



Capital Edition

ARCS/Metro Washington Chapter (MWC) Spring Celebration and More!

Message from ARCS/MWC 2015-17 Jane Riddle



Dear MWC Members,

We are on the final countdown to our big Spring Celebration & Eagle Award pre-party! In recognition of this significant milestone, we will have two Eagle Awardees who have succeeded for so many years.

Our Academic Partners will be represented by [Dr. Marcia McNutt](#), President of the National Academy of Sciences, and by [Ms. Marillyn Hewson](#), President and CEO of Lockheed Martin. We are so very grateful for your support and for having you join us. A most sincere thanks also goes out to The George Washington University for their new and impressive [Science & Engineering Hall](#).

Please send in your RSVP by April 5 to take advantage of our discount pricing. If you cannot attend, please consider a donation to the ARCS/MWC Scholar Awards Fund.

Thank you once again for all your continued commitment and generosity to ARCS Metro Washington Chapter.

Sincerely, Jane Riddle

Save the date:

April 25, 2017

May 18, 2017

October 12, 2017

Spring Celebration and Eagle Award Pre-party

Spring Meeting

Scholar Awards Reception

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TOUR GWU SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING HALL AND SCHOLAR AWARDS RECEPTION

Tuesday, April 25th, promises to be an exciting Spring Celebration! The event will be held at the George Washington University's Science and Engineering Hall. As this is the very place many of our GWU Scholars occupy, we hope you will consider making a donation to the ARCS/MWC Scholar Awards Fund! Reservations are required. Check your invitation for all the details. .

In addition to a lovely evening of mingling with friends, two very distinguished awardees, a cash bar, dinner, and dessert with ample seating or standing room - and, best of all, we will again have a cash bar to support the ARCS/MWC Scholar Awards Fund! As this event is our largest fundraiser, our goal is to beat last year's record of \$15,000.00 - which would be a record for one of our most successful events ever!

As inspiration, [learn more](#) about the scholars' work and just think what might be possible.

If you have questions, please email Dr. Melissa Rhoads: melissa.rhoads39@gmail.com.

MWC SUCCESS STORIES!

We did it. In the summer of 2016 an anonymous donor challenged ARCS/MWC to match and exceeded this challenge with \$18,217 for a total of \$33,217. Thirty-seven members can be certain that I speak for all of us when I say: "Thank You, anonymous donor--thank you for your generosity."

We also received an unexpected donation of \$1,000 from Dr. Eben Mulder, Chief Nuclear Engineer at the 2016 Nuclear Engineering conference and designated our chapter as the recipient of his stipend. "Thank you, Dr. Mulder."

The Endowment Selection Committee for the 2017-18 Academic Year consisted of five individuals: Dr. Clay Mulford, Dr. Michael Alexander, Vince Boles, and Dr. Brent Park, each with unique experience and expertise in their fields. They selected two qualified candidates from our five universities: Jennifer Hays in Biophysics from the University of Virginia and Zachary Eldredge in Physics from the University of Maryland.

In addition, Dr. Brent Park of Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) offered two four-week research fellowships to our students. They were awarded to Gabriel Wong from the University of Virginia and Abhijit Bhattacharya from the University of Maryland. They will be conducting their research in collaboration with scientists at ORNL. What a wonderful experience for our students!

Finally, Clay Mulford, son of our late member Diane Mulford had established The Diane and Clay Mulford Fund. In honor of his late mother, Diane, and his late father, Ross, he renamed it to The Ross and Diane Mulford Fund to pay tribute to both his parents.

All in all, it has been a spectacular year for ARCS Foundation Metropolitan Washington Chapter.

2017 UNIVERSITY VISIT

I am delighted to announce the schedule of ARCS MWC University Visits for 2017. The chapter will be visiting four universities this year:

Georgetown	UVA	GW	UMD
Thursday, March 30 COMPLETED!	Thursday, April 06	Wednesday, April 12	Wednesday, April 19
We anticipate the visit will be 1:30-3:30pm. Details to follow.	Arrival: ~11:45am Depart: ~3:00pm Details to follow.	The reception will be in the student center, Marvin Center, 800 21st Street, NW, Room 310, beginning at 10am. Details to follow.	We will begin around 12:15pm at University House, around 2pm.

