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since 1915*

# THE BULLETIN

Spring 2020

## ANNUAL MEETING 2020: NEW VISION FOR THE NEW NORMAL — STILL STRONG AND ENGAGED

**Thursday, June 18**  
**6:30 – 8:30pm**  
**via Zoom**

**OUR MISSION:** Woman’s City Club is committed to building a strong Greater Cincinnati community through educating, empowering, and engaging all citizens to participate in promoting the common good.

**OUR VISION:** We envision a just and sustainable community where all citizens are engaged as informed stakeholders in the shaping of our shared future.

**OUR VALUES:** Collaboration — Citizen Empowerment — Lead Constructive Lives — A Thriving City of the Future.

After a spring marked by closures, cancellations, and stay at home directives, we eagerly look forward to WCC’s members and supporters coming together for the 2020 Annual Meeting. But out of an abundance of caution for public safety as the coronavirus pandemic continues, we will use communication technology to keep us connected but socially distant as we meet — online!

While WCC is using a different platform to bring us together, we are planning to keep this the informative, fun, and interactive event you know and enjoy.

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We will thank outgoing officers and board members, install new ones, hear updates about WCC’s achievements and activities, and most importantly plan for the year ahead. In three breakout sessions we will discuss timely and important questions: how will WCC adapt to carry out its mission, programs, and activities safely and effectively in the era of COVID-19; how can we strive for equity in all areas — institutional and individual — as we engage people in WCC; and how does WCC need to change to attract new members and remain relevant and strong in its second century?

The meeting will take place via Zoom and begins at 6:30 pm, but the virtual doors will open earlier to give everyone time to sign on and settle in. We will keep the meeting open for an additional half hour after the business and discussion to allow for social time and online chatting.

The planning team, chaired by Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney, meets weekly and is still very open to your input. What would you like to talk about or learn about at the 2020 Annual Meeting? What new directions or programs do you envision for WCC? Please send your ideas and comments to [wccpresident2018@gmail.com](mailto:wccpresident2018@gmail.com).

Everyone is welcome to attend, but registration will be required. Starting May 18 we will send an Eventbrite invitation to members and supporters that will link to the meeting information and the registration form. If you do not receive the invitation but want to attend the meeting you may also go to [WCCAnnualMeeting.Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/wcc-annual-meeting-2020-tickets-123456789012) to register. Please join us on June 18!



## CHANGED

This is not the way any of us thought this program year would end. We all looked forward to our National Speaker Forum in March, a program on organizations supporting women and girls in April, the Seasongood Luncheon and Education Awards in May, and the dedication of the Spencer statue on Marian's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday in June. All cancelled or postponed.

But WCC has been through worse — the Spanish Flu pandemic in 1918; two World Wars, Korea, Vietnam; the Great Depression and the Great Recession of 2008; the 2001 terrorist attacks that we now refer to simply as 9/11. And we go on.

We will get through this novel coronavirus pandemic too. We haven't been able to engage in person but we are still active, connected, and empowered. Our board, committees, and book club continue to meet online. We will hold our 2020 Annual

Meeting on June 18 — online, but still with interaction and discussion. We hope to have our Women's Expo on Fountain Square on September 11 and our National Speaker Forum on September 16, though we realize both are still uncertain.

But as the world has been changed by the pandemic, we realize our city and our club have changed, too. At our Annual Meeting we will look at the impact COVID-19 has had on our community and discuss means of keeping WCC's mission in action while contact is limited. We will, together, find a way to move forward to a strong future.

This is not the way I thought my term as president of WCC would end. I miss being with our members at our programs and major events, and having the opportunity to speak of all the good WCC does. I share the bitter disappointment of seeing things we worked so hard to organize fall off the calendar, one by one.



But even so, I leave this office with a grateful heart. These two years as president have been a life-changing experience for me. I cherish what I have learned, the people I have met, what we have accomplished together, the friendships formed — but it is time to move on. I have often quoted songs from *Hamilton* in this column, and this month I am thinking of the lines Washington so poignantly sang: "I want to sit under my own vine...at home in this nation we made."

