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#### Welcome back Malone Messenger!

From the time Malone moved to Canton in 1957 until 1990, the *Malone Messenger* was the College's official way to keep connected with alumni and friends.

The name has a double meaning — representing Malone's history as a Bible college with a goal of being "messengers" for Christ, and it serves as a "messenger" of Malone news.

We're bringing back the *Messenger* to serve as another connection point to alumni and friends — supplementing the *Malone Magazine*, email newsletters and news on www.malone.edu. It is our desire to keep you connected to the many positive things happening at Malone!

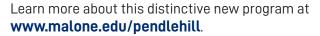


## **Staying Pioneer Strong**

NEWS FROM THE MALONE COMMUNITY

## PENDLE HILL PLEDGE launched in January

The Pendle Hill Pledge is a campus-wide focus on career development and personalized mentorship, which helps students discover who they are meant to be and how their career can be a part of a purposeful and meaningful life. Every student will have at least four vocationally-focused educational experiences: career-focused personality inventories, one-on-one mentoring with faculty, education in the practical skills of job-seeking, and internship, service-learning, or major research project opportunities.





## New academic programs developed to serve the needs of a changing world

Under the leadership of **Provost Greg Miller**, Malone continues to develop new academic programs that are market-facing and aligned with the mission of the University. Programs launched recently include **Cybersecurity**, **Chemical Dependency Counseling**, **Data Analytics**, **Professional Writing and Editing**, **Digital Media**, and **Spanish for Service and the Professions**.

"Our process is one of constant assessment of our academic offerings," said **President David King**. "New programs will be distinctively Malone and measured against the investment required and their ability to attract and retain students. We are working with partners at the community, state, and national levels to develop programs that produce graduates who are servant leaders and prepared for service in emerging sectors of the world economy."

Learn more about Malone's new academic offerings at **www.malone.edu/newprograms**.

## PRESIDENT

elcome to the *Malone Messenger*! I hope you will enjoy the updates from the Malone campus presented in this new format. We are returning to a tradition from our past with this issue but focusing the content on the many ways we are continuing to fulfill our mission and produce servant leaders for our world for the 21st century.

With the spread of the coronavirus to Ohio, much of our time over the past couple of months has been spent adapting our instruction and operations and making decisions to provide for the safety and security of our community. Like all colleges, we were forced to move to remote instruction and remote working. You can be proud of the way we have adapted to the online learning platform and continued to care for and support our students' transformative experiences, albeit in a different format.

As I write to you, we are celebrating a new group of Malone graduates who are launching to make their mark in the world. While we can't recognize our new alumni in the typical fashion, we are making the most of technology,

graduates who can make a difference in the career path of their choosing.

social media, and other innovative ways to share our pride and demonstrate our love for our graduates. In this uncertain time, we will continue to move forward with caution and regard for our safety but also with confidence about our future. As Pioneers, our orientation is perseverance toward our objective. We lead. We are continuing to develop new academic programs to meet the needs of our churches, communities, and the world. Programs such as Data Analytics, Professional Writing and Editing, and Digital Media are market-facing and produce

Our new **Pendle Hill Pledge** guarantees that all Malone students will be engaged in a campus-wide effort to help them understand who they are meant to be and how their career paths connect to their God-given gifts, their sense of purpose, and their callings. This program, launched earlier this spring, is the result of hard work and innovative thinking on the part of our extraordinary faculty. Malone students will graduate knowing they are prepared for life and work in a rapidly-changing world. Our world needs more Christian leaders like those produced here at Malone.

Thank you to all those who made a gift on our **Day of Giving**. Through your generosity we raised more than \$90,000 all in a single day! That funding is needed now more than ever to support our students, many of whom are dealing with financial loss in their families caused by the coronavirus. We are pushing hard to exceed our goal for **The Malone Fund** on June 30. Our indicators are positive and it may be a record year. Please prayerfully consider a gift to this historic effort at **www.malone.edu/giving**.

Among our many sources of hope, I find encouragement in Moses' words to Joshua;

"It is the Lord who goes before [us]. He will be with [us]; He will not fail [us] or forsake us. Do not fear or be dismayed." (Deuteronomy 31: 8)

Here at Malone, we are **Staying Pioneer Strong**. I pray that you are as well.

With appreciation for your partnership in stewarding Malone University,

David King, Ed.D., President





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#### PARDON OUR DUST: Center for Student Success highlights ongoing campus improvements

Several campus renovation projects have recently been completed or are underway. Support from the **Timken Foundation** is providing a significant renovation in the Cattell Library. Renovated space will be home of the Center for Student Success (pictured). The Bailey Room was also renovated to create a 24-hour, swipe accessible, solitary study space. Additional renovation projects brought about enhancements in the Brehme Centennial Center at the site of the former Froggy's Café which is now designed as a multi-functional lounge, and Emma's Café in The Barn which now features coffee, wraps, and other refreshments.

