

Connecting with Alumni of Rhodes State and Lima Tech



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We CARE (Connect, Advocate, Recognize, Engage) about You!



BSN Scholarship Opportunities - Rhodes/LTC Nursing Alumni are encouraged to apply for the Borra Family Foundation Nursing Scholarship to assist with completing a Bachelor Degree in Nursing. Contact [Kevin Reeks](#), Executive Director of the Rhodes State College Foundation, to receive the application packet. Applications for the 2017-18 academic year are due January 31, 2017.

Outstanding Alumni Award Nominations will open January 23 - Each year the College selects one Outstanding Alumni Award recipient. Anyone is welcome to nominate a graduate of Rhodes State College or Lima Technical College who has achievements through

their profession, community service, and/or contributions to Rhodes State College. The recipient will be honored with a student scholarship in their name and acknowledged at the 2017 Commencement in May. For more information, [contact Carole Enneking, Alumni Relations Coordinator.](#)

Grob Systems Alumni Day - Dr. Ken Baker, Dean of Business, Technology and Public Service, and Carole Enneking, Alumni Relations Coordinator, greeted Rhodes/LTC graduates at Grob Systems on December 15. It was great to talk with: **Justin Angle**, MET'02; **Audrey Beasley**, CPS'15; **Jim Brenneman**, FMS'92; **Cory Burris**, EET'16; **Jeremy Duling**, MET'11; **Jacob Latasha**, EET'16; **Brian Peeler**, FMS'15; **Vance Poteet**, EET'15; **Ben Rippetoe**, EET'15; **Evan Steiner**, EET'15; as well as current apprentice students.

Dental Hygiene 40th Anniversary Celebration - Thursday, March 2, 2017, is the date for the celebration. Watch your mailbox for more details; please encourage other DHY alumni to update their mailing address by contacting Alumni Relations.



Mary Kay Durliat, MGB'12, joined her husband, Doug (Director of the West Central Ohio Manufacturing Consortium) at the Holiday Reception



Criminal Justice Memory Tree - Area law enforcement and corrections officers gathered to honor 135 (to date) Criminal Justice Officers and K-9 who lost their lives in the line of duty during 2016 in the United States



Advisory Committee member, **Rhonda Zimmerly**, ACC'94, visited with a friend at the Holiday Reception



Nathan Carnahan, CPN'03, (Rhodes State College Faculty Association President) and wife, **Angela Carnahan**, OTA'13, were among the 32 alumni attending the Holiday Reception



Alumnus, **Braden Skilliter**, LAW'17 attended the Memory Tree Ceremony representing the Bluffton Police Department

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Success Stories - Click to [share your own update.](#)

- **Brittany Abouaf**, NSG'10, recognized with the DAISY Award from Lima Memorial Hospital System
- **Jessica Bentley**, OAM'03, has poems published in "Grief Diaries: Poetry & Prose and More"
- **Debra Blankenship**, NSG'01, appointed Manager of St. Rita's Occupational Health Center
- **Seth Chambers**, LAW'11, honored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) in Columbus for efforts in targeting impaired drivers
- **Connie Dershem**, HUM'94, retired as City of Lima Neighborhood Specialist
- **David Holbrook**, LAW'91 and 1996 Outstanding Alumni Award recipient, serves as an Investigator for the Hardin County Prosecutor's Office
- **Penny Kill**, NSG'80, named to Allen County Agricultural Society Board of Directors

Memorials

- **Sandra Herrington**, RAD'92
- **Victoria Hughes**, CPT'82
- **Martha Mansfield**, NSG'75
- **Dennis Taylor**, MGT'91



Over 1,500 High School students participated in Career Day on Friday, December 16; fourteen alumni served as career presenters



On Career Day, hundreds of students learned how Rhodes State College can provide a path toward a Bachelor Degree, in addition to an Associate Degree



Patty Bruce, NSG'13 preparing to pin her son, **Kenneth**, during the December ADN Pinning Program



Nicole Martin was pinned by her mother, **Sondra Martin**, NSG'06 during the ADN Pinning Program



Dee Hardeman, NSG'07, celebrates with daughter, **Jessica**, after continuing the pinning tradition



Sondra Huff, NSG'07, pinned her daughter, **Tabitha Hager**, during the ADN Pinning Program



Watch the Pinning Program on YouTube

Rhodes State #GivingTuesday Campaign

Continues - Rhodes State College joined #GivingTuesday, a global day of giving to encourage philanthropy and to celebrate generosity worldwide. Alumni and friends of Rhodes State College may make a donation using the [Rhodes State College Foundation Giving](#) page. Donors may choose a specific scholarship or donate to the Rhodes State Student Scholarship.

Gifts totaling \$2,500 are being matched dollar-for-dollar by a generous donor. "We are thankful for all who have contributed and look forward to raising the remaining match and more," said Kevin Reeks, Executive Director of Development.



Save the Date
 Friday, July 28, 2017



Rhodes State College
18th Annual Tee Off for Scholarships
 8am Shotgun Start
 Colonial Golfers Club

Reservations or Questions:
 Call Kevin Reeks, 419.995.8081
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 www.RhodesState.edu/TeeOff

Ways to Give Back to Rhodes State College:

- Hire a Rhodes State intern or graduate
- Volunteer in the classroom, with a student organization, or with special events
- Show your Rhodes State College Pride by referring potential students
- Make a donation

Contact Carole Enneking to learn how you can become more involved.

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