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W. KIMRYN RATHMELL, MD, PHD, MMHC
CEO of The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center -
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PROGRAM

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Dear Friends, Donors and Sponsors:

Welcome to the first lecture of our 2025-2026 season! This launches our 13th year of presenting lectures that bring our community together. All told, more than 75 speakers have appeared on stage at The McCoy through The New Albany Lecture Series.



It's also The New Albany Community Foundation's 30th anniversary this year. As we celebrate 30 years of impact, we remain grateful to all of the families, businesses and organizations who have supported the Foundation through the years and our public partners.

The Foundation's mission is to build an extraordinary community that celebrates lifelong learning, health and wellness, arts and culture and a sustainable environment.

One of the most impactful ways we promote lifelong learning is through the lecture series. It provides a platform for community dialogue, civil discussion and debate, an open exchange of ideas and perspectives and simply put, a way for people to interact in a respectful way with one another. We believe this is important, perhaps now more than ever.

Tonight, we welcome an American treasure, Robin Roberts. Roberts is an award-winning journalist and a cancer survivor who shared openly her journey through treatments and in doing so inspired others experiencing the same challenges. We are grateful to Doug Ulman of Pelotonia and Orli for serving as the discussion moderator and to Kimryn Rathmell, MD, PhD, recently appointed CEO of The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center – The James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute, for opening the program.

I encourage you to peruse the program, which recognizes all the sponsors who make these unique opportunities possible. We appreciate all of you who support the lecture series!

I also encourage those of you who live in or near New Albany to learn more about "Jeans for Green New Albany" – a program launched by the Foundation and running through October 10th to help families in need and to create a more sustainable environment. Please visit newalbanyfoundation.org/jeans to learn more.

Thanks for attending tonight's lecture. We hope to see you at future lectures this season!

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ROBIN ROBERTS

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ROBIN ROBERTS is co-anchor of ABC's "Good Morning America." Under her leadership, the broadcast has won numerous Emmy Awards for Outstanding Morning Program, and the 2017 People's Choice Award for Favorite Daytime TV Hosting Team.

In 2014, Roberts launched Rock'n Robin Productions, an independent production company creating original broadcast and digital programming. Current series include the award-winning "Thriver Thursday" digital series, the "Robin Roberts Presents" banner of scripted and

documentary projects for the Lifetime Television Network, and "Turning the Tables with Robin Roberts" for Disney+.

Roberts began contributing to "Good Morning America" in 1995 and was named co-anchor in May 2005. Prior to that, Roberts was a host of ESPN's "SportsCenter" and contributed to "NFL PrimeTime."

Roberts was diagnosed with breast cancer in June 2007, and five years later, she was diagnosed with MDS. Roberts underwent a bone marrow transplant, her sister Sally-Ann was a perfect match. Her story triggered an outpouring of support from across the nation. She joined forces with Be the Match to inform the public about the need for more donors, and since her diagnosis, the bone marrow registry has seen a tremendous increase.

Her battle has been recognized with awards and honors from organizations around the country, including The Susan G. Komen Foundation and The Congressional Families Cancer Prevention Program. Roberts was also honored with a George Foster Peabody Award and Gracie Award. Additionally, Roberts was recognized with the Arthur Ashe Courage Award at the ESPY's in July 2013 for the strength and courage she has displayed throughout her life and career.

Roberts graduated cum laude from Southeastern Louisiana University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in communications. She was a standout performer on the women's basketball team, ending her career as one of the school's all-time leading scorers and rebounder. In 2012, Roberts was named an inductee to the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame.

Roberts is the author of *From the Heart: 7 Rules to Live By and Everybody's Got Something*. Her third book *Brighter By The Day: Waking Up to New Hopes and Dreams* debuted in 2022.