## Jennifer Webb appointed chair of Department of Education



**Jennifer Webb** has been named Chair of the Department of Education. She brings a wealth of experience in higher education. Before being appointed, Webb served Malone by reviewing and updating all accreditation program requirements. Additionally, Webb is currently the chair of the board for Lighthouse Ministries and serves Ohio as the chair of the Council for Exceptional Children.

"I began my career in education because I love teaching and motivating individuals to learn," said Webb. "I am excited about stepping into a leadership role to provide stellar preparation for pre-service teachers."

## University Chorale's uplifting performances shared throughout the state

While safety precautions put in place to slow the spread of the coronavirus separated members of the Malone community during much of the spring, **Associate Professor of Music Jon Peterson** and students in the Malone Chorale used technology to sing together and produce three uplifting performances. Using individual video submissions, the Chorale took social distancing and turned it into *Social Distance-Sing*!

The performances were shared widely through Malone social media platforms and were featured in one of Ohio Governor Mike DeWine's daily press conferences. You can watch the videos on Malone's YouTube page.

## ALUMNI Shared South Control of the C

AUDRA EDWARDS '20 had the opportunity to intern at Elevation Church in Matthews, North Carolina, a megachurch with a large following on social media. A Bible and Theology major and a passionate photographer and filmmaker, Edwards worked on the Worship Experience Film Team and learned the many sides of project management.

"Even though ministry is not just limited to preaching or working at a church, I have enjoyed seeing the ways in which my campus ministry has impacted the lives of the students at Malone outside the classroom."







#### JACOB HAYWARD '19, a

recent Pastoral Ministry graduate, stepped into the lead pastor role at Urbana Friends Church shortly after graduation. Hayward's Malone experience pushed his faith and leadership abilities to new heights, and he credits the people he encountered throughout college for much of that change.

"The faculty and staff at Malone are devoted to bringing God into the classroom, not just through teaching but tangibly through their love for students. Malone prepared me for ministry because of the connections I made in the broader Christian community. The education was important but the relationships I formed are invaluable."

HANNAH HARKER '13 recently became a Fulbright Scholar, an honor which will allow her to serve as an English Teaching Assistant in Uruguay from March – November this year. Harker's path to this accomplishment started at Malone where she studied Spanish Education.

"My thesis adviser taught me to be an independent learner, which has served me well in my master's program. Her sincerity toward the Hispanic world helped me to see Spanish as the language of unique people groups and not just as a system of words and grammar rules. Her classes

always had a community service component, which helped develop my heart for this population."



**JENNA SAUNDERS '20** had the experience of a lifetime while interning at the Cheetah Experience in Bloemfontein, South Africa, so she elected to pursue the remainder of her internship hours in South Africa at both ZA Cheetah Conservation in Bloemfontein and Ashia Cheetah Experience in the Western Cape.

"All of the courses I took for my major have given me skills and knowledge that I used during my internship," she said. "My classes taught me a lot about proper animal husbandry, conservation, research, and public outreach, which are all things that I needed to know going into this opportunity."



NICHOLAS REESE '20 used connections built at Malone to earn an opportunity to serve as a training camp equipment intern for the Los Angeles Rams last summer, showing him how to apply what he has learned as a sport management major.

"Classes are designed to prepare you for a career and we're often assigned projects that require working together in teams and gathering information. Malone creates scenarios inside the classroom that prepare students for their careers outside of the classroom."







**KIERA CONKLE '20**, a social work and global and international studies double-major, is passionate about civil rights. Her passions led her to pursue and receive the prestigious Gilman Scholarship in order to study abroad in Lithuania where she worked with groups and individuals that combat human trafficking.

"With the help of Malone faculty, I found out about the Gilman Scholarship and with the assistance of my advisers and professors, I wrote my essay to the scholarship committee. I did not want to get my hopes up but, by God's grace, I was one of the recipients."



ANGELO ANDERSON '20 is a graduate student in Malone's Clinical Mental Health Counseling program, and as part of his education, he obtained an internship at the LeBron James Family Foundation I Promise School.

"Faculty and staff have been very welcoming and it just felt right for me to be here. Malone is an excellent university where faculty and staff truly believe in their students."





With her outgoing personality, **OLIVIA BROWN '20** wanted to be a part of a campus community that felt close-knit with professors who knew students personally and offered plenty of extracurricular activities. She knew she wanted to attend a private Christian university and was elated when Malone checked all her boxes.

"I live locally and am a member of the Evangelical Friends Church, so Malone has always been on my radar. I knew, once I learned more about it, that I would love to be a part of that environment and community," she said.

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The pull that Brown felt to Malone was strengthened when she received an invitation to Scholars Day, an annual scholarship competition for Malone's highest-achieving prospective students.