I will still be active in WCC in many ways, but am looking forward to the changes the next WCC president will make.

~ Janet Buening

*So much of me  
is made  
of what I learned  
from you...  
Because I knew you,  
I have been  
changed  
for good.  
- from Wicked,  
by Stephen Schwartz*

## WCC'S OBSERVANCE OF THE COVID-19 DIRECTIVES

Ohio Governor Mike DeWine is now gradually reducing the stay-at-home orders. Since we have successfully been taking care of WCC business functions while working remotely, WCC's office will remain closed until further notice, when we feel assured it is safe to reopen. If you need to contact WCC during this period, please do so by sending an email to [WCC@womanscityclub.org](mailto:WCC@womanscityclub.org).

WCC's office manager, president, officers, and committee chairs will continue to pick up the mail, take care of ongoing business, and work remotely on WCC's communications and future activities. With the exception of the online Annual Meeting, to be held on June 18, all previously scheduled WCC programs and events have been cancelled or postponed.

We continue to urge all of you — our valued members, friends, and community partners — to take every precaution to protect yourselves and our community and help control the spread of the novel coronavirus. The curve is flattening and we are all eager to get back to normal, but the risk of getting or transmitting the virus is still strong.

~ Janet Buening



# WCC's Seasongood Education Awards

## HONORING STUDENTS WHO MAKE THEIR VOICES HEARD

While WCC's spring Seasongood Luncheon — a festive event featuring a speaker who is prominent in her field — had to be cancelled due to the coronavirus closures, the education awards made in conjunction with it continued as planned.

The Woman's City Club of Greater Cincinnati established the Agnes Seasongood Education Awards to encourage responsible civic awareness among local high school seniors who identify as female. Students are invited to submit a one-page essay on the topic of "Growing Into Citizenship: Trusting My Voice and Making It Heard," along with a letter of recommendation from a school counselor, teacher, or principal. Recipients are selected using a holistic approach with multiple readers who focus on what entrants have specifically done thus far and how they plan to continue to find their voices and make them heard.

This year we received nearly 50 submissions from nearly 30 area schools. Six \$1,000.00 education awards were presented:

▪ Aissatou Barry (Taft) wrote about volunteering and her involvement in groups for young women, such as Girls in STEM and Women Writing for a Change, in her adopted city of Cincinnati. She is fluent in four languages.



▪ Emma Krebs (West Clermont) wrote about challenges faced by women (including herself) pursuing a medical degree. Not only does she have the highest GPA in the history of her school, she also volunteers at the library, local hospital, Camp Cardiac, and a church group, and tutors students during her lunch bell.

▪ Dailey Moore (Taylor) wrote about being a self-advocate while living with a hearing impairment. She has traveled to Japan as a summer exchange student. She plans to attend the University of Cincinnati in the fall.



▪ Anastasia Pohlgeers (Campbell County) describes herself as "bent, not broken," after her experiences in foster care. Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear recognized her as "a resilient, brave, and intelligent young woman when she spoke in the capitol rotunda for Children's Advocacy Day."

WCC's annual Feist-Tea fundraiser, held in December, helps raise the money for the scholarships. The awards also are funded by earmarked donations during our pledge drive, as well as the extraordinary generosity of an individual benefactor.

Unlike most scholarships, WCC's Seasongood Education Awards are presented in the form of a check to the student, and may be used for peripheral costs other than tuition if the awardee so desires.

In the past, each winner, along with her parent or guardian, has been our guest at the Seasongood Luncheon. This year we are postponing the recognition event, but want to wish our scholars congratulations on their graduation and new adventures!

~ Scholarship Committee - Sharon McCreary, Anne Skove, and Beverly Thomas, Chair



▪ Graciela Grunkemeyer (Beechwood) told us the story of her mother and her Abuelo Hector. She advocates for Latino students in Northern Kentucky, and is the first student at Beechwood to be recognized by National Merit as a National Hispanic Scholar.

