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CARROLL HIGH SCHOOL DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY

*Sponsored by the Carroll High School
Alumni Association*

**Saturday, September 15, 2018
Hilton Garden Inn—Beavercreek**

Schedule of Evening

4:30 p.m.

Social Reception

6:00 p.m.

Dinner

Welcome.....Julie Hemmert Weitz '94, Director of Alumni Relations
Alumni Association Remarks.....Chris Youngerman '79, CHSAA President
Benediction.....Sr. Mary Alice Stein, S.C., CHS English Teacher, 1967-2010;
2014 Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame Honorary Patriot

7:00 p.m.

Ceremony

Introduction.....Jim Fleisher '85, Awards Committee Chairperson
Emcee of Ceremony.....Cheryl McHenry '74, 2008 Inaugural Inductee
Carroll High School Update.....Matthew Sableski '91, Principal
Introduction of Inductees.....Cheryl McHenry '74

- (1) James L. Hemmert, Honorary Patriot
- (2) Michael S. Easterling, Class of 1965
- (3) Jim Chervenka, Class of 1966
- (4) Richard Campbell, Ph.D., Class of 1967
- (5) Mike Pleiss, Ph.D., Class of 1971
- (6) Kathleen Greaney Cashman, Ph.D., Class of 1983
- (7) Mark H. Draper, Ph.D., Class of 1984

Induction.....Cheryl McHenry '74 along with CHSAA & Previous Inductees
Closing.....Pam Staton Tipps '91, Director of Advancement

*Reception & Dinner Music provided by The Flynn Trio:
Carl Soucek, Matt Flynn and Walter Riesenbergh*

Carroll's Alma Mater sung by Megan Braun '21, Sarah Graham '19, Frankie Kosir '21, Mandi Weitz '20, and Max Weitz '22

September 2018

Dear Alumni and Friends,

Welcome to Carroll High School's 2018 Induction into the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame. The Alumni Hall of Fame plaques can be found on the ground floor hallway at Carroll High School, above the lockers, so that current students can be motivated to strive for success, following the examples of past, present and future inductees.

Please realize how much Carroll High School's administration, faculty, staff, and students appreciate each and every one of you, and how proud we are to have you in the Carroll family. Your achievements are a testament to the work ethic and dedication that many of you learned while you were students walking the halls of Carroll High School.

Join me in expressing gratitude to the Alumni Association for sponsoring this ceremony. It is important that we also thank the Alumni Association's Awards and Recognition Committee for planning all of tonight's festivities and for creating another moving event producing wonderful memories of exceptional faculty and an excellent Carroll education.

Be sure to sit back and enjoy your evening. While you focus on the ceremony, think of other outstanding alumni who could be future hall of fame inductees and nominate those individuals for further consideration. We look forward to many celebrations welcoming our alumni back home and sharing Carroll's excellence with the community.

Today is a great day to be a Patriot because of the extraordinary accomplishments of the individuals being honored here tonight. We are proud to call the 2018 honorees Carroll Patriots! They represent the best of what we stand for at Carroll High School and we are thrilled to celebrate this occasion with them as their Carroll family.

Sincerely,



Mr. Matthew Sableski '91
Principal

Carroll High School History

Carroll High School is a Catholic, coeducational school located within the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Carroll High School was born in concept early in 1960, named after Archbishop John Carroll, the first bishop of the United States. The site was blessed April 8, and the school mascot was chosen in June. Two area eighth graders, Bernard Middleton '65 and Larry Cowman '65, each won a transistor radio for their suggestion that Carroll be the home of "The Patriots" with the colors red, white, and blue. The enrollment of 400 (freshmen only) arrived for Carroll's first registration on August 19, 1961. The first day of school was on September 6, 1961.

Alma Mater

Voices ringing in a pledge of loyalty
To our great Alma Mater, we promise fealty.
All days, always, in the things we do,
We will show your spirit and be true.
Hail, Carroll, to you.

We praise thee, Carroll High,
May you be always blessed.
Your sons and daughters now
Share your happiness.

