

BOSTON COLLEGE

2021-2022 ANNUAL REPORT



Dear Boston College alumni community,

It's been said that home is not a place, but a feeling. Yet here at the Heights, we know it's both. For our 204,000+ Eagles around the world, we hope Boston College is a place you can always call home.

After more than a year without BC reunions and other events, the Boston College Alumni Association calendar came back to life last fall and continued right through June with more than 230 in-person events. You will read about many of them in this report, including the time-honored traditions and signature events that returned after a year of online gatherings and cancellations. Some highlights:

- Long-awaited Commencement celebrations for the classes of 2020 and 2021.
- The return of nearly 1,500 Eagles in October to celebrate 18 Reunion class anniversaries.
- Law Reunion and Commencement in November and Law Day in the spring.
- June Reunion weekends with more than 6,500 total Eagles coming back.

If we've learned anything over the past two years, it's that we truly need to gather together, face to face.

Alumni events are all steeped in nostalgia. We hear from many of you that returning to BC makes you pine for the days when your top priorities were making it to class on time and meeting up with friends. We hope you will be inspired to participate in an event near you and return to campus this coming year to reconnect with one another, relive the memories, and see what's new.

Whether you graduated years ago or last spring, you will always have a home at the Heights!

Ever to Excel.

LEAH M. SPENCER Associate Vice President for Alumni Relations & University Commencement Director Boston College

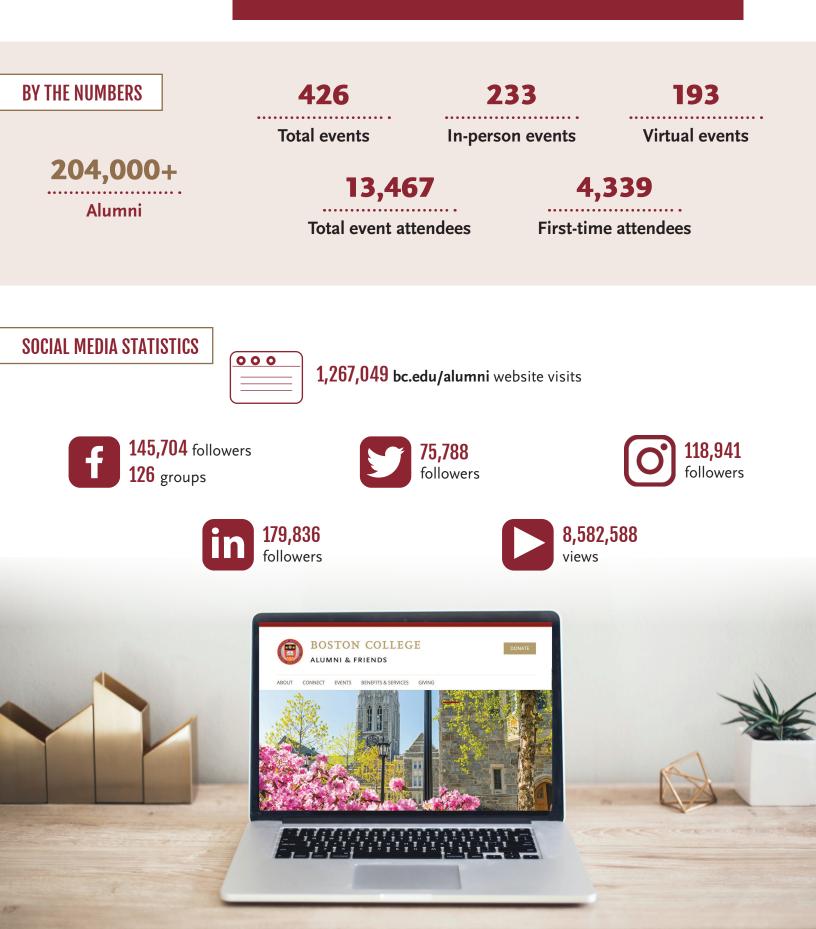
ERIC J. SILVA '00 President, Boston College Alumni Association Board of Directors





WE CONNECTED

ONLINE AND IN PERSON



THROUGH SHARED INTERESTS AND IDENTIES

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ANNUAL VETERANS DAY REMEMBRANCE MASS AND CEREMONY

On November 11, 2021, the 21st Annual Veterans Day Remembrance Mass and Ceremony was held on the Burns Library Lawn and featured retired Rear Admiral Ray Berube '78, P'13, '17, as the keynote speaker. Ray has been an active member of the BCVAN Executive Committee for several years. In addition to his degree from Boston College, Ray completed a master of science degree in financial management from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, CA, as well as the CAPSTONE Joint Professional Military Education Program at Fort McNair. **Over 100 alumni, parents, family, and friends** were in attendance.





