"Courage is the ladder on which all the other virtues mount." — Clare Boothe Luce

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Summer Mentoring Luncheons

This summer we brought young women from schools across the nation together for a series of mentoring luncheons. At the luncheons, students participate in quality networking and in-depth discussions, including how to combat campus bias and promote conservative ideas.

Bay Buchanan (center, second row) spoke to student leaders from across the nation at our National College Mentoring Luncheon in Washington, DC.

National High School Mentoring Luncheon
National Press Club Mentoring Luncheon
LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

We have a president now who loves America and never hesitates to strike back at those who run our country down. But love for America as President Trump expresses it is almost nonexistent among teachers and leaders at our schools and colleges.

So many young women ask for help resisting and opposing the Left and radical professors who teach hate and scorn for freedoms and the Judeo-Christian values our country was founded on. And in too many schools no dissent from liberal ideology is allowed.

You can be certain that we at the Clare Boothe Luce Center for Conservative Women inspire and affirm our conservative young women. We help give them the courage and information they need to stand tall and promote your ideas and values. Our lecture program, conferences, seminars, and other outreach just for young women are unique.

Michelle Easton

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2018 Student of the Year

2018 Student of the Year Kelly Heilman (left), a student at Sewanee: The University of the South, with Luce Program Officer Elizabeth Campbell.

As an outspoken conservative activist at Sewanee: The University of the South, Kelly Heilman has faced her share of backlash from liberal professors and administrators.

After spending the 2017 summer as a Clare Boothe Luce Fellow, Kelly was motivated to continue promoting conservative values on campus by bringing Luce speaker Dr. Christina Hoff Sommers to her campus to talk about feminism. Despite obstacles the school tried to put in front of her to sabotage the event, Kelly worked diligently to make sure the event was a success. A packed room of students eager to hear Dr. Sommers turned out, with an overflow crowd listening through the door to hear a conservative perspective – one they rarely receive in their course work or in conversation with peers.

Kelly continues to fight for her beliefs in her classroom and we are honored to have her as our 2018 Student of the Year.

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Deputy Manager of President Trump’s 2016 campaign Dave Bossie and his wife Susan on the left, have been friends for many years. They invited my husband and me to the Oval Office to meet President Trump. The President was gracious and welcoming. As the visit was very soon after my shoulder surgery and I still wore a sling, he shook my left hand!

You are seeing the accurate news reports that the Left-wing is aggressive and hyperactive in opposing President Trump. And campus conservative women are under an equally vicious assault. The Clare Boothe Luce Center for Conservative Women is helping young women become future conservative leaders for our country.
The Conservative Women’s Network (CWN) is a monthly luncheon co-hosted by the Clare Boothe Luce Center for Conservative Women and The Heritage Foundation. Held in Washington, DC, the luncheons provide attendees with the opportunity to learn about current issues from conservative leaders and connect with other women in the DC area. For more information about CWN, visit cblpi.org or contact Camille Hart at chart@cblpi.org.

In June Helen Alvaré, Professor of Law at Antonin Scalia Law School at George Mason University, spoke about “The Demand Side of Abortion: The Sex, Marriage and Dating Marketplace that Immiserates Women, Children and Men.”

Joyce Lee Malcolm, Patrick Henry Professor of Constitutional Law and the Second Amendment at George Mason University School of Law, spoke in July about a woman’s right to be armed to protect herself.

CWN hosted a special summer “Meet and Mingle” evening reception especially for DC young professional women and we invited past CWN speakers from over the years to attend and network with the young women attendees.

Luce Board Member Profiles

Sarah Rindlaub

A graduate of Agnes Scott College, Sarah Rindlaub began her professional life as program coordinator/event planner at the Hoover Institution. Her career path shifted two years later when, seeking to support U.S. military personnel, she became a flight attendant on Military Air Command flights to bases in Vietnam and throughout the Pacific. In the years since, Sarah has worked for charter and commercial passenger airlines serving in various positions including senior international flight attendant, training instructor, and corporate sales.

Her interest in public policy has been constant, and she’s been active in community-oriented organizations at home and abroad. Sarah is co-founder of Women of Washington, a Washington state educational organization dedicated to communicating America’s founding principles to women with a focus on understanding local, national, and global issues that are critical to our world today. She is also a current Board member and past Chairman of the Washington Policy Center, one of the largest free-market state-based think tanks in the nation.

Sarah and her husband, John, have three daughters and two grandchildren. After spending the past five years in Hong Kong, they returned to their permanent residence in Washington state.

Sarah says, “The progression of the radical left on campuses across the U.S. has been hardest on women who try to maintain traditional values. Luce is making the most difference in attempting to support these young women who feel besieged by this atmosphere. Thus it is an honor to serve on this board.”

Linda McClure Teetz grew up in Pittsburgh, received a B.S. from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, and married her high school sweetheart, Melvin Teetz. They have been married for 55 years and have two children and four grandsons.

In addition to being a high school business teacher, volunteering has always been an integral part of her life, and her community service has been continuous and diverse. While living in New York, she served as President of the Guild of St. Agnes Hospital, and on the Board of Directors of the White Plains Beautification Foundation. While living in Atlanta, Linda served on the Board of Directors and was President of the Members Guild of the High Museum of Art.

She currently serves on the Friends Committee for the Riverside Theatre, helps with the men’s shelter Camp Haven, has chaired the Indian River County Lincoln Day Dinner for 12 years, volunteers most of her time at Hibiscus Children’s Center for abused and abandoned children, and is a member (and former president) of the Republican Women of Indian River (RWIR). She was awarded the Jeanette Becker-Riel Award for outstanding dedication and exceptional volunteer service to RWIR and the Republican Party. She volunteers in Indian River County for presidential, state, and local campaigns.

Linda says she gives her time to Luce because, “It has always been my passion to help young people understand conservative principles. There is no better place to help young women to become independent, thoughtful individuals than the Clare Boothe Luce Center for Conservative Women.”
In June we hosted a National Women’s Summit at the Capitol Hill Club in Washington, DC. The Summit was attended by students from dozens of colleges around the nation who are in DC for summer internships. We included our Woman of the Year Dinner Banquet as part of this year’s Summit and we were delighted to honor Rachel Campos-Duffy as our 2018 Woman of the Year. As a mother of eight, wife to a Congressman, author, and a Fox News Contributor, Rachel is a wonderful example to our young women on balancing family and professional life.

The Summit included a two-hour training session by District Media Group’s Rachel Semmel on public speaking and building a social media brand, as well as in-depth talks from key women speakers on important policy issues. Speakers included Fox News Contributor and Townhall editor Katie Pavlich who spoke about the Second Amendment; Katharine Gorka, Senior Advisor for Policy at Department of Homeland Security who spoke about defending America from communism; Regnery Publishing President Marji Ross who gave an excellent talk about American exceptionalism; Students for Life of America President Kristan Hawkins; Bay Buchanan who gave an outstanding talk on leadership; and Luce Alumna Amber Athey, who now works for Daily Caller, spoke about breaking into a career in journalism.

Kaitlyn, a student attendee from Baylor University, told us after the event, “In recognizing that men and women are uniquely different, the DC Women’s Summit provided a space where conservative women could encourage and support each other...Thank you for giving me the camaraderie and confidence to stand up for my beliefs!”