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Dear Alumni and Friends,

I hope this message finds you and your families enjoying the colors of fall and the excitement of the upcoming holiday season.

Now halfway through the Fall semester, it has been great to see students, faculty, and staff enjoying the many campus enhancements we completed this summer. These include new and renovated classrooms, centers, and labs for business and healthcare programs at both the Charleston and

Beckley locations; new turf at our football and softball athletic facilities; improved student dining, lounge, outdoor recreation, and residential building enhancements; and network, security, computing, audio/visual, and virtual reality technology investments. These would not have been possible without gifts and grants for which we are grateful.

We have enjoyed hosting events again on campus. Please join us here or virtually as our guests offer insights to help us learn, grow, and succeed in our lives and work. Be sure to check the Events page on the UC website as well as our social media channels so you do not miss out.

If you have not done so this year, please consider supporting UC students with a gift to UC. Each year more students face economic challenges as they pursue a great UC education. Your generosity helps us provide access to students who may not otherwise be able to attend college, enjoy a transformational residential experience, or participate in collegiate sports. And what better place for these students than your university? You can help students soar as Golden Eagles!

Your generosity can also support current students who may be struggling to make ends meet. You would be overwhelmed by how appreciative students are when we can help them get the computer they need, find necessary food and personal care items in our Essentials Pantry, or help them with an unpaid balance.

Your gifts really make a difference in the lives of others. How fitting as we approach the holidays and prepare to usher in a great new year!

Best regards,

Marty



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UC FOOTBALL VS WV STATE TAILGATE

Saturday, November 12

UC Stadium

10:30 am - Tailgate

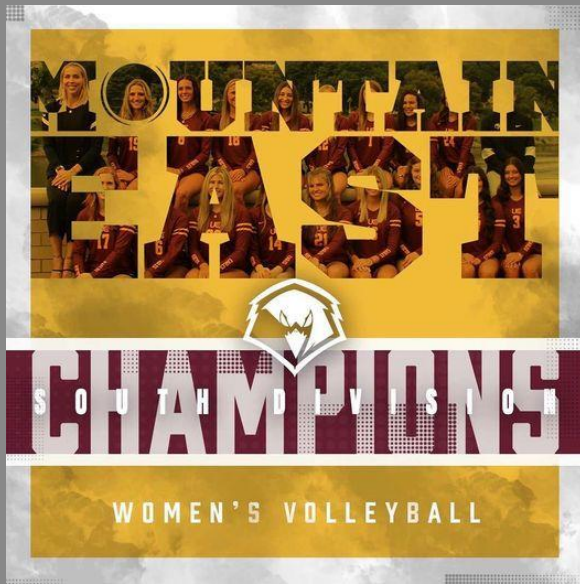
12:00 noon- Football

Game

(Graduates will be honored prior to kick off.)



[Register for the tailgate](#)
[HERE!](#)



UC Women's Volleyball has officially clinched the MEC South Division title and will host the MEC Tournament for the first time ever!

Tournament games will be held in the Wehrle Innovation Center from November 10-12. For all the MEC tournament information and to watch games via live stream click [HERE](#).

The final regular season game will be vs WV State University on Friday, Nov. 4th @ 7:00 pm in the Wehrle Innovation Center, come support these ladies as they gear up for tournament play! This game is a WHITE OUT, be sure to wear white!

UC Men's Soccer has claimed the MEC Regular Season Championship! The first round of MEC tournament play will be Thursday, November 3rd, 7:00 @ Welch Athletic Complex vs Wheeling University.

For tournament details and links to live stream the games click [HERE](#).

A special congratulations to Head Coach Daniel Smee for being named 2022 MEC Coach of the Year!





