wily /ˈwɪlē/

Adjective

**Synonyms:** accomplished, adept, astute, brave, clever, inspiring, intelligent, resilient, strategic, talented, tenacious

1. **Smart.** Wily Scholars chart their own course to academic success, professional growth, and personal wellness.

2. **Resourceful.** Wily Scholars make strategic decisions to optimize their college experience.

3. **Connected.** Wily Scholars build relationships with peers, faculty and professionals to create a forever community.
DEAR WILY PACK,

It is hard to put myself back in time to the Monday evening in January when I walked confidently into our Annual Meeting to celebrate the 5th Anniversary of the Wily Network. In the intervening months, our world has changed dramatically. I hope that you and your loved ones are managing the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

COVID-19 Spotlight

Your willingness to lean in during this critical time has been inspiring. Thanks to the generosity of over 236 donors, the Wily Network has raised sufficient funds that have allowed us to support Wily Scholars through the first 100 days of this crisis. As we approach the next 100 days, we are going to need both financial assistance and support to help students find jobs for the summer and upon graduation. Please reach out to lend a hand.

Now back to celebrating how far we’ve come. We simply could not have imagined five years ago where we would be today (I guess that is now true on many levels). I could not be more grateful to know such spectacular Scholars, dedicated professionals and inspiring supporters. Thank you all for making this dream come true.

In 2019, we raised more than $964,000, with 40 of our 50 Scholars supported through the Fund-A-Scholar program. Over the next five years, we will need to be steadfast in our effort to identify more Scholars who have achieved so much, are working so diligently, and have so much at stake. We want to provide a safety net for as many students as possible. With your support and ambassadorship, we can take care of our Pack.

With gratitude,

Judi Alperin King
Founder and Executive Director

Wily Scholars are promising students who are experiencing life challenges such as homelessness or foster care, or whose parents may be deceased, dealing with addiction, mental health issues, or incarceration. Our mission is to ensure Scholars have the tools and networks necessary to thrive in four-year residential colleges.

Wily strives to empower Scholars to transition successfully into post-college life and become vibrant members of their communities. The Wily Network provides a critical safety net for these Scholars as they navigate college on their own. The Wily program offers weekly clinical coaching, financial assistance, community-building support, and networking opportunities to help them move from surviving to thriving.

We established our five Core Values in 2019 and incorporated them throughout this report. You’ll find them highlighted in blue and listed on page 18.

We are wily.

Ana Ayobajo, MA
Clinical Scholar Coach

Bianca Blakeley, LICSW
Clinical Scholar Coach

Laura Broffman
Operations Coordinator

Bbecca Butler
Operations Coordinator

Emma Chavenson
Financial Aid Coach

Kathleen Culver, JD
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Clinical Scholar Coach

Katherine (Kat) Castateda Macdonald, LICSW
Director of Coaching, Clinical Scholar Coach

Bonnie Yezukevich, LICSW
Director of Programming, Clinical Scholar Coach

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PARTNER PERSPECTIVES

This year’s Spotlight offers a chance to see Wily from the perspective of a Partner College and features Boston College (10 Scholars), Northeastern University (17 Scholars) and Massachusetts Institute of Technology (12 Scholars). Middlebury and Umass Boston are also Partner Colleges. Three of our campus liaisons shared their thoughts about Wily:

Massachusetts Institute of Technology
For MIT, our partnership with Wily has been a dream come true. To have a team of such caring, competent, and skilled coaches be available to students, at no cost, seven days a week, is an unparalleled resource. For the group of Wily Scholars at MIT who receive their help, the sense of community, emotional support, guidance, and advocacy is a lifeline. Moreover, the tangible resources that Wily provides students ensure that the Wily Scholars do not have to struggle to cover basic needs and critical expenses. For MIT employees, the clinical coaches of Wily are key thought partners and valued colleagues in our efforts to support our shared students. What they provide to our Scholars, our students, is a comprehensive and consummately responsive to students’ real-time and changing needs. A rare gem of a program, Wily’s partnership has been a true gift to MIT. —Miri Skolnik

