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# PAUL BEGALA & KARL ROVE

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A discussion from the New Albany Center for Civil Discourse and Debate

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#### An Evening with PAUL BEGALA & KARL ROVE

*7:00 p.m. A discussion from the New Albany Center for Civil Discourse and Debate* 

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#### PROGRAM

PAUL BEGALA Political Analyst and Commentator, CNN

KARL ROVE Former Deputy Chief of Staff, Political Strategist and Bestselling Author

> Moderated by COLLEEN MARSHALL Anchor, NBC4 and host of "NBC4's The Spectrum"

AUDIENCE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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the box office at the end of the program. Please see an usher or visit the box office if you have any questions.

# Dear Friends,

Tonight's program brings to a close the 2021-2022 New Albany Lecture Series Season. Believe it or not, this is our ninth season for the lecture series, which launched in 2014 with amazing speakers like T. Boone Pickens, Doris Kearns Goodwin and Fareed Zakaria.

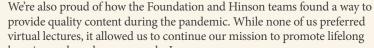
The Foundation Board of Trustees established a lofty goal -- to have one of the premier lecture series in the country. Nine years later, based on benchmarking against the best, we are confident in proclaiming that The New Albany Lecture Series is among the very best in the country.

Beyond the outstanding speakers we have hosted through the years, I'm especially proud of how we have addressed some of the most difficult and timely issues confronting our society. These include mental health and wellness, social justice, national security and civil discourse.

Through the years we have hosted diplomats, scholars, authors, historians, journalists, military commanders, national security experts, health and mental health advocates, social justice leaders and more. We have welcomed Nobel winners, Pulitzer winners and gold medal winners. All of them helped us promote lifelong learning, civil discourse and greater understanding on important issues.

I hope you enjoyed this season's outstanding speakers. The Foundation is proud to host influential thought

leaders such as Isabel Wilkerson, Abby Wambach, H.R. McMaster, Mary Louise Kelly, Paul Begala and Karl Rove. We are grateful to the lecture series sponsors who make quality programs like this possible. And we appreciate partners such as NBC4 and Colleen Marshall.



learning and reach more people. In fact, more than 27,000 area students have participated in the lectures since the series' inception.

We're also grateful to the Barbara & Phil Derrow family for supporting the New Albany Center for Civil Discourse and Debate, which is the primary sponsor of tonight's program. At a time when the political discourse in our country has too often descended into personal attacks, distortions and rhetoric, the center for civil discourse and debate offers a refreshing alternative. One that celebrates and models passionate debate and the free exchange of ideas and perspectives, but in a respectful, constructive manner.

We're grateful to the other sponsors of tonight's program recognized in the playbill. We appreciate all of the





Foundation donors and sponsors who are helping to build an extraordinary community. Through their generosity, everyone has access to enriching programming. I hope you'll join us for the 2022-2023 season, which begins in the fall. Until then, please stay healthy and enjoy your summer!

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# PAUL BEGALA

Political Analyst and Commentator, CNN

PAUL BEGALA is a political commentator, a professor of public policy, an author, and political strategist.

He is a commentator for CNN, where he is part of the political team that has won



both an Emmy Award and a Peabody Award. In addition to appearing on-air, Paul writes commentary for CNN, and, with over 200,000 Twitter followers, he has a robust social media presence as well.

Paul is the author of six books about politics, several of which were *New York Times* bestsellers. In the 1990's Paul helped his friend John F. Kennedy, Jr. launch the political magazine *George* and wrote the "Capitol Hillbilly" column. Paul has taught at three universities: The University of Texas at Austin, where he taught in the School of Journalism; the University of Georgia, where he taught in the School of Law; and Georgetown University, where he has been an Affiliated Professor of Public Policy in the McCourt School of Public Policy for 19 years.

Begala burst on the political scene in 1992 as a senior strategist for Bill Clinton's presidential campaign. He served as Counselor to the President in the White House, helping coordinate policy, politics, and media. Before working for President Clinton, Paul worked on Capitol Hill and advised campaigns across America. In 2012 he played a crucial role in the Obama-Biden re-election campaign. Paul has also done campaign work overseas, including in Israel, Europe, South America, the Caribbean, and Africa.

