

Recent news, upcoming events, and more!



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Dear Scots,

As the 2019-2020 fiscal year comes to a close, we want to take a moment to say a heartfelt thank you for your philanthropic support of The College of Wooster. You have enabled defining Wooster moments for our students!

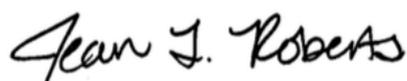
This year we have seen a wide array of emotions—from the feelings of joy and anticipation that could be felt across campus during the first week of school, to the sadness of having to leave our Wooster home early this spring because of COVID-19, to the persistence and hope our entire family of Scots displayed as we navigated online learning--this year has been a whirlwind. You have shown up to support our students in inspiring ways! We are grateful to be part of a community that values the heart of The Wooster Fund: mentored undergraduate research, experiential learning, faculty and staff excellence, a vibrant campus life, and making sure a Wooster education is accessible through financial aid. COVID-19 brought along many unanticipated investments for our campus community. Your gifts to The Wooster Student Needs Fund allowed us to make decisions that were in the best interest of our students.

Many of you have also supported the work of ensuring Wooster's campus is a truly safe, equitable, and inclusive community. The College of Wooster stands against racism in all of its forms and your generous investments in The Black Student Equity Fund, The Diversity Initiative, and The Black Legacy Fund have shown your willingness

to stand with us in [this important work](#).

Wooster was founded on the understanding that an excellent education requires bringing together many voices, perspectives, and ideas. Our community of learners, who come from 62 countries and 45 states – from farm towns and big cities, from dozens of faiths and cultures and perspectives – is central to our mission and to the learning that happens here. As we look to the future, it is evident that the world needs even more leaders who share the values on which this institution was founded. A Wooster graduate has experienced an education based on a respect for independent minds working together towards a common goal, with equality and a global perspective at the forefront of their decision making. Your investment in future leaders is extremely powerful. We are grateful for all the ways you propel Wooster's mission forward, to help us change the world!

With sincere gratitude,



Jean L. Roberts

Director of Annual Giving

Black Alumni Panel Discussion



Race & Racism

in America

Thursday, July 2nd



7:00 p.m. EDT

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Over the past month we hope you have been able to participate in various conversations and book club discussions we have offered to shed light on racial injustice that persists in our society still today. As a part of this ongoing programming focused on dialogue around racism, the Office of Alumni & Family Engagement and the Chief Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer are again partnering to offer a virtual teach-in entitled:

“Race and Racism in America”

The panel, moderated by Dr. Ivonne M. García, Chief Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer, features Black alumni who are leaders in their communities and leaders at the College through their work as volunteers. They include:

- Ken Aldridge '90, Head of School at Wilmington Friends School
Past Alumni Board President

- Ayesha Bell Hardaway '97, Director of the Social Justice Law Center and Assistant Professor at Case Western Reserve University School of Law
Former Alumni Board Member

- Brittany Harris '13, Communications Advisor at Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland
GOLD Trustee

- Dempsey Simonis '15, Assistant Director for Annual Giving at The Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science at Columbia University
Alumni Board Member

Please join us on **Thursday, July 2nd at 7:00 p.m.** Eastern Time for this important discussion.

Please [register](#) in advance for this webinar. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

In addition, if you would like to provide financial support for Black students and Black student programming, as well as broader diversity initiatives, please visit this [link](#) for more information about these funds and how you can make a difference.



Alumni Directory and Class Notes are Live

Members of the Online Community can now use our [Alumni Directory](#) to search for and message fellow Scots. [Class Notes](#) can also be viewed and submitted when logged in to the Online Community. Use [Class Notes](#) to update any information you would like to share with alumni and/or the Magazine.

Login information for the Online Community was emailed on April 7, 2020. Please [email](#) our office if you need assistance.



Help Wooster Students Gain Valuable Career Skills

The College of Wooster has launched a new Micro-Internship program to provide current students and recent grads with short-term, project-based learning and you can help. Micro-Internships make it easier than ever to not only give back, but also get support on professional tasks that may not be the best use time for you or your colleagues. Wooster follows NACE's Principles for Ethical Hiring Practice policies. Please adhere to these hiring practices when posting an opportunity for students and graduates.

LEARN MORE



Ask Your Gay Uncle

Tom Truss '83 is hosting a brand new LGBTQ+ podcast called "Ask Your Gay Uncle" that launched on Sunday, June 28th, the 51st anniversary of the Stonewall Riots.

"Ask Your Gay Uncle" is hosted by Tom and his nephew Ben Palacios. This gay intergenerational duo share advice, antics, tender moments, and tough love.

LISTEN



Alumni Insights: Michelle Pagano Heck '88

President and Owner of Nonprofit Talent, the Pittsburgh region's leading nonprofit executive search firm, Michelle Pagano Heck '88 works with the social sector to improve the capacity of organizations through transition management and executive recruitment. Mission-driven, Michelle listens to the needs of clients and works as a partner with organizations to fulfill their vision.

Upcoming Events

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