

Message from the Chair

"Blessed is the season which engages the whole world in a conspiracy of love."

Hamilton Wright Mabie

Holidays are complicated.

The holidays are ahead and it is exciting – a time of year when the most wonderful things are felt with our hearts. For some ICWW members; however, the holidays are a time of year-end deadlines, food malfunctions, family dysfunction or loss. It's stressful under the best of conditions and finding balance can seem impossible, especially for high achievers like our membership.

This is the time of year when doing a little something extra for someone (including yourself) is especially important. Small gestures often matter the most; I know – simple but not easy. My wish for all of you this holiday season is that the spirit of the holidays engages you in a fierce "conspiracy of love" - so that the special moments to come are felt in your hearts, and you have the time and energy to spread the conspiracy in small meaningful ways.

Peace, Love and Harmony

The best is yet to come,

Jean

Member News

Marcia Ballinger has been elected to the Board of Directors of Team NEO:

<https://www.craincleveland.com/nonprofits/team-northeast-ohio-adds-three-board-directors>

Caprice Bragg has been named vice president of board relations and strategic planning at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts Foundation: <https://www.vmfa.museum/pressroom/news/vmfa-foundation-names-new-vice-president-board-relations-strategic-planning/>

Fiona Chambers has been promoted to national tax reform leader for passthroughs at Deloitte.

Debbie Donley's firm, Vocon, received four awards from the 2018 Design Awards of the Cleveland Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, the leading national organization for the profession:

https://www.cleveland.com/expo/life-and-culture/erry-2018/11/67812aeea28874/vocon-westlake-reed-leskosky-w.html?fbclid=IwAR21zO298rZj7hXsWY4FJnrUro_4kCOGOo3msfQEjdhMGnfSyWGYlyv5wY

Sari Feldman was featured in a recent podcast, "Warrensville Reaching New Heights":

<https://anchor.fm/june-scharf/episodes/Episode-5---Sari-Feldman--Library-History-e2bupf>

Lynn-Ann Gries has been named managing partner at First Check Fund, part of Alumni Ventures Group:

www.avgfunds.com

Lynn-Ann Gries and Kim Manigault were recently named "Power Players: NEO Notable Women in Finance" by *Crain's Cleveland Business*: <https://www.crainscleveland.com/notable-women-finance-2018-0>

Mozelle Jackson has been named vice president of global finance at Diebold Nixdorf:

<https://www.crainscleveland.com/finance/diebold-nixdorf-names-mozelle-jackson-former-cavaliers-exec-oversee-companys-finances>

Patricia DePompei, Debbie Donley, Heidi Friedman and Lee Ann Howard have been named 2019 YWCA Women of Achievement: <https://patch.com/ohio/cleveland/women-honored-ywca-greater-cleveland>

Upcoming EVENTS

Wicked Wednesday – November 28 at Adrenaline Monkey

Hosted by Denise Carkhuff, Connie Clore and Jennifer Vergilii

Hosts Needed for These Available dates: Jan 30, Mar 27, Apr 24, May 29, Jun 26, Jul 31

New event dates will be announced soon, including a Holiday Lunch, annual Winter Reception, "In Counsel With..." and more! *Stay Tuned...*

PHOTOS

- **Fall In-Home Dinners**



L-R: Heidi Gartland, Jane Hamrle, Kate Asbeck, Nan Zieleniec, Carolyn Cheverine, Jill Rizika, Rita Brauneck, Barbara Danforth, Laurie Deacon



Front Row: Maryann Correnti, Jean Robertson, Micki Byrnes, Traci Rourke

Back Row: Connie Clore, Sue Tyler, Denise Carkhuff, Yvette Ittu, Teresa Metcalf Beasley

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