Dear Alumni and Friends,

We are proud of our unique approach to educating the world’s finest engineers, scientists and business leaders. Indeed, over the past 97 years the Kettering way has proven to be one of the most successful and innovative models of higher education in the United States.

You make this possible. Thank you for all that you do in support of this remarkable University and our students. Our continuing ability to offer students a world-class immersive, experiential-based Kettering education is a direct result of the incredible support of alumni, donors and friends like you.

These are truly exciting times at Kettering, and our campus and the areas around it continue to go through significant changes that will both impact the future of the Flint community and ensure that the University is well prepared to meet the educational needs of our students – both current and future. For example, we are nearing completion of Phase One of Kettering University’s GM Mobility Research Center – a proving ground and research facility that will be the only one of its kind on a college campus in the country. In fact, this facility is already being celebrated as a critical element of Michigan’s future success as a hub for autonomous vehicle research, and in a recent New York Times article it was listed as one of 20 of the most innovative projects in cities around the country. It is also a wonderful example of the power of philanthropy, because creating this facility would not have been possible without the tremendous support of industry partners and alumni who believed in the project’s potential and who have helped to make it a reality.

Pictured on the cover of this magazine you will find participants from last summer’s Academically Interested Minds (AIM) program. For over 30 years, AIM has brought talented high school students of color from all over North America to the Kettering campus for a rigorous and challenging introduction to the transformative power of a STEM education. Your support also ensures that these students – whose very participation is made possible through gifts of scholarships and donations – are able to benefit from this powerful program, a program that has helped launch literally hundreds of successful careers since its inception.

Yet, even as Kettering adapts to the needs of modern students and industry, some things here don’t change – and one of those is our rigorous academic and co-operative education model – the same one that our alumni experienced when they were students here.

As a result, our programs continue to be among the most highly ranked in the country, including by prestigious publications like U.S. News and World Report and The Economist. The U.S. Department of Education and PayScale.com both rank Kettering among the top universities in the United States in terms of earning potential and return on investment.

Kettering University is a jewel. We are deeply grateful for all you do to help us serve and educate our current and future students. And, if you have not done so recently, I hope you will visit us soon to see firsthand the difference that you are making here at Kettering. Thank you.

Warmest regards,

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- **80% of FACULTY & STAFF SUPPORT KETTERING WITH GIFTS**
- **increased 16% in 2016**

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**ALUMNI PARTICIPATION**

- Since 2015, Alumni participation increased **24%** to an overall participation rate of **8.9%**

**482 STUDENTS RECEIVED NEARLY $1.9 MILLION THROUGH ANNUAL AND ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS IN 2016**
Belief in Kettering approach to education inspires alumnus to make $1 million gift to Learning Commons

J.T. Battenberg III ’66 got his first job mowing lawns in Columbia, Missouri when he was 9 years old. At 11 years old, he was selling newspapers. By the time he completed high school, he had held six different jobs including a drug store soda jerk, drive-in car hop and grocery store checkout clerk. He was used to working while studying which made his transition to Kettering University (then General Motors Institute) seamless.

“I was constantly working while in high school,” Battenberg said. “I was used to working. It was a natural thing. I loved to work. I loved to accomplish things.”

Battenberg worked for pleasure and accomplishment but also out of necessity. His family had minimal economic means. His father was a pilot in the Air Force which caused the family to move seven times including a three-year stint in Japan.

“My mom, brother and I constantly moved with my dad,” Battenberg said. “It was a challenging way to grow up but it was a time of war. For a lot of security reasons, they wanted people to be constantly moving.”

During his high school career, the family settled in Missouri and that’s where he had the choice of following in his father’s footsteps in the armed forces or pivoting to create his own path.

DISCOVERING KETTERING

Battenberg attended Raytown Junior High School in Raytown, Missouri where he was later inducted to the Hall of Fame. He needed guidance and a scholarship to attend college and he discovered both as a member of Junior Achievement (JA), a program designed to inspire, prepare and develop leadership skills in young people for future successes. Battenberg thrived in JA. He became President of his company, won numerous awards and by the end of his senior year, he had accumulated enough scholarships to attend college.

