

# UMSL

## UMSL Department of Economics Newsletter Summer 2024

Dear Alums,

Changes. As a university professor you get used to changes. When you teach principles or general education courses, you get a new set of students, most of whom you will never see again after the semester. Majors stick around a bit longer, but after a couple of years they have graduated. You see a few of them at departmental picnics (September 29<sup>th</sup> this year if you would like to stop by) or alumni events (I hope to see you all this spring). You may even attend a wedding or two of alumni. Occasionally, you bump into a former student at a restaurant or elsewhere.

I have been at UMSL for over 35 years and I have seen a lot of changes. This past year, two things that have been constant during my time here changed. First, David Rose retired after the fall semester. Second, the de-

partment moved from SSB and the Tower to a new home in Clark Hall.

I first met Dave when we started graduate school together at the University of Virginia in the fall of 1982. We both had connections to the St. Louis area. I was an undergraduate student in St. Louis while Dave grew up in the metro area, and we quickly developed a friendship that has lasted over 40 years. He is the reason I am at UMSL. He got a job here before he even completed his PhD, and I moved back to St. Louis about the same time when my wife got a job here. A couple of years later, when the department needed someone to teach a class less than a week before the beginning of a semester, he said he knew someone who might be interested and the next week I was in the classroom. Neither of us ever left until this past year.

Also, near the end of last spring semester, in April, we moved from our

*Michael Allison,*

Department Chair

long-time home in SSB and the Tower to a newly renovated space in Clark Hall.

As with all such moves, there have been some bumps along the way. Looking out of a window of my new office, I can see the Tower – for now. This fall it is being deconstructed. The campus will look different with the Tower gone. Feel free to stop by the campus this year and see the changes taking place and visit us in 500 Clark Hall.

So what changes have there been in your life? Drop us a note. We would love to hear from you.

Best regards,

*Michael*



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### Alumni Party, Spring 2024!



Left: **John Granicke, Don Kridel, Rob Hall, Rachell Wilbanks** with fiancé Vince, **Mark Attwood, Kaley Ware** and **Kristen McDonald**.  
Right: **Senita Chambly, John Granicke, Imogen Bennett** — red cup winners!! More photos on pp. 14-15.

**Student–Alumni–Faculty–Friends  
Department of Economics PICNIC!!  
Sunday, September 29th, 12-3 p.m.  
Irv Zeid Park in Olivette**

# Goodbye to ERC in SSB, Hello to Clark Hall

## 452 SSB!



Last day (and pizza recruiting event), April 2024



**Logan Haas, Mark Attwood, Caleb Babione, Rachel Wilbanks and Kristen McDonald**, fall 2023

**Corey Plattenburg and Joe Schneider** resting up after their math econ exam with **Mike Allison**, fall 2023



## 405 CLARK !



April 2024, after the Alumni Panel, **Kaley Ware & Imogen Bennett**

After the WIE lunch, Kristen **McDonald** and alum **Marisa Roth**



**A busy day at the NEW Sharon G. Levin ERC !**



Current Student **Kaley Ware** at the *UMSL Undergraduate Research Symposium (URS)* where she presented her cost-benefit project "Should California Have Banned Red Dye 3?" Pictured with faculty advisor **Lea Kosnik**.

Kaley's project can be seen in the photo accompanying *UMSL Daily's* feature on the URS Symposium:

**[LINK TO UMSL DAILY article](#)**

## WIE (Women in Economics)



Trip to St. Louis Fed for the WIE Symposium: **Kristen McDonald, Kaley Ware, Harry Potts, Sadie Britt, and Anne Winkler**

WIE had a busy '23-'24! Thank you to our alums **Elise Barry, Megan Burwell, Marisa Roth** (see ERC page for photo), and **Marcela Manjarrez** for sharing your career paths and insights at four separate events!



**September 2023:** Alum **Elise Barry, Rachel Wilbanks, Kristen McDonald, Kaley Ware, Maren Xu,** and faculty adviser **Anne Winkler** at the Nosh at UMSL. Elise just took a new position as Digital Capabilities Manager at Royal Canin.



**December 2023:** Alum **Meagan Burwell, Rachel Wilbanks, Kaley Ware, and Kristen McDonald** at Garbanzo in Clayton. Meagan is Risk & Underwriting Senior Advisor at Express Scripts.



