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Joe Moore '74 was awarded an honorary doctorate at the commencement ceremony, presented by Father Larry Hostetter, President, and Kevin Carrico, Board Chair. Joe is a CPA with more than 30 years of experience in hospital management and operations and recently retired from his position as the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Vanguard Health Systems. He now spends his time as a semiretiree lending his expertise with Martin Ventures, a Nashville based venture capital firm. Joe is currently serving his third term as a member of the Brescia University Board of Trustees and also serves as the chair of the Campaign Cabinet for the Gateway to Our Second Century Capital Campaign. He was named a Distinguished Alumnus in 2005 and he and his wife, Jeanne, pledged a \$1 million gift to the Capital Campaign that named the Moore Center in recognition of the Parvin and Mildred Moore Family.

Graduation Class of

Brescia University awarded degrees at the RiverPark Center on May 5, 2018. The following students received degrees as indicated:

Associate of Arts (A.A.)
Associate of Science (A.S.)
Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)
Bachelor of Science (B.S.)
Bachelor of Social Work (B.S.W.)
Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.)
Master of Science in Management (M.S.M)
Master of Social Work (M.S.W.)

Scholarly Honors

Cum Laude – cumulative grade point average of 3.5 Magna Cum Laude – cumulative grade point average of 3.7 Summa Cum Laude – cumulative grade point average of 3.9 +Honors College, Alpha Chi, and/or Phi Alpha Honor Society

KENTUCKY

Ballards ville

Robert Caudill, M.S.W.

Bardstown

Jordan Ronneal Cooper-Livers, B.A. in Integrated Studies: Emphasis in Psychology and Sports Management

Beaver Dam

Katrina Purcell Vincent, B.A. in Psychology

Bowling Green

Leah Armstrong, B.A. in English (Magna Cum Laude) +Courtney Ariel Reels, B.S. in Communication Sciences and Disorders (Magna Cum Laude)



Brandenburg

Floraine Raquinio Macam, B.S. in Biology

Cadiz

Alison Suzanne Russell, A.A in Liberal Arts

Haley Brooke Hopper, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Central City

Clarkson
Brent Allen Crawford, B.S. in Biology (Cum Laude)

Cloverport

+Hallie Jo Popham, B.S. in Medical Technology (Summa Cum Laude)

Selina Dawn Thurman, M.S.W.

Fordsville

Lauren Alexandra Reynolds, B.A. in Art

Hardinsburg

Alysa Mishelle Coomes, B.S. in Elementary Education (Cum Laude)

Andrea Layne Flood, B.S. in Accounting +Helen Olivia Coyle, B.S. in Middle School Education (Summa

Jacob Thomas Whitfill, M.B.A.

Mycah Wroe, B.S. in Accounting

Jessica Ann Burk, M.S.W.

Hawesville

Mycah Wroe, B.S. in Accounting Jessica Ann Burk, M.S.W.

Henderson

Jennifer Marie Hester, B.A. in Psychology (Cum Laude) Kaylee Ranae Buckman-Nelson, B.A. in English: Emphasis in Professional Writing (Cum Laude) Darian Curry, B.S. in Business +Amy Bassett, M.S.W.

Hopkinsville

April Nicole Buckner, A.S. in Health Sciences Lesley Dawn Cansler, B.S. in Integrated Studies: Emphasis in Business and Social Work

Knottsville

Kelly Ann Cecil, B.S. in Communication Sciences and Disorders (Magna Cum Laude) Sophia Henderson, M.S.M.

LaGrange

Byron Grant Williamson, B.S. in Biology

Leitchfield

Nolan White, B.S. in Business: Emphasis in Management, Finance, and Economics

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Lewisport

+Sara Elizabeth Lewis, B.A. in Theology (Summa Cum Laude) Kevin A. Waldie, B.S. in Integrated Studies:

Chemistry & Psychology Kristin Cheyenne Emmick, B.S.W. in Social Work

Louisville

Abigail Kiara-Rose Munger, B.A. in Art Chase Anthony McCauley, B.S. in Business: Emphasis in Management

Julie Nash Ringham, B.S. in Integrated Studies: Emphasis in Business, Psychology, and Paralegal Studies

+Margaret Joan Ballou, B.S. in Biology

Madisonville

Katilyn Marie Hamilton, B.A. in Secondary English (Cum Laude)

Brenden Phillips, B.A. in History (Cum Laude)

Mayfield

+Justin Nathaniel Roberts, B.S. in Business: Emphasis in Finance, Economics, and Management (Summa Cum Laude)

Mount Washington

Veronica Abigail Duncan, A.S. in Health Sciences

Owensboro

Bridgett Bara McLaughlin, A.A in Human Services

Crystal G. Stevens, A.A in Liberal Arts Darion Morrow, A.A in Human Services Jennifer Hayden, A.A in Human Services Lydia S. Tinsley, A.A in Liberal Arts Ashley Briana Kruta, B.A. in Psychology (Magna Cum Laude)

Jordan Louis Bittel, B.A. in Integrated Studies: Emphasis in English and Psychology

Kirstin M. Horsley, B.A. in Psychology (Cum Laude)

Marissa Janee Walker, B.A. in Psychology Olivia Conder, B.A. in Art (Magna Cum Laude) Robin Lanham Phillips, B.A. in Political Science Allyson Brooke Bowlds, B.S. in Biology +Angela Marie Kurz, B.S. in Accounting (Summa Cum Laude)

Annette J. King, B.S. in Accounting (Magna Cum Laude)

Austin Lee Kimmell, B.S. in Accounting Bryan Lanham, B.S. in Accounting Dana Renee McFarland, B.S. in Business Danielle Marie Hancock, B.S. in Biology (Cum Laude)

Donna Renee Goodwin, B.S. in Business (Cum Laude)

Gena K. Gray, B.S. in Accounting James Austin Howard, B.S. in Accounting +Jennifer Leigh Minton, B.S. in Biochemistry (Cum Laude) John William Howard III, B.S. in **Integrated Studies: Sports Management** and Education

+Kathleen McArdle Jurkiewicz, B.S. in Accounting (Magna Cum Laude) Londa J. Boyd, B.S. in Accounting (Cum

Lyda Jade Renfrow, B.S. in Business Stephanie O. Putnam, B.S. in Business (Cum Laude)

Tammy Rebecca Duncan, B.S. in Accounting

+Whitney Marie Galloway, B.S. in Business: Emphasis in Management (Magna Cum Laude)

Angela H. Spence, B.S.W. in Social Work Elizabeth Carrie Williams, B.S.W. in Social Work Magan Elizabeth Humphrey, B.S.W. in Social Work

Peace Udochukwu Anene, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

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Heather M.Salyers, M.S.W.

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Philpot

Shelby Buschkoetter, A.S. in Health Sciences

Emily Ann Ditto, B.A. in English: Emphasis in Professional Writing (Magna Cum Laude)

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Pikeville

Natasha Nicole Tackett, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Taryn C. Davis, A.A in Human Services

Radcliff

Tonice D. Banks, B.S. in Accounting

Robards

Jonathan Hunter Harris, B.S. in Integrated Studies: Business, Psychology, and Criminal Justice

Shelbyville

Melissa L. Wise, A.A in Human Services

+Amanda Kay McKnight, B.A. in Theology

Tompkinsville

Kelsey Kirkpatrick, B.S. in Integrated Studies: Sports Management, Business, and Education

Cheyenne Madison Bennett, B.A. in Art Tristan Durbin, B.S. in Business

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Cameron Alexander Robinson, B.A. in Political Science (Summa Cum Laude)

ALABAMA

Ft. Mitchell

Deidra Burke, A.A in Human Services

Montgomery

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Tuscalosa

Merry Joyce Nobles, M.S.W.

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Chandler

Stephanie Bile Oulatta, B.S.W. in Social Work

Glendale

Niccol Hipolito, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Phoenix

Negel Ron Laguna, B.S. in Biology

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North Hollywood

Hamas Hamaspyur Arakelyan, B.S. in Accounting

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Olivehurst

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Erin Elizabeth Ticarat, M.S.W. Oroville

Miriam Reynoso Garcia, M.S.W.

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Matthew Ryan Moses Howard, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Orlando

Danielle J. Moran, B.S.W. in Social Work Jordan D. Edem, B.S.W. in Social Work Wyatt Nathaniel Haro, B.S.W. in Social Work (Summa Cum Laude)

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Hephzibah

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Stone Mountain

Kelly Ann Hooper, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Lithonia

Sophia Slater, B.S.W. in Social Work

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Kim LaRae Gibson, M.S.W.

+Therese Jean Etheridge, M.S.W.

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Ridgway

Zachary Ray McGuire, B.S. in Biology

Marquette Heights

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Normal

Nicholle Lynn Resac, B.S.W. in Social Work

Tammi Jill Baker, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Spring Valley Tamara Leigh Beaber, M.S.W.

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in Finance and Economics

Phoenix J.Cox, B.S. in Integrated Studies: Emphasis in Sports Management and Psychology

Leopold

+Samantha J. Steckler, B.S. in Business: Emphasis in Economics and Finance; Theology: Emphasis in Pastoral Studies (Summa Cum Laude)

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Rockport Tessie Mariah Myres, Certificate in

KANSAS

Accounting

Hutchinson

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Manhattan

+Dakota Reeves Barron, B.S. in Computer Science: Emphasis in Quantitative Theory (Summa Cum Laude)

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Deridder

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Baton Rouge

Tracey Semien, B.S.W. in Social Work

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Katherine Lindsay Harrison, M.S.W.

