



THE WOMAN'S EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY  
of COLORADO COLLEGE

# Newsfocus

WINTER 2004

FOUNDED IN 1889 TO GIVE ASSISTANCE TO THE STUDENTS OF COLORADO COLLEGE

## WES Enriches Upperclass Scholars' Lives



The winter *Newsfocus* offers us an opportunity to catch up on the lives of the WES upperclass women scholars. In this issue, we will learn more about eight of these scholars.

The sciences have captured most of the scholars' interest. Except for one anthropology major, who is also pre-med and a possible English major, they are majoring in chemistry, neuroscience, physics and biology. These are intense majors involving a great deal of time in lab courses. Chemistry has given sophomore Diana Tapay the opportunity to participate in Cool Science, an outreach program showing elementary school children how much fun science, particularly physics and chemistry, can be. Ashleigh Martin, also a sophomore, is involved with the Pre-Med Club, the Student Health Advisory Council and the Minority Association of Pre-Med Students.

Science doesn't dominate all of their CC involvement. Jenna Pizzicara, a junior, devotes time working at the Writing Center and is a residential advisor in Loomis. Caitlin Dufault, another junior, is Vice President of Finance for Delta Gamma, head resident of Lennox House and the chair of Adopt-a-Student for the Student/Alumni Association. Sports is another favorite CC activity for these busy scholars. Sophomore Natalie Veres is a member of the women's basketball and tennis teams, senior Jessica Rivas is on the women's rugby team and Carrie Aldridge, also a senior, plays on the women's club hockey team.

WES scholars also live an active lifestyle outside of Colorado College. Jessica works at the Rocky Mountain Animal Rescue Center, helping restore and rebuild 119 acres to create additional space for abandoned and rescued animals. Jenna volunteers at the westside Planned Parenthood clinic. As a hospital volunteer, Diana works

with an audiologist in the nursery performing hearing tests on newborns, and Natalie is very involved as president of the Filipino-American Youth Organization of Colorado.

Even with many hours devoted to volunteer activities, our scholars still have time for their own hobbies. Rebecca Daly, our Anniversary Scholar, enjoys reading, hiking and fixing up her house. Diana does a great deal of sewing and has won numerous blue, red, white and champion ribbons for projects submitted to the Larimer County Fair. Jenna finds time for arts and crafts projects, reading, traveling, skiing and running. Jessica is also focused on the outdoors with mountain biking, hiking and climbing. Carrie spends extra time with woodcarving and music, Ashleigh enjoys cycling, writing and cooking and Caitlin manages to find time for exercising, watching movies and sports as well as traveling.

Several scholars have travel plans for the next summer to such places as the Philippines, Italy to study Italian and the University of New Mexico to work in the neuroscience department. In addition, these energetic women have plans to do research. Diana hopes to work at Colorado College while Caitlin will be working on a thesis involving rats and cognition. Carrie is contemplating graduate or business school after graduating this spring, and Jessica plans to join the Peace Corps and work in agriculture.

The achievements of our scholars have been recognized by numerous awards. Chemistry awards, the Dean's List, Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society membership, Mortar Board, the Order of Omega and the Ann Rice Memorial Award are some of the honors these incredible women have earned. We are privileged to have them representing WES.

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The Woman's Educational Society (WES) is an autonomous community organization founded on April 20, 1889, to foster support of Colorado College. Its purposes are to bring community and college together, give assistance to students of the college and undertake programs and projects to benefit the college, particularly women of the college. Gifts to WES are **tax-deductible**. *Newsfocus* is published twice a year as a service to members and friends of WES.

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## Message From The President



Helen Richardson

Happy New Year! The WES Board members are anticipating an exciting second semester of programs and stimulating speakers: Dr. Beverly Stoeltje in the Women of the West lecture/lunch series will speak on *The Cowgirl: Ranch Women, Rodeo Queens, and Media Dreams* on February 25th; Major General John A. Love's topic will be Homeland Defense on March 10th; and our annual meeting and program will take place on April 24th.

