#### **Done In A Day**

We would love your help! The Auxiliary is presenting opportunities for you to volunteer and be "done in a day" on campus. Our thinking was to give you more exposure to our beloved Union and increase the ways in which you could serve. Hopefully one or more of these experiences will speak to you. All you need to do is email or call the contact person to get additional information about the type of help needed and to sign up.

International & MK Lunch August 17 | Pam Whitnell

New Student Move In August 18 | Ken Litscher Family Weekend

September 29 | Ken Litscher Homecoming

November 3-4 | Teresa Rosson

Day of Remembrance November 7 | Todd Brady

Union Health Fair March 21 | Teresa Rosson

Auxiliary Speaker Event
April 17 | Nikki Castles

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#### **Fall Membership Kick Off Meeting**

Please mark your calendars and invite at least one friend for our annual Fall Membership meeting of The Union Auxiliary. We will meet on Thursday, September 14 at noon in Coburn Dining Room located inside the Carl Grant Events Center.

Auxiliary President Susie Oliver will give an update on what happened in our organization this past year, share the vision for the upcoming year as

well as some exciting new opportunities for you to become more involved as we continue to raise funds for scholarships and support our students.

Creative Dining will be serving a Taco Salad buffet, dessert and drinks for lunch. The cost of the lunch will be \$12 per person. We need to know that you are coming by September 10. Please do one of the following:

Email gchristy@uu.edu or call 731-661-5202 (Gaye Christy);

Send us your check with the names of all attending to Union University, 1050 Union University Drive, Jackson, TN 38305, Attn: Gaye Christy; OR

Make your reservations and pay online at uu.edu/auxiliary

Looking forward to seeing each of you at the meeting!

### Coffee & Conversations with the First Lady

First Lady Susie Oliver would like to hear your heart and vision for The Union Auxiliary. Please join her for coffee and conversation on any of the following dates: Thursdays at 10 a.m. September 7, October 5, and November 2; or at 3 p.m. on September 21, October 19, and November 16 at Modero Coffee Roasters inside The Logos.

















Carls-Schwerdfeger History Lecture: Bruce Gordon October 19

Homecoming November 2–4

October 17

Holiday Tour with Dr. Dub: San Antonio, TX December 11–15

For more information and other upcoming events, visit **uu.edu/now**.



For Union Auxiliary membership information contact Teresa Rosson at 731.661.5496

# DIFFERENCE



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Change...It is inevitable and we all experience it. Sometimes change is welcome and sometimes it is unwanted. A toddler learning to walk for the first time is a monumental change for the better but an aging person using a walker for the first time is a much harder change.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-2 says there is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven, beginning with a time to be

born and ending with a time for peace. What a great encouragement from God's word on all the changes we will experience in our lifetime.

Our organization, The Union Auxiliary, has undergone quite a few changes as we are stretching and growing. We have changed the way we meet; from twice a year with local speakers to one membership meeting and one large fundraiser. We now have an organization chart, we have updated our Bylaws, we have increased our exposure in the community, we have added a new student support committee, and we made a significant increase in our scholarship dollars. All this change has been good but no doubt it has challenged us.

What has this change meant to you? I hope as you ponder the answer to this question you will be willing to change and grow with us. Would you consider working more closely with us as we continue to move towards our mission of raising funds for student scholarships and providing support for students? Please join us for our annual membership kick off meeting to engage with us as we all continue to grow in His love and peace.

Blessings,

Susie Oliver, President

## SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

2017–2018

#### **Katlyn Lorraine Allison**

Katie is an Education major whose passion is history. She chose Union because of her experience at the Scholars of Excellence weekend when she was impressed by the kindness and encouragement she received from the faculty members and the students she met. Dr. Justin Barnard has had a great influence on Katie in the Wisdom class he taught. She says, "Dr. Barnard pushed me beyond what I perceived that I could handle, and he aided me in the development of not only my mind, but my character as well."

#### MacKenzie Leigh Castellaw

MacKenzie is a Business Administration major with a concentration in management who chose Union before she had seen the campus because of its emphasis on being a Christ-centered university. Dr. Colene Trent has been a wonderful influence on MacKenzie's life both in class and outside the classroom. MacKenzie plans to use her business degree to help people be good stewards.

