# Featured Speaker: Dr. Wendy Wagner

George Washington University





Wendy Wagner, Ph.D. earned her doctorate from the University of Maryland. She both studies and practices the facilitation of college student learning and development specifically related to leadership, social change, civic engagement, critical thinking and innovative problem solving. She also enjoys working with college faculty to help them apply engaged pedagogy to reach their learning goals.

Dr. Wagner currently serves as the Service-Learning Faculty Liaison for the Center of Civic Engagement and Public Service at George Washington University, where she encourages scholarship and

service- learning pedagogy. She also is an Assistant Professor for Ethical Leadership in the Department of Sociology at George Washington teaching courses in leadership studies, social change and undergraduate research methods.

Wendy has received the K. Patricia Cross Award from the Association of American Colleges and Universities in recognition for her work in civic responsibility, teaching and learning. This prestigious award is only given to a handful of people selected from academic institutions across the nation.

She has co-authored several books on the development of socially responsible leadership, including Leadership for a Better World and The Handbook for Student Leadership Development. Recently she published, Exploring Leadership: For College Students Who Want To Make A Difference, the accompanying Facilitation And Activity Guide, along with the Workbook — which provides educational lessons for the topics in Exploring Leadership chapter by chapter. It includes activities and lesson plans from leadership educators who have used Exploring Leadership for years.

## Other Speakers



### Natasha Chapman, University of Maryland

Natasha Chapman, Ph.D. has served as a leadership educator, practitioner, and administrator in higher education collectively for over 10 years. She earned her doctorate in Educational Leadership and Higher Education from University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She is passionate about supporting students as they develop their leader identity and providing opportunities for them to explore how they value, understand, and practice leadership. As the Coordinator for

the Leadership Studies Program, she provides support and direction to the curriculum design, instructional delivery, instructor development and administrative functions of undergraduate leadership courses and the Leadership Studies Minor.



### Don Robertson, Northampton Community College

Don Robertson is the Co-Director of the Center for Business and Industry's Leadership Development Institute at Northampton Community College. Don is recognized for his consultative work on leadership development, teams and communication, and supporting a variety of Fortune 500 companies across the country. Don's experience also includes operations management, quality improvement management, union/management relationships, and people and organizational change. Don earned a B.A. from Duke University and a variety of certificates in organizational

development and Six Sigma.



# **Ann Haggerty Raines, Northampton Community** College

Ann Haggerty Raines is the Lead Facilitator for the Center for Business and Industry at Northampton Community College. As a trainer and consultant she has developed and implemented customized programs for diverse clients on topics such as management skills, process improvement, strategic planning, team building, and communication skills. Ann has worked in many

aspects of organizational development through Northampton Community College's Leadership

Development Institute, the Manufacturer's Resource Center, and the Ben Franklin Technology Partnership. As a faculty member for American Society for Quality, Ann has been actively involved in school and classroom improvement since 1992. Ann earned a B.A. in English from Mount Holyoke College with a concentration in psychology and education.



### Gordon Loeb, Loeb Consulting Group (LCG)

Gordon Loeb is the COO of Loeb Consulting Group (LCG), a leadership and management development company. His responsibilities include business development, marketing, financials, and client and consultant relations. Gordon helped grow LCG from a single independent consultancy to a thriving company with over 25 consultants that provides training and development, executive coaching, public workshops and student leadership

development programs. Gordon has an extensive entrepreneurial and corporate background including starting and growing two successful companies and running a division of Automatic Data Processing (ADP). Gordon is the proud co-founder of a teen advisory committee in Marlboro, NJ — an organization that helps teens develop leadership skills through community service projects. The organization has over 1,500 local teen members and is the recipient of a 2015 New Jersey State Governor's Jefferson Award.



