

# COLA Weekly

NOVEMBER 2, 2018

Mark your calendars for Wright State's [Annual Kristallnacht Commemoration](#) on Wednesday, November 7, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. in 156 Student Union (Endeavour Room). Featuring Samuel Heider, Holocaust survivor, this event is free and open to the public and is co-sponsored by the Zusman Chair in Judaic Studies, Department of Religion, Honors Program, the Frydman Educational Resource Center, and the Dayton Holocaust Resource Center.



The [40th Annual Ryterband Symposium](#) will take place on Thursday, November 8 at the United Theological Seminary in Trotwood. This symposium is a major ecumenical program co-sponsored by The University of Dayton, United Theological Seminary, and Wright State University and will feature keynote speaker Benjamin Sommer, Professor of Bible at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York. His two lectures are free and open to the public:

4:00 p.m.: *The Bodies of God in Ancient Israel*  
7:30 p.m.: *Sinai in Jewish Scripture and Tradition*

Last Tuesday COLA hosted our very first **Department Day**, which was a collaborative effort between the [Dean's Student Advisory Board](#) and the [Department of English](#). Kudos to the DSAB and English's Ad Hoc Recruitment Committee (**Brady Allen**, chair, and **Stephanie Dickey** and **Irena Joseph**, members) whose successful event included Halloween-themed prizes and activities, an egg drop, and most importantly, attracted a lot of students to learn more about English's programs, minors, and certificates. The next Department Day will feature Religion, Philosophy, and Classics.



It's always great to hear about the successes of our graduates. **Shawn Nielson**, a 2009 lighting design alumnus, is currently in graduate school at Carnegie-Mellon. Shawn recently won the [Hog Factor National Collegiate Lighting Show Programming](#)

**Contest.** This national competition involved designing the lighting for a song and programming it using a console called the Whole Hog and a visualization program called Capture. This contest is considered one of the more prestigious design/programming awards in the business. His award-winning design video is not yet available, but you'll be wowed by this design [video](#) that got him to the finals.

This week's featured **DSAB** member is **Kendra Willis**. Kendra is a junior majoring in crime and justice studies with a minor in legal studies. She is passionate about assisting new students, and she believes all students need a strong foundation before they build their future. She previously earned her associate's degree in criminal justice/law enforcement and worked as a volunteer/intern at a local police department in the Dayton area. She sat as president in Sigma Alpha Pi at Sinclair for two years. She has earned multiple awards, which include but are not limited to: President's Volunteer Service Award, National Engaged Leader Award, Excellence in Service to Student Award, and honorable induction in Sigma Alpha Pi. Her favorite hobbies are playing tennis, baking desserts, and studying law. After graduation, she wants to use her leadership skills, experience, and education to help the community through the criminal justice field.



Linda Caron, Dean  
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### Upcoming Events

**Opera Theatre presents Opera Scenes**, Saturday, November 3, 8:00-9:30 p.m., Schuster Hall

**Wind Symphony**, Sunday, November 4, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m., Schuster Hall

**COLA Talk: Stuart McDowell, *The Cost of War: The Road to Bertolt Brecht's 'Mother Courage,'*** Tuesday, November 6, 3:30-4:40 p.m., 128 Allyn Hall

**University Symphony Orchestra**, Tuesday, November 6, 8:00-9:30 p.m., Schuster Hall

**Dean Emeritus Chuck Taylor: *Questions and Wine and Beauty***, Wednesday, November 7, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m., Robert and Elaine Stein Galleries

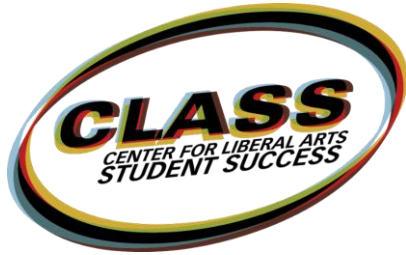
**Faculty Exhibition**, November 7 to December 9, Robert and Elaine Stein Galleries

**Kristallnacht Lecture**, Wednesday, November 7, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., 156 Student Union,

Endeavour Room

**40<sup>th</sup> Annual Ryterband Symposium**, Thursday, November 8, 4:00-9:00 p.m., United Theological Seminary

**Women's Chorale**, Wednesday, November 7, 8:00-9:30 p.m., Schuster Hall



**CLASS CORNER**

**Mock Interview Monday**, Monday, November 5, 3:45 – 5:00 p.m., Millett 106

**Walk-In Evening Career Advising for Liberal Arts Students**, Wednesday, November 14, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., Millett 106