Voices ringing in a pledge of loyalty
To our great Alma Mater, we promise fealty.
All days, always, bearing cross or crown,
We shall prove our love for God above
And, Carroll, for you!

Original Fight Song *(retired in the 1970's/1980's)*

Right in step and full of pep, Proud Patriots are we,
Roll the drum, unfurl the flag, we're marching out to victory.
Our heads are high, our hearts are strong, we're really on our way.
For the Red and White and Blue – Let's go!! Hip Hip Hurray!
Onward to victory, we pledge our unity, we'll bring fame to Carroll's name,
We're Patriots and always game.
Steady in all we do, ready to see it through,
Reach the stars and ride the sky,
Let's give three cheers for Carroll High. (Rah! Rah! Rah!)

Current Fight Song *(formerly called the Cheer Song)*

We're the Carroll team
And we're right on the beam –
Always fighting right down to the end.
We're out to gain our high school fame –
So watch out you (Knights...), Beware!!
All our fans are true to the red, white and blue
And all our foes will hear us say
"Better step aside, we'll do or die –
Keep your eye on Carroll High!"



Carroll High School's 2016 Induction to the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame



The 2016 inductees are pictured above. In row 1 (left to right) are the following: Andrew and Michael Osgood '20 (representing their deceased father, Inductee Mike Osgood '78), Dr. Cheryl Conley '69, and Honorary Patriot Mr. Joseph Sens. In row 2 (left to right) are the following: Becky Osgood (representing her deceased husband, Inductee Mike Osgood '78), Matt Joseph '90, Dr. Alan Thurman '78, Lt. Col. Charlie Middleton '94, and Michael Neatherton '70.

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The Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame is sponsored by Carroll High School's Alumni Association and organized by the Awards and Recognition Committee.

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Suzie Kuntz Roselius '66

Patricia Pier Kretz '68

Kathy Kuntz Heeb '70

Greg Notestine, DDS '71

Cathy Wuebben Jackson '75

Alan Thurman, MD '78

Kim Timm '86

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Carroll High School's Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame Selection Procedure

Carroll High School's Alumni Association established the Awards and Recognition Committee in May 2006 in order to evaluate criteria, research candidates, solicit nominations for alumni sponsored awards, and coordinate the planning and hosting of an awards ceremony. Being named to the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame is an incredible honor and is based on post high school achievements.

There are two categories for consideration: *Alumni Distinguished Patriot* and *Honorary Patriot*. The *Alumni Distinguished Patriot Award* honors Carroll graduates (at least 15 years out) who have made a significant impact on their communities and professions. The volunteer selection committee makes nominations and considers those received from alumni and the community. They solicit nominations from diverse backgrounds based on academic excellence, career achievement, Christian leadership, dedicated service, philanthropy, heroism, humanitarianism, and/or cultural enrichment, and then vote for the 'best of the best.' The *Honorary Patriot Award* honors those who are not Carroll graduates who have had a lasting and profound effect on Carroll High School, its students, and its community through their commitment to Catholic education and their active involvement, leadership, and support of the school.

Nomination forms must be received by the first day in September to be eligible for induction the following school year. Once candidates are nominated, their nominations remain active in subsequent years.

The committee is given descriptions of each candidate received from actual nominations, newspaper and web articles, or other forms of research. Then, the committee is divided into four sub-groups to discuss and research the nominees further, to place them in one of three categories, to assign a point value to them and determine if they are eligible to be included on the official ballot using the evaluation worksheet supplied to them, and later share their findings with the rest of the committee. Prior to voting day, sub-group recommendations for official ballot names are tallied and announced. A maximum number of 25 Distinguished Alumni Patriot names and a maximum of 5 Honorary Patriot names that received the highest scores of all of the sub-groups are included on the ballot.

On voting day, there must be a two-thirds majority quorum present, and only those committee members present can vote. Voting day should be held at least six months prior to the ceremony. From the official roster (using a secret ballot), each committee member is required to select one Honorary Patriot candidate and five Distinguished Patriot candidates. Votes are then tabulated and the top vote getters become the final awardees. In the case of a tie, another vote will occur on just those tied individuals. Each year, after the votes are tabulated, the committee determines the specific number of final awardees to be selected.

