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Graduating Seniors Reflect on Their Education and Outline Future Plans

The Annual Meeting featured presentations by the graduating seniors Emily Sussman, Katie Timzen, Jessi Blake and Natalie Watrous. These accomplished young women with bright futures ahead were introduced by their mentors and shared their enthusiasm for their time at CC and adventures to come. Here are some written snapshots of their college years and future plans, in their own words. **Congratulations scholars!**

Jessi Blake

At CC, I am a Classics major and Human Biology and Kinesiology minor on the Pre-medical track. My thesis was translating an ancient Olympic athletics manual and analyzing it in the modern understanding of exercise physiology. I have been a leader in Cool Science and the Quest Scholars Network for 3 years each. Cool Science offers opportunities for low income and minority elementary and middle school students to partake in science labs at CC. The Quest Scholars Network provides support and services to Quest-affiliated, low income and first generation students. I have also been active in the Butler Center, the Wellness Resource Center, and dance workshop on campus.

After CC, I have accepted a position with Teach For America in Las Vegas to teach high school Science for two years. After that experience, I hope to get a masters in Community Health Education to become active in health equality and access.

Emily Sussman

I am an English major on the Creative Writing track and just finished my first novella for my senior thesis project. I love cats, *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini, and my wonderful husband Trevor. At CC, I have delighted in being a part of the Women's Educational Society (particularly the Cookie Exchange and Afternoon Tea!). I have also enjoyed working with Residential Life and the Admissions Office along with participating in a bunch of the events CC has to offer, such as Llamapalooza, Women



Graduating Seniors at the Annual Meeting

in Comedy, and the visiting writers series. My next steps will continue a focus on my writing.

Katie Timzen

I'm from Gresham, Oregon, east of Portland. I'm an environmental policy major, and spent my time at CC working and researching environmental policy in Colorado, New Zealand, and Hawaii. I enjoy hiking, cooking and eating, and spending quality time with friends. I am passionate about environmental justice and climate change policy, and hopefully will find work in this area in the next couple of years. I am headed back to New Zealand, visa in hand, and will focus on the environment and enjoying time with my friends down under.

Natalie Watrous

I am a Molecular Biology major from Seattle, WA. During my time at CC, I have been very involved with the Dance and Human Biology & Kinesiology Departments, the Office of Admission, Best Buddies, and arts and crafts. CC has brought me the greatest friends of my life! After graduation, I plan to travel the world and maybe go to medical school someday. ✨



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, to give assistance to students of the college, and to 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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Introducing our New WES President Judy DeGroot— Here's to Judy!

After a 40 year career in nursing (clinical emphasis in oncology) it was time for me to enter what I call “preferment” – doing what I prefer to do. In “preferment” I wanted to find ways to give back to the community of Colorado Springs where I have lived since 1992. After meeting some impressive women and hearing about the purpose of WES, I knew it was something I could sink my teeth into and thus entered into my first “preferment” volunteer activity.



Incoming WES President Judy DeGroot with Scholar Emileigh Rafidi

The Woman's Educational Society has such a rich history of women supporting women. Not only does WES provide financial support to young women throughout their collegiate years at Colorado College, it also provides overall support and friendship to the WES scholars throughout their time at the college through the WES mentor/mentee program.

This will be my fifth year as a member of the WES Board of Managers and my involvement has been filled with rich and fulfilling experiences. As incoming President of WES I will continue to honor the history and mission of WES along with the talented and dedicated women that make up the WES Board of Managers. Karen Rubin as the 1st Vice President is definitely my right hand person; she is detail-oriented, and full of enthusiasm and fresh ideas. I am honored and excited to serve as President of WES for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

Judy – July 2019 🍷

And an enormous THANK YOU to our outgoing president Crystal Bryant!

