



Alpha Mu Tau Fraternity

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From The President

Giving Back to Our Future with AMTF By President Karrie Hovis



If you attended the 2024 Alpha Mu Tau Fraternity (AMTF) Business Meeting, you may recall my analogy comparing AMTF to the iconic movie “Back to the Future.” Throughout the trilogy, Marty McFly frequently exclaims, “This is heavy,” often in moments of astonishment or confusion.

Given the high-stakes, time-traveling adventures he faces, it is understandable that this phrase appears frequently.

I feel a similar weight regarding the mission of Alpha Mu Tau Fraternity. We honor our colleagues’ exceptional contributions to the profession and support our future workforce by providing scholarships for educational endeavors. In 2024, we awarded \$45,500 (AMTF funded \$35,000 and ASCLS E&R funded \$10,500) in scholarships to 18 deserving students (Fourteen MLS students and four graduate students). We also welcomed four new members into our fraternity. Mission accomplished!

In the coming weeks, you will receive information about how we can achieve this mission again in 2025. With 140 active AMTF members, we have ample opportunity for growth. I encourage you to nominate

deserving laboratory professionals for AMTF membership. The Membership Application Task Force has been hard at work revamping the application process to make it easier for both nominees and nominators. Details will soon be available on the Alpha Mu Tau website. (www.alphamutau.org).

To further support our future workforce, please encourage current undergraduate and graduate students to apply for one of the many scholarships AMTF offers. We have observed a decrease in scholarship applications and want to ensure deserving students receive the financial support they need. Educational pursuits often come with significant costs, and we can make a real difference by awarding as many scholarships as possible. Information about AMTF scholarships can be found on the ASCLS website at ASCLS Scholarships.

Together, we can strengthen our mission by making every current and future member feel valued and empowered while simultaneously supporting the next generation of laboratory profes-

Tributes

Honoring our special friends, living,
and deceased, with a
Scholarship Donation
June 1-November 1, 2024

IN MEMORY OF –

Bonnie Aikey	Scott Aikey
Betina Kieffer Basso	Pam Kieffer
William S and Betty Bishop	Michael Bishop
Grace Bockino	Elissa Passiment
Patricia Buckley	Cathy Otto
Catherine Butch	Suzanne Butch
Sam Chafin	J.R. Constance
Jeanne Christen	Judy Davis
George Doig	Kathy Doig
Mel & Barbara Griffin	Karen Griffin
Estolle Gross	Scott Aikey
Leon Headley	J.R. Constance, A. Casey Ceasor
Jean Holland	Mary Coleman
Ruby Howard	A. Casey Ceasor
John Ingram	Lynn Ingram
Karen Karni	Elissa Passiment, Susan Beck
Sandra Keener	Sharon Strauss
Polly Lumsden	Mickey Sieracki
Mary Mitchell	Cheryl Caskey
Majorie Montanus	Debra Shell
Delores Mounsey	A. Casey Ceasor
Kim Myers	Myra Myers
Jeri Nida	Holly Weinberg

Elizabeth Panning

Rick Panning,
Cindy Johnson,
Kathleen Han-
sen

Robert Parada

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Jon Setina, Mary
Lou Vehige

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Karen Coppens,
Mary Coleman,
Mary Beth Miele,
Connie

Laubenthal

Lynn Russell

Connie Mahon

Ed Snyderman

Barbara
Snyderman

Shirley Snyderman

William Hunt,
Barbara
Snyderman

Dan Southern

George Fritsma

Marion Sobol

Suzanne Butch

Marjorie Stumpe

Herb Miller

Betty L. Theriot

Debra Faubion

Ann Paula Zero

Lisa Hochstein,
Carol Golyski

IN HONOR OF

**All My AMTF
Friends**

Lynn Ingram

Hassan Aziz

Yasmen
Simonian

Candi Barker
Cheryl Caskey
Anna Ciulla

Peggy Crim
Weston Ryan
Crowdus
Dana Duzan
Maribeth Flaws
Paula Garrot
Linda Gorman
Karen Griffin
Holley Family
Karrie Hovis
Jane Hudson
Lynn Ingram
Pam Kieffer
John Koenig
Shirlyn McKenzie

Mary Ann McLane
Phyllis Muellenberg

Elissa Passiment

Joe Passiment

Becky Perdue
Joan Polancic
Josh Pulido
Claude Rector

Alese Thompson
 Myra Myers
 Mary Ann
 McLane
 Myra Myers

 Cheryl Caskey

 Herb Miller
 J.R. Constance
 Elizabeth Warning
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 Perry Scanlan
 Hassan Aziz
 J.R. Constance
 Mary Coleman
 Alese Thompson
 Linda Smith,
 David McGlasson
 Mary Beth Miele
 Deborah Hassler,
 Linda Fell
 Ginger Weeden,
 Mary Beth Miele,
 Edward Peterson
 Mary Beth Miele,
 Edward Peterson
 Neysa Simmers
 J.R. Constance
 Perry Scanlan
 Cindy Johnson

Bonnie Reilly
Gilma
Roncancio Weemer
Rush MLS Students
Yasmen Simonian
Barbara Snyderman
Betty Lynn Theriot
Pat Tille
Carleen Van Siclen
 Mary Coleman
 J.R. Constance
 Maribeth Flaws
 Hassan Aziz
 Hassan Aziz
 Angela Foley
 Perry Scanlan
 Michael Bishop

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Deceased Member

We have received notification of the passing of the following member:

Name	Number	Date
Margaret Carroll	395	11-10-2022

President's Message Cont.

sionals. By enhancing our outreach, we can make a meaningful impact and showcase the positive influence of Alpha Mu Tau Fraternity.