WES may also sponsor a fundraising lecture in early April. The topic will be Women and Democracy in the Near East, given by a member of the U.S. State Department. Plans are in progress! If everything comes together as the Fundraising/Project Committee and Board expect, you will receive special notices and invitations. I encourage you to read our Preview of Program Events, mark your calendars, attend as many of our functions that interest you and bring a friend who might not be familiar with WES activities.

The present Board's goal is to continue to increase the financial assistance to our 21 scholars by encouraging donations and bequests to WES. Recently, WES received generous donations from Lynne and Dick Cheney and the E. R. Hooper Foundation. We thank them for their generosity.

The first WES bequest of \$10,000 in 1897 by Mary R. Hawley established an endowment for the first scholarships given to CC students. Recently the CC Development Office began an outreach program with affiliated groups on campus, like WES, to assist them in their fundraising efforts. Rachelle Latimer, a development officer for planned giving who focuses on bequests and trusts, will work together with us to encourage supporters of WES to consider including WES in their estate plans. If you or someone you know has questions or would like information on bequests, please contact Rachelle at **389-6226**. Take the time to read Rachelle's informative article on bequests in this *Newsfocus*.

The search is on for volunteers to serve a three-year term on our Board of Managers. We also encourage the WES general membership to serve on a standing committee or an *ad hoc* committee. If you are interested and have time to join this dedicated group of women, and if you'd like to get to know the scholars personally, please speak with a current Board member, E-mail us at [WES@ColoradoCollege.edu](mailto:WES@ColoradoCollege.edu), or call the WES message phone line at **719-389-7699**. WES Board members check the E-mail and phone messages often, and you'll get a quick response. This is an exciting time for WES and we'd like you to be a part of it!

— Helen Richardson

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The scholars are all grateful to WES for the support we have given them. Diana summed up the feelings of many of the scholars when she said, “The scholarship is a significant help toward the cost of attending CC. Additionally, the book funds relieve a lot of the stress of paying for supplies, and they allow me to purchase new rather than used copies of books. While this may seem trivial, it’s important to me because I believe books are to be respected and cherished...I never write in them.” Natalie appreciates the support “because I have been able to focus more on my studies rather than financial dilemmas, and I have had the privilege of spending time with some wonderful girls and women.” Jessica echoes appreciation for funding, but is also grateful to WES for “providing mentors and friends through the WES community and scholars here on campus.” Carrie also focused on the people she has met. “Meeting all the WES women and scholars and being able to talk to them has been great and interesting.”

Jenna spoke about “the overwhelming support and open-mindedness of the sponsors and members of WES...I hear nothing but encouragement and positive feedback. It’s meant a lot to me to be involved with such an admirable group of women throughout my college career.” Ashleigh said, “My college experience would have been a lot colder my freshman year if it weren’t for the encouragement and support of WES.” Caitlin and Rebecca want WES to know their time at CC would not have been possible without a WES scholarship.

While these young women have benefited from the support WES has given them, we must remember all they have contributed to Colorado College and the Colorado Springs community. They are truly an impressive group of women and we are privileged to have the opportunity to know them and to help them reach toward their goals.

— Nancy Hochman, Scholarship Chair

## A Lasting Legacy — Bequests and the WES Scholarship Program

The legacy of the Woman’s Educational Society at Colorado College is enormous. The most visible and lasting sign is the women’s residence Montgomery Hall, our first fundraising project for which we raised \$15,000 between 1889-1892. Over the years, WES contributions to the campus have included purchasing a home for the college infirmary, providing pianos for various campus facilities, and furnishing and remodeling other residence halls including Ticknor and Hagerman Halls.

While these projects have given assistance to *all* of the students of Colorado College, nothing has touched the lives of CC students more than the WES scholarship program. A glance at the Roll of Scholars reveals the names of hundreds of students who have benefited from our assistance—people like Sperry Packard ’02 (father of David Packard), Dr. Jeanne Harrisberger Manning ’46, Dr. Pamela Shipp ’69, and Congresswoman Diana De Gette ’79, not to mention our

21 current scholars. Were you (or are you) a WES scholar?