The committee sets no quotas by gender, area of achievement or era, but diversity is encouraged. Members are expected to be unbiased and fair-minded. Also, the committee is sworn to strict confidentiality as to protect the nominees and maintain the highest standard of integrity.

Carroll High School's 2012 and 2014 Induction to the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame



The 2012 inductees are pictured above. In row 1 (left to right) are the following: Carol Gasper Huber '68, Bill Hess '71, and Tamara Gonzalez '71. In row 2 (left to right) are the following: Thomas Hischak '69, Honorary Patriot Fr. Stanley Neiheisel, and John Timm '89.



The 2014 inductees are pictured above. In row 1 (left to right) are the following: Honorary Patriot Sr. Mary Alice Stein, George Kuntz '65 (representing friend Mike Lofino '65), and Carole Hohl '67. In row 2 (left to right) are the following: Larry Blanford '72, Dr. Mark Stibich '91, Dale Nieberding '76, and Steve Haller '68.

Carroll High School's 2009 and 2010 Induction to the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame



The 2009 inductees and/or representatives are pictured above. In row 1 (left to right) are the following: Kathy McGarry Brewster '70 (representing her deceased husband, Inductee Dr. Robert Brewster '70), Honorary Patriot Rita Kroger, and Peggy Miller Ruhlin '67. In row 2 (left to right) are the following: Leo Dugdale '70 (also representing Dr. Robert Brewster '70), Capt. Tony Tangeman '66, Dr. Greg Notestine '71, Lt. Col. Ed Robbeloth '66, David Seiter '70, Michael Bashaw '67, and Dr. Jim Volz '71. Not pictured is Rick Good '69.



The 2010 inductees and/or representatives are pictured above. In row 1 (left to right) are the following: Sharon Schneider Becker '69, Steve Ries and Charles Middleton '65 (representing deceased Honorary Patriot Fr. Victor F. Ries), and Julie Thurman Thorner '81. In row 2 (left to right) are the following: Lt. Col. Mike Milord '67, Jack Glaser '69, Michael Gaines '86, and Ted Fecke '73.

If an inductee voted in for the current Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame cannot attend the designated event date, but he or she wishes to receive the honor, the individual will remain one of those "chosen" for the next year selected for the Alumni Hall of Fame ceremony, and the committee will determine whether or not someone else should be selected in his or her place for the current year. If the next year selected is also not a good time for the inductee to attend, a plaque will be placed in Carroll's Alumni Hall of Fame but a formal induction may not occur.



The crest of Carroll High School is found on the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame plaques, as well as the awards given to the inductees. The crest of Carroll High School reflects both the spiritual and temporal objectives and ideals of the school's namesake, its faculty, and its student body. Surrounding the outside is the laurel wreath, the ancient and modern symbol of excellence both in academics and athletics.

The monogram "M" over the vertical olive branch in the center represents the Blessed Virgin Mary, to whom Archbishop John Carroll was intensely devoted. The slogan, *Via Pacis* (Way of Peace), recognizes Mary as our intercessor with Christ in obtaining that peace which the world cannot give.

The eagle is primarily the symbol for St. John the Evangelist, to whom the school chapel is dedicated. Soaring heavenward, it reminds us that we, too, should lift our hearts above earthly aspirations. Also well-known as an American symbol, the eagle urges us to be strong, to be sure, and to be satisfied only with the heights in both our spiritual and temporal lives.

The torch at the lower right represents the "lamp of learning" as well as the spirit that fired the Patriots of early America to love, to work, and to fight for God and Country. The plow of Cincinnati identifies Carroll as being an institution within the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

Overall, Christ's Cross with its open arms spanning the universe, teaches men true freedom and how to enjoy its gift of peace here and hereafter.

