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What have you been doing since graduation?

please view my LinkedIn profile at linkedin.com/in/kadeIstein. I am happily married to a proud graduate of the "other" Ohio university and we have 2 beautiful children.

Where are you now?

happily residing in Cleveland, OH

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Rooting on the Buckeyes any chance I get (I was fortunate enough to travel to Atlanta to watch them win the "Natty" in January, 2025! Also love to exercise, listen to music, attend sporting events in my hometown of CLE, go on long walks with my dawg and spend quality time with my family.

Memories or Advice?

My OSU days, time spent in leadership roles in my OSU fraternity and internships at OSU have had a profound impact on my career. I cannot stress enough the value of internships and gaining hands-on experience as a student.



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What have you been doing since graduation?

Started as a reporter for Record Publishing Co. in Stow, Ohio, before moving to ThisWeek Newspapers in Columbus. Spent four years as a speechwriter and spokesperson for the Ohio Attorney General's Office. For the last 19 years, I've worked as a communications consultant serving global clients for FleishmanHillard.

Where are you now?

Powell, Ohio

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Playing lots of golf with family and friends, watching my youngest son play high school football and visiting my oldest son at Ohio University.



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What have you been doing since graduation?

First, at the urging of the late OSU School of Journalism director George J. Kienzle, I went to Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism (Class of 1962) to get a master's degree so that I would teach one day at Ohio State after, in his words, getting "a suitable amount of professional experience." While at Columbia, six weeks before graduation, I began working at The Associated Press and stayed for 42 years, mostly as a foreign correspondent and bureau chief in Kuala Lumpur, New Delhi, London and Tokyo. Then, following my retirement from AP, I finally kept my word to George Kienzle and taught news writing and reporting at George Washington University's School of Media and Public Affairs from 2005 to 2023 as a professorial lecturer. Even though I did not do so at Ohio State, I think George Kienzle still would have been pleased that I did spend a second career teaching the fundamentals of journalism to college students. I also was honored to be elected by my professional peers to be president of the Foreign Correspondents Association of South Asia in New Delhi, the Association of American Correspondents in London, the Foreign Correspondents Club of Japan and, in 2014, president of the National Press Club in Washington, D.C.

Where are you now?

Washington, D.C.

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Keeping up with the news and, at age 85, spending time with family, including my wife of 55 years, Rachel, our two children and two grandchildren.

Memories or Advice?

My favorite memory at Ohio State is working on The Lantern, beginning in my sophomore year (the earliest we were able to do so), when the first story I wrote was a feature story on "The Empty Chair," about how only one in three students who were accepted to the university actually graduated. I did not know the Lantern editors had submitted the story as an entry for the state-wide journalism awards and thus was surprised and obviously proud that it won the feature of the year award. That set me on a path at the Lantern to become city editor and then editor in chief from 1960-61, when we successfully campaigned for ROTC to be made voluntary. In my junior year, the Lantern succeeded in having the university housing office remove racial preferences from its lists of rentals available to students. My advice to Ohio State students? Get involved with the university community while a student; it will be a great preparation for life after graduation!



Roger Bolton

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What have you been doing since graduation?

Advised CEOs and U.S. Cabinet secretaries on strategic initiatives. Led culture change in a major business turnaround. Transformed a professional association into a global influencer elevating the strategic communication profession.

Where are you now?

New Canaan, CT

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Travel, golf, and still focused on helping business to create multistakeholder value.

Memories or Advice?

My journalism skills formed the foundation of all my success -- getting the facts straight, telling the story clearly, and advising the U.S. government and major global businesses on how to do the right thing to create value for all stakeholders.



Malachi Brooks

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What have you been doing since graduation?

Mostly just working full time and traveling the country when I am able!

Where are you now?

Columbus, OH

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

A lot of my friends are also Ohio State alumni (most of which I met during undergrad) so, we all love to find cool events to go to together in Columbus.

Memories or Advice?

Ohio State has brought me some of my best friends and when I think of our best moments, most of them were just hanging out on campus or attending volleyball/basketball/football games together.



Olivia Cohen

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What have you been doing since graduation?

