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## New Year's Greetings From The Communications Committee!



By, Donna Evans, Associate Registrar, Antioch College  
Chair, Communications Committee

The Communications Committee is always busy every month collecting materials for the newsletter. We encourage you to send us updates of what is going on in your Admissions and Registrar's Offices or your campus in general. Send us information about promotions, retiree's, new hires, new presidents, new ideas, new software, new buildings and projects you are working on that you would like to share. Pictures are always welcome. I would love it if everyone sent us a seasonal campus scene to promote our beautiful Ohio campuses for publication. Submit your news to Donna Evans ([devans@antiochcollege.org](mailto:devans@antiochcollege.org)) by the end of the first week of the month to make that month's newsletter.

We have a new newsletter editor this year: Michelle Livingston, from Mount Carmel College of Nursing, who will be sharing the responsibility every other month with Cindy Suter from Heidelberg University. These two work really hard putting all the pieces together to make this monthly newsletter.

The Communications Committee met in December and reviewed the rotation schedule for featured articles for our various committees in OACRAO. Cindy Davis from The Ohio State University educated all of us on Social Media which Justin Weimer from The Ohio State University will take over this year. We reviewed the OACRAO website in detail and will be contacting individuals for updates soon. Again, this year we will be contacting committee chairs asking for an article to update our organization about your committee and responsibilities.

OACRAO's source of strength has always been the individuals who participate in programs, workshops and committees. I would like to personally thank everyone currently on the Communications Committee and appreciate all those who were able to make the December meeting. Meet your current Communications Committee Members [HERE](#) on the OACRAO website.



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# OACRAO Scholarship Recipients

For the 2016-17 year, the OACRAO scholarship committee reviewed 116 scholarship applicants! To be eligible, all applicants had to meet all of the following eligibility criteria:

- Currently enrolled, at least half-time, at an OACRAO-affiliated college or university
- Currently a student-worker within the Registrar's, Admissions, Student Services, or Enrollment Management offices
- In good academic standing

In addition, the applicants were judged on the following responses:

- Please list your current involvement in leadership and service activities including the specific years of active participation.
- Select one of the leadership or service activities listed previously and describe in detail how it has shaped you as a leader.
- Which part of your higher education experience do you feel will benefit you most after you earn your degree?

What an amazing group of students working in OACRAO-affiliated offices around the state! It was challenging to pick just three winners. A total of 3 scholarships are awarded, with one each from: a private 4-year school, a public 4-year school, and a community college.

The scholarship committee is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2015 scholarships:

**Meaghan Marbry—Columbus State Community College**

**Megan Lytle—Miami University**

**Alexis Mahan—Mount Vernon Nazarene University**

## Scholarship Recipient Meaghan Marbry ~ Columbus State Community College



**Majors:** Associate of Science

**Academic Level:** Senior

**Expected Graduation:** May 2017

There are many defining characteristics of a good leader. A good leader is one who uses their skills and knowledge to guide others. A good leader communicates well with others, using their strengths and experiences to achieve goals. They make an extra effort to connect and lead others in a direction that will benefit the community as a whole. A good leader is ethical, fair, and reasonable in dealing with others. A good leader guides by example, not only by words.

What I enjoy most about working in admissions is the connections I have formed with other students and the opportunity to help them. I like learning more about each person's situation and tailoring my actions to meet their needs. I get a great sense of satisfaction when I am able to help a student. I have also found that by working on campus, I feel more connected to the school and the Columbus State students. I also enjoy working with my co-workers. We work as a team and support each other.

In the future I plan to pursue a career in business and fashion. I aspire to open my own boutique and market the latest fashion trends and styles. I became particularly interested in business after doing two internships in small businesses. After a year studying abroad in Italy, I realized that the kind of business I am most passionate towards is fashion.

My advice to new students is to become as involved as possible in your school. By joining clubs, participating in programs, and making an effort to meet new people, students can greatly enhance their college experience and better prepare for the future. Also, getting to know others on campus can enhance your classroom participation and knowledge of the subjects you are studying. Your college experience is what you make of it!