Northeastern University
Perhaps the most important benefit is that students have an advocate who is not affiliated with the university. As much as we can earn students’ trust, there may be certain lines they do not want to cross or certain information they do not want to disclose out of fear about how that disclosure might impact their ability to stay at the university. Our Wily partners have been a great resource in that students can share their biggest worries, and they trust their coaches to bring important and relevant information to us in a manner that protects their privacy and humanity. We have also benefited from the wealth of experience that Wily coaches bring with them, particularly their understanding of counseling and ways to relate with students who have a history of trauma. Last year, Kat ran a terrific training for our staff on this topic. Finally, we have greatly benefited from knowing that we can pick up the phone and call Wily with concerns about students, especially when those concerns lie outside our ability to support the student. The collaboration and creative problem solving that result have made a world of difference for our students. —Eric Nguyen

Boston College
One of the benefits that I’ve seen, is that the students take advantage of our space, which is located in a house. The students are comfortable and feel at home, we call it our “No Judgment Zone.” Second, the Wily Coach, Madjeen Lorthe, is a great person to work with. The students are comfortable with her presence—she brings joy to our office when she arrives. Madjeen’s infectious smile is welcomed in every time she arrives to meet with her students. They trust her and she’s been very supportive. She’s always checking in on them and does her best to meet their needs accordingly. That makes us feel proud knowing that they are comfortable with her. It’s a pleasure working with Madjeen! —Yvonne McBarnett

Boston College Scholars Agustin, Bilal, Marissa and Sonam with Clinical Coach Madjeen Lorthe enjoying Fall Community Day.

MIT Scholars Daymé and Wendy with Clinical Coach Bonnie Vazavachevich.

COVID-19 Spotlight Thank you to all of our Partner Colleges for responding quickly and effectively during this stressful period for Wily Scholars. Your assistance in finding dorm space on each campus for Scholars—without the students having to explain their situations—made this transition as smooth as possible.
THE WILY PROGRAM

We believe in the power of deep, trusting relationships.

With Wily by their side, Scholars can keep pace with their peers academically, despite the challenges they face while navigating college. Scholars’ personal success depends on the crucial ingredients of the Wily program: consistent emotional and financial support, a community on which they can rely, and opportunities to network that ensure they build the skills needed for an independent future.

1. Clinical Coaching

Scholars and clinically trained coaches form authentic and meaningful relationships in which students feel both validated and accountable. Students and coaches meet weekly, on campus, to collaborate, identify, and work toward goals. Additionally, coaches are available 24/7 when more support is needed or crises arise.

2. Supplemental Financial Support

Worry over food security, health care and overall financial stability is a constant for Wily Scholars, with negative impacts on their emotional well-being. To enable students to focus on academics, Wily provides a monthly stipend as well as financial assistance to cover gaps in their budgets for both expected and unexpected necessities.

3. Community Building and Networking

In addition to our cornerstone Community Day events and holiday gatherings, Wily holds monthly Dining Out with Wily dinners, as well as frequent meet-ups for museum tours, movies or bowling. Through these opportunities, Scholars develop peer relationships and build a community where they feel accepted and know that they belong.

Wily connects Scholars to professionals in a wide variety of fields to cultivate their interests, polish their skills, and generate summer internship and career opportunities that will lead to post-graduate success.

COVID-19 Spotlight

As we all know, responding responsibly during the COVID-19 global pandemic includes social distancing. At Wily, we suddenly needed to make drastic changes to our programs after long relying on face-to-face interactions to provide opportunities for our Pack to connect. Still, we found ways to stay Wily:

• Our monthly newsletters became twice-weekly, with content ranging from recognizing mental health needs to suggestions for at-home entertainment, including the creation of a Book Club.

• Thanks to Zoom and UberEats, 18 Scholars and 8 staff members attended our first of many virtual dinners.

• Our group chat app featured daily games with burning questions such as “Waffles or pancakes?” leading to passionate debates.

Like most of the world, we are still adjusting to the “new normal” that faces our community, but our consistent contact with Scholar’s reminds them that we—their Pack—are there for them, no matter where, no matter what.
WILY COMMUNITY DAYS 2019

In 2019, Scholars, coaches and staff were fortunate to come together for two Wily Community Day celebrations. These fall and spring events have become a foundation of our programming. Because each year we say goodbye to our graduates and welcome new faces, it is essential to create opportunities for social interaction and meaningful connection. Scholars relish the opportunity to gather with their peers from other schools. On both occasions, we enjoyed a great turnout, beautiful weather, fun games and activities (some challenging, some relaxing), and delicious meals. Each Community Day reinforces and strengthens the relationships in our Pack, providing a powerful resource for Scholars each other.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Wily Community Day 2019 Wily graduates Jessica (MIT), Skye (NEU), Eric (UMass Dartmouth), Davae (NEU), and Olivia (BU)


February Board Chair Katie Bramley with Scholars John, Saffron, Edgar, Auberta, Chantel, and Marissa attend a “Telling Your Story” discussion at Harvard Business School with Brandon Lovell and Tiston Francis.

