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MESSAGE FROM THE CIRCLE COORDINATOR

By Brooke Supple

Hello Sigma Circle Alums!

Greetings from my home office in Silver Spring! Hope all is well wherever you are! And, we hope that you and your family are healthy and well! You would not even recognize the campus these days. There are orange construction barriers and construction fencing everywhere. And it is so lonely and quiet. As you know, we are “closed”. Almost all students have left campus and almost all faculty and staff are teleworking. Since March 12, we have been sheltering in place or staying at home, and following the orders of the State, County, USM System, WHO and CDC.



Before the beginning of COVID-19, it was a very busy fall and early spring on campus as changes could be seen everywhere! On January 21, we welcomed [Dr. Patricia A. \(Patty\) Perillo](#) as our new Vice President for Student Affairs. Patty came to campus from Virginia Tech, where she served as the Vice President for Student Affairs for seven years. She is a graduate of University of Maryland with a Ph.D. in Health Education and a member of ODK from the SUNY Plattsburgh Circle. Patty is a huge asset to the Division of Student Affairs and a passionate advocate for students. We are all looking forward to her leadership in Student Affairs and across campus. Patty follows in the footsteps of [Linda Clement](#) and [William L. “Bud” Thomas](#) who collectively served as the Vice President for Student Affairs for over 45 years.

On February 12, the University announced that [Dr. Darryll Pines](#) will be the next President of the University of Maryland beginning on July 1, 2020. He will follow a decade of inspiring leadership by President [Wallace Loh](#). We look forward to welcoming President Pines!

It has been an interesting spring for ODK. We had a spirited selection meeting in February discussing over 250 applicants. We selected a robust group of undergraduate members, honorary, and graduate students. Thanks to all who continue to support ODK through their time and generous financial gifts. We had a successful Giving Day at UMD on March 4, 2020 and ODK alums were some of the leading gift participants! And then, the world closed down. We had our first ever virtual induction ceremony via Zoom and our officer elections on Zoom as well! It is a whole new world, but we are managing to make the best of it while keeping our students and staff healthy and following public health guidance.

While we are not sure what the fall will bring, we hope to see you on campus again soon. Stay safe and stay well!



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Doron Tadmor '20

Hello ODKers!

We are not sure where the time went – but the spring semester is coming to a close, and it has been an exciting season for the Sigma Circle! The Sigma Circle remains vibrant, undertaking transformative initiatives to improve the experience of every member and applicant. Together, our Executive

Board has worked hard to deliver on this great promise, ensuring the next 90 years of the Sigma Circle are just as good as the last!

We recognized 45 new members - 35 undergraduates, 1 graduate, and 9 honorary - this semester for their hard work and distinguished contributions to the campus. Their credentials are phenomenal and inducting them was certainly the highlight of our spring. Get to know a few of our newest members throughout this issue!

As we approach the close of another great academic year, our executive board has been hard at work developing new programming and initiatives for our members to ensure that our organization is not only bigger, but also better than ever before.

ODK Events were in full swing at the beginning of this semester. We kicked off with our ODKrushes Gift Exchange at Selections and continued the fun with our culturally immersive Shabbat dinner. While we had many other events planned for our members, COVID-19 closed the university and halted our plans.

Classes have transitioned to an online format, students are studying at home with many more distractions and commencement ceremonies are now virtual. The pandemic and subsequent changes have caused a lot of uncertainty about what the rest of 2020 holds for us.

However, I have been continuously amazed and inspired by the resilience and tenacity of our Terps. Despite the circumstances, I have seen our Terps successfully defending their theses, volunteering to make masks for health care workers, creating dashboards that allow researchers to better monitor the spread of the virus, and overall, approaching life with a “glass half full” outlook.

For the last 90 years, Omicron Delta Kappa's Sigma Circle has been the premier student group at the University of Maryland - and it will continue to be so for many, many more despite the uncertain road ahead! We are laying the groundwork for a new and improved ODK, and I could not be more grateful for your continued interest in and support of the work we are doing!

Being elected as President of the Sigma Circle has been one of the greatest honors of my undergraduate career. Nothing made me prouder than being able to work alongside Maryland's best and brightest “leaders among leaders”. While we are unsure what the future will bring, I am confident that we will all make it through this.

Stay safe and go Terps!

Sincerely,

Doron Tadmor

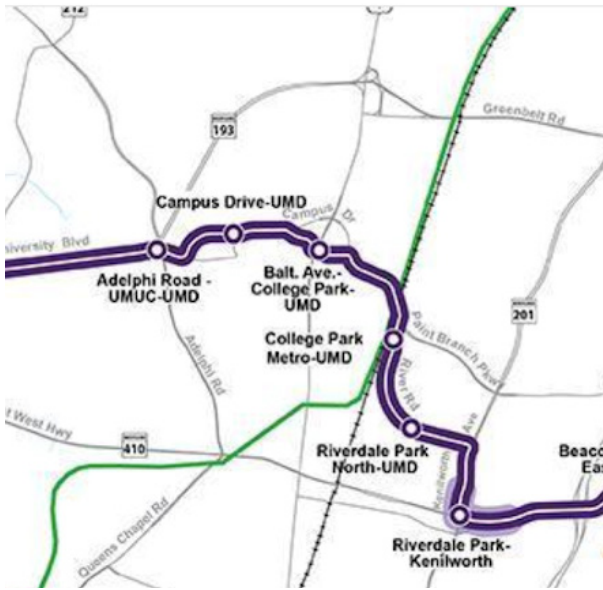
ODK Sigma Circle President

Red, Black, Gold, and ... Purple?

UMD Gets Prepared for the Purple Line

By David Rekhtman '21

Campus has been filled with changes and developments ranging from new residence halls and academic buildings to the construction of the Purple Line. The Purple Line project, which began in August of 2017 is projected to be completed in the spring of 2023; a 6 year long endeavor that is bound to begin an entirely different type of campus here at the University of Maryland.