And there was bowling! **Rachel Wilbanks, Kristen McDonald, Kaley Ware,** alum **Sarah Speicher,** and **Zina Maaloo**



Wonderful brunch hosted by alum **Marcela Manjarrez** included **Harry Potts, Kaley Ware, Mark & Steph Attwood,** alum **Senita Chambly,** alum **Rachel Wilbanks, Kristen McDonald,** alum **Imogen Bennett, Anne Winkler,** and **Zina Maaloo**



## Alumni Panel 2024

Thank you to our outstanding panel for sharing your experiences and advice!

**Imogen Bennett** (BS 2022), Business Intelligence Analyst, Decipher; **Ben Blackwell** (BS/MA 2016), Lead Product Manager-Technical, Mastercard; and **Nicholas Vidal** (BS 2015) Database Manager, US Bank.

# NABE Happenings

This year, NABE faculty adviser **Brian Speicher** and his wife Sarah hosted dinners throughout the year. The first Sunday of each month during the school semesters - it was a time of fellowship and food. Current students mingled with recent graduates, sharing experiences and networking. The Speichers look forward to continuing to have dinners in the coming year as well!



## October 2023

Including **Mike Cassidy** (BS/MA 2014), **My Nguyen** (BS 2011), **Irina Shalinskaya** (BS 2020), **Zach Whitford** (BS/MA 2021) **Rob Hall** (BS/MA 2023) and wife Mary, and current students **John Granike** and **Kaley Ware**.



## March 2024

In the foreground: **Imogen Bennett** (BS 2022), **Senita Chambly** (BS 2022), current student **Dat Le** and his girlfriend, Syd.



**April 2024** — hanging out at the BBQ

## Recent grad Kristen McDonald featured in *UMSL Daily*

Kristen is now working on her MA in Economics and has a grad assistantship with the Department of Economics.

**[Click here for the link !](#)**

### New graduate Kristen McDonald lands on right career path with degrees in data science and analysis, economics

BY STEVE VALENTIK | MAY 20, 2024

McDonald started her college career majoring in nursing at MU before transferring to UMSL. She graduated cum laude and is on track to earn her master's degree in economics next spring.



## Alumni Success 2023

### Alumni—Join *UMSL Economics Alumni LinkedIn!*

#### Mark Attwood

(MA 2024) and wife Steph are the proud parents of Leo Euler! Mark just accepted a position as a Capital Markets Analyst at Veterans United Home Loans in Columbia.



**Nick Book** (BS 2015) is now Co-Owner & General Manager at A&G Auto Spa!

**Amanda Boyd** (BS 2012) is US Divisional Controller at Tar-sus Group in Rosemont, Illinois.

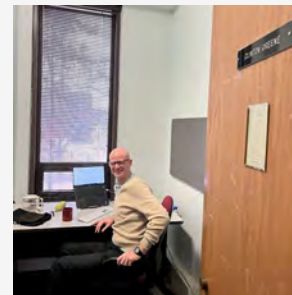
**Jamie Brown** (2007), VP of Marketing & Entertainment, PENN Entertainment, has been named to the 2024 *PRNEWS* Top Women list in the Change-makers category! This esteemed list celebrates leading communications professionals who are recognized as "the highly influential women who show impeccable talent in all aspects of their career, make an impact on others around them and pave the way for fellow women."



**Sarah Calhoun** (BS/MA 2012) has relocated to LA and is a Senior Economist in the IRS in LB&I Transfer Pricing Practice.

**Marcus Deckert** (BS 2008) is now a Pricing Actuary at Markel in the Little Rock area.

**Mitch Downey** (BS/MA 2009), an Assistant Professor at Stockholm IIES, returned with his family to St. Louis for 6 months and spent fall 2023 at UMSL. During his stay, he occupied **Clinton Greene's** former office. Mitch and family are all now back in Stockholm.



**Perry Drake** (BS 1984), who earned a PhD from UMSL in 2017, is Department Chair and Associate Teaching Professor of Marketing at UMSL AND an UMSL 60 in 60 honoree! **Read more about Perry here!**



**Jordan Franks** (BS 2014) is Strategic Visionary and Owner of Taste of Jack's.



Economics alum Jordan Franks launches Taste of Jack's salsa  
BY HEATHER HORN | DEC 8, 2022  
 Franks has been selling his salsa at farmers' markets and several retail locations across the St. Louis area.



