Leadership Johnson County



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May Signature Program Day

The Closing Retreat once again looked different this month, as we couldn't meet in person. Class members had a Zoom coffee chat, were able to catch up with classmates, and gave updates on various aspects of life. Virtually, members of the class will complete the Carnation Ceremony and Tote the Note activity. While it was necessary to postpone the graduation ceremony, we have a rescheduled date of July 29, 2020 at Barn at Crystal Spring Farm. More information to come as we continue working on a safe way to honor our Class of 2020 graduates. We are grateful to our May Program Day sponsors: Johnson Memorial Health and JCREMC.







DEAR LJC ALUMNI,

We love you more than wine!

LJC SIGNATURE PROGRAM ALUMNI RELATIONS EVENT

MALLOW RUN WINERY THE FLYING TOASTERS CONCERT AUGUST 22, 2020 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

> LJC WILL HAVE AN AREA BLOCKED OFF AND THE FIRST 30 PEOPLE TO RSVP RECEIVE A FREE GLASS OF WINE! RSVP: TSHUCK@FRANKLINCOLLEGE.EDU

Leadership Johnson County Updates

Website

We are happy to share that Leadership Johnson County has completed an updated website with our partners at Clever Dogs Media. Be sure to check out all the latest information on upcoming workshops, alumni events, and more at www.LeadershipJohnsonCounty.org.

LJC Select Workshops

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The LJC Select workshops are finalized and we are excited to provide a great line-up of presenters for the 2020-2021 year. Be sure to download a copy of the program guide from our website or send an email to Tandy for a hard copy to be mailed. Be sure to check out the Series Reveal for a sneak peak at available workshops. <u>Click Here!</u>

LJC On Demand Punch Card

Your business or nonprofit will benefit from professional development opportunities throughout the year by purchasing an LJC On Demand Punch Card. The LJC Punch Card provides 14 punches to be used in any combination of LJC Select Workshops. Enjoy maximum flexibility to mix and match seats, share within your organization, or with friends. Purchase your LJC On Demand Punch Card by June 15 and receive an additional punch. Contact Bea Northcott at bnorthcott@franklincollege.edu or call 317-738-8264 for more information.

LJC BOARD MEMBERS RETIRING AFTER YEARS OF SERVICE

The strength of Leadership Johnson County is due in part to the tremendous leadership shown at the board of trustees level. We are grateful for the six retiring members of our 2019-2020 board for their wise counsel, leadership, and humor. We caught up with these board members to capture some of their most memorable times with LJC.



Natalie Campbell| Franklin Community Schools Six-year board member

Committees: Alumni Relations, Class Liaison, Wine Event, Executive Committee **Favorite Memory:** I enjoyed getting to know things about alums through "why we are here moments" and meeting "ice breakers." Always made me smile and laugh!!

Advice to Future Board/Class: Be active!



Jennifer Cox| Covance Central Laboratories, Inc. Six-year board member

Committees: Wine Tasting, Public Relations, Recruitment, Executive Committee

Favorite Memory: I'm not sure which ONE memory I would select - I enjoyed a great deal of laughter - but my favorite experiences are when I see LJC and its alumni doing great things in our community in so many different and diverse ways. Our alumni continue to serve, and it's rewarding to see/read/hear about an LJC alumni actively making JoCo an even better place to live. As the alumni grow in number, our positive ripple effect continues in Johnson County - it makes my heart happy and gives all of us a better place to live each day.

Advice to Future Board/Class: Do good deeds with good people and great results will happen. Keep your heart and your mind open. Enjoy the journey!



Tim Garner| Franklin College Four-year board member

Committees: Nominations and Selections

Favorite Memory: As random as it might seem, I truly enjoyed the ice breaker questions that were used to kick off some of our meetings. I thought those casual, relaxed opportunities for sharing non-work related musings often provided moments of revelation and insight that I wouldn't have otherwise been able to glean.

Advice to Future Board/Class: Serving on the Board of LJC will contribute greatly to your pursuit of lifelong learning so be sure to take advantage of the considerable array of talent and wisdom surrounding you each and every time you are engaged with fellow Board Members.







