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## First Pharmacy Students Graduate in May 2016, a Manchester Milestone

Karen Kanyike  
Staff Writer

The first doctoral students will graduate from the Manchester University College of Pharmacy and Natural Sciences in May 2016.

"For the University, this graduation is a significant milestone," said Pharmacy Dean Raylene Rospond. "The successful implementation of the Pharmacy program demonstrates that Manchester can deliver on its vision to grow new and different programs that meet the needs of the region, to provide expanded opportunities for our students and to expand the reach of our community to Fort Wayne and beyond."

The graduation ceremony for Manchester's first Pharm.D. students will take place this May on the main campus in North Manchester, for the entire University community to be a part of this historical event.

A total of 277 students are studying for the four-year professional Doctor of Pharmacy degree on the University's Fort Wayne campus.

About 17 percent of the newest pharmacy students are Manchester graduates or took their pre-pharmacy classes on Manchester's main campus in North Manchester, said Rospond. The 71 newest students, who will graduate in spring 2019, come from 17

MU undergraduate enrollment on the rise. Page 2

states, with the majority making their homes in Indiana, Michigan and California.

The doctoral program was launched in fall 2012 and has recently achieved candidate status from the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education. "For the pharmacy program, this means that our program is fully developed, meets all of the accreditation standards, and is ready to focus our efforts on the strategic growth of the program," said Rospond.

It also means the May 2016 graduates will qualify to take state Board of Pharmacy exams to obtain licenses to practice.



Students signed pledges of professionalism at the ceremony.



Chef Chris Fogerty announces changes in Chartwell's food service.

## Thoughtful Food: Logo Waffles!

Baily Januchowski  
Staff Writer

Students can look forward to more creativity in food offerings in Haist Commons as well as more flexible meal times this year, says Chef Chris Fogerty of Chartwell's campus food service.

"The Oaks is now open from 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.," said Chef Fogerty. The Oaks, located in the lower level of the Jo Young Switzer Center, is staying open a

half-hour later than it was last semester. For lunch, Haist Commons serving lines are open for lunch a half-hour earlier: 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dinner also is arriving a half-hour earlier, 4:30 to 7 p.m.

"We're open early this year to allow athletes to eat at a time that works best for them," he added. About 912 students are on a meal plan.

Students have exciting additions to the cafeteria service as well.

"I figured the students would love having waffles with the Manchester logo branded onto them, so I'm getting the custom plates made so we can have customized waffles," Fogerty said. "In addition, I have purchased doughnut makers so students can make their own doughnuts."

"I'm not sure when that will be available because I'm still waiting on a dispenser, but once I do get that sorted out, those will be available for breakfast as well."

## ITS Updates Wi-Fi, The PERC is Next

Kevin Hawley  
Staff Writer

After hearing surges of student feedback, ITS has replaced all "radios" (like a router box at home) in all of the residence halls without having to rewire each entire building.

This option proved cost-effective and improved signal quality, said ITS Director Michael Case. Bad spots of Wi-Fi in the buildings or around campus are a difficult fix due to the architecture. Each structure is different, and the some have spots where the signal must bounce around between concrete walls, creating interference in the signal that results in lower quality, Case said.

So why not add more radios? "With Wi-Fi, adding too many radios slows the others in the system down," Case said, adding, "it's more of an art than a science."

Case emphasized how student feedback is important to ITS and a necessary trigger for change. "We have already made a couple changes to the system through

feedback from the students," said Travis Steele, director of ITS operations.

Installation is not complete, with changes coming to non-residential areas such as the PERC.

"We are right on par with other schools in terms of updating Manchester's Wi-Fi with either the best available radio or the step

**"It's more of an art than a science."**

-Michael Case,  
ITS Director

below, which doesn't quite make us cutting edge, but definitely not behind in that capacity," said Case.

This new system was brought in last year, but it would not allow for new radios. The new system installed in the residence halls is taking full advantage of the wiring inside each building, said Case. With the new system, the worries come not from the hall but the room itself.