Easton

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Hope Richelle Walker, B.S.W. in Social

Work

Work (Summa Cum Laude)

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Algonac Sharleen Floer, B.S.W. in Social Work

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Amanda Semmler, B.S.W. in Social Work

Carley Ann Eriksen, B.S.W. in Social Work

Taylor Jean Westin, B.S.W. in Social Work

Krystal Kay Preuss, B.S.W. in Social Work (Summa Cum Laude)

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Services

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Kansas City Cinthia Magaly Harris, B.S.W. in Social

St. Louis

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Shelby

Livingston Chad Robert Petrulis, M.S.W.

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Omaha

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Middlesex

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East Brunswick

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Monroe Township

Michele Mary Herrington, B.S.W. in Social Work (Magna Cum Laude)

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Johanna Francheska Rosa Torres, B.S.W. in Social Work

Cohocton

Marie Owens, M.S.W.

NORTH CAROLINA

Charlotte

Chloe Collette Dabrowksi, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Hubert

Deborah Lynn Gillis, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Hendersonville

Roberta Lott, M.S.W.

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Windham

Kaytlin M. O'Bryan, A.A in Human Services

Tracey Richards, B.A. in Psychology

Wellston

Adam Keith Niday, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Columbiana

+Deborah M.Adams, B.S.W. in Social Work (Magna Cum Laude)

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Cleveland Heights

Kimberly Morgan, B.S.W. in Social Work

Canton

Lisa Cranston, B.S.W. in Social Work (Magna Cum Laude)

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Sara A.Kenosky, B.S.W. in Social Work

Sherry Ann Moore, B.S.W. in Social Work

Beavercreek Township

Julie Ann Hernandez, M.S.W.

Jacklyn Jones, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

OKLAHOMA

+Darrell Wayne Morris, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

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Rebecca L. Moore, M.S.W.

White City

Tasheena Nicole Michael, M.S.W.

PENNSYLVANIA

Bridgeville

Shannon Marie Torres, B.S.W. in Social Work (Magna Cum Laude)

TENNESSEE

La Vergne

D. Austin Whitehead, B.A. in Theology

Justin Daniel Maloney, B.A. in Political Science

Clarksville

Brenden Williams, B.S. in Computer Science: Emphasis in Business and Management Systems

Nashville

Edgar D. Estrada, B.S. in Business

Portland

Shawn Michael Callis, B.S. in Business:Emphasis in Finance and **Economics**

Fayetteville

+Julie Plant Miller, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Hendersonville

Michael A.Stoxstill, B.S.W. in Social Work (Summa Cum Laude)

Kimball

Michelle Rhea Gudger, B.S.W. in Social Work

Waverly Sigrid Igartua-Baggett, B.S.W. in Social

Work (Cum Laude) **Ashland City** Tessa Dyan Aquino, B.S.W. in Social

Work

TEXAS

Houston Grace Delfin, A.A in Human Services

Cibolo

Alisha N. Jentz, B.S.W. in Social Work

Elizabeth Contreras, B.S.W. in Social

San Antonio

Jennifer Lynn Garcia, B.S.W. in Social Work

Amarillo

Jennifer Nicole Quintero, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Wichita Fall

Natalie Paige Adams, B.S.W. in Social Work

Friendswood

Marissa Rene'e Meader, M.S.W.

Cedar Park

Kimberly Nicole Middleton, A.A in Human Services, and B.S. in Intergrated Studies: Emphases in Social Work and Psychology

VIRGINIA

Richmond

April L. Jones, A.A in Human Services

Tiffany Ann Faulkner, B.S.W. in Social Work

Herndon

+Jenifer Shelley McLuskie, M.S.W.

Glade Spring

Zaria Victoria Parks, M.S.W.

VERMONT

Clarendon

Amanda Lee Wood, B.S.W. in Social

WASHINGTON

Silverdale

Amanda Lee Johnson, B.S.W. in Social Work

Kennewick

Brittney Roske, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Mount Vernon

Mary Elisabeth Lechowicz, B.S.W. in Social Work

Seattle

+Tammera Ferguson, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

WEST VIRGINIA

Washington

Kimberly Ryna Conrad, A.A in **Human Services**

Cowen

Christina Travis, B.S.W. in Social Work

WISCONSIN

Milwaukee

Rhiannon Elizabeth Ungerer, B.S. in Computer Science: Emphasis in Business and Management Systems

Kenosha

Alisha M. Pournaras, B.S.W. in Social Work (Magna Cum Laude)

Marinette

Brianna Audrey Armstrong, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Madison

+Erica D. Johnson, B.S.W. in Social Work (Cum Laude)

Menasha

Jenny Elizabeth Davis, B.S.W. in Social Work

Marinette

Tiffany Lindbom, B.S.W. in Social Work

BRAZIL

Sao Paulo

Turilo Thomaz Duck, B.S. in Business

CANADA

Toronto - Ontario

Zechariah Akinkuade, B.S.W. in Social

COLOMBIA

Medellin

Mateo Jurado Ruales, B.S. in Business

ECUADOR

Bahia de Caraquez

Kevin Fernando Larrea Narvaez, B.S. in Business (Cum Laude)

EL SALVADOR

San Salvador

Ricardo Enrique Majano Miranda, A.S. in Engineering Studies

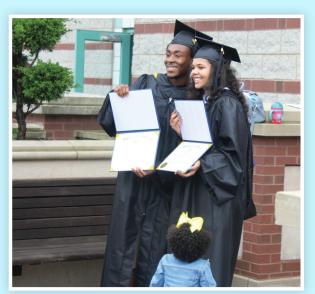
INDIA

Payal Patel, M.B.A















Students, faculty and staff, alumni, donors and friends gathered together on April 26th to celebrate as Brescia University broke ground on the new C.E. Field Center for Professional Studies. The building, to be built on the corner of 9th Street and Frederica Street, is named in recognition of the legacy of the late Charles Eldred Field, founder of Field Packing Company, currently known as Specialty Foods Group, LLC. Mr. Field was a significant member of the Owensboro business community in terms of economic development, and he also believed that giving back to his employees and the community were

equally important values. He actively promoted employee education and advancement and was a major philanthropist, donating money and resources to the community.

He and his wife Mildred established the Field Foundation Scholarship at Brescia University. The Charles E. Field Scholarship was also established upon Mr. Field's passing in 1975 to honor his memory. Among the speakers at the ceremony was Student Government Association President, Cameron Robinson.



Cameron Robinson is a recent graduate from White Plains, Kentucky, and was a political science major at Brescia University. Cameron served as the President of Brescia's Student Government Association, and held many other roles on campus including student ambassador, resident assistant, sophomore peer mentor.

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his time as a

student here.

Good morning and on behalf of the students at Brescia University, welcome to each of you. We are so glad that you all could be here today to share with us the excitement of this historical day. Today marks the beginning of what will eventually be the second piece in Brescia's ultimate plan to help us step through the "Gateway to our Second Century." I would like to begin by extending a personal thank you to three different families that have been instrumental in making today possible. The Field, Young, and Reid families have contributed so much to this vision and today is possible because of each of them. I would also like to extend a thank you to the various other donors that have contributed to helping the University achieve this pivotal project. The students of Brescia are forever grateful for your continued and unwavering dedication to our education and development.

The C.E. Field Center for Professional Studies will be the future home for the three accredited Schools that Brescia currently has. This building will house the Charles Albert Reid School of Business, the School of Education, and the Marilyn Younger Conley School of Social Work. Students in these respective fields will feel the direct impact of this new space. The building will provide these students with state of the art classrooms, lecture rooms, and computer labs. These resources will be invaluable to the research, education, and development of the students in these fields of study. The building will also benefit other students by providing an auditorium, art gallery, and chapel. Students will be able to utilize the auditorium when guest speakers come to campus to cover a variety of different topics. The art gallery will finally provide our art students with a permanent home to display their creative

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and imaginative works. All students, faculty, and staff will be able to make use of the chapel to be able to draw closer to God at any time during the day. In sum, this building will be invaluable to all students at all times and will be a model for Brescia's commitment to student learning for generations to come.

Not only will this building provide students with a variety of new resources for them to utilize, it also continues to establish Brescia as the main long-term institution of higher learning in Owensboro. The Moore Center was the first step in this goal and this new center for professional studies will give Brescia a competitive edge when it comes to recruitment in the region. This center will possess the best possible assets that are available for all students interested in a variety of different fields of study. This shows Brescia's continued devotion to its students and willingness to provide them with whatever they require to help them achieve their academic goals. Brescia will gain this title of the main long-term educational institution in the area because of this continued commitment to the students.

In conclusion, the future is bright for this great University. My time here is quickly coming to an end and unfortunately, I won't be able to utilize this new space, but I know that many students will be able to use this new center for their personal benefit for generations to come. Today is the beginning of a new era and the impact of this era will be felt for years to come. Thank you again to everyone involved, the students are forever grateful.