April Scholars Jessica, Skye, Davae, and Olivia celebrate their 2019 graduation with a celebratory dinner at West on Centre.

May Scholar Chantel celebrates her birthday with a special dinner.

June Judi visits with Scholars Daymé, Saffron, and Wendy during their summer internships in California.

July Scholars Mathieu and Skye with Director of Programming Bonnie Yenakевич at The Letters Foundation event.

August Scholars from four different schools gather at Blaze Pizza for Dining Out with Wily.

September Scholars Tiana and Nicoleta enjoy a Welcome Back dinner.

October BU Scholar Victor plays Jenga at Fall Community Day.

November Scholars Alyssa and Alena serve themselves a delicious meal prepared by Park 9 for our annual Packsgiving dinner.

December Scholars and coaches gather at the Fairmont Copley Plaza Hotel for a complimentary holiday dinner.

Our Scholars Attend 11 Colleges and Universities

We support 55 Scholars at 11 Colleges: Boston College, Boston University, Bridgewater State University, Harvard University, Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Middlebury College, Northeastern University, UMass Boston, UMass Dartmouth, and Wellesley College (as of 5/2020)

Advisory Council
Bryan Allard
Kelly Glew
Jeff Kline
Margaret Lewis
Meredith Mendelson
Annie Montesano
Sheila Murphy
Steve Pemberton
Kathryn Sargent
Kristine Schaefer
Carolyn Shaughnessy
Edward Walker

Thank you to our 2019 Advisory Council. Seated left to right: Kathryn Sargent, Annie Montesano, Meredith Mendelson, Kelly Glew. Standing left to right: Carolyn Shaughnessy, Sheila Murphy, Ed Walker, Jeff Kline, Kris Schafer. Not pictured: Bryan Allard, Margaret Lewis, Steve Pemberton.

The Wily Champion Award is given to an individual who has been instrumental in the development and sustainability of the Wily Network. At Wily, we rely on the strength of our Pack, which requires staff, volunteers, donors, students and sometimes even neighbors to step up, think creatively and give of themselves.

Wily’s Annual Meeting of the Board and 5th Anniversary Celebration was held on Monday, January 13th, at Park 9 in Wellesley. The evening included a Scholar panel, moderated by Advisory Council member Ed Walker, and the presentation of the 2020 Wily Champion Award.

Scholars Saffron (MIT), Chantel (NEU), and Mathieu (MIT) gave deeply moving testimonials about their Wily moments and the significance of Wily’s presence in their lives. The evening provided an opportunity for board members and other Wily supporters to connect with Scholars and learn more about what is at the heart of our mission.

The 2020 Wily Champion Award was presented to Sheila J. Murphy. Sheila used her extensive experience in higher education to propel Wily into existence. From the kernel of Wily as an idea, to making introductions to key college personnel, to helping Wily understand the language of college, Sheila has been an integral part of every stage of our growth and impact over the first five years. In addition to her strategic leadership, Sheila is one of our top brownie makers and Scholar champions. It was with our deepest appreciation that we honored Sheila with this Award.

“The genius of Wily becomes clearer with each year: the program guides the Scholars into a kind of sustainable independence while they experience the benefits of being surrounded by a supportive and reliable community of coaches, sponsors and caring adults. It is a privilege for all of us who have rallied around the effort to play even a small role in this journey. These are talented young adults. These are people to invest in. Their stories are inspiring and speak to the best of the human spirit.”

Sheila J. Murphy
We believe in the strength of our Pack.

We’d like to thank all of our hosts and the chairs of the 2019 Intro Events. With each event we engaged new ambassadors, shared our story and expanded our network. Intro events are key to the success of the Wily Network’s growth and fundraising efforts. Please consider hosting an Intro to Wily event and help us spread the word!

