

Promoting educational opportunities and lifelong learning for women.

# Fall Newsletter, 2020



We are proud to have awarded scholarships to these exceptional young women of Westfield.

Annabella Cerria received both the Past Presidents' Scholarship and a College Woman's Club Scholarship totaling \$8,000. Ms. Ceria plans on studying Classics or Political Science at The University of St. Andrews, in St. Andrews, Scotland.

**Emily Ensslin** received the College Woman's Club Scholarship for \$11,000. Ms. Ensslin will attend Northeastern University in Boston to study nursing.

**Emma Karp** received the College Woman's Club Scholarship for \$11,000. Ms. Karp plans to study entrepreneurship at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana.

**Theresa Lizzo** received both the Eva Wiley Scholarship and the College Woman's Club of Westfield Scholarship totaling \$5,000. Ms. Lizzo will major in Speech Pathology/Communications Sciences and Disorders at George Washington University in Washington, DC.

**Remi Shendell** received the Freshman Grant in Memory of Katherine Jaruzelski for \$2,000. Ms.

Shendell plans to major in Biology and will be attending Emory University in Atlanta, GA.

**Julia Singer** received the Freshman Grant in Memory of Jane Orto for \$3,000. Ms. Singer will be attending Villanova University in Philadelphia.

# **President's Message**

Thank you for supporting the College Woman's Club of Westfield! Did you know we have distributed over \$1M in scholarships since 1995? We could not have done this without *your* support.

We have a lot to be grateful for, even as we face an unprecedented year of pandemic. Our organization is composed of dynamic, committed and creative women who are dedicated to our mission. We are pivoting our activities due to the pandemic to be as relevant and impactful to the community as we have always been.

Our 2020-21 goals:

- Increase Membership through active and thoughtful outreach and opportunity (see Looking for Help on next page)
- Expand our reach and continue to be relevant by offering a "Zoom Series" on College Admissions in the COVID landscape.
  - On 7/22 we hosted our first in the series focusing on Prepping for College in the COVID Landscape
  - On 8/12 our second in the Zoom series covered Standardized Testing in the COVID Landscape
  - On 9/24 our topic was College Admissions in the COVID Landscape.
  - We plan to offer several more events in our Zoom series this fall.



- Create community among our members, offering events on topics of interest to our community using the Zoom platform. (see Looking for Help below)
- Launch an essay contest open to rising Sophomores in an effort to engage High School girls earlier in their High School career
- We are delicately approaching the topic of legacy giving

Traditionally, we have hosted a fall luncheon and a winter/spring Fund Raiser. Our Annual Fund Raiser, Trivia Night, held on February 28, 2019 was one the last large events we attended before COVID changed our lives. In this unusual time, we ask you to stick with us, engage in our offerings, and extend a helping hand when you can. Now more than ever we look to one another to share community and camaraderie as we fulfill our common mission to support young women as they set their sights on college education.

### We welcome our 2020-21 Board Members:

President	Anne Wargo
Vice President	Sherry Cronin
Secretary	TBD
Treasurer	Shelagh Monihan
Asst. Treasurer	Sandy Seastream
PR/Marketing	Ingrid McKinley
Advisor	Fran Moum
Director, 3 <sup>rd</sup> year	Jeannie Arida
Director, 2 <sup>nd</sup> year	Donna Hornish
Director, 1 <sup>st</sup> year	Pam Shaw
Trustee, 3 <sup>rd</sup> year	Christine Bohacz
Trustee, 2 <sup>nd</sup> year	Jackie Cash
Trustee, 1 <sup>st</sup> year	Linda Doyle
Scholarship Chair	Judy Brucia
Scholarship Asst. Chair*	Jennifer Jaruzelski
Scholarship, 3 <sup>rd</sup> year*	Fran Faltermayer
Scholarship, 2 <sup>nd</sup> year*	Wendy Cozzi
Scholarship, 1 <sup>st</sup> year*	Krista Triarsi

**Nominating Chair** 

#### Donna Hornish

#### **Nominating Committee Member\***

Deirdre Gelinne Eileen Fox Diane Yamano Annmarie Puleio



**October 15, 2020:** Please join us for a special webinar presentation by Anne Wargo's 22-year-old son, AJ. Anne, AJ and Grandma Margie have travelled the country learning about some of the most pivotal moments in American History: Assassinations. Please register on the CWC Website under Events.

CWC Board Meetings take place on the third

Tuesday of each month:

 Oct 20, Nov.17, Dec 15, Jan 19, Feb 16, Mar 16, Apr 20, May 18, June 15

# **Looking for Help**

As we look to support and expand our membership even in these difficult times, we are developing approaches to engaging membership. We are planning a series of online meetings using Zoom. Please let us know if you have knowledge of a subject matter or interest that might lend itself to a Zoom meeting. Additionally, we are looking to make ourselves better known to the PTO organizations at each of Westfield's 10 schools. If you are interested in being an 'ambassador' to one of these school's PTO Boards, please let us know.

## In Memoriam

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of two cherished members of the College Woman's Club community:

**Dot Teller (Dorothy Teller Obituary)** 

## George Hodges Bidgood (George Bidgood Obituary)

If you know of a College Woman's Club member who should be remembered in our "in Memoriam" section, please email CWC.Westfield@gmail.com.

