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As January ends, there's still time to wish you all a Happy New Year! Over winter break, several Clark alumni hosted students for the Job Shadowing program, which offered valuable career exposure. Want to help with next year's program? Fill out the [Alumni Intake Form](#).

Planning is underway for Alumni Weekend, May 16-18! Clarkies from all class years are invited to reconnect with classmates and celebrate your Clark spirit. Thank you to our Reunion Committee volunteers for spreading the word and building excitement!

Clark's Alumni Council chooses the recipients of the [alumni awards](#) who will be honored at the awards dinner on Friday, May 16. Thank you to everyone who submitted a nomination and brought attention to such accomplished and dedicated alumni. We hope to see you in May!

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Volunteer Spotlight: A Clark-Inspired Experience

Alumni Council member [Carolyn Michael-Banks '79](#), owner of A Tour of Possibilities (ATOP) in Memphis, TN, recently guided a group of Clark students to city landmarks highlighting the history of and contributions made by African Americans. Their trip was supported by [Clark's D'Army Bailey '65 Diversity Fund](#), named for the renowned Civil Rights activist and Clark alumnus. We appreciate Carolyn and fellow alumni **Justin Bailey '00** and **Vaughn Thompson '97** for welcoming students and staff to Memphis for this Clark-Inspired Experience (CIE) program.

CELEBRATING

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

YESTERDAY

TODAY

TOMORROW

Black History Month

February kicks off Black History Month and a host of happenings at Clark. [Check them out here >](#)

Honor Black History Month by making a gift to the [D'Army Bailey '65 Diversity Fund](#)

The late D'Army Bailey '65, LL.D. '10, P '00, was many things in his storied life: judge, activist, author, father, husband, and Clarkie. This fund supports efforts that advance and sustain an inclusive, engaged campus. The fund supports students, faculty, and campus initiatives to create a more equitable and inclusive Clark!

[Make your gift >](#)



GOLD Nuggets

The GOLD Council is transitioning in new members and leadership as we ramp up for the year! This month, we are planning both virtual and in-person

events for winter and spring. We welcome your input and feedback and invite you to sign up for opportunities to stay engaged!

Welcome New GOLD Council Members

Maire Geoghegan '24, M.A. '25, Idriss Laouali Abdou, MBA '23, and Alec William Hoffman '23 join the GOLD Council!

[Learn More >](#)



GOLD Days of Service

This April, the GOLD Council will host community service events in Boston and New York and smaller events in other regions. Want to lead a Day of Service in your area? Contact alumni@clarku.edu. Stay tuned for dates and details coming soon!



Recent Events

Nearly 90 alumni gathered in the Kneller Athletic Center for the annual Alumni Basketball event. This year, during the Men's and Women's Varsity games, we [celebrated Clark's 1000-point scorers](#) and highlighted new banners. It was inspiring to see so many familiar faces back on the court and in the stands, showing true Cougar pride. We are deeply grateful to the generous donors who made the banner recognition possible for Clark's top scorers. Their generosity enhances alumni pride and strengthens the visibility of Clark Athletics, inspiring future student-athletes.

[Check out the photo album >](#)



Community Organizing and Civic Engagement | Thursday, February 6

San Francisco Community Event | Thursday, March 6

Seattle Community Event | Tuesday, March 11

Alumni & Friends Virtual Book Club | Wednesday, March 19

GOLD Days of Service | April 7-18

Alumni Weekend | May 16-18

[LEARN MORE >](#)

Stay tuned for more events coming soon!

Get Involved!

[Donate Clothing to the Career Closet](#) - Cleaning out your closet this winter? Consider donating gently used professional attire to help students dress for success! Click here to learn more or contact cservices@clarku.edu.

[Explore More Opportunities](#) - Volunteer, get involved with the GOLD Council or Affinity Associations, assist with programming, or opt-in to receive community-specific emails. Fill out the [Alumni Intake Form](#) or send it to fellow alumni!

Support The Clark Fund – Help make Clark a stronger university and exceptional community for our students by giving to the area that matters most to you!

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