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Volunteers collect boatloads of trash from the Eel River.

## Volunteers Needed for Eel River Clean-up

Anne Gregory  
University Media Relations

Volunteers are needed for the annual Eel River Clean-Up, which works to clear stretches of the waterway near North Manchester each fall. The 2015 Clean-Up begins at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 19.

Because glass and rusted items litter the riverbed, all crew members must be adults. Volunteers will work in the river, filling boats with trash as they walk downstream. Registration is required and participants must sign a release form.

The Middle Eel River Watershed Initiative, which Manchester University coordinates, provides gloves, trash bags and drinking water. Volunteers will

need tennis shoes or boots to wear in the river – absolutely no sandals. Crews will be trudging through water that is waist-high or higher and likely will encounter poison ivy, which hugs the shoreline. Bring bug spray.

They will want to wear clothes suited to the work and remove cell phones or jewelry before starting. Volunteers gather at the North Manchester Wastewater Treatment Plant, 510 S. Maple St., where they will receive quick lessons in safety and river quality.

Afterward, about noon, workers a light lunch awaits, donated and served by the Rotary North Manchester.

To register or for more information, contact Manchester University Professor Jerry Sweeten at 260-982-5307 or jesweeten@manchester.edu.

## #HuManU Spotlights Warmth of Manchester University



Student Activities Director Shanon Fawbush shares her story with #HuManU.

Kody Smith  
Staff Writer

Manchester University is turning to social media as a way for students, faculty and staff to recognize the hard work and dedication of their peers and co-workers.

Humans of Manchester University (#HuManU) spotlights students or staff members of the University, showing just how devoted they are to their studies or work. The profiles are first posted to the University's Tumblr account, then posted on the MU Twitter and Instagram accounts. The photographs often appear on the top of Manchester's home page, [www.manchester.edu](http://www.manchester.edu).

A photo of the individual spotlighted along with a short description of what he or she does on campus is included.

For the past nine years, Shanon Fawbush has served as the director of student activities and orientation. She was highlighted during Welcome Week

to recognize her work with orientation days, Welcome Week festivities, and with the Student Orientation Leaders (SOLS).

Fawbush, like many employees and students selected for Humans of Manchester, is an incredibly busy woman. She oversees all clubs on campus, serves as advisor to Manchester Activities Council, Student Senate and the student budget, and coordinates Summer Orientation Days and Welcome Week events.

"The most rewarding part of my job is working with our students!" Fawbush said. "I am blessed to get to work with incredible students every day. I was touched and honored to be chosen for Humans of Manchester University; it meant a lot to me to be selected."

During the welcome session for first-year students on Aug. 29, Fawbush became emotional when presenting a slideshow about the SOLs. She said every single individual and club on campus deserves the honor of being represented by Humans of Manchester, but said if she absolutely had to pick one

person, campus club or organization, it would be the Student Orientation Leaders. "I would love for everyone to understand more fully all of the amazing work they do on behalf of Manchester University and our first-year students. I appreciate them so much for all they do."

Humans of Manchester is a wonderful way for students and faculty alike to have a chance to get to know someone at least a little better and realize the everyday sacrifices these individuals make to make our University great.

Other recent MU staff Humans of Manchester University include Executive Chef Chris Fogerty of Chartwell's food service and Scott Humphries, director of instrumental music.

A few of the students featured include senior chemistry major Clay Curtis, junior managing and marketing major Tiana Maclin and first-year secondary education major Maddy Minehart. To find them on Tumblr, go to [manchesteruniversity.tumblr.com/tagged/HuManU](http://manchesteruniversity.tumblr.com/tagged/HuManU).



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## Class of 2019 Eager, Respectful and Big

Aaron Lloyd  
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Manchester University's Class of 2019 is large, but it is not the astronomical amount that returning students were told to expect. The final tally for the incoming class is 444 students, smaller than the rumored 500 students predicted, reported MU officials.