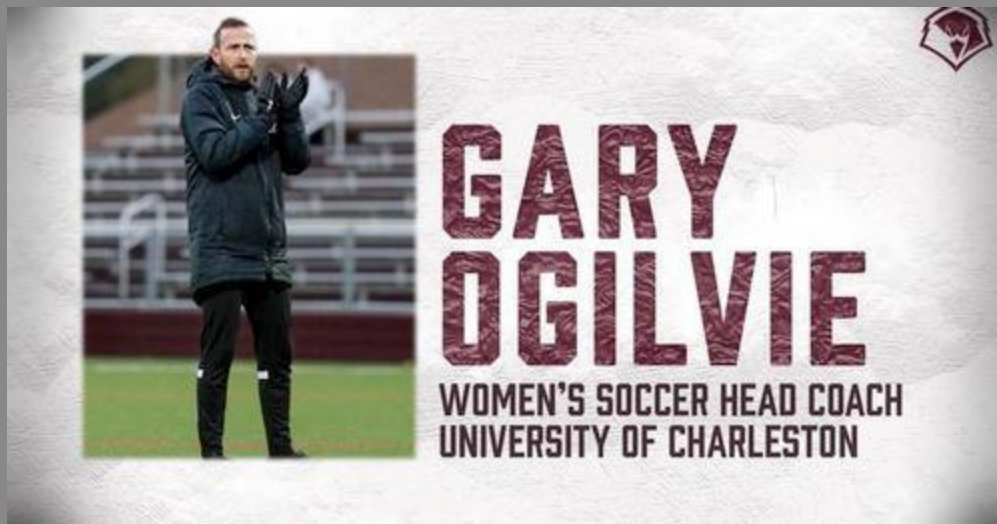
Thank you, Coach Diuguid!!

Following a storied career as the head women's soccer coach for the University of Charleston, Todd Diuguid has announced his retirement from coaching at the end of the 2022 season. Coach Diuguid has served in the role of head coach for 22 seasons, and his impact on thousands of athletes during this time has been nothing short of remarkable.

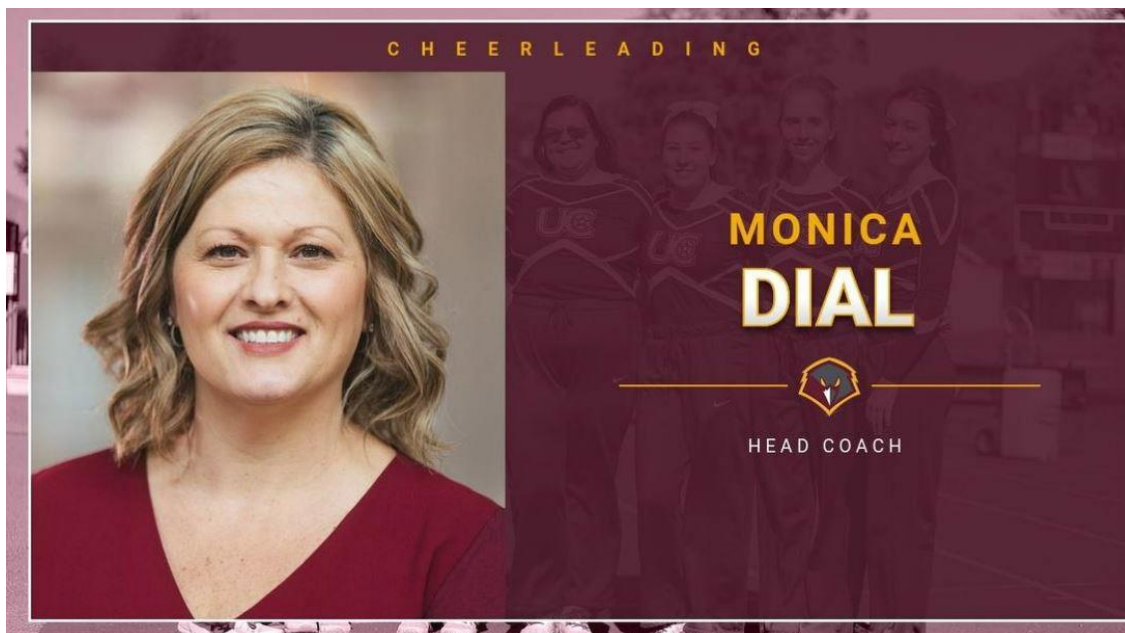
Todd is well respected by his coaching peers and has served countless years as the Chair of the Mountain East Conference and the NCAA's National Soccer Committee. Throughout the years, Todd has worked tirelessly to grow the game of soccer in our local community and throughout the state of West Virginia. It is evident that Coach Diuguid's passion for the game and his love for his players is always on display.