As I reflect upon my term as president of WES, I feel so grateful for the opportunity to have served such an amazing board and such wonderful scholars in a meaningful way. I would like to thank the entire board for their continued support of our mission and our scholars and for all that they do for WES. The opportunity to serve on the WES board for the past 4 years has allowed me to reconnect with my alma mater in a very special way while doing good things for good people. This year, like many before, has been another successful year for WES. We have tried new and innovative programming and we continue to deliver dearly loved programs for both our scholars and the community. One such program is the Van Briggie Festival, which continues to evolve and grow over time and is successful each and every year because of the support of the community and the entire WES board and members. It takes an incredible amount of coordination and effort to make such an event happen and I'm grateful to have been a part of it for the past few years. As I have said before, my favorite part of being on the WES Board is getting to know our scholars and seeing the amazing women that they are and are becoming! During the Annual Meeting, we got to hear from four graduating scholars who are poised to go out and make positive changes in the world. Our scholars are genuinely the most talented, compassionate, and intelligent women and it's an honor to be able to help them succeed and navigate their collegiate career. These young women represent our future and contributing in a small way to their success is honestly the most important thing we do at WES. It is also what we draw energy from, and we are all better people because we have contact with these young women. As I leave the WES Board, I know that I am leaving the group in excellent hands as we've got a great batch of new members with fresh ideas to lead this group forward into the future. WES is such an impactful organization and does so much good for the students that it touches and for the Colorado Springs community! I look forward to staying connected to WES and attending as many events as I can. In closing, I'm just so entirely grateful for the opportunity to have been a part of this amazing organization and thank you all for your continued support of WES.



Outgoing WES President Crystal Bryant with Gift from Board

Crystal - July 2019 🌿

Announcing the New Slate of WES Officers

President: Judy DeGroot

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Also at the Annual Meeting, some changes to the WES constitution were approved. For further details, please see the Annual Report on the WES web site at <https://coloradocollege.edu/wes>.

And a huge thank you to our Board of Manager members stepping off the board this term: Ann Burek, Barbara May, Barbara Mitchell, Judy Casey, Roz Kneppell, and Helen Knight.

Thanks to These Six Board Members for Their Service!



A Warm Welcome and Introducing New WES Board of Managers Members

Jeraldine (Jeri) Peterson

Jeraldine (Jeri) Peterson was born and raised in Carthage, Mississippi. After college, Jeri began her federal employment career as a Personnel Assistant at Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, MS. After serving for over 36 years, Jeri retired from the federal government in 2014. Some of her positions during those years include Personnel Management Specialist; Employee Relations Specialist; Equal Employment Opportunity Counselor; Program Manager; Master Training Instructor; Training Manager; Air Force Strategist; Registrar at the United States Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine; and Chief of Training for Senior Executive Service members. Serving primarily in leadership positions prepared Jeri to actively participate in many community activities and organizations. She currently serves on the Federally Employed Women (FEW) National Board of Directors as the National Awards Chair. She's the Diversity and Inclusion Vice President on FEW's Regional Board of Directors in Denver. Additionally, Jeri is the Bylaws Chair on the Regional Board of Directors for Blacks In Government (BIG). She is a member of the Black Advisory Council (BAC) for the El Pomar Foundation. She's a member of the Order of Eastern Star and a member of the Columbine Chapter of Daughter of the Elks. Jeri is an active member of and serves as a Wedding Coordinator for the Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church.

Jeri received a Bachelor's of Science Degree from Jackson State University, Jackson, MS where she majored in Personnel Management with a minor in Business Administration. She went on to obtain dual Masters of Arts Degrees from Webster University, St Louis MO. Her first Masters was in Computer Resources and Information Systems and the second Masters was in Procurement and Acquisition Management. She has two children and four grandchildren.

Tess Powers

Tess Powers has served since 2008 in Colorado College's Office of the Dean as the Director of Faculty Research Support where she provides comprehensive individualized support to faculty seeking and receiving federal and private grant funding to support their research and scholarly projects. Prior to this position, she served as a grant writer for more than five years in the Office of Foundation and Agency Relations, in the College's Advancement Division. She serves as the chair of the Advisory Group to

the College of Liberal Arts - Sponsored Programs (CLASP), an informal professional society of individuals who work in sponsored programs at small liberal arts colleges. A strong supporter of women's education and the liberal arts tradition, Tess graduated from Bryn Mawr College, a small liberal arts college for women, with a major in Chemistry and a minor in Dance. She is the mother of two sensational boys, Beckett and Judson, ages 11 and 14.