The University had to accommodate all of these new students, which included taking away the suites on the third floor of Schwalm Hall. "I wasn't too fond of the idea," said Mason Neuman, junior marketing and management major.

Students say the atmosphere on campus is different this year, both in and out of the classroom. "My classes this year seem more crowded than they last year," said Jacob Tucker, a sophomore education major. "I have noticed longer lines in the Jo Young Switzer Center for lunch and dinner."

But Tucker also sees a change for the good with the arrival of the Class of 2019: "I think this year's incoming class brings a different, better attitude to campus and I'm really surprised how quickly the upperclassman have accepted the first-years."

Caring, commitment to learning, not tethered to digital devices and

a formidable spirit in gratitude is what Dr. Beate Gilliar, professor of English, is observing among the many first-year students she has met. "I was stunned when one of the students reached out to me after the first class and shook my hand, letting me know that (s)he wants to thank me for being the professor," Gilliar said.

Added Professor Gilliar: "This sentiment of a fine first class of eager, respectful and willing students has been reconfirmed by several other professors at this juncture of the year." Those who walk through the Mall on a Monday, Tuesday or Thursday around 4 p.m. are surprised to see the amount of people playing Ultimate Frisbee.

"It's been an incredible showing from the first-years at our first week of practices," said sophomore Captain Austyn Rybicki. "We had over 100 people sign and over half of them were first-years."

Stuart Barnes of Indianapolis is among Manchester's newest students. "I chose Manchester because of the size of the campus, athletics (even though I chose not to play last-minute) and because they offered athletic training as a major," said the Schwalm Hall resident.

English major Emma Clark of Whiteland, Ind., said she chose Manchester because it offers her major and minor and gave her the best tuition



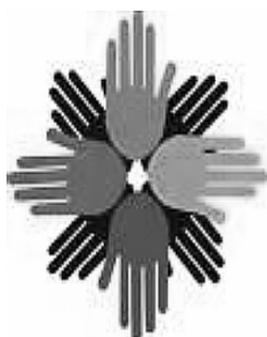
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"Sometimes I have trouble with signal when I'm trying to call my girlfriend," said first-year student Tyler LaFollette, who has discovered that there are a few ideas to try to find a signal.

"Remember: The signal is at bed level, mounted low on the wall," said Steele. "If you have trouble, you might try moving the bed." This could help take away extra interference and is a pretty easy fix, he noted.

Students encountering problems should email or call the Help Desk, they will seek to find answers for spot Wi-Fi or any other computer need, Steele said. Contact MU Help Desk at [helpdesk@manchester.edu](mailto:helpdesk@manchester.edu) or 260-982-5454.

## Social Work Program Aces Assessment



### Social Work Program

Amanda Nordhaus  
Staff Writer

In August, Manchester University's Social Work program received a nationally rare reaccreditation status: a perfect score. No follow-up reports are necessary. This reaccreditation is valid for eight years, through 2023, said Barb Burdge, director of the Social Work program.

Reaccreditation by the Council on Social Work Accreditation means MU students will be qualified to apply for fast-track status and skip several courses in most Master of Social Work programs, saving them time and money.

How did MU achieve such a rare success? The Council considered the mission and goals of the program as well as the explicit and implicit curriculum to perform an overall assessment. MU presented a 200 word self-assessment, too, and representatives of the Council visited campus, Burdge said.

The Council's report stated that MU's Social Work faculty "actively seeks to model affirmation, respect and understanding of diversity and difference and to create a learning environment in which diversity is valued and nurtured."

Normally, an interim report is required because a part of the program is found to be deficient. However, Manchester's program met and exceeded all standards, the accrediting agency declared.

Manchester University's Social Work program is heavily involved in many events and programs, including offering half-day diversity workshops on campus, and participating in a seminar in Chicago on racism, human diversity and urban social work.

Now MU's social workers can add a perfect accreditation score to their list of accomplishments.



Whitney Caudill, writer of *It is pretty. Coalfields to Cornfields*, hails from Grundy, Va.