After being interviewed by faculty and responding to a written prompt, Brown won a Presidential Scholarship, which provided full-tuition coverage. Her winning essay was about "being the ocean" in response to the question 'If you could be anyone or anything in the last 600 years, what would you be?'

"Participating in Scholars Day and winning that

scholarship sealed the deal for me," she said. "I absolutely knew Malone was meant to be my home! I could not be more grateful for that opportunity and all the good that has come from my four years on campus."

As a sophomore, Brown was selected to serve as a Course Assistant (CA). These student leaders mentor freshmen in *Gen 100: The College Experience*. She assisted instructors with the class and built relationships with new students to help them adjust to college life.

"This role impacted me the most during my college career, it grew me into a confident leader and significantly improved my ability to communicate and interact with others," she said. "The community of CAs gave me an amazing friend group and it solidified everything I loved about college."

During her junior year, Brown spent a semester studying abroad. In a partnership with Gordon College, she traveled to Orvieto, Italy. Her semester included design, poetry, literature, painting, sculpture, and history. As a mathematics major, choosing to enroll in an art-focused program seemed like a surprising choice. But in the end, it was an incredible experience that led her to minor in visual arts.

"I knew this might be my only chance to live abroad, so I wanted to take advantage of the opportunity while I could. It was the best decision I could have made! I pushed myself to try new things, including traveling almost every weekend to new cities and countries, and even skydiving," she said.

Her rewarding college experiences would not have been possible without her scholarship.

"Scholars Day allowed me to become a part of the Honors Program at Malone, to meet people that I would be sharing the classroom with, and formulate friendships even before arriving on campus," said Brown. "The financial aspect of the scholarship was such a blessing for me and my family and it pushed me to work hard in the classroom and achieve as much as I could during my time at Malone."

Brown will graduate in May with a bachelor of arts in mathematics and minors in psychology and visual arts.

"Above all else, I am beyond grateful for the people at Malone," she said. "I have always felt loved, supported, and known during my years on campus. I am going to miss this community more than anything as I transition into my post-graduation life, but I take with me all these memories and friendships that I know will last a lifetime."





ELIZABETH
BARKAN '03
band director,
Fairless Local Schools



DR. STAN
ANDERSON '80
founder and president,
Jackson Family Practice

It is a joy and privilege to stay connected with our graduates as they serve their churches, communities, and the world, especially during challenging times. We continue to see and hear the ways in which the Malone experience shapes their leadership efforts and compassion for others. Recently, we checked-in with a couple of graduates who lead and love in very different circles:

#### MU: WHY DID YOU CHOOSE TO ATTEND MALONE?

**EB:** Growing up in rural Pennsylvania, I knew I wanted a Christian school with a marching band. After visiting a few schools near home, I knew I was "home" the second I stepped foot on Malone's campus.

SA: Attending Malone is a family tradition for me! My parents worked there and my siblings (Marva Hoopes '76 and Paul '78) also attended. My wife Cathy '86 graduated from Malone and our daughter Jocelyn '14 and son Thane \*19 attended, also.

#### **MU:** DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE MEMORY AT MALONE?

**EB:** When I moved back to Malone as a sophomore, Haviland Hall was brand new and the Quad was still a muddy mess. One day, we all decided to have a "mud party" and it was a blast! My suitemates and I had become well-acquainted with the grounds crew and talked them into making a few HUGE leaf piles for us.

**SA:** I was involved in almost every aspect of campus life and I know I made significant steps into adulthood while I was there. I enjoyed Chorale in particular.

#### MU: HOW DID YOUR TIME AT MALONE SHAPE YOUR PHILOSOPHY OF SERVING THE COMMUNITY?

**EB:** I recognize that my life might be "the only Bible someone reads." Because of the faith-immersive atmosphere at Malone, I intentionally find ways to incorporate my faith into everyday life. I think one of the easiest ways to be Christ for others is to be truly kind. Currently, my students are participating in the #MissionRadicalKindness campaign.

**SA:** Malone helped me to see each person with a spark of divinity and showed me the value in treating everyone with the same sacred respect they are due.

#### MU: WHAT IS YOUR HOPE AND PRAYER FOR THE COMMUNITY AS WE WEATHER THE PANDEMIC?

**EB:** I 100% believe we are going to come out of this even stronger, more family-oriented, and as a unified community of believers.

**SA:** The coronavirus may have turned March madness into March sadness, but for people of faith we will have gladness because of our eternal Hope. I continue to serve my patients each day, because I want to help those who really need me. It's who I am, it's what I believe in. It's Christ's Kingdom First.

## MU: WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SUPPORT, BOTH FINANCIALLY AND OTHERWISE. WHY DO YOU SUPPORT MALONE'S MISSION?

**EB:** As a Malone graduate, I know I can't place a dollar value on my experience. My only hope as I continue to give is that students will have an experience as meaningful as mine ... an experience you can only get from Malone!

**SA:** Malone is an amazing place that fulfills the calling of preparing future generations for His service.

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