You can find Jordan's *Fresh Yeah* salsas at the Lake St. Louis Farmer's Market AND in the refrigerated (local products!) case at Fresh Thyme and Dierbergs!

**Elliot Gianaris** (BS 2021) will be starting law school at

Southern Illinois University School of Law in the fall!

**Michael Heede** (BS 2010) is a Performance Excellence Analyst at Ensemble Health Partners.

**Jared Hennings** (BS 2006) has made a career change. After over 17 years in health information technology, he is now Owner of Footprints Floors of Northern Virginia! Check out footprintsfloors.com!

**Terran L. Hill** (BS 2020) graduated from Cornell Law School and is an Associate with Dowd Bennett.

**Stefaniya Ivanova** (BS 2018) is a Business Intelligence Analyst at Cushman & Wakefield and recently completed a Graduate Certificate of Data Science at the University of Sydney.

**Alta Jadamba** (BS 2010) has returned to St. Louis and is now Associate Banker at JPMorgan Chase & Co.

**John Kovac** (BS 1997), Managing Partner at Aspire Consulting, now serves on the Board of Directors of Marygrove.

**Tim Lathum** (BS 2012) now works as a Business Intelligence Analyst at McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.

**Bill Miller** (BS 1976, MA 1979) has recently shifted into college teaching, most recently as an Adjunct Professor of Economics at Collin College and Adjunct Professor of Marketing at University of Texas at Dallas.

**Ann Neff** (MA 2004) is now Senior Procurement Analyst at Post Holdings.

**Emma Nix** (MA 2017) started a new position as Director, Transmission Policy, at EDF Renewables North America.

## MORE ALUMNI SUCCESS!

**Irina Shalinskaya** (2020) has been promoted to Account Executive at Aon.

**Ashlee Sprock** (2023) is Business Analyst at ALG Transport in Barcelona. She recently co-authored a paper on High-Speed Rail vs. Air Transport. [LINK](#)

**Josue Stores** (BS 2021) is Supervisory Control Associate at Wells Fargo.

**Andrew Tipping** (MA 2019) will be starting the Division of Computational & Data Sciences (DCDS) PhD program at Wash U in fall 2024.

**Sean Truesdale** (BS 2021) graduated with an MBA from Texas A&M University-Kingsville. He started a job as Federal Loan Officer at USDA.

**Scott Weibert** (BS 2011) started a new position as Senior Regional Underwriting Manager - Associations at Safety National.

**Jesse Wolfersberger** (MA 2009) is now Senior Director, Data and Technology at Chapman & Co. Leadership.

## SHARE YOUR News!

Send an email to alumni coordinator **Anne Winkler** at [awinkler@umsl.edu](mailto:awinkler@umsl.edu), Chair Michael Allison at [allison@umsl.edu](mailto:allison@umsl.edu) or to any faculty member!

## The TOWER is still there but should be coming down soon...

### For updates:

<https://www.umsl.edu/transform/index.html>



## We moved! New UMSL Econ office suite, 500 Clark Hall



## Dave Rose Officially Retires after 38.5 years!



**Dave Rose's** presence has been a regular feature on the UMSL campus since he arrived back in 1985 from University of Virginia. He taught his last official class in December 2023. Dave rose through the ranks at UMSL, becoming a full professor in 2001. Among his many UMSL service activities, he served as the Department's Director of Graduate Studies and then as Department Chair, the latter from 2005-2012. He created the F.A. Hayek Professorship in Economic History, which is now filled by Max Gillman. Dave always cared deeply about UMSL and UMSL Econ and strived to make both the best possible.

Perhaps you took a course from Dave? He taught a wide variety of courses, including Principles of Microeconomics, Principles of Macroeconomics, Economic History, Intermediate Micro-economic Theory, Monetary Theory and Policy, Industrial Organization, Mathematical Economics, Theory of the Firm, Human Choice (an Honors Course), Graduate Microeconomic Theory (for 25 years!), Graduate Monetary Theory and Policy, and Graduate Managerial Economic Analysis (an MBA course). His love for teaching and for teaching economics was apparent.

