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A CELEBRATION OF OUR CEDARVILLE FAMILY

In the past fiscal year, Cedarville’s extended family of alumni, parents, faculty, staff, and ministry partners gave $6,169,019, an increase of 8 percent over last fiscal year.

Thank you to all who have invested in this ministry for the Word of God and the Testimony of Jesus Christ!
Our faithful alumni help Cedarville accomplish its mission. Cedarville is blessed with alumni who show they care about the University by attending events, recruiting students, and giving financially.

Alumni, your generosity is felt across campus by our determined students, our accomplished professors, and our committed staff. You understand that by staying involved and giving, you are helping current and future students of Cedarville receive the same Cedarville experience that you enjoyed — an experience that involved daily chapel, community outreach, global missions, and lifelong friendships.

**BY THE NUMBERS**

**ALUMNI EVENTS**

- 29 alumni chapters exist across the country.
- 110 young alumni (2004–2014) attended our first Young Alumni Elliv Reception on campus.
- 1,273 people attended 58 events.

**HOMECOMING 2015**

- 1,071 people attended, including children.
- 452 families attended.
- 42% of families traveled from outside of Ohio.
- 27% of attendees were young alumni (2005–2014).

**ALUMNI GIVING BY GRAD DECADE***

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*Numbers inside blue represent the number of alumni who gave; percentages indicate that grad decade’s portion of all alumni giving.
You did it again! We were given a challenge, and you rose to the occasion: If we as a University could raise $100,000 in a single day — April 7 — we would receive $50,000 for scholarships.

To accomplish this mission, Cedarville held its second 24-hour social media giving challenge. Faculty, staff, alumni, and current students took to Facebook, Twitter, email, and the phone to ask family and friends to participate.

Not only did we reach the goal, but you helped us far surpass the challenge! More than 600 donors gave a combined $177,401.26! Of the donors, 41 percent were alumni and 21 percent were current students.

Thank you for being part of a very fun and exciting day. We felt your love from the cornfields of Ohio, and this day confirmed that we have some of the best alumni, parents, and donors in the world!
FACULTY/STAFF
#GIVINGTUESDAY™

Organizations all across the country are now taking part in a day of giving called #GivingTuesday, and Cedarville is no exception. For the one-day event, faculty and staff members were challenged to increase our overall giving participation to the University to reach 65 percent.

The national average for faculty and staff giving in higher education institutions is 25 percent. Guess what our faculty and staff reached — 80 percent!

Thank you to the amazing faculty and staff who serve our campus daily. They serve by educating our students, cleaning our facilities, creating student initiatives, and keeping track of all of the details! Faculty and staff gifts demonstrate that together we believe in Cedarville’s mission and that we work together for the Word of God and the Testimony of Jesus Christ.

BY THE NUMBERS
- 80% of faculty and staff gave in 2014–15 — way above the national average of 25%!
- More than $206,000 was given in 2014–15 by faculty and staff members.

THE STORY OF THE CEDARVILLE SOCIETY

In 1978, in the early days of Paul Dixon’s presidency, the College gathered a small group of donors together to share ideas for future academic programs. Originally called President’s Associates, this $1,000-and-up giving club met on campus each year at homecoming and generously contributed their time, talent, and treasure.

They not only helped shape a vision for Cedarville, but they urged their friends and professional contacts to partner with the College. Further, they provided material support for the vision to take shape.

Cedarville’s stakeholders are still looking to the future and coming alongside the University to turn dreams into reality. Today, the Cedarville Society has grown to more than 200 members who annually invest more than $450,000 to provide a distinctive education marked by excellence and grounded in biblical truth.
IN MEMORIAL
It is with gratitude that we remember individuals from the William Gibson Society who passed away this year. We express our sincerest condolences to their family members.

- Marilyn Amstutz '78
- Ethel Barnett
- Donald Entner '65
- Mark Morter
- Emily Smith
- Perry Wydman

DONOR-FUNDED SCHOLARSHIPS
Scholarship donors provide so tremendously to students who are confronting significant financial pressures as they continue to be excellent students in their respective schools or departments.