CHS DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI HALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORM

Nominator's Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

I would like to nominate the following individual:

Full Name _____ (Maiden) _____

Class of _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Address (including city, state, zip) _____

Please check below the area(s) that describe your nominee's achievements:

◇ **Alumni Distinguished Patriot** – To honor graduates of Carroll High School (at least 15 years out) who have made a significant impact on their communities and professions in one or more of the following ways:

⇒ **Academic Excellence** – Graduates who have demonstrated a passion for learning and have achieved academic excellence.

⇒ **Career Achievement** – Graduates who have outstanding achievement in their professional field. Their achievements have brought distinctions to themselves and benefit to their community.

⇒ **Christian Leadership** – Graduates who contribute to the spiritual growth of a community through their involvement in service-oriented and religious activities and whose personal integrity reflects values of Jesus.

⇒ **Dedicated Service** – Graduates who have given extended, extraordinary service or philanthropy to Carroll High School or have demonstrated a commitment to public service that has substantially benefited their community, state, region, or beyond.

⇒ **Heroism** – Graduates who have prevailed over adversity or who have distinguished service in the Armed Forces.

⇒ **Humanitarian** – Graduates who have devoted their life to the welfare of all human beings.

⇒ **Cultural Enrichment** – Graduates who have contributed to the enhancement of cultural arts, music, theater, literature, film, or media.

◇ **Honorary Patriot** – To honor those who are not Carroll High School graduates who have had a lasting and profound effect on Carroll High School, its students, and its community through their commitment to Catholic education and their active involvement, leadership, and support of the school.

Please **include separate document** with specific information why your nominee is deserving of the award, specific details on his/her achievements, organizations and positions held, and other individuals who may be contacted for additional information. Nomination form must be received by the **first day in September** to be eligible for induction the following school year.

Please return completed nomination to: Carroll High School c/o Julie Weitz.
Questions? Email jweitz@carrollhs.org, call (937) 253-8188, ext. 339, or go to Carroll's website at www.carrollhs.org/HOF.

Carroll High School's 2008 Inaugural Induction to the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame



The 2008 inductees and/or representatives pictured above (left to right) are: Kevin Hess '73 (representing his deceased brother, Inductee Lance Corporal Dale Hess '67), JP Nauseef '84, Ann Marie Stieritz '87, David Gasper '74, Diane McGarvey Wright '79, Cheryl McHenry Chabali '74, Steve Bogner '81, US Congressman Steve Austria '77, and Chris Clifford '79 (representing his deceased best friend, Inductee Col. Paul Kelly '79).

*Your fellow alumni, the administration, faculty, staff, and students of Carroll High School want it to be known that you are distinguished in our midst and shall evermore be remembered as a member of this honored Hall of Fame in which you are recognized and held up as an example of what it means to be a Carroll High School Alum, a true Patriot for Life, and an example of the ideals of Church, family, country, community, and service.
Be it so known. Be you so honored.*

Mark H. Draper, Ph.D. Class of 1984

Dr. Mark Draper is a Fellow and Principal Scientist at the United States Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL), 711th Human Performance Wing where he currently leads the Core Technical Competency in Decision Making. After serving 20 years in the US Air Force, Mark retired as a Lieutenant Colonel, having received numerous commendation medals including the Meritorious Service Award.



Since then, Mark has continued as a civilian researcher at AFRL. His honors include the 2012 Harold Brown Award (presented by the Secretary of the USAF; the highest award for science & technology), 2011 induction as an AFRL Fellow, the 2010 Harry G. Armstrong Scientific Excellence Award, and the 2017 AFRL International Science Award. Mark designed and evaluated the first applications of synthetic vision technology, tactile alerting, haptic feedback, and direct voice control to USAF UAV operations. He is also the AFRL Research Lead on enabling single operator simultaneous control of multiple unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) and, leveraging from sports analogies, he revolutionized operator tasking of unmanned systems through an innovative “play calling” approach.