## Southerner Caudill Accents the Whole MU

Caitlyn Doyle  
Staff Writer

Students likely are unaware of a key administrator whose leadership is crucial to the success of both campuses, in North Manchester and in Fort Wayne. Whitney Caudill came to Indiana in 2011 to help define the College of Pharmacy on the Fort Wayne campus. Before coming here, she was a practicing lawyer for 2½ years then accepted an offer from the Appalachian College of Pharmacy, where she served as in-house counsel and taught pharmacy law during her five years there. In the final two years, she was executive vice president and chief operating officer.

It was from a mentor at the Appalachian College of Pharmacy that Caudill heard about Manchester University and its pharmacy program that was just starting. She arrived at Manchester as associate dean of administration and finance of the Pharmacy program immediately engaging in almost every aspect of the program.

She was especially involved in the details (right down to the bathroom tiles) of creating the physical home for the new \$35 million College of Pharmacy. She formed a strong collaborative working relationship then-Pharmacy Dean Dave McFadden, who would become Manchester's next president.

Today, Caudill sits on President Dave McFadden's Cabinet as vice president of strategic initiatives and external relations for the entire University. She still teaches for the College of Pharmacy, chairs the MU Title IX team and is a member of a number of campus committees.

She is proud of the first graduating class, upcoming this May, of the College of Pharmacy and of the program itself.

"It is an amazing gift to be able to help create something that will be around long after I am gone," she said. Caudill also is active in the community, representing Manchester on the Northeast Indiana Regional Partnership, and serving on boards of the YWCA of Northeast Indiana, Embassy Theatre, Canterbury School and the Community Foundation of Fort Wayne among other organizations.

While Caudill helps the pharmacy program with its foundation and progression, she is sacrificing important aspects of her life. The graduate of the University of Virginia and the University of Tennessee College of Law left dear friends and family behind at home in Appalachia.

Her deep accent hints strongly of her roots in Grundy, Virginia, which draws her home frequently for visits. She talks of her roots proudly and often, and in 2013, started a blog, *It is pretty. Coalfields to Cornfields*. The blog is a mix of Appalachia pride, new experiences and diverse personal stories.

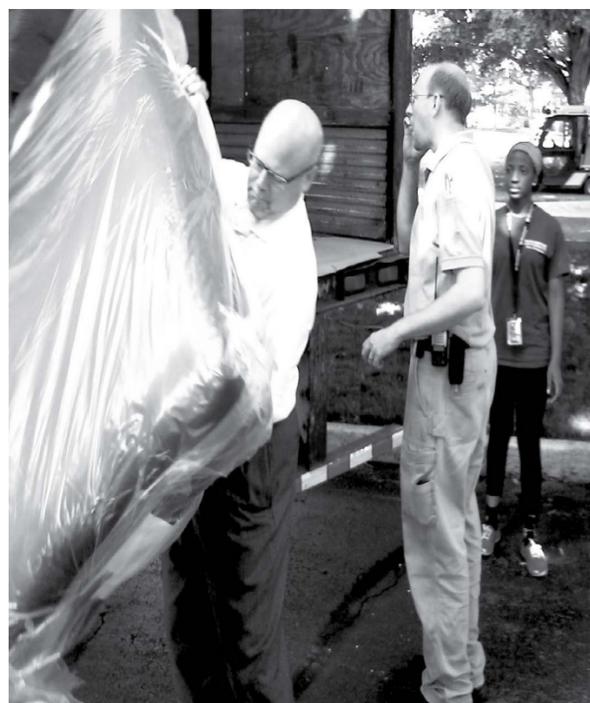
*The Huffington Post* has picked up some of her blogs, which have enjoyed a strong life on social media. While attending a meeting in Boston in 2013, Caudill received an email from Arianna Huffington, co-founder and editor-in-chief of *The Huffington Post*. Huffington urged the women in attendance to submit their work for publication.

