

# ARCS Pittsburgh Board Brief: October 2016

### **Donor Appreciation 2016**

Hosted by CMU (photographer Cooper Kostelic)









A great turnout for our 2016 Donor Appreciation Event. Great speeches, fantastic food, and good discussions with all our scholars.

Thank you to our guest speakers all of whom provided personal stories about their work and kept us spell-bound: Dr. Rebecca Doerge's (Dean of the Mellon College of Science) meaningful story of a winding and wonderful career path – though the message was directed to our scholars, all appreciated hearing how being open to new

opportunities is a good lesson for a successful science career; Michael Craig (CMU) and Shelby Hemker (Pitt) for engaging us as you described with passion your research areas (climate science and policy and finding a cure for kidney disease). If anyone would like to read

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## October Board Meeting

Our committees had lots to report: 1) We're excited to begin working on the approval process of a new department for future ARCS Awards, 2) Our accounting for pledges and scholar awards has been simplified making it easier to see on each month's balance sheet how much we have available for awards when we begin to plan new awards starting in January, 3) We are pleased to have several Named Award Members renew their commitment to new scholars with new Named Awards. look forward to new Named Award Members, and we're pursuing two corporate Named Awards so stay tuned...4) Nominations for 8 of our 15 board positions are fully under way. If you have interest in getting involved with a very energetic, fun group of women leaders interested in women philanthropy and science/tech innovations. contact Annie Rivers, Nominating Chair at anniesrivers@yahoo.com or 412.354.1411.

Michael and Shelby's speeches, go to our website https://pittsburgh.arcsfoundati on.org. You can also see all of the photos from the event at the website too. And a special thanks to Dani Henderson, Associate Director of CMU's Donor Relations/University Advancement, for making all of the fantastic arrangements including great food, setting, photographer, and time for good discussions with all of our scholars.

#### October's Program: Dr. McGough's Pioneer Work

Have you ever wondered why tooth implants are commonly done by inserting a titanium post into the jaw bone and then essentially screwing in a new tooth to the post yet missing limbs still require strapping on prosthetic

devices? Dr. Richard McGough, UPMC, is a leader in osseointegration in which prosthetic devices for missing limbs are being attached to titanium bone implants. The procedure is a "game changer" for those with missing limbs. The group of ARCS members and guests enjoyed learning about this new procedure in the relaxed atmosphere of the Villages of Shadyside Club House – with a warming fireplace, great food and wine, and good conversation. Thank you ARCS Program Chair, Victoria Wellstead-Murphy, for making all of the



arrangements and bringing Dr.

McGough to us!

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# SHARE UNUSED CULTURAL/SPORTS

TICKETS with scholars by contacting Leslie Dunn, Scholar Relations Chair, at <a href="mailto:dunnlo@upmc.edu">dunnlo@upmc.edu</a> or 412.760.1022.

OPEN AND RSVP YOUR PAPERLESS POST INVITATIONS. And if you're not receiving them, contact Victoria Wellstead-Murphy at <a href="www.wellstead@gmail.com">wwellstead@gmail.com</a> or 904-477-5359.

#### Important Updates to Our Calendar

November 29, 2016, Tuesday, 6-8PM at CMU (Connan Room, Cohon University Center). Dr. Jodi Forlizzi, Professor at the Human-Computer Interaction Institute, will discuss her design systems for robots that assist elders and caregivers in homes and more.

February, 2017. We are still working on getting a date for touring Uber!

March 14, 2017, Tuesday, 6-8PM Pitt's University Club, Dr. Lanie Francis, director UPMC Cancer Center Wellness and Integrative Oncology Program, will describe how their program of treating the whole person is "redefining the cancer journey in a powerful way that goes beyond traditional medicine."

April 4, 2017, Tuesday evening, the Grand Hall at the Priory, The Scholar Celebration

May 2017 (probably early May late afternoon/early evening): Café Schenley, Annual Meeting and Planning.

May 19, 2017, Friday, 10:00AM, tour of the new Frick Environmental Facility.

Board Meetings (open to all but contact <u>pmeadowcroft1@gmail.com</u> if attending for location details) and all are 8:30am-10:30am. 12/15/16; 1/19/17;3/16/17; 5/18/17 (Annual Meeting)