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BY: JILL PATE

Recently, I was pleased to be able to work with Brescia University as it partnered with Burns Middle School to give 50 middle school students a new and exciting experience. My advanced students put on a mock trial in an actual courtroom at our Judicial Center based on a classic novel they read this school year. Students finished reading Frankenstein by Mary Shelly before Christmas break and when they returned from break, I decided to ask my students to create a mock trial from scratch to attempt to convict both Victor Frankenstein and his creation of several crimes based upon the events of the novel. This idea came from a conversation I'd had with my daughter, Brescia student Alex Satterfield, over the holiday break. As students began working on legal and psychological terms, then writing their witness testimonies and devising plans as teams of lawyers for the prosecution and defense of each defendant, Brescia became involved. My daughter, Alex, happened to be interning with Brescia Alumni District Court Judge Lisa Jones at the time the students began working on the mock trial. When the subject came up one day, Judge Jones was quick to jump on board and support the endeavors of my students. She offered not only a real courtroom for the mock trial, but she voluntarily came into our school with Alex to work with the students on multiple occasions. Likewise, Professors Vicki Will, Rachel Besing, and

Daniel Kuthy became involved. Professors Will and Besing both worked directly with my students in the classroom to aid in the understanding of the psychological perspective of the novel while Professor Kuthy supported Alex's efforts to make this trial an extension of a class she was taking with him for the semester. All three professors and Judge Jones gave up their morning to attend our trials as well. Judge Jones even presided to help the trials feel official. During the trial, students took on the personas of several prominent characters in the novel. Among these were Brycen Gray, playing the role of scientist Victor Frankenstein, as well as Nic Bivins, who played Frankenstein's creature. Four lawyer teams wrote opening and closing statements and devised a multitude of questions for direct and crossexaminations of witnesses. After three hours of court proceedings and jury deliberations for two trials, which produced several successful convictions, Brescia enhanced the experience for these students by offering them lunch in Brescia's cafeteria. My students were thrilled with the chance to feel like college students for a short time. This higher learning experience is something these students aren't likely to forget thanks to the generosity and support of Brescia alumni, staff, and students.

Jill Pate is a teacher at Burns Middle School where she teaches English to 8th grade students. She is also the mother of Brescia University student, Alex Satterfield. Alex, a senior from Owensboro, Kentucky, is a pre-law and psychology major at Brescia University. She is a member of the Bearcat Volleyball team and is an employee of Foreman Watson Land Title LLC.





BRESCIA STUDENT RESPONDS TO THE CALL TO RAISE AWARENESS FOR MENTAL HEALTH AMONG FIRST RESPONDERS

When BUonline student Tiffany Siefken, from Burlington, Iowa, first became interested in Social Work as a profession, it was a solution for her frustration. "I have a special needs child. After many years of frustration and feeling helpless, we found a therapist that was a perfect fit to him and our family. She was licensed clinical social worker in Illinois," Tiffany recalls. It was at that point that she decided that mental health was the field she wanted to be in. Shortly after, she began her undergraduate experience at Brescia University, working towards a Bachelor of Social Work that she will obtain in 2019. But little did she know that her educational experience at Brescia University and her passion for social work would lead her to become the solution herself.

As part of a class project for Macro Social Work taught by Dr. Nancy Keeton, Professor of Social Work, Tiffany was responsible for putting together a public issue project, complete with research and field work, which would create a program for a specified group of people that could eventually become sustainable, long after the class ended. Turning to a group that was close to home, Tiffany chose to focus on firefighters in her town.

"My husband is a firefighter," she said. "Firefighters have an incredible amount of work-related stress, and I wanted to find a way to put together a project that would bring awareness for mental health, PTSD, and local resources to our firefighters in Burlington."

Tiffany sites seeing the mental and emotional toll that the job has had on her husband in the twenty years he has served as being the inspiration for her project. That, coupled with the fact that firefighter suicides are at an all-time high when compared with the general population, stirred her to use this opportunity to take action.

"I have seen my husband come home completely wiped out from running calls all day and night. I have seen him mentally and emotionally drained from the types of calls, the volume of calls, and the lack of sleep. He has responded to calls that were my friends and his own friends," Tiffany stated. "There are aspects about a 'fire family' that break the mold for what family means, but there is also a huge stigma about mental health. The fire service is a unique entity, and they are pretty reluctant to allow anyone outside of the service to talk about mental health, behavioral health, or anything personal. I felt that this would be a step in the right direction in teaching these men and women how and where to get the resources they may need to combat burn out, complete exhaustion, and mental and emotional fatigue."

Initially, the project began with a collaboration among a few of her fellow firefighters' wives at the Burlington station where her husband works, speaking with the department, and trying to understand how their administration was put together. From there, several firefighters and their families got together at Tiffany's house for a class where they openly talked about mental health. At this point, Tiffany had technically wrapped up her end of the project, but something told her to keep going. She spoke with her Field Supervisor for the next semester and requested help in continuing the project. Once she gained approval, she hit the ground running.

"I started working on the program as a whole. This was not going to be just a one-class and we are done kind of thing. I knew this should be an entire stress-management program. So I set up the curriculum for the entire program and reached out to a professional in the field of mental health. At this point, we have successfully completed one set of classes that was based on awareness of stressors, coping mechanisms, and statistics on why this information is important for the firefighters." Within the class, there was much discussion and interaction on the topics presented and each participant filled out a survey indicating their interest in things such as peer support groups, and their relationship with mental health. Tiffany and the chief of the fire station are currently working to place those interested in peer support trainings. The ultimate goal is to have an in-house peer support team.

Although the program is in the new stages, the hope is that from this program, firefighters will not only be aware of the mental health and mental illness signs and symptoms, but they will be informed of coping mechanisms and resources available to them without the stigma that is often associated with the topic.

"Firefighters are usually the first on the scene to any medical, fire, or hazmat call. If they are not taken care of, it is difficult for them to take care of others," Tiffany warned. "Part of this program will not only teach them about themselves, but it will also help them to understand and care for our community in new ways. The people who call for the help of firefighters are typically at their worst, and they need those who respond to be at their best. This program is designed to help our responders be at their best."

The reward Tiffany has already experienced from her efforts is unmatched. With her personal connection to first responders, she knows the work, dedication, and bravery it takes to be a firefighter. For her, this is a way to give back to those that risk their lives for others, not just on calls but in so many others ways as well.

"They are the strongest people I know, so they deserve all the tools we can give them so they can keep doing their jobs to the best of their ability," she said. "When I first started the Macro Social Work class, I was dreading the public project. I guess I never really thought I could make a difference. Dr. Keeton is the reason I opted to continue doing this project, and now I am developing an entire program. It is surreal. I cannot thank her or the Brescia community enough for all they have done to help me succeed."



Campus life



Students competed in the 2018 Praxis Bowl at the Kentucky Speech-Language-Hearing Association conference. The Brescia University team was in a tie-breaker for first place and ultimately placed 2nd. Brescia students defeated graduate level student teams from U of L, Murray State, UK, and WKU. Student team members included Courtney Reels, Abby Leanhart, Mariah Kramer, and Kelly Cecil (pictured left to right).



Student Jenifer McLuskie, and Dr. Elaine Wright, Associate Professor of Social Work, traveled to Fellsmere, Florida as part of the experiential training component of the MSW 645 Humanitarian Crises course taught by Dr. Wright. Provided by the Forage Center for Peacebuilding and Humanitarian Education, Jenifer participated in a simulation with graduate students from across the region that involved functioning as an international NGO addressing the needs of a community impacted by a hurricane and in the midst of a civil war. The students went through customs and border patrol, practiced negotiation and conflict resolution skills with mock local officials, completed trainings in international humanitarian law and security planning, as well as setting up a bilingual camp for IDPs (internally displaced persons).



The Brescia University Bearcat Dance team, along with coach, Kendall Connor, joined WBKR's The Morning Drive co-host Chad Benefield, for an incredible performance at Owensboro's Lip Sync Battle, helping to raise funds for local non-profit, Puzzle Pieces.



The Communication and Sciences Disorders group and the Theatre Club enjoyed a fun trip to Louisville, Kentucky and southern Indiana to visit the Frazier Rehab Institute, Falls of the Ohio State Park, and the Derby Dinner Playhouse to see the musical Oklahoma.



Brescia University celebrated the Ursuline sisters who have made Brescia University the wonderful place it is today at a home basketball game on Ursuline Appreciation Day. Pictured here with Barney the Bearcat: Sr. Helena Fischer, Sr. Mary Diane Taylor, Sr. Cheryl Clemons, Sr. Pam Mueller, Sr. Judith Riney, Sr. Betsy Moyer, Sr. Susan Mary Mudd, and Sr. Barbara Jean Head.



For the fifth consecutive year, Brescia University faculty, staff, and students came together in celebration of diversity during the Multicultural Festival in the beautiful atrium of the Moore Center. Attended by over 100 guests, the Multicultural Festival innlcuded dishes from various corners of the world. The celebration began with a blessing by Venerable Tsering Phuntsok, Tibetan Buddhist monk from Nepal, who shared traditional prayers and chanting with the group. Sponsored by the Political Science Club, Student

Activities and Programming Board, and Student Government Association, the multicultural feast included Thai dishes (Chicken Pad Kraprow and Pad Raman) from Thai Food Owensboro, and Greek spanakopita from the Bistro in downtown Owensboro. In addition, faculty and staff provided their own talents and time by creating more delicious creations, including Mexican, Korean, Nigerian, Polish, Australian, German, Italian, Ethiopian, Indian, and local Kentucky dishes.