Did you ever wonder where the scholarship money came from? While there have been individual gifts to the funds over time, the most significant gifts have come from

bequests. The first was a \$10,000 bequest from Mary R. Hawley, a friend of Mary G. Slocum’s, in 1897 to endow scholarships. According to Mrs. Slocum, “When it became [Mrs. Hawley’s] duty to make disposition of

her property, she chose to place it where, for all time, it would enable young people to fit themselves for service in the world.” (*A Quiet Work*, p. 24)

We applaud Mrs. Hawley’s foresight and dedication to education. Now we are asking you to consider joining Mrs. Hawley and include WES (and/or the College) in your estate plans.

As a development officer for planned giving at the College, I look forward to working closely with WES and our members on this project to assist us with information about making WES an outright beneficiary of our wills, trusts or retirement plans. If you have already generously included WES (and/or the College) in your estate plans or would like information

on how to do so, please contact me at (719) 389-6226 or [rlatimer@coloradocollege.edu](mailto:rlatimer@coloradocollege.edu).

— Rachelle Latimer, Development Office and WES Board member



# A Vision For Colorado College 2010



CC President Richard Celeste

In October 2002, President Celeste charged a committee of “Mappers” (four CC community representatives) with the tasks of revisiting the Colorado College mission statement and building upon that revision to engage the College community in a road mapping process. The purpose was to articulate a long-term vision for the College and a plan for

how to get there. President Celeste also specified that this effort should be highly participatory and transparent, and that the final product should be something the members of the CC community “own.” It should also be sufficiently practical to provide guidance in making tough choices, in setting clear priorities and in evaluating the work along the way. This ambitious undertaking was completed by the end of the academic year through the contributions of many at Colorado College and, over the summer, President Celeste worked with the outcomes of this process to come up with a collective vision for Colorado College to be completed by 2010. The following is the mission and vision statement that President Celeste derived from this campus mapping process.

## Colorado College Mission

*At Colorado College our goal is to provide the finest liberal arts education in the country. Drawing upon the adventurous spirit of the Rocky Mountain West, we challenge students, one course at a time, to develop those habits of intellect and imagination that will prepare them for learning and leadership throughout their lives.*

## Core Values

*As members of the Colorado College community, we share a commitment to:*

- *honor the life of the mind as the central focus of our common endeavor;*
- *value all persons and seek to learn from their diverse experiences and perspectives;*
- *practice intellectual honesty and live with integrity;*
- *serve as stewards of the traditions and resources of Colorado College;*
- *nurture a sense of place and an ethic of environmental sustainability;*
- *encourage engagement and social responsibility at local, national and global levels;*
- *seek excellence, constantly assessing our policies and programs.*

Our new mission statement and core values form the foundation of my vision for Colorado College in the year 2010. Every day we as a community must think about how we engage around these values and translate them into reality, while continuously matching performance to the promise of our mission.

I have organized the action agenda around three key themes: Rigorous Intellectual Experience, Diverse Respectful Community, and Next-Generation Campus. We will seek a new level of academic rigor in every academic department and in every block. We will continue to promote diversity of backgrounds in all areas and to strive for respectful interactions, a strong sense of community, fairness, and dignity. And we will enhance the physical campus to support the overall College program in its curricular, co-curricular, and social aspects for today and tomorrow.

It is not a question of *whether* we forge ahead on this new course. We must, if we aspire to offer the best liberal arts and sciences education in the country.

## WES Fall Luncheon



Pictured at the Fall Luncheon are WES President Helen Richardson, Scholarship Chair Nancy Hochman, Jacqueline Lundquist, and Program Committee Co-chairs Gwen Barron and Marianne Martin.

Peoples' stories are what make history and cultures interesting, and in the telling, make connections around the world. In “Service to Community: Different Countries and Different Cultures,” guest speaker Jacqueline Lundquist, wife of Colorado College President Richard Celeste and *ex officio* member of WES, had fascinating stories to tell at the October 22nd WES fall luncheon in Slocum Commons. The crowd of 86 was inspired by Jacqueline's words and took advantage of her offer to answer questions about her personal experiences as wife of the Ambassador to India.

WES members and guests are invited to reserve March 10, 2004, to attend the winter luncheon in Gaylord at the Worner Center, featuring Major General John A. (Andy) Love who will speak on Homeland Defense.

