June has been an eventful month, coupling good with challenging times. My most recent WEDNESDAY WIRE was a special edition to share programs and events that were planned in celebration of Juneteenth. I hope you were able to participate. And before this month comes to a close, I want to wish “Happy Pride” to SCS’s LGBTQIA+ persons and allies. But amid June’s celebrations of diversity, the U.S. Supreme Court has been active prior to its summer recess. If you missed it, please take some time to read CMU President Farnam Jahanian’s letter to our community regarding last Friday’s controversial ruling.

SCS NEWS
— A horse, a zebra and artificial intelligence helped a team of Robotics Institute (RI) researchers teach a robot to recognize water and pour it into a glass.

— Researchers in the Institute for Software Research (ISR) found that Twitter is an effective way to attract more attention and contributors to open-source projects on GitHub.

— Also from the ISR, a team of researchers recently collaborated with colleagues at Wesleyan University to take a first pass at understanding toxicity on open-source platforms.

— A novel camera system developed in the RI can see sound vibrations with such precision and detail that it can reconstruct the music of a single instrument in a band or orchestra. The system uses two cameras and a laser to sense high-speed, low-amplitude surface vibrations.

SIEBEL SCHOLARS NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN
— Nominations are being accepted until Friday, July 8 for the 2022 Siebel Scholars program. Scholars are selected based on academic excellence and leadership and awards are made without consideration of other funding a student may be receiving. See Zico Kolter’s recent email for more details. Each faculty advisor is asked to submit only one MS or Ph.D. student for consideration.

Until July 13,
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REMEMBER YOUR RESOURCES
Connect with a Dean’s Advisory Committee if you have questions or concerns you want to share. Connect with a representative leader from SCS Council if you’d like to submit a topic for Council to consider. Coronavirus Updates & Information and FAQs

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