▪ Madison Kimber-Crutchter (DePaul Cristo Rey) wrote about her mother's struggle with kidney disease. She plans to go into nursing, and currently co-ops through DePaul Cristo Rey at Mercy Health Anderson.





## WCC BOOK CLUB

Saturday, July 18, 10 am — via teleconferencing

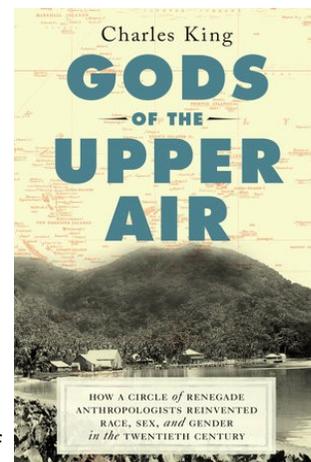
Email [Sarah.Gideonse@fuse.net](mailto:Sarah.Gideonse@fuse.net) for information

### ***Gods of the Upper Air: How a Circle of Renegade Anthropologists Reinvented Race, Sex, and Gender in the Twentieth Century***

*Gods of the Upper Air*, by award-winning historian Charles King, is the history of the birth of cultural anthropology, starting with Franz Boaz studying the Inuit on Baffin Island in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and later with his students at Columbia University.

Anthropologists (fledgling and later experienced) Ruth Benedict, Margaret Mead, Zora Neale Hurston (also a novelist), and Native American Ella Delora engage in field work with different cultures, and along with Boaz conclude that human beings have a common humanity but develop different ways to live depending not on nature, but on history and circumstance. The book is also a history of pseudo-scientific views of the scholars, leaders, and much of the public in the early 20th century that supported racist behavior and policy as well as eugenics — positions these earlier anthropologists argued against. Our multi-cultural world is still fighting this battle.

The book club is open to WCC members and friends, but members have priority because of limited space on the Zoom screen. Please RSVP by email to [Sarah.Gideonse@fuse.net](mailto:Sarah.Gideonse@fuse.net) to receive instructions about connecting to the conversation. *Gods of the Upper Air* is available in book stores and online. On Amazon, one can purchase it in different formats, but not in paperback until July 14. The Public Library has several copies (and may be open soon), and also has a few downloadable versions (e-book, audio).



## WCC WELCOMES NEW BOARD AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

WCC's 2020 election took place as scheduled from March 1-15. The ballots have been tabulated and the results certified! WCC is deeply grateful to the members who have stepped up to serve our organization.



**Michelle Dillingham**

**Anne Buening, Helen O'Neal, and Beverly Thomas** have been elected to a second term on the Board of Trustees. We also welcome new board members **Michelle Dillingham** and **Sharon McCreary**, and look forward to the expertise and ideas they bring to help lead WCC.

We elected three at-large members to the Nominating Committee: **Emily Thobe, Steph Stoller, and Alice Schneider**. The board appointed **Sharon McCreary** and **Hera Reines** to serve as its representatives on the committee. The Nominating Committee takes on the critically important task of recruiting candidates and putting together the slate for our annual elections.



**Sharon McCreary**

WCC thanks 2019-20 Nominating Committee members-at-large **Emily Thobe, Steph Stoller, and Sharon McCreary** and board members **Hera Reines** and **Beverly Thomas** for their excellent work on the 2020 slate. The candidates take office on June 1, 2020, and will be formally installed at the WCC Annual Meeting on Thursday, June 18, to be held online at 6:30pm, via Zoom.



## 2020 NATIONAL SPEAKER FORUM RESCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER

**DENISE KIERNAN**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2020**

**7 PM**

**MEMORIAL HALL, OVER-THE-RHINE**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW FROM [Memorial Hall](#)**

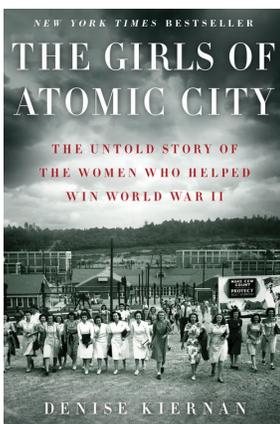


Due to the mandatory closures to control the spread of the novel coronavirus, Denise Kiernan, best-selling author of *The Girls of Atomic City* and *The Last Castle*, will now be speaking on “Grit & Grace: Feminist Inspiration from the Gilded Age to the Atomic Age” at the Woman’s City Club’s annual National Speaker Forum on September 16. The Forum will still take place at 7 pm at Memorial Hall in Over-the-Rhine.