Over the course of his career he published books, invited chapters in collected volumes, scholarly articles, and many Op-Eds on a wide variety of topics and issues. He has been interviewed in every form of media and presented workshops, speeches, and plenary lectures on three continents. In recent years, his scholarship has focused, broadly, on improving our understanding of how culture provides the necessary foundation for the institutions of a free market democracy and constitutional republic. His book, *The Moral Foundation of Economic Behavior*, Oxford University Press, 2012, was selected as one of CHOICE's outstanding titles of 2012. His most recent published book is *Why Culture Matters Most*, also published by Oxford, and he is working on *POWER: The Making of the Modern World*. Dave still has an office on campus, in the new office suite, on 5th floor of Clark Hall. Dave reports he is eternally grateful to UMSL, especially the economics department, for giving him the freedom to pursue his ideas wherever they led. Dave may be officially retired but he is still research-engaged! See the faculty notes section for what he is up to now.

### Some recollections from faculty and alums about Dave...

From **Bob Sorensen**, Professor Emeritus

*Many of my best memories of Dave revolve around our lunchtime discussions. For many years several of the econ faculty would meet on a regular basis for lunch. Soon after he arrived on campus Dave joined this group. The discussions were wide ranging and varied from such things as the validity of Ricardian Equivalence to who should quarterback the Rams. Dave was always a regular contributor and I always walked away from the lunches thinking I had learned a lot. I always considered our lunches "educ-tainment."*

From **Debbie Loesel** (BS 1996), Senior Manager in Property Tax at Deloitte

I transferred to UM-St. Louis for my sophomore year and found a kindred analytical spirit in Professor Rose. The thinking skills I learned in his classes saved me a time or two on law school exams. Even all these years later, I still hear his voice in my head and find myself telling people things like that microeconomics should really be called price theory.

From **Dave Banks** (BS 1990, MA 1991), Former White House special adviser on energy and environment and Republican chief strategist on the House climate committee.

I studied graduate micro under Dave, who was by far one of the best teachers I ever had. He excels at breaking down complicated issues and communicating them, stressing the importance of repetition for those who can't absorb concepts immediately. In the process, he generates hope and self-confidence in the student – an incredibly important and rare gift.

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## Dave Rose's Retirement (continued)



Photos from long-ago holiday parties at the Alumni House. Left: **Dave Rose** with Kathy & **Tom Ireland**. Right: With (the late) **Herb Werner**.



At work in his office in 2007



**Dave Rose** at picnic, including **Kathy Phares**, **William Rogers**, **Don Kridel**. In background, Kathy & **Tom Ireland**

### More recollections ....

#### From **Anne Winkler**

When I arrived in '89, I was given the office next to Dave's. His door was always open, literally and figuratively. He kindly offered me his Econ 51 (now 1001) notes to help me out since I had only previously been a TA. I could always count on him to swiftly read drafts of my research papers. With his red pen and insightful comments, he made them better. And, he has always been there for needed advice. An example: Years ago, a student asked me to review the *entire* course content before the final. Dave's recommendation, which I continue to use: "What *specific* questions do you have for me?"

#### From **Rick Schmidt, MD** (BS 1990), Emergency Physician at TeamHealth

Many of us have a person in our life who has been pivotal in our future; for me he is Dr. Dave Rose. He was a relatively new faculty member when I was a student (B.S. 1990) and he was well respected by the senior faculty; I enjoyed chatting with the faculty via my being a tutor in the ERC and their complimentary comments were often heard. Not only was I inspired by his example and enthusiasm for economics, but also his direct involvement secured my enrollment into the economics graduate program at the University of Virginia. I can remember it vividly though it was 34 years ago now: After chatting with him regarding my likely unsuccessful application, he volunteered to call the director of graduate studies at UVa. Later that afternoon, I was walking near the gym and he rolled down the window of his car and he called out to me: "You're in." He trusted me and his endorsement meant a lot to UVa and even more to me. That was a life-changing afternoon and I owe him an unrepayable debt. I am sure that my story is far from unique and many students have benefited from his teaching and mentorship.