Information and Pictures Courtesy of MDOT MTA and PLTP

congestion, but will make campus more accessible for prospective students, current students, and alumni.

As of now, the Maryland Department of Transportation and Maryland Transit Administration have promised service 5 a.m. - 12 a.m., Monday through Friday and 7 a.m. - 12 a.m., Saturday and Sunday. There is the potential for increased service during athletic events to account for the increased anticipated use by Terp fans!

Each station has its own unique design. "Art-In-Transit" makes public art an integral part of the Purple Line. For example, the station near Cole Field House will have UMD colors and Purple Line colors on glass. The light rail will go along Campus Drive and will exit campus near Ritchie Coliseum. To accommodate this, as well as capitalize on the opportunity of further construction, members of the UMD community can expect to see bike/eScooter and walking paths along Campus Drive. There will also be plantings and other landscaping features.

But, what will happen to the Maryland M?! Construction crews are currently hard at work creating a new Maryland M which will be placed right in front of the Mitchell Building, home of the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs and the ODK Sigma Circle. The current M Circle will become a traditional four-way intersection with a new traffic light to regulate traffic. This will be more efficient, safer for students, and accommodate the light rail. The new M is expected to be finished by the end of the semester. This summer, visitors might have opportunities to take pictures at two Maryland M's!

The contractors are benefiting from the empty campus to get lots of work completed. UMD is going to get a massive upgrade in the next few years which will improve the student experience and UMD's connection to the greater DMV area.

As a new electric light rail that will run from Bethesda to New Carrollton, the new Purple Line will be able to connect University of Maryland to the greater region even more than it already is. This will provide students and alumni the opportunity to easily use the yellow, green, orange, and red lines of the D.C. metro system as well as MARC and AMTRAK trains. Out of the 21 stops on the new light rail system, five of the stops will be on or adjacent to our campus, and will be free for students, faculty, and staff to use: Adelphi Road-UMGC-UMD; Campus Drive-UMD; Balt. Ave-College Park-UMD; College Park Metro-UMD; and, Riverdale Park North-UMD. To ensure safety, the train, which can hold roughly 400 people over the length of 3.5 buses, will be traveling at a maximum speed of 15 miles per hour through campus. This type of easy access will not only alleviate the traffic



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ODK Leader of the Year

Christine Rhee has distinguished herself as a leader at the University of Maryland

By David Polefrone '21

We're thrilled to congratulate **Christine Rhee** as the recipient of the J. Logan Schutz Omicron Delta Kappa Leader of the Year Award!

The Leader took some time to interview her on her leadership journey, and about what ODK has meant to her.



What has becoming a part of ODK meant to you?

Becoming a part of ODK is almost a rite of passage for student leaders at the University of Maryland. Ever since freshman year, it has been a goal of mine to be inducted into ODK. This is perhaps because everyone I looked up to and considered a role model as a freshman had one thing in common: they were all in ODK. When I asked these mentors questions about the organization, they always spoke highly of ODK and the people in it. Becoming a part of this prestigious community that recognizes the efforts of student change-makers has given me the gift of great new friendships and a special network of leaders among leaders.

How has ODK helped you on your leadership journey?

ODK has mainly impacted my leadership journey through constantly pushing me to be a better version of myself. Always being surrounded by the most ambitious and successful student leaders has given me the motivation I need to take initiative when I see a problem or apply myself in a way I have not yet tried before. Being in ODK has also served as a constant reminder that I need to hold myself to the highest standards when it comes to character and integrity because I know these are core values of ODK.

How do you explain ODK to your friends and family?

This is an interesting question because I have gotten asked, "What's ODK?" countless times, especially during application season. I tell friends and family that ODK is a national honor society that recognizes student leaders who go out of their way to not only improve their own leadership skills, but also better their community. I truly believe everyone is capable of demonstrating critical leadership skills or traits, but leaders who bring change to their community for the better are extra special.

What's your proudest achievement throughout your college career?

My proudest achievement throughout my college career would have to be my commitment to diversifying my leadership opportunities while still ensuring that the quality of my work in each organization is not compromised. Once you get comfortable with a certain type of leadership position, it can be easy to gravitate towards similar activities. However, I have been pretty good about catching myself when I want to dive into something I already have a lot of experience in because college should be full of new experiences and learning opportunities!

What will you most miss about the University of Maryland as you move into your next chapter?

I will most definitely miss the easy access to friends, mentors, and non-stop events. There has never been a dull moment at UMD; even in the midst of the hardest times, like finals week, I never went a day without sharing a laugh with someone. Thankfully, I'm planning on attending graduate school at UMD for the next two years but I will miss all my friends who are graduating so much.

In addition to being named the J. Logan Schutz Omicron Delta Kappa Leader of the Year, Christine was also named the National Leader of the Year in Campus or Community Service, Social or Religious Activities, and Campus Government. Congratulations, Christine!

Meet The Goldbergs!

Bob and Susan Goldberg have contributed a lot to campus, including those Maryland Day turtles you love

By David Polefrone '21

The Sigma Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa presents its **Drury G. Bagwell** Award each year in honor of our former Faculty Secretary and Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs, who transformed our circle into the nationally acclaimed organization which it is today. For 2019-2020, we're very happy to announce Bob and Susan Goldberg as the winners of this award. They were recognized at our December 2019 Induction Ceremony.

Bob Goldberg is Chief Executive Officer of the National Association of REALTORS®, the nation's largest trade association. In two and a half years in this position, Bob has transformed the organization, leading a culture shift in a time of change and disruption in the real estate industry. He has made transparency central to the organization, using video, social media, and personal visits to communicate directly with NAR's nearly 1.4 million members.

In addition to his role as CEO of NAR, Bob holds several additional positions including president of NAR's investment arm - Second Century Ventures, president of the highly ranked REACH® technology accelerator - specializing in "PropTech" companies, and president and CEO for the REALTORS® Information Network (RIN). He has been with NAR for over 24 years. In January 2020, Bob was named No. 7 on the Swanepoel Power 200, a list of the most powerful and influential executives in real estate. He holds a B.A. Degree from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Bob was inducted as an Honorary Member to the ODK Sigma Circle in 2016.