THANK YOU TO OUR HOSTS

Weston Intro Event
Pam and Andy Martin
Kim and Greg Pappas

Wellesley Intro Event
Katie and Don Bramley
Laurel and Zach Martin

Chestnut Hill Intro Event
Allison Hirsch
Judi and Bill Rosensweig

Newton Intro Event
Mary Gibbs and Brad Smith
Scott and Ursula Stefan

SHOPPING EVENTS

Lyn Evans Holiday Shopping Event
Mari and Charlie White

Juju Shopping Event
Suzanne Rutstein

Revolve Boutique Bag Sale
Lisa Castagno

Serve Kindness
Melissa Brooks
Jillian Darling

Dianne Pink and Beth Bono at the Wellesley Intro Event in October.

Thank You to Kyla

Kyla Truman graduated from MIT in 2017 and is a “would be,” now honorary, Wily Scholar. Sadly, we missed the opportunity to know Kyla as a student. We met her after she had made her way through school on her own. Since graduating, Kyla has worked as a Wily spokesperson, helping spread the word to prospective supporters about the need for and impact of the Wily program. This summer we’ll wish Kyla good luck as she begins medical school. ‘Thank you Kyla! You will always be part of our Pack.”
"My story is mine, I can tell it however I want. And it’s OK if it changes with time and experience.”  
Saffron, Scholar, MIT ‘20
THE FUND-A-SCHOLAR PROGRAM

Wily Scholars are the heart of our mission. The cornerstone of our fundraising paradigm is the Fund-A-Scholar program, which provides multi-year funding to ensure Wily’s sustainability, a primary focus in our fifth year of fundraising. Our Fund-A-Scholar donors make a multi-year pledge of $50,000 and commit to donating $12,500 for four consecutive years, which funds the full Wily program for one student.

THE FUND-A-PACK PROGRAM

Debbi and Mike Young first learned about Wily in the fall of 2018. From the beginning, their passion for Wily and understanding of the mission were genuine. Debbi and Mike just got it—and they’ve been sharing our story with others ever since. No matter where they are, Debbi and Mike are always there for Wily—to lend an ear, help us strategize and plan for the future, and to support the program with their commitment to Fund-A-Pack.

We asked Debbi and Mike a few questions about their involvement with Wily:

How did you first hear about Wily?

We were looking for a non-profit that would help people in vulnerable situations make it to the “other side” and break the cycle of poverty.

What drew you to Wily?

Having been there to support our daughters through college, both emotionally and financially, we immediately understood the impact Wily can have on these incredible students. The fact that they have managed to overcome so many obstacles and been accepted to top colleges and universities—on their own—is incredibly impressive. We wanted to help these amazing young people by giving them the extra resources and support they need so that they will stay in college and achieve their goals.

What do you think we could be doing to connect with more donors like you?

Continue to connect with other parents who have worked so hard to enable their children to attend the best colleges, through SAT/ACT prep, tutors, college visits, essays, manage deadlines, etc., and have been there to support and encourage their children along the way. They will appreciate the Wily mission. Wily has a compelling story and needs to be told and retold.

Debbi and Mike have been ambassadors for Wily.

What is your vision and hope for Wily five years from now?

We were fortunate to be able to review the Wily strategic plan and feel you are asking the right questions and have the right plan. We will continue to support more Wily Scholars in the Boston area and make sure the Wily message continues to be shared.

What would you say to prospective FAS donors to encourage them to donate?

Make sure that the potential donors know how their contribution will reach the students. At first, we didn’t understand that half of the funds are used to cover the cost of one coach. Once Judi explained how Fund-A-Scholar works, we realized that the Clinical Coach plays a primary role in the Scholar’s support system and is crucial to their college success. Sharing success stories about Wily Scholars and enabling potential and current donors to meet students and staff will have a significant impact.

Fund-A-Scholar $50,000 4-year pledge
The Wily Network celebrated our 5th Anniversary on January 13th, 2020, at the Annual Meeting of the Board. We proudly entered our next phase of growth with a solid financial base and set realistic goals for our next five years. Our financial goals and growth plan go hand in hand. We will enroll each new Scholar only when we know we can commit to providing the full Wily Network program through college graduation. As of June 1, 2020, we are working with 55 Scholars. With your help, we will be working with 112 students by 2024. We invite you to take a minute to see how Wily has grown since we began this work in 2015.

### Growth

**growth** /gˈroʊθ/

Noun

**Synonyms:** development, advancement, expansion, broadening, flourishing, thriving

1. **Money matters.** Wily recognizes that without our donors, investors and volunteers, our staff could not succeed in fulfilling our mission.

