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Biennial Report
2017-2019

Wisconsin Women's Council Board | 2017-2019

Board Members (serving as of January 14, 2019, end of prior Administration)

GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS (7)

The Wisconsin Women's Council is governed by a 15-member board. Members are appointed by the Governor and leaders in the State Senate and Assembly. Most members serve a two-year term beginning July 1st.



Mary Jo Baas
Chair
President
Liberty House Consulting, LLC



Patty Cadorin
Governor's Designee and Vice-Chair
Vice President & Director
of the Office of the CEO
BMO Harris Milwaukee



Dr. Lisa Armaganian
Physician
Ascension Health Care



Public Member
Vacant



Karen Katz
Marketing Director
EO Johnson Business
Technologies



Katie Mnuk
Chief Executive Officer
Lakeland Care District



Jessie Nicholson
Stay-at-Home Mom

SENATE APPOINTMENTS (4)



Senator Luther Olsen
14th Senate District
Green Bay



Senator Janis Ringhand
15th Senate District
Evansville



Cindy Block
Legislative Aide, Office of Senate
Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald



Shelby Schmdlach
Office of Senate Senator
Luther Olsen

ASSEMBLY APPOINTMENTS (4)



Representative
(designative legislate seat)
Vacant



Representative
(designative legislate seat)
Vacant



Kim Nickel
Stay-at-Home Mom &
Freelance Graphic Designer
The Wurzburg Company, LLC



Carrie Richard
HR Consultant
UW Hospitals and Clinics

Former Board Members: Brianna Buch, Michelle Mettner, Jessica Ward, and Representative Janel Brandjen. Served during the biennium between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2019



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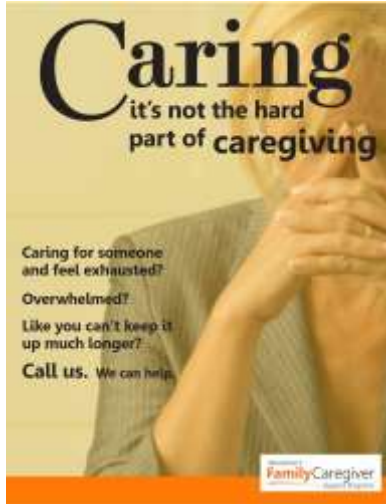
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Women & Family Caregiving Caregiver Dialogues



In 2018, the Women’s Council hosted seven *Community Dialogues on Supporting Family Caregivers* programs. The issue of family caregiving is growing in recognition as a silent crisis in America, and in Wisconsin by virtue of its comparatively older population. A report from caregiver.org (2015) reported that 60% of family caregivers are women, and 60% of caregivers are in the workforce.

Each day-long program was divided into morning and afternoon sessions to respond to two distinct family caregiver groups: caregivers for seniors (frail adults, dementia, Alzheimer's) and caregivers for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Resource tables offered a selected set of materials on state and community programs and resources, along with staff to answer questions.

Each session offered a *panel and Q&A with state and local experts*, and a *listening session* with state agencies. The later giving family caregivers the opportunity to talk about their lived experiences, struggles and concerns, and offer suggestions and wishes for policy change.

The Community Dialogues project was co-sponsored by Wisconsin Dept. of Health Services, The Arc Wisconsin & Respite Care Association of Wisconsin. Each session was hosted by the local ADRC and/or ARC chapter.

Results were share with the Wisconsin Caregiver and Family Support Alliance for future research, recommendations and policy initiatives.



Word map from program participant responses to “provide one word for “Caregiving”.

PROGRAMS:

- Appleton ♦ January 29, 2018
- Racine ♦ May 31, 2018
- Stevens Point ♦ June 19, 2018
- Dodgeville ♦ June 20, 2018
- Beloit ♦ July 1, 2018
- LaCrosse ♦ October 16, 2018
- Fond du Lac ♦ October 26, 2018

Agency Presenters (panels varied by location)