WALL STREET COUNCIL BUSINESS LEADERSHIP FORUMS

For the first time in two years, the Wall Street Business Leadership Council held the Business Leadership Forum Series in person on November 16, 2021 and March 3, 2022. The purpose of this series is to allow attendees to take part in a discussion around leadership and ethics in today's professional working world. The program also shares how a Jesuit education helps to serve as a guidepost when dealing with these issues. This year, the programs featured Fr. Tony Penna, associate vice president and director of Campus Ministry, and Matthew Malone, S.J., president and editor in chief, America Media. Our keynote speakers were Yolanda Lyle '94, LAW'01, HON'22, and Trustee Navyn Salem '94, HON'12.



THE WEPAY STORY WITH CO-FOUNDER BILL CLERICO '07

On November 18, 2021, the BC Technology and Entrepreneurship Council hosted an event at the Park Plaza that featured a conversation with Bill Clerico '07, co-founder of WePay. Bill shared his story about growing WePay into one of the industry's leaders in digital payments, how to build a powerful network, and how to succeed through hustle and innovation. **Over 50 alumni, parents, and friends** were in attendance.



GPSP ALUMNI AND STUDENT CAREER NETWORKING NIGHT

On March 22, 2022, Gabelli Presidential Scholar Alumni joined **over 60 current Gabelli Presidential Scholar Students** in Cadigan Alumni Center for an evening of networking. The Gabelli Presidential Scholars Program is an undergraduate academic, merit program that annually awards full-tuition scholarships and fully-funded, GPSP-sponsored summer programs to 18 incoming freshman students. The event provided students the opportunity to talk with alumni about their professional paths since leaving Boston College.

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LAETARE SUNDAY

The Boston College Alumni Association hosted the 71st Annual Laetare Sunday, one of Boston College's longeststanding traditions, on March 27, 2022. The event featured Mass presided by University President William P. Leahy, S.J., and an address by Katherine E. Gregory, dean of the William F. Connell School of Nursing. **Over 300 alumni, parents, and friends** joined us to celebrate the fourth Sunday of Lent.



CWBC COLLOQUIUM

On April 12, 2022, a robust crowd of **over 600 alumnae**, students, and friends gathered at the Margot Connell Recreation Center for the Council for Women of Boston College (CWBC) Colloquium celebrating the 50th anniversary of Title IX featuring Mia Hamm, Olympic Soccer Gold Medalist and Women's World Cup Winner. Patti Phillips, CEO, Women Leaders in College Sports, and Founder of the Women Leaders Performance Institute served as the moderator. Launched in 2015, the CWBC Colloquium hosts exceptional thought leaders to consider contemporary issues through the lens of women's leadership. The Colloquium is made possible by the CWBC and the Institute for the Liberal Arts.



WALL STREET BUSINESS LEADERSHIP COUNCIL TRIBUTE DINNER

On April 21, 2022, **over 500 alumni, parents, and friends** gathered in New York City at Cipriani for the 32nd Wall Street Business Leadership Council Tribute Dinner. During the gala, University President William P. Leahy, S.J. presented the President's Medal for Excellence to Phil Schiller '82, in recognition of Schiller's achievements as a senior leader at Apple, Inc. The event, which supports the Gabelli Presidential Scholars Program, celebrated the 17 Presidential Scholars who graduated in 2022 and raised \$2 million for the Wall Street Council Scholarship Fund.



BC FOOTBALL GOLF OUTING 2022

On June 13, 2022, Boston College Football alumni gathered for the annual BC Football Golf Outing. After two years of not being able to host this annual event due to COVID-19, it was exciting to continue the tradition this year! The golf tournament and the reception that followed were hosted at Mount Hood Golf Club.

