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UA Graduate Student Government presents
“FROM .edu TO .com” with Akron Children’s Hospital President William Considine
November 17th

MONDAY - 11.17.14 - TAYLOR INSTITUTE of DIRECT MARKETING
5 PM (TALK/Q&A) – 6 PM (SOCIAL HOUR @ BARLEY HOUSE)

On Monday, November 17th, Mr. William Considine will be joining GSG as the inaugural guest for the Graduate Student Government’s new speaker series, “FROM .edu TO .com.”

The name is meant to call attention to the fact that many graduate students aim to change their personal email address from, “@zips.uakron.edu” to “@somethingincredible.com.”

Mr. Considine, President of Akron Children’s Hospital, was specifically asked to be the first speaker, as these events are intended to introduce UA’s graduate student population to local corporate leaders and entrepreneurs. Mr. Considine, UA ’69, has been an indelible presence in this community for over 30 years, and his interest in developing local talent for Akron-based opportunities, is unparalleled.

November 17th, at 5 PM on the 5th floor of the Polsky Building, UA Graduate Students will have the opportunity to hear him speak, answer questions, and get to know him on a more casual level at the social hour that immediately follows the speaking engagement, taking place at Barley House.

This is meant to provide a small, intimate opportunity for inspired graduate students to make an impression on some of the most accomplished leaders in the Akron business community. Come professionally dressed, with a resume and a business card in hand, and the possibilities are endless.

I see it as a chance for grad students to “jump the bureaucratic hurdles” that snag so many dreams, and just weigh resumes down.

Stewart and I may not have the ability to solve that problem, but we can work out a few local solutions, and if people can see the cross-disciplinary opportunities with someone like William Considine, I think they will be quite happy they decided to come meet him. He will be speaking about the future of corporate healthcare in Akron, as well as how to prepare a children’s hospital for an Ebola outbreak. The session looks to be incredibly exciting.

Though many graduate students across the nation continue to go on to become leaders in our schools and universities, more and more graduates are going on to choose opportunities in the private sector. Therefore, in accordance with our “professional development” agenda that we ran on, we are working out events and opportunities that will increase the viability of anyone who chooses to step up. There will be more speakers to come, both in this semester, and in the Spring, but as they will all be differently suited, I would personally encourage you to schedule in this event on MONDAY 11.17.14 @ 5 PM on your smartphones. There’s nothing smarter an obviously smart student could do;

See you next Monday.

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William H. Considine is CEO and has served as president of Akron Children's Hospital since 1979, and in those 35 years, he has dedicated both his career and personal life to improving the quality of healthcare in Summit County, and cultivating a more fertile environment for local talent to remain in Akron upon graduation.

Born and raised in Akron, Mr. Considine is a proud graduate of Archbishop Hoban Knight, graduating in 1965, and is a member of their Board of Directors. He was also elected to the John S. Knight Foundation’s board of trustees in 2011.
Mr. Considine has also served as a board member of the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Summit Education Initiative, Children’s Family Care, Big Brother & Sisters of Greater Akron, Children’s Miracle Network, and the United Way of Summit County. Suffice it to say, Mr. Considine has a huge heart, and his commitment to doing something with it knows no bounds.

He is also the board chair of the Knight-funded *Austen BioInnovation Institute*.

In 2009, Mr. Considine was inducted into the Business Hall of Fame. He has also been honored by organizations such as the American Lung Association; the Great Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America; the March of Dimes; Akron Public Schools and many others.

Nationally, Mr. Considine is a past board chair of the National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions (NACHRI), the Child Health Corporation of America (CHCA) and the Children's Miracle Network Board.

He holds a master's degree in Health Science Administration from Ohio State University and Doctorates in Humane Letters from The University of Akron, and Science Honoris Causa from the Northeast Ohio Medical University.

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