- Mary Bakalars, Coordinator
The Arc of La Crosse & Monroe Counties
- Amie Bastian, Aging and Long-Term Support Manager
Outagamie County Health and Human Services
- Beth Belmore, Clinic/Community Care Coordinator
Mosaic Family Health
- Margaret Galle, President
The Arc Southwestern Wisconsin
- Lynn Gall, Office on Aging
Wisconsin Department of Health Services
- Valerie Hiltbrand, ADRC Manager
ADRC of Southwest Wisconsin-Iowa County
- Cori Marsh, Dementia Care Specialist
ARDC of Rock County
- Lisa Pugh, Executive Director
The Arc Wisconsin
- Harriet Redman, Executive Director
WisconSibs
- Lisa Schneider, Executive Director
Respite Care Association of Wisconsin
- Julie Seeman, Family Support Specialist
Rock County Council on Aging
- Tonia Simmons, Caregiver Services Manager
ADRC of Portage County
- Janet Zander, Advocacy & Public Policy Coordinator
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Wisconsin Women Roared into Public Office in the 1920s

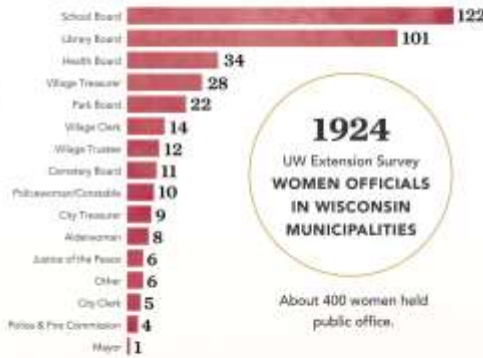


THE ROARING '20s BROUGHT A NEW MODERN ERA FOR AMERICAN WOMEN AND SET WISCONSIN WOMEN ON A NEW PATH AS GOVERNMENT LEADERS.

The groundwork for this surge of women into public office began in 1875 when Wisconsin women allowed to run for School Board and other elected School offices.

Then in 1919 the 19th Amendment gave women in the United States the vote.

The Wisconsin Legislature followed the lead and in 1921 passed the nation's first equal rights bill, granting women full equality with men under civil law, including holding public office.



WISCONSIN WOMEN'S POLITICAL FIRSTS

Wisconsin's first **Lady Mayor**, **Lulu Shaw** was elected in 1923 in Crandon.

"The women have only begun. They make good campaigners - fully as good as men". Shaw led reforms for lower taxes, less moonshine and fought corruption.



In 1923, **Ane M. Hanrahan**, Brown County, was the first woman elected to a County Board in Wisconsin.



In 1924 **Hanna C. Saunders**, Burnett County, was elected Wisconsin's first female Sheriff.

Mrs. Saunders replaced the outgoing sheriff, her husband Charles. "Her election assured that someone from her family would continue in the sheriff's position despite trips on successive terms. Her run was based on a common division of labor in sheriff's offices, where wives assisted their husbands with the non-policing aspects of the position."



And in 1925 three women, **Mildred Barber, Helen Brooks and Helen Thompson**, became the first women elected to the Wisconsin State Assembly.

In 2017, the Council began to expand its review of the progress of women in state and local elected office to look at the origins of women's access to elected office. We learned three things that led to producing this fun fact sheet on the trailblazing women who were the first to hold elected office, beyond school and library boards, in Wisconsin.

1. Passage of the 19th Amendment in 1920 is seen as opening the door to allow women to run and hold any state or local office.
2. In 1921, Wisconsin passed the nation's first equal rights bill. Among the provisions, it affirmed women's right to hold public office.
3. In 1923 and 1924, UW Extension surveyed and compiled a list of all the women they could identify holding elected office across the state—more than 400 women! — including identifying Wisconsin's first female Mayor, City Council and Town

