

Alumni Awards Ceremony

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Distinguished Service Awards

The Distinguished Service Awards recognize and honor alumni who have distinguished themselves through their professional endeavors and exemplary service to mankind.

Jill serves as Co-Department Chair and School Counselor for the New Albany High School Counseling Department, of the New Albany-Plain Local School District. She has been in the education field for the past 27 years, with many years of experience as a classroom science teacher.

"In my position, I have the opportunity to cultivate meaningful relationships with students and their families as they navigate through the four years of high school. Being resourceful and thinking outside the box with them allows me to make a difference in students' lives and help them reach their personal and educational goals."

Jill earned her Muskingum Bachelor of Science degree in Biology and her Master of Education degree in School Counseling from the University of Dayton. She is an active leader in her professional field with the National

Association of College Admissions Counseling, Ohio Association of College Admissions Counseling, the Ohio School Counseling Association, and the New Albany Neighborhood Bridges Steering Committee.

She and her husband Bret Cuthbert reside in Galloway, Ohio with their children Bret Cuthbert II (14) and Julia Cuthbert (11). Jill is an active member of St. James Lutheran Church in Hilliard, Ohio.

For 53 years, Dotti Humm's dedication to improving the health and wellbeing of others has changed the daily lives of residents throughout her community of greater Rochester, New York.

As the Owner of The Preferred Nutritionist since 1997, she coaches and consults with adult clients, helping to manage their health and reduce risk factors for serious chronic illnesses such as diabetes. She previously served as the county-wide Director of Meals on Wheels; on the faculty of the School of Food, Hotel & Tourism Management at Rochester Institute of Technology; and as a consultant dietitian and nutritionist for residential and heath care facilities.

Dotti majored in Liberal Arts at Muskingum. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Home Economics (Dietetics) from Drexel University and a Master of Business Administration (Management) degree from

 $Rochester\ Institute\ of\ Technology.\ She\ is\ a\ leader\ among\ her\ peers\ in\ the\ Academy\ of\ Nutrition\ and\ Dietetics\ at$ the local, state, and national levels, serving in multiple elected and appointed leadership positions, and authoring numerous publications and presentations.

She and her husband Larry Humm '64, retired SUNY Brockport administrator and professional ski instructor, reside in Brockport, New York.



JILL SCHUE CUTHBER

DOROTHY CACCAMO HUMM '67

Throughout his career in manufacturing and distribution leadership, Ed Pesicka has helped meet the needs of the healthcare, biotechnology, and scientific research industries. During the manufacturing response to the COVID-19 pandemic, he quickly became recognized as a national spokesperson, receiving invitations to the White House for presidential press conferences and being widely interviewed on news media outlets.

Since 2019, Ed has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of global healthcare solutions company Owens & Minor Inc., which manufactures and distributes medical and surgical supplies, and provides related services in supply chain management, logistics, and technology to healthcare customers. "My greatest satisfaction is being able to lead and develop others at a company that makes a difference in human life."



Ed earned his Muskingum Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Management and Accounting and a minor in Communications, He also holds a Master of Business Administration (Finance) degree from Case Western Reserve University's Weatherhead School of Management. Prior to joining Owens & Minor, Ed served Thermo Fisher Scientific Corporation - capping a 15-year tenure there as Chief Commercial Office and Senior Vice President; TRW Inc.; and PricewaterhouseCoopers.

He and his wife Wendy reside in Sewickley, Pennsylvania. They are the proud parents of Madison (23) and Jacob (21).

Jim Schmotter, President Emeritus of Western Connecticut State University since 2015, has served a lifelong, distinguished career in higher education leadership.

"I've been blessed with opportunities to help institutions and individuals reach their potential, including establishing new international programs at Cornell, creating a new School of Visual and Performing Arts at Western Connecticut, and leading a community through the tragedy of the 2012 Sandy Hook shootings. I learned many years ago at Muskingum that truly effective leadership is a team, not an individual, endeavor."