Mark is the Associate Editor of the world’s largest scientific journal associated with human factors and ergonomics research. In 1991, Mark was selected to participate as the sole AFRL crewmember on C-141 Operation Desert Shield air resupply missions to identify key crew fatigue/workload stressors. He also designed and conducted a time-critical VISTA F-16 cockpit study which identified and resolved critical flight safety issues. Mark has led six separate multi-national NATO research teams related to human factors with increasingly automated systems, he has written over 80 publications to date, and he has presented research in over 17 nations. He received his Ph.D. in Engineering (Human Factors) from the University of Washington, his M.S.E. from the University of Washington, and his B.S.E. from Wright State University.

Mark has been married to Marichu (Potts) Draper '85 for 29 years. Mark and Maria have 2 sons: Noah, age 20, and Luke, age 17 – both Patriots!

“Carroll provided me with a firm educational and religious foundation by which to tackle challenges later in life,” says Mark. His favorite memories are: playing soccer and achieving MVP; being inspired by Carroll teachers such as Mr. Hemmert, who helped stimulate new areas of his brain; and being part of a close knit group that kept Christian values at the forefront.

2018 Ceremony Emcee

Cheryl McHenry Chabali Class of 1974

In 2008, Cheryl was inducted into Carroll High School’s Inaugural Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame for her outstanding career achievement.

Since 1991, Cheryl has served as Prime Time News Center 7 Anchor at WHIO-TV.



After graduating from Carroll High School, she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Broadcasting from the University of Cincinnati. As a senior at U.C., she was fortunate to have an internship at WKRC radio. Cheryl worked in radio news for three years, with stints at WING radio in Dayton and WCKY in Cincinnati, before landing a job as a reporter at WHIO-TV in August of 1981.

For much of the 1980’s, she covered the Dayton Police/Montgomery County Courts beat, reporting on all kinds of stories from the local criminal justice system. During those years, Cheryl won four Emmy Awards. Three of them were for *Spot News* (now called *Breaking News*), and one for *Investigative News* for a 3-part series on repeat drunk driving offenders (1990).

Since 2013, Cheryl has added four more Emmys for four half-hour special reports. One was *Miami Valley Murder Mysteries* (2013); the second was *PTSD: Invisible Wound*, raising awareness for post-traumatic stress among military combat veterans (2013). In 2015 and 2016, Cheryl added two more: one focused on problems at the VA and the other was the latest edition of *Miami Valley Murder Mysteries*.

Cheryl also co-hosted the Children’s Miracle Network Telethon from 1987 until 2014. She also emcees a number of local events including the Dayton Defense Educational Foundation Charity Gala, The Hundred Club which awards police and firefighters for going above and beyond the call of duty, and the Holiday at Home scholarship dinner.

Since 2007, Cheryl was honored twice as Best Anchor by the Associated Press and once by the Society of Professional Journalists. She was also inducted into the Radio/TV Broadcasters Hall of Fame of Ohio and the Dayton Area Broadcasters Hall of Fame. She and three of her co-workers also received a regional Edward R. Murrow award in 2010 for a half-hour special called, *Domestic Violence: Breaking the Cycle*.

When not working, Cheryl enjoys spending time with her husband, Bob; their daughters, Christina and Maria; and their new black Labrador, Missy. She is a big sports fan, loves to run and swim, enjoys cooking and relaxing by the pool with a wonderful book. Cheryl remains very dedicated to Carroll High School and has emceed many of its events, including every ceremony of the Athletic Hall of Fame, begun in 2003, and many ceremonies of the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame.

James L. Hemmert Honorary Patriot

For 53 years, from 1962-2015, Mr. Hemmert taught English at Carroll High School until he retired at age 77, and he was the English Department Chair from 1970-2014. Jim received his education degree from the University of Dayton (1962) and took graduate classes at U.D., Miami of Ohio and Wright State University.