A coincidence: Chevrolet was the primary sponsor of the Junior Achievement program he attended. The sponsors and representatives from General Motors (GM) had the opportunity to oversee Battenberg during his junior and senior years of high school and talked him out of following in his father’s footsteps in the Air Force and instead attend Kettering to pursue a career in the automotive industry.

“It was relatively straightforward because I had seen the difficult environment that my father had been in during his tenure in the Air Force,” Battenberg said. “I thought more about the stability at GM as opposed to the Air Force Academy where I knew I would be moving around the world like my father did.”

Battenberg’s father agreed with his son’s decision.

“My father supported it,” Battenberg said. “He helped me realize that in the long run, I would have a better chance at GM than in the Air Force.”

Even with his commitment to GM, Battenberg still served six years in the United States Air Force Reserves.

ACADEMICS AND WORK

Battenberg came to Kettering in 1961 with a work ethic and a passion to learn. He majored in Industrial Engineering while completing his co-op at GM Leeds Assembly in Leeds, Missouri just outside of Kansas City.

On campus, he became a member and officer of Phi Tau Alpha (Sigma Alpha Epsilon) and completed over 22

“I really liked the leadership aspect of working with the unions and leading and guiding people. I enjoyed the management aspect of the job more than the pure engineering.” - J.T. Battenberg III ’66
May 1999. Under Battenberg's leadership, Delphi gained
organized as an independent corporation in
1995. Battenberg
diversified automotive supply company, when it was first
in 1969 after alternating between work terms at Leeds Assembly and academic terms at
Columbia. While at Columbia, he also married his wife Luann in September 1967.
He returned to school one more time and graduated from the Harvard Business School Advanced Management program in 1988.
"After graduating from Columbia, I had numerous offers from multiple companies and I almost left GM," Battenberg said. "But I had been treated so well by GM that I felt loyal to them. I returned to GM and began what became a 44-year career."

A DECORATED CAREER
Battenberg rose through the ranks of GM to become Group Vice-President of Buick-Oldsmobile-Cadillac group and Executive Vice President of General Motors Corporation and a member of the General Motors President’s Council. Then, he became President of Delphi, a world-leading diversified automotive supply company, when it was first organized as a separate division of GM in 1995. Battenberg gained the additional title of chairman of the board when Delphi reorganized as an independent corporation in May 1999. Under Battenberg’s leadership, Delphi gained
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We wish to thank all of Kettering University alumni and friends who are helping to make a difference in the lives of our students. The goal of the Kettering University Philanthropy Report and Donor Honor Roll is to recognize your thoughtful and generous support over the past year. Together, alumni, friends, corporations and foundations at all different giving levels have made a significant impact in the life of the University. Your cumulative support continues to be transformational.

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recognition when it ranked 57th in the Fortune 500 in 2000, continuing the aggressive global expansion that started when the company was still a division of GM.

What has been the secret to his successful rise in the ranks at GM?

“I think you have to start with the principles and values that I developed growing up in church, high school and Junior Achievement,” Battenberg said. “These activities allowed me to figure out what I believe and don’t believe in and what I value as most important.”

Battenberg credits his parents, Boy Scouts and his church for instilling strong values and principles in him that contributed to his personal and professional success.

“Your parents’ influence is dramatically important. My father went down in his airplane in December 1961 when he was 39 years old. I lost him when I was a freshman at GMI. It was terrible,” Battenberg said. “I have a tremendous mother [92 years old] who guided me.”

In addition to his parents, Battenberg credits two mentors - Cliff Vaughan ’56 (Plant Manager) and Bob Henderson (Personnel Director) - at Leeds Assembly for guiding his career path at GM.

“They were critical at getting me going and headed in the right direction,” Battenberg said. “You need someone to help guide you early in your career and I was lucky to have both of them as mentors and lifelong friends.”