Roberts is a native of the Mississippi Gulf Coast and currently resides in New York City. ~

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DOUG ULMAN

Pelotonia Vice Chair & Founder, Orli



DOUG ULMAN is a three-time cancer survivor and serves as the Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors at Pelotonia, which was established in 2008 with the objective to fund lifesaving cancer research. Doug is also a seasoned investor and entrepreneur, and he founded Orli in 2022 to shine a light on our biggest societal problems and the entrepreneurial talent arriving to solve them. Through his work with Orli, Doug identifies and connects the world's most audacious social entrepreneurs with the resources they need to succeed.

Social entrepreneurship and cancer advocacy have defined Doug's professional trajectory since he overcame chondrosarcoma during his sophomore year of college, followed by two subsequent diagnoses of malignant melanoma. As a young cancer survivor, Doug and his family founded the Ulman Foundation to ensure that all young adults impacted by cancer have a voice and the necessary resources to thrive. With funding from an Echoing Green Fellowship, Doug served as Executive Director of the organization for four years before joining the LIVESTRONG Foundation in 2001 as Director of Survivorship. He went on to lead LIVESTRONG as President and Chief Executive Officer, establishing the organization as the global leader in cancer survivorship.

Doug recently served as a Hauser Leader at Harvard Kennedy School Center for Public Leadership and speaks frequently at some of the nation's most acclaimed festivals and conferences including the Social Good Summit, the Inc. 500 I 5000 Conference, the Aspen Ideas Festival, the Clinton Global Initiative University, TEDxAustin, SXSW Interactive and YPO Chapters across the country. Doug has also spoken to and consulted with numerous Fortune 100 companies and fast-growing startups. Doug's personal story and his leadership accomplishments have been featured on major media outlets including *The New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, *Forbes*, *Sports Illustrated*, NBC News, ABC News and MSNBC, among many others. Doug has been honored with many accolades including twice being named on the *Non-Profit Times*' Power and Influence Top 50 Non-Profit Executives list, an honor bestowed on the top non-profit leaders in the United States. Doug was also named CEO of the Year: Large Non-Profit by *Columbus CEO Magazine* in 2017 and the PR Professional of the Year by the Public Relations Society of America in 2013.

Doug currently holds numerous board positions for organizations such as the Ulman Foundation, Athletes for Hope, ROOT Insurance, and Signal Ohio. He is also an active member of the Young Presidents' Organization (YPO) and The Columbus Partnership. Doug served for four years on the National Cancer Institute Director's Consumer Liaison Group and has served on the Board of the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC), the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, as well as many other philanthropic, healthcare, and entrepreneurial ventures.

Doug lives in Columbus, Ohio with his wife Amy Grace and their two children, Clara and Sam. Follow him on Twitter (@dougulman) and Instagram (dougulman) and connect with him on Facebook (Doug Ulman). ~



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*CEO of The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center -
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DR. KIMRYN RATHMELL is the Chief Executive Officer for the James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute of The Ohio State University. She holds the Jeri B. Block and Robert H. Schottenstein Distinguished Chair in Cancer, and oversees the cancer program for The Ohio State University. Formerly the 17th director of the National Cancer Institute, serving from December 18, 2023 to January 20, 2025, she also previously led the Vanderbilt University Medical Center as physician-in-chief and chair of the Department of Medicine.

With a specialty in the research and treatment of complex and hereditary kidney cancers, Dr. Rathmell also focuses on underlying drivers of kidney cancers using genetic, molecular, and cell biology to develop interventions to improve patients' lives. Beyond her research interests, Dr. Rathmell is also a steadfast champion for mentorship and development of early career researchers.

Dr. Rathmell earned undergraduate degrees in biology and chemistry from the University of Northern Iowa and her Ph.D. in biophysics and M.D. from Stanford University. She completed an internal medicine internship at the University of Chicago and an internal medicine residency, medical oncology fellowship, and postdoctoral studies at the University of Pennsylvania. She earned a Masters of Management in Health Care from Vanderbilt University in 2022. Dr. Rathmell is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the National Academy of Medicine. ~



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It was life-changing news for Mindy, but after six months of treatment, she learned that she was cancer-free.