FELLOW CLASSMATES

WE GATHERED WITH

OCTOBER REUNION WEEKEND

From October 15–17, 2021, the BC Community welcomed **nearly 1,500 Eagles** back to campus to celebrate 18 Reunion classes from



the 2020 and 2021 cohorts that missed their anniversary celebrations due to the pandemic. The weekend was filled with a variety of events and activities such as class parties and football festivities.





Boston College and Newton College alumni and friends made their long-awaited return to campus to celebrate Reunion Weekend in June. In addition to the 2022 cohort of Reunion classes that were invited back, the 25th and 5oth Reunion classes from the 2020 and 2021 Reunion cycles, who were unable to celebrate due to the pandemic, also joined the festivities. During the weekend, alumni were invited to enjoy barbecues, shared interest group events such as the LGBTQ+ and AHANA alumni receptions, Inside BC Athletics panel discussion, Kelleher Awards Celebration for the Connell School of Nursing, class events, brunch, Mass, and more. Reunion Weekend could not have been as great as it was without the dedication of over 200 Reunion Committee volunteers!



For the first time ever, Boston College held a Graduates of the Last Decade (GOLD) Reunion weekend. Three Reunion cycles celebrating their 5th and 10th Reunions (Classes of 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2015, 2016 and 2017) came home to the Heights for a weekend filled with events such as class parties, barbecues, LGBTQ+ and AHANA Alumni Receptions, yoga, and a beer garden on O'Neill Plaza. Thanks to the dedication of over 85 Reunion Committee volunteers, the GOLD Reunion was a great success!

WE GATHERED WITH **FELLOW CLASSMATES**



LAW DAY 2022

On April 27, 2022, **over 200 attendees** gathered at the Westin Boston Seaport for an evening to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of our alumni and celebrate the rule of law. BC Law Day is an annual awards program and fundraising gala that supports current student scholarships and celebrates the most important goals of the legal profession: to advance equality and justice, encourage observation and enforcement of the law, and foster respect for law and an understanding of its essential place in the life of every citizen.



LAW REUNION 2021

On the weekend of November 5–7, 2021, the Boston College Alumni Association welcomed **over 325 alumni** back to campus for the Boston College Law Reunion. The weekend of events took place on both the Boston College Newton Campus and the Four Seasons in Boston and was filled with more than 15 events and activities.



2020 COMMENCEMENT CELEBRATION

A long-awaited celebration for the Class of 2020 was held in October after being delayed due to COVID-19. **Over 4,700 alumni, parents, and friends** returned to Boston College on October 16 and 17, 2021, in recognition of the class' many accomplishments. **More than 1,650 graduates** donned caps and gowns for a traditional Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement ceremony, featuring remarks by alumnus and trustee Steve Pemberton '89, MA'19, HON'15. In addition, the class was celebrated with a tailgate on Lower Campus Lawn and opportunities to participate in special game day activities.



SENIOR CLASS TOAST

On Thursday, May 19, 2022, the Boston College Alumni Association celebrated the Class of 2022 with a champagne toast on the Lower Campus Lawn. Fr. Nate Romano welcomed the graduates with remarks and prayer. The toast was given by Alumni Association Board member and Mentoring Committee Co-Chair, Cathy Savage-Eysie '85, P'24, and the Senior Legacy Committee Co-Chairs, Vlad Adridan '22, and Lauren Wachel '22, addressed and congratulated their classmates. Nearly 2,000 graduates attended and marked the occasion with a custom champagne glass.

LAW 2020 COMMENCEMENT

During this year's Law Reunion, **over 90 graduates** from the Boston College Law Class of 2020 returned back to campus for a weekend of postponed celebration. On November 5 and 6, the Class of 2020 was celebrated with their Black and White Ball at the Four Seasons in Boston and a Commencement Ceremony with a champagne reception held at 300 Hammond Pond Parkway. Special guest, Former Dean Vincent Rougeau, returned to bestow well-deserved congratulations on the class.





REGIONALLY WE REACHED ALUMNI



EAGLES ARE EVERYWHERE

Total Chapters: **80**

U.S. Chapters: 72

International Chapters: 8

NORCAL CHAPTER YOUNG ALUMNI RECEPTION

On October 8, 2021, **over 35 alumni** gathered at La Mar in the Embarcadero for a social event. Chapter leader John Morrison '14 spoke about the chapter, Tim Hoag '14 discussed the Technology and Entrepreneurship



Council, and former Athletic Director, Pat Kraft, spoke about BC Athletics. As the first in-personevent of the year, attendees were eager to connect with one another, especially the recent graduates.