Campus life



Brescia students traveling abroad to Italy and Greece this summer spent a spring afternoon on a scavenger hunt around Owensboro testing their map reading skills, without GPS or cell phones. They were rewarded for their efforts with Coldstone Ice Cream! Pictured left to right are Madison Taylor, Professor Rachel Besing, Cameron Chappell, and Haley Coons.



Dr. Amanda Dawson, Assistant Professor of Speech and Drama, along with faculty members at Kentucky Wesleyan College and Owensboro Community and Technical College created the Owensboro Theatre Alliance (OTA). This collaborative group of students and faculty members from all three colleges put on their first production, Grease, with support from the Brescia University Ursuline Center for Teaching and Learning. Directed by Nate Gross, Professor of Theatre at Kentucky Wesleyan College, the production featured a number of Brescia University students and sold out four performances at the Berry Theatre at the RiverPark Center. OTA plans to produce a fall play and spring musical each year, with Qui Nguyen's She Kills Monsters coming in fall 2018 and Legally Blonde, The Musical coming in spring 2019.





Student leaders were honored at the Founder's Day Convocation on January 30th, held annually adjacent to the Feast Day of St. Angela Merici. Jenifer McLuskie and Rylan Smith for were named the 2018 Spirit of Angela award winners.



Students in PSY 370 Psychology of Fear, taught by Dr. Rachel Besing, had the opportunity to experience guest lecturer, Dr. Mathias Clasen, via Adobe Connect. Clasen is a distinguished researcher whose interests lie in integrating horror study with the natural and social sciences, in particular, human behavioral biology and evolutionary and cognitive psychology. He recently gave a TEDx talk on his research and has authored 26 publications. He has also had many interviews with national media outlets.

Brescia Choir and Band students were asked to participate in the Chrism Mass in March for the Diocese of Owensboro. Students who participated include Adam Hayden, Stephanie Wall, Jacob Whitfill, Devin Ford, Emily Combs, Therese Willhite, Sarah Cox, Tristan Haight, and Mary Sumlut.





Rachel Besing, Assistant Professor of Psychology, and Vicki Will, Associate Professor of Psychology, took five psychology majors to the Midwestern Psychological Association Conference in April. The students were Ben Sammet, Jayde Robinson, Ashley Newton, Drew Hall, and Annie Emert. Students attended presentations about research in a variety of different areas of psychology. They viewed posters of student and faculty research and had the opportunity to talk to the presenters and representatives from graduate schools.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS FROM BRESCIA UNIVERSITY THAT WERE NAMED TO THE SPRING 2018 DEAN'S LIST FOR COMPLETING AT LEAST 12 CREDIT HOURS WITH A 3.5-4.0 GPA.

KENTUCKY

Bardstown: **Toni Keeling**, Sophomore, English: Emphasis in Professional Writing, Pre-Law Studies; **Daniel Steele**, Junior, Business: Emphasis in Finance and Economics;

Beaver Dam: **Michael Roe**, Junior, Biology; **Rylan Smith**, Senior, Political Science; **Katrina Vincent**, Senior, Psychology;

Beverly: Meredith Asher, Senior, Social Work;

Bowling Green: **Jacob Bostick**, Sophomore, Social Work; **Tyler Cunningham**, Junior, Biology; **Courtney Reels**, Senior, Communication Sciences and Disorders; **Brandon Stacker**, Junior, Special Edu-Mid;

Cadiz: Alison Russell, Sophomore, Liberal Arts;

Calhoun: **Debra Barrett**, Senior, Psychology; **Jessika Houghtaling**, Sophomore, Medical Technology;

Campbellsville: **Amber Flinchum**, Senior, Psychology;

Caneyville: **Alanna Mudd**, Senior, Elementary Education:

Central City: **April Gilbert**, Junior, Psychology; Clarkson: **Brent Crawford**, Senior, Biology;

Clay: **Fabian Torres**, Sophomore, Biology;

Cloverport: **Paytience Ferguson**, Sophomore, Art; Corbin: **Brianna Minton**, Senior, Social Work;

Corydon: **Taylor Clevenger,** Sophomore, Business; **Charlotte Hoge**, Senior, Social Work; **Hunter**

Kloke, Junior, Integrated Studies;

Crestwood: **Benjamin Sammet**, Senior, Psychology; Crofton: **Haley Cook**, Senior, Psychology;

Custer: **Alysa Coomes**, Senior, Elementary Education;

Eddyville: **Courtney Klueppel**, Junior, Biology; Elkton: **Jayde Robinson**, Junior, Psychology;

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Greenville: **Andrew Hall**, Senior, Psychology; **Madison Simms**, Sophomore, Communication Sciences and Disorders;

Hardinsburg: **Tonya Tivitt**, Junior, Computer Science; **Wyatt West**, Sophomore, Engineering

Studies; Hartford: **Taylor Love**, Senior, Art Education P-12;

Hazel: **Ryan Oates**, Senior, Biochemistry, Mathematics;

Henderson: **Trevor Brown**, Senior, Business: Emphasis in Management;

Kaylee Buckman-Nelson, Senior, English: Emphasis in Professional Writing; Nathan Cissell, Junior, Business: Emphasis in Finance and Economics; Alex Lander, Senior, Business; Kyle Robinson, Senior, English; Mason Roland, Junior, Biology;

Hopkinsville: **Lesley Cansler**, Senior, Integrated Studies; **Debra Pitts**, Senior, Social Work; **Candice Wentling**, Junior, Social Work;

LaGrange: **Whitney Anderson**, Junior, Social Work; Lebanon Junction: **Kassi Gilbert**, Senior, Secondary Biology, Chemistry;

Leitchfield: **Miranda Boaz**, Sophomore, Social Studies Sec; **Logan Hart**, Junior, Political Science:Emphasis Public Admin; **Zachary Johnson**, Junior, Elementary Education;

Lewisport: **John Bolin**, Senior, Art Education P-12; **Kristin Emmick**, Senior, Social Work; **Sara Lewis**, Senior, Theology;

Lexington: **Raven Dixon**, Senior, Social Work; **Arydian Eko**, Sophomore, Social Work;

Louisville: Jamie Chowning, Senior, Social Work; Kaylee Crawley, Senior, Communication Sciences and Disorders; Chase McCauley, Senior, Business: Emphasis in Management; Abigail Munger, Senior, Art:

Maceo: Adam Hayden, Senior, Biology;

Maple Mount: **Phuong Nguyen**, Sophomore, Psychology; **Thanh Nguyen**, Freshman, Theology: Emphasis in Pastoral Studies; **Thoa Phan**, Sophomore, English;

Marion: Brenden Phillips, Senior, History;

Mayfield: **Justin Roberts**, Senior, Business: Emphasis in Finance and Economics, Business: Emphasis in Management;

Millwood: **Jessica Robinson**, Junior, Accounting;

Olmstead: **Kailee Moore**, Sophomore, Psychology;

Owensboro: **Peace Anene**, Senior, Social Work; **Katelynn Arnold**, Junior,

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Human Services; Jordan Bittel, Senior, Integrated
Studies; Jamison Bowlds, Junior, Elementary
Education; Virginia Carrico, Senior,
Political Science; Edwin Carter, Senior, Computer
Science with Emphasis in Business & Management
Sys; Leigh Chapman, Senior, Psychology; Brooklyn
Cole, Senior, Middle School Education; Haley
Coons, Senior, Accounting; Larry Douglas, Senior,
Social Work: Angela Drury Junior, Accounting:

Sys; Leigh Chapman, Senior, Psychology; Brooklyi Cole, Senior, Middle School Education; Haley Coons, Senior, Accounting; Larry Douglas, Senior, Social Work; Angela Drury, Junior, Accounting; Jessica Embry, Senior, Special Edu-Elem; Miranda Filbert, Sophomore, Computer Science; Hunter Gaddis, Junior, Computer Science; Whitney Galloway, Senior, Business: Emphasis in Management; Haylie Gilmore, Freshman, Engineering Studies; Donna Goodwin, Senior,

Business; Danielle Hancock, Senior, Biology; Ann Henderson, Senior, Accounting; Briscoe Horrell, Senior, Spanish Edu P-12; Jeanna James, Junior, History, Political Science; Crystal Johnson, Senior, Psychology; **Larkin Johnson**, Sophomore, Psychology; **Natalie Jones**, Sophomore, Biology; Benjamin Keller, Senior, English with an Emphasis in Professional Writing; Ashley Kruta, Senior, Psychology; Logan Kuegel, Freshman, Engineering Studies; Angela Kurz, Senior, Accounting; Ashley Laslie, Senior, Psychology; Brittany Mason, Senior, Biology; Katelyn McCarthy, Senior, Psychology; Mollie McGehee, Senior, Psychology; Emily Miller, Junior, Communication Sciences and Disorders **Jennifer Minton**, Senior, Biochemistry; **Laura** Mosley, Sophomore, Health Sciences; Lydia **Onstott**, Sophomore, Communication Sciences and Disorders; **Kelsey Postiglion**e, Junior, Elementary Education, Spanish; **Stephanie Putnam**, Senior, Business; **Jennie Satterfield**, Senior, Psychology, Pre-Law Studies; **Kirsten Smiley**, Senior, English; Crystal Stevens, Sophomore, Liberal Arts; Mary Sumlut, Sophomore, Biochemistry; Micah Swift, Junior, Communication Sciences and Disorder George Taylor, Senior, Accounting; Kimberly Taylor, Sophomore, Business; Morgan Thomas Senior, Communication Sciences and Disorders: Tara Thrasher, Senior, Social Work; Teresa Whitten, Senior, Political Science; Icces Wilcox, Senior, History; **Therese Wilhite**, Senior, Theology: Emphasis in Pastoral Studies; **Elizabeth Williams**, Senior, Social Work; Alexandria Wink, Senior, **Mathematics**:

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Park City: **Megan Bartley**, Junior, Psychology; Philpot: **Kelly Cecil**, Senior, Communication Sciences and Disorders; **Olivia Conder**, Senior, Art; **Emily Ditto**, Senior, English with an Emphasis in Professional Writing;

Princeton: **Aaliyah Rodgers**, Senior, Social Work; Prospect: **Abigail Leanhart**, Senior, Communication Sciences and Disorders;

Raceland: **Brandi Morris**, Senior, Social Work; Rineyville: **Lydia Wiseman**, Senior, Biology, Medical Technology;

Robards: **Kristin Logsdon**, Sophomore, Accounting; Robinson Creek: **Devin Thacker**, Senior, Social Work:

Shelbyville: **Steven Standafer**, Senior, Business; **Melissa Wise**, Sophomore, Human Services; Slaughters: **Noah Cunningham**, Sophomore, Biology;

Biology; Spottsville: **Robert Mitchell,** Junior, Accounting;

Sturgis: **Katlyn Mendoza**, Senior, Social Work; Summer Shade: **Kolton Myatt**, Senior, Psychology; Tomahawk: **Angela Spence**, Senior, Social Work;

Tompkinsville: **Jacob England**, Senior, Social Work; **Kelsey Kirkpatrick**, Senior, Integrated Studies;

Utica: **Tristan Haight**, Senior, Biochemistry, Biology; **Mallorie Polston**, Senior, Elementary Education; **Mya Rowan**, Sophomore, History;

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Whitesville: **Hannah Bland,** Senior, Theology; **Reagan Calloway**, Sophomore, Business: Emphasis in Management; **Morgan Porter**, Junior, Communication Sciences and Disorders;

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Medora: **Brookelyn Hattabaugh**, Senior, Accounting;

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Rockport: **Tessie Myre**s, Post Baccalaureate,

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Tell City: **Lynnann Harding**, Sophomore, Medical Technology;

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NEW MEXICO

Blanco: Elizabeth Tran, Junior, Psychology;

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Luckey: **Melisa Konesni**, Junior, Social Work; Marietta: **Sherry Moore**, Senior, Social Work; Toledo: **Divinity Price**, Sophomore, Business: Emphasis in Finance and Economics;

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Harrisburg: **Wendy Dalpiaz**, Senior, Social Work; Reading: **Matilda Hernandez**, Sophomore, Human Services;

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San Antonio: **Dolly Lopez**, Junior, Social Work; **Diane Milner**, Senior, Social Work; **Caleb Tisher**, Senior, History; **Heidi Woodsford**, Junior, Social Work:

Stephenville: **Rhonda Perkins**, Sophomore, Human Services:

UTAH

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WEST VIRGINIA

Belington: **Kacy King,** Senior, Social Work;

WISCONSIN

Marinette: **Brianna Armstrong**, Senior, Social Work; Milwaukee; **Kimberly Anderson**, Sophomore, Social Work;

New Richmond: **Rebecca Schoene**, Sophomore, Business;



BRESCIANNIA BEARCATS LOOK TO the Future WITH TRIP TO WASHINGTON DC







For the Spring Break in March, 2018, Dr. Daniel Kuthy took a group of Pre-Law and Political Science majors to Washington, D.C. This five-day trip, funded by the Political Science Department and Title III Strengthening Institutions Program (SIP) grant, gave the students a rare opportunity to not only experience national history and politics first-hand, but also visit organizations and graduate schools which they are considering for their future education and employment. While, Logan Hart enjoyed the tour of George Washington University Law School, Jenna Carrico, Rylan Smith, Cat Gibson, and Jaime Jolley visited Georgetown University Law School. Justin Maloney met with American Enterprise Institute and Young Americans for Liberty members to explore his postgraduation options. For a few of the students, this was their first trip to the national capital.

To truly capitalize on this long trip and make it beneficial to students, Dr. Kuthy was able to arrange for his students to tour the White House, and receive a guided tour of the Capitol. Taking advantage of the access to his Congressional Representatives, Logan Hart found the office of his representative, where he met with Congressman Brett Guthrie and was offered a guided, personal tour of parts of the Capitol not open to group tours with one of Mr. Guthrie's interns. The visit to the White House and the Capitol wouldn't have been complete without witnessing, and at times joining, various protest groups exercising their own contributions to the healthy functioning of the political system in the US.

Aside from professional and academic development, students enjoyed the history of the US through visiting the Smithsonian museums, walking through the Arlington Cemetery, the monuments on the Mall, and tasting the diverse cuisines Washington D.C. has to offer. The trip concluded with a group dinner at a local Ethiopian restaurant. On the morning of their departure, Dr. Kuthy and the students said their goodbyes to the Washington D.C. beautifully covered in the surprising spring snow.



BRESCIA RECEIVES \$13 MILLION GIFT FROM NORTH CAROLINA ALUMNI



Brescia University received a \$1.3 Million gift from Roy and Victoria Duffy Roberts of Raleigh, North Carolina. The contribution will support the "Gateway to Our Second Century" capital campaign. The University will recognize the Roberts' generosity by establishing the Roy and Victoria Duffy Roberts Center for the Sciences at Brescia University which currently houses the Division of Math and Natural Sciences, the Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences, the Office of Information Technology, the Taylor Lecture Hall, as well as classrooms, computer labs, and a variety of offices.

Their gift will also provide for the establishment of a 150 seat auditorium and an executive boardroom/classroom, both to be housed in the future C.E. Field Center for Academic Studies, soon to be constructed on the corner of 9th and Frederica Streets.

Mr. Roberts, an Owensboro native, is a 1968 graduate of then Brescia College, holding a B.S. in Mathematics with a minor in Physics. He earned his MBA from the Lacy School of Business at Butler University. He has studied entrepreneurial professional development at the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University, advanced banking at Princeton University and international banking at the Wharton School. He is the Chief Executive Officer and Owner of Alliance of Professionals & Consultants, Inc. (APC), headquartered in Raleigh, North Carolina. It is located in 44 states, Canada, and provides services worldwide.

Prior to building his own firm, he spent the entirety of his career with the IBM Corporation from 1968 until he took full retirement in 1993 to start APC. APC is a multiple INC 500 award winner business focused on professional services specialized in business, artificial intelligence, analytics, IT, engineering, and other highly skilled talent. APC offers

a full suite of business solutions for Fortune 500 to midsized companies. It was selected by the US Department of Commerce as the National Professional Services Firm of the Year in 2016 and 2008. Mr. Roberts is a member of the Brescia University Board of Trustees. He is also the President of the American Indian Chamber of Commerce North Carolina, Treasurer of the Brownleigh Business Park Association, and is a past board member of the National Advisory Council on Minority Business Enterprise.

Mrs. Vicki Roberts, also an Owensboro native, is a 1967 graduate of then Brescia College, holding a B.S. in Medical Technology. Both Mr. and Mrs. Roberts have been inducted into the University's Hall of Distinguished Alumni for their service to their community, accomplishments in business, and exemplification of the Brescia Difference.

"Brescia provides learning for life and not just for the next exam," said Roberts." The quality of education available compares and, in some cases, exceeds many of

the world-class universities that I have attended. Their most important impact is providing a life-changing opportunity for many first-generations-to-attend-college. Brescia makes a profound difference in the lives of many individuals and the extended community."

"I am deeply grateful to Roy and Vicki for their willingness to share in Brescia's future in such a generous way. The Roberts' are great examples of what is possible with hard work, intelligence, and drive. We are proud of Roy and Vicki for all they have accomplished and appreciate their incredible trust and investment in the Brescia mission," stated Father Larry Hostetter, President of Brescia University.

The C.E. Field Center for Professional Studies, to be built on the corner of 9th Street and Frederica Street later this year, is the second of two major construction initiatives funded by the University's "Gateway to Our Second Century" Capital Campaign. It will house the Charles Albert Reid School of Business, including the William H. Thompson Center for Business Graduate Studies, the School of Education (still to be named), and the Marilyn Younger Conley School of Social Work. The building will also feature the University's art gallery, a small chapel area, a digital studio for innovative learning, computer labs, and seminar rooms.

Ground was broken on this project on April 26th signifying the launch of the second phase of "The Campaign for Brescia University: Gateway to Our Second Century". The first phase, the renovation of The Moore Center, was completed in mid-June 2017. The construction of the C.E. Field Center for Professional Studies will cost approximately \$9 million, with a total campaign cost of \$15 million. The University has raised nearly \$13.6 million to date.



OUR BRESCIA EXPERIENCE

BY CHET CUNNINGHAM

Helping a child choose a college is not an easy task. There are lots of variables in the mix – emotions of your child growing up, financial concerns, and fit between the college and your child. Fortunately, our son, Noah Cunningham, was actively involved in his search for the right college for him. As parents, my wife, Angie, and I had already sent our daughter to college. But that was a different experience. My daughter, Halle, received a soccer scholarship to the University of Southern Indiana and really never considered going anywhere else. Noah was different. He had several different colleges who had approached him and wanted him to attend and play basketball. Noah wanted to be very diligent and make sure he made the right choice.

