

OUR COMMON BOND:

The Campaign for University School of Milwaukee

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New and Renovated Spaces Dedicated With Thanks to Our Donors



A ribbon-cutting ceremony held in the Jack Olson '67 Commons marked the opening of the new and renovated spaces. from left: Karin Werner, Sarah Olson Zimmerman '92, Head of School Laura Fuller, Rick Stratton '92, Alex Palermo '86, T.J. Hauske '08, and Andrew Petzold, president, Board of Trustees.

Members of the USM community gathered on Monday, Aug. 27 to celebrate the dedication of the newest Our Common Bond facilities. The dedication ceremony followed three years of generous contributions from the community, and 15 months of extensive construction. The new and renovated spaces were fully supported thanks to our generous donors who invested in the Our Common Bond capital campaign.

The entire USM community was invited to celebrate the opening of the Jack Olson '67 Commons, Palermo Hall, the performing arts center, the Werner Family Art Gallery, the Hauske Family Lobby, the Stratton Family Orchestra Room, the Sardas-Trevorrow Band Room, and related spaces. This event was the third Our Common Bond dedication, following the Lee Community Room and Darrow Family Welcome Center in fall 2016 and the Lubar Center for Innovation and Exploration in fall 2017.

"This is an exciting day for all of us," said Head of School Laura Fuller. "We are grateful to our donors and the leadership of the Board of Trustees in providing these new facilities for our students, faculty, and entire school community, staying true to our mission and our traditions."

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Members of the families whose significant contributions to—and leadership within—the campaign were invited to cut the ribbon to symbolize the opening of all of the new spaces. Following the ribbon cutting held in the Jack Olson '67 Commons, guests toured the new spaces and visited with other families over refreshments and hors d'oeuvres served in Palermo Hall. During the event, student musicians performed in the Stratton Family Orchestra Room and the Sardas-Trevorrow Band Room for guests to enjoy.

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"This is a wonderful day for our school, following five years of planning and the generous support from our community," said Board of Trustees President Andrew Petzold. "It is wonderful to be witnessing firsthand how an early vision has become reality. This vision was based on our commitment to providing our students with the best possible education, and I believe these new spaces will allow USM to continue doing just that."

USM's Chief Advancement Officer Patrick Tevlin shared his appreciation for the tireless work of the Our Common Bond campaign cabinet—and in particular, campaign co-chairs Rick Stratton '92 and Karin Werner—and for the support of the USM community. "This ribbon cutting is for all of us," he said. "It's our common bond, for all of the families who have supported the school. We are so thankful to all of you."



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The Werner Family Art Gallery, named for Karin and Teddy Werner and their family, and the Werner Family Foundation, is located adjacent to the Hammes Family Theatre Lobby. It is a dedicated space for showcasing the wonderful artistic talents of USM students in all three divisions on a rotating basis. Members of the USM community are invited to visit the gallery to enjoy the work of our talented students and other members of the community.

Middle

From left: Keri Sarajian and Rick Stratton '92; Anne and Fred '57 Stratton; Margy Stratton Norman '84 and Greg Norman. The Stratton Family Orchestra Room was named by the extended Stratton family (see back page for full list) in honor of Phyllis G. Stratton and Frederick P. Stratton MCDS'32.

Bottom

Back row, from left: Charlie Hauske '12, Sarah and T.J. '08 Hauske; Grace '08 and Andrew '04 Robbins; and Harriette Hauske '14. Front row, from left: Kathy Hauske holding Adeline Hauske, and Tom Hauske holding Everett Robbins. The Hauske Family Lobby in the Upper School was named by the Hauske family, and connects the Jack Olson '67 Commons with Palermo Hall. It also houses the new office for the Upper School dean of students.





Front row, from left: Dory Olson '70, Linda Olson, Nate Zimmerman '25, and Sarah Olson Zimmerman '92. Back row, from left: David Uihlein '67, Lynde Uihlein MUS'63, Joe Zimmerman '22, and Steve Zimmerman.



Campaign co-chairs, current parents, and trustees Karin Werner (left) and Rick Stratton '92.



