

16th Annual
**Women's Hall
of Fame**

Writing Women into the
History of Lebanon County



March 18, 2026

Bev Heishman & Jody Lazorcik

Women's Hall of Fame
Committee Co-chairs



On behalf of the Lebanon County Commission for Women's Hall of Fame Committee, welcome to the 16th Annual Women's Hall of Fame Awards Ceremony and Luncheon. Today, as we induct 11 outstanding women into the Hall of Fame, we also join together to celebrate Women's History Month.

Women have long played vital roles in shaping our communities, yet their contributions often go unrecognized. The stories of today's inductees reflect perseverance, dedication, and leadership, and serve as powerful examples of overcoming barriers and creating meaningful change. By honoring these achievements, we aim to inspire young women to recognize their value and their ability to make a positive impact.

The Lebanon County Commission for Women is committed to supporting women and children throughout our community. Proceeds from events such

as today's luncheon have provided financial support to programs including Girls on the Run, Junior Achievement, Lebanon Girls Basketball, academic scholarships, and other initiatives that promote confidence, goal-setting, and personal achievement.

We also wish to recognize the dedicated efforts of our Hall of Fame Committee - Brittany Hilton, Liz Judd, Jo Ellen Litz, and Becky Woodhouse - whose year-round commitment makes this event possible.

Thank you for joining us as we honor this year's inductees and celebrate their lasting contributions to the future of women in Lebanon County.

ABOUT THE COMMISSION



The Lebanon County Commission for Women (LCCW) was established in 2003, by the Lebanon County Commissioners. Its purpose was to inform and advise the Commissioners on issues of concern to women in Lebanon County. The mission of the Commission is to promote awareness, be a catalyst for change and facilitate action in matters pertaining to women and their families.



The Commission for Women meets on the first Monday of each month from August thru May. Follow our social media accounts for upcoming events and to learn more about becoming a member.

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ABOUT THE WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME



Hall of Fame Pin

Each of our inductees will receive a Hall of Fame pin. The pin is a piece of art originally designed and crafted by Yasmin Brown, a local artist and past HOF award recipient. Each pin is a unique and one-of-a-kind creation, just like the person receiving it.

The pin base is made of multicolored dichroic glass, which provides a variety of colors and effects. This uniqueness of the base represents the individuality of the award recipient. The image on the pin represents three qualities of the recipient. The diamond shape at the base of the image symbolizes the strong foundation of the recipient. The raised arms signify the recipient's innate strength, while the heart shape of the arms represents the recipient's kindness and warmth. And, the shape of the reaching arms represents the recipient's warmth and caring.

The Lebanon County Commission for Women (LCCW) began celebrating Women's History Month by publishing articles about women of historical significance in Lebanon County. However, during their research, they discovered that the contributions of women to improve the quality of life in the county were not adequately recognized. In addition, the commission faced a shortage of funds for projects that would benefit women and girls in the community, as they relied on the county budget.

In 2009, Commission Member Bev Heishman researched Women's Hall of Fame projects from other county commissions throughout the U.S. and along with Chair, Cindy Heisey, the idea was presented to the remaining members, who recognized its potential and implemented it as a source of revenue.

The first LCCW Hall of Fame Luncheon was held on March 10, 2010, marking the 30th anniversary of National Women's History Month. These women are honored and their stories are recorded and posted on the commission's web page to preserve their place in history.

Additionally, the funds raised from this event are used to finance commission projects. Over the years, the funds have supported various initiatives, such as the Susan Funk Klarsch Memorial Garden at Deer Run, H.O.P.E.S. Family Shelter, the Lebanon Historical Society, Girls on the Run, Heart and Soul Program, Junior Achievement, a mentoring program for young women in the community, and the Women's Empowerment Scholarship, which enables local high school graduates to pursue a post-high school degree or certification.

SUBMIT A NOMINATION FOR 2027



As we celebrate Women's History Month, it is important to recognize the remarkable achievements of women who have made significant contributions to Lebanon County through their work, leadership, and activism. The Women's Hall of Fame is a distinguished institution that honors women who have broken barriers and paved the way for future generations.

We urge you to nominate women who have made significant contributions in their respective fields for induction into the Women's Hall of Fame. Whether they are artists, activists, educators, entrepreneurs, or leaders, their accomplishments deserve to be recognized, and celebrated.

You are not only honoring the achievements of an individual, but you are also inspiring others to follow in her footsteps. Let us continue to celebrate the diversity and strength of women by acknowledging their invaluable contributions to our society.

