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Abigail Turner- American University. Abigail graduates in May with a dual degree in journalism and political science. She plans to pursue political journalism. As editor-in-chief of The Eagle, AU's award-winning student newspaper, Abigail uncovered Title IX mishandling. Abigail has also reported on presidential primaries and interviewed politicians like Nikki Haley.

Allison Robbert- George Washington University. Allison graduates in 2026 with a BFA in photojournalism. During her internship with the Washington Post, Allison was assigned to cover diverse topics, including photographing prominent politicians on Capitol Hill. With an impressive portfolio, Allison is passionate about advocating for female photojournalists.

Caroline Pecora- The University of Maryland. Caroline graduates a semester early in December 2025 from the Philip Merrill College of Journalism. She services as an audience engagement editor at UMD's Capital News Service, where she has reported on topics such as nationwide childcare shortages. Caroline strives to pursue a career in media strategy in order to increase community accessibility to reliable news.

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PETULA DVORAK

at the ANWC

Thursday, April 3, 2025

6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m

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The American News Women's Club

The American News Women's Club was founded in 1932, as the American Newspaper Women's Club (ANWC) when a handful of newspaperwomen banded together to push back against the restrictions on women in journalism by providing a podium. Not only were women barred from joining the National Press Club in those days, for example--they could only cover events from the balcony, effectively excluding women from questioning newsmakers at their press conferences (until 1971).

Although excluded from membership, the National Press Club did provide the women a place to meet – the Ladies' Dining Room. When Prohibition was repealed in February 1933, the Press Club asked the women to move in order to enlarge the Press Club bar. Several years and moves later, in 1961 the ANWC purchased the 1607 22nd Street, NW propert, currently ANWC national headquarters. In 1979, the mortgage, paid in full, was burned at the Women's National Bank.

The ANWC Clubhouse on Embassy Row, built in 1906, was designated a historic site by the National Society of Professional Journalists in 2002. At the Clubhouse, the ANWC hosts programs featuring newsmakers, reporters and editors and provides professional development workshops and seminars for members and their guests.

The ANWC also helps women journalism students achieve their education and career goals through its scholarship program, which began in 1992.

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