Women in Local Government in 1924

ALDERWOMEN Lulu Shaw, Crandon; Bertha J. Manning, Janesville; Anna LaFollette, Marshfield; Mrs. C.E. Peterson, Milton; Miss Mary Babcock, Wishtia; Mrs. W.M. Russell, Potosi; Mrs. R. Wolfson, Waubesa; Helen Olin, Wisconsin; Martha Fowler, Wisconsin; **CITY CLERKS** Margaret May, Ladysmith; Adelle Lynch, Fort Washington; Anna Mae, Wisconsin; Edna Lewis, Lodi; Madeline Hanks, West Allis; **CITY TREASURERS** Louise Bovee, Ashland; Alice Olson, Elkhorn; Carrie Wines, Mt. Pleasant; Mrs. A.B. Loomis, West Allis; Mrs. E. E. Smith, Port Walcott; Mrs. M.H. Carroll, Port Waubesa; Mrs. M.H. Seabrook, West Allis; Mrs. L.A. McDonald, Sun Prairie; Lucile Krueger, Sun Prairie; **MAYORS** Lulu Shaw, Crandon; **VILLAGE TREASURERS** Myrtle Corney, Albany; Miss Nellie Work, Sun Prairie; Mrs. S. Wilson, Ash Grove; Mildred Jackson, Elkhorn; Frances Woodard, Sun Prairie; Katherine Pease, Clinton; Vera Drake, Clinton; Mrs. S. Schneider, Okauchee; Mary Kutter, Howard; Mrs. H.E. Cameron, Johnsonville; Esther Birkhead, Hazel Green; Mrs. Bernice Ward, Johnsonville; Ella Taylor, Marshfield; Mrs. J.C. Olson, Marshfield; Fannie Barford, Marshfield; Mrs. Clarence Gustin, Mount Pleasant; Mrs. Sue Wood, Oneida; Addie Swanson, Polkville; Ann Murphy, Potosi; Blue Armstrong, Potosi; Mrs. Theo. Lewis, Potosi; Mrs. Belle Olson, Potosi; Theresa Maurer, Union Center; Stella Rice, Union Center; Jennie Davidson, Verona; Ella Carlson, West Salem; Mary Jones, West Salem; Martha Peterson, Wisconsin; **VILLAGE TRUSTEES** Clara Sorenson, Ashland; Lillian Elmberg, Ash Grove; Douglas Ann Douglas, Clinton; Lucile Peterson, Clinton; Miss Frances Peterson, Dodge; Ruby Haddiffe, Dodge; Ruby Edwards, Dodge; Stella Zenger, Potosi; Mary Moore, Verona; Mrs. Dan. Nade, Wisconsin; Mrs. E.C. Carlson, Wisconsin; Mrs. S. Frazier, Waubesa; **VILLAGE CLERKS** Alice Mayers, Marshfield; Mrs. Lucile Hayes, Potosi; Mrs. A. Galen, Clinton; Marian Sells, Clinton; Thea Wilson, Clinton Junction; Agnes Christensen, Grandview; Cynthia Swales, Madison; Mrs. Katherine Palmer, Mount Pleasant; Mrs. Ella Douglas, Potosi; Mrs. Joe Taylor, Potosi; Ruth Pfeiffer, Potosi.

NOTES ABOUT THE SURVEY

The 1924 UW Extension report includes both principal elected offices such as mayor, alderwoman, justice, city clerk and treasurer, as well as other offices that are often filled by appointment such as justice and fire commissioner, park board, health board, etc. The report does not identify whether an office is elected or appointed.

SOURCES

Lulu Shaw, Madison: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Madeline Hanks, Madison: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Anna LaFollette: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. C.E. Peterson, Madison: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. W.M. Russell, Potosi: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. R. Wolfson, Waubesa: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Martha Fowler, Wisconsin: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Adelle Lynch, Fort Washington: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. A.B. Loomis, West Allis: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. E. E. Smith, Port Walcott: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. M.H. Carroll, Port Waubesa: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. M.H. Seabrook, West Allis: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. L.A. McDonald, Sun Prairie: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Lucile Krueger, Sun Prairie: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Lulu Shaw, Crandon: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Myrtle Corney, Albany: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Miss Nellie Work, Sun Prairie: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. S. Wilson, Ash Grove: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mildred Jackson, Elkhorn: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Frances Woodard, Sun Prairie: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Katherine Pease, Clinton: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Vera Drake, Clinton: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. S. Schneider, Okauchee: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mary Kutter, Howard: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. H.E. Cameron, Johnsonville: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Esther Birkhead, Hazel Green: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. Bernice Ward, Johnsonville: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Ella Taylor, Marshfield: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. J.C. Olson, Marshfield: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Fannie Barford, Marshfield: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. Clarence Gustin, Mount Pleasant: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. Sue Wood, Oneida: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Addie Swanson, Polkville: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Ann Murphy, Potosi: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Blue Armstrong, Potosi: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. Theo. Lewis, Potosi: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. Belle Olson, Potosi: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Theresa Maurer, Union Center: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Stella Rice, Union Center: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Jennie Davidson, Verona: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Ella Carlson, West Salem: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mary Jones, West Salem: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Martha Peterson, Wisconsin: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Clara Sorenson, Ashland: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Lillian Elmberg, Ash Grove: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Douglas Ann Douglas, Clinton: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Lucile Peterson, Clinton: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Miss Frances Peterson, Dodge: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Ruby Haddiffe, Dodge: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Ruby Edwards, Dodge: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Stella Zenger, Potosi: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mary Moore, Verona: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. Dan. Nade, Wisconsin: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. E.C. Carlson, Wisconsin: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. S. Frazier, Waubesa: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Alice Mayers, Marshfield: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. Lucile Hayes, Potosi: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. A. Galen, Clinton: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Marian Sells, Clinton: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Thea Wilson, Clinton Junction: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Agnes Christensen, Grandview: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Cynthia Swales, Madison: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. Katherine Palmer, Mount Pleasant: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. Ella Douglas, Potosi: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Mrs. Joe Taylor, Potosi: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb; Ruth Pfeiffer, Potosi: Biography - compiled by Whitcomb.