David Lubar (left) and Trustee Mike Darrow '86.



Stephen Guy, Board of Trustees executive vice president, and Karen Guy.



The Palermo family, from left, Giulia, Matteo, Petronella (Nellie), Alex '86, Valentina, Anthony, and Lodovico. Alex's contribution to the Our Common Bond campaign is recognized with the naming of the Palermo Servery.



From left: Head of School Laura Fuller; former Board of Trustees president Dick Seesel; Shelly Seesel; Andrew Petzold, Board of Trustees president; and Wendy Petzold.



From left: Cliff Asmuth '66, Janie Woodland Asmuth '68, and Charlie Housiaux '02, dean of students. The Asmuths' campaign commitment is recognized with the naming of the dean of students' office.



From left: Zachary '23, Isabela, and Samuel '24 Sardas-Trevorrow, pictured in the Sardas-Trevorrow Band Room.



Alex Palermo '86 (center) with his former teachers John "J.S." Stephens (left) and Butch Richardson.



Members of the families whose significant contributions to—and leadership within—the campaign were invited to cut the ribbon in the Jack Olson '67 Commons to symbolize the opening of all of the new and renovated spaces. The dedication ceremony was attended by many members of the USM community.



The USM Board of Trustees and USM community are grateful for the tireless efforts of (from left) Gregg Bach, assistant head of school; Mike Pokel, trustee; and Andrew Petzold, president, Board of Trustees for their time, energy, and talent in guiding the construction process to its successful completion. Their work included making countless decisions during weekly meetings, many held on site in the construction trailer throughout the 15-month construction period.

Our Common Bond: Current List of Campaign Investors

On behalf of our students, faculty, administration, and staff, we sincerely thank all those who have made generous gifts in support of Our Common Bond and our school! New investors during 2018 are listed in bold.

Anonymous Donors

The Abele Family

Barb '81 and Tim Aik

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Kathie and Tony Asmuth MCDS'60

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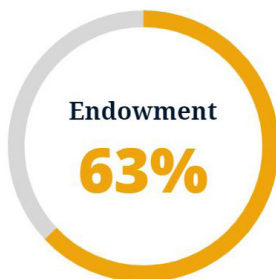
Madeleine and David Lubar

Jodi and Scott Lurie

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Together we have raised a total of \$24,192,794 toward our \$27,000,000 campaign goal.

Thank you!



\$3,763,147

Goal: \$6 Million



\$4,871,231

Goal: \$6 Million (Over 5 Years)



\$15,558,416

Goal: \$15 Million

Kevin and Rosie Lyons

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Patricia Stratton Schroeder MDS'59

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The Stratton Foundation

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Tonit Calaway and David Swanson

Estate of Merrill E. Taft Jr. MCDS'49

Estate of Diane and Kast Tallmadge MCDS'59

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Estate of Barbara Abert Tooman MDS'58

Angela Topetzes '78

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Erskine "Buddy" Tucker '79 and

Marie E. Michel-Tucker

Edie Turnbull

Alex and Lily Uihlein '98

Charles Uihlein '02

David V. Uihlein Foundation

Estate of Henry "Chip" H. Uihlein Jr. MCDS'63

J. Christopher Uihlein '65

Julie and David Uihlein '68 & '67

Lynde B. Uihlein MUS'63

Philip J. Uihlein '68

Richard A. Uihlein '72

Estate of Gail W. VanderLaan MDS'58

Drs. Brahm and Monica Vasudev

Laurie and Byron Vielehr

Wendy and Greg Watchmaker

Susan Graham Wernecke and

William A. Wernecke Jr.

The Werner Family

Werner Family Foundation

Catherine M. and Michael C. Williams '79 & '70

The Williamson Family

Victoria and Rick Wintersberger

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Steven and Sarah O. Zimmerman '92

Investor names and campaign figures are as of Dec. 31, 2018.

