

NOVEMBER 2024



November is a time of acknowledging gratitude. At Clark, we remain grateful for you, our alumni from all generations.

Thank you to the Clark alumni who helped our community thrive this semester by volunteering for Move-in Day, reaching out to prospective students, speaking on alumni panels during Career Exploration Weeks and International Education Week, and serving as judges for the Mock Trial Team's "Cougar Clash." Additionally, more than 65 alumni signed up to host a Clark student for the annual job shadowing experience over winter break! Alumni like you make these uniquely Clark experiences and events succeed.

We appreciate your engagement, and if you have not gotten involved yet, it is never too late! Use our new [Alumni Intake Form](#) to start a conversation and find out how you can support and strengthen Clark now and in 2025.

On behalf of Clark's University Advancement team, we wish all alumni a happy Thanksgiving!

*Cindy Ironson,
Director of Alumni & Friends Engagement*

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Volunteer Spotlight: A Clark-Inspired Experience

Several alumni recently bonded with students and staff in Washington, D.C., at the Clark Inspired Experience (C.I.E.) program. Designed by the Office of Diversity & Inclusion and the Mosakowski Institute, this cultural immersion experience and transformative journey was set in the capital of Black America.

We want to thank Trustee Donella Brockington '73, Shawnasia Black '08, MSPC '09 (co-leader of the Clark Black Alumni Association), Scott Darling III '84, and Abby Locke '89 for providing a warm and energizing networking opportunity.

GIVING TUESDAY

December 3

alumni.clarku.edu/givingtuesday



Giving Tuesday: Student Emergency Fund

Giving Tuesday is one week away, and you can double your impact when you contribute to Clark's Student Emergency Fund!

An anonymous Clark couple from the Class of 1971 will match the first \$25,000 contributed to the Student Emergency Fund dollar-for-dollar on Giving Tuesday, December 3.

The Student Emergency Fund provides a vital lifeline for students who find themselves facing unexpected financial hardships. Last academic year, nearly 400 undergraduate and graduate students were awarded emergency funding – totaling over \$67,000. Your contribution on Giving Tuesday will allow us to continue to provide support for our students when they need it most.

Visit alumni.clarku.edu/givingtuesday to learn more or make your gift!



Cougar Challenge Success!

Thank you to everyone who made this year's 6th Annual Cougar Challenge a tremendous success!

Your enthusiasm and contributions helped raise over \$280,000 from 1,343 donors, including 450 alumni, exceeding our goals and ensuring our student-athletes have the necessary resources to excel. To date, the Cougar Challenge has raised more than \$1.5 million for Clark Athletics, thanks to your extraordinary support. From spring break training trips to purchasing essential gear and equipment, the Cougar Challenge highlights the heart and unity of our Clark family.

[Thank you for making a difference!](#)

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GRADUATES OF THE LAST DECADE

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!

[Alumni Intake Form](#)



Recent Events

- Clarkies reconnected with friends over great food, drinks, conversation, and friendly ping pong competition at SPIN Washington DC!
- Hockey alumni returned to the ice for Clark's Alumni Ice Hockey Game and Dinner (pictured).
- Clark's Office of Gift Planning hosted "Will Power," a webinar guiding participants through the basics of writing a will and exploring bequeathal opportunities. View the recording [here](#) or contact [Kate Rafey '08, MPA '09](#), Director of Gift Planning, for more information.



Alumni Basketball Games | Saturday, January 25

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Stay tuned for more events, including community gatherings in Boston, New York, and the West Coast.

Get Involved!

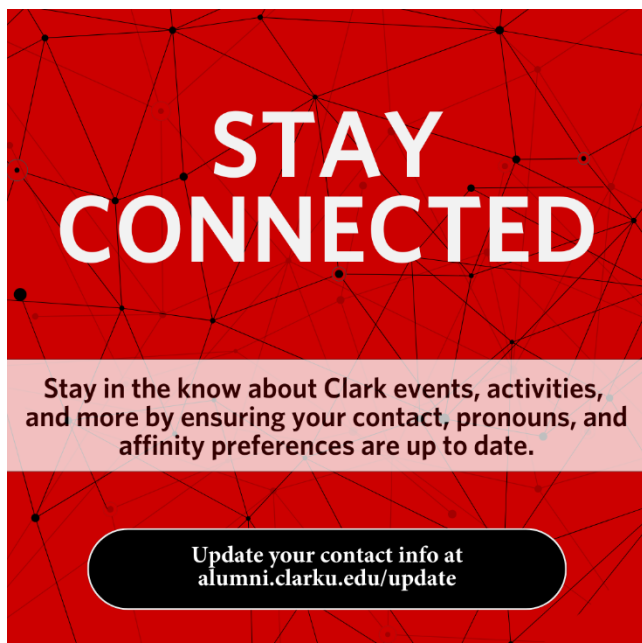
Nominate a Clarkie – Each year several alumni receive awards for their achievements, service, and dedication to both Clark and our world. Know someone deserving a nomination? Nominate them today!

“Practice Your Pitch” Event - Alumni athletes can help student-athletes build networking skills on Sunday, February 2. Use this form or email Melisa Alves, Associate Dean/Executive Director of Career Planning.

Alumni Weekend Reunion Committees - YOU can play an essential role in infusing the spirit of your class into Alumni Weekend events, promoting attendance, and building excitement among peers.

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!

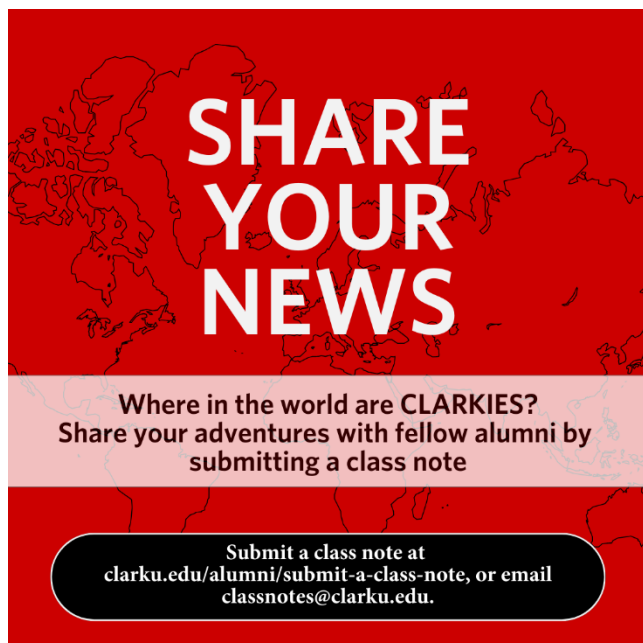
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STAY CONNECTED

Stay in the know about Clark events, activities, and more by ensuring your contact, pronouns, and affinity preferences are up to date.

Update your contact info at alumni.clarku.edu/update

Update Your Information

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SHARE YOUR NEWS

Where in the world are CLARKIES? Share your adventures with fellow alumni by submitting a class note

Submit a class note at clarku.edu/alumni/submit-a-class-note, or email classnotes@clarku.edu.

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