Lyrae A. Williams

Lyrae is currently an Associate Vice President at Colorado College, where she assists the president in institutional planning and overall effectiveness. Lyrae was recruited to Colorado College as the Director of Budget in February 2007 and held that role until 2012 when she transitioned into the President's Office. She has over 20 years of experience in higher education budgeting and planning. Prior to Colorado College, she was at the University of Maine School of Law, Wesleyan University and the University of Arizona. Lyrae holds a master's degree in higher education finance and economics as well as a bachelor's of science in finance and accounting, both from the University of Arizona. Lyrae has previously served on the local Susan G. Komen board and the Indian Hills homeowners association board. Lyrae is originally from southern Arizona.

Carolyn Dickerson

Carolyn comes to WES via a career dedicated to technology and public education. Her public education experience ranged from work as a sign language interpreter to Director of Technology. She has run her own consulting business advising non-profits on managing their data and worked for Colorado College as a Database Analyst. Carolyn holds a Bachelors degree in Mathematics and a Masters degree in Deaf Education. Thanks to Carolyn for stepping up to become the new WES database manager!



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NEWS FROM OUR SCHOLARS— Trips Around the World and Awards!

Jennifer Lam and Dylan Hall Study Abroad in China

This is Jennifer and I would love to let you know that I have finished my two-block study abroad in China. The past two blocks have been a life-changing and eye-opening experience. I will never forget the impact it has on not only my self-development, but also my desire to give back on a global scale.

We studied in Shanghai at Fudan University. During our stay in China, we visited many cities, such as Nanjing and Beijing. Going to the Great Wall in Beijing, witnessing the terracotta warriors in Xi'an, and eating plenty of delicious meals everywhere was incredible. We also had block break in Korea which was also really fun too. On this trip, I definitely created new friendships and deepened older ones. The people I traveled with really made the experience in China all the more wonderful.

The biggest question I answered on this trip was this one. "Are you exploring to find or exploring for tourism?" From the two blocks, I've learned that as much as I see the tourist sites or scenic spots, I attach and create memories with a place by the people I meet and encounters that I have there. Whether it was ordering food or asking for directions, I was evoking a sense of boldness within myself to take that first step. It was these moments where I improved the most in my Chinese level. Practicing what I learned allowed me to explore who I was becoming. I know that I will continue my language learning journey because a part of me is invested in preserving this cross-cultural connection.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you for your support for the WES program and WES scholars. It means the world to me. I will cherish this memory into my future and continue to cultivate a global citizenry mindset.

CORRECTIONS

Several names have been misstated/misspelled in past issues. The correct names are: Debbie Wynn, Sarah Healy, Cindi Zenkert-Strange.

Sincere apologies from the *Newsfocus* proofreaders!



Jennifer Lam (above) and Dylan Hall (below) in China



NEWS FROM OUR SCHOLARS— Trips Around the World and Awards! *(continued from page 5)*



Jennifer Lam and Dylan Hall Meet up in Seoul, Korea



Madeleine Tucker in Tanzania

Madeleine Tucker Studies Ecology and Conservation in Tanzania

I was fortunate to receive financial aid to travel to Tanzania for a CC course during 6th block and spring break of this year. It was my first time traveling to Africa, and it was an un-

forgettable experience. We spent the majority of the month on safari in the country's national parks, but we also spent some time in the capital city, Arusha, and visited Maasai and Hadzabe villages.

We arrived in Arusha after a long couple of days of transit. We stayed for three days in the city before driving to the Maasai village of Agykeret. For me, that was the most memorable portion of the trip. I loved spending time with the Maasai people and learning from them about their culture, as well as examining the plants of the region. We took part in one of their sacrificial ceremonies—called “Orpul,” in which a goat is killed, cooked, and eaten on the spot. We also spent time with the Hadzabe. We played a gambling game with them, and they sang us many of their traditional songs. From there, we began our circuit of the national parks. In about three weeks we were able to make it to many of the parks in the northern part of the state – including Ngorogoro Crater, Lake Manyara, Serengeti, and Tarangire National Parks. In visiting these places, we were exposed to a diversity of ecosystems, and the huge variety of flora and fauna they contained. We saw lions, cheetahs, and leopards in the Serengeti, hippos in Lake Manyara, and elephants in Tarangire. While we traveled, we learned about current conservation issues in the places we visited, and often ended our days with discussions of these topics. It was incredible to be in a place so entirely unfamiliar, where everything was new and there was so much to learn every day. I am so lucky to have had this experience, and am hugely grateful to the WES program for making it possible for me!

