Even in this era of technology, nothing is as powerful as the connection between students and the patients they serve.
To our valued college community,

I’ve been serving as your Aultman College president for six months now, and the most important sentiment I can share is “thank you.”

You have received me with grace, excitement, trust, and encouragement. You have invited me to your meetings and shared your heartfelt opinions and input. You have continued your faithful support with finances, personal participation, and gifts of your time and advocacy for our college. It is my intention to make you proud of the institution about which you care deeply. What an adventure we are all undertaking together!

What can you expect from Aultman College as we approach this 2018-2019 academic year? We continue to evolve as an institution in this year of change. This fall, our newest bachelor’s degree program in social work welcomes students to the Aultman College campus. This program was accepted for accreditation candidacy and additionally, we were excited to partner with Stark State College to allow their associate degree social work students to easily enter our program.

In mid-October, we’ll celebrate a traditional academic milestone with a presidential inauguration adding to our popular new Homecoming and student awards events. Additionally, we’ll be looking at what programs may be the next evolution of our collegiate offerings. All the while, our team will work hard to continue the quality and excellence you’ve come to expect from your college.

Despite all of this growth and change, please know this: you are the foundation. Any educational institution is really the museum, storyteller, and launchpad for its students and community members. You are such an important part of our story. Our college stands on the shoulders of its foundation and history.

As we look to the horizon and embark on new adventures, we look forward to having you continue to join us in the journey! Consider visiting campus or attending an event this year that you have been putting off. Perhaps you’ve thought about supporting students with a new scholarship donation. Maybe you’d like to get involved in an alumni role or on an advisory council. You are not limited to the past as you join us in building the future! I know that I’m excited to continue to hear from you as we all take those next steps of change together.

With best regards,

Jean R. Paddock, PhD
President, Aultman College
Aultman College Homecoming Reunion

Saturday, October 13, 2018
4-7 p.m.
Burntwood Tavern
4320 Everhard Rd NW, Canton, OH 44718
For appetizers and networking; cash bar available

Guests are welcome

RSVP

Name (include maiden name, if applicable) ____________________________________________
Graduation year ________________ Phone number ________________________________
Address ________________________________________________________________
Email ________________________________________________________________
Number attending event _______ x $10/each Total enclosed $ ____________________

Please mail this completed form by Oct. 5 along with your check payable to Aultman College:
Aultman College Alumni Association, 2600 Sixth St. SW, Canton, OH 44710
Tuesday morning. The management team of Aultman College has gathered for its biweekly meeting. Dr. Jean Paddock, the president of Aultman College, has returned from a “boot camp” for new presidents and is sharing her experiences.

“I can’t tell you how excited I am about this journey ahead of us,” she says, looking around the table. “But one thing I want everyone in this room to understand is that first and foremost, we are touching students’ lives. Every day, we make an impact. It is a privilege and a responsibility. And I don’t want anyone to forget that.”

This heartfelt sincerity is one of the hallmarks of Paddock’s leadership style, and it is symbolic of the tough and often emotional work of running a college that not only educates students but also prepares them to impact patients’ lives.

Paddock may be new to the role of president, but she is a familiar face around Aultman College. She has been with the institution since 2007, when she was hired as the director of general education and assistant professor of chemistry. “They needed someone to start the division of general studies and spearhead the design and construction of the first science labs on campus,” she says. “To begin the general studies program seemed interesting enough, but the idea that I would get to build a lab — a once-in-a-career type of opportunity — that was really cool.”

Paddock was later promoted to be the vice president for academic affairs at the college. She oversaw a period of intense growth as the institution moved from primarily associate degrees to bachelor’s level offerings, including programming in nursing, health sciences, and social work.
Then in early 2018, the board of directors hired Paddock as president following the retirement of Rebecca Crowl. “It floored me,” she recalls. “Suddenly, I was responsible for hundreds of students, 50-some employees and their families, and the future of the college. I’m honored to do it, and I take the responsibility very seriously.”

“Responsibility” is also a key theme for her long-term vision for the college. “I think that we can play a role in improving access to education in Stark County,” she says. “There’s a great quote from Lelia Jannah, the founder of the Sama Group of nonprofits, that goes ‘Talent is equally distributed around the world, but opportunity is not.’ To me, it’s important in our region that anyone who wants to further their education and work in health care can come here. What frightens me is that we wouldn’t recognize that and do something about it.”

Paddock also seeks to increase the visibility of Aultman College in the Akron-Canton region. “A college typically stands for empowerment and liberation. There are many businesses and organizations working to lift up the community. And we need to be right there with them.”