Mindy's remarkable story underscores the power of early detection and inspires the doctors, researchers and all of us at the OSUCCC – James.

Everyone has been touched by cancer – whether personally, through a loved one or a friend – and that reality fuels our commitment to excellence in patient care and to making medical breakthroughs.

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W. Kimryn Rathmell, MD, PhD, MMHC

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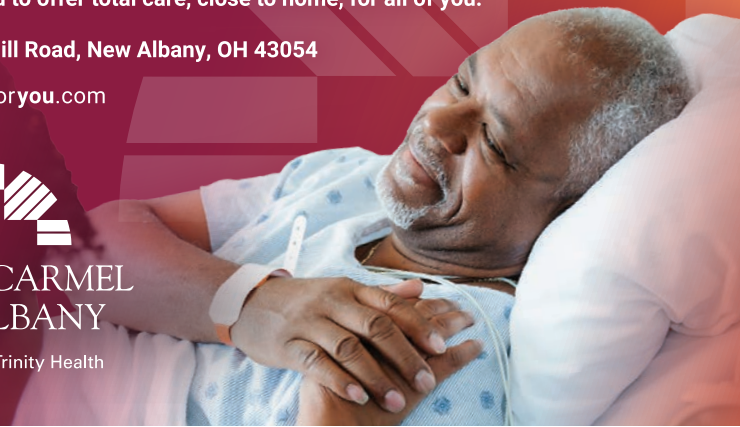
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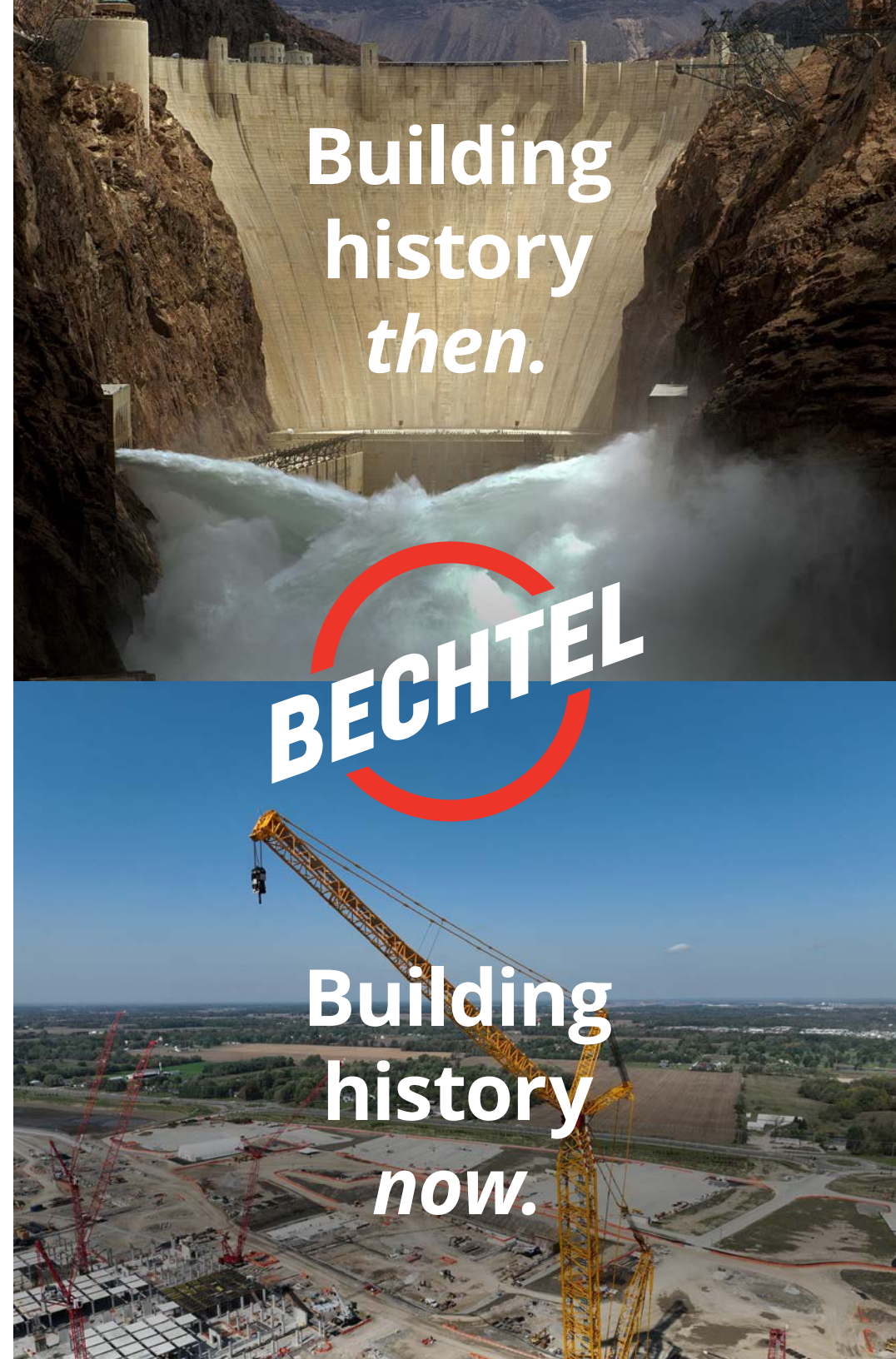
A priority for the Foundation moving forward is to endow The New Albany Lecture Series. This will enable the Foundation to continue to present high-quality speakers while keeping lectures accessible to the entire community, including students, senior citizens and veterans. Additionally, endowing The 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 craigmohre@newalbanyfoundation.org to support The New Albany Community Foundation's programming.