Melissa Manuel Studies The Odyssey in Greece

Since fifth grade when my teacher read me Percy Jackson’s *The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan, I have loved Greek mythology and dreamed of visiting Greece. When I learned that CC offered a study abroad class that went to Greece and included studying Homer’s *The Odyssey*, it sounded perfect. There was no way I was missing this opportunity, and through the graciousness of the Study Abroad Office, Film and Media Studies Department, and the wonderful women at WES I was able to afford the trip. And so on May 23 of 2018 my very own *Odyssey* began in Athens.

Athens is a big city where buildings are all squished together, stacked and twisted around in no particular order. Graffiti covered almost everything and it all wound around crumbling remains of Greek history that attracted tourists and seemed more of an inconvenience to Athenian citizens. We spent three days in Athens getting to know our classmates and our two professors Lisa Hughes and Barry Sarchett, who love Greece and *The Odyssey* in a way that can only be described as akin to Odysseus’ love for Penelope. Everywhere we went Barry and Lisa had friends they’ve known for years and tavernas they particularly loved. It wasn’t just a trip experiencing Greece through *The Odyssey* it was also a trip of experiencing Greece through their eyes.

From Athens we boarded a bus and headed to the Peloponnese with the destination of a small beachside town called Gythio right beside a rocky Mavrovouni Beach. Along the

way we got to stop and visit Agamemnon's Palace at Mycenae where the great Greek plays of The Oresteia are said to have taken place. The stone walls that have stood for hundreds of thousands of years still stood, which continues to baffle historians and archeologists as they remain together with no visible support.

Once we reached Gythio we arrived at our new home for the week, the Demestihis Apartments, owned by the loving, and incredibly kind Demestihis family. We had dinner at their taverna and they taught us to dance. In our week in the Peloponnese we had class every evening in the patio of the apartments trying to not get mauled by mosquitos and learning Greek history. We took a trip to the nearby Caves of Diros where it is believed Odysseus entered the Underworld. It was a breathtaking experience where we got rowed in boats through the cave as it was filled with water. After this we got a bonus experience being driven around the Mani of the Peloponnese for the rest of the day and got to appreciate the beautiful home of the Demestihis family and their friends.

When we had to leave Gythio it was heartbreaking having to say good-

bye to such a beautiful town and people. But there was so much more to do, and so back to Athens we went to board the boats that would be our home for the next two weeks, Mythos II and Kalikratis. From Athens we sailed the dark wine sea to the Cyclades, where we began reading The Odyssey, and every day was incredible (putting sea sickness aside in my case). My favorite island we visited was Paros; it was smaller and less touristy than its bigger neighbor Naxos. But to be brief, because I could go on for pages, my time in the Cyclades will forever remain close to me. Nothing really compares sailing the Aegean Sea following the story of Odysseus and just truly appreciating the history and complexity of this region, how it expanded across borders and how these histories helped shape the world we live in today.

After two weeks of sailing our trip was coming to a close, but of course it had to end in the same place as The Odyssey. We eventually reached the home of our hero: Ithaca. There are plenty of reasons Odysseus fought so hard to go home, but the beauty of Ithaca is definitely one, it is truly a sight to see. Lush and green, surrounded by the immaculate sea, it was beautiful beyond belief. Here

we finished The Odyssey as a class and celebrated our Blue and White Banquet before heading our separate ways.

I am forever grateful for this chance to have spent a month in Greece and have learned the story of Odysseus and the ancient world of Greece he came from. It's one thing to travel to a new place, but it's another to travel to a new place and actually learn and appreciate what is around you.