Former President Bill Clinton described his longtime friend and former aide as, "a witty dynamo from Sugar Land, Texas...who brought energy, focus and credibility to our efforts."



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# KARL ROVE

Former Deputy Chief of Staff, Political Strategist and Bestselling Author

KARL ROVE, an iconic political strategist and one of the most sought-after political pundits of our time, is best known for his provocative and robust knowledge of major political issues. Rove served as Senior Advisor and Deputy Chief of Staff to President George W. Bush. Before the White House, he ran Rove + Co., a Texas based public affairs firm that

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consulted on over 75 GOP campaigns for Senator, Governor, Congress and statewide offices in 24 states. Rove writes a weekly op-ed for the *Wall Street Journal*, appears frequently on the Fox News Channel, and is the author of the *New York Times* bestseller *Courage and Consequence*. His latest book is *The Triumph of William McKinley*.

Rove was described by author and columnist Michael Barone as "...unique...no Presidential appointee has ever had such a strong influence on politics and policy, and none is likely to do so again anytime soon." *Washington Post* Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter David Broder wrote that Rove was a master political strategist whose "game has always been long term...and he plays it with an intensity and attention to detail that few can match." Conservative

editor and columnist Fred Barnes, called him "the greatest political mind of his generation and probably of any generation... He knows history, understands the moods of the public and is a visionary on matters of public policy."

From major international conferences to college campuses and intimate corporate events, Karl Rove's shrewd analysis helps him resonate with audiences. Sponsors hosting Rove have reported his remarks "were extremely insightful and very helpful to our industry leaders" (Edison Electric Institute); "stimulating and valuable" (The Fraser Institute); and "provocative, lively and thoughtful" (Nomura); with audiences "often erupting in applause" (Wabash College) and his presentations consistently praised as "one of the highest-rated" (The TriZetto Group).

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# COLLEEN MARSHALL

Anchor, NBC4 and host of "NBC4's The Spectrum"

Colleen came to NBC4 as a general assignment reporter in 1984 and was promoted to anchor of NBC4's weekend news in 1987. She became co-anchor of NBC4's weekday news programs in 1992.



Colleen received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Point Park University in Pittsburgh. In 2004, Colleen graduated from the Capital University School of Law in Columbus, where she was the recipient of a Trustee's Scholarship, was named to the dean's list and was a member of Law Review and the National Moot Court Team. She passed the bar exam in 2004 and is a practicing attorney.

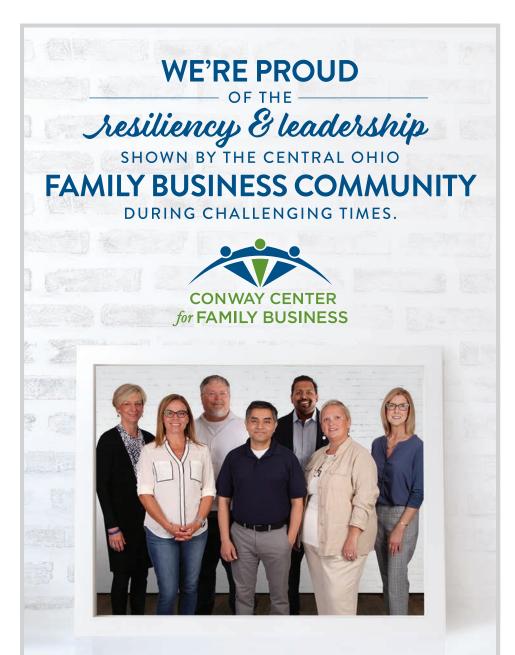
In May 2020 Colleen was honored with a national Gracie Award from the Alliance for Women in Media Foundation. AWMF recognized Colleen for her outstanding investigative series "Culture of Cover-Up," that exposed the abuse of hundreds of young men over a period of two decades at the hands of an Ohio State University doctor.

In 2018 Colleen was named a Silver Circle honoree by the

Ohio Valley Chapter of the National Association of Television Arts and Sciences, an award given to individuals who have devoted at least 25 years to broadcasting, and who have made an enduring contribution to the television industry and their community.

