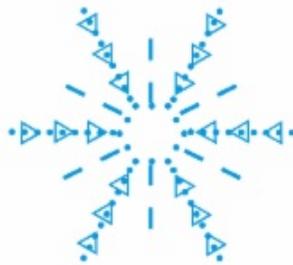




DECEMBER 2015

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Happy Holidays!



➔ Alumni Announcements

Congratulations to Matthew Tesch '07 and Bonnie (Charles) Tesch '09, who welcomed their new baby Andrew Rhys on October 7, 2015.

If you have exciting news to share or announce, email [Alumni Relations](#) and we'll include it in our next oLink!



➔ 16 Days = Calendar Year-end Countdown

The calendar year-end is fast approaching and we are grateful for the **28%** of you who have already committed to Olin this fiscal year with either a gift or commitment to be fulfilled by June 30, 2016. THANK YOU!

Last year, 42% of Olin alumni supported Olin before Dec. 31st, which propelled us that much closer to the 78% where we finished the fiscal year (*just 11 gifts shy of the continued 80% goal!*). Please consider making a gift or pledge today at [Giving.Olin.edu](#).

Wondering where your class participation stacks up? Click [here](#) to find out.
Thank you for your continued investment in the Olin mission!

Holiday Gift Ideas

Check out our list of some **great ideas to give gifts** (and give back!) this holiday season, including:

- Olin Gear (special holiday sale!)
- Current and/or vintage Family Weekend t-shirts
- Gifts through Amazon Smile

Upcoming Events

12/17

Boston Alumni Meet-up

Starts at 7:00 pm

Come join your Olin family in Boston on Thursday for drinks and appetizers at Rock Bottom (115 Stuart St.)!

12/21

Olin Exposition

10:00 am - 3:30 pm

→ Featured on The Wire: Student-created Prosthetics

Fresh off **The Wire**: watch how a team of four has taken on the challenge of creating an actuated gripping mechanism that responds to sensor information gathered from body movement to pick up and release objects.



The team aims to demonstrate that prosthetics should adapt to humans, and not the other way around.

Other highlights on The Wire include a visual behind-the-scenes of all the members of the OCO orchestra, and an in-depth look at Olin's latest microresidency, which explores how the deaf and hard of hearing navigate a world designed for hearing.

→ President Miller Speaks at Autodesk University

President Miller was one of three speakers to headline the Education Keynote session on technology, innovative thinking and education at the Autodesk University conference last month.

President Miller emphasized Olin's role in graduating engineers to drive an innovation economy, as well as the need to **re-balance engineering education** from a focus mostly on hard science to one in which professional skills like communication, teamwork, creativity and empathy are valued.

→ AHS Capstone Library Opening

This semester's AHS Capstone students hosted informal discussions, viewings and presentations of their work in Olin's Library.

Topics included Japanese translation, photography, understanding economics, music composition and recording, creating a class on fictional worlds, human rights and US textbooks, Italian fashion design and metalworking.



→ Help Build Olin's Network: Updated Networking Toolkit

As alumni, you know the result of your top-notch undergraduate education is access to a great job or graduate school. Now you can support your fellow alumni and current students by identifying job and internship opportunities, discovering design competitions, researching scholarships, fellowships and more.

All alumni are invited back to campus to celebrate student learning and achievement at this year's EXPO. Projects will be presented in poster sessions, oral presentations and artistic performances. Please [click here](#) to register.

Save the Date!

Alumni Weekend is **September 16 - 18, 2016!**

We'll be celebrating a five-year reunion for the Class of 2011, along with a ten-year reunion for the Class of 2006 (our first ever!).

You'll have wonderful opportunities to reconnect with staff and faculty and reflect on old times with one another, while meeting current students and catching up on what's new.

All alumni are welcome to help plan Alumni Weekend festivities. Please contact [Alumni Relations](#) to get involved in this milestone.

Impact Report 2015

As we near the end of the calendar year, we reflect on accomplishments and things for which we are thankful.

We invite you to take a look at our **FY15 Impact Report** and see how your generosity is advancing Olin's unique mission through everything from student scholarships to curriculum innovation to educational collaboration.

In collaboration with Post-Graduate Planning, the Parent Advisory Board (PAB) has **updated its Networking Toolkit** to allow you to share consistent, up-to-date information about Olin our unique engineering undergraduate program with anyone you think who may be interested in learning more.

The most effective way to utilize this Toolkit is to send the follow-up email included in the Toolkit after your initial contact with an interested party.

Want to Help Current Students?

Teach an Alumni Seminar

For a great way to connect with current students and share something you love with Oliners, come back to campus and teach a class in your area. Alumni seminars will meet weekly for 2 - 3 hours in the evenings over the course of the 14-week semester. The range of possible topics could be anything that enhances the Olin curriculum; the class format is up to you, and you would receive a \$2,500 stipend. To find out more, or to propose an Alumni Seminar for Spring 2016, contact **Jessica Townsend**, and include some info on what you might like to teach.

Post-Graduate Planning Workshops

If any alumni are interested in helping out at Post-Graduate Planning sessions in spring 2016, email **Sally Phelps** to get started! Two sessions will target EE's and ME's to help them "ace the technical interview," and a third will be a workshop on how to put together portfolios. Local alumni welcome, with the option to participate via Google Hangouts in case you aren't based in Boston.

Faculty Search Outreach

Olin's faculty search is underway! We always love to hear from alumni considering a faculty role at Olin, and we encourage you to share these openings with your networks as well.

Feel free to share on social media and contact friends or Olin alums in graduate school, colleagues in your professional areas or whose work you respect, anyone who chaired a special session or panel in which you recently participated, people you know at small engineering schools, etc.

More information on the search process is available [here](#).

Holiday Happening

Get into the holiday spirit by browsing through some awkward family photos featuring Olin community members at the Library's Holiday Happening, now posted on **OWL's Facebook page**.



Hear from Students

Check out the **OLINSIDER** for the scoop on life at Olin as well as the **PGP BLOG** for students' personal and professional adventures.



This month, Lauren Gulland '19 considers "**the meaning of 370**," and how Olin's size and culture translates into students' lives every day.



Rebecca Patterson '18 **interviews Allen Koh '13** to find out what it's like to work on cutting-edge technology at GE, while also pursuing an MS in Computational Science & Engineering at Georgia Institute of Technology.

#GivingTuesday a Success Thanks to You!

Thank you to each of the 56 alumni who stepped up and supported Olin on #GivingTuesday 2015. Your investment helped us raise over \$39K from 166 gifts - 34% was from alumni alone, resulting in almost \$9.5K raised by you. The involvement and investment from Olin alumni continues to inspire us all. Thank you!



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