WCC thanks everyone who has already purchased tickets to see Ms. Kiernan and looks forward to seeing you in September. Your tickets for March 30 will work for the new date; you need do nothing to change your tickets to the new date. Please contact Memorial Hall if you have other questions or concerns by leaving a message for the box office at (513) 977-8838; a staff member will return your call as soon as possible. Cosponsors may contact Woman’s City Club by email at [wcc@womanscityclub.org](mailto:wcc@womanscityclub.org).

People wishing to buy tickets for the September 16 event can do so by calling Memorial Hall or by going [online](#).

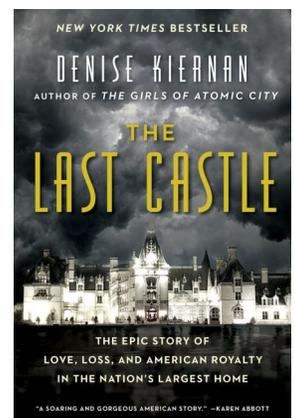
WCC thanks our members, community, and cosponsors for their continued support of Woman’s City Club and especially for their understanding during this difficult time. We are also deeply grateful to the Seasongood Foundation for the \$2,000 grant awarded in support of the Forum’s outreach endeavors, which include offering gratis tickets to individuals and organizations who otherwise would not be able to attend and hear Ms. Kiernan’s message.



A lively and engaging speaker, Denise Kiernan offers a unique look at periods of American history that influenced what our country is today. Her talk will address the changing roles of women from the 1870s into modern times as well as the impact of this change. Her presentation will draw on her two best-known books:

*The Last Castle: The Epic Story of Love, Loss, and American Royalty in the Nation’s Largest Home* (2017) tells the epic story behind the Biltmore estate in Asheville and the legendary Vanderbilt family during America’s Gilded Age. *The Girls of Atomic City: The Untold Story of the Women Who Helped Win World War II* (2013) traces the story of the women who worked on the Manhattan Project in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, unknowingly

helping to create the fuel for the world’s first atomic bomb. Since theaters and cinemas remain closed, consider taking advantage of this quieter time to read one of Kiernan’s books.





## MARCIA TOGNERI

Marcia Togneri's passion for finance began in the 1970s when she recognized that many people, and women in particular, needed guidance on how to maximize their financial security. She said, "For almost 40 years, I worked with hundreds of clients to educate them on how to make sound financial decisions and to build their wealth."

Marcia and her husband are both native Bostonians. She graduated from the Chamberlain School of Retailing in Boston and did more academic study at the University of Buffalo and Illinois Central College.

"In my first career, I was a handbag buyer at Filene's in Boston, a division of Federated Stores. I moved to Buffalo, New York, and did PR work for Diet Workshop (similar to Weight Watchers) and served as a weight control instructor," she tells us. Her second career began as a wealth management adviser with Merrill Lynch in Peoria, Illinois, in 1980. "In 1985 we moved to Ohio for my husband's new job. I transferred my practice at the same time."

Marcia's not exactly sure when she joined WCC. "Maybe four or five years ago," she estimated. "I became interested in WCC because of my relationship with Susan Noonan and wanted to support her efforts at WCC." Currently, she serves on the Finance and Seasongood Luncheon committees. She considers the WCC Book Club a hobby. "Since retiring, I am enjoying

reading so much more due to participating in the Club," she said.

Marcia volunteers at 4C for Children because of her interest in helping young children be better prepared for success in school. A member of LWVCA, she served on its investment committee for a number of years.



Her close family gives her the most joy in life — her husband, son, daughter, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, and a 19-year-old grandson. "They are all great! Along with my family, the relationships with my clients make my life extremely rewarding.