Battenberg has not forgotten the individuals, institutions and opportunities that led to his illustrious career. At every step of his career, he’s given back to the organizations that laid the foundation for his success and continue to support him to this day.

GIVING BACK

Battenberg and his wife Luann have constantly given back to Kettering as much as their means would allow. Battenberg also served on the Board of Trustees from 1993 to 2005 and was recognized with the Distinguished Alumnus Award in 2005.

“I’m very glad to participate and help,” Battenberg said. “I remember how proud I was to be on the Board at Kettering.”

Now, Battenberg has once again amplified his support by donating a naming gift of $1 million for the café and gathering space in the proposed Learning Commons building on the northwest corner of campus. The space will be named the “Battenberg Café” and serve as an informal presentation and collaboration space for students and faculty on campus.

“Retirement is a wonderful thing. You have some time to reflect. You reflect on why you have been so fortunate and why you have been successful and to what do you attribute it and how do you pay it back,” Battenberg said. “My parents and the foundational learning I received at Kettering are the most important factors in my success."

The Learning Commons was introduced in the 2014 Campus Master Plan. It will be built across the "beach" from the Campus Center (CC) and will connect with the CC as well as with the adjacent Connie and Jim John Recreation Center, creating a “main quad” and central outdoor meeting point for the entire campus community.

Some academic department functions will move into this building to encourage cross-disciplinary collaboration. There they will have increased access to flexible, technology-enabled, collaborative spaces that will foster small group learning in addition to a new, modern electronic library and other resources. The building will also feature something that will likely be a part of every building on campus in the future – new food service venues and options. It will also have space to accommodate alumni and other campus guests, integrating them into the campus community for the entirety of their visit.

Battenberg’s gift to the Learning Commons serves as both an appreciation for the institution’s past and a foundation for its future.

“I’m happy that Kettering is continuing their disciplined approach to cooperative education,” Battenberg said. “I believe in it. I profited from it. I always felt that the institution had a well-established vision and they will never waver from it.”
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In just one year, GM Legacy scholarship has big impact

Once a Bulldog. Always a Bulldog.

Many Kettering University alumni take that to heart. And because of that two current students are feeling the impact.

Noah Rye ’19 and Faybiana Walker ’19 have been selected as the first two recipients of the General Motors Alumni Legacy Endowment.

“I was ecstatic. I was absolutely thrilled to hear I was awarded this scholarship,” Rye said. “Because of this scholarship, this upcoming term will be the first term I won’t have to pay out of my own pocket.”

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Kettering University alumni employed at General Motors created this endowed scholarship in 2015 to provide scholarship support to Kettering juniors and seniors who have exhausted their financial resources and need additional funds to continue their education at the University.

During the kickoff on June 25, 2015, GM executives and Kettering graduates Mary Barra ’85 (General Motors CEO), Diana Tremblay ’83 (Vice President, Global Business Services), Matt Tsien ’81 (President, GM China), Chuck Stevens ’83 (Chief Financial Officer), Jim DeLuca ’87 (Executive Vice President, Global Manufacturing) and Gerald Johnson ’85 (Vice President, Operational Excellence) announced personal contributions to the endowment totaling $38,000. During the event, attendees contributed another $10,600, for a total of $48,600 raised to support students.

Since then a total of nearly 200 alumni have contributed to the endowment.

“My main thing is paying for school. I don’t have help from family, so scholarships and co-op money help a lot,” she said. “This scholarship helps decrease the debt and reduce the stress.”

Rye, a Mechanical Engineering major, is at Tenneco Automotive for his co-op. After graduation he will either stay in the automotive industry or branch out into the medical field making medical equipment.

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Since then a total of nearly 200 alumni have contributed to the endowment.

“My main thing is paying for school. I don’t have help from family, so scholarships and co-op money help a lot.” - Faybiana Walker ’19

Walker has a co-op at UPS in Chicago helping create new technology and automation for assembly lines. Her dream job is to work for Disney helping them start new theme parks.