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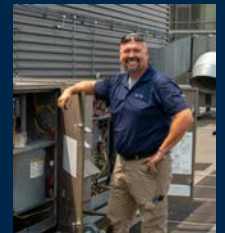
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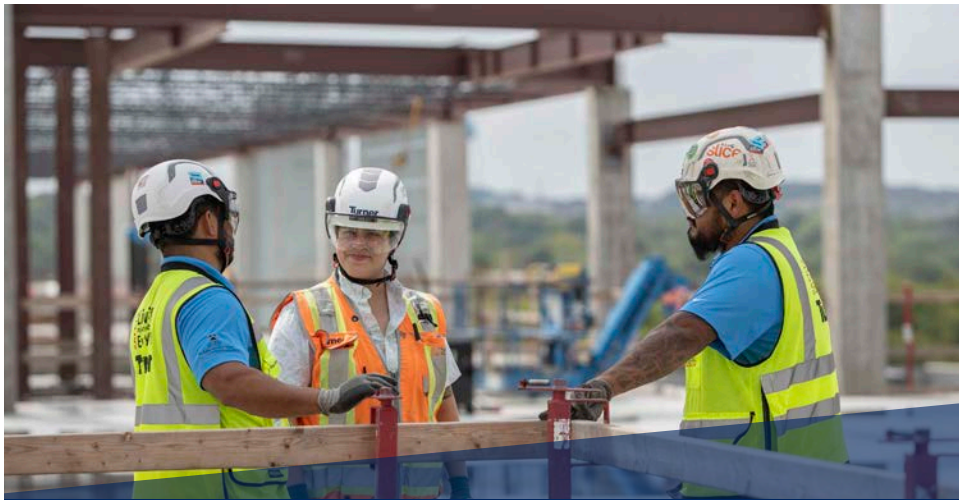
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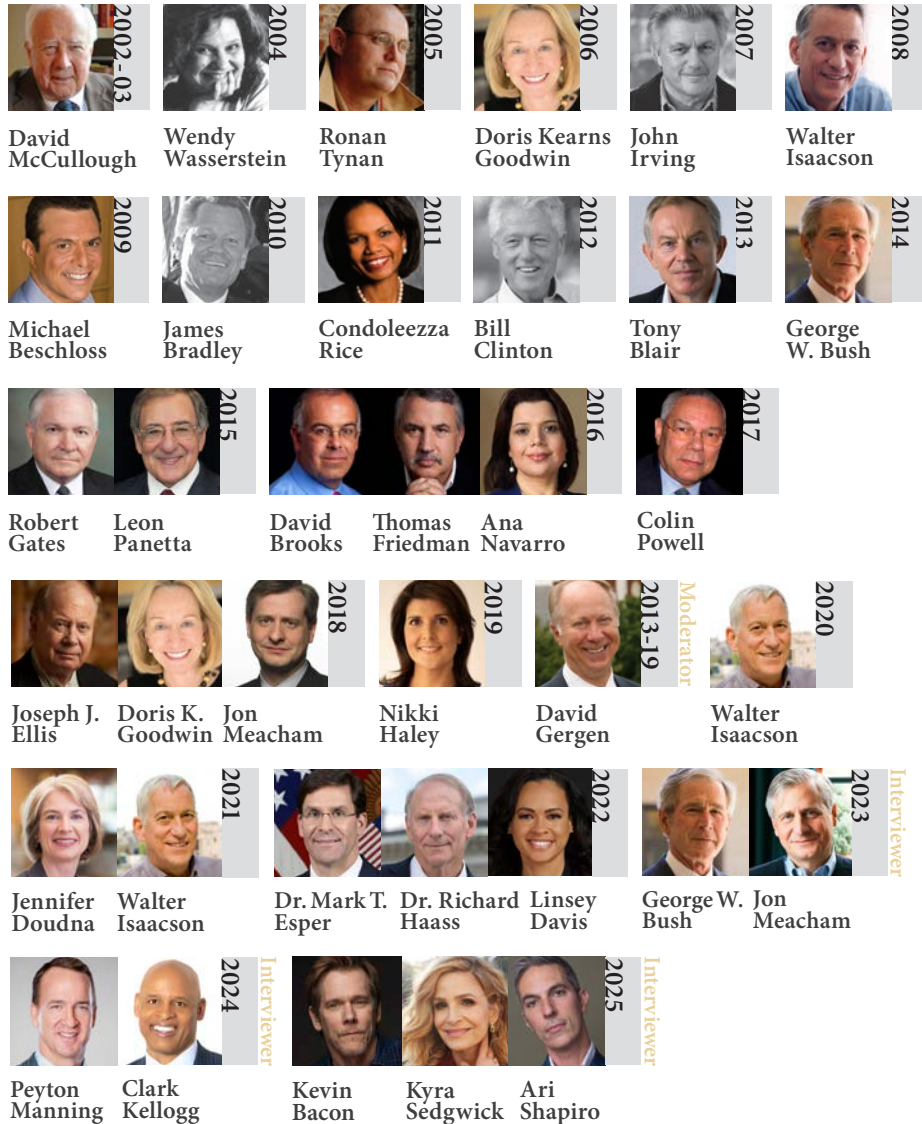