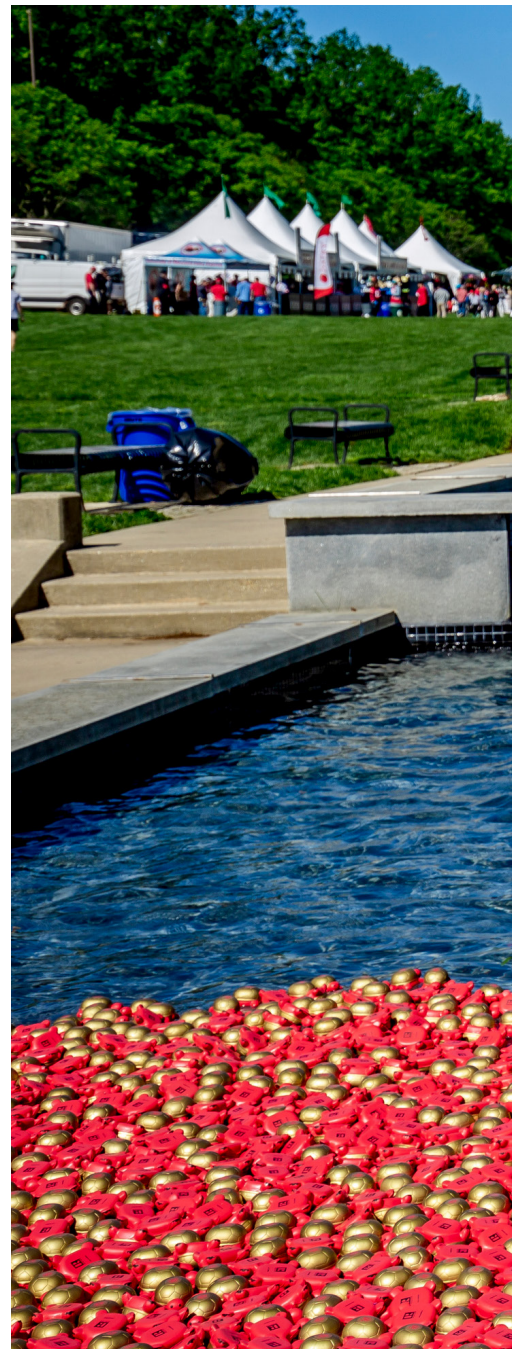
Susan Goldberg is a UMD alumna (GVPT, '80). Throughout her years on campus, she held a variety of leadership positions in campus organizations including SGA and RHA, in addition to serving as an Orientation Advisor. Susan was inducted into ODK's Sigma Circle in the spring of 1980. After obtaining her degree, she worked for the Close Up Foundation, a nonprofit, nonpartisan civic education program in Washington, DC. Throughout her tenure, Susan utilized the skills she honed at UMD through effective collaboration, negotiation, and leadership. More recently, Susan was a Realtor® with Long & Foster Real Estate, Inc. in Columbia, Maryland.

Susan and Bob are actively involved in a number of initiatives through the Division of Student Affairs.

From 2009-2018, Susan served as Co-Chairperson for the annual Family Weekend Silent Auction. The proceeds of this event supported the University of Maryland Parent & Family Association Student Scholarship Fund, which provides need-based scholarships to undergraduate students experiencing extreme financial hardships. Both Susan and Bob took active roles in securing donations and running the event each year. Last spring, the Goldbergs hosted a dinner at NAR's Chicago headquarters featuring LaRoyce Hawkins of the NBC television series "Chicago P.D." and other local officials for UMD students participating in an Alternative Spring Break Program which focused on understanding poverty.

Earlier this year, Bob initiated a relationship with the Food Recovery Network (FRN) - an organization developed by UMD students in 2011. FRN works with local charities and organizations to provide meals for the needy through donations of unserved food. Through Bob's direct leadership, NAR has donated hundreds of meals from their national meetings and conventions, and almost 200 State and Local Realtor® organizations across the country are now FRN verified.

We had the opportunity to speak with Susan and learn more about her robust leadership journey, both during Maryland and well after.





Bob and Susan Goldberg with Testudo and the famous ODK Fountain turtles on Maryland Day. Photo by Stephanie S. Cordle/University of Maryland.

What kept you busiest while you were on campus as a Terp?

Well, I was very involved in my Hall Council in the Denton Area, both in SGA and RHA. As a government major, it's where I found a lot of my hands-on experience. What I remember most were these involvements because they gave me so much real-world experience. It was interesting because you really learned to be receptive to other people and ideas. All that real-world experience catapulted me into doing other things.

After graduation, what came next for you?

I went to work in Washington, DC as an instructor for the Close Up Foundation. Bob and I met in what were both of our first jobs there. He was also a government major. We had workshops, and in a way it was almost an extension of college, working with young people. He stayed there for one year, and I stayed for fourteen. Within the Foundation, I wore several hats - I traveled the country, managed the merchandising program, marketed the program to high schools across the country, and started their alumni association. It was a very rewarding experience.

How did you become so involved with philanthropy at Maryland?

When our daughter was accepted at UMD, I was so thrilled for her. It also provided an opportunity to personally re-engage with the University after many years. The Parent Advisory Council, which is composed of a group of parents and family members, meets quarterly under the auspices of the Office of Parent and Family Affairs. The Council participates in policy discussions, and has a strong philanthropy arm as well. Our direct involvement started with participating in the annual Silent Auction held during Family Weekend while our daughter was still a student, but then we stayed around for long after she graduated. The auction was established to support the Maryland Parent and Family Association Student Scholarship Fund to assist students with extreme financial need in completing their education. In the

ten years we were involved with the auction, the scholarship fund grew substantially and will be able to assist students for years to come!

You and Bob are known for so many things when it comes to your philanthropy, but you're best known as the donors of the turtles in the Fountain at Maryland Day. How'd that idea come to happen?

