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Letter from the President



Dear ANWC colleagues and friends,

This year did not start out as any of us were expecting. I hope you and your loved ones are safe and healthy during the current public health, financial, and equality crises in our country. A special thank you to all ANWC members for your work to advance news reporting and communicating about these

and other issues critical to our country.

As we end our American News Women's Club year, our club is on sound footing but we need your continued support. Our 2020 Excellence in Journalism awardee, Lesley Stahl, is honored to receive the award and excited about the October 8, 2020 Gala. Gala planning continues apace, and I hope you will plan on attending the event, and if you have the time, join our planning committee.

With special thanks to **Sandy Trupp**, VP of strategic development, and **Claire Swift**, our clubhouse continues to support our mission. Clubhouse space is occupied, and we are appealing to the DC Government to reduce our property taxes, since they have increased exponentially over these past years.

We have two programs in the works, focused on equality in America and reporting in the

times of COVID. Please keep your eye out for these announcements. This year, the Board is sending a membership survey to probe topics and programs interests of our members. Please return the survey along with your ANWC membership renewal.

I believe that, in no time in American history has the mission of our club been more important. Please plan to attend the Gala and look for announcements on exciting programs about the elections and other critical public policy issues. Wishing you a good summer and thank you for your support of our club.

Sincerely,

Mary Catherine Andrews
ANWC President

The Very Best in Journalism

Lesley Stahl Gala • Oct. 8, 2020



Lesley Stahl cartoon by Anne Ganz

Previously scheduled for May 11, the 2020 Roast & Toast honoring esteemed CBS News & 60 Minutes correspondent **Lesley Stahl** for Excellence in Journalism has been will occur Thursday, Oct. 8 at 6:30 p.m. We will confirm soon if it will be held at the National Press Club.

Lesley Stahl is honored to receive our Excellence in Journalism award and is excited about the Gala. We have a terrific group of roasters in the works, and we will update you as this spectacular event is finalized.

Purchase your seats or tables at anwc.org/2020-award-dinner-registration, call Lizzie Stricklin at 202-332-6770 or mail us a check ATTN: LESLEY STAHL BENEFIT to 1607 22nd St. NW, Washington, DC 20008.

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ANWC Has Awarded Over 50 Scholarships

Since 1993, we have awarded over 50 scholarships to talented journalism students in the Washington, DC area. In 2019, we had the honor to present our annual scholarship awards to **Jaha Knight**, AU '19 (left), and **Colleen Grablick**, GWU '20. Jaha graduated in 2019 with a B.A. in Journalism, and dreams of becoming a broadcast anchor. Passionate about unreported stories, Jaha has interned with Music Week Magazine in London. Colleen graduated this spring with a B.A., double majoring in Journalism & Mass Communications and English, and is passionate about housing justice. Our scholarship committee (**Eleanor Clift**, chair, **Kimberly Adams**, **Jane Pennewell**) is excited for 2020.

If you are interested in supporting our scholarship program, contact Claire Swift at claireswift@anwc.org.



Meet Our Fabulous Interns

Past President **Jane Lingo** (1990-92) would be very proud of our current internship program, where we provide experience and networking opportunities for students at the George Washington University. This year we have had two wonderful student interns helping with events, communications, and maintaining the Cranford House.

Lizzie Stricklin (current, left) is a rising senior at GWU, pursuing a B.A. in Journalism & Mass Communications and a Minor in Sustainability. She hopes to pursue a career in news

reporting, and is especially interested in covering the environment, social justice, and the arts. She is excited to help serve to advance women in journalism for the ANWC.

Caroline Zonts graduated this spring from GWU with a B.A. in Political Communications and a Minor in Criminal Justice. This fall she will be continuing her studies by pursuing a M.A. in Media & Strategic Communication at GWU. In her time with the ANWC, Caroline helped organize events and maintain the ANWC's media channels.



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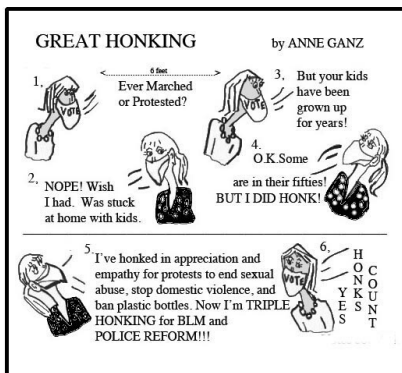
If you are interested in joining the board, contact Claire Swift at claireswift@anwc.org.