Since graduating, I started my career at FINN Partners working with pharma and biotech clients. I now work at Real Chemistry and am continuing to grow my passion for health communications that makes a difference in patient lives. Outside of work, I've been involved with PRSA Chicago since graduation and am currently serving on the Board of Directors.

Where are you now?

Chicago

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

When I'm not working, you can find me spending time with my cats, exploring Chicago (particularly the lakefront) and cooking!

Memories or Advice?

One of my favorite memories from Ohio State was going to karaoke during a PRSSA NYC trip.

Ohio State had an immeasurable impact on my career and life -- from meeting my partner to securing my first full-time job through PRSSA. Since graduating, I continue to lean on friendships I made at OSU and meet new Buckeye connections wherever I go. One piece of advice for current students is to make as many connections while you are at Ohio State as possible. You never know when they'll come in handy!



Elizabeth Conlisk

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What have you been doing since graduation?

I've spent my career in strategic communications, first at Miller Brewing Co. in Milwaukee after a brief reporting stint and later as the OSU spokesperson. I employee #7 at the Big Ten Network, and created the communications strategy to gain distribution and fan acceptance.

Where are you now?

In Chicago, seeking a paid company board seat, consulting and working with a colleague building a business turning sports facility renovations into student athlete revenues.

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Traveling. Everywhere! Love watching the Buckeyes and other sports teams. Chicago is the best city in the world. (Outside Columbus on a football Saturday.)

Memories or Advice?

I met my best friends at OSU and they remain so. I graduated having had strong mentoring relationships with my professors and two internships so was extremely prepared to enter my career and succeed. To current students, I would take advantage of the strong faculty and always stay curious about how you can improve. Seek out mentors - they will accelerate your growth.



Susan Converse

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What have you been doing since graduation?

I started my career in health care and then spent about 18 years in the restaurant industry. I returned to my alma mater and the health care industry in 2023 at The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center.

Where are you now?

Columbus, Ohio



Kimberly (Kirschenheiter) Cotter

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What have you been doing since graduation?

I've been working in Educational Publishing for over 20 years across 3 publishers.

Where are you now?

Still living near campus in Columbus!

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Spending time with my family, reading, and cheering for the Buckeyes.



Chris Davey

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Lots

Where are you now?

Columbus

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Travel



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What have you been doing since graduation?

Since graduating from Ohio State, I have worked in Early Childhood Education, Child Development, School-Age Child Care and education; and operated a small business daycare.

Where are you now?

Canal Winchester, Ohio

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

For fun, I enjoy watching movies, evening walks, and reading books.

Memories or Advice?

My favorite memory at Ohio State is being a part of the Block O during home games. Ohio State equipped me to become a researcher, an effective writer, and a communicator. Advice I have for current students: Utilize the assistance of academic advisors.



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What have you been doing since graduation?

Making an impact where I can, learning and traveling!

Where are you now?

Working in the marketing department for CMR!

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Exploring the world of wine, fitness and exploring!

Memories or Advice?

I met some of my best friends at OSU and the experiences have helped shape where I'm at today!



Susan Henderson

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What have you been doing since graduation?

I worked for Miller Brewing Company in a number of corporate affairs and marketing communications roles before becoming the Chief Communication Officer for four major companies including Kohl's Corporation, Wm. Wrigley Jr. Company, Harley-Davidson Company and Rite Aid corporation. I've been married for 44 years to my husband, Chuck Henderson, an attorney. We have two adult sons, Charlie and Sam.

Where are you now?

Glenview II

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

We have a home on Lake Owen near Cable, Wisconsin and spend significant time there now that I am retired and Chuck is of counsel.we enjoy golfing, boating, kayaking and traveling to see friends and new places. I also serve on the Advancement Board for the School of Communication and I really enjoy mentoring as well as providing real-world counsel and networking on behalf of our students.

Memories or Advice?

My experiences at The Ohio State University as a graduate student and research assistant helped me gain further perspective on the true career possibilities there were in the communication and journalism professions. I firmly believe my experiences here were pivotal in helping me build the foundation upon which I built a highly successful 30+ year career in corporate communications.



Timm Herdt

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What have you been doing since graduation?