Mike Leonard | Franklin College Six-year board member

Committees: Nominations and Selections, Executive Committee **Favorite Memory:** Three things come to mind: Reading all of the applications for the signature program was always an interesting task...I always learned something new. Secondly, working together with the other committee members on selection day was always a rewarding challenge. Lastly, hearing the "Why we are here" comments at the conclusion of our board meetings confirmed to me why I enjoyed giving my time and resources to LJC. The pleasure to serve was all mine! Thank you ALL for the opportunity!!! **Advice to Future Board/Class:** Step out in FAITH. Be BOLD. ATTACK!!! "Fear knocked at the door... Faith answered... Nobody was there."

Scott Pitts | Greenwood Christian Church Six-year board member

Committees: Nominations and Selections

Favorite Memory: Helping select the signature class for six consecutive years and then debriefing one of the project teams each spring. **Advice to Future Board/Class:** To get a more accurate view of what LJC does, do your best to "sample" a variety of sponsored events: drop in on a session of the youth academy, join a networking lunch, debrief a project group, mingle during a sponsor appreciation evening, help the full-time crew set-up or tear down after one of their many activities, enjoy the signature class graduation dinner, sponsor or at least attend a workshop, and of course, there is always the annual wine event!

Katie Prine | Second Helpings Three-year board member

Committees: Development Committee

Favorite Memory: I always enjoyed the board meeting in the fall where the new Signature Program class would present their project ideas. To see new groups of people come together, with fresh ideas, and ready to make our county a better place to live was always so inspiring!

Advice to Future Board/Class: LJC is strong because of the tremendous network that has been created. Take time to plug in, check in, meet others, and find out more about what is going on in Johnson County. You will benefit from the relationships you create and the memories that last.



Adam Treibic| First Merchants Bank Five-year board member Will serve as Past President in 2020-2021

Committees: Development, Executive Committee

Favorite Memory: I have several. My all time weird memory from my time with LJC was doing a moment of silence at the bowling alley for our inaugural bowling event. I wasn't on the board at the time, but was on the Development Committee/Bowling Committee.

Advice to Future Board/Class: Allow yourself to do things that may not be in your wheelhouse. Public speaking, chairing a committee, serving in the community, talking to individuals or companies about leadership. LJC offers so many contacts and so many growth opportunities for you to build, practice, and enhance your leadership skills. Take advantage of it and push yourself to change for the better.



- Congratulations to Gretchen Beaman ('08) who was recently promoted to Crop Protection Quality Systems Leader at Corteva AgriScience.
- Congratulations to **Jeff Owen ('97)** whose virtual marketing company, Clever Dogs Media, recently celebrated a third anniversary.
- Congratulations to **Jake Stiles ('16)** and the team at Compass Realty who recently completed a 20-week Implementation Program.
- Congratulations to **Paul Hoffman** ('16) on his recent purchase of PathBinder Publishing.
- Congratulations to **Kathleen Ratcliff ('17)** and her nonprofit organization, Upstream Prevention, who received notice of award on three grants to serve the county to reduce substance use, increase training and awareness of mental health conditions, and decrease suicide. The three grants total an amount of \$375,000.
- Congratulations to Rachel Alvey ('20) who recently transitioned to a new job with Translational Science Institute.
- Thank you to Kathleen Ratcliff ('17) for a job well done as the LJC Select Coordinator during 2019-2020. Kathleen did a wonderful job of automating systems and bringing efficiencies to the program. We wish her the best of luck as she continues to grow her nonprofit organization, Upstream Prevention.

- Congratulations to Rob Henderson ('04) on his recent promotion to Executive Vice President at Mutual Savings Bank.
- Congratulations to Jim Schwarz

 ('19) and Jason Benson ('18) who were recognized in January as outstanding board members for their contributions to our mission. Jim helped recruit multiple people to LJC Select workshops and Jason was a star Go Ahead Team member.

 Congratulations to Katie Stahlhut ('18) and husband, Cameron, on the birth of their second son, Harrison, on Sunday, May 24. Everyone is happy and healthy and we are pleased to welcome another little leader into the LJC family!



