# THE ANNUAL SICA OSGRAVE AWARDS



TUESDAY, MAY 22ND, 2012



#### **PROGRAM**

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL JESSICA COSGRAVE AWARDS
THE FINCH COLLEGE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION
TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2012

#### **HONORING**

PRISCILLA COLE PERKINS

MISSY ALLEN

CHERYL YOUNG DEKNATEL

JULIE VASQUES HORNS

MAGDA STARK KATZ

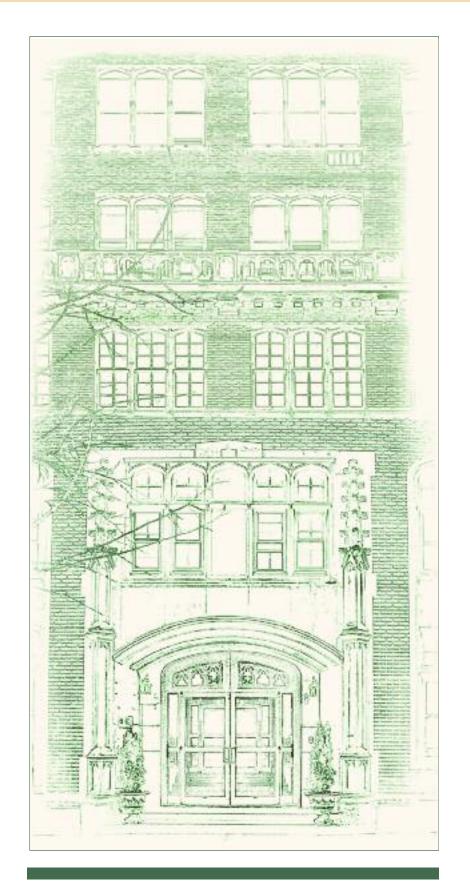
BARBARA O'HARE

Award Presentation
Reception & Cocktails
Grand Ballroom
6:00 PM

DINNER
DINING ROOM
FOURTH FLOOR
8:00 PM

THE COSMOPOLITAN CLUB
122 EAST 66TH STREET
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10021

#### FINCH FACADE



This image was created by
Margaret Stein Nakamura (class
of '72 and recipient of a Jessica
Cosgrave Award in 2007) as an
homage to the Finch building at
52-54 East Seventy-Eighth Street.
She created the image using a
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deawings and computer graphics.



### TONIGHT IS A TRIBUTE TO THE FINE EDUCATION PROVIDED BY FINCH COLLEGE!

WE HONOR A FINCH COLLEGE STAFF LEADER
AND FIVE OUTSTANDING FINCH COLLEGE GRADUATES

THE JESSICA COSGRAVE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD Proudly stands for all Jessica Garretson Finch Cosgrave wanted for women:

JESSICA GARRETSON COSGRAVE BELIEVED:

A well-educated woman is worldly.

Is interested in today's world and current events.

Education is learning through workshops, an exposure to the arts.

A fine academic base is vital to it all.

Women should give back to their communities.

And all women should be prepared for a "recurrent career"

THE FINCH COLLEGE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION ENABLES TODAY'S YOUNG WOMEN TO CONTINUE THEIR EDUCATIONS THROUGH THREE PROGRAMS:

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JESSICA COSGRAVE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD PARTICIPANTS

Sincerely yours,

Lois Moran Ziegler Chair, Finch College Foundation Sincerely yours,

JoAnn Cricchio Kubat President, Finch College Alumnae

#### PRISCILLA COLE PERKINS

"Priscilla was a sweet, well-behaved person until she got behind the wheel of a car," said Missy Allen, fellow 2012 Cosgrave honoree and a participant on the 1968-69 Finch Intercontinental Study Plan, when Priscilla was the student adviser.

Missy nicknamed Priscilla "Parnella Jones" after Parnelli Jones, the famous American racecar driver of the 1960s-70s. Also on that same FISP year abroad was Cheryl Young Deknatel, another 2012 Cosgrave Award recipient. The adventure took the students to Spain, Italy, France and England. While many went home for Christmas, Priscilla and Missy stayed overseas. Sally Arthur, director of admissions at Finch at the time, joined them in Florence, Italy, and with Priscilla at the wheel, they drove off to explore Siena, Ravenna and other sites for the holiday.