Jessica Ramos Studies Development in Oaxaca, Mexico

Block 2 of this school year I had the privilege of going to Oaxaca, Mexico with the sociology department in a course titled "Development and Grassroots Resistance in Latin America." I have attached a picture!

Early this summer, I will be volunteering with Southern Poverty Law for two weeks as a translator for interviews conducted in immigration detention centers. In July, I will be going to Ecuador for five weeks to conduct my project with Davis Projects for Peace.

Oaxaca, Mexico





WES Scholar Kristie Shirley, left, with Fellow Scholarship Recipients

Kristie Shirley Receives President's Scholarship

I was honored to receive the Crown-Goodman scholarship which is for rising seniors who have made contributions to the college during their time here and ensures that the recipients can be loan-free for the last year of CC. I'm so grateful to the families who contribute to this scholarship as it is immensely helpful to my family and me. During this last year, I am hoping to apply to graduate school and continue on this path to change the world so this scholarship really takes a huge weight off my shoulders. Thank you for the continued support and hope you have a great summer!

Graduating Senior Saul Maravilla Receives Marianne Stoller Award

The WES Scholarship Committee awarded Saul Maravilla '19 the Marianne Stoller Award, which includes a \$1,000 check. Marianne Stoller passed away in 2016, but her legacy continues with her generous support of WES and our scholars. Saul said

"I really appreciate this check as it will really help in the transition from CC to the post-grad world. Thank you to the WES board for all the aid they have provided me with over the years. CC would not have been the same without it!

Wedding Bells—Emily and Trevor

WES Scholar Emily Sussman-Johansen celebrated a huge milestone on January 13th, 2019 when she married her high school sweetheart Trevor Johansen in Shove Chapel. The couple met during an audition for their high school play "The Love of Three Oranges" and, almost eight years later, are so excited to start this new adventure together!

Madeleine Tucker Summers in Alaska

This summer I am working as a biology intern for the USDA at the Alaska Plant Materials Center. In this internship I am working mostly with the CAPS (Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey) program. This work entails traveling around Alaska sur-



Congratulations Emily and Trevor!



Madeleine Tucker in Alaska

veying for Asian Gypsy Moths, and testing apiaries (beekeeping yards) for viruses, and testing crops for plant pathogens. In my down time I have been exploring my temporary home of Wasilla, AK and beyond, backpacking, climbing, trail-running, and mountain biking. I have had an absolutely incredible time, and look forward to the months ahead in this internship! This job provides me with an opportunity to see many different areas of Alaska, and to build connections in the field of research biology, in which I hope to work permanently after I graduate from CC. 🌲

MEMBER NEWS AND EVENTS

Winter Luncheon — Author Kay Esmiol on Fannie Mae Duncan

The Winter Luncheon featured a talk by author Kay Esmiol about her book “Everybody Welcome: A Memoir of Fannie Mae Duncan and the Cotton Club.” Kay described the amazing Fannie Mae Duncan’s charm and warm hospitality, including her brave and successful efforts to welcome everyone, despite social barriers, to her famous jazz club.



*WES Board of Managers Member
Debbie Wynn*

From Kay’s note to WES:

“I had no idea how very special my time with the ladies of WES (and some of their husbands) would be. I was delighted to visit with wonderful parents of former students and treasured former colleagues whom I

have not seen for many years. I also especially enjoyed getting to spend a moment visiting with two of your WES scholars. Both of them are lovely and enthusiastic young women. Scholarships are an important investment in the future, and I commend WES for the commitment you continue to make to our gifted youth.

Please express my gratitude to all the ladies of WES for inviting me to share Fannie Mae’s story and to explain the quest to dedicate her life-size, bronze likeness in front of the Pikes Peak Center on October 26th. I thoroughly enjoyed spending a lovely February afternoon with everyone.”

Oprah!