LJC Connections Helping Others Through Pandemic

Marcie Morrison ('20) heard JMH COO Rick Kester ('19) speak on healthcare in Johnson County at the February program day. When it became evident that masks would be needed by front line healthcare workers to help keep them safe while working through the COVID-19 pandemic, she contacted Rick to get surgical grade material to make masks at a higher quality than N95 masks. Marcie had seen this on Facebook and wanted to implement it here in Johnson County. She reached out to **Tandy Shuck ('00)** to recruit volunteers who could help sew. Tandy knew that Youth Leadership Academy participant **Emily Peters (YLA '20)** had been making masks and connected the two community members. Another LJC alum, **Angela DeVoss** ('20), continues to coordinate the pick-up and delivery so Emily and Marcie can focus on delivering the finished product to our local healthcare system, Johnson Memorial Health.

We know there are many more examples of collaboration among our LJC graduates. Thank you for continuing the legacy of the Signature Program by working together to creatively solve problems in our community!



College's Documentary Nominated for Two Emmy Awards

Kurt Vonnegut's novel, Slaughterhouse-Five, turned 50 years old in 2019. The classic book has been revered by many, and even shunned by some, but how has its impact affected American literature and culture? That was the question WFYI and TheStateHouseFile.com, a news website powered by Franklin College journalism students, sought to find out when they teamed up to jointly produce a documentary on the definitive book. Their efforts have been awarded with two Emmy nominations, announced last week.

"The Children's Crusade Revisited: Slaughterhouse-Five at 50," which premiered in December 2019, is among three nominations in the category of Nostalgia Program – Program/Special/Series, selected by The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (NATAS) Lower Great Lakes Chapter. The documentary is also one of six finalists in the Best Writing category. The program also has been picked up for national distribution and will begin airing on PBS stations around the country this summer.

College to Begin Esports Program

Franklin College has announced plans to launch an esports program to begin in the 2020-2021 academic year. Esports is competitive gaming using video games on various platforms, often in the form of organized, multiplayer competitions.Plans are in the early stages, but the college anticipates beginning with as many as 24 esports players in the first year and building on that number as the program grows.

"The development of an esports program here at Franklin College is already creating quite the buzz on campus," said Andy Hendricks, acting vice president of admissions and financial aid at Franklin College. "The popularity of it and the industry born from it are undeniable. Franklin College has often been forward-thinking and much of what we do is driven by the needs and wants of our students. This esports program has the potential to add significant value to our campus and to a student's overall college experience. We are very anxious to see the program develop and thrilled to be able to offer our students something that is sure to be engaging and exciting."

Students, Professors Collaborate to Bring Johnson County History to Indiana Historical Society

Thanks to the collaboration of Franklin College students, professors and professionals, access to an important part of Johnson County history is now just a click away, allowing viewers the opportunity to time travel from the comfort of their own home. And there's never been a better time to do so than now.

Since 2016, the Honorable Roger Douglas Branigin Archives, a collection of gubernatorial papers and photographs donated to Franklin College have been on display in the B.F. Hamilton Library on the Franklin College campus. Branigin was the 42nd governor of Indiana, a 1923 alumnus of the college and a 1956 honorary degree recipient. The collection has the distinction of being the only governor's papers not housed at the Indiana Archives and Records Administration.

Now, thanks to a grant the college received from the Council of Independent Colleges (CIC), a selection of the archives is available to both in-person visitors as well as virtual visitors of Destination Indiana, an interactive feature of the Indiana Historical Society (IHS). While visitors to the Indianapolis location can experience history on the personal station screens, anyone in the world can travel back in time to discover significant events and meet historical figures from all 92 of Indiana's counties. This online platform, www.destination-indiana.com, is also a valuable resource for educators.

The Branigin Archives was a perfect fit for the criteria of the CIC grant project – Humanities Research for the Public Good – which was to promote student research at a private college or university, to address issues of public significance, and to showcase the rich, archival, library, and museum collections held by participating institutions.



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