### Katie Dantsin, Facilitator and Trainer

Katie L. Dantsin, M.Ed. is a leadership facilitator, consultant, and trainer with a background in higher education administration and leadership development. She's served as a facilitator for national organizations including the NCAA, LeaderShape, and the American Student Government Association. Developing the capacity of individuals and organizations to lead through the identification of personal and organizational strengths is a central facet of her work. While working at Lafayette College in 2003, she received an Aaron

O. Hoff Service Above Self Award. Katie earned her Masters of Education from Lehigh University.



### Margarida R. Da Graça, Lehigh University

Margarida R. Da Graça is a lifelong learner who currently works at Lehigh University as the Assistant Director of Multicultural Affairs. She holds a Masters of Science in Human Development and Family Studies with a concentration in College Student Personnel from the University of Rhode Island. In her current role, she assists students of marginalized identities as they navigate their understanding of self, discover their true passions, and work towards living an

authentic life. Margarida currently serves as the Co-Chair of the Leadership Curriculum Development Committee, which includes the integration of key findings in the Multi-Institutional Study of Leadership through reimaging existing leadership experiences and cross-campus collaboration. Her passion as an educator is grounded in providing both challenge and support to college students as they navigate and develop their consciousness of self and strive to live and lead authentic lives.



### Molly Sunderlin, Lafayette College

Molly Sunderlin, Assistant Director of Career Services joined the staff in the fall of 2007. Her past experiences in a variety of educational settings including secondary school teaching and adult career development have led her to career counseling in higher education. Molly's primary role at Lafayette is working with students of all class years in their process of career exploration and development. She also coordinates the on-campus alumni dinner panels and serves as the liaison between Career Services and the

Athletic Department in developing initiatives for student-athletes. Molly earned her Masters of Education degree from DePaul University.

### Alumni Panel

As has been tradition, lunchtime includes a moderated alumni panel. This year our moderator will guide the panel in a casual discussion about the five effective leadership practices in The Leadership Challenge (Kouzes & Posner, 1987). This model includes the following leadership behaviors: Challenging the Process, Inspiring a Shared Vision, Modeling the Way, Enabling Others to Act and Encouraging the Heart. Our alumni will sharing personal stories of leadership experiences representative of one or more the five practices. Our panel moderator is Gordon Loeb, COO of Loeb Consulting Group (LCG). Loeb Consulting is a thriving leadership and management development company with over 25 consultants. that provides training and development, executive coaching, public workshops and student leadership development programs.



#### Alumni Panelist: Dr. Donald Morel

Dr. Donald E. Morel, Jr., '79 holds a BS degree in Engineering from Lafayette College, an MS in Materials Science and a Ph.D. in Materials Science and Veterinary Medicine from Cornell University. He has been the Chief Executive Officer of West Pharmaceutical Services Inc. since April 2002 and he has been Chairman of the Board for West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc. since March 2003. Dr. Morel has served in a variety of capacities at West including his tenure as President of West

from 2002 to 2005 and was the Chief Operating Officer from 2001 to 2002. Dr. Morel started at West in 1992 and transitioned to Vice President, Research and Development of West in 1993. When he joined West in 1992 as Director of Research and Development. In this role, Dr. Morel spearheaded West's efforts to develop novel and proprietary drug delivery technologies. While President, Dr. Morel developed and managed a broad range of programs involving advanced materials for aerospace, biomedical and pharmaceutical applications for several companies. He has also been a Director of Kensey Nash Corporation since 2010, a Director of Zynaxis Inc., since 1995 and he currently serves as Director of Fox Chase Cancer Center. Dr. Morel has received several awards and honors including becoming a Fellow for the American Institute for Medical & Biologic Engineering.



### **Alumni Panelist: Todd Wiltshire**

Todd Wiltshire '86,Vice President of Fidelity Investments'
Capital Markets group graduated from Lafayette College with a
major in Government & Law and earned an MBA in Finance
from Fordham University. Todd is responsible for developing
strategies and execution plans to increase the distribution of
Capital Markets' services across Fidelity customer channels. He
is also responsible for managing the group's regulatory program
and assessing impact on clients, counterparties, products and
competitive positioning. Prior to his current role Todd managed

the Product Development function for the Prime Brokerage and Securities Finance businesses. Before joining Fidelity he served in similar product & strategy development roles at Credit Agricole, UBS and Morgan Stanley. He began his Finance career as a Commodity Finance credit analyst for NMB (now ING) Bank in New York.