Mr. Hemmert began his Carroll career in the second year of the school's existence, joining Mr. Spoerl, Mr. Otten and Mrs. Ziegler as the only lay teachers among 12 priests and 33 nuns of various orders. Jim taught only boys for the first six years, except for a mixed Honors class here or there. He learned so much from the fantastic Sisters of Charity who ran the English Department at that time. Sr. Eugene, Sr. Marie Christopher and Sr. Victoria Marie drilled the new teachers on the Five-Sentence Outline, empowering them to teach the students how to organize and achieve a well-written paper, beginning a Carroll tradition of excellence.

Mr. Hemmert devoted his life to helping students find their writing "voice" by using "show, don't tell" details. He expected students to take ownership of their writings, to be distinct and recognizable in their writing voice just as they are in their speaking voice. He encouraged them to write memorable and not "pig in a jar" papers. He connected with students through his passion, his humor and his sarcasm, and he left a lasting impression.

Jim also founded Write-On (1970) and served as moderator of this creative writing publication for 45 years. His honors include the 2002 "Called by Name" Miami Valley Catholic Education Council Award for his 40 years of Catholic school ministry, the 1993 "Call to Excellence" Archdiocese of Cincinnati Teacher of the Year Award, and the 2003 Carroll High School Athletic Hall of Fame Award for founding the Carroll baseball program and coaching varsity baseball for its first 28 years. He also coached varsity basketball for nine years.

Jim has three daughters and two sons, all of whom graduated from Carroll High School: Marcy '83, Toni '86, Tim '91, Julie '94, and John '01. He also has 19 grandchildren, plus one on the way, and 7 great-grandchildren. His wife, Lynne, passed away January 19, 2016, at the age of 75, from frontal lobe dementia.

Mr. Hemmert states: "I would not change a thing about my 53 years of teaching at Carroll High School. My life there has been a spiritual celebration of friendship, respect and love. God Bless all who have shared smiles with me."

Kathleen (Greaney) Cashman, Ph.D. Class of 1983

Kathleen "Kat" Cashman is a microbiologist and immunologist. She earned her Doctorate degree from Georgetown University in 2005 after earning other degrees from California State University, Wright State University, and Sinclair Community College.



Kat is currently an investigator at the nation's premier biodefense laboratory, the United States Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases at Fort Detrick, Maryland, where she develops and tests vaccines and therapeutics to combat some of the world's most dangerous viruses.

Her primary research interest is in immunobiology and pathogenesis of viral hemorrhagic fevers. She is at the top of her field in virology research and vaccine development for the Ebola virus and Lassa fever. Kat currently holds two patents for Lassa fever research, including a DNA-based vaccine along with its delivery method, and generation of recombinant viral proteins for use in diagnostics assay development. She is the only two-time awardee of the prestigious Hilleman Outstanding Abstract Award from the International Society of Vaccines, once in 2011 and then again in 2016.

Her work has taken her all over the world, presenting both nationally and internationally, as well as being published in over 25 publications. She has also been awarded numerous grants to further the development of her vaccines.

Kat is an accomplished flute player. She is an active community volunteer, supporting many breast cancer awareness interests and encouraging the STEM program in public schools as a science fair judge and enrichment advocate. She also enjoys camping, hiking, knitting, and photography. She has been married for 26 years and has two sons, ages 10 and 8.

Her favorite memories of Carroll High School were being in the band. "Music was a very important part of my life at Carroll. Being in the marching band helped me to feel like I was an important part of something bigger than myself. We couldn't succeed as a unit unless each one of us worked hard and did our part. Not only did that help provide a feeling of belonging, but perhaps more importantly for my future, it helped to instill a strong work ethic, and to highlight the significance of personal responsibility. Those are the things that helped me the most to stay focused on reaching my educational and career goals."

Mike Pleiss, Ph.D. Class of 1971

Upon graduating from Carroll High School, Mike Pleiss pursued his education at the University of Cincinnati, College of Pharmacy and eventually earned his Ph.D. from the University of Kansas in Medicinal Chemistry. Mike is a medicinal chemist with over 35 years of industrial experience in pharmaceutical research and a proven track record in the design of novel small molecule drugs in several therapeutic areas.



