

MEETINGHOUSE

*The official newsletter of the department of
History, Philosophy & Social Sciences*

HPSS Holds End-of-the-Year Picnic & Banquet

As our 2020 HPSS graduates already know, we were unable to host last year's Senior Awards Banquet at Chateau Michele due to the pandemic. Because of lingering concerns about Covid-19, this year's closing event was a picnic instead of a banquet. Graduating HPSS seniors, undergrads, faculty, and staff gathered at the Canton City's Weiss Park on April 30 to enjoy good food, good fellowship, and HPSS memories. Department Chair, Dr. David Beer, convened, and Drs. Jay Case and Scott Waalkes presented the annual "Emma Awards" and Malone University portfolios to our Fall 2020, Spring 2021, and Summer 2021 graduates. The portfolios were once again "autographed" by the HPSS faculty.

In addition to the Emma awards, several other HPSS students were recognized at the picnic, including the department's recipients of Malone University's Senior Recognition Award. The 2021 outstanding HPSS seniors are:

- Criminal and Restorative Justice: Keeley Malley
- History: Joey Foos
- Integrated Social Studies: Eric Baker
- Philosophy: Addisyn Lewis
- Political Science: James Kontur

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Greetings,

On behalf of my History, Philosophy, and Social Sciences colleagues, greetings. I think I can safely say that all students and faculty at Malone are relieved that this pandemic-restricted school year is finished and that we look forward to improving conditions.

This year has contained many challenges, but also joys. While in the Fall we juggled in-person, remote, and asynchronous teaching modalities simultaneously, in the Spring we shifted to just in-person and synchronous remote instruction and some easing of restrictions as the semester progressed. After cancelling last year's Woolman Lectures in Christian Scholarship, we were able to host Prof. David Walsh of the Catholic University of America this Spring for two lectures on personhood, dignity, and rights. While our chapter of the Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society had to again induct its incoming class via Zoom, we were at least able to physically gather for HPSS' end of the year banquet outside. The wind was unseasonably cold at Weis Park that day, but it was a delight to eat, talk, and laugh as a group.

Many times our hopes for this year were simply that we could manage and make do, but we are genuinely excited that we were able to conduct a national search for a new faculty member for our Sociology and Criminal Justice programs. After interviewing several excellent candidates, the department is pleased to say that Bryson Davis from Cleveland State University will be joining us in August and he will be a welcome addition to our group. I hope that alumni will have many chances in the coming years to interact with Bryson and get to know him and his family.

We all remain cautiously optimistic or perhaps, hopefully realistic, about new realities as we move into summer and the coming year. No one can anticipate all the ways that the pandemic will affect higher education and students' decision-making about college. Should alumni be particularly concerned to support the university or department while we try to adjust and plan for the uncertainties of a world shaken by this global pandemic, the most direct way to support the university during this time is through the giving to the Malone Fund, or support the department through its James Stuckey Scholarship Fund. Either can be selected in the drop-down menu on Malone's online giving page (<https://www.malone.edu/giving/give-online/>).

As public health orders are eased or lifted and everyone seeks to return to some past summer practices, I pray that you will experience gratitude that we have reached this point. My hope is that everyone will be refreshed this summer and that upon reflection whatever the new normal looks like it will be an opportunity to rededicate ourselves to service in our respective vocations and callings after a season of trial.

Sincerely,

Dr. David Beer

ALUMNI UPDATE: WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



1 MARINA RARICK '20 *(ITSS & History)*

Marina, pictured here with one of her psychology classes, is a full-time social studies teacher at Bloom-Carroll High School in Carrol, Ohio. She and HPSS alumnus **Jeff Dieringer '20** will wed on June 27, 2021. They will reside in the Canal Winchester area.

2 MAGGIE POORMAN '19 *(ITSS & ILA)*

Maggie, pictured here with one of her students, is teaching English and coaching cross country at Manassas Park High School in Manassas Park, Virginia.

3 ELINE PINTER '21 *(Political Science)*

Eline is planning to pursue a master's degree in International Relations at the University of Indianapolis while also using her remaining NCAA eligibility to join their varsity track team.

4 JOSHUA ECK '11 *(History & Political Science)*

Joshua is Chief of Staff for Ohio's Lieutenant Governor, Jon A. Husted. He previously served as the Lt. Governor Husted's Director of Communications. He was recently appointed as a Member of the Board of Directors of CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates).

4 CALEB WHITE '18 *(History & Political Science)*

Caleb is a Legislative Aide for Ohio State Senator Kurt Schuring. He previously served as an Ohio Legislative Service Commission Fellow and, previous to that, as an intern in the United States Senate. Caleb and his wife Tara, another Malone grad, reside in Columbus.

4 JANIS BOWDLER '00 *(Urban Studies)*

Janis was this year's Malone University Commencement speaker on May 8, 2021. She currently serves as President of the JPMorgan Chase Foundation at JPMorgan Chase & Co and has been with the foundation since 2013. Before joining Chase, she was the Economic Policy Director at the National Council of La Raza (now known as UnidosUS). Janis, her husband, and daughter reside in the Washington, DC area.