## Scholarship Recipient Megan Lytle ~ Miami University

**Major:** Microbiology

**Minors:** Neuroscience and Molecular Biology

**Academic Level:** Senior

I think that a leader is a person who has a passion for working with others and holds high moral standards for themselves and others.

I work at Miami University's Graduate School and love the interaction I am able to have with the people in my office as well as perspective graduate students. Working throughout college has taught me valuable lessons about time management, responsibility, and teamwork.

After I earn my degree in Microbiology with minors in Neuroscience and Molecular Biology, I plan to attend Medical School.

If I had to give one piece of advice to future college students, it would be to make connections, build relationships, and study hard!



## Scholarship Recipient Alexis Mahan ~ Mount Vernon Nazarene University



**Major:** Business Management

**Minors:** Marketing

**Academic Level:** Senior

A good leader practices selflessness, sacrificing time and resources. A good leader also requires wisdom and diligence to understand and meet the various needs that members have. In addition, a good leader equips their group with the knowledge and skills they need to be the most effective. A good leader requires unwavering perseverance and motivation to keep going in times of difficulty and adversity. A good leader values accountability and character building. Lastly, a good leader is committed to living a lifestyle of service.

At Mount Vernon Nazarene University, I enjoy working in our admissions office. I work in a friendly environment alongside upbeat co-workers. My favorite part about working in the Admissions office, is the opportunity I have to connect with students, learning about their interests, fears, and dreams and helping to guide them in the right direction as an admissions caller.

Directly after college, I want to work for an international organization, acting as a public relations representative in the United States and working in third world countries to teach people how to build and sustain their governments and economies. I hope for my college and career experiences to enable me to someday turn Chain Reaction into an international organization starting chain reactions around the world. I envision Chain Reaction touching as many lives as possible, whether it be by helping women escape from the bondages of human trafficking, feeding hungry children, or encouraging a bullied student.

A lifelong dream of mine has been to become a recording artist. I would love to have the opportunity to travel around the world, spreading the beauty of music; bringing people the same joy and inspiration that music has given me. I have chosen these career paths because I want to wake up every day loving what I do and knowing that I am helping people through my work. I am passionate about continuing to live a lifestyle of service in college and beyond. Through all my college and career plans, I aim to make a positive difference in the world by uplifting and assisting others through my music, my civic work, my organization, and my volunteer work.

The advice I would give to the next generation of college students would be to not waste time attempting to fit in, achieving perfection, or proving your worth and intelligence, instead, focus on achieving your goals, facing your fears, seeking help when needed, and cherishing those who appreciate you and make you better.



## CAMPUS UPDATE



Photo Submitted by Audrey Hackett

### New Dean of Admission and Financial Aid at Antioch College

Bill Carter is a data guy, a Chicago native. He learned the art and science of college admissions from an Elmhurst mentor who believed that the future of higher education recruitment lay in data analysis and statistical modeling. “He brought the whole world of math into it,” Carter said. As a history major with taste for math and physics, that suited Carter just fine. He went on to lead admissions departments at several colleges and universities, including Fisk University, the historically black college in Nashville, and Texas A&M University in Kingsville, a federally designated Hispanic-serving institution.

Recruiting diverse students, many of them first-generation college students, has been a particular focus of his work.

Carter, 55, was hired by Antioch College this fall as Dean of Admission and Financial Aid, replacing interim director Harold -Wingood. He started on the job Oct. 17, bringing 25 years of higher education admissions experience to a role that is crucial to the college’s success.

Carter said in a recent interview that he was drawn to the Antioch job for a few reasons. He loved the small size of the school, a change from his most recent position at the University of Tennessee’s Health Science Center in Memphis. And he felt he was getting an opportunity to build an admissions program from the ground up.

“Anyone in enrollment management would love this challenge,” he said. “It’s rare to be able to build something and really make it matter.”

But in Carter, the college believes it has found a seasoned administrator who can pull together the admissions program to boost enrollment next year and beyond. “Bill really stood out,” said Provost Lori Collins-Hall, who led the search committee for the position. “He was somebody who was innovative and creative and thought on the edges of higher education recruitment.”