Colleen has received multiple media and community service awards, including eight regional Emmy awards from NATAS. Notably, she won four Emmys for the health program "I Want To Go Home; A Journey Through Alzheimer's" that documented her mother's decade-long struggle with the disease. She also received an Associated Press Award for that series in 2012, and was honored for her work by the Central Ohio Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. In 2018, Colleen won an Emmy for political reporting for her coverage of drastic state budget cuts at the Bureau of Children with Medical Handicaps. Her coverage of the presidential election, "The Fight for Ohio," won an Emmy in 2004. She also received an Emmy for historical reporting for coverage of the renovation of Ellis Island. Colleen won an Associated Press Best Enterprise Reporting Award for "Ashville Drug Bust" in 2010.

Colleen has had two one-on-one interviews with President Barack Obama, one of which was in the White House. Her most memorable story was being in New York City for a week, covering the aftermath of the September 11 terrorist attacks.



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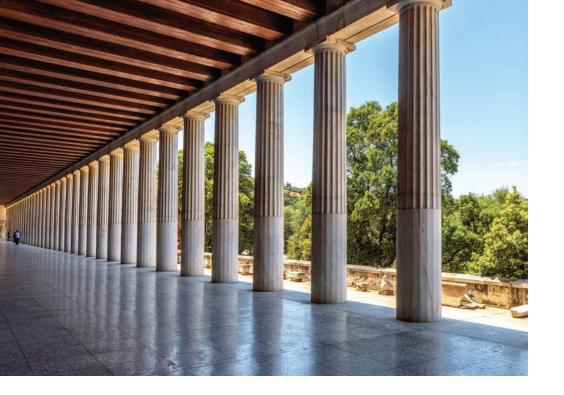
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KeyBank and KeyBanc Capital Markets are pleased to partner with The New Albany Community Foundation to sponsor its lecture series and the meaningful community conversation it inspires. The need for constructive dialog on topics that matter in a healthy and respectful way is essential for building understanding and moving us forward as a community and society. We appreciate the foundation's educational programs and are proud to support them.



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We believe building a better world starts at home and each investment we have made in Central Ohio is making a difference. When our communities succeed, we all succeed.

Thank you for joining us at the New Albany lecture series and I hope you find tonight's session thought-provoking and inspiring.

Best, Lara DeLeone KeyBank Market President Central Ohio and Managing Director, Public Sector



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Rooted in the belief that community service is an essential part of good corporate citizenship – Turner's commitment to educational outreach aligns with The New Albany Lecture Series community dialog for civil discourse and relatable issues.

As advocates of community outreach, Turner actively participates in, and sponsors, a wide variety of programs that support youth education, health and welfare, military service members and improving the viability of local businesses. We're particularly grateful that the lectures are made available to senior citizens, veterans, currently serving military and disadvantaged youth.

Over the past months, our country has experienced growing division and political fracture characterized by rancor and vitriol. Given this current environment, opportunities for civil discourse and debate within the community is critical as we strive to be informed citizens. Our company too, has provided our employees with programs that educate and provide opportunities to discuss similar issues. We applaud the Foundation and the New Albany Center for Civil Discourse and Debate – a national model for civil conversation.

Turner is particularly proud to support the Foundation's student lecture series, through which more than 27,000 students representing 50 schools across central Ohio, have participated in interactive discussions with influential thought leaders. The Foundation provides access, furnishes books authored by the speakers to the students and often provides transportation to the various school districts so they can participate.

Congratulations to The New Albany Community Foundation, the New Albany Center for Civil Discourse and Debate, all the schools and students that participated and the other sponsors who support this impactful programming. Turner is proud to join you in strengthening our community!





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~ George Orwell, "1984"

Welcome to this evening's program sponsored by the New Albany Center for Civil Discourse and Debate. Now in our fourth year, it is again an honor for our family to present this event in conjunction with The New Albany Community Foundation and this Lecture Series.

Each year of our program, we've introduced it with quotes from history to help frame the challenges of our time. The ease with which words from the past can be found to illuminate the present is a reminder there is little that's truly new in the course of human events. Names, dates, and technologies change but the essence of our struggle to make sense of what's happening around us and to choose a path to follow, both individually and collectively, remains.