“Disney recruited on campus last year and I just fell in love. I said ‘that’s me. I want to go there,’” Walker said. “It’s possible. Kettering puts your name on the map.”

Walker is also a mentor for the Kagle Leadership Initiatives, member of Kettering’s National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE), counselor for Academically Interested Minds (AIM) and former president of the Black Unity Congress.

Without the scholarship funds, Walker would be worrying about how to fill in the gaps for her tuition.

“My main thing is paying for school. I don’t have help from family, so scholarships and co-op money help a lot,” she said. “This scholarship helps decrease the debt and reduce the stress.”

Rye is a member of Delta Chi and acts as its safety officer and participates in the Paintball Club on campus.

“This scholarship is huge to me,” Rye said. “My time at Kettering has been the high point of my life so far. Once I started going to Kettering my life practically did a 180. It’s great that I’m able to be part of a program where people I don’t even know are willing to create things like this scholarship to help students continue their education.”
Thanks to a $2 million donation from General Motors in 2015, a transformation of a 19-acre property on Kettering University’s campus is underway.

Phase one of work on Kettering University’s GM Mobility Research Center is nearing completion, with a ceremony planned for October 10 to unveil the facility. Construction of phase two of the project will begin in 2017.

The facility will be home to an outdoor lab space and proving ground which will be used to enhance research and development of autonomous vehicles, vehicle safety standards, hybrid and electric vehicle technologies and many other uses.

Construction on the site began earlier this year. Additionally, Kettering University has received significant support from the National Science Foundation’s Major Research Instrumentation (NSF-MRI) program, which has allowed Kettering to become one of the only college campuses in the country with its own 4G LTE wireless systems. This boosts speed of data transfers and expands research and collaboration opportunities. Kettering has received six NSF-MRI grants since 2012, more than any university in Michigan over that time period.

U.S. Senator Gary Peters (MI) visited Kettering in June and saw firsthand how Kettering University is playing a key role in the research and development of autonomous vehicle safety and technology.

Peters, co-chair of the Senate Smart Transportation Caucus, toured the Kettering University GM Mobility Research Center on Kettering University’s campus, which is currently being developed as a proving ground for autonomous vehicle technology.

“Michigan is home to the automakers, suppliers and research institutions that will make our state the leader in the next generation of technology-driven cars, and I am proud that Kettering University and the Vehicle City will be part of that effort,” said Peters, a member of the Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee. “The work being done at Kettering University will further solidify Michigan’s status as the auto capital of the world in this new age of mobility, and I am committed to supporting this work at the federal level.”

“Kettering University and its alumni have historically played a leading role in the development of the modern American automotive industry, and the university is building on that legacy by playing a critical role in the development of connected and autonomous vehicle technologies,” Kettering University President Dr. Robert K. McMahan said. “Our research and development on autonomous cars will also attract economic investment and opportunity in Flint.”

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Gabriel Stahl ’68 and his wife Martha have a passion for helping females interested in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) have expanded opportunities to succeed in their chosen fields. But for them it was even more personal. Originally from Mexico, the Stahls wanted to help female students of Mexican heritage.

“We wanted to be able to give women an edge and inspire them to go for their dreams,” Martha said. “Students have to work hard at Kettering. They really have to put a lot of effort into their education. But it’s worth it.”

The Gabriel and Martha Stahl Endowed Scholarship was created in 2002 and is available to female students of Mexican heritage who currently reside in the United States. Since its creation 12 young women received an award from the scholarship.

Daniella Mayoral ’16, who received her scholarship in 2011, is one shining example of why the scholarship makes a difference. Mayoral graduated with an offer from Bosch and will start her overseas assignment in Germany in the fall.

“It’s a total success story. I think she’s a success. And she will continue. Now there’s no turning back,” Martha said. “Her mother was a single mom. Daniella may have never left San Antonio if not for this opportunity. This gave her a chance to travel and opened up her world. Her intelligence is what got her there. Our scholarship just gave her that added nudge in the beginning.”