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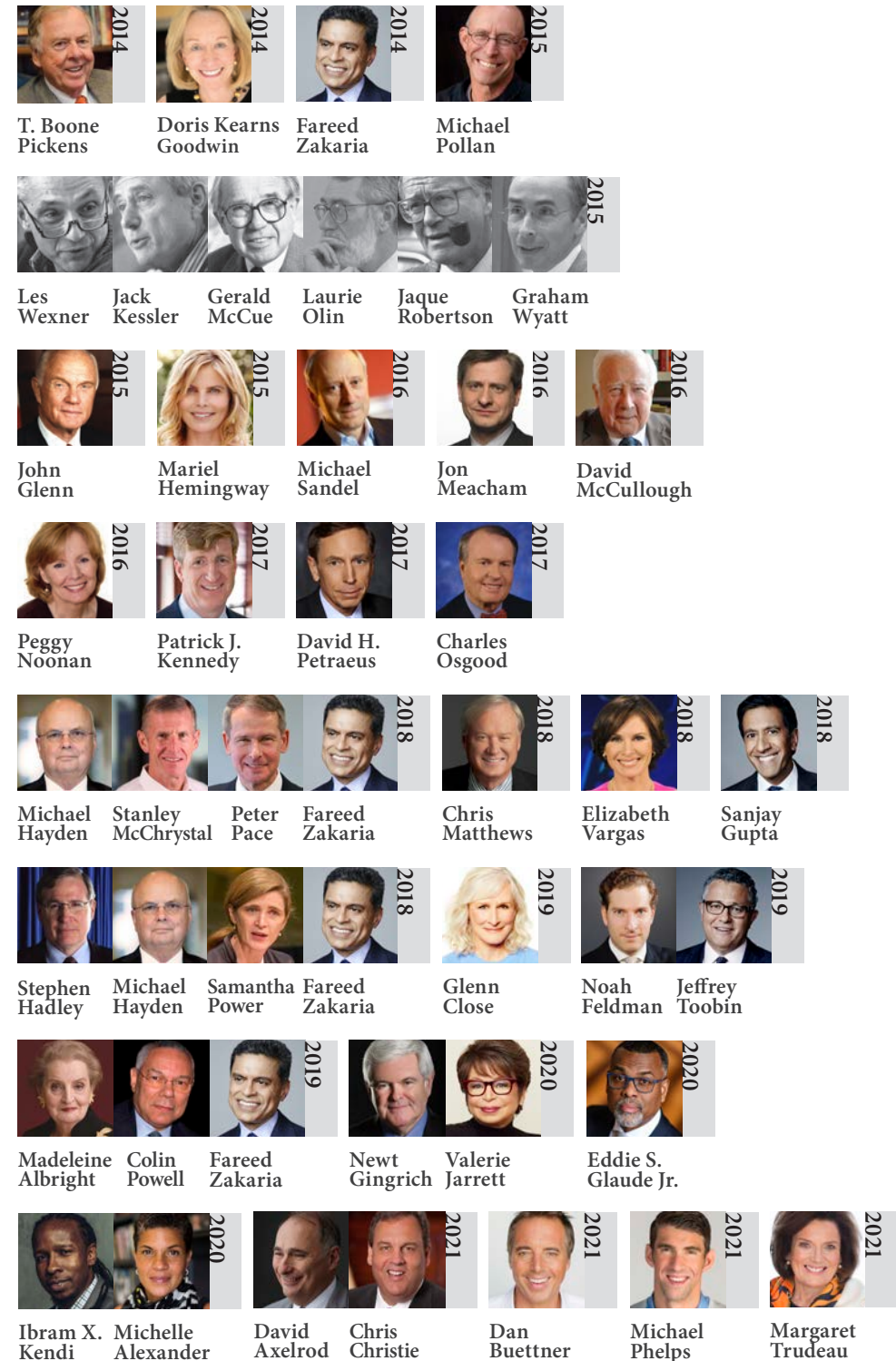
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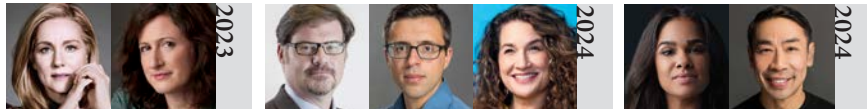
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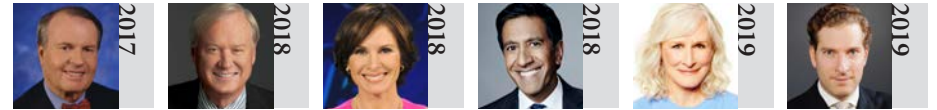
