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Wofford names three new trustees



From left: Catherine Codispoti '03, Jack McBride and Matt McCoy '97.

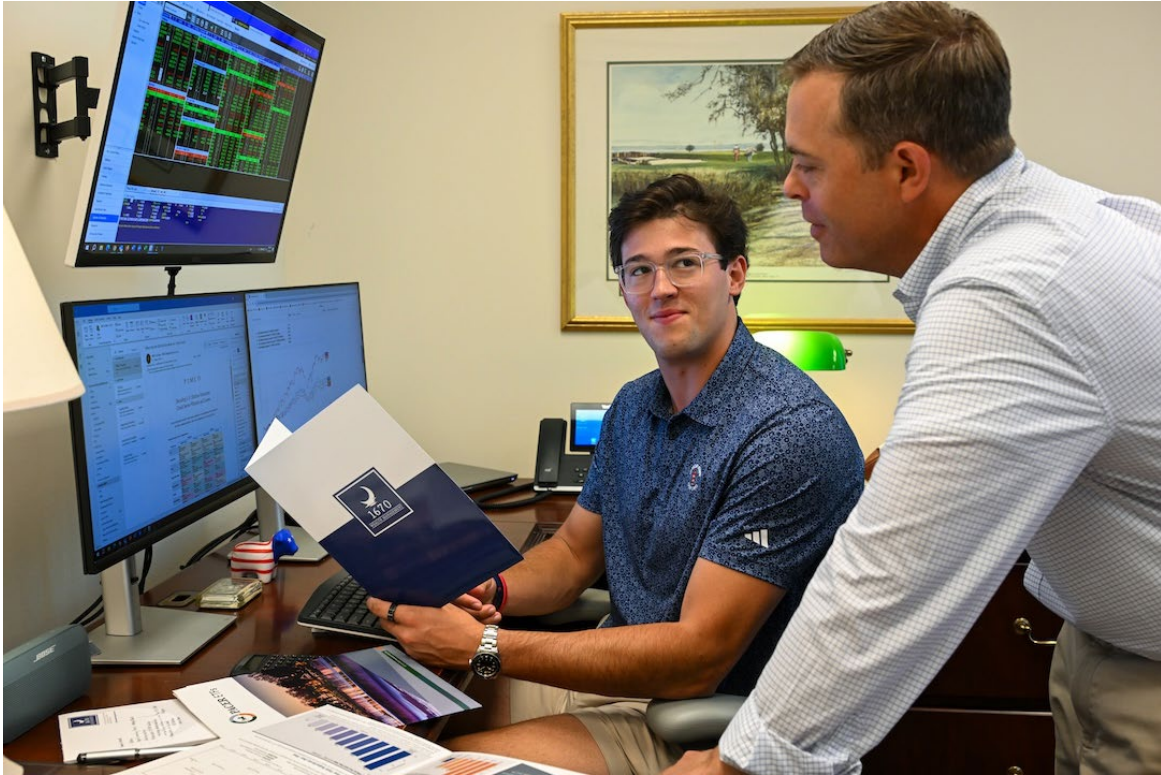
The South Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church elected three new trustees to the Wofford College Board of Trustees on June 12 in Greenville, South Carolina. The new trustees are Catherine Codispoti '03 of St. Louis, Missouri; Jack McBride of Spartanburg, South Carolina; and Matt McCoy '97 of Matthews, North Carolina.

The board's officers will continue to be Chairman Christopher A. P. Carpenter '90, Vice Chair Ashley Richardson Allen and the Rev. William F. Malambri III '98, secretary.

"We are delighted to welcome Catherine, Jack and Matt to the board of trustees," says Nayef Samhat, Wofford's president. "Their expertise, dedication to excellence and commitment to Wofford College students will enrich our board as we continue to advance Wofford's mission."

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Samuel Cornett '26 gains real-world experience at 1670 Wealth Management



Samuel Cornett '26, left, is mentored by Jeremy Bishop '03, a managing partner with 1670 Wealth Management.

In February, Samuel Cornett '26, a finance major from Nicholasville, Kentucky, decided to seek summer internship opportunities near Wofford College's campus. He searched "wealth management" and found 1670 Wealth Management among the top results.