Priscilla arrived at Finch in 1968 and stayed through its last days in 1975 and on until the last vestige of furniture



Priscilla Cole Perkins with Addie Belle, a King Charles Spaniel

and artwork was sold and the doors closed for good in early 1976. As associate in admissions, Priscilla assisted Sally Arthur from 1969-71, continued as registrar (in charge of all academic records) and served four years as director of financial aid, awarding grants to deserving students.

"Priscilla has been the champion of community service throughout her life," said Sally, "and has used her financial aid experience at Finch to launch a continuing career in volunteer activities. At Finch she represented a 'Jacqueline of all trades' from a wonderful year in Europe with FISP to helping the president of Finch close a great and well-respected institution. And she had the luxury of knowing almost every student well."

In her final role at Finch, Priscilla assisted (the late) Rodney O. Felder, last president of the college, in selling all the school treasures from the paintings in the Finch College Museum of Art to the rugs and elegant chandeliers. Her future husband, Thomas Cole Perkins, whom she married May 1, 1976, bought two paintings from the museum for his brownstone on East 69th Street.

"One was 7 feet high and 6 feet wide," said Priscilla. "We put it on a dolly. I pulled and Tom and Bob Luck (curator of the museum's old masters wing) each held on to the painting as we moved it down Park Avenue to 69th Street. No one along the way batted an eye. Bob said we should hang the painting from the ceiling rather than against a wall. So we did and it is still in our home today."

Priscilla and Tom are in transition temporarily, expecting to move from Terrell, N.C., their home since leaving New York in 1999, to nearby Davidson, N.C. Priscilla has been active in the Davidson College Presbyterian Church and has been a leader in its Community Missions Committee, which awards \$120,000 annually to 28 area missions.

Her other long-time volunteer affiliations--all of New York--include the Leopold Schepp Foundation, which awards grants to undergraduate, graduate and doctoral students; Elder Craftsmen, now merged with the Burden Center for the Aging, sells handmade items created by senior citizens; YWCA, and the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church.

Priscilla's degrees include a B.A. in sociology from the University of Maine and a master's in student personnel administration from Teachers College, Columbia University. She and Tom have a daughter, Laura Catherine Perkins of Redding, CT., who graduated from Duke University and followed her mother's footsteps to Columbia for a Master's of Science and Social Work, which she utilizes as a family counselor.

#### MISSY ALLEN

Fearless with a passion for travel, Missy has lived several lives since growing up in Fairfax, VA., and graduating from Finch in 1970 with a degree in art history. At 29 years old she became the youngest person in Harvard history to serve as director of admissions for the university's Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, overseeing 4,000 applications annually. While in this job, she met French explorer Michel Peissel. He asked her to go with him to Kashmir, India, to investigate the ancient kingdom of Zanskar. She did.

"The BBC was doing a series on a Buddhist kingdom in a Muslim state in a Hindu country," said Missy, who lives in Cambridge, MA.

They were on a lake in a houseboat with calico curtains and paddles shaped like hearts when Michel asked her to marry him and she agreed. For the next 13 years, their travels covered many exotic adventures, such as across Russia by water, following the route of the



Missy Allen discusses a case with Facial Nerve Center staff

Vikings to Byzantium, now Istanbul. She was the only woman in a crew of seven, mostly Russians, on a boat with six oars and a sail.

While exploring the Himalayas of Asia and the Mayan culture of Mexico, Missy managed to bear two children, Octavia Peissel, 27, assistant producer for the current movie, "Moonrise Kingdom," and Morgan Peissel, 24, who plans to soon sail the Northwest Passage from the Atlantic to the Pacific. He takes after his father, who died last year (2011) and from whom Missy was divorced.

With Michel, Missy co-authored a 10-volume "Encyclopedia of Danger," geared to young adults, addressing the dangers of: The environment, flora, insects, mammals, plants and mushrooms, etc. It wasn't a favorite of travel agencies, she joked.

Missy said she had never been on an airplane before going on the Finch Intercontinental Study Plan, 1968-69. To get to Finch, she took a bus from Fairfax to Washington, D.C., and transferred to another bus to New York. She visited Finch with her mother, Lynard Joyce Jennings of Sarasota, FL., who attended from about 1939 to 1941. Missy loved the "combination of a small college in a huge city". But the year she applied to Finch was tough. Her parents divorced and the family home burned down. Her grades were not good enough for a scholarship. Sally Arthur came to the rescue.

