

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY™

From the office of the
President



Colleagues,

The vitality of the campus community that gives life to the wonderful highlights offered in each edition of this newsletter will not get a vacation this summer, but the newsletter will!

That said, I am confident that great news in the stories below will carry us through the summer months and keep us ready for many, many more come the fall.

Thank you, all, for your valued contributions and we will see you soon!

Ora Hirsch Pescovitz, M.D.

President

SHARING THEIR SUCCESS

Although women have long initiated substantial and beneficial change in the societies in which they live, women have never wielded the level of power and degree of resources they possess today.

Oakland University's recently launched Women and

Philanthropy initiative – which has already captured the interest of dozens of influential participants – is providing University community members new opportunities to combine and allocate resources; pursue individual passions and interests; network with like-minded altruists; and volunteer in ways that advance our institution and help prepare students for success in their careers and lives.

This initiative could not have come at a better time. I want to thank our colleagues Angie Schmucker, Sue Helderop, Kelly Brault, Beth Talbert and Claudia Petresu, as well as alumnae Mary Schwark, Joanne Jacobson and Kelly Kozlowski for their work in creating this program. I also want to thank the dedicated women in our campus community who have stepped forward with commitment and zeal to ensure its success.



HELP FROM THE HEART



Nearly 350 Oakland University community members participated in and or supported the American Heart Association's 2018 Metro Detroit Heart and Stroke Walk/Run earlier this month.

In the process, they more than doubled their fundraising goal by collecting pledges of nearly \$31,000 to support

heart disease and stroke research.

I am delightfully amazed and inspired by the success of this group's efforts and commend each and every person involved. Their work will benefit health and quality of life here on campus as well as in the broader community.

CARE ON CALL



Oakland University has joined a limited and progressive group of colleges and universities in the U.S. by establishing a student-run First Aid Support Team (FAST). This project allows for immediate patient care in emergency situations while more advanced responders are in transit.

In their first year of operation, our [FAST](#) students amassed more than 165 hours of in-service training and providing nearly 230 hours of standby medical support.

Many of these students are pursuing careers in health care and law enforcement, and I applaud them for giving of their time and knowledge in ways that will benefit both themselves and others well into the future.

Is there a point of pride you feel is worth sharing with the campus community?

If so, please [submit your idea](#) for consideration.

If you are interested in exploring past editions of this newsletter, we invite you to visit the [Points of Pride archive page](#).

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