

PO Box 2142 Waukesha, WI 53187-2142 262-875-3126

Contact:

Nicole Wagner, Executive Director 262-955-1765 or nicole@wgfwaukeshacounty.org

Four to be honored during 40th Annual Women of Distinction Luncheon

WAUKESHA, WI (March 7, 2024) – Three women and a Muskego High School student will be honored at the 40th annual Women of Distinction (WOD) Luncheon on Friday, May 17.

The luncheon, the signature annual event of the Women and Girls Fund of Waukesha County (WGF), will begin at 11:30 a.m. at the Brookfield Conference Center, 325 S. Moorland Road, Brookfield. The event honors the extraordinary accomplishments and leadership of women in Waukesha County. The Women and Girls Fund of Waukesha County is proud to recognize the talents, skills and accomplishments of our honorees, whose efforts have contributed to improving the quality of life in our community.

Honorees are:

- Erin DeJarlais of Sussex, Senior Consultant, Inception Health at Froedtert & the Medical College of Wisconsin. Erin's commitment to giving back to the community is evident through her extensive volunteer work. She actively participates in initiatives organized by Froedtert In Action, the United Way, Junior Achievement of Wisconsin, Elmbrook United Soccer Club, and Women's Soccer Club among others. She is an active and compelling model for women and girls, and through speaking engagements and individual coaching, she encourages them to consider and pursue careers in health care.
- Karlee Horlacher of Mukwonago, Corporate Accounts Manager at Inpro. She has demonstrated her dedication to helping women and girls through her volunteer time at: Distinguished Young Women of Wisconsin, Life's Connection and Hoovers Hause All Dog Rescue. Karlee consistently serves as an inspiration to women and girls alike through her unwavering commitment to empowering others.
- Ana Simpson of Waukesha, Chief Execuitve Officer of Girls Scouts of Wisconsin Southeast. Ana's career, as well as her board and service commitments, demonstrate a dedication to removing barriers and advancing the potential of women from all backgrounds and all ages. In addition to her job as Girl Scouts of Wisconsin Southeast, she is a member and volunteer with TEMPO Milwaukee, Hispanic Professionals of Greater Milwaukee, La Casa De Esperanza and Family Services of Waukesha.
- Lily Pemble of Wind Lake, Senior at Muskego High School. She is an active member of several national honor societies. She is also co-president of Muskego Best Buddies and is Vice President of Societe Honoraire de Francais. Lily is also a longtime Girl Scout and has earned her Gold Award, the highest awards in Girl Scouting. Lily plans to attend the University of Minnesota-Duluth to pursue a degree in Chemical Engineering.

To register or learn more about the Luncheon visit www.wgfwaukeshcounty.org, or contact Sue Juntunen at 262.875.3126 or sue@wgfwaukeshacounty.org.

The WGF, established in 2004, seeks to aid and enrich the lives of women and girls so they become thriving residents of their communities. The WGF annually awards grants to non-profit organizations that support projects and programs that promote the health, education, well-being and empowerment of women and girls of all ages.