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Nationwide's Origin Story and Why it Matters Today

December 14, 2022



Kirt Walker

CEO, Nationwide
 NATIONWIDE

Kirt Walker is Chief Executive Officer of Nationwide, a mutual insurance and financial services company focused on protecting people, businesses and futures with extraordinary care. He was elected to this position in 2019, and in this role also serves as a member of the Nationwide Board of Directors.

Walker initially joined the Nationwide family of companies in 1986. Prior to being elected CEO, he served for 10 years as President and Chief Operating Officer of Nationwide Financial.

During his first 23 years, he served in various leadership positions within the company's Property and Casualty business, including President and COO of Nationwide Insurance and President of Allied Insurance, Nationwide's former independent agency subsidiary.

Walker's leadership philosophy focuses on "The Four Ps": People, Planning, Performance and Partnerships. This philosophy extends to driving an engaged, caring culture of associates that leads to better solutions for customers and other stakeholders.

Walker is a graduate of Iowa State University where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in management. He also holds a Master of Science in management with an emphasis in leadership degree from The American College. A native of Irvington, Iowa, Walker was raised on a Century Farm.



Colleen Marshall

Anchor, WCMH NBC4
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Colleen Marshall is an Emmy award-winning journalist who has been with WCMH NBC4 since 1984. Currently, she serves as anchor of NBC4 at 6 p.m. and 11 p.m. and is the host of the weekly political program, "NBC4's The Spectrum." Her most memorable pieces have been her two one-on-one interviews of President Obama and covering 9/11 from New York City.

Marshall has a Bachelor's Degree in Journalism from Point Park University and a Juris Doctor from the Capital University School of Law.

Marshall is a former member of the CMC Board of Trustees.



Adam Sharp

Executive Vice President, Ohio Farm Bureau Federation
 OHIOFARBUREAU

The Ohio Farm Bureau Federation Board of Trustees named Adam Sharp the organization's executive vice president in 2016. As executive vice president, Sharp serves as the chief executive of the statewide organization and leads efforts to advance its mission: Working together for Ohio farmers to advance agriculture and strengthen our communities.

Sharp has more than 25 years experience developing and implementing food and agriculture policy at the state and national level.

Prior to joining the Ohio Farm Bureau staff, Sharp held various policy and government relations roles with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the American Farm Bureau Federation. He also served as a teaching assistant for the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences at The Ohio State University and as a radio producer for Agri-Broadcasting Network (ABN).


He is a strong supporter of FFA, 4-H and Ohio State University's College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences.

Sharp was raised on a family farm in Amanda, Ohio, which he now owns and operates with his brothers.

He is a graduate of Ohio State University where he majored in agricultural communications with a minor in international economic and social development.

Today's Attendees

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CTV, Columbus Television, airs CMC Forums on Spectrum Channel 1024, WOW Channel 3, and AT&T Channel 99. You can also watch CTV over the air on WCIZ Channel 22.4.







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Upcoming Forums

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2023 Blue Chip Economic Forecast

Featuring **Bill LaFayette, Ph.D.**, Owner, Regionomics LLC, **Kathy Bostjancic**, Chief Economist, Nationwide Mutual, and **Fadhel Kaboub, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Economics, Denison University, and President, Global Institute for Sustainable Prosperity, with **Mark Williams**, Business Reporter, *The Columbus Dispatch*.

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023 Democracy 2023: The Future of Democracy

Democracy in Crisis Series

Featuring **Kyle Kondik**, Managing Editor, Sabato's Crystal Ball, and Director of Communications, University of Virginia Center for Politics, and **Catherine Turcer**, Executive Director, Common Cause Ohio, with host **Mike Thompson**, Chief Content Director, News and Public Affairs, WOSU Public Media.

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2023 Shining a Light on Dark Money

Featuring **David DeVillers**, Partner, Barnes & Thornburg, and Former U.S. Attorney, **Ashley C. Brown**, Executive Director, Harvard Electricity Policy Group, and Former Commissioner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, and **Kathiann M. Kowalski**, Journalist, Energy News Network and Eye On Ohio, with host **Jo Ingles**, Journalist/Producer, State House News Bureau.

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2023 The Kids AREN'T Alright: Closing COVID's Learning Gap

Featuring **Amy Gordon**, Executive Director and CEO, Communities In Schools of Ohio, and **Cheryl Ward**, Vice President, Success by Third Grade, United Way of Central Ohio, with host **Eric Karolak, Ph.D.**, CEO, Action for Children.

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