

UNOH ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

Northwestern School of Commerce • Northwestern Business College • NBC-Tech • Northwestern College • University of Northwestern Ohio
1920-1970 1970-1973 1973-1990 1990-2000 2000-Present

June 2025 ISSUE

[Contact Us](#) | [Update Info](#) | [Donate](#)



DON'T MISS OUT!

Join us for FREE food, beverages, games, and UNOH Alumni SWAG in the Pavilion starting at 4:30pm.

Registration is limited - only 75 spots are available.

Thank you to Lendmark Financial (**Robert Riley '13, '18**) and Allstar Performance for supporting this event!

[INFORMATION & REGISTRATION](#)

TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO SPONSOR THIS EVENT!

It's a great opportunity to get your business in front of fellow UNOH Alumni!

[ALUMNI NIGHT SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE](#)



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: ROBERT RILEY BA'13 MBA'18

From the baseball field at UNOH to the boardroom at Lendmark—and now launching his own consulting firm—Robert Riley's journey is one of growth, grit, and gratitude.

Robert credits his experiences at UNOH for shaping his career and he looks forward to giving back to current students as a mentor.

[READ ABOUT ROBERT](#)



UNOH Athletics Hall of Fame Nominations Now Open!

After an 11-year hiatus, we're bringing back the Athletics Hall of Fame — and YOU can help choose the next class of inductees!

Anyone is welcome to submit a nomination to recognize standout athletes, teams, or significant contributors to UNOH Athletics.

Nominations are due by July 1, 2025.

Inductees will be announced Sept. 1, 2025, with a ceremony in early 2026.

INFORMATION & NOMINATION FORM



Welcome into the UNOH Alumni Family!

We were thrilled to celebrate with more than 400 new graduates and their families during the 2025 commencement festivities! The energy and excitement at the Civic Center was truly inspiring.

A special thank you to everyone who stopped by the **Alumni Association booth** to pick up some UNOH Alumni SWAG and learn more about staying connected with the university. It was wonderful to meet so many new alumni and share in the joy of this milestone occasion.

If you haven't yet joined, now is the perfect time to sign up for the **UNOH Alumni Association** and claim your **FREE membership card** — your passport to staying connected with fellow Racers and all that's happening at UNOH.

Membership provides opportunities for networking, special events, and continued engagement with the university community.

MEMBERSHIP CARD



2025 Walk of Honor Celebration

The university proudly welcomed donors and honorees to campus for the Walk of Honor Installation Ceremony where we dedicated 43 new commemorative bricks.

A special thank you to student speaker, **Samantha Cooley '25**, who shared heartfelt remarks. We also extend our gratitude to the family of **Paul Kapper '05**, who graciously spoke in his memory.

Would you like to leave your mark on campus? Secure your honor brick today and be recognized during our next installation ceremony.

WALK OF HONOR BRICK



Alumnus Pursues His Racing Dream in ARCA Menards Series

Michael Klein’s motorsports journey didn’t begin until age 17, racing go-karts before progressing through dirt midgets and into stock cars.

While attending UNOH, he gained valuable experience working with ARCA teams. That experience ultimately helped fuel his dream of driving in the series himself. Michael Klein ‘20 is now racing in the ARCA Menards Series with Wayne Peterson Racing.

Off the track, Klein is passionate about community outreach and visibility. An Ambassador Community Champion for Racing Pride, he works to uplift LGBTQ+ athletes in motorsports while also supporting causes like STEM Punks, Right to Breathe, and Drive for Humanity.

“I want to show anyone who is LGBTQ+ that there is a place for you in this sport,” Klein says.

You can cheer on Klein this summer when he competes in the ARCA Menards Series East race on July 25 at Lucas Oil Indianapolis Raceway Park, and at Elko Raceway on June 21.

[READ FULL STORY](#)



Kiss the Bricks!

Congrats to UNOH Automotive/High Performance Alumna, Kaylynn Holding ‘16.

Holding is a clutch specialist for Chip Ginassi Racing and Alex Palou who won the 2025 Indianapolis 500!



Help Build a Racecar

Tristan Camden ‘20 teaches Transportation and Manufacturing at Murphysboro High School - where he graduated in 2015.

He’s building a racecar with his students and is reaching out to his fellow alumni for help.

Tristan can be reached at 573-381-2995 or tcamden@mhs.org.

[MESSAGE FROM TRISTAN](#)



[/UNOH.EDU](#)



[@UNOH_EDU](#)



[@UNOH_EDU](#)



[@UNOH_EDU](#)



[UNOHRACERS](#)



[@UNOH_EDU](#)

STAY CONNECTED!

The University of Northwestern Ohio is a private, not-for-profit institution, driven by an entrepreneurial spirit known for a diversified curriculum of quality programs valued by employers. The University embraces a student-centered, community-engaged culture that respects the values of its students, faculty, staff, and alumni.