40-year career in newspapers, mostly in various positions for the Ventura County Star, including city editor and editorial page editor.

Where are you now?

Davis, CA

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Golf grandparenting and seeing California.

Memories or Advice?

Many great memories from my years at the Lantern, including winning a national award for editorial writing. My training there prepared me well for a fulfilling career in journalism.



Sandy Hermanoff

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What have you been doing since graduation?

I founded Hermanoff Public Relations in 1985. I'm still consulting and have a virtual team.. I am the Founding Chair of the School of Communication Advancement Board and LOVE every minute of it. I am also Vice Chair of the Oakland University William Beaumont Medical School, on the board of the Detroit Economic Club. I am a Director Emeritus of the President's Club Advisory Board and a past member of the Alumni Association Board. I was recipient of The Gerlach Award. In 2021, I received the Distinguished Alumni of the Year Award from the School of Communication. I do a lot of student mentoring.

Where are you now?

I am spending my time in Bingham Farms, MI and love my condo in Charlevoix, MI. You can take a Buckeye out of Ohio, but you can't take the Buckeye out of the girl. I bleed scarlet and gray -- it's in my DNA!! And I love to write and have had many articles published.

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Consulting and being on my boards -- especially mentoring students.

Memories or Advice?

Ohio State is my second home. It's where I found myself and my profession, thanks to my Professor Walter W. Seifert. I love the School of Communication, except I wish it would be The School of Journalism. I wrote for The Lantern. I thought I was the biggest deal on campus when I won a scholarship from The Fashion of Columbus and had my own fashion column in The Lantern every week. I leaned how to write, prepare for a broadcast, how to handle a crisis, Probably besides my parents and family, Ohio State had the biggest impact in my live -- and continues to do so. My advice to current Ohio State students is to perfect your writing skills, never give up and always remember you can call on any of us on the board -- we're always there for you. My heart is Ohio State and the School of Communication is my pride and joy.:)



Heather Hope

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What have you been doing since graduation?

Got Masters Degree from University of Southern California before starting a broadcasting career in Bakersfield, CA, Oklahoma City, San Diego and Richmond, VA.

Where are you now?

Richmond, VA

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Traveling, movies, and shopping

Memories or Advice?

It was really cool going to Ohio State because I had both my sisters there in school with me at the same time. When I was a freshman, my oldest sister was a senior and my middle sister was a junior. I would advise current students seeking jobs in journalism to take advantage of all the media opportunities on campus from the Lantern to Buckeye TV and other papers and digital outlets and be sure to reach out to fellow Buckeyes as you pursue the very necessary internships, We are everywhere! Go Bucks



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What have you been doing since graduation?

Went to grad school and now working in commodity trading industry

Where are you now?

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Kim McBee

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35 year career in marketing

Where are you now?

NE Ohio

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Travel, avid sports fan, volunteer

Memories or Advice?

Best decision ever



Patrick McSweeney

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What have you been doing since graduation?

Worked as a broadcast reporter, producer and anchor and transitioned to Public Relations.

Where are you now?

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Watching Ohio State football, photography, hiking and traveling with my wife (whom I met at Ohio State in 1980).

Memories or Advice?

Dr. John Clarke told us on the first day of class that we had two strikes against us already: we weren't born rich, and we were majoring in Journalism. But we could marry rich! He also said it was important to guard your integrity - "it's better to go to bed hungry with a clean conscience than being well fed and knowing you've done wrong."



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What have you been doing since graduation?

Spent 31 years working in newspapers (The Morning Journal, Lorain, OH; The Plain Dealer, Cleveland, OH) and have since them been working as a marketing communications/public relations manager and consultant.

Where are you now?

Knoxville, TN

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Hiking, volunteering for our local botanical garden. Looking forward to starting art classes at the University of Tennessee.

Memories or Advice?

The highlight of my time at OSU was working at The Lantern and the friends I made there. And as for many of us, Marty Brian was a great inspiration. I started Ohio State as a music major. I took Marty's reporting class out of curiosity. That class changed the course of my career and life.



Susan Opt

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What have you been doing since graduation?