"She suggested I take some courses, get a job and reapply," said Missy. "I sold children's clothes at Garfinkel's outside of Washington. So boring, but I got into Finch. I loved the art history classes taught by Marshall Mount and Diane Kelder and Jane Ross's comparative lit class. And my mother and I both took Spanish from Ray Senior.

"I was able to earn a FISP scholarship, again thanks to Sally Arthur and she also got me my first job (after college) as a student recruiter for Finch."

From then on Missy has occupied prestigious positions, including administrative officer, Department of Visual and Environmental Studies at Harvard, and director, International Office, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston. She presently manages three centers for the Infirmary: Facial and Cosmetic Surgery, Facial Nerve and Laser. And travel is still a major ingredient in her life.

Missy goes to Ecuador, Guatemala and Vietnam to assist volunteer medical teams treating patients with microtia, a birth defect causing ears to not fully develop.

"A new technique this year allows a reconstructed ear to develop in 12 months instead of the three years it took before," she said.

#### CHERYL YOUNG DEKNATEL

Able to function easily in the financial worlds of both The Netherlands and the United States, Cheryl is at home on either side of the Atlantic. She was born and grew up in New York but has lived a total of nearly 25 years in Holland, is fluent in the Dutch language and carries two passports.

Before moving to Holland for the first time, Cheryl was already a world traveler. Prior to college she attended summer classes at the Sorbonne in Paris and before graduating from Finch in 1970, she spent her junior year abroad on the Finch Intercontinental Study Plan (FISP). Following graduation, she got a job with the Merrill Lynch investment company. But the work was mostly secretarial. She wanted much more. So she applied to the Columbia (University) Business School to earn a Master's in Business Administration.

"To gain admittance I had to take a course in calculus," she said.



Tara Finley and Cheryl Young Deknatel

She conquered that, earned her degree and met her first husband, who was Dutch. They were married in New York and flew to Holland to begin married life.

"We settled in Zeist, in the middle of the country. My husband had a job lined up with a bank and I got a job as a financial analyst with another bank."

After three years, Cheryl gave birth to her first child. Two more came along. But a divorce took her from Zeist to the capital city of Amsterdam, thriving with financial and economic opportunity. She eventually met Jan Deknatel, her present husband, also Dutch, at a bank where they both worked. The bank wanted her fluent in Dutch, so it sent her to school in the south of Holland. But she didn't need the required three-week course.

"Classes were taught in a convent by Dutch nuns," she said. "They sent me home after two weeks."

Cheryl and Jan bought a home in Essex, CT., and moved back to the states permanently in 1998. However, trips to Holland are often on their agenda, as two of Cheryl's children still live there. A recent visit was to see Cheryl's newborn grandchild—her ninth. A daughter, Tiffany Knoop, has elected to live in Connecticut and has teamed up with her mother to work for Morgan Stanley Smith Barney financial services. Cheryl joined the company 10 years ago in New York but now works out of the Essex office.

In her limited spare time she volunteers for the Mount Saint John residential and educational facility in Deep River, CT. It is a haven for at-risk young men, 13 to 18 years old, who need direction to make the most of their lives. Cheryl is on the board and chairman of the Resource and Development Committee.

Finch College also has benefited greatly from Cheryl's leadership. She is a past treasurer and president of the Alumnae Association and serves on the Foundation board.

Last year she instigated the first reunion of FISP alumnae. More than 30 women came from across the country for a reception at the Park Avenue home of Ceil Gavin Ainsworth. It was the first time in 40 years that most of the former students had seen each other. Among those attending were Barbara Robinson Buckland, FISP director for the 1968-69 year, and her assistant, Priscilla Cole Perkins.

"They were like our older sisters," said Cheryl. "It was one of the best years of my life. On a private tour of Moet & Chandon (champagne cellars) in Reims, France, our guide told us, 'Just remember us when you get married'. And we did."

#### **JULIE VASQUES HORNS**



Julie and John Horns

"My father used to tell me: 'I don't care if you never work a day in your life, you must go to college'. But I love working; I always wanted to work," said Julie, a member of Finch's last graduating class of 1975.