I don't know how many years ago it was now, but we were walking around the ODK Fountain on Maryland Day and ran into [Jim Osteen](#) [former faculty secretary for ODK]. Coincidentally, he was a former residential life advisor to Bob while at Carolina, too! Bob was surprised to see rubber ducks in the fountain, as opposed to turtles - which is of course our mascot! It was at that moment that he committed to providing turtles for the ODK Fountain on future Maryland Days.



Turtles are always a big hit at Maryland Day! We hope to be able to see you at the ODK Fountain next year. Photo by Justin Derato.

How has Bob become such a strong adopted member of the Maryland community?

Throughout the variety of events and programs we've been a part of, Bob is very proud of what we've been able to do to support the University. He was especially proud to become an ODK Honorary Member when he was tapped several years ago. As the CEO of NAR, Bob recognizes the positive impact Realtors have in their communities. In addition to ensuring that people have a place to live, Realtors support a variety of initiatives to improve their communities, and especially those in need. It is with this goal in mind that Bob has truly embraced his relationship with Maryland.

What has motivated you throughout your philanthropy?

Both of us had to work our way through college, and I personally depended on the generosity of others to enable me to earn my degree. We believe in "paying it forward," and are very fortunate to now be able to support the campus community. It's part of being a leader that I gained from my experiences in ODK, and through the variety of activities I was fortunate to be a part of during my years as a UMD student. I believe everyone in ODK has a unique opportunity to utilize the skills they learned as students to make an important impact as they take on new challenges and opportunities throughout their lives. And giving of your time and talents - as well as your treasure - is equally as valuable.

What was getting into ODK like for you?

I hung around with all these people who were already in ODK, and kind of wondered if I would get tapped when you knew it's "that time!". After my application was submitted, I just had to cross my fingers! Now I understand it to be a much more elaborate process. One of my friends came into my class and presented me with the key. I remember being very excited, and then seeing my name in the Diamondback with all the inductees for the semester. I was even more excited to see my name on the Fountain for the first time during a visit to the University before my daughter was admitted!

Initiation was the Sunday of springing forward out of daylight savings time. I lived in Elkton Hall all four years. My roommate was gone for the weekend, and I forgot to change the clock, and so I'd overslept into the afternoon! I don't remember exactly where the initiation was, but I remember running to wherever it was while it was in progress. The person who had just spoken was the honorary inductee and speaker - Morgan Wootten, the basketball coach of DeMatha HS. Fortunately, I got there just in time!

You two are the recipients of the Drury G. Bagwell Award this year. What does this award mean to you?

When we found out about the award through Brooke, we were shocked - there's so many good people who do great things for ODK. The sheer number of people who support this organization, the students, and the University, is what makes this campus so special. It was amazing to be recognized, and humbling to receive the award.

Who was Dru to ODK?

Dru was our fearless leader! He was a motivator, a mentor, and he knew just about everything happening on campus. He would give you a little bit of leash to lead, but knew when to pull you in. He was very much a mentor to everyone involved in anything on campus, and he could be a disciplinarian too, but you knew it was because he cared so much about the students. It's been wonderful re-connecting with him at a number of campus events and remembering "the good old days!"

How did yours and Bob's involvement with the Food Recovery Network begin?

Last spring we met with [Ed Kenny](#), from the development arm of Student Affairs. Bob's big issue was the waste of food at large meetings and conventions, and how much just gets thrown out. FRN was originally organized by UMD students, and Ed put Bob in touch with the right people. His team was then able to investigate the policies behind it and figure out how Realtor meetings throughout the country could donate their unused food. Bob put out a charge last August to have state, local, and the national Realtor organizations take this on. Almost 200 Realtor organizations nationwide have bought into working with local FRNs to be able to donate excess food. This was possible by working alongside our connections with UMD, so it's been a great team effort. It's a perfect example of how effective collaboration and leadership can make a difference in the lives of people in each of our communities.



Developing a Greater College Park

College Park is booming! A large part of its growth is the planning and vision of Ken Ulman