Carter will be joining the Admissions and International Education Committee of OACRAO this year.

Campus Update submitted by Donna Evans

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: Jacqui Merritt

**What do you do at Hondros College of Nursing?** I am the Assistant Registrar. I’m responsible for evaluating and awarding transfer credit, completing registration verifications, and determining SAP holds at the end of each quarter.

**How did you come to your current position?** I worked at a police department dealing with crime data. That experience was applied when I became a data processor at Indiana University in the Office of International Admissions. After moving to Columbus, I applied for the Assistant Registrar opening at Hondros College of Nursing.

**Did you attend the October 2016 OACRAO conference? What did you take away from it?** I did! What I took away most from the conference was the realization that there is an amazing network of people out there doing what I do. The seminars were interesting and informative, but it’s the sense of community that will stick with me.

**Outside of work, what do you like to do?** I spend most of my time with my husband and our cat. My husband and I enjoy traveling, trying new restaurants and binging on Netflix. I also like to read and crochet when I get some quiet time.

**Are you originally from Ohio?** I’m from Grand Blanc, MI. Michigan grown and living in Ohio. Not what I expected to happen, but I’m loving it!



# OHIO SMALL COLLEGE REGISTRARS MEETING



It's that time of year again. Time for Ohio registrars to meet to discuss the challenges and opportunities facing small colleges in today's higher education environment. For years now, this meeting has created a forum to share our operating philosophies and how they help guide and improve the services we provide. The spring gathering always proves to be a wonderful time to network, to share current campus initiatives, and to celebrate our accomplishments.

This year's Small College Registrars Meeting will be held on Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at the University of Dayton, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. A reservation is requested no later than March 10<sup>th</sup>. The University of Dayton will cover the cost of attendance for the first 40 professionals to register (up to 2/school). If you are interested in joining us for the day's get-together and haven't already registered, please email Brad Balsler at [bbalsler2@udayton.edu](mailto:bbalsler2@udayton.edu).

Driving directions to campus: <https://www.udayton.edu/visit/directions.php>

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## 2017 SAVE THE DATES



**Friday, March 10, 2017**

OACRAO Conference Planning Meeting at Mount Carmel College of Nursing, Columbus, Ohio. Committee Chairs will send additional information to committee members.

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**Friday,**

**March 24, 2017**

Small College  
Registrar's Meeting  
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to RSVP

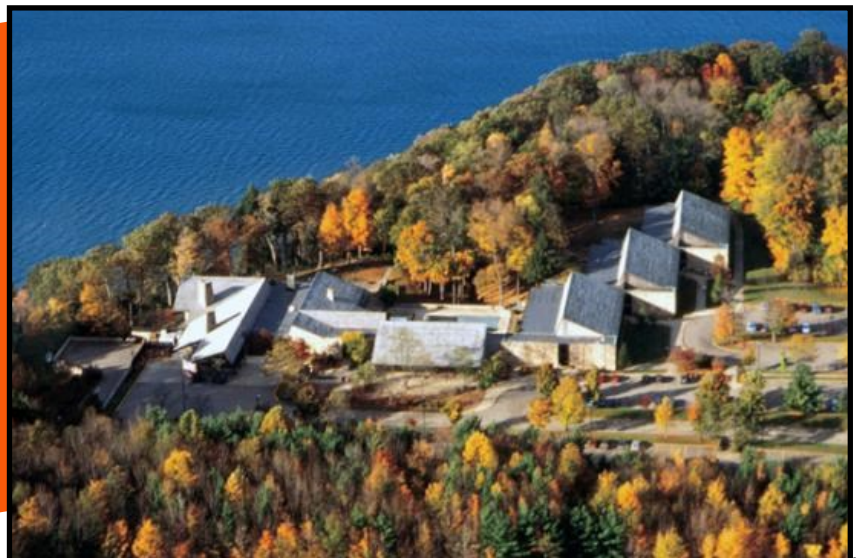
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**Sunday-Wednesday, April 2-5, 2017**