"My husband and I feel very fortunate that we have so many cultural opportunities in this community," she continued. "A number of venues we enjoy include the Symphony, CCM, Cincinnati Ballet, Ensemble Theatre, Cincinnati Shakespeare Company, museums, etc." She and her husband travel back to Cape Cod and the Berkshires every summer.

~ Jo-Ann Huff Albers

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## SPRING AHEAD TO RENEW OR BEGIN WCC MEMBERSHIP

Members' dues are an important part of Woman's City Club's funding. We count on this income to cover the costs of staff, equipment, rent, and our free public programs. Renewal letters will be going out soon to our members, but you can spring into action and renew today! And if you are not yet a member but read the *Friday Update* each week, enjoy getting this Bulletin, attend our programs, or visit us on Fountain Square each year during our Expo, please consider joining WCC. You can [learn more on our website](#).

We offer five levels of membership :

**Basic \$55 — Household \$75 — Sustaining \$150+ — Life \$1000 — Pay What You Can - adjustable**

To help WCC keep up its wonderful work, please join or renew! It's easy to [renew online](#). Or mail your check to the WCC office: WCC, 103 William Howard Taft Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45219.



## “PERSPECTIVES ON BAIL” FORUM DRAWS A CURIOUS AND CONCERNED CROWD

More and more, people have come to realize that the current bail system in Ohio can be a barrier to fairness and justice, in large part because of the negative impact of cash bail on low-income suspects who cannot afford to pay it. Reflecting that concern, Woman’s City Club brought together an expert panel in a forum on February 20 to educate the community about the pros and cons of the bail system, its impact, and the challenges and opportunities for reform.



**Ebony Ruhland, PhD**

Dr. Ebony Ruhland, assistant professor at the University of Cincinnati School of Criminal Justice, pointed out that whereas the U.S. Constitution says nothing about the right to bail, it does prohibit the federal government from imposing excessive bail or fines or cruel or unusual punishment. The current system originated in the 1980s, during the “tough on crime” period resulting from increases in violent crime. The justification for enforcement of bail is to assure that suspects show up for arraignments.

Collateral consequences for accused low-level, non-violent offenders who are jailed when unable to make bail can be dire—loss of a job and means to support oneself and family, losing one’s home for failure to pay the rent or mortgage, bad credit due to nonpayment of other bills, loss of childcare, and more. Being in jail is dehumanizing; inmates can be dangerous, and conditions are poor. The bail bond industry is part of the problem; it makes enormous profits and fights reform.

Dr. Ruhland discussed some positive reform efforts that are occurring in about half the states:

- The Manhattan Bail Project, started by the Vera Institute of Justice in the 1960s, showed that suspects with strong ties to the community could be safely released from custody without posting bail merely on their promise to return to court—called “release on recognizance.” They were just as likely to return to court as suspects who posted bail.
- Various risk assessments to decide whether to release suspects.
- Release but with electronic monitoring, requirements for treatment or regular drug testing, etc.
- Requiring regular check-ins after release.

An important impetus for reform is the high cost of keeping these suspects in jail, as well as concern about justice — the inequitable impact of doing so.

Julie Wilson, the chief assistant prosecutor at Hamilton County Prosecutor’s Office, says that many people sent to jail cannot afford bail but many of them have committed serious offenses, present a risk of flight, or have a history of failing to appear at court. The jail does have a treatment center and a diversion program that gives police officers discretion to send low-level, non-violent offenders to treatment instead of jail the same day as the arrest.



**Julie Wilson**

Wilson says she finds few inmates with low level offenses or little flight risk who are in jail for inability to make bail, but people do fall between the cracks.



**William Gallagher**

William Gallagher, criminal defense attorney, contends that people are held in jail for fear or anger. Released suspects may have trouble making their court date; they may miss their bus, have no car, or need to go to work. This history does not mean they are a flight risk. Gallagher says we need to get rid of the barriers to suspects showing up for scheduled court appearances. We should remember they are presumed innocent until proven guilty. People held in custody are more likely to be sentenced to prison and for a longer time, and more likely to plead guilty just so they can go home.