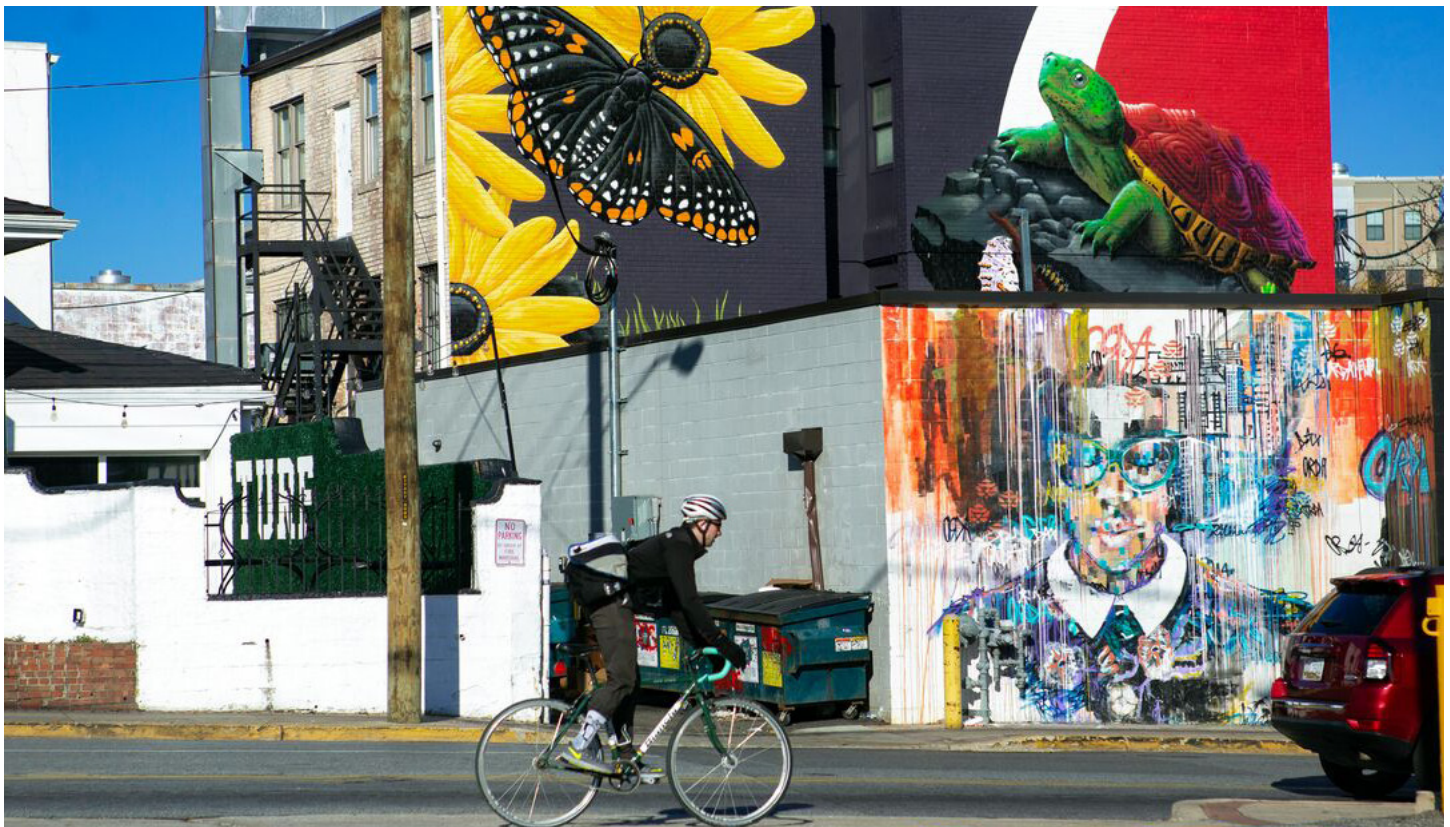
By David Polefrone '21

Former Howard County Executive **Ken Ulman** is President of Margrave Strategies, an innovative strategic consulting firm that provides a comprehensive array of economic development, planning and visioning services to institutions, businesses and other groups throughout Maryland and the mid-Atlantic. The firm's principal client is the University of Maryland College Park Foundation, where Ulman serves as Chief Strategy Officer for Economic Development, and as President of the Terrapin Development Company, LLC. Ken has spearheaded the development of Greater College Park and the Discovery District. He lives in Columbia, with his wife, Jaki (also a proud Terp), and their daughters Maddie and Lily. Maddie is a new Terp this year!

Ken Ulman was inducted into the Sigma Circle in 2014. "Brooke Supple reached out to me. When my wife, Jaki, and I were on campus, we were quite active in SGA." **Jaki Harf Ulman** was inducted into ODK as an undergrad in 1994.

What are your priorities behind development in College Park?

It's critical for UMD to continue to thrive and stay connected to the surrounding community. The truth is that we are becoming a place where more faculty and staff want to live and where more graduates want to stay. Startups built off of UMD research are more likely to stay here. We're excited that we've made lots of progress in the last few years in this area. We've had dozens of companies come into the Discovery District - 1200 private sector jobs have started there and close to 2000 if you consider the Hotel. Everything that people see when they drive down Baltimore Avenue and around the metro is a part of a thoughtful plan to become a stronger university community. We're thinking hard about ways to attract faculty and staff to live in College Park. One way that we're making this happen is by redeveloping the old elementary school on Calvert Road, and converting it to a child-care facility which will open this summer.



College Park is bold and beautiful. Pictured here are murals sponsored by the CPCU Partnership depicting checkerspot butterfly, black-eyed Susan, and a diamondback terrapin by local artists, Cory Stowers and Jason Philip. Photo by Emma J. Howells.

Who have you worked with over the last few years in planning a new college town, and what has been your deliberative process?

Our deliberative process has been internal with the University and with the Terrapin Development Company to decide where to expand. We've also had robust engagements with the City Council, with Prince George's County, with the State, with the University System of Maryland, and many others. President Loh has made it a focus to engage with the surrounding community. It was an honor to be asked by President Loh to come join the team to execute his vision to become a great university community across the country. Dean Pines shares the broader vision of how connected we are to our community, and I will be honored to work with him on these areas.

What is the future of food in College Park going to look like?

It's quickly improving - after all, the introduction of Target on Knox Road was really the first place that you could buy an apple. Now, we have Whole Foods down in Riverdale Park, and Lidl on the northern edge of College Park, starting to provide healthful options to students and College Park residents. Opening Vigilante Coffee was really important as a step towards making College Park feel like a great college town. After all, unique local coffee shops are practically a hallmark of great college towns. Vigilante is rooted in the nearby community - it started in Hyattsville - and so it's a great part of the new College Park story.

How are development plans promoting entrepreneurship around UMD?

We're trying to nurture small businesses, and also present spaces conducive to all sorts of businesses. It's important to have a place that can give a foothold to young companies, so that they can take up even just a few desks at a time and grow in early stages. The Hotel is also intended to be more than a place to stay; it's a place to meet and congregate. The Purple Line will have a stop a block away, so the space will be easily accessible for those doing business all over the region.



Located behind The Hotel at the University of Maryland on Baltimore Avenue, The Hall CP boasts a restaurant, coffee shop, bar areas, a performance and private events space, and an outdoor patio. Photo by John T. Consoli.

What's the timeline like for building up College Park?

It's a constant process of adding to development in College Park. We think there's a three-to-five year window where we will hit a tipping point. Our hypothesis is that UMD is among the great universities in the country, and it's only getting stronger. At the same time, the region has so much to offer, so we're really excited to tap into this even further.

How will future development make College Park, and especially Baltimore Avenue, a safer place for pedestrians?