In the spirit of Marty McFly, "If you put your mind to it, you can accomplish anything."

Let's commit to giving back to
Our Future!

New Members

Phyllis Ingham

Dr. Phyllis Ingham holds a BS degree in Biology and Medical Laboratory Science from Auburn University, a Master's Degree in Education from Alabama State University, and a Doctoral Degree in Higher Educational Leadership from Argosy University. Dr. Ingham currently serves as the Program Director and Chair for the Medical Laboratory Technology and Phlebotomy Programs in the College of Health Sciences at West Georgia Technical College. Dr. Ingham was named a Georgia Master Teacher, was selected as a Georgia Governor's Teaching Fellow and received the Rick Perkins Award of Excellence in Education for West Georgia Technical College in 2018 and again in 2022 and a State finalist both years.

Dr. Ingham was also recognized for the development of the first Law Enforcement Phlebotomy curriculum for the State of Georgia and has been the recipient of several grants. Dr. Ingham has over 39 years of experience in laboratory medicine and higher education. She has received numerous awards for both scholarship and service to the profession of medical labora-

tory science. Dr. Ingham is actively involved in ASCLS on the National, Regional, and State levels. Her passion is science and healthcare, and her purpose is teaching students to become the best they can be ensuring the promise of a bright future for the field of laboratory medicine by making a difference- "one student at a time".

Melissa Kasper

Melissa always knew she wanted to work in healthcare and was excited to discover the Medical Technology program at UW-Oshkosh. She graduated in 2005 and soon after took at position in the clinic with Affinity Medical Group (now Ascension). Melissa worked there for almost 17 years before taking her current position as a Lead MLS at LabCorp. Melissa has worked as an adjunct instructor at Fox Valley Technical College in the Phlebotomy and Medical Assistant programs for over 10 years; she also volunteers on the MLT program advisory committee.

Melissa has been an ASCLS member since 2008 and has volunteered in a variety of ways; most recently serving as President for ASCLS-WI. Her favorite role within ASCLS is the day she presents the Fox Valley ASCLS chapter scholarship check to an MLS student in their internship year. She takes great joy in promoting the profession and raising money for and presenting scholarships to those entering the laboratory profession. Melissa is married to Mike and together they enjoy traveling and spending as much time outdoors as possible.

NEW Members Continued

Kathleen Hoag

Kathleen (Kathy) is a tenured full professor at Michigan State University. She has been a Medical Laboratory Science educator for 24 years. She earned a BS in Medical Technology from Michigan Technological University ('88), a MS in Medical Technology from Texas Christian University ('91), and a PhD in Immunology from the Division of Cell and Molecular Biology at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center ('96). Kathy is a native of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, and a true Yooper at heart. She enjoys hiking, gardening, and water aerobics in her free time. She is passionate about teaching, LOVES anything related to Clinical Immunology, and is a general science geek! She is heavily involved in recruitment of high school students to the Medical Laboratory Science career.

Alese M Thompson

Alese M. Thompson is an Assistant Clinical Professor for the Clinical Laboratory Sciences program in the College of Health Sciences at the University of Missouri- Columbia. She earned her BS in Clinical Laboratory Sciences and certificate in Forensic Science from Saint Louis University and her MS in Medical Laboratory Science from the University of North Dakota. Her areas of expertise include Immunology, Parasitology and Clinical Education Management and Coordination. She actively serves on the Board of Directors for ASCLS-MO and as Vice Chair for the newly formed Association of Medical Laboratory Education Programs (AMLEP) organization

**Thank You for your
generosity.**

New Emeritus Members

Lynda Britton

Teresa Nadder

Debra Shell

New Member Application

The new and improved new member application for 2025 will be available on the web page in December.

**The deadline for new member
applications is
February 16, 2025.**

Send address and email changes to:

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Photos from the Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh



Black and Gold Return to Elegance



2024 Scholarship Recipients

John P. Smith Graduate Scholarship

Jonathan Buckendorf

Alpha Mu Tau Fraternity Undergraduate Scholarships

Jessica Davis

Victoria Foster

Shelby Shoemaker

Miriam Shafner

Krista Watson

Eleanor Parchman Memorial

Chandler Deaton

Dorothy Morrison Memorial

Katherine Guise

Ruth French

Mikey Kieu

James Holley Memorial

Kayla Kruk

Ida and May Reilly Memorial

Matthew Nguyen

Roma E. Brown and Nellie M. Bering Memorial

Gracie Tooke

Scholarship Applications

Scholarship Applications will be available in December. The applications can be access from the AMTF web page: alphamutau.org or from the ASCLS web pages.

AMTF Officers

President:	Karrie Hovis
President-Elect:	Frank Scarano
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2025 Alpha Mu Tau Fraternity Contribution Form

Name _____ Check if info is changed

Address _____
Street City State Zip

Phone: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Email _____

Fax _____

CONTRIBUTIONS:

Raising monies for scholarships is one of the main goals of AMTF. Donations may be tax-deductible. A receipt will be sent to you and an acknowledgement will be sent to whomever you designate. **Please be generous!**

ESTABLISHED SCHOLARSHIPS:

- AMTF Endowment Fund \$ _____
- General Scholarship Fund \$ _____
- Ruth French Memorial \$ _____
- Dorothy Morrison Memorial \$ _____
- Ida and May Reilly Memorial \$ _____
- Martha Winstead Memorial \$ _____
- James Holley Mem. Scholarship \$ _____
- Eleanor Parchman Memorial \$ _____
- Roma E. Brown Memorial and
Nellie M. Bering Scholarship \$ _____
- John Smith Scholarship \$ _____

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In honor/memory of _____

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