WES member Liz Bevington and family have served as Colorado College host family for the last four years to senior Palesa Mokoena, who graduated from the Oprah Winfrey Leadership Academy in South Africa. Liz shared some details of this celebrity appearance in our town: “We offered to have a graduation luncheon for Palesa and her friends after graduation. She gave us her invitation list and as we anticipated Oprah was first on her list. We had a wonderful time on Sunday. Oprah is a genuine, down to earth person who talked openly to everyone in attendance. Many pictures were taken but the party was private. Oprah is just what she seems when you see her on television or when she gives a speech—a wonderful person.”



New WES Member Diane Howard

Member Spotlight: New WES Member Diane Howard

Diane Howard joined WES at the Van Briggle festival in 2018. A 25-year veteran of the U.S. Army, Diane is now working at the Air Force Academy assisting cadets with all their uniform and other needs for their tenure at the Academy. Diane sizes and outfits every female cadet, numbering about 300 women of a class of 950. Diane has lots of hobbies, including Mahjong, knitting and baking, and is interested in using her passion for crafting to contribute to WES.

WES always welcomes new members, and invites those interested to refer to the new member form in this newsletter. One myth is that WES members must have attended CC—not true!! Join us!

IN MEMORIUM

Former WES member Marjory R. Abbott passed away on January 4, 2019, after a short illness. Born on November 18, 1922, Marge graduated from Colorado College in 1944 and spent many years dedicated to education. 🌸

New WES Logo! Thank you to Betsy Johnson Welty

An enormous thank you to Betsy Johnson Welty for her design of the new WES logo. Program chair Patsy Aronstein asked her fellow CC alum for some help, and Betsy delivered a fresh new look.

Spring WES-Pillar Trip—Wings Over the Platte

Thank you to Caroline Vulgamore for this lovely writeup!



WES-Pillar Trip to Nebraska - Wings over the Platte



Sandhill Cranes in Flight

BIRDING AND BEYOND: March 17-21

The hidden treasures of western and central Nebraska came alive thanks to Sharon Rice and Cathy Wilson-O'Donnell. Known for their research and insider information, while taking good care of travelers, the duo launched another successful fundraising adventure for WES and PILLAR.

We gathered before sunrise in blinds along the Platte River as majestic sandhill cranes awoke to feed and replenish energy reserves before continuing on to Canada, Alaska and Siberia. Each spring more than 600,000 cranes commune in the valley during their migration, one of North America's greatest. We also spotted white pelicans migrating at Harlan County Reservoir and laughed at prairie chicken dances outside McCook. We watched up close from inside converted horse trailers—fully carpeted, with padded chairs—as colorful males wooed indifferent females, running and stomping their feet while making booming sounds.

We uncovered small town treasures along the way: In Cozad, artist Robert Henri's childhood home and bizarre name-changing story; outside Kearney, the Archway Western History Museum over Interstate 80; and in Mind-

en, the Harold Warp Pioneer Museum with 50,000 artifacts. In Red Cloud we toured author Willa Cather's attic bedroom, covered in wallpaper she herself installed as a teen, and visited sites described in her novel, *My Antonia* (1918). The Red Cloud Post Office boasted Works Progress Administration murals by Archie Musick. Our Fine Arts Center displays this artist, and one of his murals still stands at the Manitou Springs Post Office. In McCook, we viewed the Frank Lloyd Wright Sutton house, the architect's only Nebraska creation. Eliza Sutton commissioned the six-bedroom home completed in 1908, showcasing Wright's Prairie Style. As Sharon noted, "Little towns have hidden gems."

Thanks to a congenial group of travelers and their contributions to WES and PILLAR: John Atkinson, Nancy Bentley, Ann Burek, Mary Ellen Burciago, Mary Carley, Sue Dilloway, Hedy DuCharme, Joan Frederick, Janele Johnson, Clara Lander, Marlin Liles, Catherine MacDonald, Barbara May, Ralph McLain, Monique Michaud, Linda Mooney, Florence Paradise, Joan Perkins, Joanne Renaud, Norm Renaud, Mary Kay Rockwell, Phyllis Smith, Caroline Vulgamore, Harry Vulgamore, Richard Waltman, and Jan Zellmer.