There are a few things in the works to improve walkability, and really, the entire environment for pedestrians. It's important to understand that the State Highway Administration is rebuilding Baltimore Avenue in stages. The first stage is from Greenbelt Road to the southern gate of campus. That stretch will all have landscaped medians, wider sidewalks with lighting, and bike lanes. Altogether, Baltimore Avenue will feel more and more like a main street. Another aspect is that we are adding a number of new developments for outside arrangements and seating. We're in the process of building a public square by the City Hall block, which will be great for people to congregate. We're also working hard to highlight the connections we have to nature and bike trails. The construction of the Iribe Center [for Computer Science and Engineering] was strategic to open up the north edge of campus.

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Thank you for all of your continued involvement and support.

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University Student Leadership Awards

Each year, the Sigma Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa is proud to co-host the annual University Student Leadership Awards with our friends in the Stamp Student Union and Division of Student Affairs. The 39th Annual University of Maryland Student Leadership Awards are a time-honored tradition to recognize and honor all the extraordinary achievements of our outstanding student scholar-leaders. These individuals exemplify the best of scholarly and community life here at the University of Maryland.

While this award banquet traditionally has been held in person to celebrate these achievements, challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic included finding a new way to honor the deserving awardees. Utilizing social media, the Student Leadership Awards went virtual to showcase the many deserving students who have worked so hard to earn these awards in their time at the University of Maryland. Through the use of Instagram, Facebook, and on-campus publications, awardees received their time in the spotlight as campus learned about each awardee and their contributions to campus.

We are pleased to highlight our Sigma Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa members who have received awards. Additional details regarding other award winners and information about each award can be found on the University Awards website: thestamp.umd.edu/UniversityAwards

Adele H. Stamp Memorial Award

ELENA LEVAN



Elena is an undergraduate student studying Psychology at the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences. She is a student writer and communications assistant in the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences as well as an executive cabinet member of the Student Government

Association. Elena is the Director of Sexual Misconduct Prevention & Chair of the Womxn's Caucus for the Student Government Association. She has worked with many entities in and outside of campus to organize events that reach thousands of students with speakers, tabling, and resources related to sexual misconduct prevention.



William L. Thomas Student Government Association Award

NOAH ECKMAN

Noah Eckman is a senior Chemical Engineering major. During his time at Maryland, he has served as a representative and executive for the Student Government Association, founded the UMD

Student Facilities Fund, co-authored three journal papers and four conference papers, and played cello in the UMD Repertoire Orchestra.



Kirwan Award

KAYLA FOSTER

Kayla is a Public Health Science major with a minor in Sustainability Studies from Bowie, Maryland. She is a Gemstone teaching assistant, research assistant and math tutor for high school aged incarcerated juveniles in Prince George's County Correctional

Facility. Kayla works as a student supervisor at Epopley for RecWell, serving on the advisory boards for the University Libraries and the Honors College, and a facilitator with the MLEAD (Maryland Leadership Education and Development) program.



Col. J. Logan Schutz Omicron Delta Kappa Leader of the Year Award

CHRISTINE RHEE

Christine is a senior Middle School Math and Science Education major and a Spanish minor. On campus, she is a Resident Assistant in Denton Hall, an Orientation Advisor,

an undergraduate Senator in the University Senate, and a member of the Omicron Delta Kappa honor society.



Omicron Delta Kappa Sophomore Leader of the Year

MARJORIE ANTONIO

Marjorie is a History & American Studies major from Baltimore. Marjorie is a CIVICUS Ambassador and Mentor, Music and Performing Arts Director and Treasurer for Stylus, and a member of Terpoets, Artsphere, and

the Filipino Cultural Association. This Undergraduate Studies Dean's Advisory Board member also spends time with the Stamp Gallery as a Gallery Docent and Social Media Coordinator.

Omicron Delta Kappa Top Ten Freshmen



ALEXANDER 'AJ' ALAMAR

AJ is a Criminology & Criminal Justice and Sociology double major from Kensington, Maryland. This Scholars student is a member of the Parliamentary Debate Society and the Jewish Student Union. AJ serves as

the Vice President of Sustainability for the Cumberland Hall Council and as the Chair of RHA's Sustainability Committee.



NATHAN BOYLE

Nathan is a Neuroscience and Persian Studies double major from Crownsville, Maryland. Nathan serves as the Freshmen Connection Representative for SGA, is a member of the Persian Flagship Program, and

serves as a student-researcher in two labs.



NGOC BUI

Nora is a Neurobiology & Physiology and English double major from Rockville, Maryland (originally Vietnam). She serves on the Executive Board of the Office of Multiethnic Student Ambassador Program and

the Hate-Bias Student Response Team. She is the Pre-PA Association's Secretary, an Alternative Breaks participant, and the Maryland Club Crew's Alumni Chair.



JUSTIN FOX

Justin is a Government & Politics major from Brunswick, Maryland. Justin is an Army ROTC Cadet and Team Leader for America Reads. Justin serves on the University Student Judiciary Central Board, is a Fresh-

man Connection Panelist speaker, and participates in UMD Club Running and UMD Democrats.

YING LIANG



Sherry is a Computer Engineering major from Rockville, Maryland. This Scholars student is a member of the Scholars Student Advisory Board and volunteers with the Food Recovery Network. She is a Worship Leader with Asian American Intervarsity, a member of the Cybersecurity Club,

and holds membership in the Chinese Student Association and Taiwanese American Students Association.



NATASHA PANDUWAWALA

Natasha is a Government & Politics major from Cordova, Maryland. She is the founder of Movement to Remember, a nonprofit centered on providing medical equipment to underprivileged Sri Lankans. Natasha

is also a member of the Maryland Senior Classical League, SGA, and Phi Alpha Delta.



AYELETTE HALBFINGER

Ayelette is an International Business and Marketing double major from Washington D.C. This Honors College student serves as the Graphic Designer for the National Hillel Basketball Tournament. Ayelette is also

a member of the UMD Figure Skating Club, Hillel Freshmen Leadership Council, and as the Chair of External Affairs for TAMID Group at UMD.