Coach Diuguid will continue to serve in his role at the university as the Senior Associate Athletic Director and his wisdom and compassion for our student-athletes will allow the department to continue to strive for excellence both on and off the field.

-Bren Stevens, UC Vice President and Director of Athletics



Gary Ogilvie has been named head coach of the UC Women's Soccer Program. Read all about Gary [HERE](#).



Monica Dial has been named as the new UC Cheerleading coach. Read more about Monica [HERE!](#)

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SPOTLIGHT



Frank Kirkland

Frank is a member of the class of 1981, he majored in psychology and has spent his career working with the developmentally disabled population. After Frank graduated, he took his first job at Spencer State Hospital (WV). "I really enjoyed working with the individuals in the psychology department and being part of the unit for mental illness. When we learned the hospital would be closing, my supervisor, who was a psychologist at West Virginia University, suggested that I apply for graduate school, and I did."

"One of my graduate school requirements was to do practicums two days a week. I did mine at a local developmental disabilities center, working with folks coming out of institutions, early intervention for children, etc. I just fell in love with the developmental disability patient population.

To read Frank's full story and learn how he has had an impact on so many communities, click [HERE](#).

Glenn Kirk

"I will always be grateful to Morris Harvey College and the experience that took a kid from Mingo County, WV, who talked funny and slow (they called it Mingoese) and gave me the confidence that I could compete with anybody in the world if I believed in myself. There were a couple of my professors, especially Dr. Sawyers, who taught in the English department, that taught me that the way I talk, and being from Mingo County was not who I had to be for the rest of my life. MHC gave me the opportunity to take who I was and let it be the springboard to who I could become."

"My wife and I view the campus as hallowed ground. I don't think there has ever been a time that I was back on campus that I didn't choke up and get tears in my eyes. We have a wonderful feeling toward that riverbank, the institution, and the people that changed my life. I may not have been able to walk across campus and get a cap and gown there, but that will always be my alma mater, it will always be my home."

Glenn has had a wonderful career and continues to be a great friend of the University. Read his inspiring full story [HERE](#).



The brothers of Kappa Delta Rho enjoyed some quality time together!

The annual Kappa Delta Rho Alumni weekend took place October 6-9th at The Summit. The brothers enjoyed great food, shooting contests, tailgating at a UC Football game - supporting our ten active members on the team, and fellowship while reconnecting.

The next Kappa Delta Rho Alumni event will be The Red Rose Formal on February 25, 2023, at Berry Hills Country Club. If you are a Kappa Delta Rho Alumni and wish to reconnect with the organization, please email Derek Hudson, drajia79@gmail.com or contact the alumni office, 304-357-4734.

Pictured above - Bill Day, Jacob Ryan, Hunter Adkins, Sammy Magner, Donnie McCollister, Shawn Lake, Jay Shannon, Derek Hudson, Larry Boggs, Daelan Boggs, Matt Poulton, Dr. Mike Tompkins, Wayne Stinnard, and Jacob Bodner

Pictured below- Jacob Bodner, Jacob Ryan (UC pharmacy student), Matt Poulton, Jay Shannon, Ken Carrier, Derek Hudson, Hunter Adkins (UC senior, pre-med), Chris Balladares, Scott Geyer, Daelan Boggs (UC senior, nursing major), Sam Stuck, Larry Boggs, Bill Day, Paul Konstanty, Wayne Stinnard, Shawn Lake, Dr. Mike Tompkins, Sammy Magner



It is always great to share what alumni are doing and celebrating! If you are reuniting with fellow alumni, we want to know about it! Please submit photos and details of your event to Christina Carr, 304-357-4734, christinacarr@ucwv.edu



MISSION TRIP DONOR WALL



November is here and it's time to recognize our generous donors featured on the UC PA Program Mission Trip Donor Wall!