At Finch, Dr. Carol A. Hawkes inspired Julie to concentrate on writing. She wrote for the Finch newspaper for three years, serving as editor her senior year. She leaned toward technical writing and after graduation, marriage and her first child, she founded her own consulting company focused on grant writing. She still heads Development Consulting, Ltd., a one-woman operation based out of her home on Lake Erie, Catawba Island, Ohio.

In the past 30 years she has raised millions of dollars for non-profit causes, particularly the Toledo Zoo, which has received \$35 million thanks to Julie's efforts and is soon to gain another \$12 million.

Finch could have used Julie's skills back in 1975 as its 75 years of quality education for women were coming to a close.

"We would go to talks that kept us informed of the financial situation and by graduation we all knew what was happening, but we were still in shock," she said.

Julie's mother had attended the Traphagen School of Design in

New York and encouraged her daughter to go to Finch.

"Because it was small, it was very attractive to me," said Julie. "And I had an uncle in New York who was a musician. He played the flute and clarinet and performed in an orchestra on Broadway and would always give me tickets to shows."

Before receiving her diploma, Julie spent a grueling summer taking courses at the University of London toward her Finch degree in English Literature. Classes began at 8 a.m. and often continued to 10 p.m. Attendance was taken at every session so she had to be there. She never missed a class but there was little time for anything else.

Returning home to Ohio—she was born in Chicago but grew up in Sandusky—she earned credits toward a master's in English/Technical Writing at Bowling Green State University. Julie's roots extend across the Atlantic to Sicily, home of her father's family.

"The Spaniards conquered Sicily a lot," she said, "that's why my maiden name is Vasques instead of Vasquez. My parents often went back to visit but my mother couldn't speak a word of Italian."

Her mother and father were very proud of the career Julie created for herself. One of her longtime clients, Bittersweet Farms, founded by a schoolteacher on 80 acres near Toledo, has special meaning for her. Bittersweet is a day and residential center for 36 autistic adults, 22 to 63 years old. Julie is the legal guardian for a brother who is autistic.

Julie is trying to ease up on her five-day work-week now that her husband, John Horns, a former hospital administrator, has retired. They were married 20 years ago and have a combined family of five children. They move between their home on Lake Erie and a second one in Bonita Springs, FL. John and Julie were among those on the Finch Alumnae trip to Los Angeles in November, 2010, and he plans to accompany his wife to the Cosgrave Awards.

As a young adult, Julie said her (late) mother was the biggest influence in her life. She was happy her daughter decided on Finch.

"She said, 'If you want to go to NewYork, go!' If she could be with me at the Cosgrave Awards, she would be in her glory!"

#### MAGDA STARK KATZ

President Bill Clinton signed an autograph for Magda during her first celebrity video interview, gave it to a Secret Service Man and started to walk away.

"Then he suddenly turned around and came back to find me and give me the piece of paper," said Magda. "He had autographed a flyer I had for one of Linda Purl's performances.

"Pat Addiss, who has been a mentor for me, told me to go to the show, '39 Steps,' that she was producing and wait outside the theater. She knew Bill Clinton was going to the matinee. It was the same day Chelsea got engaged. Clinton and his whole family were there. I got them all on camera. The stage door opened and out they came.

"'Mr. President!' I called to him. 'How did you like it?' He came over and I told him how great he looked. He came closer and signed his autograph for me."



Magda Stark Katz and her daughter, Erika Stark Abramson

Magda has done countless celebrity interviews for an online publication, Times Square Chronicles, which can be accessed at www.t2conline.com. You scroll down to "Interviews With Magda" to see her lively chats with Petula Clark, Joan Collins, Lucie Arnaz, singer/Finch alumna Linda Purl and Joan Copeland, actress and sister of the late Arthur Miller. One of her first jobs after graduating from Finch in 1970 was with jazz singer Peggy Lee. That was thanks to Wendy Glickstein, whom Magda met at Finch and who has remained a dear friend.

Wendy's father, William Glickstein, was the long-time owner of the former McGinnis of Sheepshead Bay, a famous restaurant at 48th and Broadway that drew stars from stage and screen. Peggy Lee was among them. Wendy worked as Miss Lee's secretary for a while, then offered the job to Magda.