# UMSL ECON GRADUATES

## Summer 2023

### Bachelor of Arts

James Cierpiot

## Fall 2023

### Bachelor of Science

Cory Plattenburg  
Rachel Wilbanks

### Master of Arts

Rachel Wilbanks

## Spring 2024

### Bachelor of Arts

David Bregande

### Bachelor of Science

Sadie Britt  
John Granicke  
Edward Howard Jr.  
Kristen McDonald\*  
Maxwell Nieder  
Kadar Rudd  
Joseph Schneider  
Mitchell Spindler  
Mason Woehler

### Master of Arts

Mark Attwood\*



**Anne Winkler with Rachel Wilbanks BS/MA December 2023!**



**Don Kridel with MA grad Mark Attwood, May 2024!**



**New undergrads: Tim Tracy (August graduate), Alec Cochran (August graduate), Mason Woehler, Mitchell Spindler, John Granicke**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!**

\* Received Departmental Honors

## Faculty News

**Max Gillman** reports: I have been busy since last summer with teaching and research and visiting as Senior Fellow at the Corvinus Institute for Advanced Studies in Budapest. This great research environment allowed me to publish or have 4 forthcoming articles. Went to Paris in June 2023 for an energy economics conference, at which I presented the current revision of the paper- "Identifying Money and Inflation Expectation Shocks on Real Oil Prices", with Szilard Benk. Then sent it back forthwith and this first revision was accepted in Energy Economics, in print in October 2023 (<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eneco.2023.106878>). Did a SUERF Policy Brief (No 651) for this, where we rewrote the whole thing as an executive summary emphasizing the policy implications (<https://www.suerf.org/publications/suerf-policy-notes-and-briefs/identifying-money-and-inflation-expectation-shocks-on-real-oil-prices/>) for The European Money and Finance Forum. Then finished last summer a first revision for Economic Analysis and Policy (Q1 Journal of the Australian Economic Association), that was published in December 2023, with Szilard Benk and Tamas Csabafi : "Supply-Side Economics with AS-AD in Ramsey Dynamic General Equilibrium," Economic Analysis and Policy; vol. 80(C), pages 505-531, December. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eap.2023.08.020>. This publishes the aggregate supply and demand analysis that I teach in Advanced Macroeconomic Analysis Econ 5002, with applications to productivity and taxes. Meanwhile last summer, we did about the 10<sup>th</sup> revision for the Journal of Human Capital and had our paper accepted in July 2023: "A Human Capital Explanation of Real Business Cycles," Szilard Benk, Tamas Csabafi, Jing Dang, Max Gillman, Michal Kejak; Journal of Human Capital, accepted, forthcoming Summer 2024 (<https://www.journals.uchicago.edu/doi/10.1086/728088>). Proofs now finished for that. Also wrote that

up for its policy implications in a March 2024, SUERF Policy Brief, No. 815, The European Money and Finance Forum (<https://www.suerf.org/publications/suerf-policy-notes-and-briefs/a-human-capital-explanation-of-real-business-cycles/>). The fourth is with Adrian Pagan, a very well-known Australian econometrician, and just got the proofs: "Cycles and Their Important Shocks: Completing the Investigation," Macroeconomic Dynamics, accepted and forthcoming 2023. This we did starting around December 2022, with two revisions before acceptance just in April 2024.

Meanwhile a revise/reject paper has been resubmitted on a theoretical asset pricing model for interest rates with VECM testing and the finding of efficient markets. Presented this at a seminar in May at the KRTK Institute and am presenting it May 20 in Vienna at a conference as a plenary and giving a seminar on it in June at Corvinus. Have several companion papers related to this in various stages of completion.

Fun times near Istanbul in April where I was "a guest speaker, sharing your vision about "FUTURE OF GLOBAL ECONOMY", at a conference with the Turkiye Finance Minister starting off the day with his plenary address. The first 6 hours of the first day ( I was in the 3<sup>rd</sup> panel along with a former Greek Finance Minister and game theory economist) are on youtube (<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=mzQJ7pkI8I8&pp=ygUIdWV6IDIwMjQ%3D> ). I am seen answering the moderator (Head of HSBC, Turkiye) at 3 hours, 56 minute and 4 hours, 25 minute for my two sets of questions, which each of us in the panel were given. The conference is found at

<https://uludagekonomizirvesi.org/en/> . Photos are up in the Media section of maxgillman.com. Took place in Spanaca Turkiye, about 2 hours from Istanbul. I spoke a lot about inflation and interest rates, as related to my current research and recent book, The Spectre of Price Inflation (2023, Columbia University Press; USA), and closely to my course teaching. This invitation followed my first live TV interview for the Chinese CCAP station found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nz8NmOGSjX0> ; of course it was just economics and in particular inflation.