2. **Fiscal responsibility.** Wily engages in best practices to ensure funds are spent carefully and effectively. We engage experts in the field to provide fiscal oversight.

3. **Planning for the future.** Together with all who support our work, we can meet the needs of Scholars today and throughout their college careers.

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*One Scholar is taking time off from college.

19 graduates in five years
Wily is in a position of strength at the five-year juncture:
- Compelling and unique mission
- Dedicated staff, board and external supporters
- Well-designed and successful program

As we look forward, it’s important to focus efforts on growing responsibly so that infrastructure and funding keep pace.

1. Program expansion
Wily will develop robust partnerships with colleges in the Greater Boston area. These partnerships will create strong Wily communities on each campus, each with the integrity and high-touch quality that are the hallmarks of the Wily program.

2. Infrastructure
Wily will thoughtfully invest in both the people and processes needed to support us during this period of growth.

3. Financial Security
Wily will continue to focus its development efforts on the long-term, both for our organization as a whole and in our relationships with each Scholar.

4. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
Wily will infuse best practices around DEI throughout the organization. We know that the diversity of our Pack is our greatest strength.

We are committed to the long term.

To learn more about our Strategic Plan, email: info@thewilynetwork.org
annual giving 2019

The Fund-A-Scholar Program

**Fund-A-Pack $50,000+**
- Katie and Don Bramley
- Daniel E. Olffin, III Charitable Trust
- Steve and David Spina
- Robin and Marc Wolpow
- Debbi and Michael Young

**Fund-A-Scholar $12,500–49,999**
- Kristine and Nevin Chitkara
- Helena D’Angelo
- Lynne and Joe Delaney
- Further Forward Foundation
- Zach and Laurel Martin
- Michele Norman and Steve Lesser
- Kim and Greg Peppas
- Kathy and Bill Porent

**Fund-A-Year $12,500**
- Susan and Sam Porter
- Gail and Jon Radley
- Judi and Bill Rosenowig
- Barbara and Arthur Simons

**Connect-A-Scholar $6,000–9,999**
- Allison and Andrew Hirsch

**Bridge-A-Scholar $5,000–5,999**
- Kathy and Mark Alpert
- Patty and Mel Alperin
- Amelia Foundation
- Paul and Hillary Kavanagh
- Brookline Bank
- Adrienne and Michael Canning
- Tara and Greg Consol

**Grow-the-Network $50,000+**
- Clipper Ship Foundation
- Cox Family Foundation
- Ilene Reis Charitable Foundation

**Build-A-Community $10,000–25,000**
- Blue Hills Bank
- J.E. & Z.B. Butler Foundation
- DCU Joe Kade
- Lisa Hawes and Stephen Kaufler
- Life Science Cares
- Mog Reynolds and Skip McKee
- Rash Family Foundation
- The Philanthropy Connection

**Furnish-A-Dorm Room $1,000–2,499**
- Anonymous (2)
- Bain Capital Children's Charity
- Bill and Marshall Bartlett
- Elissa Birke and Sharon Fivebloo
- Jessica and Michael Butler
- Linda Cabot and Ed Anderson
- John and Daniel Cooper
- Hanley Cox
- Curated
- Nancy Curry
- Joy and Mark Desomme
- Tara Hendricks
- Cheryl and Jim Joyce
- Michael and Patrice Julian
- Jeffrey Kline
- Wendy and Charles Letierer
- Amy Lipton and Joe Doxantis
- Lynn Evans
- Mary and Charlie White
- Pam and Andy Martin
- Melissa and Jon McCray
- Laura McGaggett and Tom Nolan
- Lisa Miller
- Lisa and Ned Parsons
- Revolve Boutiques
- Lisa Castagno
- Andy Rudzinski and Stephanie Brusheer
- Julie and Robert Saumon
- Sue and Ted Saraceno
- Janet and Randy Scull
- Serve Kindness
- Melissa Brooks
- Jillian Darby
- Kiki and Drew Shilling
- Ellen and Bob Wilpe
- Leann and Brian Walsh
- Kristie and Tom Zaccagnino

**I am Wily because I am resilient and determined to graduate from college, with the support of my Pack.**
—Chantel

**I am Wily because I have relentlessly persevered, despite having all the odds stacked against me.**
—Saffron

Wily Scholars did their part. With your support and generosity—we did ours. Thank you!
I am Wily because I make things happen! —Jilly

I am Wily because I am defiant. —Jordan

I am Wily because I'm determined to achieve my goals, I adapt to life's curve balls, I am driven to grow and I am unbreakable. —Marissa

Members of 100 Women Who Care of Needham: Ellen Wijes, Jennifer Lenoci Edwards, William Erdos, Elisa Frederikson, and Jess Kadar, present a $10,000 check to Juda Alperin King.

