

# LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

In the Christian faith, there is a song that goes something like this.

**“Grateful, grateful, grateful, grateful, grateful, grateful...gratefulness is flowing from my heart.”**

I am so thankful that Dr. Freeman Hrabowski III met Mr. Meyerhoff in 1988. It is an unexplainable joy and a blessing to give back to this exceptional program.

We need your continued assistance to support this program. Come and help with the **Stress Buster on Monday, December 10, 2018, from 6-9:00pm in the UMBC Ballroom**. We also need an army of people to help with the **Senior Reception in May 2019** and the **Annual Business Meeting in September 2019**. Financial contributions are needed so that the Meyerhoff Parents Association (MPA) can continue aiding students in financial distress. Your financial donations will have a direct impact on a student’s ability to continue their education. Please give to this wonderful organization so we can continue to help our students in need.

Please send in your stories about scholars along with photographs. When my son Keynon traveled in January 2018 to MIT with several other students, I told him to make sure they all took photographs. Please ask your scholar to do the same so we can *document* and *celebrate* their activities. Then we can see what makes this program exceptional. Send photos and accomplishments to [umbcmpa@gmail.com](mailto:umbcmpa@gmail.com) with the title NEWSLETTER COPY.

We also need writers. If you are willing to help by writing an article, please send us an email. We truly welcome your assistance.

Thank you so much for attending the MPA Annual Fall Business Meeting in October. And many thanks to those of you who brought nonperishable food items for Retriever Essentials, the on-campus food pantry (food bank).

Finally, I would like to extend a special note of gratitude to Vanessa Chandler King (M29 Parent) and Angie Bernard (M27 Parent). Both of these ladies wrote articles, reviewed, offered suggestions and worked to edit and finalize this publication for your eyes. Hopefully, one will become the Editor for this publication going forward.

With gratitude,

Veronica Bell  
M28 Parent, MPA President & Editor



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