## Preview of Program Events for 2004

WES members and their guests expect a season of informative and innovative programs. Invitations will be mailed to members with specific information several weeks before the event.

### Wednesday, February 25, 2004 -12:00 (noon)

Women of the West Lecture and Lunch, co-sponsored by The Hulbert Center for Southwestern Studies and WES. Gaylord Hall, Worner Center



**Special Guest Speaker:**  
**Dr. Beverly J. Stoeltje.**  
**Title of presentation:**  
*The Cowgirl: Ranch Women, Rodeo Queens and Media Dreams*

Dr. Beverly J. Stoeltje is an Associate Professor in the Department of Anthropology and the Department of Folklore & Ethnomusicology at Indiana

University, Bloomington. She received her Ph.D. in anthropology (folklore) at the University of Texas, Austin in 1979. Dr. Stoeltje has received numerous honors and awards and is a highly published and renowned lecturer.

### Wednesday, March 10, 2004 -11:30 a.m.

Winter Luncheon  
Gaylord Hall, Worner Center



**Special Guest Speaker:**  
**Major General John A. Love**  
**Topic: Homeland Defense**

Major General Love is a 1967 graduate of Colorado College. He is a command pilot with over 2500 hours in the F100, A-7 and F-16. Presently, he has been recalled to active duty and is stationed at Peterson AFB. Major General Love is the

Special Assistant to the Combatant Commander, NORAD/NORTHCOM for National Guard Matters and Liaison to the Chief, NGB. He also assists the Commander on homeland defense, civil support and aerospace defense issues under the National Guard's operational range of interest. Major General Love has received numerous awards and decorations.

### Saturday, April 24, 2004 -11:30 a.m.

Spring Luncheon and Annual Meeting  
Gaylord Hall, Worner Center

Report of the Nominating Committee  
Recognition of Graduating Scholars  
A Special Program

#### PLEASE NOTE

It has come to the attention of the Board of Managers that some of our members do not actively participate in WES-sponsored events. In order to reduce mailing costs, we are asking those members who no longer wish to receive postcard notification or reminders of WES events to call the WES phone at (719) 389-7699 or E-mail us at WES@coloradocollege.edu.

We appreciate your cooperation. **Thank you!**

## Finance Committee Report

The Finance Committee of WES is pleased to report that despite the discouraging turn of events in the stock market during the 2002 calendar year, our endowment is doing well. Even though the value of the total portfolio was down at the end of the year, our average annual rate of return over the past five years is more than 7 percent. Since we moved our funds to an investment company in July of 1994, our average annual rate of return has been 11.5 percent.

To determine the amount of money each of our twenty-one scholars is to receive, the Finance Committee uses a formula similar to the one Colorado College uses to determine how much money they are able to allocate to student aid in a given school year. In an effort to never decrease the amount of the annual award, the Finance Committee has taken a conservative approach in determining the amount of the WES scholarships. The Board of Managers of WES agreed to increase each scholarship by \$100 for the 2003 - 2004 school year. Each scholar will receive \$3,000 toward tuition and \$760 toward the purchase of books. The fees for tuition, room and board and books for the College are more than \$34,800 for this school year. The WES scholarship of \$3,760 contributes approximately 10.8 percent of this amount.

In the past few years the award to our scholars has remained at approximately 10 percent of the annual cost of attending Colorado College. It is the hope of the Finance Committee that with increases to our endowment we will continue to increase the amount of the WES scholarships.

— Lynn Lindbloom, Finance Chair

## WES Welcomes Six New Board Members



Janet Strouss, Linda Madden and Melanie Drake

An interest in higher education and women's issues were two of the reasons given by our six new WES Board members when they agreed to be on the Board of Managers. Board members attend monthly meetings and participate on various committees in order to coordinate the activities, programs, fundraising and scholar events throughout the year. This year, WES welcomes Melanie Drake, Kari Hibbert, Rachelle Latimer, Linda Madden, Lillian Mallory and Janet Strouss to the Board of Managers.

Melanie Drake is employed by Colorado College as a Senior Assistant Director of Admission and Coordinator of Alumni and International Programs. She is a second generation WES member, as her mother was a member in the 1970s. Melanie says that she "would like to thank the members of WES for welcoming me into their midst and for showing me what a valuable service this group provides to the Colorado College community and the community at large." Melanie presently serves on the Publicity and Scholarship Committees.

