

UC NEWS

ALUMNI FROM THE NEST

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

I hope you all enjoyed a great 4th of July weekend celebrating with family and/or friends. In less than 7 weeks, we will be welcoming students back to campus and starting the fall semester. We could not be more excited in the Alumni office as we plan for football games and Homecoming events happening in mid-October.

Our campus is buzzing with construction projects which will be completed by late August – ready for our students to utilize and for our alumni to see in a tour during Homecoming and Family Weekend.

I want to personally thank all alumni and UC friends for their support during this 2020-2021 fiscal year

which ended just one week ago. You made this one of our best years despite it also being one of the most challenging years ever!

Please make sure to look for upcoming emails and social media posts regarding Homecoming 2021. We will be posting the events with registration on the website on September 1.

Keep in touch with us!

Best regards,

Gail



SAVE THE DATE

UNIVERSITY OF CHARLESTON

HOMECOMING

AND **FAMILY WEEKEND**

OCTOBER 15 – 16 2021

LOOK FOR EVENT DETAILS AT
WWW.UCWV.EDU/HOMECOMING
AFTER SEPTEMBER 1

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Athletic Corner



Congratulations, Dr. Stevens!!

Bren Stevens, VP and Director of Athletics for UC has been selected to serve as president of Division II Athletic Directors Association for the 2021-22 membership year.

"I am humbled by the opportunity to serve as president for the D2 ADA, as our Board members are some of the best leaders across all three NCAA divisions," says Stevens.



Congratulations, UC Athletic Department!!

UC has been awarded the MEC Conference Commissioner's Cup, the league's annual award that recognizes overall athletic excellence among its membership.

This marks the fourth consecutive title and the 6th since the 2013-2014 school year.

Wings up, Golden Eagles!!

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SPOTLIGHT



A Brotherhood of Strong Bonds

The men of Sigma Phi Epsilon share a bond that has remained strong long past their college experience. The Morris Harvey College chapter of the fraternity began at the suggestion of a beloved professor and although there is not currently an active chapter on campus, the brothers continue to have an impact on the university and its future students.

The origin story includes six original founders of the organization and one professor's 1965 conversation. Joseph Robertson, Frank Mathews, Mark Robinson, Fred Rapp, Jim Arthur, and Rocky Bowers were in Dr. Fred Barkey's history class when he posed the question, "Why aren't

you boys in a fraternity?" When they did not have a solid answer, he suggested, "maybe you should start your own."

Read the full story of how they became a national chapter and still keep in touch [HERE](#).

Academic Announcements

There are some new leaders at UC!!

Allow us to introduce...



Dr. Mindy Smith, I
(R), (M)RDMS, M
MBA, DEL
Dean of Bert Bradf
School of Health Scie



Dr. Scott Weston,
MBA, BSPHarm, F
Dean of UC School
Pharmacy



Dr. Jason Matyus,
MBA Program Dire

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES



The University of Charleston Builders organization is helping to fund the installation of eight lampposts along the sidewalk on the riverfront lawn in 2022. The Builders, along with some individual donors, previously funded the installation of lampposts on the river side of Rigglesman Hall and in between Rigglesman and GSU. This year's project will include lampposts starting at Geary Student Union and continuing past Clay Tower and down to the Boat House, enhancing the beauty and safety of the area for all who use it. There are naming opportunities for each of the eight lampposts for any alums, community members or friends of the University who might like to leave their mark on UC or honor or memorialize a loved one by funding one of the lampposts. For more information, contact Catherine Eckley at catherineeckley@ucwv.edu or 304-357-4925.



Are you one of the over 150 proud UCAA members?

The UC Alumni Association is a great way to stay engaged, help plan alumni events, network with other alumni, and give back from wherever your wings have taken you!

The Gold Level requires a \$100 membership donation and includes a decal, key chain, coffee tumbler, invitations to special VIP events, discounts, and more.

The Maroon Level is just \$25 and includes our decal, alumni koozie, special events, discounts, and more.

Join your fellow Golden Eagle alumni (see a full list of current members [HERE](#)) by becoming a member of the UC Alumni Association. For more details, visit our [website](#) or feel free to reach out to the Alumni Office directly at 304-357-4734.

For the month of July, we will NOT have a full UCAA membership meeting. Instead, we will be meeting with the Special Alumni Events subgroup to review plans for Homecoming 2021. If you would like to be part of that conversation, please contact Christina Carr 304-357-4734.

Join Now



Member Responsibilities

- Encourage fellow alumni to join & participate in the association
- Cultivate projects that will enhance UC
- Be a "UC brand ambassador" - assisting in recruiting students
- Serve as "Give Day" ambassadors
- Participate in one senior student event in the spring
- Support alumni events

Gold Level
\$100 Membership Donation

- ✓ Alumni decal
- ✓ Bottle opener key chain
- ✓ Coffee tumbler with logo
- ✓ Upgraded seating at two basketball games per year
- ✓ Invitation to two special alumni events
- ✓ One VIP event with President Roth
- ✓ 15% off discount at UC Bookstore
- ✓ Hotel discounts for trips to Charleston
- ✓ Virtual Events throughout the year
- ✓ Access to private tailgate for first football game of the year

Maroon Level
\$25 Membership Donation

- ✓ Alumni decal
- ✓ Alumni Koozie
- ✓ Upgraded seating at one basketball game per year
- ✓ Invitation to one special alumni event
- ✓ 15% off discount at UC Bookstore
- ✓ Hotel discounts for trips to Charleston
- ✓ Virtual Events throughout the year
- ✓ Access to private tailgate for first football game of the year

In Memorium

Remembering Golden Eagle Alumni who have passed away in the last month.

Frederick S Hall, '66

Stephanie A Ciccarello Kettendorf, '71

Robert Condry, '63

Irene Campbell, '53

John Cornell, '52

Ann M. Kirtley, '65

Anna Thompson, '02

Please note: This list includes updates provided by family members, newspapers, and other sources. These dates reflect the period during which UC received and processed the information, not necessarily the dates that the individual passed away.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 16-19 - Professional Management, Professional Virtual Boot Camp
- see details [HERE](#)

October 15-16- Homecoming and Family Weekend

LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH

Have you recently changed jobs? Did you and your family make a big move? Do you have exciting news to share with your alumni family? We want to hear about it! Update your alumni record and enter your "Class Notes" [here](#) so that we can share your successes with the rest of the Golden Eagle family. Keep soaring to new heights!



Now you can network with Golden Eagle alumni on LinkedIn!

Get connected in this new way [HERE!](#)



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