These trailblazing women paved the way for many more to follow in their footsteps throughout the remainder of the 20th Century. For more information about the status of Wisconsin women in public office visit: www.wisconsinwomenscouncil.org

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Status of Women in NE Wisconsin

The Women's Council served as the research partner to a consortium of Women's Funds for the *2017 Status of Women in Northeast Wisconsin Report*, updating a 2011 version. The reports were developed and produced by the Fond du Lac Area Women's Fund, the Women's Fund for the Fox Valley Region, the Women's Fund of Greater Green Bay and the Women's Fund of the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, in partnership with the Women's Council, which developed the research model, and collected and analyzed the data.

Using current data for Brown, Fond du Lac, Outagamie and Winnebago counties, as well as for Wisconsin statewide, the report is intended to help inform local communities about the realities experienced by women and girls in Northeast Wisconsin. The 2017 update provides a current and comprehensive picture of the most pressing issues today in these communities.

For the full report, see: <https://www.fdlwomensfund.com/status-of-women-ne-wi-2017/>

Key findings included:

- ✦ Poverty rates are higher for women than men, across all age groups, and older women are twice as likely as older men to be in poverty.
- ✦ Regionally, the wage gap ranges from 72 cents on the dollar on average for women in Fond du Lac County to 78 cents in Brown County.
- ✦ In Northeast Wisconsin, the percentage of women-owned business grew from 24% to 27%, but is still below the statewide percentage of 31%.
- ✦ One out of five women in the region has some college experience, but has not completed a degree.
- ✦ Almost half of all single-mother households with minor children received FoodShare benefits in 2015—nearly 2x the rate for single-father families and over 4x the rate for married-couple families.
- ✦ The teen birth rate in Northeast Wisconsin continues a steady decline, following the statewide trend.
- ✦ Women in the region have fewer poor physical or mental health days than in the past.

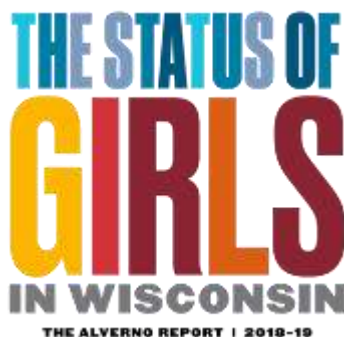
Milwaukee Women inc

The Women's Council continued its long-standing relationship as a MWi's research partner for its annual report on gender diversity in the leadership for Wisconsin's largest public and private companies. Representatives of the Women's Council serve on its steering and research committees. The Council collected and analyzed data for two reports released during the biennium: *Measuring Change 2017* (Oct 2017) and *Power of Three: 2018 Research Report* (Oct 2018).

Formed in 2002, MWi is a collaboration of executive and professional women working to change the face and quality of leadership through the advancement of women. MWi researches and publishes annual reports benchmarking women in leadership roles (executives and board directors) in Wisconsin's largest public and private companies. MWi also advocates to accelerate the advancement of women in key leadership positions.



The Council's Executive Director joined Governor Evers and women in the State Legislature for the signing of Executive Order #19, Creating a Committee to Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Wisconsin's Ratification of the 19th Amendment.