New Club Members for 2019-20

Name	Organization/Title	Sponsor	Level	Date Joined
ACTIVE				
Loretta Greene	Principal, Consultant, Greene Strategy	Claire Swift	Affiliate	Sept. 2019
Marcia Jovine	Attorney	Jane Pennewell	Affiliate	Mar. 2020
Aparna Kumar	Senior Adviser, Branding at NARAL Pro-Choice America	M.C. Andrews	Level IV	Jun. 2019
Tammy Kupperman	Freelance Journalist / Producer	Claire Swift	OOA	Mar. 2020
Olwen Logan	Self-Employed Publisher / Editor	Jane Pennewell	Level IV	Jun. 2019
Elizabeth McGuigan	Director, Navy Graduate Medical Education	Pauline Thompson	Associate	Nov. 2019
Elliott Sellers	Investment Manager, Anchor Health Properties	Jane Pennewell	Affiliate	Jan. 2020
Susan Drake Swift	Principal Consultant, SDS Communications	Claire Swift	Level IV	Sept. 2019
HONORARY				
Wolf Blitzer	CNN	EIJ Recipient	LHON	May 2019
Paxton Baker	Minority Owner of the Washington Nationals	Roaster	HON	May 2019
Dana Bash	CNN	Roaster	HON	May 2019
H. E. Thelma P. Philip Browne	St. Kitts & Nevis Ambassador	Speaker	HON	Oct. 2019
Sam Feist	CNN	Roaster	HON	May 2019
Nadine Hoffman	International Women's Media Foundation	Speaker	HON	Dec. 2019
Alan Miller	News Literacy Project	Speaker	HON	Nov. 2019
Norah O'Donnell	CBS Evening News	Honorary Governor	HON	Dec. 2019
H. E. Roya Rahmani	Afghanistan Ambassador	Speaker	HON	Oct. 2019
Jay Shaylor	"The Situation Room with Wolf Blitzer"	Roaster	HON	May 2019
Elisa Shearer	Pew Research Center	Speaker	HON	Jun. 2019
Elaine Weiss	Author (<i>The Women's Hour: The Great Fight to Win the Vote</i>)	Speaker	HON	Sept. 2019

If you are interested in becoming a member, contact Lizzie Stricklin at anwclub@comcast.net.

Member News



Longtime member **Anne Ganz** is still cartooning from her perch in Martha's Vineyard, where she has taken the time to do wonderful cartoons of Lesley Stahl and this current cartoon of the times.

Past President **Karen James Cody** (2001-03) continues pursuing her passion for design and communications as a content writer at the Allyson Group, which she founded in 1991.



Jim Lehrer

Cokie Roberts

Karen James Cody

We mourn the passing of **Marj Skinker**, longtime and beloved member, ANWC past president (1985-86) and club historian. **Marj** had a distinguished career of steadfast service, working in various positions in communications and government, as well as running her own media company.

In 2019-20, we also lost lifetime honorary members and media legends: **Jim Lehrer** (EIJ 2000) and **Cokie Roberts** (EIJ 2003).

Member News (cont.)

VP of Strategic Development **Sandy Trupp** is teaming up with former member and VP, **Lisa Shenkle**, to do media relations for two books. The current book publicity Campaign is for *Deep State* by Chris Tidball and is an exciting thriller.

Sandy is also working on a documentary of Deirdre Capone, who is the grand-niece of Al Capone. It includes never-before told stories of Al Capone from inside his family.

Past President **Ginny Daly** (1986-88) is spending her time in Rehobeth with her husband and health issues, which are on the mend, while pondering her next book venture.

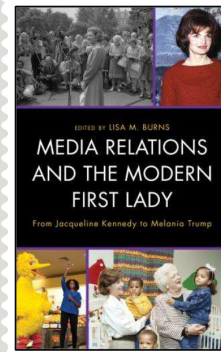
EIJ Recipient **Gwen Ifill** (2014) has been stamped into history with her new Forever postage stamp, the most recent addition to the Black Heritage series from the US Postal Service. Washington, D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser declared January 30 **Gwen Ifill** Day.



Gwen Ifill stamp



Sandy Trupp



New book with a chapter by Maurine Beasley



Ginny and Pierce Daly

A new book, *Media Relations and the Modern First Lady: From Jacqueline Kennedy to Melania Trump*, contains a chapter by member **Maurine H. Beasley**. She examines the ways in which first ladies before Jacqueline Kennedy interacted with the news media of their day. The book is edited by Lisa M. Burns, professor of media studies at Quinnipiac University. It is published by Lexington Books. Burns is a former Ph.D. student of Beasley at Maryland.

Maurine H. Beasley will also receive the first Senior Scholar award given by the History Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication at the organization's annual convention Aug. 7. The event was scheduled for San Francisco but is being held virtually this summer due to COVID-19. **Beasley**, professor emerita of journalism at the Merrill College of Journalism of the University of Maryland College Park, was nominated for the award by former students.

We want to hear from you! Submit your member news to anwclub@comcast.net.

Programs That Make a Difference: First-Ever Virtual Annual Meeting 2020



On June 3, members enjoyed attending the ANWC's virtual annual meeting, the first-ever in the ANWC's 89 year history. Led by ANWC President M.C. Andrews

and VP of Strategic Development **Sandy Trupp**, a record number of members discussed club activities amidst COVID-19 and upcoming events like the Lesley Stahl Gala.

We also reflected on the excellent programs we had pre-COVID: **Eleanor Cliff** and **Elaine Weiss** celebrating the centennial of the 19th Amendment, Meet the

Ambassadors from Afghanistan and St. Kitts and Nevis, and News Literacy and the 2020 Elections with **Alan Miller**, and a festive holiday gathering.

If you are interested in suggesting a program, contact M.C. Andrews at mandrews@vianovo.com or anwclub@comcast.net.
If you are interested in supporting or donating to the ANWC, contact Claire Swift at claireswift@anwc.org.