### Alumni Panelist: Sean Bluni

Sean Bluni '90, Chief Executive Officer and Principal at Hardesty & Hanover graduated from Lafayette with a B.S. in Civil Engineering, then earned an M.S. from Duke University and a J.D. from Georgetown University. He is responsible for managing the day-to-day operations of Hardesty & Hanover and for execution of the firm's Strategic Plan. During his 24 years with the company, Mr. Bluni's responsibilities have included design and management of bridge and stadium construction

projects, and served as the Chief Operating Officer prior to his current role as CEO.



### **Alumni Panelist: Beth Nelson**

Beth Nelson '96, Associate Vice President for Development at Temple University, earned a BA in Math and Psychology from Lafayette College and then went on to earn her masters in Higher Education and Student Affairs from The Ohio State University. At Temple, Beth oversees the fundraising teams for 12 schools and units as well as the University's annual giving programs. Beth's professional career started in student affairs at The Ohio State University where she facilitated leadership training and guided behavioral change for students and staff. Next, Beth

worked for the Institute for the International Education of Students (IES) in London, UK where she created and ran an international student residential accommodation. Beth returned to

Lafayette in 2003 to start her second career in fundraising, holding various positions and finally serving as Associate Vice President of Development and Alumni Affairs. Between Lafayette and Temple, Beth served as a senior consultant at Plus Delta Partners where she guided fundraising teams of various colleges and universities in the US to higher yields and greater self-sufficiency. As an alumna, Beth is a member of the Marquis Society and serves as the Class of 96's Class Fund Manager.



### Alumni Panelist: John O'Keefe

John O'Keefe '96, Vice President and Chief Information Officer at Lafayette College graduated from Lafayette with degrees in music and American studies. Since graduating, he spent a brief time working in the film scoring industry in New York City before beginning his corporate career in IT. Returning to the college in 2001 as an instructional technologist, John has served in almost all areas of the college's IT division before becoming Lafayette's first CIO in 2011. John also continues to serve as an adjunct member of the Film and Media Studies Program, where

he team teaches an upper-level course that integrates the theory and practice of filmmaking. Outside of Lafayette, John chairs the board of the Consortium of Liberal Arts Colleges (CLAC). He also serves as president of the Third Street Alliance Board of Directors, a non-profit community-based organization in downtown Easton that has programs in women's shelter, child care, and adult day care services. John is also an active jazz drummer, and often can be seen in local bars with fellow Lafayette graduates Sean Gough, Class of 2009, and Jack Furlong, Class of 2004.



### **Alumni Panelist: Amy Ahart**

Amy Ahart '97, Associate Executive Director for the International Boys' Schools Coalition (IBSC), graduated from Lafayette with a degree in Computer Science and received her Master's degree in Public/Non-Profit Administration from New York University. In her current role of COO, Amy is part of the team committed to championing boys' education worldwide. Her focus centers around leadership development, educating the individual student and supporting academic environments that educate and celebrate global students and citizens. Prior to

joining IBSC, Amy worked with the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) as Senior Director of the Annual Conference. She curated led the NAIS Annual Conference — an event that attracted nearly 5,500 educational leaders annually. Amy began her career as a member of the College Relation and Student Life divisions at Lafayette College. Both of these positions focused on leadership, event programming, community, and culture. Amy is married to

Tom DiGiovanni '96, a high school teacher and a musician. They are active in their local community, education, and the arts.



### Alumni Panelist: Dr. Lisa Vislocky

Lisa Vislocky '00, Medical Director at Centron graduated from Lafayette, as a Marquis Scholar, with a double major in Mathematics and English. Subsequently, she earned a PhD from the University of Connecticut in Nutritional Biochemistry with a focus in Exercise Physiology and the Registered Dietitian credential and licensure for practicing clinical nutrition. At Centron, a global medical communications company, she is responsible for the strategic oversight of pharmaceutical/biotechnology educational initiatives for physicians and

healthcare professionals in the United States and abroad across a multitude of therapeutic areas. Prior to moving into medical communications, Lisa worked in the clinical setting as a dietitian and functioned as a sports nutritionist for collegiate and professional athletes. She also has direct clinical experience, conceptualizing and managing human research studies involving exercise and diet interventions. She is an active member of the American College of Sports Medicine, the American College of Nutrition, the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, and the American Society for Nutrition.