Caudill sent an entry and was published. Read *It is pretty* at coalfieldstocornfields.wordpress.com. Since then, she has been published in several places, and some are translated and

sent around the world. Her professional manner is clear through the presentation of each topic. This places her in high regard among many MU alumni, faculty and staff.



Whitney Caudill, VP of strategic initiatives and external relations



President McFadden lends a hand with mattresses.

## MU's Face-lift: Mattresses, Sidewalks, Roofs

Ciara Knisely  
Staff Writer

Not only will the contracting company soon be finished with the roof construction of Winger Hall, but students can also enjoy many renovations to campus that occurred this summer.

Thankfully, no major problem caused a need for repairs to Winger; its time was simply up, said Chris Garber, assistant vice president for finance, of the aging roof. The contractor CMS Roofing Inc. made similar repairs to East Hall before students arrived this fall.

Time also expired for every mattress on campus, too, which means MU's resident students are now sleeping on 1,150 brand-new, custom-made beds. The switch cost

the campus more than \$117,000, Garber said. Many people on campus helped swap out the old mattresses for the new; even President Dave McFadden pitched in.

Also, after years of students making their own way from Schwalm Hall, crews paved a 600-foot sidewalk over the dirt footpath, said Jack Gochenaur, vice president for finance.

Over the summer, students and staff helped landscape the campus and convert the former Campus Safety headquarters on north East Street into the new Commuter Lounge. Several contractors sealed parking lots, replaced the Morris Observatory roof, renewed a classroom in the Physical Education and Recreation Center and built a new loading dock.

No more construction is planned this semester, said Garber. But he added, "We never know."



Stephanie Brown, custodian



# SPARTAN SPORTS

## MU Scrambling to Replace Wrestling Coach Who Resigned



Assistant Coach Chad Cook

Stratton Smith  
Staff Writer

The Spartans wrestling program is in flux this fall after the recent resignation of Head Coach Matt Burlingame. Burlingame led the Spartans for nine consecutive seasons, finishing with a 5-8 record in the 2014-15 season.

“(Burlingame) has such a great relationship with everyone here,” said Assistant Coach Chad Cook, who joined the Spartan wrestling staff in August 2014. “He has left the program in great shape and on the path to achieve some great

success this year.” Spartan wrestlers will remember Coach Burlingame’s coaching philosophy well beyond the wrestling mat. “I will be missing Coach; he was a great coach and an even better person,” said junior wrestler Collin Wise.

Burlingame has accepted a head wrestling coach position at Whitko High School, only minutes away from Manchester University, along with a teaching position in biology.

With wrestling season just months away, the Spartans are seeking a head wrestling coach while Chad Cook takes the lead in the meantime. Cook is looking forward to the future of the Spartans wrestling program, despite the loss of Burlingame. “We have a great group of leaders that are hard-working, and I am confident that they are leading the team in the right direction,” he said.

The Head Wrestling Coach job is posted on the MU Human Resources website. The new coach will also teach, according to the job listing.

“I’m sure all the guys on the team want a coach who pushes us to the limit and who will make us become better wrestlers and better people off the mat,” Wise said.

## Good, Wood Lead Men’s Basketball

Zach Newcomer  
Staff Writer

When Manchester University men’s basketball team suits up for this season, players will have two new leaders, but one is already familiar with the program: Gerad Good, as head coach and Mason Wood as assistant coach.

Good, a 1995 Manchester graduate, played for the Black and Gold when Steve Alford had the reins on the program. Good was a student assistant for the Spartans during the magical run in 1994-95 when the squad went to the Division III National Championship game, the best finish a Manchester men’s basketball team has ever had. He served as assistant coach for Division II University of Southern Indiana, with five national tournament appearances. He also was assistant coach for Division I IPFW and John A. Logan College.

“It’s a great feeling to be back, almost surreal,” Good said. “Not everyone can reach their dream job, and I have finally done that.”