BOSTON CHAPTER WINTER SOCIAL

On December 2, 2021, **over 140 alumni** in the Boston Chapter gathered at the Boston College Club to celebrate the holiday season. This also served as an opportunity for alumni to meet the new Boston Chapter leaders at their first formal in-person event.



WINTER WONDERLAND TOY DRIVE

On December 11, 2021, the Boston College Alumni Association celebrated the spirit of giving back by hosting the Winter Wonderland Toy Drive in the Cadigan Alumni Center. New and unwrapped gifts were collected for local children's charities, and those who donated received a decorate-your-own cookie box as well as coloring sheets and an opportunity to send a letter to Santa. Thanks to the generosity of BC alumni, family, and friends, **hundreds of children** in our local community enjoyed new toys this holiday season!

WE REACHED ALUMNI > REGIONALLY



PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER HOLIDAY LUNCHEON On December 15, 2021, **75 Eagles** from the Philadelphia Chapter had an opportunity to gather and celebrate the holiday season at the Merion Cricket Club. This afternoon event featured remarks from the Boston College University Advancement Senior Vice President, Jim Husson, P'21.



RUSSIA'S INVASION OF UKRAINE: A CONVERSATION WITH PROF. KATHLEEN BAILEY

On Thursday, March 10, 2022, Professor Kathleen Bailey and three alumni panelists and chapter leaders, Ned Roseberry '93, P'24, Hannah Cho '09, and Brian Cummins '82, P'08, '11, held a virtual talk about Russia's invasion of Ukraine. This event provided **nearly 140 Eagles** around the country space to learn more about the context behind the invasion and possible repercussions as geopolitical developments continue to unfold.



CHICAGO CHAPTER ANNUAL MASS

On April 24, 2022, Roberta McMahon '86, P'13,'14 and R.J. McMahon '86, P'13,'14 hosted a reception following a Mass at Fenwick High School. Thanks to the generosity of Roberta and R.J., **more than 40 attendees** gathered in fellowship to celebrate the Second Sunday of Easter and then enjoyed refreshments at the McMahons' home.



DENVER ALWAYS AN EAGLE

The Denver Chapter's 2022 Always an Eagle Reception was hosted by Rick Westerman '88 on April 26, 2022. Thanks to Rick's generosity, **more than 75 local Eagles** from all class years and industries gathered at the Halcyon Cherry Creek's elevated roof deck while enjoying an unbelievable view of the Denver skyline and the Colorado Rocky Mountains.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP TAILGATES

On May 29, 2022 and June 4, 2022, the Alumni Association traveled to Baltimore to host pregame tailgates prior to both the Women's Lacrosse NCAA Semifinals and Finals. **Over 300 alumni, parents, and friends** attended each of these tailgates, spreading the BC spirit in order to cheer on the Eagles!



NEW AND ENHANCED ALUMNI PROGRAMMING

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AAAC: NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS Over the course of the summer of 2021, the AHANA Alumni Advisory Council was excited to

BOSTON COLLEGE AHANA ALUMNI **ADVISORY COUNCIL**

LAW'08, HON'22

Jose Lopez '05 MEd'06

Rozier-Byrd '05,



MBA'88

Minje Shin '13



Roger (J.R.) Clark '88



Dawn M. Mosby '82, MEd'83, HON '03

welcome several new members to join its Executive Committee. Arivee Rozier-Byrd '05, LAW'08, HON'22, Gerry Lake '84, MBA'88, Juan Arteaga '99, Earnestiena Cheng '15, Jose Lopez '05, MEd'06, Minje Shin '13, Roger (J.R.) Clark '88, and Dawn M. Mosby '82, MEd'83, HON '03 have been long-standing members of the Council and have illustrated their abilities as leading volunteers while helping to advance the mission of the Council and of Boston College.