Stephen JohnsonGrove, who is the strategy director of the Ohio Transformation Fund, cited additional reform efforts: one in Cleveland endeavors to treat suspects with dignity, pays bail for people without means, and provides other services. New York no longer has cash bail. The Pretrial Justice Institute offers a number of other possible innovations.

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**Elizabeth Brown,  
Co-President LWVCA**

Among barriers to reform: courts set rules about bail and tend to be risk adverse; they worry about the community over-reacting if a suspect is released without bail then commits a serious crime (cited by JohnsonGrove). Senator Cecil Thomas, who has worked on criminal justice reform at the state level, concurred. Judges fear losing discretion and prosecutors get elected by promising to be tough on crime.

A lively question and comment period followed the panel presentations. Panelists and audience members spoke about other initiatives and related upcoming programs and encouraged everyone to lobby legislators for reform. Several judges also attended the forum.



**Judges Terry Nestor and Pierre Bergeron**

~ Sarah Gideonse



**Amy Katzman, VP Programs**

You can watch the full forum on the Facebook page of Together We Will Cincinnati/Southwest Ohio [here](#).

~ Images by Harriet Kaufman





## TIPS TO STAY GREEN AND CLEAN DURING CORONAVIRUS

### STAY AT HOME

- Go for a walk in a park, keeping social distance.
- Plant a garden! (Order seeds online.)
- Stock up on fresh produce!
- Make homemade soup or salad!
- Rinse produce as usual with water. (Food does not transfer coronavirus.)
- Keep surfaces clean with soap and water.
- Refuse plastic packaging.
- Or unwrap and then wash your hands (COVID-19 stays infectious on plastic up to 3 days).
- Make your kitchen zero-waste.
- Stay home and read! Suggested: *Drawdown: A Plan to Reverse Global Warming.*



~ Jeanne Nightingale

# Environmental Action Group

## PHONE-IN FRIDAYS

Every Friday, take 5 minutes to call your elected representatives and demand that our government begin the fight on Climate Change. Our children and grandchildren deserve a healthy planet!

**Representative Steve Chabot:** Cincinnati: 684-2723; DC: 202-225-2216.

**Representative Brad Wenstrup:** Anderson: 474-7777; DC: 202-225-3164

**Senator Rob Portman:** Cincinnati: 684-1021; DC: 202-224-3353

**Senator Sherrod Brown:** Cincinnati: 684-1021; DC: 202-224-2315

Sample script:

*Every day we hear news about our warming planet. Our oceans are warming and turning into an acidic soup! Our coral reefs are dying! Our glaciers are melting! Our sea levels are rising! Out-of-control wildfires! Historic droughts! Extreme weather events! And our government sits idly on the sidelines. I urge you to please help lead the fight to combat climate change. Your leadership is essential now. Thank you!*



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# IN MEMORIAM

## BUD HAUPT

**Bud Haupt**, beloved husband of long-term WCC member Joy Haupt, passed away on Friday, March 13, 2020. Bud may not have actually been a member of Woman's City Club himself, but he was certainly a strong supporter, a faithful Patron of the National Speaker Forum, and a smiling presence at the many WCC events and programs he attended with Joy. Bud held a Masters in Regional Planning and worked for the City of Cincinnati for 25 years in several positions, including Assistant Director of the Community Development Program, Chief Planner of Model Cities Program, and Community Development Block Grant Administrator. He had many volunteer interests and was a 30-year volunteer educator at the Cincinnati Zoo and a beloved tutor at South Avondale Elementary. Bud and Joy were active members of First Unitarian Church in Avondale for over 59 years. Known and loved by many WCC members, Bud will be remembered for his fast wit, kind heart, and dynamic spirit. His family will hold a memorial service at some time in the future.