We accept nominations year-round!
Learn more on our website at:



CommissionForWomen.org

If you have questions, please email
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2026 Committee Members

Bev Heishman
Becky Woodhouse
Brittany Hilton
Elizabeth Judd
Jody Lazorcik
Jo Ellen Litz

AGENDA

2026

CALL TO ORDER

Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance
Jo Ellen Litz

MEAL

Prayer
Dr. Amanda Davis-Buie

Buffet

HALL OF FAME PROGRAM

Opening Remarks
Bev Heishman

Introduction of Inductees
Alicia Richards

Video Program

Presentation of Recognition

Closing Remarks
Jody Lazorcik



LEBANON COUNTY
Commission for Women

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Alicia Richards

News anchor & reporter at
ABC27-WHTM Television



Alicia Richards co-anchors ABC27's evening newscasts. She also does special reporting throughout the year. Most recently, Alicia was focused on the opioid crisis, winning a Keystone Media Award for her coverage.

When Alicia turned her attention to domestic violence, she won an Emmy award after revealing that Pennsylvania does not track how judges rule in these cases. She was also the Pennsylvania Association of Broadcasters television broadcaster of the year in 2020.

Alicia interviewed the first female CEO of The Hershey Company, Michele Buck. Alicia traveled to Kosovo to report on the Pennsylvania National Guard's peacekeeping efforts. She accompanied heart specialists from Penn State Hershey Medical Center on a life-saving medical mission to Ecuador. She covered the 2016 Democratic and 2000 Republican National Conventions.

Alicia spent a decade advocating for breast cancer awareness. Her Buddy Check 27 series won two Pennsylvania Association of Broadcaster awards and she and her mother Karen appeared in public service announcements promoting the importance of early detection. In addition, Alicia was awarded a first-place Associated Press award for "Lori's Story," a moving 10-part series on a local woman's determined battle against breast cancer.

Alicia takes great pride in her extensive involvement with the Central Pennsylvania community through regular speaking engagements. Travel is one of her primary interests. With her family, she has gone on safari in Africa and has been to Egypt, Russia, Argentina and throughout Europe. Alicia and her partner of 25 years, Elise, have a Goldendoodle named Moxie.

WOMEN CREATING COMMUNITY



Emily Longenecker

Nominated by Jennifer Kuzo

“ *A woman is the full circle. Within her is the power to create, nurture and transform.*

– Diane Mariechild

Emily Longenecker is a Lebanon County native and dedicated real estate professional serving clients throughout Central Pennsylvania. Deeply rooted in the community she calls home, Emily brings a keen sense of local pride, connection, and service to everything she does—both professionally and personally.

Before transitioning into real estate, Emily built a successful career managing a high-volume restaurant, where she led a team of more than 200 employees. This experience strengthened her leadership skills, organization, and ability to stay calm and solutions focused on demanding environments—qualities that now help her real estate clients every day.

Community involvement is at the heart of Emily's work. She is actively involved with several local organizations and serves on multiple boards and committees throughout Lebanon

County, including Lebanon Family Health Services, the Community of Lebanon Association, Visit Lebanon Valley, and the Lebanon Valley Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Committee. Emily also dedicates considerable time to fundraising and volunteer efforts, reflecting her strong belief in giving back and supporting the people and organizations that make the community thrive.

In her real estate practice, Emily believes the process should feel clear, comfortable, and collaborative. She especially enjoys collaborating with first-time homebuyers and takes pride in guiding clients through each step with honesty, responsiveness, and care.

Outside of work, Emily enjoys reading, traveling, and spending time with family. Clients appreciate her approachable nature, strong community ties, and genuine commitment to helping them achieve their real estate goals.

Rebecca Witherite

Nominated by Jill Fidler

“ *One's philosophy is not best expressed in words; it is expressed in the choices one makes...and the choices we make are ultimately our responsibility.*
– Eleanor Roosevelt



Rebecca (Becky) Witherite has been employed with Fulton Bank for over 30 years, where she has established herself as a leader in the banking industry. She excelled during that time as a Commercial Relationship Manager serving Lebanon County businesses, municipalities, and non-profit organizations.

Throughout her career, Becky has received numerous corporate awards in recognition of her sales and expertise in working with her clients. Recently, Becky began a new role as a Senior Commercial Portfolio Manager. As such, Becky continues to be the face of Fulton Bank. She feels privileged to build meaningful relationships in the community and feels rewarded helping businesses grow.

Community service has been a meaningful and enduring part of Becky's life. In her early years, she was active with the CLA, the Lebanon Valley Chamber of Commerce

(Ambassador of the Year award), the Kiwanis Club (leadership positions, including President), and the United Way. As her career progressed, Becky continued to expand her community involvement, serving as a Junior Achievement classroom consultant, and a Chalkboard Financial volunteer to teach financial literacy classes. She also served on the board of various organizations including the Lebanon County Commission for Women.

Becky's understanding of the needs within the community and allowed her to contribute in meaningful and lasting ways. Becky has mentored many female professionals and young women to take initiative and get involved in the community. She sets a great example of a working professional woman who volunteers her time and talents. Becky is an inspiration to her co-workers and to community organizations. She gives of her personal time because she truly wants Lebanon County to be a better place to live, work, and enjoy.