Since 2006, Mike has been an international medicinal chemistry consultant working in a large number of therapeutic areas. The majority of his clients have been foundations, many working in the neurodegeneration field including the SMA Foundation and the Myelin Repair Foundation. Prior to 2006, he was the Vice President of global chemistry and drug metabolism and pharmacokinetics at Elan Pharmaceuticals where he supervised over 60 full time staff. He has been a reviewer at Muscular Dystrophy Philanthropy Investments and a visiting scientist at Children's Hospital and Oakland Research Institute in California.

During his career, Mike has helped invent/received over 120 patents for the prevention and treatment of Alzheimer's disease, rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis, and other inflammatory diseases and brain diseases. He has appeared in hundreds of publications, articles, and reviews, as well as presented at the international level on his research.

Outside of his career, Mike is a dedicated philanthropist giving time to his community. He has assisted for over 25 years on numerous cooking show productions as a member of the kitchen staff for the local PBS station, KQED-TV, with many well-known chefs. He volunteers at the homeless shelter in Sunnyvale, California. He is active in the St. Vincent de Paul mission in his Sunnyvale parish. He has also served Thanksgiving dinner for the homeless in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Mike has been married for 30 years to Christine Brotherton-Pleiss. They have two children and split their time between Sunnyvale and Honolulu. He is an avid gardener and cook. His other hobbies are traveling and hiking with his wife.

When asked about Carroll High School, Mike stated, "Carroll impacted my future. It instilled a passion for science that formulated my entire career. That passion is still with me today."

Michael S. Easterling Class of 1965

Michael Easterling has spent his career in television, both on and off screen. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in marketing from Howard University and did his graduate studies at Emerson College in Boston, Massachusetts. He also holds a Certificate in Television Management from the Kellogg School of Business from Northwestern University.



Throughout his career, Mike has performed in many acting roles, such as: *The Wire* (HBO), *Something the Lord Made* (HBO), *Homicide* (NBC), and *America's Most Wanted* (Fox). These roles led him to be a former member of the Screen Actors Guild (SAG) and the American Federation of Television and Radio Actors (AFTRA). He also hosted the local television program, *Columbia Matters*, from 2007-2014.

Since his acting days, Mike has now moved behind the screen and produced television shows for CBS affiliates, WGBH-Boston and WJZ-Baltimore. He is the founder/CEO of Straight Talk Communications in Mason, Ohio, since 2015.

His awards and other career ventures are numerous, as well. Mike received the Toastmasters International Club Champion in Columbia, Maryland, in 1996-1997. He has taken up writing over the years and is the author of *Hey Coach...Let My Kid Play*, written in 2004. It is a collection of humorous and informed essays about how parents can have fun with youth sports. Because of all of this, he has traveled nationwide as a humorist and speaker, as well as a training consultant for the National Committee for Community Justice. In 1991, he was the Iris Award Recipient for his "Not in Our League" documentary about a Negro Baseball League.

Mike has two adult sons and two teenage grandsons. His sister, Linda, is a graduate of the Class of 1969.

When asked about his high school experience, Mike said, "Carroll helped me make my college decision to Howard University. My time at Carroll also helped those teachers and students who had never had interaction with African Americans on a regular basis. It's that contribution of which I am most proud."

Jim Chervenka Class of 1966

Jim Chervenka pursued a Bachelor's Degree from Aquinas College and a Master's Degree from Wayne State University. His passion is theater; Jim made a career out of the technical aspect of the theater industry. He spent most of his career as Technical Director at the Grand Rapids Civic Theatre & School of Theater Arts for over 35 years. There he contributed to the theatre's success and worked on over 200 productions backstage. In 1997 and 2015, Jim was crucial in leading the 'Backstage Team' for the Grand Rapids National AACT Fest.



Jim also served as President of the Board of Directors for the summer theatre "Circle in the Park" and was involved in the formation of its new theatre built on the campus of his alma mater, Aquinas College. He helped raise funds to build the theatre and collaborated with Community Circle Theatre and Grand Rapids Catholic Schools to do so. He also helped in the formation of The East Grand Rapids High School Performing Arts Center.