**Eiji Goto** has remained active in his research focusing on empirical macroeconomics. He has had two single-authored papers accepted for publication. The first paper titled "International Comovement of  $r^*$ : A Case Study of the G7 Countries" was published in the *Journal of Empirical Finance*. In this paper, he estimated the natural rate of interest - the theoretical interest rate when the economy is at the potential GDP - for the G7 countries. The second paper titled "Industry Impacts of US Unconventional Monetary Policy," was published at the *B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics*. In this paper, he examines the effects of unconventional monetary policy on industry output in the United States and finds disproportionate effects across industries. This academic year, he taught International Economic Analysis, Principles of Macroeconomics, and Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory. This fall, the oldest of his two children will be entering Kindergarten.

**Joe Hough** and his wife Carrie are now the parents of Austin and baby Ayla!



## Faculty News continued

### Tom and Kathy Ireland

continue to travel, taking one trip a month for short trips. Tom continues consulting even at age 82, and published a paper on "Economic Damages in the Death of a Minor Child in Missouri: The Debate over the 2005 Revision of §537.090," *Journal of Legal Economics*, early in 2024.



**Tom in his nearly-empty Tower office.**

**Don Kridel** continues to teach various micro and econometrics courses and to serve as the department's Director of Graduate Studies. Don's research focuses on applied econometrics, machine learning, and automating analytics/decision-making. He continues to work with Dr. Cole Thompson on the ROI of sustainability and environmental benefits associated with USGA investment in various Golf Course technologies.



Don officially completed his 31st year at UMSL. He, **Anne Winkler** (35 years) and **Brian Speicher** (20 years) attended the Chancellor's Career Milestone Event that celebrated years of service at UMSL.

Hot off her fall sabbatical, where **Professor Kosnik** conducted an analysis of Missouri's residential PACE (property assessed clean energy) program, she began the spring semester accepting the Senior Editorship for the inaugural Environmental Economics section of the journal *Cogent Economics & Finance*. In January she was also elected to a 3-year term on the Board of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists. It is said that a research professor's job changes over time, and often becomes more service-oriented as they get older, and this year in particular Prof. Kosnik can attest to the truth of this dictum!!

**Dave Rose**, now emeritus, is continuing his work on the US Commission on Civil Rights on a project that is dealing with balancing the rights of students to be exposed to certain kinds of theories and the rights of teachers to choose not to teach it. He published "Overcoming the Siren Song of Central Planning," in *Questioning the Mission Economy and the Entrepreneurial State* (Springer, 2024) and "Political Economy, Moral Reasoning, and Global Warming," in *Homo Curator: The Ethics of Consumption* (Springer 2024). His latest papers are "The Limits of Corporate responsibility" (with Dima Shamoun) and "An Economic Theory of the Origins of Culture" (with John Goodman). He presented "A Culture of Liberty" at Carberry Castle in Edinburgh, Scotland, and "Why is Liberty So Hard?" at The Mont Pelerin Society Meetings in Bretton-Woods, New Hampshire. He continues his work on *Big Civics* and **POWER: The making of the modern world**.

**Bob Sorensen** reported that with the departmental move to Clark Hall he was forced to eventually relinquish 50 years of materials that had accumulated in his office. As he parsed through these materials among other things, he found 50 year old mimeo macro-economic exams. (if you don't know what a mimeo is ask your grandparents.) He

said he laughed because it seems the questions haven't changed in 50 years, but answers sure have. In all seriousness, he said parsing through the material brought back many fond memories of UMSL economics.

**Anne Winkler** continues to serve as Alumni Coordinator—a role she really enjoys. She is gearing up for the 10th edition of her textbook with Francine Blau and working with Shirley Porterfield on a paper on teen time use. In personal news, both sons married within 6 weeks of each other in fall 2023. Slightly hectic but tremendously fun! Best of all she gained two wonderful daughters!

## SAD NEWS

**Donald C. Sweeney II**, former member of UMSL Econ, the Supply Chain & Analytics Department, and Associate Director of the Center for Transportation Studies passed away on November 18, 2023. Don dedicated over two decades to UMSL, joining in 2001, after a remarkable



career in the US Army Corp of Engineers. His expertise in the economics of inland waterway transportation earned him distinguished honors such as Service to America Medal for Advancements in Environment and Science in 2002 and Civil Servant of the Year by the United States Office of Special Counsel in 2001. Don was a dedicated and rigorous researcher, a patient and gifted teacher and a respected colleague. He will be greatly missed.