BOSTON COLLEGE – WALL STREET —— **BUSINESS LEADERSHIP COUNCIL**

WALL STREET COUNCIL: NAME CHANGE

In April 2022, the Council announced the exciting development that it would expand its name to the Wall Street Business Leadership Council. This renaming is the result of more than two years of thoughtful consideration amongst Council leaders and members, and we are confident that this new name will better encompass the Council's mission statement and its focus on leadership and business ethics while promoting the Jesuit mission of Boston College. Additionally, this new name reflects the Council's vibrant cohort of members-alumni and parents from a broad array of industry backgrounds and class years who have come together to foster a culture of inclusivity and diversity and to properly represent the BC of today.



LAVENDER GRADUATION AND RECEPTION

On May 6, 2022, for the first time, the LGBTQ+ Alumni Council joined the Boston College Student Outreach and Support, GLBTQ+ Leadership Council (GLC), and Graduate Pride Alliance (GPA) to celebrate Lavender Graduation, an annual ceremony conducted on college campuses. The purpose of the program was to acknowledge and celebrate the achievements, contributions, and unique experiences of the graduating LGBTQIA+ students of Boston College and welcome them into the BC alumni community.



LGBTQ+ ALUMNI REUNION RECEPTIONS

The LGBTQ+ Alumni Council hosted its first ever LGBTQ+ Alumni reception during this year's Reunion Weekends. Over 80 alumni attended the receptions on June 3, 2022 and June 10, 2022. This was a great opportunity for guests to connect with one another and to hear from LGBTQ+ Alumni Council co-chairs Laura DelloStritto '13 and Martin Casiano '15 to learn more about the Council and ways to get involved.



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EAGLECHANGE

Eagle Exchange, an initiative led by the BC Alumni Board of Directors in partnership with the BC Career Center, is an exclusive online networking platform connecting the global BC community through lifelong, professional conversations.



I have really enjoyed the opportunity that Eagle Exchange has afforded me to connect with current BC students. It has been a

rewarding experience to provide them with a little insight into the law school experience and what I do as an attorney. All of the students I've spoken to have been polite, well-prepared with questions, and appreciative. I hope that I can speak to more students in the future, and I love that the school is fostering these important connections."



EAGLE EXCHANGE SNAPSHOT:

Total number of student and alumni users: **14,306** Number of alumni users: **10,051** Number of student users: **4,255** Average rating of alumni-student connections: **4.71** Number of messages sent: **46,000**



VIRTUAL ENDEAVOR

Endeavor, a career exploration program, is an annual partnership between the BC Alumni Association, BC Career Center, and Morrissey College of Arts and Sciences. This year, it was held virtually from January 12–14, 2022, and there were **over 109 alumni participants and 250 current students** in attendance. Bill Clerico '07 served as our 7th Annual Endeavor Keynote Speaker in a conversation moderated by Leah M. Spencer, associate vice president for alumni relations and University Commencement director. The keynote session was kicked off with remarks by Shawna Cooper Whitehead, Ed.D., vice president for student affairs, and Dean Gregory Kalscheur, S.J.



ALUMNI JOB SHADOW

The Alumni Job Shadow program is an annual partnership between the BCAA and BC Career Center that aims to support BC students in their career exploration by giving them an inside look into an industry, organization, or job function of interest. This year, from May 18–25, 2022, **158 alumni** hosted a student for either a half or full-day in-person or virtual shadow.

BC CONNECTIONS MENTORING PROGRAM



CWBC BC Connections Mentoring Program continuously underscores BC's commitment to the complete education of women, inside and outside of the classroom. This year, we have a total of **198 participants**, making **99 mentorship matches.** BC Connections offers each student a one-on-one relationship with an alumna who will provide both encouragement and support for a student's professional and personal goals. For the first time, BC Connections is being facilitated through Eagle Exchange, allowing the mentors and mentees to message each other, video call, and achieve preset goals all within the platform.

INVOLVED AND SUPPORTED OUR UNIVERSITY

Thousands of dedicated alumni volunteered their time to help create countless memorable experiences for more than 200,000 alumni around the world.



GET INVOLVED ·

There are many ways to stay connected with BC, engage with fellow alumni, and make our University stronger.

- 🕖 Update your information
 - 🗎 Attend events
- 😻 Join your local chapter
- 🞁 Make an annual gift

- 🕼 Follow social media
- Connect with EAGLE CHANGE



Learn more at **bc.edu/alumni**

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