A note from the OAC Chairs—

We hope you are enjoying your November as Carleton students transition from fall instructors to winter break, Lisa and I are from Minnesota where it's still autumn (barely).

We are excited to announce that the 6th Out After Carleton (OAC) LGBT Family Reunion will be September 27-28, 2019. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us in Northfield for the gathering. We look forward to connecting with generations of Carls on campus, and uplinking and celebrating each other, many of whom need both current connections (expect the occasional faculty folks like me).

We are also excited to share with you other updates to the Gender & Sexuality Center, the Alumni Relations Office, and Carleton more broadly. Please enjoy, and we look forward to seeing you in a year!

Best,
Eliot James '05 and Lisa Nordeen '90
Out After Carleton Co-Chairs

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