What has changed in just the past decade or so is the exponential growth in the volume and sources of information available to us at the click of a button or even the sound of your voice to an always listening automated assistant in your home, office, or the palm of your hand.

Orwell's text asks us to question what we think is true as well as the sources of information we use to find the answers. It also asks us to question whether and how we are being manipulated to believe some sources over others as misinformation, disinformation, and propaganda reside side by side with truthful information, even from sources we may have been previously inclined to trust. We believe the answer is ultimately found when skepticism overrules cynicism and curiosity overrules contentment.

It is in that spirit that we continue to bring these programs to you. It is our wish that by listening to competing viewpoints you will be prompted to ask more questions and to hold the sources of the answers to high standards of evidence, regardless of the topic at hand, or the title, credential, or group affiliation of those sources.

Tonight's discussion features Paul Begala and Karl Rove, again moderated by long-time Central Ohio Journalist Colleen Marshall.

Thank you to our guests and audience for choosing to spend your evening with us.

#### Phil, Barb, and Anna Derrow, Founders

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So, what then?

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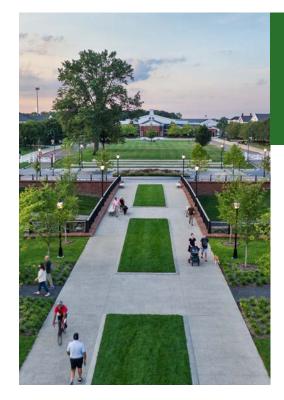


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Thank you to the members of the 2021-2022 Lifelong Learning Circle who help provide student access to inspiring speakers:

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A priority for the Foundation moving forward is to endow The New Albany Lecture Series. This will enable the Foundation to continue to present high-quality speakers while keeping lectures accessible to the entire community, including students, senior citizens and veterans. Additionally, endowing The New Albany Lecture Series would allow the Foundation to continue to invest in other transformative projects and initiatives in the community. Already, several families have established endowment funds to support the series.

If you are interested in establishing a fund or simply making a contribution to The New Albany Lecture Series Endowment Fund, please contact Craig Mohre at 614-939-8150 or <u>craigmohre@newalbanyfoundation.org</u> to support The New Albany Community Foundation's programming.



# STUDENT LECTURE

#### PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

Through the establishment of The New Albany Lecture Series, The New Albany Community Foundation has remained committed to enriching the education of students by providing opportunities for students to interact with inspiring speakers. Since 2014, the Foundation has welcomed students from the following schools and organizations to participate in The Student Lecture Series:

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# STUDENT LECTURE

More than 27,000 students from New Albany and other central Ohio schools have interacted with Foundation speakers as part of The New Albany Lecture Series.

Earlier today the Foundation hosted students from New Albany High School and other central Ohio schools at the Jeanne B. McCoy Community Center for the Arts for the student lecture featuring Paul Begala and Karl Rove. The lecture was also live streamed allowing hundreds of central Ohio students to participate virtually from their schools.

"I found this event extremely insightful from the perspective of a student and citizen. I was able to gain a better understanding of our government's operations, and to become more informed on current political issues the country faces."

-Max Little New Albany H.S. Student



"I think that events like The New Albany Lecture Series are more than beneficial, they are necessary. Opening our eyes to other things in the world and broadening our perspectives leads to a civically engaged and well-rounded community."

-Kathryn Selfe Licking Valley H.S. Student



"I'm grateful to have the opportunity to listen to individuals who are successful in their field and have valuable advice to share. After each lecture, I'm inspired to apply what I learn in order to better my community."