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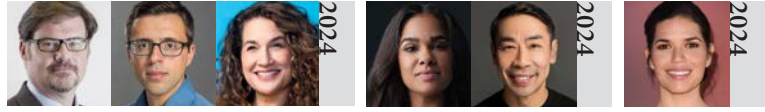
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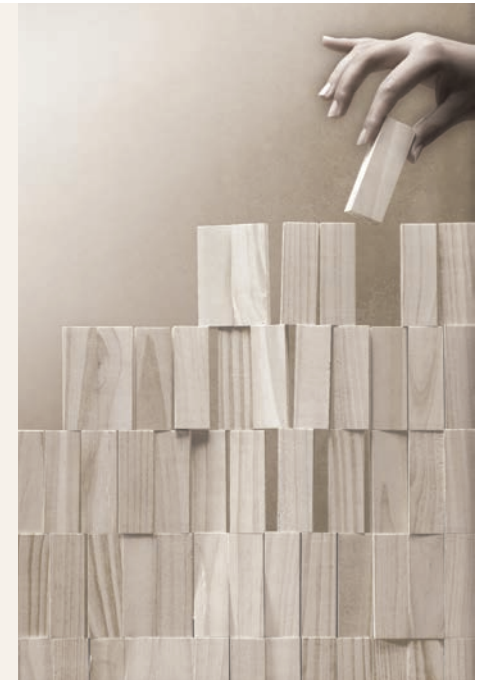
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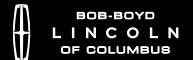
