



# A COMMUNITY BUILT FOR IMPACT

Woodruff Scholars and Fellows

## Winter 2025 Woodruff Newsletter



*Woodruff Alumni Advisory Board members at annual retreat on October 25, 2025.*

Season's Greetings! In this edition of the Woodruff Newsletter, we are happy to share updates and photos from the fall semester.

[Woodruff Program Website](#)

# 2026 Robert W. Woodruff Alumni Leadership Summit

ADAPTIVE LEADERSHIP: NAVIGATING UNCERTAINTY

**Registration is now open** for the 2026 Robert W. Woodruff Alumni Leadership Summit. Join us March 20–21 for two days of bold ideas, inspiring speakers, and powerful conversations on leadership in uncertain times. Space is limited, so don't wait! [Register today](#) and be part of this dynamic gathering of Woodruff Scholars, Fellows, and Alumni.

Registration includes a Friday night **Lettie Pate Whitehead and Woodruff Scholars, Fellows and Alumni Mixer** which will be held on March 20th from 6-8pm at New Realm Brewing!

[Register Now & View Summit Schedule](#)

## Share Your Woodruff Story

In "Woodruff Stories," we chronicle the experiences of our Scholars and Fellows during their time at Emory and beyond.

Hear Woodruff Stories from [Molly Parmer 12L](#), and other alumni on the [Woodruff website](#).

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## Woodruff Alumni Updates



**Julian Davis Reid 19T** was named in this year's 40 Under 40. [Read more](#) about Julian's work as a musician, writer, and speaker and how his time at Candler School of Theology allowed him to blend his passion for music with a love of ministry and academic theology and you can watch his 2023 Woodruff 1:1 video interview on our [website](#).

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## Woodruff Network Directory

The [Woodruff Network Directory](#) is a centralized place to connect with current and former Scholars and Fellows. (Password= Woodruff!)

**You must opt-in to have your information display in the Woodruff Network.** You will receive a separate email in the next 48 hours with instructions to update your information. Questions? Email [Van Tong](#).



Woodruff Network

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## Fall 2025 Photos & Events

This fall was an eventful semester for our Woodruff Scholars and Fellows. Photos below include volunteer events, the Lunch and Learn series, and many more!

### Volunteer Events





*On October 17, Woodruff Scholars and Fellows volunteered at **Meals on Wheels Atlanta**. They packaged meals, sorted pantry donations, prepared grocery bags, and wrote friendly letters to be included with meals.*





*For **EmoryCares Day**, November 8, Woodruff Scholars and Fellows volunteered at Lullwater Preserve. They learned about the rich history of Lullwater and pulled Chinese privet plants, an invasive species.*

## **Lunch & Learn Series**





*On October 9, Emory College Woodruff Scholar Maanu Obalapuram 28C gave a riveting presentation with the title "You Are the King: Chanakya's Arthashastra and its Applications to Modern Times."*



*On December 4, Mariia Sukhomlinova 28C gave a presentation on how to effectively have a winter holiday argument with friends and family.*



*On November 14, Woodruff alumna and Advisory Board member, Morgan Villar 25T 25MBA, presented to our current Whitehead and Woodruff Scholars and Fellows on Entrepreneurship Through Acquisition.*

## **Additional Student Events**





*Woodruff Fellows in the Candler School of Theology.*



*Woodruff Scholars in the School of Nursing.*



*Woodruff Fellows in graduate programs enjoying Fellow Friday Happy Hour at Wild Heaven Beer in Toco Hills.*



## Stay Connected

Check out the [Woodruff Program website](#).

Follow our new Instagram account [@emorywoodruffs](#).

Join our [LinkedIn Group](#) to see updates from Woodruff alumni and learn about ways to engage!

Want an update featured in the next Woodruff Newsletter? Email [Van Tong](#).



Want to give back to the the Woodruff Scholars and Fellows Program? Fill out our [interest form](#) to stay in the loop about volunteer opportunities like scholar recruitment, interviews, and more!

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