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Newsletter of ARCS® Foundation  
Atlanta Chapter  
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ARCS Foundation advances science and technology in the United States by providing financial awards to academically outstanding U.S. citizens studying to complete degrees in science, engineering and medical research. Founded by Mary O'Connor, our Atlanta Chapter was incorporated in 1992.



### From the President's Desk: Carolynn Cooper

Recent studies that show casual contacts can be almost as important as close relationships with friends and family have caught my interest. Like many of you I found myself glad to say hello to fellow dog walkers I saw every morning during the pandemic. A hug from a neighbor or a kind word from my regular cashier at Publix can make my day. It turns out most of us feel the same way. These casual contacts have real psychological benefits... [Read More](#)

### ARCS New Members - Class of 2023

Welcome to all our new members for 2023! All of them are dedicated to helping fund our scholars' work in the science, engineering and medical fields, recognizing that our scholars will have a profound impact on our world. Here they are—in case you missed them... [Read More](#)



### Fall 2023 Scholar Awards Celebration

Get fired up for the 2023 Scholar Awards Celebration (SAC)! We are only a few short weeks from celebrating this year's 49 incredible scholars on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, from 4:00-5:30 PM... [Read More](#)

## Welcome Back! - 2023 Fall Party

Carolynn Cooper and Pratap Mukharji opened their lovely home for our Fall Party. We had a beautiful Sunday evening with a cool breeze and a good time socializing around the pool and the beautiful garden...

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## ARCS Fall Educational Event - Emory National Primate Research Center

Join us on Wednesday, October 18, for an informative facility tour to see three species of primates and hear from animal care, veterinary personnel and researchers who conduct behavioral studies with the animals.

Registration deadline is Friday, October 13th at noon.

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## Funds Development - A Labor of Love

As with all members, Funds Development is looking forward to the Scholar Awards Celebration again this year. The location from last year worked very well, and I'm sure it will be even better this year.



The twelve new members for 2023 are a great group. All will be asked to attend a funds development meeting to understand our mission. Hopefully, some will want to join the committee. Their backgrounds are very diverse and impressive.

The Funds Development committee works year-round to keep our members informed of our progress to fund scholars for the next year. It is a labor of love for many of us. We appreciate all your help.

Mary Dodson

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## Washington D.C. Retreat

We are so delighted that our Washington, D.C. Retreat is fully booked! We do have a waitlist for this year's Retreat, and it is not uncommon for waitlist members to go on the trip, so stay tuned! All registered attendees are booked at the Willard Hotel.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who "jumped in" to assist with the June 20 registration!!

Thank you, Janis and Liz.

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

**October 18, Wednesday, 11am – 12pm:** Educational event National Primate Research Center

**November 15, Wednesday, 4:00 – 5:30pm:** Scholar Awards Celebration

**December 6, Wednesday, 10:00am:** Board Meeting

**January 17, Wednesday, 10:00am:** General Membership Meeting, In Person

**March 6, Wednesday, 10:00am:** Board Meeting, Zoom

**April 24 - 28, Wednesday - Sunday:** Washington, D.C. Retreat,

**May 8, Wednesday, 10:00am:** Annual Meeting, In Person

**June 12, Wednesday, 5:30pm:** Old Board/New Board Meeting, In Person

Having Trouble Finding the Board Meeting Minutes?

Just a reminder that the Board Meeting Minutes are available for review on the Atlanta Member's Website. To access, login to the ARCS Atlanta website. Using the menu on the left of the Welcome page, go to Document Library, then go to 'Operations' and then 'Meeting Minutes.'

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