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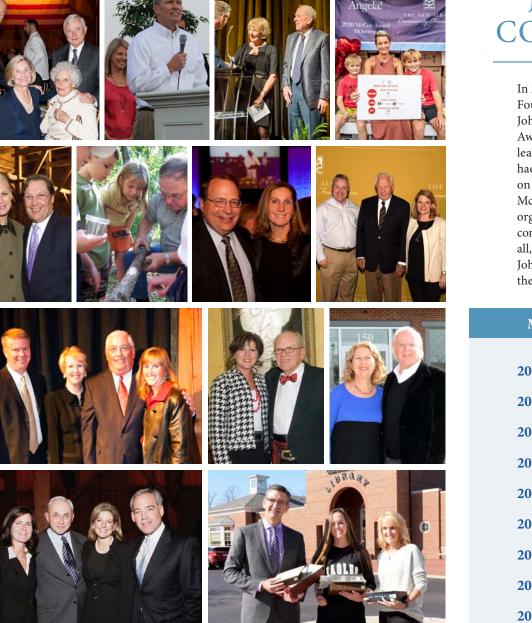
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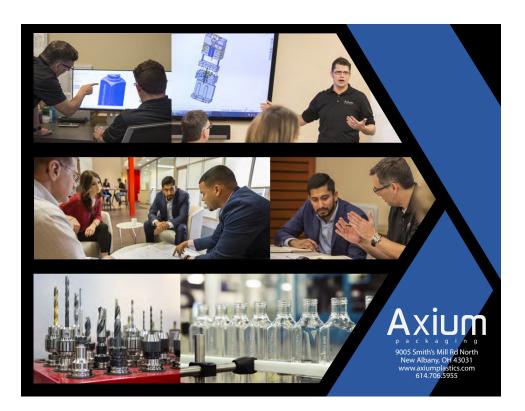


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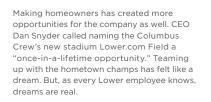






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# REMARKABLE IMPACT

Giving is its own reward. Sometimes it also has tangible results. New Albany is a case study in what can be achieved by a community that develops a strong culture of caring.

When The New Albany Community Foundation was established in 1995, few residents could imagine someday building an amphitheater in the Village Center. Few dared to dream of a performing arts venue that hosts hundreds of events each year. The idea of a public library, let alone a library garden, was still a long shot. No thought of upgrading the athletic field of the high school stadium. It was almost impossible to conceive of restoring the once-forlorn Rose Run as a beautiful park with a majestic pedestrian bridge connecting Market Square with the Learning Community Campus.

In the past 25 years, New Albany has accomplished all this and more. The community has learned how to imagine new possibilities—and turn vision into reality. Each new milestone highlights the generosity of local families and companies, as well as the importance of collaboration among public and private entities.

Even amid the trials of the global pandemic, the community has worked together to support neighbors in need. With an eye toward the future, the Foundation continues to organize transformative community investments in lifelong education, the arts, health and wellness, and environmental sustainability.

#### Charlotte P. Kessler Library

It was in 2002 that the community first unleashed its capacity to build. Together with the Columbus Metropolitan Library, the Foundation raised funds to build and open the

New Albany branch library. The Kessler Family, headed by Charlotte and Jack Kessler, gave a leadership gift that helped inspire others to contribute, too. Dedicated in 2003, the Charlotte P. Kessler Library became one of the most used branches in the system. A tribute to Charlotte's longtime advocacy for libraries, it's also the civic and architectural anchor of Market Square.

#### Charleen & Charles Hinson Amphitheater

In September 2021, the Foundation was thrilled to dedicate the Charleen & Charles Hinson Amphitheater. Conveniently adjoining The McCoy, this open-air theater provides an intimate garden setting for performing arts and events in New Albany's Village Center. The opening of this wonderful cultural space reflects the generosity of the Hinson family and many other contributors, and our ongoing collaboration with public entities. Conceived as a fusion of architecture and landscape, the amphitheater features lush greenery and a timber bandshell canopy facing a series of flexible audience seating areas. Classical architectural details are paired with natural materials and warm amber lighting to create a magical atmosphere, welcoming audiences of all ages.





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Marie Luise & Michael Marx Family Reading Garden Earlier this year, another civic asset debuted at the library. The Marie Luise & Michael Marx Family Reading Garden is a peaceful, reflective space nestled between the library and Rose Run Park. Café tables and chairs, a fountain and a beautiful lawn invite visitors to relax in a beautiful setting. As New Albany city leaders long envisioned, and thanks to the Marx Family's substantial gift, community members can now stroll easily from the library garden to Rose Run Park, the green corridor in the center of town.

