



American News Women's Club

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Re: ANWC Membership Renewal

Dear ANWC Member,

When you joined the American News Women's Club we promised to bring you newsworthy programs and networking opportunities and to promote and celebrate journalistic excellence.

The Club delivered with a host of enlightening and engaging speakers, including Sally Quinn's mesmerizing talk on "Finding Magic" to a standing-room only audience; a lively discussion with Howard Kurtz about his expose, "Media Madness"; Liza Mundy's fascinating (and previously untold) story of the contributions made by America's "Code Girls" during World War II; and insightful panel discussions on the state of education and the media.

We networked at a fabulous 'merry and bright' holiday party chaired by board member and Club Governor M.C. Andrews. Jan Du Plain, the Club's V.P. of Diplomatic Relations, booked a fantastic singer-songwriter and pianist, Chris Urquiaga, who can now add the ANWC to his performances credits at venues including Strathmore, Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Blues Alley and *The White House*. We were joined by Elisa Lees Muñoz of the International Women's Media Foundation, who solidly instilled a holiday 'giving' spirit with her inspiring stories from the field. The Club donated \$1,250 to the IWMF's emergency fund, which supports women who report from some of the world's most dangerous regions.

The year's highlight was our annual benefit dinner honoring Ann Curry for Excellence in Journalism. The evening was truly special – a touching tribute to an extraordinary journalist who has demonstrated remarkable character, compassion and courage doing journalism that matters. It was the perfect occasion to present scholarships funded by the dinner to three impressive young women studying journalism. The authenticity and emotion of the night – Ann's genuine reactions to the toasts, generous interactions with the scholarship winners, and gracious attention to every attendee – were eclipsed only by her superlative body of work and unwavering allegiance to the principles and ethics of good journalism.

As the American News Women's Clubs presses on in its 86th year, we want you to continue to be part of it: [please renew your membership for 2018-2019.](#)

Most certainly in the year ahead, the Club will continue its mission of fostering professional growth through networking and educational, newsworthy programs. Our new V.P. of Programs – CNN Analyst Kimberly Dozier – has already developed an ambitious list of impressive speakers with a focus

on women in the media and politics, newsmakers and power players. Please visit www.anwc.org for updates and news about upcoming events.

As you know, members attend all Club programs and events at member rates. You also have access at member rates to our historic Cranford House clubhouse – an absolute gem we continuously manage to maintain its elegance, beauty and charm.

The Board of Governors and I very much value your membership, welcome your ideas, appreciate your support and encourage your participation. And we look forward to seeing you at the Club soon.

With warm regards and appreciation,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janis Lamar". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J" and "L".

Janis Lamar
President
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