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HPSS END-OF-THE-YEAR PICNIC CONT.



Pictured below: Dr. Jacci Stuckey with several of the 2020 and 2021 recipients of a James H. Stuckey Memorial Scholarship.

Pictured left: Dr. Beer awarding the department's "Scholarship" award to Senior James Kontur.

HPSS faculty also select students of distinction for the annual departmental awards. This year's recipients are:

- Contributions to Departmental Life: Kayley Lucyzwo
- Participation in the Classroom: Addisyn Lewis
- Scholarship: James Kontur

Their names have already been etched on the "Departmental Awards" plaque found in the HPSS student lounge in CC 106.

Renewable and non-renewable James H. Stuckey Memorial Scholarships were also granted this evening. Dr. Stuckey was a Professor of History and Sociology at Malone from 1969 to 1999, served as department chair for seventeen years, and continued as an HPSS adjunct until 2002. Since 2006, when Britt Railing Steiner '08 received the first Stuckey scholarship, the department has awarded nearly thirty non-renewable scholarships to history, Integrated Social Studies, and political science majors. (Students may reapply yearly.) The names of this year's recipients, **Kayley Lucyzwo '23** and **Samantha "Sammi" Krockner '24**, will be added to the Stuckey Scholarship plaque.



In 2019, the department began awarding an annual four-year renewable Stuckey Scholarship to an outstanding incoming freshman. The first three recipients of the four-year renewable scholarship are:

- Rebekah Stranger '23
- Windy Singo Olanga Oyougou '24
- Mackenzie Bozman '25



New HPSS Alumni

Fall 2020 Graduates



JOEY FOOS

Major: History



AMY ERB

*Major: Criminal and Restorative Justice
Minor: Sociology*



BENJAMIN ST. JOHN

Minor: Philosophy



AMANDA KLINESMITH

Minor: History

Spring 2021 Graduates



ERIC BAKER

*Major: Integrated Social Studies
Minor: History*



JAMES KONTUR

Majors: Political Science & Philosophy



LAUREN CANTOR

Minor: Sociology



ADDISYN LEWIS

Majors: Political Science & Philosophy



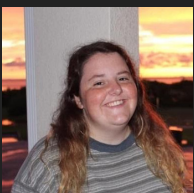
RACHEL CHESNES

Major: Criminal and Restorative Justice



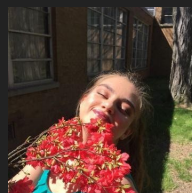
KEELEY MALLEY

Major: Criminal and Restorative Justice



CECILIA CHEW

Major: Criminal and Restorative Justice



EMMA MARTINEZ

*Majors: History, Philosophy, & Political Science
Minor: Criminal and Restorative Justice*



SALLY CULIG

Major: Philosophy



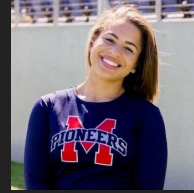
NATHAN MCFEATERS

*Major: Criminal and Restorative Justice
Minor: Political Science*



JESSICA PERKINS

Major: History



ALEXIS ULERY

Minor: Sociology



ELINE PINTER

Major: Political Science



ASHLEY ZEHR

*Minor: Peace and Reconciliation
(*First to earn a minor in this field in Malone University history)*



ETHAN SULEK

Major: Criminal and Restorative Justice

Summer 2021 Graduate



MARISSA BOLMGREN

Major: Criminal and Restorative Justice



THE SECOND ANNUAL INDUCTION CEREMONY FOR ALPHA-PI-CHI



The second annual induction ceremony for Alpha-Pi-Chi, Malone University’s Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, the national history honor society, was held virtually on April 29, 2021. This year’s inductees were Daniel Adams, Eric Baker, Kayley Lucywzo, Lindsay McMaster, Rebekah Stranger, and Emma Tutak. Charter members Jeff Dieringer ’20, Emma Martinez ’21, Jessica Perkins ’21, Marina Rarick ’21, and Drs. Beer, Case, and Stuckey participated in the induction ceremony. Dr. Jacob Blosser, the Phi Alpha Theta National President and Professor of History at Texas Women’s, offered greetings and welcomed the new members.

The new members (pictured left) were recognized with a certificate from the national office and a red rose at the HPSS Picnic on April 30. Seniors who were inducted in 2020 and 2021 were given their senior honor cords.

CURRENT FACULTY & STAFF

- David Beer // Department Chair, Associate Professor of Political Science
- Jay Case // Professor of History
- Shawn Floyd // Professor of Philosophy
- Jacalynn Stuckey '77 // Professor of History
- Scott Waalkes // Professor of International Politics
- Jeff Barnes '09 // Adjunct Professor of History
- John Gabbard // Adjunct Professor of Criminal and Restorative Justice
- Annie St. John '88 // HPSS Administrative Assistant
- Mitchell Bodager '23 // The Meetinghouse Editor

The Year in Photos