These visits are a highlight of our chapter year and provide a way to interact with ARCS members. ARCS Chapters are responsible for monitoring approved departments to ensure that they are referencing publications, visiting the departments in question, or asking the college or university to attend but please note that attendance is limited.

Your timely response is appreciated so that our University Partners may plan for these in advance. Please let us know if you are able to attend and the preferred date(s) with Alice Laning who will assist with carpools, prov-

For more information contact Alice Laning by email at laning@verizon.net.

2018 ALL MEMBERS CONFERENCE

SAVE THE DATE ALL MEMBERS CONVENTION

**APRIL 25-28, 2018
WASHINGTON, D.C.
AT THE HISTORIC WILLARD INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL**



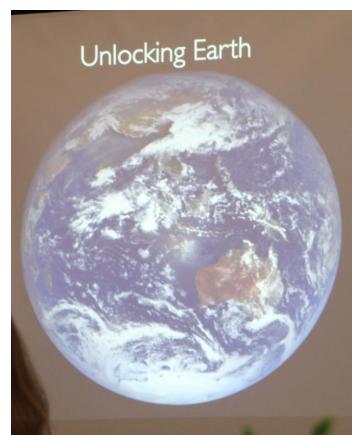
All Chapter Members are invited to attend.

NATIONAL BOARD UPDATE

The 2017-22 Strategic Plan, Implementation Plan, and Board Structure were confirmed at the National Board meeting (a copy of the Strategic Plan was posted in the Document Library on the National website). Highlights of the Board meeting include:

- Nancy Spetzler (Phoenix) and Andi Purple (MWC), Co-Chairs of the Long Range Financial Planning Committee, presented the financial analysis of the proposed budget. The committee suggested revisions to the plans.
- A status report on the retention of an Association Management Company was given by the Association Management Company Selection Task Force (other members include Angela Phillips Diaz (MWC) and Jennifer Henson (MWC)). The committee evaluated, references checked, and on-site visits scheduled. After on-site visits, the committee recommended the Board to enter into contract negotiations with the finalist. The transition is expected to begin on July 1, 2017.
- Jackie Henson (MWC), Chair of the Governance Committee, outlined proposed recommendations for the Board structure. The Board approved the special meeting via conference call on February 17, 2017, the National Board approved the 2017-22 Strategic Plan, the 2017-22 Implementation Plan Guidelines, and Board Structure, effective July 1, 2017.
- Chapter 2016-17 ARCS Lights will be honored at a luncheon on Friday, June 9, 2017, at the Denver Tech Center Hotel.

Andi Purple
National President-Elect





2017 WINTER MEETIN

The 2017 Winter meeting was held February 23, 2017, at The Army Navy Club on Farri Ellen Stofan, former Chief Scientist, NASA. A planetary geologist with master's and doc College of William and Mary, Dr. Stofan served as principal advisor to National Aeron Bolden on the agency's science programs and science-related strategic planning and inv in December 2016.

Dr. Stofan's presentation offered a unique window to the audience through photos and h scientific activity and research at NASA, Dr. Stofan emphasized the diversity of NASA's : our own planet Earth. She noted that in everything NASA does, they are turning visio planet and presenting information to the American people to better inform their decisio Johnson, whose story has gained great acclaim with the recent release of the movie "Hid

A special note of thanks is extended to the Activities Council, led by Alice Laning, for arra





NOMINATING COMMITTEE R

The Nominating Committee completed and sent to the Board in November 2016 the slate of officer nominees will be presented to the membership at the Spring Annual Meeting on May 18, 2017.

In addition to the Board slate, Marlene Bekey (Assistant Treasurer); Beth Parker (Heartline); and Toni Schie members.

Doris Pierson, Chair of the Nominating Committee, gratefully appreciates the support of the members who : Marie Carr; Holly Coyne; Terry Holmes; Ashley Rehr; Melissa Rhodes; and Kristen Smith.