For years, joined by Cathy, Sharon has organized innovative fundraising tours, following in the steps of CC Anthropology Professor Emerita Marianne Stoller. Watch for future outings. 🦋

King Soopers Rewards Program Changes

King Soopers has made some changes to the Community Rewards program. We ask that WES friends using these cards take these steps to allow WES to continue to benefit:

1. Sign up for a King Soopers Reward card, on line or at the register.
2. Once you have a rewards card, go to kingsoopers.com/account/create to create an account and password, and indicate your King Soopers account number.
3. Go to kingsoopers.com, sign in, and go to My Account. Be sure your King Soopers account number is listed. Then associate your account with WES, under Woman's or WES ID QY233. Click on enroll and you're done!

Please note any dollars previously loaded to the WES gift cards that were a part of the original program will still be credited to WES. Those gift cards can continue to be used until they are depleted.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Would you like to become more involved with WES? Whether you are part of Colorado College or from the Colorado Springs community at large, we invite you to join the WES Board and become involved with our activities that benefit outstanding students.

We meet the first Thursday of the month except January, July, and August. You may choose from a variety of committees: Finance, Fundraising, Membership, Nominating, Program, Publicity, or Scholarship. Board members are also mentors to the WES scholars. Another way to participate is by serving as a Member-at-Large on one of our committees.

You CAN make a difference in a student's life. If you would like to join our efforts or have questions, please leave a message for us at (719) 389-7699 or at WES@ColoradoCollege.edu.



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MEMBERSHIP FORM

WES Membership is open to all. Dues are payable anytime during the calendar year from January 1 to December 31. All contributions to WES are for scholarships, programs, and projects that benefit students of Colorado College and are tax deductible. Membership is included in all categories and the amount above the \$30 dues level goes to the scholarship fund.

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- Annual Dues \$30 Baccalaureate \$50 – \$99 Cum Laude \$100 – \$249
 Magna Cum Laude \$250 – \$499 Summa Cum Laude \$500 – \$999
 Honorary \$1,000 and above

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Upcoming WES Events

1. Meet and Greet: August 17, 9-11 a.m. — WES room in Worner Center

This event is sponsored by the Scholarship Committee and is the first day of new student orientation. It is an opportunity to welcome our new scholars and their families, introduce them to WES and any current scholars who can attend. New mentors should plan on being there and any board members that are interested/available are welcome. We encourage current WES scholars to attend as well.

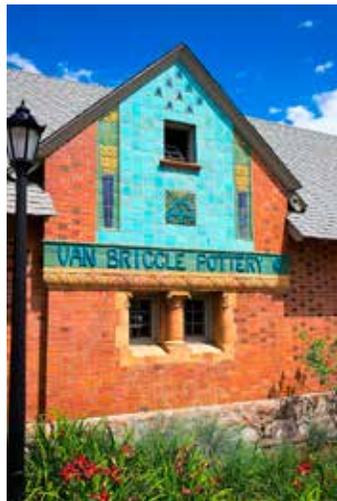
2. Fall Appreciation Tea: September 10, 4-6 p.m. — Stewart House

This event is open to all WES members and scholars free of charge. New scholars will be introduced by their mentors to our membership. President Tiefenthaler will welcome the scholars as well. It's a lovely afternoon with tea and treats in the historic Stewart House.

3. Van Briggie Festival: September 14

All WES members and friends are invited to attend, participate and volunteer! This is our biggest fundraiser and community event of the year. We are still seeking tour guides and other volunteers for the day. Please contact Nadja Hunter at nadja.hunter@yahoo.com to sign up.

Please follow WES on Facebook and check your email and the WES web site for event updates.



WES Web Site — Appreciation for Brenda Gillen's Work

Special thanks to our web site guru, Brenda Gillen, who has been updating our web site with news and photos. Brenda has been the Advancement Web Writer at Colorado College since 2015, and has been a champion of WES's on-line presence. If readers have suggestions for web content, please be in touch with the *Newsfocus*.

ATTENTION MEMBERS: E-mail Addresses Needed

If you have never provided an email address to WES or it has changed since you became a member, please notify Carolyn Dickerson at dickersondesign@gmail.com. It is essential that we have up-to-date contact information as much of our communication, including event invitations, is by email.