BY THE NUMBERS
- 16 new named scholarships established.
- More than 630 named scholarships presented.
- More than $1,200,000 in named scholarships awarded.

GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU: THE LEGACY OF CLARENCE GRAY ’37
To see an example of how William Gibson Society members and scholarship donors connect and provide for our students, now and in the future, there’s no better example than Clarence Gray ’37.

Gray graduated with an education degree from Cedarville and an insatiable appetite for learning. World War II cut his teaching dreams short but gave him a 13-year career in the U.S. Air Force at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio.

In 1997, Gray established the Gray-Paxson Scholarship to attract the best and brightest to study education at Cedarville. Gray passed away on April 2, 2014, but his support of Cedarville University would not end with his death. His charitable trust provided an endowment for the Gray-Paxson Scholarship. In the future, this endowment should produce nearly $20,000 each academic year for Cedarville students.

“Doing what you like is freedom. Liking what you do is happiness. Total concern for others is servanthood.”

Clarence Gray ’37

I am so thankful for the changes that are already happening in my life since I got to Cedarville. My love for Christ is growing every minute that I am here. I am learning amazing things while working toward my degree. Thank you for your generosity! It has made a significant impact on my life.

Lindsey Dunn ’19
2015 Gray-Paxson Scholarship Recipient
SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING EXPANSION CAMPAIGN

YOU DID IT! Thanks to your generous support, we reached our $5 million goal eight months ahead of schedule!

Cedarville launched a capital campaign in 2014 to expand and upgrade lab facilities, classroom space, and technology for our science and engineering programs. A gross anatomy lab was completed August 2014, followed by new chemistry labs and expanded biology labs in August 2015. Engineering labs will be open to students in January 2016.

The new chemistry labs were part of phase two of the Science and Engineering Expansion Campaign.

"The creation of the new state-of-the-art chemistry and biology labs has been a great step forward for our programs. The new labs are safer, brighter, and more spacious and provide better learning environments than our old labs. I am grateful for the visionary leadership of our President and Board of Trustees and for the exceptional generosity of everyone who donated financially to the project. Cedarville students now have access to arguably the best laboratory facilities in the nation. The Human Gross Anatomy lab gives our premed students an experience that few undergraduates get. Our new research spaces in chemistry and biology enhance our student’s preparation for graduate and medical school as well as for employment.

Dennis Flentge
Chair, Department of Science and Mathematics"

"The new labs are an incredible asset to the biology department at Cedarville. It is rare to have the chance to study anatomy with cadavers during undergraduate studies, and even more so to have the opportunity to dissect them before medical school. We’ve heard numerous testimonies from 2015 graduates who have consistently been the only ones in their medical school dissection labs who know how to use the instruments and properly dissect important anatomical structures. Our preparation clearly puts us light-years ahead of our peers in medical school, and I am excited to take my experience in the lab to my first year anatomy class.

Paige White ’16
Molecular and Cellular Biology"

Chemistry lab space expanded from 6,500 square feet to 11,500 square feet, increasing the number of labs from five to seven, allowing 540 students per week to use the state-of-the-art facilities (fall 2015).

Biology lab space expanded by 6,000 square feet, increasing the number of labs from three to eight, and allowing 530 students per week to use the state-of-the-art facilities (fall 2015).

Look for other exciting ways to be involved at cedarville.edu/advancement.
Celebrating 20 years in 2016, the Jeremiah Chapel is beginning to show signs of extensive and fruitful service.

Join us in renovating and expanding this special place that has inspired countless Cedarville students, faculty, and friends.

- Gift any amount and your generosity will be remembered on a donor wall.*
- Gift $100 and your name will appear on a donor wall, plus you’ll receive a 9:55 commemorative coin.
- Gift $250 and your support will be honored on a brand-new Jeremiah Chapel seat.
- Gift $1,000 and your support will be honored on a brand-new Jeremiah Chapel seat, and you will be listed on a special donor wall.

For any questions or other ways to support the chapel renovation and expansion project, please contact Advancement at 1-888-233-2784.

*Donors who did not graduate from Cedarville will be added to the donor wall for gifts of $1,000 or more.