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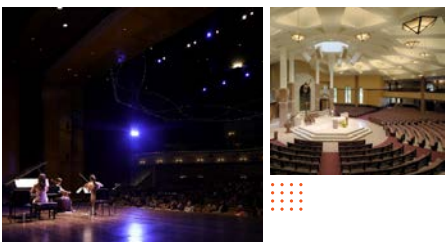
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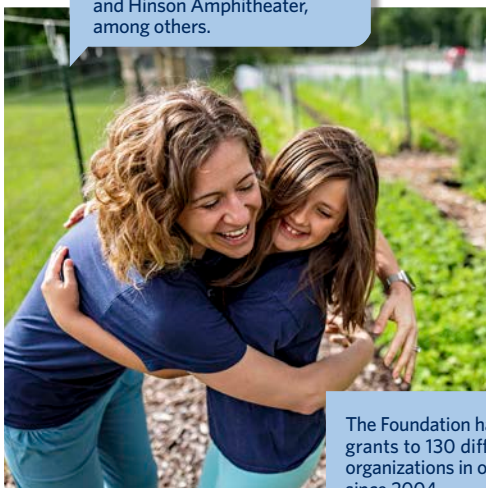
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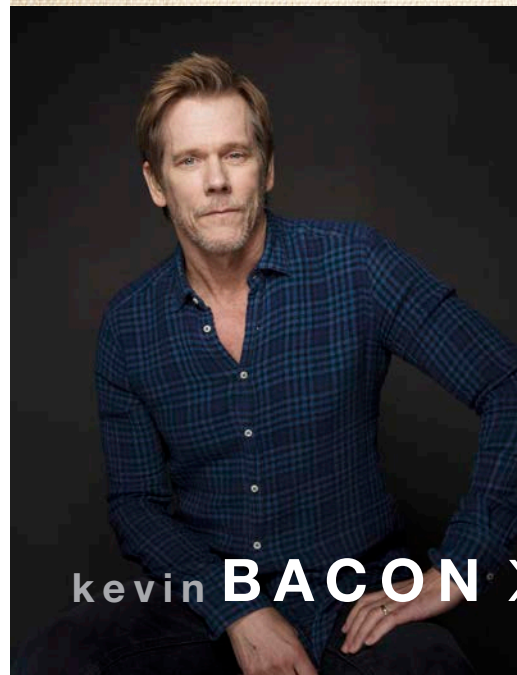


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