

Carroll Career Discovery Program

**PASSING THE TORCH
ALUMNI SPEAKER SERIES**

**Coleen (Harter) Bruening
CHS Class of 1985**

**Retired Staff Engineer:
Honda of America Manufacturing**



Coleen worked for 32 years at Honda of America Manufacturing in Anna, Ohio at their engine plant. She started her career as a floor engineer responsible for equipment upgrades and new equipment specifications and installation. She then moved into the new model group responsible for the engine assembly process development. Coleen also spent time on a few special projects for plant expansions throughout her career. When she retired, she was the liaison between Honda Manufacturing and General Motors on the Furl Cell joint venture project.

Coleen received her bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Dayton. During her years at UD, she also participated in the co-op program and worked for Vernay Laboratories in Yellow Springs, Ohio.

She is in a family of engineers. Her husband, Greg, also graduated from the University of Dayton with a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in Mechanical Engineering. Their son graduated from The Ohio State University with a bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering and he has his master's from the University of Dayton in Chemical Engineering. He is pursuing his PhD at UD in Aerospace Engineering. Their daughter is a graduate of the University of Dayton with a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering and also an MBA from UD.

Coleen most remembers the father daughter dances during her years at Carroll High School. She could not have ever imagined having so much fun with all of the dads at the dance. She also participated in the Spanish club and computer club at Carroll.

Education

- 1990 Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering: University of Dayton

Are you interested in a
career in
**Mechanical
Engineering?**
Get your questions
answered!

**When: Tuesday,
October 21, 2025**

**11:15 am-12:15 pm
(during 4th period)**

Where: Room 313

**Stop in at the CLC to
register or email
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**Be sure to pack or buy
lunch and feel free to
bring it with you to eat
during the presentation!**

**This is considered an
excused absence
from class.**

Hope to see you there!