The Women's Council is a long-time research partner for the Status of Girls reporting series. The Council was first approached by a group of girl-serving organizations in 2005 to produce a status report for girls. The Council partnered with Alverno College for produce the first report, issued in 2007. Since then, Alverno College's Center for Research for Women and Girls has continued to publish expanded, high-quality updates, with reports in 2010 and 2014. Among the key findings of the 2018-19 report, nearly 1-in-5 girls in Wisconsin lives below the poverty level. Economic distress is correlated with race and ethnicity, including, for example, 1-in-2 black and 1-in-3 Latinx girls in households below the poverty line, compared to 1-in-10 white girls. In March 2018, the Women's Council hosted a Legislative Briefing on the findings, held at the State Capitol.

◦ THE FIRST

Governor's Trailblazer Awards Alumni

SUMMER GET-TOGETHER

June 27th, 2017

Country Springs Hotel & Conference Center
28119 Golf Rd., Pewaukee, WI 53122

4:30 - 7:00 PM | Program Begins at 8 PM

Registration: [HTTPS://TRAILBLAZERALUMNI.EVENTBRITE.COM](https://trailblazeralumni.eventbrite.com)

Hosts:
Wisconsin Women's Council
Governor's Trailblazer Award Committee

Katherine Reynolds Lewis
Award-winning Independent Journalist based in Washington, DC

JOIN US FOR A SUMMER RECEPTION WITH FELLOW TRAILBLAZER AWARD WINNERS AND HEAR FROM FEATURED GUEST SPEAKER

Katherine Reynolds Lewis' work has appeared in Fortune, Money, The New York Times, USA Today's magazine group, the Washington Post Magazine and Working Mother. Media appearances include CNN, NPR, and Bloomberg TV. She is a frequent speaker on topics such as entrepreneurship, changing workforce, and technology. Ms. Lewis' ties to Wisconsin date to childhood, when she spent every summer in West Bend, at a lake house that's been in her family for more than a century.

To-date, more than 100 women-owned Wisconsin businesses have received Governor's Trailblazer Awards. Thirty women-business owners from this cohort attended the event, joined by members of the Women's Council, BMO Harris Bank and WWBIC.

The evening offered an opportunity for networking, as well as a program on best workplace practices for supporting family caregivers. Remarks by Washington, DC-based, award-winning journalist Katherine Reynolds Lewis, were followed by discussion with, mostly, small business owners on challenges and considerations for such policies enlightening perspectives as the Council explores the topic of women and family caregivers, and particularly working caregivers.

The Wisconsin Women's Council has launched a year-long education and outreach campaign on the women and adult caregiving in Wisconsin. Did you know...

An estimated **15 to 20%** of Americans working full- or part-time provide informal caregiving to an adult family member, relative or friend.

SOURCE: AAPF AND NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR CAREGIVING

66%	of caregiver employees have gone into work late, left early or taken time off during the day to deal with caregiving issues
20%	of caregivers were forced to take a leave of absence from work
10%	of caregiver employees quit or take early retirement

EVENT IS FREE GUESTS WELCOME RSVP REQUIRED Please RSVP by June 11th



WISCONSIN GOVERNOR'S TRAILBLAZER AWARDS for WOMEN IN BUSINESS

In 2016, 17 women business owners were presented with Governor's Trailblazer Awards. Recipients were honored at an award program at the State Capitol, followed by a reception in the Senate Parlor sponsored by BMO Harris Bank.

Governor's Trailblazer Awards recognize the rich legacy of women's business ownership in Wisconsin. By starting and sustaining businesses, exploring markets, creating jobs and stimulating local economic growth, Wisconsin's women business owners play a leading role in our economy.

Since the Governor's Trailblazer Award program was founded in 2007, 78 women business owners, representing 24 WI counties, have received awards.



SPONSORS

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BMO Harris Bank | Wisconsin Women's Council
The Widget Source | Wisconsin WBE Certification Program
Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce
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AWARDS COMMITTEE

Mary Jo Baas, Chair | Patty Cadornin | Sue Ann Kaestner
Andrea Hughes | Christine Lidbury | Kim Nickel | Vickie Wenzel

