Wofford College baseball notches historic season

The Terriers celebrating at Flour Field after clinching their first SoCon Tournament Championship since 2007.

The Terrier baseball team brought home a Southern Conference Tournament Championship in May and made a strong showing in the Chapel Hill Regional. Wofford defeated Long Island 5-2 on June 1 to win its first NCAA Division I College Regional game. The Terriers, led by J.J. Edwards in his first year as head coach, ended their historic campaign with a 42-20 record, tying the 2022 team for wins in a season. The 2024 championship team also broke college records for runs scored (617), hits (716), triples (33), RBIs (559), walks drawn (317) and sacrifice flies (41).
Kara Porter ’20 is creating magic in the film industry – literally. Porter, a technical director at Mikros Animation, was recently part of the animation team for “Thelma the Unicorn,” a new musical adventure comedy film on Netflix.

“As a technical director, I help develop software and tools the artists then use to animate and create the movie,” Porter explains. “When a scene or a tool is not working correctly, we are tasked with finding the issue and fixing it.”

Porter, who is originally from Holly Springs, North Carolina, received a bachelor’s degree from Wofford College in computer science and studio art.
Caroline Adams ’27 was “brought up raising green beans, corn and cattle.” Seems simple enough. Her platform with Future Farmers of America and her plan for the future, however, are anything but.

Adams ’27, an environmental studies major from Lake Wylie, South Carolina, grew up in a farming family. Her grandparents owned a small beef cattle farm. Her aunt owned a large turkey farm, and some of Adams’ earliest photos include her holding baby animals.

She took agriculture classes in middle school and became involved in the Future Farmers of American through those. She won an FFA regional tournament for creed speaking and became president of her high school chapter during her senior year. She served as statewide president during her first year at Wofford.

“My grandfather introduced me to agriculture,” says Adams. “When his health started to decline, and he didn’t have insurance to deal with early onset dementia, our family had to sell the cows and equipment. Small family farms often fail because of medical emergencies and health care costs. I want to change that.”
Two years ago, Andrew Arends ’24 made a commitment. Inspired by the example of his former classmate Emily Hathcock ’23, Arends signed up for the stem cell donation registry NMDP, formerly the National Bone Marrow Donor Program and Be the Match.

“Emily set up a table in the Mungo Student Center and encouraged people to come by,” says Arends, who is originally of St. Matthews, South Carolina. “You could submit a mouth swab to see if you’re a DNA match. It was a super easy process. So, I did it.”

As the months passed, Arends admits he forgot about the commitment. To his surprise, he received a call in January while interning in Washington, D.C.
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