumphed.

Days later, word spread through our flat of expats and study abroad students that the U.S. ambassador to Spain was hosting an election night party at the embassy, and all Americans abroad and close friends were invited. Our merry band of American college kids put on the best outfits we’d brought to Madrid and prepared to celebrate — or boo — the election of the U.S. president.

The ambassador displayed an Old World graciousness unfamiliar to many of us young college students, kissing our hands upon our arrival into the opulent structure. We mingled with other college students, longtime expatriates and reporters from multiple news agencies. As locals had told me, the president of the United States set the tone for the rest of the world. International citizens watched our elections closely, hoping Americans would make a wise choice.

Madrid was six hours ahead of Eastern Standard Time, so it wasn’t until 2 a.m. that we partygoers began seeing election results roll in from the States. We watched as the Eastern seaboard began turning blue while the South went red. There was an audible gasp when Bush won Tennessee over native-son Gore, and Democrats in the audience cheered when Florida won. Then Florida went back on the board. It was already late and getting later.

One network announced that Gore had won Florida. Then Florida went back on the board. It was already late and getting later. Democrats and Republicans got into shouting matches. One reporter asked a group of American students in Spanish who they wanted to win, and why.


“Noooo ...” said the guy next to her. “iBush es bueno y Gore es malo!”

By 4 a.m. I gave up. I had to be at my office in a few hours.

I hopped in a cab. The driver asked me in Spanish who won.

“No sé,” I answered, then proceeded to explain how Florida was still in dispute. He was stunned but proceeded to ask about other American elections during the 20-minute drive. He asked me to explain one U.S. Senate race where he heard a dead man had beaten a live candidate.

“How can a dead guy run for office?”

This cabdriver, halfway around the world, knew about the Missouri race, in which the Democrat, then-governor Mel Carnahan, died in a plane crash barely a month before the election. His name wasn’t removed from the ballot, and he posthumously got more votes than Republican incumbent John Ashcroft. I was amazed at how much news of American elections spread overseas, and how quickly.

At the same time, I felt embarrassed about how little I had known about the world.

After just two hours of sleep, I woke up to hear there were no final election results.

The United States wouldn’t have a president for another few weeks. I wondered if I’d soon be witnessing the collapse of my home country from afar. What type of nation would I be returning to in December? What if this election fiasco became the thing that finally ended the Great American Experiment in Democracy and led us to anarchy and martial law? Today those thoughts seem extreme, but at the time, I didn’t know what to think.

As I continued to work and travel across Europe, the election remained a popular topic. “Who is your president?” asked a Portuguese shopkeeper when she learned I was from the United States. Yes, hanging chads were front-page news in Portugal, and the decisive Supreme Court case led the news in Switzerland.

We all know the result. The country didn’t collapse. The Great American Experiment in Democracy survived.

Five little words

By Westina Matthews Shatteen ‘70

Reflections From Along the Wilminton River – January 10, 2017

“I am 97, not 98,” she gently corrected me. “I was born in 1919.”

I quickly did the math in my head, and realized my great aunt, who is like a mom to me, was correct. I had aged her by a year since her birthday five months ago. In this season of her life, every day counts.

Ten days before Christmas, I had flown into Indiana to spend a few days with her. We were seated in her small apartment living room in a seniors’ independent living community — she on the couch with one cat curled up in her lap, the other cat nestled on the seat of her walker nearby, and I sitting in one of the two chairs. A 3-foot prelit, pre-decorated artificial tree stood on a table by her couch. Quietly we watched the snow fall outside her window, enjoying our time together.

“You know what I miss most?” she asked, breaking the silence.

Shaking my head slowly as I turned toward her, I was curious as to what she might say. Her house? Driving? Her husband? Clear vision? Mobility? Good health? Gourmet cooking? Which would it be?

“ ‘I miss who I was,’” she whispered.

There it was, the truth suspended in the air between us, as we oh-so-carefully and gingersly navigated crossing the tightrope of her life, hearts clinging to the balancing pole of the inevitable, with no net below to catch us should we fall. Five little words: She missed who she was.

I nodded, not sure what to say or even if I should say anything. The cat resting in her lap stretched lazily and purred; the other meowed in response. We continued to watch the snow falling on the tall pine trees outside her window, two snow birds fitting in and out of the branches, as I waited to see if she would say more.

No other words followed. It would seem that she had said all that she needed to say in those five little words.

I miss who I was.
Breaking [banana] bread

He laughs as he tells us he’s “speckled fruit.” “That’s what they called those of us in the contagion of the world too long,” says Brother Bob Hughes, S.M.

He joined the Society of Mary after an untraditional path: having received a bachelor’s degree in design from University of Cincinnati — skirting mandatory ROTC training — and then having been drafted into two years of military service. Most of the 100 other men at the novitiate came straight from high school. “It was a good place for a novitiate,” Brother Bob, 78, joked of the four-house village of Marcy, New York. “You couldn’t wander off.”

Brother Bob, a designer for University of Dayton Magazine, professed vows to the Society of Mary 50 years ago. While he balked when his magazine co-workers offered to throw him a party, he joined us in a celebratory breaking of homemade banana bread around the proofreading table — and even washed the bread plate and knife.

As the Marianist sisters and brothers celebrate their bicentennial [see Page 29], Brother Bob offers us a window into a quarter of that history.

Brother Bob’s first campus address was on Trinity Avenue at a time when Brother Tom Giardino, S.M. ’65, opened its doors to international Marianists who came for a UD education. It did not matter the nationality of their birth, Brother Bob says; he recognized them all.

“They had the same quality of spirit, of life, of concern for one another, and of community where everyone is involved,” he remembers thinking. “I was impressed that this personality that I had attributed as Marianist was present all over the world.”

Today, Brother Bob lives in the community on Chambers Street with brothers from Haiti, India, Switzerland and Togo. He walks to work in Albert Emanuel Hall and pulls out his chair, a gray cardigan draped over the back. Above his computer hang family portraits with the Chambers housemates smiling out.

When he remembers back to the day he professed his vows, he recalls the man in line in front of him who skipped out at the last moment. Brother Bob never had doubts.

“I’ve only wondered, why do I like this life so much?” he asks. “I feel really privileged to be in a religious family that empathizes the dignity of each individual and allows its members to grow in faith in a way that respects their individual talents.”

And we feel privileged to work with and know so many wonderful vowed Marianists.

Thank you, and happy anniversary.

—Michelle Tedford ’94
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Blossoming curriculum

What’s better than fudge brownie gelato? Coming up with a clever campaign to reuse the Talenti container and winning a top spot in the North American Unilever brand competition (after eating lots of gelato, of course). Grab a pint and follow the connections that led to the students’ sweet presentation.

Pints With A Purpose

Lauren Wolford ’17 MKT

“I was inspired by my family. Talenti is always in the house, and I’m obsessed with packaging.”

Colleen Sullivan ’17 MKT, products innovation emphasis

UD Unigame team

Ecological, enterprising reuse and social sharing of Talenti gelato containers

Irene Dickey, lecturer; Unigame coach

“Through intense preparations, they delivered an amazing and strategic product to Unilever.”

John Seals ’17 MKT, graphic design minor; directed and filmed video entry

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Every member of UD ROTC posed in the battalion formation for this 1925-26 photo on the field where Kennedy Union and the Central Mall now are. The Fighting Flyers celebrate their 100th anniversary this spring. To learn more, see Page 14.

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