**AACRAO Conference, Minneapolis Conference Center,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota**

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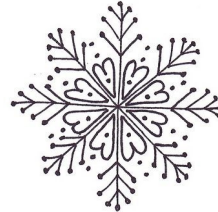


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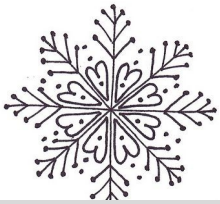
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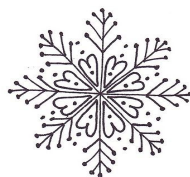
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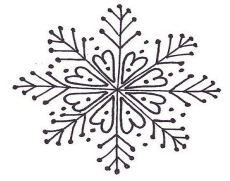


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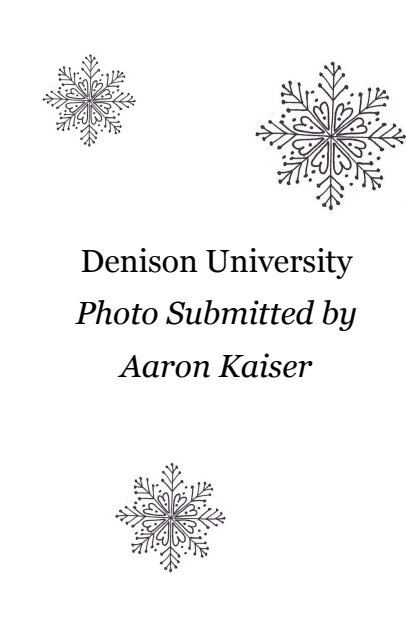
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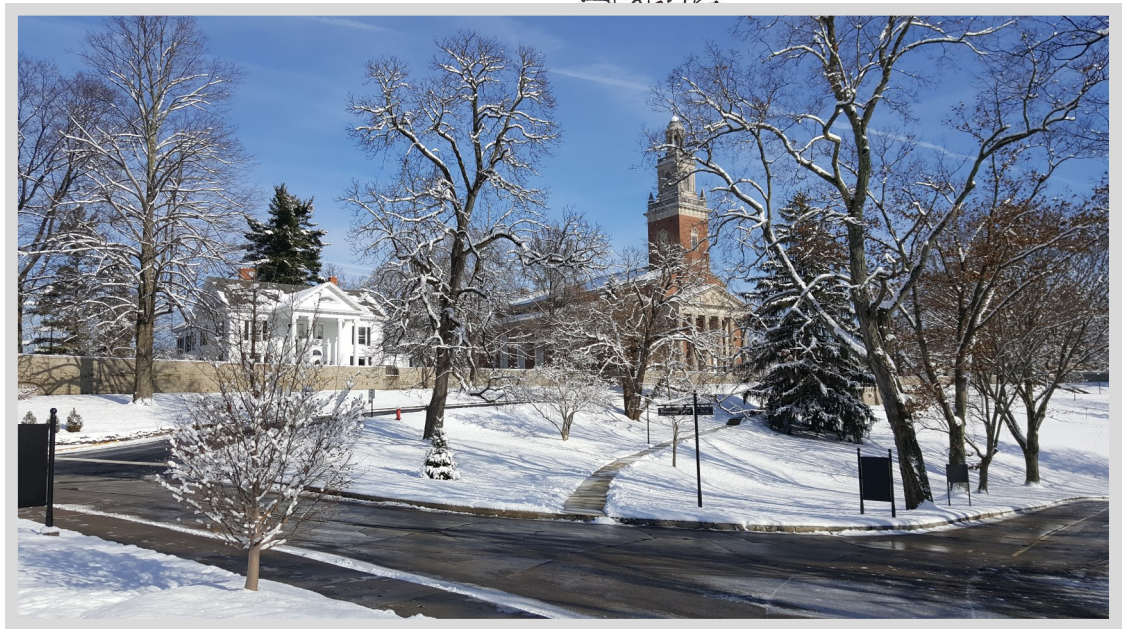




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