In Mayoral’s thank you letter to the Stahls, she explained her life in San Antonio, Texas, and what the scholarship meant to her.

“Bang! Bang, Bang! The sound of gun shots ran through my neighborhood and the sounds of police cars coming to investigate came an hour later. As I sit at the city bus stop, men come up to me and try to get me hooked up in their ‘gang’ crew and I usually reply with ‘no thanks, I have better things to do than getting arrested.’ This is the story of my life,” Mayoral wrote in her letter.

Mayoral wanted to study Electrical Engineering in order to make a difference.

“I will be the first generation to attend a four year university and I want to make this dream a reality for me and my family,” she wrote in the thank you letter.

It was an opportunity Gabriel and Martha were so happy to be a part of.

It was when Gabriel was working for General Motors of Mexico that he had the opportunity to study at Kettering University (then General Motors Institute) through a scholarship. What he learned from the University was valuable and he hopes to help young women get that value, as well.

Gabriel and Martha moved to Michigan in 1980. “I’m very proud of giving an opportunity to scholarship recipients,” Gabriel said. “The fact that it’s a co-op school is extremely beneficial. When you leave there you know how to put your hands into the work, into the problem. Students who come out of other colleges don’t have the hands-on experience like at Kettering. They are part of the workforce when they graduate.”

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C.S. Mott Foundation support catalyzes growth and opportunities at Kettering

A transformational $15.5 million grant from the C.S. Mott Foundation in 2012 laid the foundation for building the Kettering University of the next century.

The generous gift from the Mott Foundation transformed opportunities for students and faculty while amplifying Kettering’s prestigious cooperative educational model in national and international markets.

Kettering has been able to leverage the gift to invest in the neighborhoods around campus to create a more vibrant community, and to enhance student research experiences by constructing new labs that meet the 21st century demands of industry, a new Campus Master Plan and the first of its kind FIRST Robotics Community Center (FRCC).

The FRCC allows Kettering to offer a new, engaging space that benefits the community. It will also prepare high school students with in-demand STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) skills that will equip them for continuing education and the workforce. Permanent work space is available for up to eight teams and the facility includes a practice arena and machine shop for prototyping and testing.

“It’s much more than just the space that is important,” said Kettering University President Dr. Robert K. McMahan. “The key to FIRST is mentors. This facility gives area students unprecedented access to our campus and all it has to offer as well as our faculty, staff and students. It serves as a tremendous community partnership that helps prepare the next generations of students for college and impactful careers.”

The Mott Foundation was the founding sponsor of the FRCC. Mott’s support has also expanded Kettering’s applied research horizons by assisting with the development of an Applied Biology program, expanding existing laboratories on campus and providing seed funding to pursue larger national research projects.

“We have more and more facilities coming to campus,” said Dr. Gillian Ryan, Physics faculty member. “Currently we have students working with equipment and doing research with professors. At other institutions, students normally wouldn’t have access to this equipment until they are in graduate school.”

Since 2013, Kettering faculty members have received 10 Major Research Instrumentation grants from the National Science Foundation, which is more than any university in the state of Michigan during that timespan.

“Research is integral to Kettering’s growth strategy, a pivotal part of attracting world-class faculty and students,” said Dr. James Zhang, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs at Kettering University. “Research informs teaching and allows faculty members to bring cutting edge equipment and knowledge into the classroom.”

By amplifying its research prowess, academic programs and unique cooperative education model into national markets, Kettering’s recognition and reputation has augmented across the United States.

Kettering University was ranked 15th nationally among all non-Ph.D.-granting engineering programs in the 2016 U.S. News and World Report ‘Best Colleges’ edition. It was ranked 12th nationally for Return on Investment by Payscale.com and five separate programs - Business, Mathematics, Biological Science, Computer Science, Engineering - were ranked in the top-five by the U.S. Department of Education’s College Scorecard.