I am Wily network.org

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Conway Cookie Fundraiser
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Manvi Anshun
Maryann Auld
Deborah and Michael Baker
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June Blumenthal
Michaella and Russell Booth
Sandy Bucicci
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Kathryn O’Neill
Sandy Ollehead
Laura Parker
Kristen Phannery
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Jessica Purnell

Clinical Coaches Bonnie, Bianca, Susan and Judi with MIT Scholars Mathai, Saffron, Amira, John and Hantoo at Fall Community Day.

B.C. Scholars Agustin and Sonam enjoy Packsgiving dinner at Park 9.

Introduction to Wily Events

Hosts
Katie and Don Bramley
Melissa Brooks
Katie and Jack Conway
Jillian Darling
Mary Gibbs and Brad Smith
Abby Hertford
Mary Here
Allison Hirsh
Zach and Lauren Martin
Pam and Andy Martin
Kim and Greg Pappas
Jodi and Bill Rosemovers
Scott and Ursula Steele
Matt and Charlie White
Debbie Young

Abby’s 10th Birthday Fundraiser
Anonymous (3)
Lisa and Caeen Brown
Jeanne Howland
Gretchen Kellagade
Judi and Tim King

Annette and Adam Landry
Liss, Scott, Owen, and Lego Murphy
Julie O’Rourke
Katie, Evan, Avery, Maren and Quinn Ouellette
Diane Rogers
Nina Sevogin-Wagner

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Angela Fuchuk
Mary and Brad Gibbs
Sarah and Scott Gregorian
Melissa Gulley
Madeline Krauss
Jody Klein LaFlche
Audrey Lampert
Stella Lee
Beth Maloney
Catharine and Duncan McEachern
Roberta and Russ Pavia

Donors
Kristen and Scott Conners
Ross Engelman
Kathi Ann and Ted Gage
Jim Gerard
Anne and Chuck Hajjar
Bridget and Michael Henry
Jody Hoffinan
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Corporations and Foundations
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Amazon Smile
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Scholars Melanie, Nicoleta and Mathieu were treated to a delicious dinner at the Boston Public Market as part of our Dining Out with Wily Program.

Clinical Coach Blanca Ballestoy with Bridgewater State University Scholar Joel.

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2nd Annual Speaker Series: An Evening to Learn and Grow

Thank you to our event sponsor, The Rene Beal Charitable Foundation, our host, Wellesley College, and all of the sponsors who made An Evening To Learn and Grow such a success. We are especially grateful to our keynote speaker, James Morton, President and CEO of the YMCA of Greater Boston.
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Verb
Synonyms: dedicate, devote, spend time
1. Lead. Become a Care Package Chair and spearhead an event for Wily.
2. Give. Make a difference in a Scholar’s life as a holiday and birthday Gift Giver.
3. Connect. Support Scholars by providing career advice and professional networking opportunities.

Our Volunteers are Wily! Wily volunteer programs are a great way to get connected with our Scholars. Volunteer through one of the programs.

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The Wily Network welcomes donations of gift cards to support our Scholars throughout the year. Gift cards come in handy all the time, whether for meals when the cafeteria is closed over break, transportation, or dorm room essentials and personal items. Host a gift card party for friends or colleagues to support our Scholars through the Gift Card Program.

Trish St. Jean (left) and Lee Sentnor collect gift cards for Scholars.

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thank you so much!!
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Isiah, Scholar, NEU ’20

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Spending a summer as a Junior consultant in New York City. I was able to gain invaluable experience in the field while pursuing my degree. I am so glad I decided to study in the summer and was able to work as an intern. I am definitely looking forward to returning next year for another great summer.

Judi,
Wow, I am just lost for words. I just finished meeting with Aimee and it’s as if I met myself from the future...
Meeting her was truly a phenomenal, even life changing experience and I cannot thank you enough for introducing us!! I found so much confirmation and new motivation, I really feel like a new & empowered woman. Words do not describe how thankful I really am for you and Wily.

Harley, Scholar

NEU ’20

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