NYAH STEWART

Nyah is a Government & Politics major from Frederick, Maryland. This Honors College student serves as the Ellicott Representative for SGA, as an SGA representative on the Hunger-Free UMD Workgroup, and volunteers for Fresh Farm to help address

food insecurity in D.C.



JOSEPHINE URREA

Josie is a Public Policy and Chinese double major from Severna Park, Maryland. Josie serves on the Sexual Misconduct Prevention Committee and as the Public Policy Legislative Representative for SGA. She is a member of Kappa Omega Alpha and

the School of Public Policy Dean's Advisory Council.



GEORGE 'WILL' WILT

Will is a Management and Marketing double major from Westminster, Maryland. He serves as the Vice President of Fundraising for the Smith Undergraduate Student Association and the Director of Fundraising for UMD American Marketing

Association. Will participates on the TerpThon Planning Team and is a member of the Global Communities Living Learning Program.

Maryland Medallion Society & Byrd/Elkins Award Winners



H.C. Byrd Award

SASHA KAHN

Sasha is a senior Architecture and Government & Politics double major. This Philip Merrill Presidential Scholar is an active member of the University Senate, SGA, his academic programs, and the Honors College. Sasha is the

Digital Communications Chair for Omicron Delta Kappa, member of the President's Commission on Disability Issues Student Advisory and the Provost's Student Advisory Committee. He hopes to pursue law school after graduation.

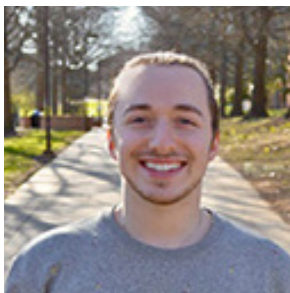


Sally Sterling Byrd Award

JACQUELINE DEPREY

Jacqueline is a senior Computer Science, Operations Management and Business Analytics double major. This Gemstone and QUEST Honors Program mentor hosts Maryland Survivor, leads professional events for Alpha

Omega Epsilon, tutors through the Iribe Initiative for Inclusion and Diversity, gives tours with Maryland Images and is Vice President of ODK.



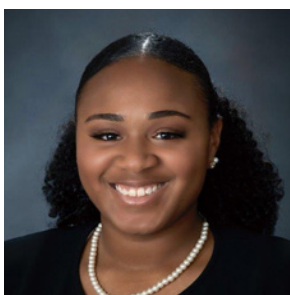
Wilson H. Elkins Award

DORON TADMOR

Doron is a senior International Business and Operations Management double major and a Spanish and Technology Entrepreneurship double minor. He is President of ODK. After graduation, Doron will be pursuing a master's in international management at Imperial College London

to help him achieve his goal of improving economic inclusion of rural and indigenous populations in Latin America.

Maryland Medallion Society



ALEXIS AMOS

Alexis is a senior Management and International Relations double major with a Spanish minor. During her tenure at Maryland, she has been fortunate to have several international volunteer and professional experiences. She

is an active campus leader, serving in the Maryland LEAD Program, Alternative Breaks, and Department of Resident Life.



CANDELA CERPA

Candela is an Environmental Science & Policy major and GIS minor originally from Uruguay. Her campus work has focused on advocating for the Latinx community, undocumented students, and environmental justice. After

interning with the National Parks Service and NOAA, Candela hopes to pursue a career in natural disaster management.



KETKI CHAUHAN

Ketki is a senior Marketing, Psychology, and Management triple major. On campus, Ketki works as a Resident Assistant and as a Recovery Marketing Assistant at the University Health Center. She enjoys watching movies (especially Bollywood films) and

going to Starbucks to try their newest drinks.



LOGAN DECHTER

Logan is a senior Psychology and Spanish double major in the Honors Humanities program. He is an Honors Ambassador, Teaching Assistant and Social Media Intern. Logan is the Director of Camp Kesem, Maryland Images Tour Guide, Peer Counselor and

Training Director for the Help Center, and member of ODK. This fall he will start his Masters in School Counseling program at the University of Maryland.



NOAH ECKMAN

Noah is a senior Chemical Engineering major. During his time at Maryland, he has served as a representative and executive for the Student Government Association, founded the UMD Student Facilities Fund, co-authored three journal

papers and four conference papers, and played cello in the UMD Repertoire Orchestra.



WILLIAM GREEN

William is a senior Physiology and Neurobiology major. Raised in Nairobi, this Resident Assistant is Music Director for Mockappella, Teaching Assistant for both the Chemistry and Biological Sciences, and Senior Academic Committee Advisor for Del-

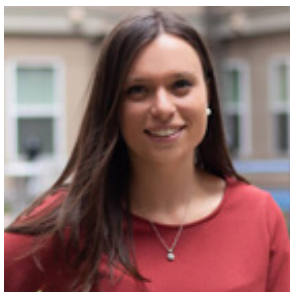
ta Epsilon Mu, Pre-Health Fraternity. William is also a member of Club Swim, intramural volleyball and soccer, Ballroom Dance, and Omicron Delta Kappa.



PAULA MOLINA ACOSTA

Paula, a Women's Studies major, is the President of Political Latinxs United for Movement and Action in Society and a member of the Jimenez-Porter Writers' House. She has interned at Planned Parenthood of Metropolitan Washington, the

National Partnership for Women & Families, and the offices of Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro and Maryland State Delegate Al Carr.



IRELAND LESLEY

Ireland is a senior Government and Politics major in the Honors College. During her time at UMD, she has been on the executive board of her sorority, Delta Phi Epsilon, President of Maryland Discourse, and was elected Student Body President of

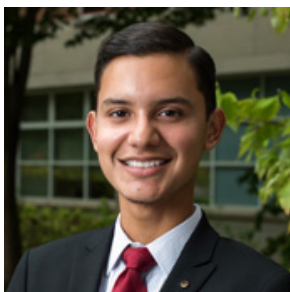
the Student Government Association last spring.



