

Message from the Chair

Spring in Northeast Ohio has officially sprung! Since the last ICWW Update, the daffodils and crocus have bloomed and ICWW members came out of the cold to make connections at the Winter/Spring Reception at the Tri-C Hospitality Management Center. On March 6th we enjoyed Tri-C's generous hospitality over Sangria & Salsa, along with Kate Hubben's probing "In Counsel With" interview of Micki Byrnes. I would like to thank everyone for their collective effort – Claire Rosacco, Megan O'Bryan, Shirley Stineman, Kate Hubben, Micki Byrnes, Beth McCreary, the Tri-C staff and students, and Vitamix for their time, talent and energy.

As you may know, there is an ICWW retreat in 2019. Fierce ICWW members, Julia Sabin, Elaine Price and Kate Hubben have agreed to co-chair the event. At the Winter/Spring Reception, Co-chairs posted a simple "questionnaire" on large poster board, and asked members to provide quick feedback (using a sticker) on various proposed retreat formats/models. With the benefit of this input, the Co-chairs are putting together a survey for the entire membership, asking for more feedback. Julia, Elaine, Kate and their committee want to organize an inclusive retreat that engages as many members as it can, so please complete and submit the survey when you receive it.

As part of the retreat planning, Elaine Price passed something along that I thought may interest many of you - June 22, 2019 marks the 50th anniversary of the burning of the Cuyahoga River. The city of Cleveland is no longer the "mistake on the lake", and next summer it is preparing for a celebration of the City's restoration since that hot June day in 1969. Cleveland's Office of Sustainability is taking the lead and currently forming a committee of civic leaders. For more information contact Elaine Price eprice@cuyahogacounty.us 216-443-3721, or to get involved, contact Matt Gray, Chief of Sustainability MGray@city.cleveland.oh.us 216-664-2246.

Finally, spring is when new candidates are invited to join the ICWW membership. I'm excited to let you know that a class of 12 members has been approved by the ICWW Board. We are very excited and humbled by the talented leaders we are welcoming to ICWW in 2018. Much thanks to Caprice Bragg and the membership committee. WELCOME to our new members:

Dr. Francoise Adan - Medical Director, Connor Integrative Health Network, Endowed Connor Chair of Integrative Medicine, University Hospitals

Jill V. Akins - Principal & Sole Owner, Van Auken Akins Architects, LLC

Denise Carkhuff - Partner, Jones Day

Patti DePompei - President, UH Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital and MacDonald Women's Hospital

Sue Fuehrer - CEO, Louis Stokes VA Medical Center

Dr. Annemarie Grassi - Founder & CEO, Open Doors Academy

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Natalie Leek-Nelson - President & CEO, Providence House

Kim Manigault - Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer, Key Technology and Operations

Jill Marcotte - Partner & Chief Supply Chain Officer, Dealer Tire

Jessica McCoy - Vice President & General Manager, Healthy Places & Digital Demand Activation, GOJO Industries

Julie Tutkovics - Executive Vice President, Chief Marketing & Communications Director, Huntington Bank

Jennifer Vergilii - Partner & Co-Chair Corporate Capital Markets/Mergers & Acquisitions Group; Owner/Operator of three real estate/housing companies

The best is yet to come,

Jean

Member News

Margot Copeland was named by *Savoy Magazine* as one of the the Most Influential Blacks in Corporate America: <http://savoynetwork.com/savoy-magazine-announces-2018-influential-blacks-corporate-america/>

Margie Flynn recently announced that BrownFlynn has been acquired by ERM, the world's leading sustainability consultancy: https://brownflynn.com/enews/downloads/ERMAAnnouncesAcquisitionofBrownFlynnLtd_pro3012018.pdf

Ann Frangos has been appointed to the Cuyahoga Community College Board of Trustees: <http://www.tri-c.edu/news-and-events/news/ann-frangos-appointed-to-tri-c-board-of-trustees.html>

Karen Haefling has announced her retirement from Vitamix, effective at the end of April. Her new email is karen.haefling@gmail.com

Sharon Sobol Jordan has been named CEO of the Unify Project, a startup company that plans to use data-crunching and artificial intelligence to fight poverty: http://www.cleveland.com/metro/index.ssf/2018/02/sharon_sobol_jordan_to_leave_c_1.html

Beth Mooney has been reappointed to a second, one-year term as the Fourth Federal Reserve District's Federal Advisory Council: <http://www.craainscleveland.com/article/20180215/news/152116/cleveland-fed-names-2018-board-reappoints-beth-mooney-advisory-council>

Beth Mooney and **Sandra Pinalto** have been awarded YWCA Lifetime Achievement Awards: http://www.ywcaofcleveland.org/site/c.9hKOL9NNLmJ2G/b.9542933/k.EB2D/2018_Lifetime_Women_of_Achievement.htm

Winter Reception at Tri-C Hospitality Management Center



Upcoming EVENTS

2018 Wicked Wednesday Happy Hours

May 30 – Hosted by Billie Rawot and Kate Asbeck – location TBD – This will also be our **NEW MEMBER WELCOME** event so please save the date and join us to meet our fabulous new members!

June 27 – Cleveland Food Bank, hosted by Kristin Warzocha

July 25 – Hosted by Connie Clore, Sue Tyler, Linda Bluso, Jane Hamrle, location TBD

August 29 – Hosted by Lee Ann Howard and Traci Rourke – location TBD

NEW EVENTS

Patio Lunch – Friday, July 20 *location TBD.* Hosted by the connections committee: Megan O'Bryan, Teresa Metcalf Beasley, Linda Bluso, Connie Clore, Linda Kane, Shirley Stineman, Margy Judd

Summer In-Home Dinners – Many of you have asked for these! Dates will be announced soon and we will be looking for hosts.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE for updates regarding ICWW members and events. www.incounselwithwomen.org *If you have information to share or feedback on this newsletter, please contact Beth McCreary at incounsel@gmail.com or 440.477.0633.*