

# ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT

The Office of Alumni Engagement connects and engages Kettering University alumni, providing networking, volunteering and mentoring opportunities.

Each year, programming includes regional alumni receptions, an alumni award celebration ceremony, Alumni Connections Week, engagement via Kettering's NetworkK platform, as well as volunteer opportunities, like returning to campus as an SAC speaker, making a difference in the lives of current students.

**Alumni Connections Week** began in 2018 in partnership with the Kettering/GMI Alumni Association. Every September, this one week event is devoted to alumni celebrating their alma mater and fellow graduates. Events are hosted by alums throughout the United States to bring alumni of all ages together, reuniting old classmates, as well as connecting alumni who have never met one another.

**NetworkK (Powered by PeopleGrove)** is Kettering's online hub that gives Kettering/GMI graduates, current students, faculty and staff access to the social resources and networks needed to realize their full potential. This platform offers alumni the opportunity to actualize real-world connections for informational interviews, classroom/event speakers, experiential projects, job postings, interest groups, mentorship opportunities and more.

**The Kettering/GMI Alumni Association** unites and furthers the interests of alumni by fostering and assisting in the realization of the ideals of the university in order to stimulate and encourage loyalty towards the institution, provide financial assistance for educational programs, serve as a sounding board for University leadership and supporting appropriate university-sponsored alumni activities.

The KGMIAA Board is comprised of seven committees:

1. Alumni Awards
2. Alumni Involvement and Events
3. Directorship
4. Discounts and Benefits
5. Fundraising
6. Social Media and Communications
7. Student Recruitment

Each year The Kettering/GMI Alumni Association and Kettering University recognizes outstanding and notable alumni for their professional and personal achievements with the following awards:

1. Alumni Service
2. Civic Achievement
3. Distinguished Alumnus/Alumna
4. Engineering Achievement
5. Entrepreneurial Achievement
6. Extraordinary Leadership
7. Management Achievement
8. Young Alumni

**The Student Alumni Council (SAC)** is jointly supported by The Alumni Engagement Office and the Kettering/GMI Alumni Association. This student organization provides its members with public speaking opportunities, as well as teamwork and leadership experiences. First

formed in 1976, SAC continues to serve as a link between students and alumni. In addition to supporting student and alumni activities, SAC invites Kettering alumni to speak with current students about their time at Kettering, professional development and career path.