Jim led Western Connecticut State University as President from 2004-2015 and served as a Professor and Business School Dean from 1976 through 2004 at Binghamton University, Cornell University, Lehigh University, and Western Michigan University. He earned his Muskingum Bachelor of Arts degree in History and his Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in History from Northwestern

University.

He and his wife Daphne Jameson reside in Naples, Florida, where he serves as President of the Naples Council on World Affairs, President of Dunes of Naples II Condominium Association, and Lead Corporate Director of Ethan Allen Interiors. He enjoys playing tennis, fiction writing, following collegiate athletics, and volunteering with organizations that help young people achieve their dreams.

JIM SCHMOTTER '69

Emerging Alumni Awards

The Emerging Alumni Awards recognize and honor alumni, who in the first 15 years of their careers, have made significant contributions to their profession and their world.

University administrator Allison Avolio is passionate about the development of the whole student during undergraduate educational years. As the Deputy to the Dean of Student Life at Johns Hopkins University, she directly sees the impact of her work, watching with pride as students she has guided through challenges and successes cross the commencement stage.

"Hearing from former students – months or even years afterward – as they share a 'thank you' and that they learned something from me, is my greatest source of career satisfaction."

Allison earned her Muskingum Bachelor of Arts degree in History and her Master of Arts degree in Student Affairs in Higher Education from Slippery Rock University. She joined Johns Hopkins in 2014, after serving in various student affairs positions at Muskingum, Oberlin College, and Bowling Green State University.

She and her partner Seth Binder reside in Baltimore, Maryland.



As the Executive Director of GROW Licking County Community Improvement Corporation, Nate Strum makes a visible difference in his community, bringing jobs, investment and community pride. "The greatest satisfaction I can ask for is to be a change agent for my community."

He previously served as the Director of Economic Development for the Licking County Chamber of Commerce, Project Manager for the Regional Industrial Development Corporation (RIDC) of Southwestern Pennsylvania, Business Development Specialist for Allegheny County Economic Development (Pennsylvania), and Planner/Zoning Administrator of the City of Zanesville.



NATHAN STRUM '06

Nate earned his Muskingum Bachelor of Arts degree with a double major in political science and communication, and he holds a Master of Public Administration degree from Ohio University's George H. Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Affairs.

He has been honored by his peers with the International Economic Development Council's Gold Award for Excellence in Economic Development Programming and by The Newark Advocate with its "20 Under 40" award.

Nate and his wife Christina (Christy) Kaminski-Strum'06 reside in Heath, Ohio.

As the owner of Additive Integrity, LLC, Sarah Goehrke has offered dedicated editorial services to the additive manufacturing/3D printing industry for business and publications since founding the company in mid-2018. She is the Managing Editor of Fabbaloo and serves on the Board of

Directors of Women in 3D Printing, where she helped launch the 3D printing industry's first diversity report, Diversity for Additive Manufacturing (DfAM).

Internationally recognized by her peers, Sarah is consistently ranked among the Most Influential Women in 3D Printing; has served on juries of multiple 3D printing design contests, including the prestigious 3D Pioneers Challenge; speaks often as a keynote, panelist, and moderator at international, domestic, and virtual events; and is a frequently published



SARAH ANDERSON GOEHRKE '07

author in her profession. Among her consultancy projects has been advising among a group of industry experts for the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) on the development of a new metal additive manufacturing course. Earlier in her career, she was the Editor-in-Chief of 3DPrint.com, Lead Copy Editor/Research Analyst for The Freedonia Group, and a freelance editor for several fiction publishing houses.

Sarah earned her Muskingum Bachelor of Arts degree in Theatre and English, and has continued her lifelong passion as an Actor, Director, and Script Writer for regional theatre companies.

She and her husband Paul Goehrke reside in Mentor, Ohio and are the parents of George (Geo) Goehrke (11 months).



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