His awards include: 2000 Special Effects Design, 2005 Sheila Pantland Award, 2008 Norma Brink Lifetime Achievement, 2014 and 2015 Outstanding Volunteer, 2015 Mitchell Award (for both he and his wife), and 2016 American Association of Community Theatres Distinguished Merit. Jim was also nominated for the 2013 Best Supporting Actor for "The Heart is a Lonely Hunter."

Jim is semi-retired and currently works for Aria Show Technologies and volunteers for various local theatres. He continues to give back to the community by hosting several theatre workshops in Michigan, including one for Carroll drama students at the Grand Rapids Civic Theatre.

Staying close to his ties with Carroll High School, Jim is a consultant to the CHS Freedom Players, loans equipment for sets, and donates in-kind gifts from community theatre. He was one of several alumni who helped replace the light board at Carroll in 2009. He also assisted with construction of equipment for flying actors in recent productions, as well as assisted CHS in getting into the USITT Conference in 2005.

Jim has been married to Linda (McLeod) Chervenka '66 for 45 years. They have four children: Deirdre, Casey, Bridget, and Angela.

"I guess the biggest impact Carroll had on my future was when (in my junior year) they announced in homeroom that they need males for the school play. My relatives in Michigan were involved in the local community theatres. I thought, 'My cousins do that theatre thing... maybe I could too.' That was my introduction to theatre by Mrs. Stucke, set construction by Mr. Stucke, and last but not least Linda McLeod (who was the lead in 'I Remember Mama'). Oh... and that Jack Glaser guy."

Richard Campbell, Ph.D. Class of 1967

Richard "Dick" Campbell is a professor of media, journalism and film at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. He has also taught at UW-Milwaukee, Mount Mary College, Middle Tennessee State University, and the University of Michigan. He received his doctorate degree from Northwestern University, after earning his other degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Marquette University, where he was an English major.



As a member of the faculty at Miami University, he directed the journalism program and later led the restructuring of media studies, chairing the new Media, Journalism & Film department from 2013-2018. In his 15 years at Miami he has been nominated several times the Outstanding Professor award, and in 2018 was a finalist for the Benjamin Harrison Medallion, Miami's highest faculty honor. Earlier in his career, he received the University of Michigan Warner G. Rice Humanities Award, and in 1998 won a "Texty Award" for the nation's best communication textbook.

Dick is the author or co-author of five books, including [60 Minutes and the News: A Mythology for Middle America](#). He is also the lead author of [Media and Culture: Mass Communication in a Digital Age](#), in its 12th edition and the nation's most widely used college textbook in media studies.

Public radio has been a forum for Dick as a guest media and news critic, including NPR's syndicated "On the Media" program. In addition, he co-created the "Stats+Stories" podcast and in 2017 founded Report for Ohio, a statewide initiative for securing better news coverage of under-reported areas in rural and urban Ohio. He is a member of the Cincinnati Public Radio Board of Directors and in 2015 was on Dayton's planning committee for the 20th anniversary of the Dayton Peace Accords.

Dick is still active in the Carroll community and in 2017 edited his Class of '67 newsletter to celebrate its 50-year reunion. He believes Carroll played a major role in shaping his life's work as a teacher and writer: "During my first year in college at Marquette University in 1967, I began to appreciate Carroll. CHS prepared me. Thanks to Sr. Marie Christopher, I was prepared as a writer. She taught me to avoid verb forms of "to be" ("Action verbs, please") and to capture detail ("Show, don't tell"). She also taught Paul Simon and Bob Dylan lyrics as poetry and led a field trip to my first rock concert. After Marquette, I started my career as a high school English teacher, inspired by both Sr. Christopher and Mr. Hemmert, my teacher and later my baseball and basketball coach. He was an early role model for me, and I taught freshman English and coached girls' basketball for five years in the Milwaukee Public Schools before going back for my graduate degrees. I have always been grateful for the jump start in life I got at Carroll."

Dick and his wife, Dianna, have been married for 47 years and have two grown children and one grandson.