Ivette Guzmán Zavala Ph.D.

Nominated by Carmen M. Medina



*Nothing can dim the light which
shines from within.*

- Maya Angelou

Dr. Ivette Guzmán Zavala earned her degree from the University of Puerto Rico in Río Piedras and began her career as an Art Educator in Caguas, her hometown. She pursued graduate studies in Latin American and Caribbean Literatures and Cultures, obtaining her M.A. from Syracuse University in New York and her Ph.D. from Rutgers University in New Jersey. Currently, she is a Spanish Professor at Lebanon Valley College and coordinates the Latina Heritage Activities each fall.

Since relocating to the Lebanon area in 2007, Ivette has volunteered with United Way, collaborated with the Migrant Education Program, and participated with the Latina vote, supporting various local candidates. She cooperates with organizations like WEPA and interprets in Spanish for families in the area. She volunteers as a medical interpreter at Volunteers in Medicine in Lebanon; this work is the most rewarding of her career.

Ivette has published several articles on Hispanic Caribbean and Latina Studies. Together with historian Dr. John Hinshaw, she conducted research and co-curated the exhibition Dutchirican: A Latinx History of Central PA, which features her photography series “Caras de Lebanon”/ “Faces of Lebanon”. NPR’s Latino USA featured their work on May 16, 2025. Her book, *Maternidades puertorriqueñas: esclavitud, colonialismo y diáspora en el arte y la literatura* (Puerto Rican Motherhoods: Slavery, Colonialism and Diaspora in Art and Literature), was published by Instituto Internacional de Literatura Iberoamericana in Pittsburgh in 2022. Her current research focuses on Hispanic Caribbean women and their influence on childbirth practices and locations.

Dr. Guzmán Zavala lives in Lebanon with her husband, John, their cherished dog Sofía, and takes great pride in being Lucas's mother.

Jane Hollinger Clark Ph.D.

Nominated by Sharon Wilson

“*Doing good holds the power to transform us on the inside and then ripple out in ever-expanding circles that positively impact the world at large.*
- Shari Arison



Dr. Jane Hollinger Clark is a retired college professor of composition, literature, linguistics, and journalism who taught at both a major northeastern university and a small private liberal arts college. She served as a site director for the National Writing Project in Berkeley, California, located at Pennsylvania State University, Harrisburg.

Before entering academia, Jane worked as a journalist, covering state and federal legislation for the Associated Press and Radio Pennsylvania State Network, and served as news director for Radio Pennsylvania.

She holds a Ph.D. in English with a specialty in narrative theory. Her interdisciplinary research focuses on women and silence and is grounded in sociology, anthropology, philosophy, religious studies, literature, and composition. As an instructor, Jane taught writing classes to people in nursing to enable them to listen to patients' stories more closely to

document their medical history.

Dr. Clark has facilitated numerous writing groups centered on women and voice for social service agencies and churches, led private online writing groups, and conducted workshops for survivors of childhood sexual abuse.

She has encouraged women who have been silenced to find their voices and to write and speak out. She has made a profound difference in the lives of those around her. Her publications include *Story Carrier: A Collection of Tales of the Disappeared* (Writing Brave Press, 2024) and *Storying Silence: A Writing Workbook to Restore Your Voice and Reclaim Your Sovereignty* (2025).

Now retired from full-time teaching, Jane devotes her time to facilitating writing workshops, working with spiritual companions, helping women reclaim their voices, traveling, and gardening with her husband near the Appalachian Forest in Pennsylvania.

WOMEN PROMOTING HEALTHY LIFESTYLES



Tami Kohr

Nominated by Kelly Sakel



Often we set out to make a difference in the lives of others only to discover we have made a difference in our own.

- Ellie Braun-Haley

For over ten years, Tami Kohr has been an asset to many as she serves as a role model promoting healthy lifestyles and fitness while providing healthcare. Her professional education is that of a Licensed Practical Nurse and her natural abilities, along with her life experiences, have afforded her the opportunity to educate herself as well as others.

In her position as a full-time nurse at Cedar Crest High School, she shares her gifts without rest taking students individually under her wing whenever the need arises. She also works as a casual call nurse at Cornwall Manor Retirement Community.

Tami is passionate about student/resident well-being and is dedicated to making all students/residents feel safe and secure while tending to their physical and emotional needs.

Outside of her employment, Tami has contributed to the community in

leadership capacities. She coached with Girls on the Run for ten years. In addition, she had successful involvement with Juvenile Diabetes, organizing teams for fundraising walks and other endeavors.

Tami is currently pursuing ways to serve her community in the areas of addiction and mental health awareness, as she lost her oldest son related to addiction and under-treated mental health concerns. She strives to make a difference in lives of others affected, with the intention of honoring her lost son.