"I was Peggy Lee's assistant when she was in New York," said Magda. "She was crazy. She never got out of bed. Her public and personal images were two different things. I tried to make her exercise but she didn't want to."

When Magda isn't interviewing celebrities, she is traveling the country for a company that relocates executives. She investigates the cost of living in 20 cities annually, to help determine salaries for new arrivals.

Her tough, energetic work ethic was inherited from her late parents, both Holocaust survivors. Her mother barely made it out of Auschwitz alive and her father survived a slave labor camp. An only child, Magda was 8 years old when she fled her native Hungary with her parents during the 1956 revolution. For nearly two years they lived in refugee barracks at Camp Kilmer, a former World War II Army post in New Jersey.

"My parents sacrificed everything to get me out of Hungary," she said. "Life in America was very hard in the beginning. One day, someone took me to Radio City Music Hall and I was hooked. It was like a palace. I fell in love with Art Deco. I love to photograph Art Deco. And I love to visit tearooms and talk to the owners."

Magda and Bob Katz met at a ski house in Vermont, were engaged in three months and married in six. Their children have been in show business since they were babies. Their son, Brent, a Colby College alum, is a screenwriter/filmmaker, and their daughter, Erika Katz Abramson, a Dartmouth graduate, is a mother, author and TV personality.

"Show business taught them to be work-oriented," said Magda. "You have to be on the set on time and know your lines. I would always take them to the theater with me. They fell in love with it."

#### BARBARA O'HARE

While at Finch in the late '60s, a fellow student asked Barbara for some modeling advice. Barbara had been modeling professionally since before earning a scholarship to Finch in 1968 at 17 years old. Her Finch colleague was Lois Chiles Gilder, Texas native,

actress/fashion model and today the wife of New York philanthropist/brokerage founder, Richard Gilder.

"Lois really wanted to get into acting," said Barbara. "After my freshman year, we rented an apartment for the summer over a pizza parlor at 69th and First Avenue. Before coming to Finch, Lois had attended the University of Texas. She joined the Wilhelmina modeling agency and later acted in movies, on stage and television. She is known for her role as Dr. Holly Goodhead in the (1979) James Bond film, 'Moonraker'."

Barbara continued her modeling all through Finch. She was used to managing multiple tasks at once. In high school, she would take her classes in the morning near her home on Long Island, board a train for Manhattan and work for the Stewart Modeling Agency all afternoon.

Margaret Stein Nakamura, who roomed with Barbara their freshman year at Finch, said:

"At college, Barbara was always very popular, with peers...and young men! With her stunning good looks and enviable grades, she could have inspired jealousy. But because of an exceptionally sweet disposition and genuine concern for the welfare of others, she instead earned respect and friendship."

Graduating in three years, Barbara embarked on a 12-year career in advertising, television and radio, both behind and in front of the action, while also working as an independent graphic designer. At Finch she was a fine arts major and during the Vietnam War made anti-war peace posters, which were placed in shop windows up and down Madison Avenue.

Barbara relished the peaceful, idyllic environment of her childhood and has reproduced it around her own home in Woodstock, N.Y., where she is a licensed real estate associate broker for Westwood Metes & Bounds Realty, for whom she's worked 25 years.

"I grew up in an old farmhouse 13 miles from midtown Manhattan," she said. "My father still lives in the home, built in 1920 as part of a large estate. It was the caretaker's house. We lived on three acres of more than 100 surrounding the property, now covered with condos."

Three years ago Barbara moved into a seven-room, 18th Century farmhouse in an area of the Hudson Valley, settled by the Dutch in the 1600s. She loves her home with its original wide-board floors, huge fireplace and bluestone patio in back with a big frog pond, whose residents wake her up every morning. "It's better than roosters," she said.

Her surroundings inspired her to take up painting. She excelled at it, has had many successful exhibitions and is known for her watercolor landscapes. She often paints houses for her clients who are buying or selling.

Cooking is another passion. She grows many of her own vegetables and tends an herb garden outside her kitchen door.

"I love to cook and love to travel so I thought I would be a perfect host for a TV show based on one or the other," she said. "I suggested the concept to CNN some time ago, but they turned it down. Now, it seems, all I watch on TV is the Food Channel."