LAUREN MOYER

Lauren is a senior Bioengineering and Germanic Studies double major. Lauren enjoys exploring the opportunities and challenges of global engineering. This culminated in a semester abroad at the Technical University in Munich, Germany. Lauren has

also been able to foster diversity through interfaith activities, Language House, and Women in Engineering.



MARIO MENENDEZ

Mario is a senior Information Systems and Marketing double major. Mario has served as a Resident Assistant and a member of the Smith School Dean's Student Advisory Council. This CIVICUS student has held leadership positions with the Smith School's

Ambassadors Program, Coalition of Latinx Student Organization and Snider Undergraduate Research Engagement Program.



NINA PAREKH

Nina is a senior Psychology and Theatre double major. She is the Director of Maryland Mauj, President of the Undergraduate Theatre Artists Society, and is on the executive board of numerous other organizations. Nina is also an Undergraduate

Program Manager, teaching assistant, and research assistant for the Department of Psychology.



NIKHIL MODI

Nikhil is a senior Accounting and Public Leadership major. This Spirit of Maryland recipient is the co-founder and past president of the CIVICUS Student Advisory Board, and has been Executive Vice President of Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Fraternity. Nikhil

is also a member of the Smith Dean's Student Advisory Council, Camp Kesem, Maryland English Institute, Terps for Change and Omicron Delta Kappa.



SARA POHLAND

Sara is a senior Electrical Engineering major with a 4.0 GPA. She is an active Gemstone student, having served as a TA and steering committee member for Gemstone courses. Sara is a part of the peer mentor leadership team, and both the undergraduate

and general academic affairs committees. She is also a Math Success tutor, a Clark School Ambassador, and a member of Omicron Delta Kappa and Alpha Omega Epsilon.



CHRISTINE RHEE

Christine is a senior Middle School Math and Science Education major and a Spanish minor. On campus, she is a Resident Assistant in Denton Hall, an orientation advisor, an undergraduate senator in the University Senate, and a member of the

Omicron Delta Kappa honor society.



ALEXANDRA SCHROEDER

Alexandra is a senior Public Health Science major. Originally from Puerto Rico, she grew up moving frequently from the forests of an Indian Reservation to the seacoast of New Hampshire. Her many different homes gave her a unique, multicultural per-

spective, which she fostered at UMD. Alexandra will apply this as a public health dentist, helping medically underserved communities.



ANDREA WENCK

Andi is a senior Broadcast Journalism and Leadership Studies major. She is a student-athlete, goalkeeping for the University of Maryland women's soccer team. She is passionate about people. Andi strives to create relationships and spread joy with-

in her on-campus and off-campus organizations.

Congratulations to all of the award winners and finalists recongized during the 39th Annual University of Maryland Student Leadership. Their contrubutions to our campus and community will be felt for a long time to come.



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ZOOM-ing Forward

ODK Goes Virtual for Spring Induction Ceremony

With the Covid-19 pandemic altering the status of many events at the University of Maryland, the Spring 2020 ODK Induction Ceremony originally scheduled for April 3 was postponed. This semester we had 35 undergraduate inductees, 1 graduate inductee, and 4 faculty/staff inductees that the Sigma Circle of ODK wanted to still provide a special induction for this spring semester. Just like that, zip, zap, ZOOM, came into our (and many others around the world) lives and the ODK Officers and Advising team pulled their heads together to determine how to pull off a virtual induction ceremony using this platform.

After much time editing our script, adjusting our roles, and testing out this new platform; ODK successfully launched their very first virtual induction ceremony. On April 19, 2020; 11 officers, 40 inductees, and numerous friends and families gathered around their smartphones, laptops, and other devices to watch as we highlighted how special the Sigma Circle is, explained the symbolism and impact of the traditions ODK embodies, and spotlighted the numerous contributions of our inductees. With help from ODK National to provide images and backdrops for use throughout the ceremony, the spirit of our traditional ceremony was still present.



Newly indcuted members of ODK participated in inductions via the Zoom online platform.

While it may not have been the ceremony held in Memorial Chapel that we are used to, the ingenuity exhibited by the officers and advising team to provide a special ceremony for these inductees will be one remembered for years to come. Congratulations to all of our Spring 2020 inductees.

**If you would like to view our first ever ODK Induction Virtual Ceremony, please visit odk.umd.edu for more information.*

Congratulations to the newly inducted members of ODK Sigma Circle!

Your commitment to the University of Maryland and the College Park community has served to make campus life stronger and more vibrant. We value your leadership and hope you continue to do good works today, tomorrow, and in the future.

Fall 2019 Inductees

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Pamela Armstrong
Jasmine Nisha Baten
Alexandra Bergman
Jamie Lucinda Bokman
Leah Bleu Brennan
Emily Miriam Brothman
Vivian Alana Caesar
Ketki Chauhan
Coreylyn Ann deBettencourt
Vardaan Dua
Carli Daniella Fine
Jacqueline Patricia Ford
Kayla Marie Foster
Megan Vivian Gaines
Caroline Renee Hammond
Julianne Marie Heberlein
Hana Grace Huie
Hannah Cyma Kark

Amina Symone Lampkin
Elena Ryann LeVan
Lydia Sonya Mazze
David Mitchell
Darby Wilshaw Moore
Lauren Elizabeth Moyer
Sindhu Manisubha Murugan
Alexandra Fendel Ostrander
Monica Nancy Panepento
Amy Rose Petrocelli
Surya Radhakrishnan
Julia Beth Reicin
Daniel Benjamin Smolyak
Philippos Ioannis Sourvinos
Elizabeth Anne Thilmany
Andrea Rose Wenck
Rakha Muhammad Wibisana
Joyce Jiaxin Zhou
Tianhong Zong

Spring 2020 Inductees

Kate Atchison
Mark Edward Augustino
Sacared Bodison
David Hugo Boutin
Samantha Jane Bowen
McCauley Grace Brown
Todd Cooke
Nicolette Corrao
Kaitlyn Rose Davey
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Radhika Gholap
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Sophie Shuhan Lin
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