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“My wife inspires me...because she is the friendliest person in the world...and is able to talk to anyone about anything in the most sincere and direct manner...We met in graduate school in New Haven, at Yale... and we were at the University of Virginia for three years, and my family is in Washington D.C, her family is in Houston, and we moved to Columbus without really knowing anyone and without any family ties. And finding a way to connect to the community and to settle down here, and to be happy about living in a place where we didn't really have any connection - that's been a challenge. I mean, we've enjoyed getting to know people, raising children, and so forth, but, you know, when you have family elsewhere there's always a pull to other places.”

What would you want to be known for?

“I don't know whether my students think of me as a good teacher or not, but I care a lot about that, and I would hope that some of them would think back in future years and remember learning some things.”

What is a common misconception students have?

“That they [professors] don't really care about their students...you know, I think professors, for the most part, like to talk to the students, and enjoy having someone interested in what they're interested in, and, I think that teachers often look unapproachable, but are actually softies at heart.”