"I wanted real-world experience, and, with my summer football schedule, I was looking for something in the area" says Cornett, a quarterback for the Terriers and member of the student-managed James-Atkins Investment Fund. "They were only about a mile from campus, so I sent them an email."

It was a Friday evening when Cornett's email arrived. Jeremy Bishop '03 and Brent Babb, the firm's managing partners, were getting ready to head out the door.

"It literally came in out of the blue," says Bishop, a Spartanburg native who received a bachelor's degree in government from Wofford.

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Rod Ray's inspirational journey becomes Amazon Best Seller



Wofford men's tennis coach Rod Ray has led the Terriers for 25 years.

Wofford men's tennis coach Rod Ray's first book "Hard Comes First" is an Amazon Best Seller. The book, published June 1 by Game Changer Publishing, contains stories from his coaching career and his life as a father of a child with autism. It ranks in the top 100 titles on Amazon's Personal Success and Spirituality, Men's Inspirational Spirituality and Men's Personal Growth lists.

"It is crazy," says Ray, who has coached tennis at Wofford for 25 years. "I have read a lot of sports books. Typically, they are about how someone achieved massive success like winning the Super Bowl or the World Cup. ... That is not my story. That is not this book. ... This book is about how life can be hard, but you can have a great time in the midst of those struggles."

Throughout the book, Ray uses personal anecdotes, practical advice and insightful reflections to communicate how embracing and overcoming challenges is essential for personal growth and achieving success, both on the court and in life.

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Medicine and the Liberal Arts concentration offers broader health care perspectives



Dr. Anne Rodrick, Reeves Family Professor of History, teaches a senior seminar course for students pursuing the medicine and the liberal arts concentration.

Eliana Boone '24 chose a concentration in medicine and the liberal arts because she thought it “sounded cool.” She didn’t realize it would fuel her passion for emergency medicine and her desire to go to medical school.

“Going into emergency medicine means that I would come into contact with many different types of people,” says Boone, who just graduated with a major in biology and a minor in sociology and anthropology as well as the concentration in medicine and the liberal arts.

Wofford had a medical humanities program that was started several years ago by Dr. Charles Kay, professor emeritus of philosophy, and Dr. Bob Moss, Larry H. McCalla Professor of Biology emeritus. As both professors approached retirement in 2019, the program was recast with the title of medicine and the liberal arts.

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Honoring academic excellence



Dr. Timothy Schmitz, provost of Wofford College, has announced Dean's List honors for the spring 2024 semester. Students achieving a 3.60 grade-point average or higher after earning at least 12 academic hours qualify for the Dean's List. See who made it [HERE](#).

Wofford named a Best Value College by the Princeton Review for 2024



Wofford College consistently earns national recognition for its academic excellence and commitment to student success.

The Princeton Review continues to rank Wofford College as one of its Best Value Colleges. Wofford is among 209 institutions named to the publication's Best Value Colleges for 2024 list. The rankings are based on return-on-investment ratings according to more than 40 data points that cover academics, affordability and career outcomes of graduates.

More than 650 private and public colleges and universities were surveyed for the list announced on June 20. The institutions chosen had the publication's highest ROI ratings based on information on academic offerings, cost, financial aid, career services, graduation rates and student debt. Wofford received an ROI rating of 89 out of 99.

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Remembering Dr. Bobby Gene “B.G.” Stephens



Dr. Bobby Gene "B.G." Stephens '57 shaped Wofford through his visionary leadership in academics and technology.

Dr. Bobby Gene “B.G.” Stephens ’57 died on June 26, 2024, at his home in Spartanburg. He remained a character, even in his last interviews with the college, sharing his experiences helping the college develop the first Interim and navigate desegregation, co-education and a strategic vision that led to a campus technology network and the Franklin W. Olin Building.

As academic dean of the college from 1972 until 1980, his name is on every diploma awarded during that period, something he considered a great honor. Prior to that, he was a dynamic professor of chemistry at Wofford. After his tenure as dean, he served as president of MacMurray College in Jacksonville, Illinois, before returning to Wofford in 1986 as vice president of technology, retiring in 2000.

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Four Terriers named CRCA Scholastic All-Americans.

Wofford baseball players start summer ball.

Women's lacrosse has 19 on Big South Presidential Honor Roll.

Endler receives ITA Arthur Ashe award.

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