“Not What You Get, But What You Give” Inspires Gift



Several years ago, Robert Burch MUS'52 (pictured above) approached the school with the desire to honor his favorite teacher, Frank Spigener, through a contribution to USM on behalf of his MUS Class of 1952. Spigener was a beloved MUS headmaster and history teacher from 1927 through 1954. Burch, through the Our Common Bond campaign, made a gift of \$50,000 to establish an endowed fund for the Frank S. Spigener Service and Leadership Award in 2016. The award is given to a senior who demonstrates the spirit of caring, humanitarianism, and volunteerism exemplified by Spigener. Each year the recipient will receive a cash award of \$1,000 and the privilege to designate a grant of \$2,000 to a Milwaukee 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization of his or her choice. “Thinking about my 60th reunion, I was once again reminded

what a strong education I received from MUS—what a solid foundation was constructed there and how deeply influential Frank Spigener was in all of it,” Burch said. “This seemed like an appropriate time to say ‘thank you’ to Mr. Spigener.”

In May 2018 Burch was named the 2018 Alumni Service Award recipient during the Upper School honors assembly, when he talked about his life and impetus behind the award. “This is a two-part award,” he told the students, “because it’s not about what you get. It’s about what you give.”

Since the award’s inception in 2016, two students received the Spigener leadership award during their senior year for their outstanding service and leadership to the University School and greater Milwaukee communities: Abigail Eisner '17 and Mikaeel Kassam '18.

Burch was inspired to establish the award based on the below message engraved on the Thompson Trophy presented during his era at MUS:

*Not what you get, but what you give;
Not what you say, but how you live;
Giving the world the love it needs,
Living a life of noble deeds;
Strong for the right - the good - the true -
These are the things worthwhile to you.*

The Endowment for Our Future and the USM Fund for Today

As we celebrate the completion of the capital portion of the Our Common Bond campaign, we are excited to focus on the campaign’s other two priority initiatives: the endowment and USM Fund.

USM’s endowment generates a vital source of annual revenue that ensures USM’s long-term financial health. A strong endowment allows us to stay true to our mission by supporting the school’s priorities, including faculty and students, and the myriad programs in which they learn and grow. USM’s endowment consists of a general portion as well as a number of named, endowed funds established by donors to support an area of school of personal interest, funded through outright commitments or other gift planning options.

The USM Fund is the school’s number one giving priority during the life of the campaign, and always. Contributions through the USM Fund support the annual operating budget, which includes virtually every area of school life, including academic excellence, athletics, fine arts, faculty and staff development, and facilities and maintenance. All gifts to the school through the USM Fund advance the initiatives of Our Common Bond, with five-year commitments being especially welcome during the life of the campaign.

There are a variety of giving options to support the school’s priorities. Please visit www.USMOurCommonBond.org, or contact Patrick Tevlin, chief advancement officer, at 414.540.3330 or ptevlin@usmk12.org to learn more.

Our Common Bond Donor Recognition Through Named Spaces

We are honored to thank our leadership donors through the naming of the following new and renovated spaces:

Commons/Upper School Entrance

Jack Olson '67 Commons: Lynde B. Uihlein MUS'63; Steven and Sarah Zimmerman '92; John U. Olson '95 and Elin Blakstad '95; Julie '68 and David Uihlein '67; Alex '98 and Lily Uihlein; David and Liza U. Sadoff '99; Charles Uihlein '02; Astor Street Foundation

Palermo Hall: Alexander A. Palermo '86

Hauske Family Lobby: Kathy and Tom Hauske; Sarah and T.J. Hauske '08; Grace and Andrew Robbins '08 & '04; Charlie Hauske '12; Harriette Hauske '14

Culinary Services (Kitchen): Susie MDS'60 and Fred Kastern MUS'57

Fireplace: Molly and David Fritz '80 & '81

Dining Tables and Chairs: 2018 Senior Class Gift

Elevator: Parents' Association

Historic Timeline Mural: Nan Gardetto and Family

Dean of Students' Office: The Asmuth Family

Director of Custodial Services Office: Susanna and Justin Mortara

Beverage Nook: Julie and Brian Gilpin

Theatre and Theatre Lobby

Werner Family Art Gallery: The Werner Family and the Werner Family Foundation

Hammes Family Theatre Lobby: The Hammes Family

Orchestra Section (1): Melanie and Steven Booth

Orchestra Section (2): The Marcus Family

Vom: Buddy and Catherine Robinson

Catwalk: Joseph Gratz '98

Theatre Collaboration Zone 1: Karen and Joel Huffman

Theatre Collaboration Zone 2: Mike and Deb Pokel

Quadracci Lobby Area

Athletic Hall of Fame Wall:

In Honor of Chip Uihlein MCDS'63 by his estate and brothers: Philip Uihlein '68; Richard Uihlein '72; and Christopher Uihlein '65

Snack Bar: 2017 Senior Gift

Trophy Case: The Seaman Family

Performing Arts Wing

Sardas-Trevorrow Band Room:

Isabela Sardas-Trevorrow and Family

Stratton Family Orchestra Room:

Anne and Fred Stratton MCDS'57; Patsy Stratton Schroeder MDS'59; Barb and Harry '67 Stratton; Margy Stratton '84 and Greg Norman; Diane Stratton '87 and Sandy Ballou; Rick Stratton '92 and Keri Sarajian; and their families

Innovation Center

Lubar Center for Innovation and Exploration:

Madeleine and David Lubar; Joan Lubar '77 and John Crouch

Guy Family Collab: The Guy Family

CoLab/Studio #1: Shelly and Dick Seesel

CoLab/Studio #2: Wendy and Andrew Petzold

Teerlink Maker Space: The Teerlink Family

Lower School Entrance

Bruce '81 and Jennifer Lee Community Room:

Jennifer and Bruce K. Lee '81

Darrow Family Welcome Center:

The Darrow Family

Communications Wall: Jen and Todd Schoon

Upper School Administrative Suite

Spigener Lobby/Reception area: Robert Burch MUS'52

Lyons Conference Room: Kevin and Rosie Lyons

If you are considering a gift to the campaign to be recognized with the naming of a remaining space in the new and renovated Our Common Bond facilities, please contact Patrick Tevlin, chief advancement officer, at 414.540.3330 or ptevlin@usmk12.org. Some of the remaining spaces to be named are the performing arts center; music hall; stage; backstage (set design/makerspace); director's office; sound and technology booth; and the kitchen/salad prep area, to name a few.



Planned Giving Made Easy

University School of Milwaukee is grateful to the individuals and families who have named the school as a beneficiary in their estate plans. Collectively known as planned giving, these types of gifts offer a variety of ways for you to support USM while also providing income for you and/or other family members. These gifts may also have the added benefit of reducing estate and income taxes, while enabling you to establish an enduring legacy.

Many types of planned gifts, such as bequests, IRA rollovers, life insurance policies, and appreciated stock, are easy to arrange. Planned gifts can support a variety of initiatives through our endowment such as faculty salaries and professional development, student scholarships, fine arts, and athletics, just to name a few. To achieve your charitable goals in the most effective way possible, we would be glad to discuss a variety of options with you.

If you have such a gift already in place, please let us know! We want to recognize and acknowledge your thoughtful support through the Our Common Bond campaign. It would be our pleasure to include you in our Heritage Society. We also want to record your future gift recognition by drafting and providing with you a Gift Agreement.



Heritage Society
University School
of Milwaukee

Heritage Society *Founded 1991*

University School of Milwaukee's Heritage Society recognizes those who have advised the school of their thoughtful and most meaningful remembrances of USM by making a planned gift.

Members of our Heritage Society have the satisfaction of knowing their gifts will help perpetuate the academic excellence that is the long tradition of USM and its predecessor schools by providing future students with an education that is truly "The Experience for a Lifetime."

Heritage Society members are recognized in the school's Annual Report of Giving and other publications (unless they request anonymity). All members also receive special invitations to school events and activities.

Have questions? Want to learn more?

To start a conversation about your charitable goals for USM and the many ways you might make a future planned gift, please contact CAO, Principal Gifts and Gift Planning, Patrick Tevlin at 414.540.3330 or ptevlin@usmk12.org.

Requesting information will not obligate you in any way, and all conversations will be kept strictly confidential. Visit www.usmk12.org/plannedgiving to learn more.