

ALUMNI NEWS

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER BROUGHT TO YOU BY MERCY COLLEGE OF OHIO



THANKS FOR SUPPORTING ALUMNI & FRIENDS WEEKEND 2021

Mercy College hosted Alumni and Friends Weekend 2021 on September 25-26. Alumni, guests, family, and friends attended from as far as Arizona, Florida, and Washington, D.C. Events included a virtual Mercy Mile Walk and in-person Alumni Reunion & Banquet, Mass, and Brunch.

Thank you to those who supported the 50/50 raffle! Because of you, \$480.00 was raised for Mercy College student scholarships. Congratulations to Jessica Coombs who won the 50/50 raffle. Jessica received her Associate of Science in Health Information Technology from Mercy College in 2007, as well as her Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration from Mercy in 2009. She is employed at Mercy College as an Admissions Officer & HIT-PPE/Lab Coordinator.

Michael Whalen- former Director of College Advancement passed away on September 11, 2021. During Alumni & Friends Weekend, \$240.00 was donated in Michael's name. These funds will support Mercy College student scholarships.

If you were unable to attend Alumni & Friends Weekend, we hope to see you at next year's festivities! In the meantime, we encourage you to <u>order an Alumni & Friends Weekend shirt</u> (free shipping to home) and get involved with the Alumni Department. For more information, contact Hannah Bohn – Coordinator of Alumni/Grants at 419-251-8993 or <u>alumni@mercycollege.edu</u>



#BECAUSEOFMERCYCOLLEGE

Share your Mercy story! Receive a \$5.00 gift card when you post on social media!

Criteria: Must be a current Mercy College of Ohio student (Toledo, Youngstown, or Online) or a graduate of Mercy College of Ohio or any of its prior names; Must use #BecauseofMercyCollege AND tag Mercy College of Ohio in your post; Must have your social media privacy settings set to public; Must share a positive 1-3 sentence highlight of

what Mercy College means to you now or for your future.

Can be posted on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, or <u>LinkedIn</u>; Only one gift card per person; Posts must be made between November 1, 2021 and November 14, 2021

Example Post: #BecauseofMercyCollege I was able to further my education and knowledge in the online environment while working my full-time job. As a parent, this allowed me to maintain work-life balance. Since graduation, I have been able to advance into a management position in my career.



IPE ESCAPE ROOM

Mercy College <u>associate and bachelor's degree nursing students</u>, <u>EMT</u>, and <u>PA</u> students and BGSU Athletic Trainer students participated in an escape room activity where they worked together to solve a series of puzzles to implement a plan of care. In the scenario, the patient was in need of a life-saving procedure. Each group had 45 minutes to complete the Escape Room activity. The fastest group completed the activity with 23 minutes 46 seconds to spare!

The activity focused on communication among caregivers with different roles while treating patients in diverse healthcare settings.

Communication strategies were discussed along with common communication barriers while providing methods to overcome these obstacles. Students demonstrated effective communication techniques through active learning strategies to improve patient centered care.



NEW FLAT-RATE PRICE FOR PARAMEDIC CERTIFICATE

Mercy College's three-semester <u>Paramedic certificate</u> program is now offered at the flat-rate price of \$6,700 that includes tuition, fees, books, and uniform. Additionally, Ohio residents may be eligible for up to 100% of tuition and fees paid for by the Choose Ohio First grant!

Tim Depinet, MPH, RT(N), CNMT, Assistant Professor and Certificate Director at Mercy College says, "This is an incredible opportunity for area EMTs to advance to the paramedic level at little or no cost. This can also help fire departments get their EMTs to Paramedic affordably as the program is designed for the working EMT with 24-hour shift accommodation."

Classes begin in January so interested EMTs should <u>apply now or sign up to learn more</u>. There are inperson and Zoom opportunities to meet with admissions and the Paramedic Certificate program faculty. For more information, view the <u>Paramedic Certificate Flyer</u> or call 419-251-1313.



Maria P. - STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

October 18-22, 2021 was National Transfer Student Week. Mercy College has generous <u>transfer credit acceptance policies</u>, which makes it easy for transfer students to get started and put their college credits to use.

Maria P. is a Radiologic Technology student at Mercy College. Radiologic Technology is the art and science of using x-rays or high-level energy through the use of modern equipment to produce quality diagnostic images. Radiologic Technologists are experts in the field of imaging,

working directly with patients and assisting in the diagnosis and treatment of injury and disease. The goal of the <u>Associate of Applied Science in Radiologic Technology program</u> is to produce a competent practitioner who can function in a rapidly changing healthcare environment.

Maria was drawn to Mercy because of the Radiologic Technology program. She attended Healthcare Worker Wednesday, an online information session where she was able to speak with program faculty and admissions to learn more about the program. Maria states that her process of transferring was relatively easy and she really appreciated how everyone was helpful from the beginning. Maria made the decision to transfer late and only had a short amount of time to get everything in place before the start of the semester. She shares, "Everyone was great and helped me do everything needed to get ready in time." Maria's suggestions for those considering transferring to Mercy College are to take an active role in the process, be as involved as possible in completing the application, and ask questions. Maria anticipates graduating from Mercy College in May 2022. After graduation, she hopes to find a Radiologic Technology job.

Learn more about the Radiologic Technology Program.

We're proud of the ambitions and accomplishments of our students and alumni. Each month, current students and/or alumni will be recognized. Tell us your Mercy story. Please email suggested names to Alumni@mercycollege.edu or complete a nomination form here.

Peer-nominations and self-nominations are accepted.

The Mercy College of Ohio Alumni Department is committed and focused on providing Mercy alumni an experience that is informative, engaging, and fun! We're there for you whether you're enjoying one of our alumni events or supporting Mercy as a volunteer.

Your Alumni Department goes the extra mile to keep you informed.

Your Mercy Pride is ours as well – To ensure this newsletter is as informational as possible, please send your comments and article submissions to:

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