Kettering is uniquely using its status as a world-class engineering school to catalyze economic development and further integrate itself in the resurgence in Flint and Michigan.

Kettering has supported federal, state and local efforts by facilitating the removal of blighted structures along University Avenue while developing dynamic and thriving businesses around campus. In March 2013, Kettering transformed a party store into an Einstein Bros Bagels on the corner of University and Chevrolet Avenues. Traveling east along University Avenue, Kettering took ownership of the historic Atwood Stadium in 2013 and restored the facilities with state-of-the-art field turf and stimulated the return of high school athletics to the stadium.

“The renovation and grand re-opening of Atwood Stadium on our campus represents a significant milestone in the ongoing rebirth of the city of Flint,” McMahan said.

In September 2016, Kettering opened a Jimmy John’s sandwich shop on the corner of University and Grand Traverse Avenues and the investment will continue for many years to come in accordance with the new campus Master Plan that was unveiled in 2015 with support from the Mott Foundation.
Upon implementation of the master plan, aesthetically, the campus will become more open and more seamlessly connect with natural features of the surrounding community. This includes re-orienting the University to face the Flint River, downtown Flint and the new main campus entry/gateway on Chevrolet Avenue which is now accessed via I-69 and Hammerberg Road. The Campus Master Plan imagines an environment on campus conducive to the lifestyle and learning opportunities students need today, and it will also positively contribute to the revitalization of Flint by redeveloping industrial brownfields, creating new green space and walking paths, and enhancing natural features like the Flint River.

“The Campus Master Plan is a physical roadmap of where we want to go as an institution and what we want to become in the future,” McMahon said. “Our goal is to create a campus that is as exciting and innovative as our educational programs and outcomes.”

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**Charlie Baker ’82** knows the meaning of perseverance from his time at Kettering University and his multiple careers over the years. His journey into engineering itself took a lot of hard work and dedication.

“If I look back on my life, Kettering was sort of a pivotal experience for me. I was out of options in a lot of ways,” Baker said.

But that didn’t stop him for going after what he wanted. He fought for his spot at Kettering (then General Motors Institute) and that changed everything.

Now, he stresses the importance of giving back. Baker and his wife, Karen Baker ’83, have endowed two scholarships so far. The first was to honor former Associate Dean of Academic Affairs William Fugenschuh, who gave him a chance at Kettering. The second is for former professor Jim Lyons ’65, who was Baker’s supervisor in one of his first co-op assignments and became a life-long friend and mentor.

The Menchaca Family Scholarship was created by **Anthony “Tony” Menchaca ’79**.

Menchaca grew up in 1979, the son of a janitor, and has stated that he wouldn’t have been able to go to college if had not been for Kettering University. He believes his academic and work experiences played an important role in his initial career development.

The endowed scholarship will provide financial assistance to worthy undergraduates so that they can continue with their Kettering University careers.

**Frank Hanenberger ’94**, the son of Peter Hanenberger ’70, recently established the Hanenberger Family Scholarship.

The scholarship was established in recognition of the education that he and his father received at Kettering University (then-GMI). The University’s academic rigor and cooperative learning experiences helped shaped the father and son into successful business and community leaders and, through the Hanenberger Family Scholarship, Frank Hanenberger hopes to provide talented Kettering students with similar opportunities to become global leaders.
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McCartin was known in the classroom for distributing mathematics books to students who produced outstanding work. Despite the quantity and quality of his research accomplishments, McCartin saw himself as a teacher first. “My mother was an elementary school teacher and I always felt a bond there,” he said at the time of his retirement in 2015. “I have been a teacher disguised as a researcher.”

The Dr. Brian J. McCartin Endowed Scholarship will be granted annually to a full-time sophomore, junior or senior in good standing, with a minimum 3.0 overall grade point average and a minimum of 3.25 grade point average in mathematics. This award will be based solely on merit. Applicants must have the recommendation of two professors and/or instructors in the Mathematics Department.
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Since its inception in 1985, alumni and friends have made 60,659 gifts for nearly $16 million ($15,956,740) to the Kettering Gift Fund in support of students and growth at the University.

