

**SEPTEMBER 28, 2018** 

## **COLA WEEKLY**

The <u>COLA Professional Mentoring Program</u> is off to a great start this fall. With 27 mentor/mentee pairs, we more than doubled our numbers from last spring's pilot program. Our mentees represent a wide range of majors such as political science, Spanish, Chinese, crime and justice studies, philosophy, liberal studies, communication studies, international studies, social work, mass communication, anthropology, art, history, French, music education, arts administration, English, sociology, and urban affairs. Our mentors also bring a wealth of diverse experiences, expertise, and enthusiasm that they can't wait to share with their mentees. We will continue to grow this program so please keep this opportunity in mind for future students.

Last weekend, the Wright State Clarinet Studio hosted a Clarinet Remembrance for our departed friend, Randy Paul. The event brought many alumni, friends, and family to campus. The program included a Memorial Service performed by the Theta Eta Chapter of Phi Mu Alpha, performances by Wright State music faculty John Kurokawa, Steven Aldredge, Kathy deGruchy, John deGruchy, and music outstanding alumna Barb Siler. Speakers included Jane Stamper, Joe Hessman, and Victoria Ullery, music outstanding alumni; and Bruce Curlette, professor of clarinet from Cedarville University. The concert concluded with a clarinet choir performance by nine current students in the Wright State Clarinet Studio, 25 Clarinet Studio Alumni, and friends of Randy Paul.



Yesterday I attended the **2018 Walk of Fame Luncheon** which honors people from the Dayton region who have made outstanding and enduring personal or professional contributions to the community, nation, and world. It was a pleasure to celebrate this year's group of honorees, including 2005 motion pictures alumna **Hannah Beachler** (most recently production designer for the film *Black Panther*) and motion pictures faculty emerita and award-winning filmmaker **Julia Reichert**. Both Julia and Hannah spoke eloquently about the impact our motion pictures program had on their enormously successful careers. And both recognized the Wright State family as uniquely talented, supportive, and hard working. It was fun to join in on standing ovations for these incredibly talented COLA women.







Julia Reichert

Laura Luehrmann recently appeared on WRGT discussing the growing trade war with

**China**. It is always great to see our faculty serving as content experts in the media.

Last spring we launched **COLA Talks**, a series of presentations of scholarship and research by COLA faculty. **Karla Huebner** kicked off this year's COLA Talks with a presentation last week entitled *City of Light, City of Spires: The Paris-Prague Connection*. The next COLA Talk, **William Irvine's** *You: A Natural History*, will be held Tuesday, October 9, 3:30-4:30 p.m. in 128 Allyn Hall.

This week's featured **DSAB** member is **Anthony Lucas**. Anthony is a senior majoring in social science education. After graduating in the fall of 2019, he plans to continue his education at Wright State with the goal of obtaining a master's degree in education. Anthony spent two years at Sinclair Community College and understands what it is like to be a transfer student at Wright State. He also spent a year interning at Walt Disney World and hopes someday to move back to Orlando. Anthony enjoys hiking, music, film, and photography, and hopes to eventually begin a career as a high school history teacher.



Lunda Caron

Linda Caron, Dean College of Liberal Arts

## **Upcoming Events**

**OCTUBAFEST Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble Concert**, Tuesday, October 2, 8:00 - 9:30 p.m., Schuster Hall

Chamber Orchestra, Tuesday, October 9, 8:00-9:30 p.m., Schuster Hall



## **CLASS CORNER**

- Wednesday, October 3 *Interview Strategies for Liberal Arts Majors*,
  11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m., Millett 106
- Tuesday, October 9 MPA, Urban Affairs, and Geography Careers Event, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Millett Atrium
- Thursday, October 11 Preparing for a Career Fair - Liberal Arts Style, 1:30 -

2:30 p.m., Millett 106

Please check out the many upcoming activities planned through our Center for Liberal Arts Student Success (CLASS).