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#### 1996

Dr. Margaret Maxwell\* Suzanne Ludey Bayley\* Martha Goodyear Mason Frances Gable Villere

#### 1997

Mary Beth Baker Busby Susan Grace Galassi Eileen Bluestone Sherman Frances Fish Tompkins

#### 1998

Dr. Marshall Mount Felice Forer Axelrod Catherine Robertson Claiborne Kathleen McFadden Guzman Gene Kincheloe Ritchie Christa C. Mayer Thurman Sala Lois Moran Ziegler

#### 1999

Franchelle Stewart Dorn Francine LeFrak Friedberg Catharine Cline Hamilton Marcy Syms Merns Mary Kim Sull Mary McDowell Webb

#### 2000

Betty Low
Dr. Carol Garnett Abraham
Alba Farber Francesca
Doris Buttry Haire
Laura Rollins Hockaday
Dr. Barbara Sbilis Katsos
Diana Gale Zwirn DeMarco

\*Deceased

### 18th Annual Jessica Cosgrave Lifetime Award Honorees

#### 2001

Dr. Sally Arthur Elba Vargas-Colbert Elaine Friedman Thelma Wigoder Frye Nohra Haime Suzanne Pleshette\* Marianna Pelligrini Sottosanti\*

#### 2002

Dr. Ardelle Odone Striker\*
Ceil Gavin Ainsworth
Mosette Glaser Broderick
Margaret Stewart Hedberg
Jennifer M. Lee-DeLaurentis
Van Negris
Natalie Skeet

#### 2003

The Hon. Gertrud Sinzheimer Mainzer\*
Audrey Schlang Diamond
Helene Weisberg Rudnick Horwitz\*
Diana O'Rourke Jacoby
Tennie Bernstein Leonard
Vilma Polakova Wiesenmaier

#### 2004

Robert Diffenderfer\*
Darcie Denkert
Marianne Carey Edwards
Hijoo Limb
Anastasia Tsamisis Moss
Margaret Ann Craig Robinson

#### 2005

Dr. Carol A. Hawkes Freear Pollard Barnwell Ruth Eriksen Barto\* Sandra Haas Berler Susan L. Davis Suzanne Stern Salomon

#### 2006

Dr. Jane Miller Ross Julia Berwick Paula DiBenedetto Caravelli Melanie Rose Cohen Barbara Ziet Glickman Sally Kraftmeyer Hallows

#### 2007

Dr. Charles Bahn
Pamela Dammann Adams
Shea Gordon Festoff
Margaret Stein Nakamura
Susan Embree Parker
Virginia Wattiker Sheerin

#### 2008

Dr. Cynthia Wolk Nachmani Patricia Flicker Addiss Hon. Maria DiGiovanna Audrey Greene Joyce Nounou Reuben Yvonne Hammond Roome

#### 2009

Helen Mead Platt
Phyllis Gregory Heard
Susan Wright Hight
Susan Stover Hill
Emilie- Mary Puzio
Dr. Joanne Brecher Rosenberg

#### 2010

Dr. Jeanne Chenault Porter Stephanie Brody-Lederman Lady Hilary Winant Glidewell Antoinette Walker Hamner Ann M. Holmes Barbara Richards Pitney

#### 2011

Barbara Robinson Buckland Denise Mularoni Decker Nina DiGiovanna LaBruna Laura Stober Larsen Marjorie R. Schulman

# Remembering Margaret Wright Maxwell



September 13, 1913 – April 17, 2007

Time at Finch: 1953-1975

Beloved professor, mentor, friend, adviser and founder of the Finch College Alumnae Association (reborn), 1993

And inspiration behind the Jessica Cosgrave

Lifetime Achievement Awards, initiated 1995

And the Finch College Alumnae

Association Foundation, established 2001

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Nohra Haime

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PHYLLIS GREGORY HEARD

Julie Vasques Horns

LAURA STOBER LARSEN

MARIORIE "COOKIE" MICHEL

Susan Hughes Michel

GENE RITCHIE

SUSIE STERN SALOMON

VIRGINIA WATTIKER SHEERIN

EILEEN BLUESTONE SHERMAN

MARCY SYMS

FRANCES FISH TOMPKINS

The Finch College Alumnae Association announced the creation of a new Ineamus Meliora Society in December, 2007 - same name as the original one but with a new definition. All alumnae who have paid their dues, either annually or lifetime, are eligible to become members. The minimum gift contribution, over and above their dues, is \$500.00. Members will enjoy special recognition and benefits. Additional funds raised will provide educational grants to women, allowing them to continue their education through scholarships and business exposure.