#### **Raines Crossing**

Spanning Rose Run Creek is Raines Crossing, a graceful bridge and promenade that connects the learning community campus with the library and Market Square. Made possible by a leadership gift from Sandy Raines and Ron Cadieux, it's a beautiful work of architecture that makes the park safer and more inviting for students and residents of all ages. Enhanced trails, play areas, and scenic overlooks, beautifully planned by the City, allow community members to explore and enjoy the restored natural waterway as never before.

#### Jeanne B. McCoy Community Center for the Arts

The Hinson Amphitheater has a special kinship with its next-door neighbor, The Jeanne B. McCoy Community Center for the Arts, dedicated in 2008, prefigured the Hinson Amphitheater in placing the arts at the heart of the community. The McCoy has been the community's gathering place for all manner of performances and educational events, including the Foundation's perennially sold-out New Albany Lecture Series. It was made possible by a leadership gift from John G. McCoy in honor of his late wife, Jeanne, who loved the arts and education. Exemplifying public-private partnership, The McCoy serves a tremendous array of community members, drawing audiences from New Albany and beyond.

#### Philip Heit Center for Healthy New Albany

Health and wellness are core values to so many community members. Phil Heit, a holistic health and fitness advocate, founded the New Albany Walking Club and the nonprofit Healthy New Albany. These initiatives in turn gave rise to the local farmers market, community garden, and Healthy New Albany magazine. After the City of New Albany built the Philip Heit Center for Healthy New Albany in 2014, Phil donated his time to lead this multi-faceted organization. He and his wife Sheryl Heit also donated funds to endow its









#### **Veterans Field**

The Foundation was honored to facilitate a campaign led by a group of New Albany families to raise funds to install an all-weather turf field at New Albany High School. With improved drainage and "bounce," the new surface has allowed more athletic clubs and the band to practice and perform on the field year-round. Many parents and others donated to this successful campaign. When Jackie and Ken Krebs made a leadership gift, they opted to name the stadium "Veterans Field" in honor of military veterans in their families and across the community.

#### **Grassroots Efforts**

It's not just the largest philanthropic initiatives that define our community. Smaller, grassroots efforts also illustrate the way New Albany comes together to make a difference. Among many such inspiring examples are the Miracle League of New Albany, which allows differently abled children to play baseball on an accessible field, and the Michael Lucey Memorial Courts, named in tribute to a local student athlete who died tragically. Several community groups have also raised funds to preserve and restore historic architectural landmarks like the Ealy House along Rose Run Creek and the Phelps House in the Village Center. In these and other philanthropic endeavors, the community has shown great character.

#### **Giving Forward**

New Albany's culture of giving would not be what it is today without Abigail and Les Wexner. When the Wexners made New Albany their home, they dreamed of a community where people not only live well, but also invest in others' well-being. Their contributions to New Albany over the years include land for schools and parks, funding for community initiatives, and hosting the Foundation's annual Remarkable Evening Benefit. More than giving back, they aim to "give forward" to benefit generations to come. The Foundation acknowledges the Wexners' many generous contributions as well as their role in cultivating a widespread culture of giving and mutual care that transcends any single donor.

These are just a few of the milestones that show the community's commitment to shared vision and transformative impact. With continued generosity, hard work and collaboration, there is no limit to what New Albany can dream of and accomplish. ~















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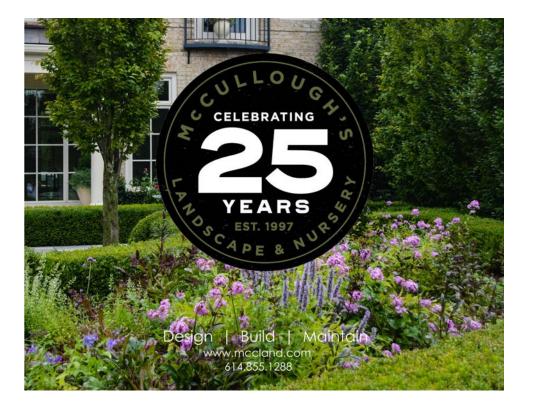








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