Good brings his wife Robin and children, Miles, 10, and Kinsley, 6, to the Spartan community. Robin is very familiar with the campus as well; this is where the couple first met. Pictures of Good’s family and drawings by his children cover

portions of the walls in his office, depicting a family man who wants his family to be a part of the new era of Manchester men’s basketball. Alford’s family presence around the team was an important part of his coaching, which Good has embraced in his own style of coaching.

Mason Wood brings several years of coaching experience with him to help the Spartans rebuild the program. He served as an assistant at Division II Emporia State University of Kansas, before accepting the job at Manchester. The assistant brings a passion and love of the game that he hopes to pass on to his players. “I am pretty fiery and intense while coaching,” he said. “It is not a bad thing, it shows the kids I care.”

The two coaches will also teach on campus. Good will teach cycling, racquetball and tennis and Wood will teach golf during spring semester.



Left: Head Coach Gerad Good  
Right: Assistant Coach Mason Wood



Running back sophomore Hunter Hardee carries against Trine in a 38-14 loss in the season opener Sept. 3.

## Football Looks to Returning Spartans for Momentum

Tanner Forsythe  
Staff Writer

With Coach Shannon Griffith at the head of the football program, Manchester is making strides this season. A lot of returning Spartans are ready for the new season. The big thing for the team this year is “flipping the switch,” to get off to a good start after only four wins last season.

The key definitely will be the plays of returning senior quarterback Logan Haston and returning junior wide receiver and return man Dakota Nelson, said Coach Griffith. That means the core of the team is back for the Spartans this

year. Along with those two offensive standouts, Coach Griffith has several other impact players he expects to have breakout seasons, including junior tight end Brandon Webb, senior wide receiver Evan Rice and sophomore running back Hunter Hardee.

Manchester opened its season with a 38-14 loss at in-state rival Trine on Sept. 3. Despite the large gap in the score, the Spartans remain optimistic for the rest of the season. “The heat that the game was played in definitely played a factor,” said sophomore tight end Jared Bourff. At least two key players for the Spartans suffered cramps due to the high temperature on the field.

Bourff also talked about the

attitude for the team at the end of the game: “The team was definitely upset about the way that it performed but is still confident about the rest of the campaign this year.”

Next on the schedule for the Spartans are the Quakers of Earlham College on Saturday, Sept. 19. “We have done very well in the past against the Quakers and we are expecting some of the same results this time around,” said junior middle linebacker Steven Masters.

Manchester is on the road for the Quaker contest and will not play on campus until the end of the month, when they welcome the Lions of Mount St. Joseph on Saturday, Sept. 26.

## Give Blood. Change Lives.

Ramsen Bet-Nimrod  
Staff Writer

On Thursday, Sept. 17, the American Red Cross will conduct a blood drive in the upper Jo Young Switzer Center not only for students but also for the North Manchester community. They’ll take sign-ups or walk-ins for the donations, which take about an hour.

Students will be able to sign up early at lunch and dinner in the Switzer Center throughout the week, starting Sept. 14. Snacks and juice will be provided to donors. Not able to donate? Volunteer to help the drive.

Last year, Manchester University donated over 260 units of blood to the Red Cross and hopes to exceed that this year, said Carole Miller-Patrick, director of the MU Center for Service Opportunities.

Most of the blood donated at MU drives stays in and around northern Indiana, she said. Donating blood is important to people who may need it because of an accident, for example.

### Manchester’s first blood drive is Thursday, Sept. 17

Students who donate their blood at MU’s Blood Drives might possibly save the life of someone they know, she said. Donors must be in good general health, be feeling well, be at least 17 years old, and weigh at least 110 pounds. Donors may not have traveled abroad recently.

Your blood could be what they need. There are four types of blood: Group A, Group B, Group AB

and Group O. Knowing what type of blood you have can benefit you in an accident. Students will learn their blood type at the Blood Drive.

This school year, Manchester plans to have three more drives, on Nov. 19, Feb. 18 and April 21. Please keep in mind that dates may change, but Manchester will let us know with emails, flyers and at a table in the JYSC.