Taught at various institution—University of Maryland, European Division, University of Houston-Victoria, Florida Southern College, Salem College, James Madison University (retired from here). Adjunct teach for Wake Forest University. Was a Fulbright Scholar—Czech Republic.

Where are you now?

North Carolina

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Working as background in film/TV, reading, view media, traveling



Savannah Ranz

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What have you been doing since graduation?

Since graduating in 2017, I worked at COSI for 2.5 years as the Event Manager there, before moving to the Columbus Partnership where I have been for the past six years.

Where are you now?

I am the Events Manager for the Columbus Partnership. In this role I am focused on executing first class, premier events and programming in support of strategic plans and initiatives for the Columbus Partnership and its 82 CEO members.

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Planning trips (with scheduled itineraries) to see the world and spending time with my 2.5 year old daughter, Gwen

Memories or Advice?

Some of my favorite memories outside the classroom include participating in BuckeyeThon, serving as a Social & Behavioral Sciences Senator for USG, joining Kappa Alpha Theta, and being a part of PRSSA



Sharon Roche

BS Education (Recreation) '72 BA Journalism '87

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Working for the state of Ohio, retired since 2009

Where are you now?

Columbia, Ohio

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Riding motorcycle, church work, photography.

Memories or Advice?

I remember in the radio news room, we all worked on election might coverage in different locations.



Lindsey Romano

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What have you been doing since graduation?

Working in corporate affairs and helping PRSSA build up their alumni connections

Where are you now?

I'm in my first year post-graduation, participating in a rotational program at Bread Financial

Memories or Advice?

Ohio State allowed me to make meaningful connections that built my confidence as a young professional



Leon Rubin

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What have you been doing since graduation?

I spent one year working for a newspaper in Elyria, Ohio, then returned to join the staff of Ohio State's Office of University Communications and Development. I spent the better part of 12 years with the University before moving to Boca Raton, Florida. I eventually opened my own small PR firm, The Rubin Communications Group, where I focused primarily on working with nonprofit organizations. I "became retired" in 2020 and am now enjoying opportunities to write stories for publication focused on the Appalachian Trail (which passes near my home).

Where are you now?

I live in Dahlonega, Georiga, a beautiful little town in the North Georgia Mountains.

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Hiking, creating YouTube videos about hiking, learning about Broadway musicals, volunteering with local organizations and my synagogue. I continue to be involved with Ohio State through the Sphinx Alumni Society.

Memories or Advice?

It's tough to focus on a single memory, but among my favorites are my years writing for and editing The Lantern, my involvement with Strollers Dramatic Society, and my induction into the senior honorary, Sphinx. Ohio State gave me a strong education as well as real-life experiences in journalism that have influenced me throughout my career. My advice: take advantage of everything that Ohio State has to offer!



Ronald Shafer

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What have you been doing since graduation?

38 years at the Wall Street Journal in Chicago, Detroit and Washington as a reporter, political features editor and writer of page one Washington Wire column. Nominated for Pulitzer Prize in 1990. Author of several books including best seller The Complete Book of Home Buying. Current freelance writer Washington Post.

Where are you now?

Williamsburg Va

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Traveling, golf, writing.

Memories or Advice?

Selling a journalism class article to Sports Illustrated launched a 62 year career as Lantern editor in chief, 38 years at the Wall Street Journal,including a Pulitzer nomination, several books and freelance writer at the Washington Post.



Daniel Smith

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What have you been doing since graduation?

I've been at the Ohio State Reformatory now for ten years. I live here with my wife and daughter.

Where are you now?

Living in Mansfield, Ohio

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

I love catching up on new films coming out and playing with my daugther! We just bought a new house here two years ago.

Memories or Advice?

One of my favorite memories at Ohio State was being surrounded by such a creative and driven community—it really shaped how I think and work today. My time at OSU helped build the foundation for my career, and it's amazing to see how that path has led to bringing major film productions to the Ohio State Reformatory.

We've hosted projects like Escape Plan: The Extractors, which brought in stars like Sylvester Stallone and Dave Bautista, and we've worked with some of the biggest studios in the industry—including Netflix, Amazon Prime, and HBO Max. It's been incredible to see how a place like OSU can lead to opportunities that connect you with global entertainment.