Thanks to our donor wall supporters, we are that much closer to reaching our goal to assist UC PA students with the cost of travel, boarding and other essentials when they take their mission trip to serve underprivileged parts of the world without immediate access to healthcare.

Join the wall and claim your brick! Visit the link below to learn more.

MISSION TRIP DONOR WALL

MADELEINE LONG

"EVERY DAY IS A NEW DAY TO MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON SOMEONE'S LIFE!"

BOB & CHERYL WELTY

"THE BEST VIEW COMES AFTER THE HARDEST CLIMB."

GLENN D. KIRK

MARTY & LYNN ROTH

"KEEP MAKING A DIFFERENCE!"

WILLIAM & CONSTANCE DURKIN

"THANK YOU FOR HELPING OTHERS IN NEED"

ANONYMOUS

"GOOD LUCK. I AM IN AWE OF YOUR WONDERFUL WORK."

THOMAS & SUZANNE FINK

PAUL & JUDY BEDRIN

NANCY HUTZELL
"LOVE THE EDUCATION UCPAP PROVIDES OUR FUTURE PA'S!"

JOHN KIMENHOUR

"BE SAFE."

BEVERLY J. TRIPLETT

LINDA KIMENHOUR

JOSEPH JANISCH

KATELYN BARNAHRT

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UC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



Join or renew your membership in the month of November to add a 75th anniversary pen set to your swag package!



NOW is the perfect time to join the UC Alumni Association! We are debuting new swag this month, check out the playing cards designed by our very own Donor Relations Specialist, Chris Welty. **If you join or renew your membership by the end of November, you will also receive a 75th-anniversary pen set.** These sets were designed as part of the celebration of our 75 years of residing on our riverside campus.



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 Gold Renewal requires a \$100 membership donation and includes alumni playing cards, water bottle, invitations to special VIP events, discounts, and more.

The Maroon Level requires a \$25 membership donation and includes our decal, alumni koozie, invitations to special events, discounts, and more.

The Maroon Renewal requires a \$25 membership donation and includes an alumni water bottle, invitations to special events, discounts, and more.

The next UCAA Zoom Meeting will be on THURSDAY, November 10th @ 12:00 pm EST.



[Click HERE to join or renew TODAY!](#)

Welcome to our newest members - Christopher Davis and Tammie Taylor VanBrocklin

Thank you for renewing your memberships - Nadir Mirza, Susan Rogers, Jimmie McGlosson, Thomas Moore, Bren Stevens, Michelle Marlowe, Bill Thomas, Robert Parsons, and Tammy Owen

[Click HERE to view a list of all current UCAA members!](#)

In Memorium

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

Susan Persuex Rothermel, '72

Maureen Worth Hamilton, '72

David Ellis, '94

Valeria Bragg, '87

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Carolyn Hanly Hurt, '58

Berry Shiltz, '61

Joseph Chrest, Sr., '70

Lloyd Collins, '70

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



#GIVEFORGOLD

2.16.23

November 7th - Maier Foundation Ethics Speaker Series welcomes keynote speaker, former UC Women's Basketball Coach, Sherry Winn. 7:00 pm, Geary Auditorium, Riggleman Hall, RSVP [HERE](#)

November 10th - Noon - UCAA Monthly Zoom Meeting

November 10th - International Concert featuring UC Concert Choir and Symphonic Wind Ensemble, 7:00 pm, Geary Auditorium, Riggleman Hall

November 12th - UC Football vs WV State University Alumni Tailgate @ 10:30 am, kick off at noon, UC Stadium, RSVP [HERE](#)

For a full athletic schedule, click [HERE](#).



Holiday Sing-a-long

WITH

Concert Choir

AND

Symphonic Wind Ensemble

DECEMBER 4, 2022
2:00 PM
RIGGLEMAN HALL
GEARY AUDITORIUM



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www.ucwv.edu/band

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 so that we can share your successes with the rest of the Golden Eagle family. Keep soaring to new heights!

[Update Your Information HERE](#)



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