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NEW COMMUNITY PARTNER!



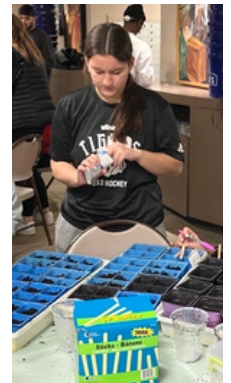
Our newest Hagen Center community partner is the Agraria Center for Regenerative Practice in Yellow Springs. On the 138-acre farm, the staff along with help from volunteers focuses on researching and teaching practices to restore the health of our soil, the diversity of our ecosystems, and the resilience of our communities. Volunteers can help with land stewardship and gardening, support the media team in documenting what is going on at Agraria, and assist the professional youth educators with seasonal programming. We look forward to introducing the Wittenberg community to the good work of this non-profit organization.

[Learn more](#)



MLK DAY OF SERVICE

This year, with the generous support of ServeOhio, the Hagen Center brought back MLK Day of Service on January 16, 2023. This year's event followed the theme of "Imagining Change," focusing on how the small practices we can participate in can make big changes to our community. Local partners like Promise Neighborhood shared their work in the Springfield community. Everyone then had the chance to participate in several small-scale service projects during the event, with the event launching a semester-long project to "Fill-a-Bucket" with supplies for organizations around town, culminating on February 1 during the Passport to Springfield event.



FACULTY & STAFF CONNECTIONS

Department Meetings or 1:1 Consultations

Ongoing - by appointment

Hagen Center staffers regularly meet individuals and departments to review the civic engagement curriculum, brainstorm, and answer specific questions related to your courses. We can also provide advice on how to propose a course or project for the CE designation.

Contact Kim Creasap (creasapk@wittenberg.edu) to schedule



SUMMER

INTERNSHIP SITE PROPOSALS DUE FEBRUARY 1, 2023

The Hagen Center's **Summer Civic Internship Program** runs every summer from May through July. The program combines an internship with opportunities to engage with local leaders and to network with Wittenberg alumni. The program helps students develop skills and knowledge to be active and engaged citizens while supporting our partners in meeting their mission and goals.

Questions? Contact Kristen Collier
(kcollier@wittenberg.edu)

[Read more](#)

DANNY BEAN NEWMAN CIVIC FELLOW 2023-2024



We are pleased to announce Danny Bean, Class of 2024, as Wittenberg's nominee for the 2023-2024 Newman Civic Fellowship. Sponsored by Campus Compact, a national organization committed to advancing the public purposes of higher education, this fellowship seeks to build a national network of engaged student leaders who engage in collaborative action.

As the president of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), Danny in collaboration with other groups on campus has designed mental health sessions meant to promote greater understanding of minority issues and to raise awareness of the mental health struggles within the transgender community.

Danny believes that "this fellowship will give him the opportunity to begin working on a personal mission that benefits the community that surrounds Wittenberg."

COMMUNITY EVENTS



JOIN US! PASSPORT TO SPRINGFIELD

The Hagen Center and Center for Student Involvement are looking for nonprofit partners to showcase what they do during this event on **February 1**. Our goal is to reconnect students with Springfield (and you!) through an on-campus tableing event.

Interested? Email Rachel Scherzer
scherzerr@wittenberg.edu

February 9th- Slice of Springfield

Join Partners for the Parks and sample pizza from up to eight area pizza shops. Then vote for your favorite. Attendees will also enjoy live entertainment! The Slice of Springfield fundraiser will donate 100% of proceeds from tickets to help support parks and recreation programming of National Trail Parks & Recreation District.

Feb 16-18, Imagining Community Symposium: Housing Justice and Flourishing Neighborhoods

The Imagining Community Symposium is a space for community partners across the Miami Valley to come together in a space of education, dialogue and action. The symposium is open to all community members, activists, artists, students, scholars and academics with the goal of exploring the history, legacy and impact of injustice in Dayton, and strategies for moving toward a more just, equitable and inclusive Dayton.

Where: The Hub Powered by PNC Bank at the Dayton Arcade (Enter through the Arcade entrance at 35 W. Fourth Street, Dayton, OH 45402); Events will also take place at the Fitz Center for Leadership in Community at 1401 S. Main Street, Dayton, OH 45409, and the Dayton Metro Library, at 215 E. Third Street, Dayton OH 45402.

February 19th – Dance Stomp Shake- “The Hottest Dance Show In The Midwest”

Sunday Feb. 19 2023
3:30pm

Clark State Performing Arts Center