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“(The spaces) allow you to expand beyond your major,” said Alan Xia ’16, who is currently majoring in Mechanical and Electrical Engineering. “You can think as out of the box as you want.”

Ross Haun ’54, a General Motors retiree, said for him donating was his way of giving back to the University that gave him so much. He has donated every year for the last 20 years.

“I had what I think is a fairly successful career. I learned a lot about how to work within GM from Kettering. I learned a lot from that, I learned to not be afraid to go forward and try something different,” said Haun, who worked at GM for 40 years. “Kettering students do extremely well. They learn the same kinds of lessons I did. It’s a great school, so I want to support what it does.”

The Kettering Gift Fund provides students and faculty resources to stay ahead of the curve; fueling applied research and strengthening the classroom and campus experience.

Funds also help student development and support, recreation and residential life, as well as modernization for facilities, public safety and campus beautification.

Recently donations have helped purchase new furniture for study pods in the Sunset Room of the Campus Center, create a student information center, install flat screens with daily updates regarding programs, student services and weather, and update the main entrance to the University’s Campus Center building. Together gifts from generous donors help improve the campus environment for students, staff and faculty. For some donors, that’s the best reason to keep giving.

Richard Taylor ’73, a General Motors retiree, has donated consistently to the Kettering Gift Fund for more than 35 years. For him, it just made sense.

“I was so pleased with the start the University gave me. It prepares students for the real world, with a high value education and a high return on investment,” said Taylor, who worked for GM for 42 years. “I gained a practical understanding of how a plant works. It’s really easy to come into a large company and not really understand the fundamentals of operations or other aspects of business. Kettering addresses that with a mix of academic study, and practical experience. It’s important to give back.”

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- Trevor A. Bennett, recipient of the Riggs Scholarship
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**Phonathon a success**

The Kettering University Phonathon raised more than $155,000 in gifts and pledges from alumni and parents during the 2015-16 academic year to support both the Keep Me Kettering Scholarship Fund (fall) and the Kettering Gift Fund (spring). More than 15 students participated, calling alumni with updates about the University, listening to stories about their professional experiences and learning valuable lessons about the power of philanthropy.

Here are some stories student callers shared about their experiences:

“Working at the Phonathon is the best way to receive career advice. You will be talking to experienced engineers who have most likely been in your current position.”

- Akeem Sulaimon

“It’s a really enjoyable experience to get to know our alumni, and to keep them up to date on the changes with the University. It also feels great to get to help raise funds for students’ scholarships and to help fund campus programs and improvements.”

- Chloe Hauxwell

“Working for the Phonathon and helping Kettering University to raise money was the best way I could say thank you to the Kettering family. Interacting with Kettering alumni everyday gave me a wonderful insight into the life of a student after Kettering University. Their success stories provided me the inspiration and motivation to excel at Kettering and also helped me gather significant information about career opportunities after graduation.”

- Tanvish Bellur

**Love your library**

In February of 2016, the Kettering University Library held its first-ever ‘Love Your Library’ crowd funding campaign. Members of the FOLA Board made leadership gifts to the campaign, totaling $2,500 and a total of $4,600 was raised.

These funds will be used to support library services and enhance the accessibility of technology to students, faculty and staff. Some recent examples of improved equipment are an iPad Pro with wi-fi capability, a keyboard, stylus, and a protective carrying case, a Karma mobile wi-fi hot-spot and a “BB-8” droid robot which students learn to control with an app on their phone.
Meeting Oswald fellowship students

Robert Oswald ’64 and Marcia Oswald had breakfast with recipients of the Oswald International Student Fellowship this summer on campus.

New corporate partner wall unveiled

Kettering University President Dr. Robert K. McMahan unveiled the new Corporate Honor Wall in the Great Court in the Campus Center on August 2, 2016. The wall exemplifies the continued commitment and support of Kettering’s corporate partners.

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