2018 AWARD RECIPIENTS

Charlene Blohm
C. Blohm & Associates, Inc. (CB&A)
Monona | est. 1991

Tammy Dannhoff
Kids Are Us Family Child Care
Oshkosh | 1989

Diane Everson
The Edgerton Reporter
Edgerton | 1992 & 2nd Generation

Mary Floyd
Country Styler
St. Nazianz | 1970

Kathleen Gionis
Gionis & Murtaugh Law Office, LLC
St. Croix Falls | 1984

Mary Beth Growney Selene
Ryan Signs, Inc.
Madison | 1987

Erica Herrera
EFH Trucking LLC
Milwaukee | 2014

Kim Lobdell
KL Engineering, Inc.
Madison | 1991

Anne Maedke
Maedke Chiropractic Center
Milwaukee | 1983

Juliet Nowak
Angels Loving Care, Inc.
Columbus | 2014

Nancy Orth
Starr's Sister Salon
Eau Claire | 1985

Diane Penzenstadler
44° North Advertising & Design, LLC
Oshkosh | 1988

Jocelyn Riley
Her Own Words, LLC
Madison | 1986

Lynn Seidl-Babcock
HomeCare Health Service
& Manitowoc HomeCare
Manitowoc | 1991 & 100+ employees

Jane Svinicki
Svinicki Association Management, Inc.
Milwaukee | 1986

Laurie Ziegler
Sass Accounting, LLC
Saukville | 1993

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*A ward
Ceremony*

Governor's
Conference Room
Wisconsin
State Capitol

INVITED



Wednesday May 23rd, 2018

AWARDS CEREMONY

INVITED GUEST Governor Scott Walker

1:30 pm to 2:30 pm Please arrive by 1:15 pm

Governor's Conference Room | First Floor, East Wing

BMO HARRIS BANK TRAILBLAZER RECEPTION

SPECIAL GUEST Lieutenant Governor Rebecca Kleefisch

2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Senate Parlor | Second Floor, South Wing

Watch the Ceremony Live!

<https://livestream.wisline.uwex.edu/GovernorsTrailblazerAwardsforWomeninBusiness>

Governor's Trailblazer Awards

Honoring

CHARLENE BLOHM ◊ TAMMY DANNHOFF ◊ DIANE EVERSON ◊ MARY FLOYD
KATHLEEN GIONIS ◊ ANGELA GOFF-CHMURA ◊ MARY BETH GROWNEY SELENE ◊ ERICA HERRERA
KIM LOBDELL ◊ ANNE MAEDKE ◊ JULIET NOWAK ◊ NANCY ORTH ◊ DIANE PENZENSTADLER
JOCELYN RILEY ◊ LYNN SEIDL-BABCOCK ◊ JANE SVINICKI ◊ LAURIE ZIEGLER

AGENCY OPERATIONS & BOARD MEETINGS

Women's Council Staff and Office

The Women's Council contracts with the WI Department of Administration for office space and support services, including information technology, procurement, personnel, and finance.

Christine Lidbury, Executive Director
Taylor Palkowski, Intern

The Women's Council has one permanent full-time position. This is periodically supplemented by interns and LTE staff for special projects.

The Council benefited from over 300 hours of staff time with its student interns. Interns are often able to gain academic credit for their work, along with valuable job experience.

The Women's Council follows the WI Department of Administration's policies and procedures related to Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunities.

Women's Council Board Meetings

September 9, 2017 • March 7, 2018 • May 23, 2018
September 5, 2018 • December 9, 2018
March 6, 2019 • June 5, 2019

Women's Council Committees

Trailblazer Award Committee

Mary Jo Baas, Chair, Patty Cadorin, Sue Ann Kaestner (Widget Source), Andrea Hughes (WWBIC), Christine Lidbury, Kim Nickel, Vickie Wenzel (Target Interiors)

In addition, Women's Council staff and Board Members attend/participate in a variety of events and programs by, for, and about Wisconsin women, including meetings, award programs, seminars and conferences.

Presentations to the Board

Lynn Gall, Alzheimer's & Family Caregiver Coordinator
Office on Aging, WI Department of Health Services
*Comments on the recent Wingspread Conference,
"Convening Wisconsin's Family Support Coalition"*

Dr. Jodi Eastberg, Ph.D. Alverno College
Research Center for Women & Girls
Status of Girls in Wisconsin Report

Lisa Pugh, Executive Director, The Arc Wisconsin
& Co-Chair, WI Family & Caregiver Support Alliance
*Survey of Wisconsin Employers: Assessing the Needs
of Employee Caregivers - Current Results*

Wisconsin State Representative Amanda Stuck
Wisconsin Future Caucus



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