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# PROUDLY CONGRATULATE TONIGHT'S OUTSTANDING HONOREES: PRISCILLA COLE PERKINS STAFF LEADER

And successful graduates who have applied their well-rounded Finch College education to enhance their own lives and that of others:

Missy Allen
Cheryl Young Deknatel
Julie Vasques Horns
Magda Stark Katz
Barbara O'Hare

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# THE FINCH SCHOLAR THE FINCH-BIRCH WATHEN LENOX SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP THE FINCH GRANT

THE FINCH SCHOLAR is a program developed in collaboration with The New York Women's Foundation®, an organization established to support women and children. THE FINCH SCHOLAR is a current college student selected annually to work on an internship part time in their offices. The Finch College Foundation donation pays her salary. The Scholar learns the discipline of an office, she meets women executives as mentors, and she is given responsibilities.

Eileen Bluestone Sherman and her daughter Jenny visited the offices of The New York Women's Foundation to meet Finch Scholar recipient Kashay Saunders, a student at Dartmouth College, and Talatha Reeves, right. "This job experience was an all-around education: I just knew I would be writing the newsletter, along with other Communications-like tasks, participating in grant making, 'leveraging dollars' and Celebrating Women® Breakfast. I also had my eyes opened through what seems like a rather mundane task — statistic research. Looking up statistics on women and the economy for hours on end, I would find women-related professions I never knew existed: that New York City has a department for Domestic



Left to Right: Jenny Sherman, Kashay Saunders, Eileen Bluestone Sherman, Talatha Reeves

Violence, a Commission on Women's Issues, our national government has bureaus of people working to assess how an issue affects women specifically." Kashay is now on a fellowship in India, studying social entrepreneurship and education.



Frank Carnabuci, Headmaster of The Birch Lenox Wathen School and Eden Laura Toporek

THE FINCH-BIRCH WATHEN LENOX SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP: is fully funded by the secondary school, also founded by Jessica Garretson Finch Cosgrave. It provides partial tuition for the remainder of a student's studies.

In 2010 Eden Laura Toporek, a seventh grade student who excels in her studies and is recognized as a leader received the scholarship. Eden earned High Honors and enjoys creative arts, is a determined soccer and tennis player and also volunteers at the 92nd



Katherine Snoddy, 2011 Finch Scholarship recipient

Street Y and the Henry Ittleson Center PALS program. What an all-around girl!

#### THE FINCH GRANT

\$2000 is awarded annually to four or five young women, over age 22, who are community college students transferring to an accredited four year college.

The Successful Transfers in 2011:

Norwalk CC to Yale University
Hudson County CC to New Jersey City University
Raritan Valley CC to William Paterson University
Westchester CC to Mercy College
LaGuardia CC to Hunter
LaGuardia CC to New York University Steinhardt
SUNY Monroe to Rochester Institute of Technology

As two generous Finch families donated a full Finch Grant, Rebecca Tabajovich Even-Zohar and Cookie and Susan Michel in honor of their mother, Kathryn Schlesinger Michel, more Grants than usual were possible.

The recipients' applications are reviewed by a panel of college professors who independently make the selection of the prestigious awards: Dr. Mary Raddock, Norwalk Community College, Dr. Cecilia Macheski, LaGuardia Community College and Dr. Tricia Lin, Southern Connecticut State University.



Upper row: Dr. Mary Raddock, Norwalk CC, Dr. Cecilia Macheski, LaGuardia CC, Lois Moran Ziegler, Chair Finch Foundation. Lower row: Dr. Tricia Lin, Southern Connecticut State University, Gail Mellow, PhD, President LaGuardia CC.