Our first real exposure to Brescia was actually not at Brescia, but in a basketball gym where Noah and I first met Brescia's head basketball coach, Coach Skortz. When Coach Skortz approached Noah about attending and offering a basketball scholarship to Brescia, we were excited to have the opportunity. Still Noah had to go through the process and decide if Brescia University was the right fit for him.

On our visit to Brescia, everyone was very nice and helpful. We met with counselors from admissions, a professor in his expected major and of course, Coach Skortz. The visit went very well but still Noah needed to make sure he was making the right choice. Over the next several weeks and months, we visited several other colleges.

Noah had coaches from other colleges attend his basketball games and discuss the opportunities their college held for him.

In the end, Noah decided to attend Brescia. Noah has been very happy with his decision. Without question, as parents, we feel like Noah made the right choice. During his freshman year, Brescia faculty and staff have done a great job helping Noah transition from high school to college. The professors have been very helpful to Noah with a very personal touch. Noah has been fortunate to develop great friendships with his new teammates.

As Noah's freshman year comes to a close, I can say it has been a great year. Brescia University was the right choice for Noah. Noah is a hard worker in the classroom and on the court and Brescia has been a place where he can excel in both. Noah was recently awarded the Men's Basketball 2018 Scholar Athlete award as recognition for his work in the classroom. This was a very nice honor.

Obviously we are very proud of Noah. As parents, it's not always easy seeing your children grow up. It's been very comforting seeing Noah spread his wings and just feel his happiness with his time so far at Brescia. It's been a great experience so far and we look forward to several more great years ahead!





BY: KIM GIBSON AND SAGAN STORM

Kim Gibson, Brescia University graduate, is taking part in a national level research project focusing on centers for independent living (CILs). "I believe that Brescia has helped me grow, first with my BSW and now with my MSW," Kim said of her ongoing experience with the Brescia community. She is currently serving as the executive director of disABILITY LINK a CIL ran by and for people with disabilities.

The research project, titled Disability, Diversity and Intersectionality, studied nine CILs across the country. As described on the Independent Living Research Utilization (ILRU) website, the project "was designed to determine how centers for independent living are designing, implementing, and evaluating culturally and linguistically competent policies and practices to improve services, programs, and outreach

for racially/ethnically, culturally, and linguistically diverse groups."

Laura Gibson, MSW Program Director said, "Kim's participation in this research project represents a valuable contribution to the knowledge base of the social work profession." She adds that "Kim models the philosophy of caritas with her genuine passion for advocacy." This passion will continue as Kim is also involved in the next phase of the project which is working on how to sustain and enhance organizational infrastructure, policies, and culture developed to intentionally address issues of cultural and linguistic competency over time in the midst of internal changes and external forces. Kim is set to be a panelist at the National Conference on Independent Living in July as well as presenting nationally as part of a webinar series.

Kim Gibson is the executive director of disAbility LINK in Tucker, Georgia. She earned her Bachelor of Social Work in 2011 from Brescia University and completed her Master of Social Work Spring 2018.





The Brescia University Men's Soccer Team played four spring matches and ended the non-traditional season at 3-1.



Jaleel Parris (Lovejoy, Georgia), Brandon Stacker (Bowling Green, Kentucky), Cameron Davis (Louisville, Kentucky), and Landon Holt (Dawson Springs, Kentucky) finished 3rd overall in the 4x100m Relay with a time of 44.41. The team earned allconference. This was their season best and new school record.

AWARDS AND HONORS

ALL-CONFERENCE FIRST TEAM

Alex Flock (Baseball)

Georgetown, Indiana

Daniel Steele (Golf)

Bardstown, Kentucky

Tavon Johnson (Basketball)

Bardstown, Kentucky

ALL-CONFERENCE SECOND TEAM

Courtney Klueppel (Softball)

Eddyville, Kentucky

Trevor Brown (Golf)

Henderson, Kentucky

Dillon Geralds (Basketball)

Tompkinsville, Kentucky

Kelsey Kirkpatrick (Basketball) Tompkinsville, Kentucky

RIVERS STATES CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS OF CHARACTER

Rileigh Bobo (Softball) Calhoun, Kentucky

Rafael Ballenilla (Baseball)

Divinity Price (Tennis) Toledo, Ohio

New York, New York

Chase McCauley (Track & Field) Louisville, Kentucky

Kassi Gilbert (Track & Field) Lebanon Junction, Kentucky

Daniel Steele (Golf) Bardstown, Kentucky

Jordan Cooper-Livers (Basketball) Bardstown, Kentucky

Jayde Robinson (Basketball) Elkton, Kentucky

NAIA SCHOLAR STUDENT-ATHLETES

Corey Mason (Baseball) Evansville, Indiana

Justin Roberts (Golf) Mayfield, Kentucky

Kolton Myatt (Golf) Summershade, Kentucky

Shelby Franklin (Softball) Franklin Simpson, Kentucky

Kyle Robinson (Track & Field) Henderson, Kentucky

Brent Crawford (Track & Field) Clarkson, Kentucky

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

MiKayla Chinn (Track & Field) Newburgh, Indiana - 2nd place Discus Throw

Cameron Davis (Track & Field) Louisville, Kentucky - Men's 4x100

Landon Holt (Track & Field) Dawson Springs, Kentucky - 3rd place Javelin Throw, Men's 4x100

Jaleel Parris (Track & Field) Lovejoy, Georgia - Men's 4x100

Kyle Robinson (Track & Field) Henderson, Kentucky - 2nd place 10,000 Meter Run

Brandon Stacker (Track & Field) Bowling Green, Kentucky - Men's 4x100



The Brescia University Men's Golf Team claimed the River **States Conference** Championship Title in May at Lassing Pointe Golf Course in Union, Kentucky. This is the second time in three years that the Bearcats have claimed the title. Brescia won by 12 shots over runner-up Asbury University and both schools qualified for the **NAIA** Men's Golf National Championship in Silvis, Ill. Brescia put three players in the Top 10 on its way to the team title; Trevor Brown finished third with a 1-over 72 in the final round, Daniel Steele tied for fifth, and Chance England was ninth.



Softball player Shelby Franklin, Franklin Simpson, Kentucky, winds up for the pitch in the Bearcat's matchup against West Virginia Institute of Technology.



The Lady Bearcats Basketball team won their battle against IU Kokomo on the road this past season.



Seniors Jordan Cooper-Livers and Tavon Johnson, both from Bardstown, Kentucky, are pictured with their families after being honored at senior night in February.



Mikayla Chinn, from Newburgh, Indiana, had a breakout day at the River States Conference Championship in May hitting a season best, personal record, and school record placing 2nd overall.



The Bearcat Dance team entertained the crowd at a home game in the newly renovated Moore Center



The Bearcat Cheerleaders brought a new atmosphere to the Moore Center during their first season back on campus.





Dr. Jacob Adler, Assistant Professor of Biology, recently published a biology education article in the Journal of Microbiology and Biology Education about a project that he has his introductory nutrition students perform. The project provides students with real-world research experience to improve their quantitative literacy in science communication.

Brett Ballard, Instructor of Music, was commissioned by the Diocese of Owensboro to compose a short, recessional piece for the Chrism Mass that was held at the Owensboro Sportscenter in March. The piece is suitably formal/festive work for a choir, brass quintet, organ, and percussion.

Dr. Walter Bosse, Assistant Professor of English, was invited to present research at the Modernist Studies Association conference in Amsterdam, Netherlands to present his paper entitled "Some Inscrutable Energy": Ta-Nehisi Coates and the Immanence of African American Modernism. He also published an article entitled "Of Modernist Second Acts and African American Lives: F. Scott Fitzgerald, The Wire, and the Struggle against Lockdown," in the scholarly book Popular Modernism and Its Legacies: From Pop Literature to Video Games.

Dr. Beau Branson, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, published an article entitled "Ahistoricity in Analytic Theology" in the American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly.

Dr. Amanda Dawson, Assistant Professor of Speech and Drama, traveled to Kansas City, Missouri this spring after an invitation to return to the Unicorn Theatre where she previously worked during her time at the University of Kansas obtaining a PhD. She was invited to serve as Dramaturg for the spring production of Qui Nguyen's Vietgone, the story of playwright Qui Nguyen's parents and their escape from Saigon, as well as, their early life in the United States. (Photos below)

Dr. Emily DeMoor, Director of the "Living and Leading with Love" Youth Leadership Theology Institute at Brescia University, wrote the Catholic Identity alignments for the new Science standards for the Diocese of Owensboro in 2017. She also taught PD sessions on the new Science Standards guidelines and Catholic ID last summer. Since then, dioceses across the country have adopted the document that she coproduced with the Diocese of Owensboro. She also presented her work at the Kentucky Association for Environmental Education Conference in September and the Mid-South Catholic Leadership Conference in November. The National Catholic Educational Association has since published the document on their website and asked Dr. DeMoor to cowrite blog posts for them.