## SUE RANSOHOFF

WCC joins the Greater Cincinnati community in mourning the passing of legendary activist **Sue Ransohoff**, who died on Friday, March 20, 2020, at age 100. A social worker, freelance writer, book reviewer for the *American Israelite*, and noted oral historian, her impact was felt at numerous social justice causes throughout the community over the years. Sue was a longtime member of Woman's City Club, and a close friend of fellow members Louise Spiegel and Marian Spencer. She was a dedicated Planned Parenthood volunteer, including speaking on its behalf as a panelist at several WCC programs, and very active with Community Shares of Greater Cincinnati in its early days, raising funds as a Community Shares Ambassador. She was a World War II veteran, having enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force

Women's Division. A celebration of life will be held at a future time. Memorial contributions to Planned Parenthood of Cincinnati, Isaac M. Wise Temple, or the Hearing Speech and Deaf Center of Greater Cincinnati would be appreciated.



## UPDATE ON THE STATUE HONORING MARIAN SPENCER

Following Governor Mike DeWine's COVID-19 guidelines, Tom Tsuchiya returned to work on Monday, May 4. Since Tom's studio had been closed due to the governor's mandated work restrictions, the statue will not be ready by June 28 (Marian 100<sup>th</sup> birthday), the targeted completion date. The committee has cancelled the plans for the dedication on that date. As the statue nears completion and the guidelines for public gatherings are known, the Spencer Statue Committee will again start planning for the installation and dedication of the statue. This may occur in July.

~ Alice Schneider, Spencer Statue Committee Chair



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### Executive Committee

Janet Buening, *President* (2018-2022)  
Rina Saperstein, *Treasurer* (2014-2020)  
Jeff Dey, *Secretary* (2016-2022)  
Helen O'Neal, *VP Administration* (2018-2020)  
Renee Hevia, *VP Civic Engagement* (2019-2022)  
Amy Katzman, *VP Programs* (2016-2022)  
Anne Buening *VP Membership* (2017-2020)

### Board Members

Marge Davis (2019-2021)  
Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney (2019-2021)  
Charmaine McGuffey (2019-2022)  
Hera Reines (2018-2021)  
Alice B. Schneider (2014-2020)  
David Siders (2019-2021)  
Beverly Thomas (2017-2020)

## Calendar of WCC Events

**Thursday, June 18, 6:30 pm:** WCC Annual Meeting 2020, via Zoom. Registration required. Invitation and information at [WCCAnnualMeeting.Eventbrite.com](http://WCCAnnualMeeting.Eventbrite.com)

**Saturday, July 18, 10 am:** Book club meets via Zoom, to discuss *Gods of the Upper Air*, by Charles King.

**Sunday, June 28, 2020:** Marian Spencer's 100th birthday. Dedication of Spencer statue in Smale Park is postponed, TBD.

**Month of June:** Membership Renewal Drive. Please renew [online](#) or mail your check to Woman's City Club, 103 William Howard Taft Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45219. Dues information on our website at [wcc@womanscityclub.org](mailto:wcc@womanscityclub.org)

**Friday, September 11, Noon:** Women's Expo on Fountain Square.

**Wednesday, September 16, 7 pm:** National Speaker Forum with Denise Kiernan at Memorial Hall, OTR.



### WCC COMMITTEE MEETINGS

*For the latest schedule of WCC meetings, please check our calendar at [womanscityclub.org](http://womanscityclub.org).*

**Wednesday, May 20, 4:00 pm:** Executive Committee meets, online.

**Friday, May 22, 12:30 pm:** Annual Meeting Planning Committee meets, online.

**Wednesday, May 27, 6:30 pm:** Board meets, online.

**Friday, May 29, 12:30 pm:** Annual Meeting Planning Committee meets, online.



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### CINCINNATI CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

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**Friday, June 5, 12:30 pm:** Annual Meeting Planning Committee meets, online.

**Friday, June 12, 12:30 pm:** Annual Meeting Planning Committee meets, online.

The Monthly *Bulletin* keeps us connected with our membership, our network, and our community. Our next issue will appear in August. Deadline for submissions and committee reports is July 24. *Please submit all material to the WCC office and Sarah Gideonse. Editorial Team: Sarah Gideonse, Janet Buening, Jo-Ann Huff Albers, and Anne Skove.*