Our second new board member, Kari Hibbert, was introduced to WES by present Board member Artie Kensinger. Kari is a new member of WES who has previously worked with Colorado College and the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo. She finds her service on the Board so far to be a rewarding experience. Funding scholarships for women students is the most important purpose of WES according to Kari who serves on the Membership and Fundraising Committees. Kari comments, "It's an honor to be a part of a fine organization."



Kari Hibbert



Rachelle Latimer

Rachelle Latimer is the newest member of the WES Board of Managers. She is a 1993 graduate of Colorado College where she majored in economics and minored in Russian Studies. Shortly after graduation, she joined the alumni relations staff of the College where she was working with regional alumni groups, reunion classes and the College's Fifty Year

Club. After six and a half years, she was promoted to her current position as a member of the Development Office where her focus is on bequests and trusts.

A long time member of WES, Linda Madden is employed by Colorado College as the Coordinator of the Chaplain's Office and Shove Chapel. Through her work, Linda supports the many and varied programs directly associated with the spiritual and cultural life of the College. She finds it interesting to serve on a working board and appreciates that the Board is large enough that no one individual is overwhelmed with responsibilities. Linda, a lifelong advocate for higher education opportunities for women, finds "WES's role in opening such possibilities to smart women who need financial help an outstanding and admirable purpose." Linda presently serves on the Future Planning Committee and the Publicity Committee.

Our fifth new Board member, Lillian Mallory, has been a WES member for over 10 years. She recalls that she was a member when WES donated funds for improved lighting in Shove Chapel in 1994. Lillian is a military widow and a teacher. She has lived in the area since 1964. She finds that WES serves an important purpose in promoting scholarship and women's issues. Lillian is a member of the Finance Committee and the Publicity Committee.



Lillian Mallory

Our final new addition to the Board is Janet Strouss. Not new at all to WES, Janet served on the WES Board in the 1980s. She now sells real estate; however, her relationship with Colorado College began in 1978 when she was hired by the College as a hall director/assistant to the dean shortly after graduating from a college administration graduate program. In discussing WES, Janet states that WES programs "seem to serve a community need, and the gatherings to celebrate the scholars are wonderful at keeping women in the community aware of who today's college women are." Janet serves on the Membership Committee and the Nominating Committee.

The Board of Managers thanks these individuals for agreeing to volunteer their time and efforts to further the purposes of WES.

—Lisa Mayers

## INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

WES extends an invitation to and encourages the WES general membership to serve on the WES standing and *ad hoc* committees. For example, the Scholarship Committee can use volunteers who are willing to mentor new and current scholars on campus, support scholar events, and assemble scholars' care packages. Other WES committees include Finance, Fundraising/Project, Future Planning (*ad hoc*), Membership, Nominating, Program and Publicity. Please indicate your interest by selecting a committee on the **Membership Information** form below.

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### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

WES membership is open to all, and membership is renewable **annually**. Please select one of the following membership categories, and make your membership check payable to WES.

Renewal       New Member

Dues \$20

Cum Laude \$50-\$99

Baccalaureate \$21-\$49

Magna cum Laude \$100-\$499

Summa cum Laude \$500 and above

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_ (E-mail) \_\_\_\_\_

**Send to:** The Woman's Educational Society of Colorado College, 14 East Cache La Poudre Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80903.

If there are any questions regarding membership, call the WES message number, **389-7699**, and someone from the Membership Committee will respond to your inquiry.

**I am interested in serving as a WES volunteer. Please call me to help with:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Finance

\_\_\_\_\_ Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ Publicity

\_\_\_\_\_ Fundraising/Project

\_\_\_\_\_ Nominating

\_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship

\_\_\_\_\_ Future Planning

\_\_\_\_\_ Program

\_\_\_\_\_ Please send me information on bequests to WES.

Thank you for your kind contribution to WES. All contributions, above the \$20 membership dues, are used directly for scholarships, programs and projects of WES to benefit students of Colorado College and are **tax deductible**.