

## Fall 2015

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Hi, alumni and friends. We are excited to share the second edition of the NKU MPA online newsletter with information about upcoming events and news about alumni, students and the program. Please take a few minutes to read it and forward it to other alumni and/or colleagues and friends who may be interested in the MPA degree.

Let us know if you have any info or ideas for this newsletter.

connected, along with Facebook, LinkedIn and other outlets.

Hope to see you at the MPA Fall Reception on October 22!

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## Transitions

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### **Farewell, Beth! Welcome, Missy!**

As many of you may know by now, Beth Devantier decided to retire from NKU, and her last day was August 31. We want to thank Beth again for her many years of service to the MPA program and NKU

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## Alumni Happenings

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### **Greg Preece: New MPA alumni president**

Greg Preece (2012) has agreed to serve as president of the NKU MPA Alumni Association. Greg is taking over the role from James Flick (2010), who did a great job the past couple years. Many thanks to both of them!

has 15 years of professional experience in the public sector, including as a city

Jeniece Jones (1996) takes over as Executive Director of Housing Opportunities Made Equal (HOME).

Three MPA alums selected for Leadership Kentucky Kim Serra (1999), Chris Schutte (2008), and Drew Tilow (2011).

Wade Williams (2001) promoted to Senior VP at NKY Tri-Ed.

Scott Smith (2012) takes over as Police Chief in Ludlow (KY).

David Plummer (2012) hired as Village Administrator of Moscow (OH).

David Solomon (2013) promoted to Director of Operations at the JCC.

Nick Coorey

## What's New at NKU?

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Founders Hall home of the MPA program for the past 10 years or so