# Fall Picnic 2023!

October 15, 2023 at Irv Zeid Park



**Kadar Rudd, Kevin Hoehne (MA 2019), Natalie Orf (BS 2021) and Sarah Speicher (BS 2020)**



**Anne Winkler with Andrew Tipping (MA 2019)**



**Don Kridel at the BBQ per usual plus Eiji Goto and Brian Speicher**



**Tesla & Eva**



**Eiji Goto and Chair Mike Allison**



**Vincent, Rachel Wilbanks, Natalie Orf (BS 2021), Senita Chambly (BS 2022), Imogen Bennett (BS 2022), Maia Elkana (MA 2020), Sarah Speicher (BS 2020), Meghana Bachina**



**Kevin Hoehne (MA 2019) and daughter Jordyn**



**Tom and Kathy Ireland, Bill Nieman, Dave Rose**



**Mitch Downey (BS/MA 2007) and younger son Bruce with Eiji Goto and Brian Speicher**



**Frisbee ! Zach Whitford (BS/MA 2022), David Bregande, John Granicke, Asher Speicher, and Kaley Ware**

# More Photos from Fall Picnic 2023!



**Bill Nieman** (BS 1991, MA 1994), **Mike Allison** and **Bob Sorensen**



**CORN HOLE!**



**Natalie Orf** (BS 2021) and kids: River, Aria, and Terrance!



**Dave Rose** with **Lauren** and **Josh Ulrich** (BS/MA 2005)



**Passing scene**



Lucky recipients of UMSL Econ Red Cups: **Dat Le**, **Kadar Rudd** (BS 2024), **Josue Stores** (BA 2021)!



**Imogen Bennett** (BS 2022), **Zach Whitford** (BS/MA 2021) and **Rob** (BS/MA 2023) & **Mary Hall**



**Anne Winkler**, **Dawn Berry** (BS 2007) and **Bob Sorensen**



**Maia Elkana** (MA 2020), **Kailey Ware** and **Sarah Speicher** (BS 2020)



**Josh Ulrich** (BS/MA 2005) brought his whole family! **Lauren** plus **Nate**, **Eliana**, and **Eva**!

# April 2024 Spring Alumni Party!

## Tracie Edwards (MA 2021) received the ***UMSL Economics Outstanding Alumni Award***.

Tracie has taught part-time for UMSL Economics for *over 20 years!* She has taught... Econ 1000, Econ 1001, Econ 1002, and Econ 3100 (Econ Statistics). Passion, patience, compassion, extra office hours...

Tracie's former students came out in support and celebration!



**Rob Hall, Tracie, and Kaley Ware**



**Tracie with Senita Chambly and Imogen Bennett**



**Tracie with Anne Winkler**



**Tracie, Kristen McDonald, Rachel Wilbanks, Mark Attwood, Don Kridel**



**Imogen Bennett, Tracie, and Alex Lovell**



**Dat Le and Tracie**



**Tracie with husband Hugh and daughter Elaina**

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# Alumni Party Photos continued!



**Mike Moorhem with Ed Herhold**



**Kristen McDonald and Mark Attwood**



**Mike Allison, Tom Ireland, Kathy Ireland**



**David Rose & Julian Barnes**



**Imogen Bennett, Senita Chambly, Ade Fanegan with wife Keva, and David Becker**



**Josue Stores & Eiji Goto**



**Mike Allison, Bill Nieman and Jake Krutzsch**



**Maia Elkana, Anne Winkler, Kaley Ware**



**Brian Speicher and Tracie Edwards**



**Bob Sorenson, Dave Rose, Tom Ireland, Kathy Ireland, Bill Nieman (left to right)**



**David Becker & Alex Lovell**

## UMSL ECON ALUMNI GIVING

Due to ongoing campus policies, we are not allowed access to the names of those who have donated to the department, but we truly appreciate all those who have been so generous.

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS!

#### GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Economics (Unrestricted)

Economics Alumni Scholarship

Elizabeth M. Clayton Memorial Scholarship

Robert Loring Allen Memorial Scholarship

Robert Sorensen Scholarship

Sharon G. Levin Economics Scholarship

Sharon G. Levin ERC Support Fund

Manjarrez Hawn and Centene Charitable  
Foundation Scholarship in Economics

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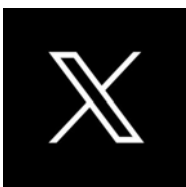
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