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Office Term
Immediate Past Co-Presidents Jane R
Angela Diaz

CANDIDATES TO BE OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

President: Patty Sparrell 20

Treasurer: Kristen Smith 20

Co-Vice Presidents, Skyler Pott
Activities Council: Melissa RI

VP Administration Council: Amy Mykil

VP Finance Council: Radhika Ra

Co Vice Presidents, Carolyn Ra
Membership Council: Danielle R

CONTINUING OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

Secretary: Susan Trice 20
VP Communications Council: Ashley
VP Development Council: Lorraine No
VP University Relations Council: Claudia

UP TO FIVE NON-VOTING MEMBERS-AT-LARGE SELECT

*President-Elect to be slated a voting member by the 2017 Nominating Committee, who will replace Immediate Past President at the Spring Annual Meeting.

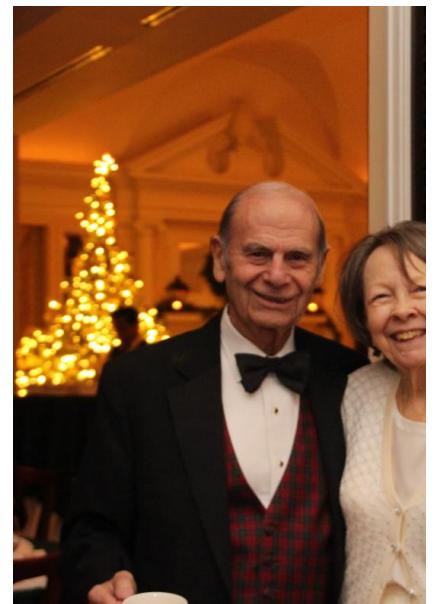
Respectfully submitted,

Doris Pierson, Chair, Nominating Committee
Danielle Robinson, Immediate Past President
Marie Carr
Holly Coyne
Terry Holmes
Ashley Rehr
Melissa Rhoads
Kristen Smith



2016 HOLIDAY PART

Our Holiday Party, hosted by Mrs. Marie Carr at the beautiful Chevy Chase Country Club, was lovely as ever. There were many pieces made up of gifts for all of us to take home and enjoy. Please thank Marie and her committee for putting this together.





Membership Update

Following approval by the Board of Directors, a new "Recent Graduate Member" membership category was established. The change was unanimously supported by all those who responded. This new category was created but at a reduced rate mindful of them being early in their careers. The hope is to stay connected with our young members. Thank you to everyone who submitted their votes and if you know of any outstanding early-career professionals, please encourage them to join.

This update is included in our by-laws under Article II Membership.

"Section 2.5. Recent Graduate Member. Recent Graduate Members shall be women who are interested in the purpose of the Chapter. They shall pay annual dues and monetary obligations shall be invited to support special functions and may attend meetings. They shall have no voting rights; however, they may not serve as officers or directors of the Chapter. Recent Graduate Members shall be invited to attend the Annual Meeting. The Recent Graduate Member will be asked to transition to Active, Associate, or Non-Resident Member status within three years of joining the Chapter."

Also -- Welcome New Members!

It is with great pleasure that MWC welcomes our new members who bring a wealth of experience and expertise to our Chapter.

New Member

Rebecca McNeilly

Sponsor

Lorraine |

Michele Whetzel

Lorraine |

MWC EVENT COSTS AND FAIR MAR**CALENDAR YEAR 20**

The 2016 ARCS/MWC dues and events are listed below with the fair market value and donation portion for each. If you have any questions or concerns about the letter regarding your donations for the year, please contact Kristen Smith.

Event	Cost
Dues & Obligations	\$150 Dues + \$350 Obligation = \$500 total
Dues & Obligations - Emeritus Members	\$150 Dues + \$150 Obligation = \$300 total
Dues Non-Resident Members	\$150 Dues Only
Winter Meeting - Speakers Series	\$128.00 per person
Spring Celebration	\$185.00 per person
Spring General Meeting - with Lunch	\$45.00 per person
Spring General Meeting - Meeting Only	\$10.00 per person
Fall General Meeting	\$50.00 per person
Scholar Awards Reception	\$100.00 per person
Marathon Bridge - ARCS Member Cost	\$70.00 per series
Marathon Bridge - Non-Member Cost	\$100.00 per series
Holiday Party 2016	\$140.00 per person

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