#### **Kaitlyn Ann Chappell**

Katie is an English major who is passionate about literature and the effect it can have on peoples' lives. She decided to attend Union during the Scholars of Excellence weekend when Dr. Oliver affirmed that Union strives to connect faith and learning. Dr. Scott Huelin was the first professor to demonstrate the connection between faith and learning to Katie. She is also earning a double minor in both French and Christian thought and tradition. She hopes to serve in a ministry position in a French-speaking country after graduating from Union.

#### **Joanna Cumbie**

Joanna is a Special Education major who chose Union so that she would be challenged academically and spiritually. She has worked with students who have disabilities in school and at church and feels that this is an underserved population. Dr. Justin Barnard was very encouraging to Joanna as she joined the Honors Community. She enjoys living in a Christian community with friends that honestly share their lives and hold each other accountable.

#### **Quincy Ray Gantt**

Quincy is a Business Administration major who chose Union because of the caring community he saw while visiting Union. His professors have shown Quincy that a Christian can be successful in business without having to compromise his beliefs and values. He enjoys the late-night study sessions and working on group projects.

#### Jamie Elizabeth Hodge

Jamie is an English major who wants to better understand God and people through studying language and stories. Dr. Justin Barnard has been a great influence on Jamie. One of her favorite memories while at Union is of writing a paper for the Wisdom class because "I learned how very unintelligent I am and how splendidly wise our God is."

#### **Josiah Cameron McGee**

Josiah is a Political Science major who chose Union because Union's mission matched the reality of what he observed on campus during his visits. He feels a call to serve God in politics even though it is an increasingly secular world. His focus is on international relations and he has focused his research on the Middle East. Josiah has a passion for the field of peacemaking and diplomacy. He says "Dr. Baker, Dr. Ryan, Dr. Huelin, and Dr. Oliver have all helped me flourish, and for that I thank the Lord."

#### Yoo Jin "Ashley" Moon

Ashley is an Education major who has learned to see God's beauty and greatness in math and to teach students in a way that glorifies God. She has a heart for broken teenagers and would like to help them heal. Professor Hardin has challenged Ashley to communicate through photography and she enjoys using photography to capture memories.

#### **Yoo Lim Moon**

Yoo Lim is an Art major who wants to use art to tell her story of being a MK (missionary kid) and an international student. Professor Benson has changed the way she looks at her surroundings. She says, "He calls his students to always live in a state of gratefulness and to allow our art to be a response to God's kindness." Yoo Lim enjoys working late in the art studio with friends.

#### **Andrea Smith**

Andrea is a Psychology major who chose Union because she felt at home from her first visit. She chose psychology as her major so that she can serve people as an extension of Christ's service. Dr. Huelin has been a huge influence on Andrea's life and provided counsel at critical times.

#### **Emily Ann Swope**

Emily is a Business Administration major who had a long journey (from Iowa to Tennessee) before God led her to Union. Mr. Doug Morse was a great encouragement to Emily in her Intro to Business class, and after taking the class, she decided to change her major from social work to business. Dr. Emily Lean has helped Emily to integrate her faith and learning in her Principles of Management class.

#### Sykes Thompson

Sykes is a Psychology major who chose Union because he wanted a college that would aid him in his walk with Christ as well as prepare him for a career. He plans to continue his education after Union and to become an optometrist. Dr. Geoff Poore has had a strong influence on Sykes because of his special care for students. He really appreciated the welcome from the Coburn staff when he first arrived at Union.

#### Jean Wehrman

Jean is a Christian Thought major because she wants to deeply study the Word of God during her college years. She is very thankful for the vibrant community of active believers at Union. Dr. Jill Webb has been a wise counselor to Jean and provided cups of hot tea.

#### **Crista Lauren Wilhite**

Crista is a Theater major who chose Union after she heard a presentation about the Honors Community. She enjoys the connection between her intellectual and spiritual pursuits at Union. Crista chose theater as her major because it allows her to tell meaningful stories that ultimately glorify God.

#### **Amanda Leigh Wilson**

Amanda is a Psychology major who chose Union because she grew up around Union and Union students and wanted to be a part of the community. She wants to work with middle school and high school students in the church and believes that she will be a better counselor with her knowledge of psychology. She has enjoyed Dr. Kevin Chen's classes because she has learned the significance of every word in Scripture and how to accurately study the Bible. Amanda has enjoyed working as a Welcome Week leader and showing new students why Union and Jackson are so special.