Dr. Valeriya Fritz, Assistant Professor of Spanish, published an article entitled "The Construction of a Transatlantic Subject: Family and Nation in Sola by María José de Chopitea" in The Coastal Review online journal in the fall of 2017. She also presented at the Foreign Language Conference in Kentucky in 2017.

Dr. Lisa Gulino, Assistant Professor of Theology, successfully defended her dissertation in April. Upon her graduation from The Catholic University of America, she will be Lisa Gulino, D.Min.

Father Larry Hostetter, President, had his review of Church caritas ministry in the perspective of Caritas-theology and Catholic social teaching by Dal Toso, Pompey, Gehrig, and Dolezel published in the Journal of Social Work Value and Ethics.

Brooks Rexroat, Assistant Professor of English, celebrated the debut of his collection of short stories entitled Thrift Store Coats, published by Seattle-based press Orson's Publishing. Rexroat also had a textbook that he wrote and co-edited with linguist Olesya Valger, entitled Stories From the American Rust Belt With Case Studies in English Grammar, published by Novosibirsk State University Press in Russia to be used in Russian Universities as an aide to teaching second-language learners of English.

David Stratton, Professor of Art, had an exhibit entitled Realism Meets the Abstract at the Kentucky Artisan Center Exhibit at Berea College.







SIEM Project

In the Spring 2018 semester, Brescia University partnered with the Alcoa Foundation and Girls, Inc. to offer programs to middle-school girls to explore their interest in science. Brescia University faculty including Dr. Dmitry Uskov (Physics), Dr. Brett (Chemistry), Prof. Dwight Cagg Ottman (Math), and staff including Runyon (Educational Darlene Technology Specialist) and Jill Faulkner (Administrative Staff Tutor) designed and carried out sessions with hands-on experiments with girls from Girls, Inc. on Friday afternoons throughout April. The faculty and staff were assisted by students majoring in STEM disciplines, including Danielle Hancock, Adam Height, Hayden, Tristan Ryan Oates, and Devin Ford, while Dr. Emily DeMoor (Theology) designed activities for the girls to process and absorb the science they were learning, and Dr. Daniel Kuthy (Political Science) provided an additional set of hands to ensure that the girls had a very authentic and individualized experience.

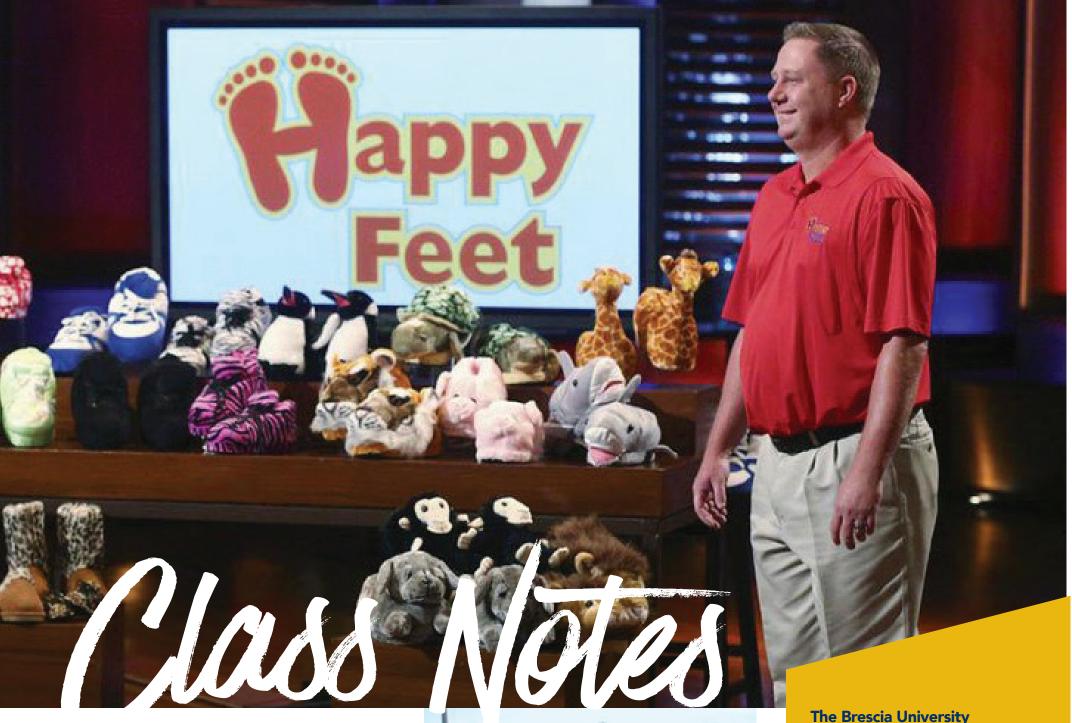
The experiments in which the girls engaged included building water filters, examining the design and functions of steam engine, distilling water, learning velocity through dropping water balloons, measuring the water pressure and its impact on and shooting water rockets, making water based solutions, analyzing centripetal and centrifugal forces by swinging buckets full of water, and playing with water waves in the Physics Lab, to name just a few.

The project involved over 20 girls, who received certificates of completion and badges identifying them as Water-Wise Citizens at the end of their last session on April 27. The girls, in turn, commented on how much fun science is and expressed their plans to come to Brescia University when they graduate from high school.





Dr. Anna Kuthy works as the Director of the Ursuline Center for Teaching and Learning and Title III SIP Grant. She holds a Ph.D. in International Studies from Old Dominion University in Norfolk, VA. Her areas of specialization center on Political Science and International Affairs, which she taught before she transitioned to her current role. Her passions include exploring the world in all its shapes and forms, and, more importantly, empowering others to do so.



Ellen Carrico '85 Caruthers passed away in January 2018. She is survived by her husband Mark and son Kyle Joseph

Allison Simpson '16 earned her MS in Clinical Psychology from Eastern Kentucky University in May 2018. Allison will continue work toward her Psy.D at Eastern Kentucky University.

Blaire Linn-Neighbors '15 was awarded the Campbellsville University Excellence in Teaching Award in May! The purpose of the program is to recognize the quality teaching and learning taking place in the school systems throughout Kentucky.

Kristen Powers '99 was chosen to serve as a member of the Kentucky Speech Language Hearing Association advocacy network. This one-year term will allow her to connect with statewide speech language pathologists and develop an action plan to help support her and others in the field. Powers currently serves as a Daviess County Public Schools speech language pathologist.



George Randolph '90 advanced as a finalist for the National High School Athletic Coaches Association national coach of the year in the sport of softball. George teaches religion at Owensboro Catholic High School and retired in June as their softball coach. Coach Randolph led OCHS to 5 state titles and 4 Runner ups. He also won 17 Regional titles with an unblemished 42-0 record in Region wins.

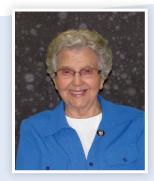
Rose Michelle Clouse '89 was welcomed into the International Association of HealthCare Professional. She will have an upcoming publication in the Worldwide Leaders in Healthcare.

Pat Yates '90, and his business Happy Feet, were once again featured on Good Morning America in February and his slippers had a cameo on Modern Family in March. Happy Feet was previously featured on Shark Tank, Late Night with Jimmy Fallon, The Tonight Show with Jay Leno, The Late Show with David Letterman, The Wendy Williams Show, the Today Show, and many others.

Alumni Association is now accepting nominations for available positions on its Board of Directors. Responsibilities include attending 4 meetings a year, participating in fundraisers that support scholarships and special campus projects, and working closely with students, faculty, and administration to benefit **Brescia University and** be connected with the **Brescia University family.** Nominations can be submitted to Jake Davis. **Director of Alumni and Donor Relations at jake.** davis@brescia.edu. Be sure to include contact information, graduation year, and a brief summary of nominee's professional and personal life since graduation.

URSULINE SISTERS WITH BRESCIA TIES CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

Twelve Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph are celebrating their jubilees of religious life in 2018, including 11 who are graduates of Brescia. One is a former Brescia president, four taught at Brescia, and another worked in the Brescia Library. Among them are a sister who received a 30-year Brescia Service Award and two Brescia Distinguished Alumni.



Sister Naomi Aull, Class of '65, is a native of Knottsville and a 75-year jubilarian. Formerly Sister Mary Benigna, she graduated from Brescia College in 1965. She was a teacher for 32 years in schools in Kentucky, New Mexico, Nebraska and Missouri. She also served in outreach ministry, primarily to the poor, in Louisville for 25 years at St. Boniface Parish and then St. Martin of Tours' Schuhmann Center. After she retired to Mount Saint Joseph in 2002, she became a volunteer caregiver for the Ursuline Sisters in Saint Joseph Villa. Today she is a member of the Powerhouse of Prayer.



Sister Emma Cecilia Busam, an Owensboro native, is celebrating 75 years. She graduated from the College (now University) of St. Francis in Joliet, Ill., with a bachelor's in art (1960) and from the University of Notre Dame with a master's degree in art (1969). Steaught art at Brescia from 1960-66 and 1970-82. For 38 years she taught in Kentucky schools. Sister Emma Cecilia began serving as an archivist in 1983, first for the Ursuline community and then for the Diocese of Owensboro. She was certified by the Academy of Certified Archivists in 1989, is a founding member of the Archivists for Congregations of Women Religious and a member of the Society of American Archivists. When she retired from the Diocese in 2011, Bishop William Medley renamed it the "Sister Emma Cecilia Busam Archives." Afterwards, she assisted in archives at Mount Saint Joseph for several years. Today she is a member of the Powerhouse of Prayer.