This community involvement is something Paddock takes to heart. A resident of Dover, Ohio, she serves as an Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist and drives a monthly Meals on Wheels route in the neighborhood surrounding Aultman College. “I love the outdoors. I love to connect people to nature, any chance that I get,” she says. “I also feel that it is my responsibility to make the world better than how I have found it.”

Paddock also is passionate about teaching and still makes time to step into the classroom to work with students. “I believe in the transformative power of education,” she says. “It’s like a ticket that can never be taken away from the learner.” She’s also made time to attend nearly every orientation session to greet new students starting at Aultman College this fall.

Outside of work and volunteering, Paddock enjoys spending time with her husband, Thomas — who is a project engineer at Aultman Health Foundation — and their shepherd mix, Linus. She describes herself as an adventurer who’s up for anything. “I feel like your time is not promised to you. You want to make it as fun and fabulous as you can,” she says with a smile. “I love to travel. I love to eat. It spans from trivia night to a Taylor Swift concert. If it’s an adventure, I want to be in on it.”

**New Vice President for Academic Affairs**

In January, another new face joined the college. Dr. Brock Reiman became the vice president of academic affairs.

Previously, Reiman was the vice president of academic affairs for the College of Adult and Professional Studies at Indiana Wesleyan University.

Reiman earned his bachelor’s degree in psychology and Christian ministries from Malone University, his master’s in counseling and human development from Walsh University, his doctorate in counseling and human development from Kent State University, and his master’s in business administration from Western Governors University.
Look “Hoo” Flew In

The first ever costume for our mascot, Aully the Owl, debuted this summer at Aultman College. Aully is spreading his wings and beginning to make appearances on campus. He greeted students the first week of classes and starred in a video for Owl Awareness Day in August (view at bit.ly/aullyvideo). Aully loves making new friends. If you see him, stop by and say hello.

Spring Dinner Recognizes Alumni

It was all smiles as the class of 1968 gathered for a group photo during the annual spring dinner. The April event included recognition for the 50-year and 25-year classes and an awards ceremony. The following are the winners and their awards from the event: Sherin Thurman ('16), Distinguished Modern Alumna; Lisa Johnson ('03); Contributing Alumna; and Wendy Gotschall ('91), Outstanding Alumna.

Graduates Meet in Historic Moment

During Aultman College’s May 12th graduation ceremony, the 1,000th graduates from the college and the School of Nursing were recognized during a special ceremony.

Kayla Hollinger learned that day that she would be the 1,000th graduate of Aultman College. She was honored during the commencement along with a special guest: Carolyn Sue (Bush) Beck ('58), the 1,000th graduate of the Aultman Hospital School of Nursing.

Stay in Touch with Aultman College

We’d love to keep you informed about upcoming events and activities at the college. As we move toward more email-based communications, please ensure we have your correct contact information by completing the update form online at www.aultmancollege.edu/update-your-contact-information. You may also contact our alumni coordinator, Jenn Bradley, at 330-363-9374 or jenn.bradley@aultman.com.
The Year in Giving

Students can pursue their dreams of a health care career – and it’s all because of you! We are so thankful to our alumni and our supporters for their generous gifts this past academic year.

- **89** Scholarships Awarded
- **51** Scholarship Recipients
- **$1,955** Average Scholarship
- **$174,036** Total in Scholarship Awards
- **313** 1892 Scholarship Fund Donors
- **1,194** Number of Gifts

There’s Still Time to Give: The Rebecca J. Crowl Endowed Faculty Chair

Following her retirement in January, the college established a fund to honor founding president Rebecca Crowl. This fund will continue her commitment to health care education for years to come by providing opportunities to support scholarship and faculty development.

If you would like to honor the legacy of former President Crowl, you may send your gift to Aultman College, 2600 Sixth St. SW, Canton, OH 44710. Please make the check payable to “Aultman College” and place “Crowl Endowment” on the memo line.

For more information on ways to give to this fund and others at the college, you may also contact Vivian Leggett, vice president of community engagement, at 330-363-6183 or vi.leggett@aultman.com.

CONDOLENCES

Naomi D. “Gussie” Bredfeldt (‘52)
Martha M. (Zika) Kehl (‘45)
Norma Jean (Shetler) Kern (‘60)
Sherry L. (Groenke) Mollett (‘58)
Marjorie A. (Whitson) Schirack (‘48)
Marilyn J. (Frankovich) Schreiber (‘65)
JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL AULTMAN COLLEGE

Spring Dinner
HONORING 50-YEAR AND 25-YEAR CLASSES

Friday, April 26, 2019
5-6 p.m.: Registration and cocktail hour
6 p.m.: Program

La Pizzaria
3656 Dressler Road NW, Canton