If I could offer any advice to current students, it would be: stay open to unexpected paths. The experiences that challenge you and push you out of your comfort zone often end up being the most rewarding.



Julie Carr Smyth

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Journalist

Where are you now?

AP, Columbus, Ohio

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Travel, reading and SoulCollage

Memories or Advice?

Lessons I have most carried with me from Ohio State are an integrity to truth, balance and fairness in my work. On the job, I've realized great journalism also involves a strong dose of courage and a whole lot of persistence.



Ken Stammen

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What have you been doing since graduation?

I spent 12 years as a print journalist, and moved into corporate communications where I remain today.

Where are you now?

Columbus, OH

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Following the news (of course!), following sports, playing golf (not well) and I am admittedly a car nut.

Memories or Advice?

The foundational skills I refined as a graduate student at Ohio State have served me well throughout my career.



Gregory Swinarski

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What have you been doing since graduation?

Peace Corps Volunteer, Recruiter, Public Affairs Specialist VISTA Volunteer and Recruiter

Where are you now?

Retired

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Keeping up with news events, reading, watching streaming TV

Memories or Advice?

I lived on South Campus and loved going to weird places on campus. I was once given a private concert from the Orton Hall carillon player in the building's tower. I've been in the tunnels under South Campus. The science fiction like kitchen of the Tower Dorms and much more



Shane Tapp

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What have you been doing since graduation?

Started my advertising career in Oahu, Hawaii. Then, moved to San Francisco, CA during the dot com boom. Started working in tech 20+ yrs ago. Now, Brand Marketing Executive at Salesforce.

Where are you now?

San Francisco, CA

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Avid water sports... standup paddling, outrigger canoe races, surfing, some sailboat races, and snowboarding.

Memories or Advice?

Most-important impact since I met my wife at Ohio State almost 30yrs ago. Always loved hanging out in the oval.



Audrey Taylor

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What have you been doing since graduation?

Following graduation, I went on a month-long adventure in Europe, then started working full-time in corporate communications at HanesBrands, the organization behind iconic brands like Hanes, Bonds and Bali.

Where are you now?

I now live in Winston-Salem, NC!

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

I love spending time outdoors, traveling to places with friends, and of course, staying active on social media.

Memories or Advice?

The Ohio State School of Communication laid an extremely strong foundation for my career, and Mary Sterenberg is the best advisor out there! Some of my fondest college memories were made on our PRSSA networking trips.



Haley (Kish) Vest

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What have you been doing since graduation?

Working and having a good time!

Where are you now?

I've worked for Chase in a variety of roles since graduating Ohio State. I've remained in Columbus.

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Traveling and going to concerts

Memories or Advice?

The Buckeye network is vast. Make paying forward the kindnesses you received as a student a priority!



Dr. Tracey Ward

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What have you been doing since graduation?

I worked in journalism from 1993-1995 and shifted to publishing at Pearson Education until 1999. Joined an internet startup in 1999, which lead me to a position in Marketing and Communications at Ohio State College of Engineering. I left Ohio State in 2005 to teach high school journalism and English at Olentangy Liberty HS in Powell, Ohio until I was recruited to Apple Education in 2012. I joined the Community Education Initiative team in 2016 and still working as Senior Education Program Manager.

Where are you now?

Lewis Center, Ohio

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Outdoor things like cycling and hiking. Enjoy traveling for food excursions or visiting new cities for live music/concerts.

Memories or Advice?

Mike Masterson from Kiplinger Fellows was one of my most impactful professors at Ohio State. He was rigorous and also taught me the value of research and asking questions. Building that tenacity is a key tool that I still use today in building relationships with community education partners.



Richard Wofford

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What have you been doing since graduation?

Still working at Ohio State since 1987

Where are you now?

New Albany, OH

What do you enjoy doing for fun these days?

Running, design, and traveling

Memories or Advice?

I've met every Ohio State President since 1978: Harold Enarson to Ted Carter. "I reminded my youngest, who's graduating in May and heading to medical school, to truly embrace these college years. This is your time to take on new challenges, spark meaningful change, and build friendships that will last a lifetime."