ANWC celebrated its 90th Anniversary and honored the legendary Bob Woodward for Excellence in Journalism at the Press Club May 12, 2022. It was a spectacular evening reflecting on Woodward’s accomplishments and the impact he has made over the past five decades. This year is particularly special because it is the 50th anniversary of Watergate. His focus was on the women who have helped support his career.

CBS News’ Norah O’Donnell and EU recipient 2015 did a fantastic job emceeing the evening. Washington Posts, Sally Buzbee, Sally Quinn, and John Feinstein along with CBS News’ Robert Costa all gave both touching and hilarious speeches about their individual relationships with Woodward.

ANWC Membership Renewals due Sept. 1, 2022

Woodward Wows • May 12, 2022

Claire Swift Remarks: Greetings, everyone! I’m Claire Sanders Swift, ANWC past president and Exec. Chair of this epic evening celebrating feats in journalism and the 90th year of the American News Women’s Club.

Yes, and Bob Woodward, our honoree, is in the room. (I am pinching myself). To me Bob Woodward has been setting the highest standards for all future journalists and now holds the title, as one of our most gracious awardees — Walter Cronkite, Barbara Walters, move over, Bob Woodward is here. It’s our privilege to honor him and the excellence he has dedicated to our field for more than 50 years. You’ll hear all about Bob Woodward, the legend, tonight after dinner...

We are honored to have you all here. It is you who make this evening special. 90 years ago, in 1932 - the 4th year of a global depression - the American Newspaper Women’s Club forged off on its own with founding members from Washington Herald, Washington Star, Washington Times and the Washington Post. In fact, you’ll be happy to know that ANWC’s first president in 1932 was Kate Brooks from the Washington Post. (cont. page 2)

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Remembering Marion Mattingly (1932-2021)

It was wonderful to see the family of Marion Mattingly show up in her support after so many years of her service to the ANWC.

Kathleen Steinfeld, granddaughter to Marion Mattingly, wins Watergate raffle.

Eleanor Clift, EIJ recipient 2010, shares Marion Mattingly’s story at the podium. You could hear a pin drop.

More Fabulous Gala Photos...


John Greco and Janina Roncevic.

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This year’s raffle was one to remember! There was a chance to win a special evening at the Watergate Hotel including drinks at the Top of the Gate, luxury overnight accommodations and tour of the “Scandal Suite.”

Hal Matson, Claire Swift, Jean White, Jan Du Plain, MC Andrews.

Jan Du Plain hands gift to MC Andrews to thank her for her time as President of ANWC.

Annual Meeting -"State of the Media" June 8, 2022

Jean White, MC Andrews, Past Pres, Margaret Ryan, Pam Ginsbach, Marie Guidry, Pam Stuart, Pauline Thompson, Jan Du Plain, and Olivia Cusick.
President's Message: "Saving History"

Dear Members and Friends of the ANWC,

I am thrilled to be returning as president of the ANWC once more to manage a new year of “Saving History” on the heels of our epic 90th Anniversary Gala Honoring Bob Woodward, also the 50th year of Watergate. It was a successful evening in many ways, and we have shared some wonderful photos in this issue of Shop Talk. We are particularly thankful to our sponsors and those who supported us large and small.

I’m honored to be working with you in every capacity this year to remember, revive and restore our Club’s illuminating history through the decades. In that order, we will be holding historical (in person) programs and we will be planning a special day at the Club where people bring in, mail in or share something saved. Hal Matson has joined the Board again, this year, as head of the History Committee.

Please renew your membership, answer a few fun survey questions on the renewal invoice and sign up for a committee or two. We need your expertise and support now more than ever. I look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at the Club this year.

Respectfully,
Jean White
Helen R. White (Jean)
Past President, 1994-96, 2015-17

Claire Swift Remarks cont. from p.1

In 2022, special thanks and gratitude are in order to the Washington Post for sponsorship as well as the Marion Mattingly Family and Peraton. I also want to extend a special thanks to longtime Member Pauline Thompson for bringing a huge crew this evening...Through global pandemics, world wars and depressions, the ANWC still stands. 52 ANWC presidents later, through hundreds of distinguished speakers and thousands of accomplished members. Through 16 U.S. presidencies...

with every first lady a member (in the day...) our members have been very active, asking the right questions - and making progress in our quest for knowledge, truth, accuracy and getting the story right. We’ve earned our place and hope to do so for 90 more years. I turn over the podium to our ANWC President, M.C. Andrews. MC has held the torch high for the ANWC for the past several years...we are eternally grateful, lucky to have you and can’t wait to hear from you.
Meet Olivia Cusick

She is a fifth generation Washingtonian who attended high school locally and graduated from Elon University with a B.A. in marketing. She has a background in both communications and marketing.

Olivia will be overseeing Cranford House activities, Membership and Shop Talk. You can reach her with any Club-related questions at anwclub@comcast.net or call 202-332-6770.

Club office hours are Mon., Wed., Fri., 9:30 am-1:30 pm. (scheduled meetings avail.)

Key ANWC Dates

2022

Sept. 28 – ANWC Program
Nov. 15 – Post Election Analysis
Dec. 7 – Holiday Party

2023

Feb. 28 – ANWC Program
April 5 – ANWC Program
May – ANWC Day of History – TBD
June 21 – Annual Meeting

For more Gala photos visit anwc.org “photo galleries.”