Left: Danielle Jablonski, Finch Grant recipient and Rebecca Even-Zohar



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The Finch College Scholars Program, a joint effort between the Finch College Alumnae Association Foundation and The New York Women's Foundation" began in 2001. Over the years, the program has provided more than 6 college students with hands-on experience in nonprofit management, specifically in the philanthropic sector. Finch Scholars commit to a minimum of 10 weeks for their internship where they focus on one or more aspects of the work of the Foundation: fundraising, grantmaking and communications and administration. During their internship, scholars participate fully in the work of the Foundation, attending meetings, trainings and participating in events and special projects. Scholars also receive support from an assigned supervisor who guides their internship experience. At the end of the internship, scholars write an essay about their experience and the impact it has had on their career choices.

Across the board the Finch Scholarship experience has made a difference in the lives of students. For example, one scholar wrote:

"As someone who attends a women's college, perhaps I am biased to the idea of an all-women working environment, but I think that doing so is an amazing experience—one that is both intellectually and professionally fulfilling and yet still enjoyable."

"The most meaningful bit I will take from this internship is the realization that my decision to become a Women & Gender Studies major hasn't slimmed down my career choices, but widened them so much that I can barely chew on all of it. I discovered this first, from the women who work around me, who use their own unique skills to further the mission of the Foundation. They harness their business savvy, their tech skills, their visionary thinking, and their life experiences. They are in all different places in life—twenty-something and in transition or married with teenage children or pregnant with one on the way—and this is just to name a few. These women were my guides, my mentors and my muses. From them, I learned about the incredible, but often overlooked, day-to-day work that lies behind social transformation."

The Finch Scholars Program is a cherished opportunity at the Foundation because it provides a vehicle to mentor and support the next generation of women leaders. In the future, we hope to strengthen our partner-ship with the Finch College Alumnae Association and increase learning and mentoring opportunities for past and future Finch scholars as they prepare to become leaders in their families and communities.

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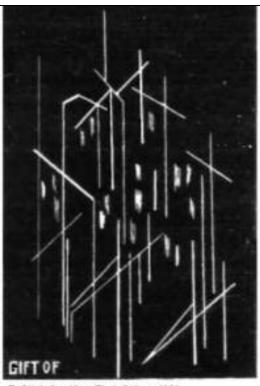
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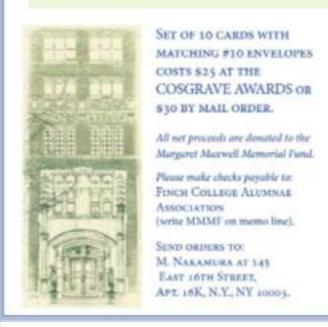
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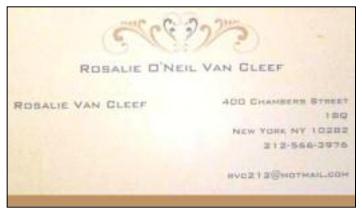


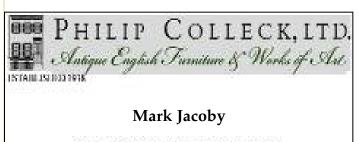
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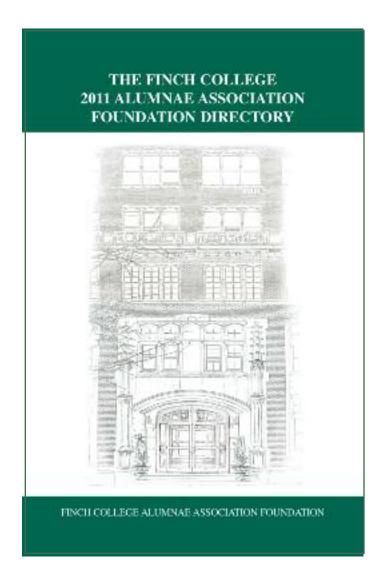
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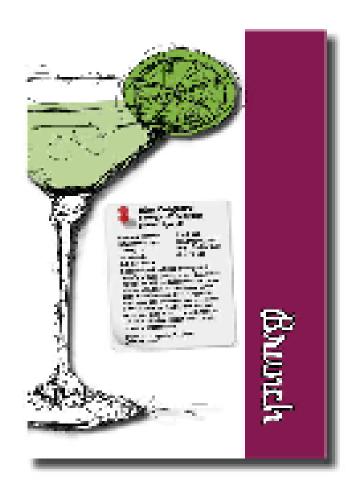


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