Sister Marie Bosco Wathen, Class of '65, a native of Finley, Ky., is celebrating 75 years. She graduated from Brescia with a bachelor's degree in history and a minor in elementary education. She also earned a master's in education from Spalding University in 1969 and a master's degree in general education from Western Kentucky University in 1980. She was involved in educational ministry in Kentucky and Missouri for 59 years. She was a professor of education at Brescia from 1974-1997 and institutional research assistant from 1997-2005. Also during that time, she was co-director of the Ursuline Associate program for seven years. In 2004, Sister Marie Bosco was presented with a 30-year Brescia Service Award by then president Sister Vivian Bowles, who said, "Sister Marie Bosco received tenure in 1992. She developed Brescia's middle grades certification program, receiving commendation from the Kentucky Department of Education. She provided diligent work in innumerable accreditation processes. When she retired from full-time teaching, she stayed with us as part-time teacher, monitor of teacher education records, and mentor for students." Sister Marie Bosco retired to the Motherhouse in 2005. She became a resident of Saint Joseph Villa in 2012, where she visited and helped the sisters until 2017. She now helps when she's able.



Sister Clarita Browning, Class of '65, is celebrating her 70th year of religious life. She is a native of Calvary, Ky, Sister Clarita earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Brescia in 1965. She earned a master's in elementary education from Indiana University in 1967, and a master's degree in religious education from St. Meinrad Academy in 1985. A teacher for 39 years, Sister Clarita was a professor of education at Brescia from 1967-89. She also taught in Owensboro at Sts. Joseph and Paul School (1950-51) and Immaculate School (1965-66), and elsewhere in Kentucky. She was associate director of the Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center at Maple Mount (1989-90). She was a pastoral associate and director of religious education at Immaculate Parish, Owensboro (1990-96), St. Mary of the Woods Parish, Whitesville (1996-2000), and St. John the Baptist Parish, Fordsville (2000-2002). From 2002-2009, she was co-director of pastoral care at Saint Joseph Villa, at the Mount Saint Joseph Motherhouse. She is retired at the Motherhouse and active in the Powerhouse of Prayer.



Sister Vivian Marie Bowles, Class of '69, a native of Jeffersontown, Ky., is celebrating 60 years. She graduated from Brescia in 1969 with a degree in English and history with a certificate in secondary education. She also earned a master's degree in education and counseling from Murray State University in 1971, an education specialist degree from Western Kentucky University in 1974, and a doctorate in education from the University Arkansas in 1982. Following a teaching career at the elementary level, Sister Vivian's tenure at Brescia began in 1973 and included roles as professor of psychology, director of the counseling center, and president from 1995-2007, during which the college was accredited as a university. She was named a Brescia Distinguished Alumna in 2014. She served on the Leadership Council for the Ursuline Sisters for four years (1992-96). Sister Vivian was a member of the Owensboro Diocesan Marriage Tribunal (1983-2008). Since 2012, she has served as director of faith formation at St. Alphonsus Parish, St. Joseph.



Sister Ann Patrice Cecil, Class of '68, is celebrating her 60th year of religious life. A native of Owensboro, Sister Ann Patrice is a 1968 graduate of Brescia with a bachelor's degree in education. She was serials librarian and receptionist at the college from 1992-96. She earned a master's degree from Western Kentucky University in 1973. She was a teacher in Owensboro at Sts. Joseph and Paul School (1974-78) and Cathedral School (1978-82). She also taught in Louisville and Nebraska. She was secretary to the Mount Saint Joseph Leadership Council for 21 years. She was secretary and bookkeeper at the Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center (1989-91). Since 2013 she has been the postmaster at the Maple Mount Community Post Office.



Sister Rose Karen Johnson, Class of '73, a native of St. Lawrence, is celebrating 60 years. She earned a bachelor's degree in education from Brescia in 1973. She earned a master's degree in education from Western Kentucky University in 1978. She was teacher and principal at Mary Carrico School, Knottsville (1969-70, 1971-81), St. Peter of Alcantara, Stanley (1981-82), and St. Mary Magdalene School, Sorgho (1983-85). She was principal of Precious Blood School, Owensboro (1982-83). She also taught elsewhere in Kentucky and Missouri. From 1992-95, Sister Rose Karen was assistant local superior and director of transportation for the Ursuline Sisters. She ministered as a pastoral associate and healing touch therapist at St. Joseph Catholic Center, Greenville, from 1995-2015. She is retired at the Motherhouse and active in the Powerhouse of Prayer.



Sister Claudia Hayden, Class of '74, is celebrating 50 years of religious life. A native of Beech Grove, she has served in the nursing field for over 40 years. After earning her degree from Brescia, she earned a bachelor of science in nursing from the University of Louisville in 1991 and attended the Barnes Hospital School of Nursing in St. Louis. At the Ursuline Motherhouse at Mount Saint Joseph, she started as a nursing assistant in 1976 and ministered as a registered nurse intermittently for 20 years. She was a dialysis staff nurse for Owensboro Mercy Health System (1993-2000) and for the Dialysis Center of Owensboro (2000-05). She was also an RN on the oncology staff of Norton Hospital, Louisville (1989-90) and a staff nurse at Lourdes Hospital, Paducah (1984-85). Prior to entering nursing, Sister Claudia taught at St. Peter of Alcantara, Stanley (1971-73), and in Missouri. Today, she assists in Saint Joseph Villa at Mount Saint Joseph and takes care of her nephew.



Sister Amelia Stenger, Class of '74, is celebrating her 50th year of religious life. After graduating from Brescia in 1974, she earned a master's degree in education from Eastern Kentucky University and a master's in administration from the University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minn. She taught at Precious Blood School, Owensboro (1971-74) and was a principal in Madisonville, Earlington and Bowling Green. She was superintendent of schools for the Diocese of Owensboro (1984-91) and the Archdiocese of Louisville (1991-97). She served as director of the Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center, Maple Mount (1997-2010). Sister Amelia was director of development for her Ursuline community from 2010 until she was elected congregational leader in 2016, a position she will hold until 2022. A native of Glennonville, Mo., she currently serves on Brescia's board.



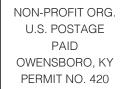
Sister Dianna Ortiz, Class of '83, is celebrating 40 years as an Ursuline Sister. She earned a bachelor's degree in Education and Early Childhood from Brescia and worked in the Brescia Library (1990-91). She later earned honorary doctorates from the College of New Rochelle, M.Y.; Carroll College, Helena, Mont., and Springfield (III.) College for her work as a human rights activist. She grew up in Grants, N.M. Sister Dianna taught at Immaculate Conception School, Hawesville (1983-85) and Blessed Mother School, Owensboro (1985-87) before doing mission work with Mayan children in Guatemala. She was a grassroots organizer for the Guatemalan Human Rights Commission in Washington, D.C. (1994-2000). In 1998, she founded the Torture Abolition and Survivors Support Coalition (TASSC) International in Washington, D.C. She joined the staff of Pax Christi USA in Washington, D.C., in 2010 as interim director and then deputy director. Since 2012, she has been ministering with the Education for Justice Project at Center of Concern, Washington, D.C. Sister Dianna has given numerous presentations in the U.S. and abroad and has provided testimony before Congress on issues related to human rights and torture. She is an author and the recipient of many awards and recognitions, including a Brescia Distinguished Alumna in 2006.



Sister Carol Shively, Class of '83, earned a bachelor of science in Education K-12 and has served on the Brescia board since 2011. She also earned a master of arts in school administration from the University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minn. A native of Lebanon, Ky., she is a 40-year jubilarian and has been an educator for 36 years. She taught at St. Pius Tenth School, Owensboro (1985-87) and in Hardinsburg and Leitchfield. She served as principal for three schools in Missouri. From 1996-99, she was superintendent in the Office of Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Beaumont, Texas. Since 1999, she has been superintendent in the Office of Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Shreveport, La.



Sister Nancy Liddy, Class of '95, is celebrating her 25th jubilee of religious life. She is a native of Coral Gables, Fla., and Brooklyn N.Y. Sister Nancy served in the Diocese of Owensboro from 1994 to 2004 and the Diocese of Belleville, Ill., from 2005 to 2014. Her ministry has been dedicated to faith formation through the liturgical life of the parish. Other ministries have included development and grant writer for the Ursuline Sisters and Brescia University. She is a graduate of Brescia and Fordham University, Bronx, N.Y. Sister Nancy currently ministers at the Seminary Scholar Shop at St. Meinrad, Ind., and is a member of "Brothers and Sisters," an a capella singing quartet, which serves at the St. Meinrad Archabbey Church.





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Save The Date

Mark your calendars for September 20th – 23rd and join us for the 2018 Alumni Homecoming, celebrating 50 years of the "Brescia Bearcats."

In 1968, a group of students took to the basketball court representing Brescia University in some of the first organized games. However, they were missing an official name. Eventually, the group of students decided they would play as the "Brescia Bearcats," and it stuck. Fifty years later, there are thousands of Brescia Bearcats around the globe, making a difference in the lives of those around them. And each year, we welcome even more Brescia Bearcats to campus, as they claim their spot in Brescia's history. Join us as we celebrate the 50th anniversary and legacy of our "Brescia Bearcats."