Tami always seeks opportunities to help others and goes the extra mile whenever she sees a need. She is truly an unsung hero, working behind the scenes to make a positive impact.

Deborah Clancy

Nominated by Natalie Snyder

“ *Justice is about making sure that being polite is not the same thing as being quiet. In fact, oftentimes, the most righteous thing you can do is shake the table.*
– Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez



Deborah Clancy is the Team Leader for Lebanon County's refugee welcome team, volunteering her time to coordinate resettlement efforts in Lebanon City, in cooperation with Church World Service Lancaster. She has worked tirelessly over the past several years to organize and mobilize a team of volunteers who welcome and care for recently arrived refugee families in Lebanon City by connecting with local resources, building community relationships, and working toward self-sufficiency. Deborah has worked to ensure that refugee families receive the best possible support so that they are able to feel safe and become positive contributors to our community.

Deborah is an advocate for caring for the most vulnerable of our world. She has wept with women who have survived unthinkable abuses and has sat in hospitals when these women don't know who else to call. She has mentored them to become independent and empowered members of the

community.

Deborah Clancy is a social worker who earned her Bachelor of Social Work degree from Temple University. She has extensive experience in case management, having worked with Lebanon County Children and Youth Services as well as Lebanon County MH/ID/EI. Deborah currently serves at Lebanon County Developmental and Disability Services, where she supports adults with intellectual disabilities in achieving independence. In addition, Deborah actively supports her husband in pastoral ministry, particularly in serving individuals transitioning out of addiction and incarceration.

Through her work and volunteer service, Deborah has witnessed firsthand the positive impact immigrants bring to the community and is continually inspired by their bravery, resilience, and determination to build new lives.

WOMEN DEMONSTRATING LEADERSHIP



Deb Waters

Nominated by Patti Nash



Being a working mom, you want to make a difference in our schools, which is making a difference in our children and ultimately it's making a difference in our community.

– Kimora Lee Simmons

Deb Waters is the Head of School at Our Lady of the Cross School (OLC) since 2021 where she leads a team of teachers, staff, coaches, and parents to provide Catholic education to youth in Lebanon. She began her career in Catholic education after graduation from the University of Scranton with a degree in Marketing by teaching business and religion classes at Lebanon Catholic School (LC). She then obtained her Master's degree in Pastoral Studies at Loyola Chicago. Deb was later prompted to seek her Ed.S. degree from Seton Hall University in Catholic School Leadership. In 2018, she was excited to take the helm and lead Lebanon Catholic. When the Harrisburg Diocese closed Lebanon Catholic, it left Lebanon County without Catholic education for the first time in 161 years. Under Deb's leadership, a dedicated group of board members, parents, alumni, and faculty formed the LC Strong Foundation to support Catholic education in the County. With

the assistance of two major gifts, the Foundation was able to purchase property on Grace Avenue and open Our Lady of the Cross in September 2021, educating 33 students. In less than 5 years with Deb's leadership acumen, OLC has tripled in size, renovated the gym and several classrooms, added 8 modular classrooms to accommodate its growing enrollment, hired additional faculty and staff, and purchased an additional property across the street for future development. Since opening, OLC has raised more than \$2.5 million dollars in contributions from LC alumni and OLC supporters. In these past 6 years, Deb feels privileged to continue the mission of education in the Catholic tradition, managing a school and an operating budget sustained by parent tuition and community contributions. With her education, experience, faith, and sheer willpower, Deb was the perfect person to entrust with the formation and leadership at Our Lady of the Cross.

Lori Brandt

Nominated by Diane Harlow

“*If your actions create a legacy that inspires others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, then, you are an excellent leader.*
– Dolly Parton



Lori has always felt a strong sense of responsibility to her community and a desire to make a meaningful impact wherever she could. After roles in finance, advertising, and the long-term care industry, she found her calling and for more than 25 years focused her career in health care for seniors by supporting and advocating for older adults. Lori enjoyed serving on many parent and community organizations along the way with basketball involvement as a coach or spectator a genuine love throughout the decades.

Lori transitioned to the Lebanon Valley Chamber of Commerce five years ago where she presently serves as Vice President and Program Director for Leadership Lebanon Valley, from where she herself is a 1997 LLV Graduate. Additionally, Lori also champions the Chamber's Women's Committee, providing grants, workshops, and roundtables that empower women to thrive personally and

professionally. Lastly, as the chamber provides many opportunities for education and networking, Lori thoroughly enjoys connecting and collaborating with their business organization.

When not working, Lori enjoys gardening, reading, cooking and her travel adventures. She also loves spending time with her husband, Lloyd, daughters, Emily and Megan, granddaughters Gracelyn and Marleigh and the many other family and friends that God has blessed her with.



Major General (Ret.) Laura McHugh

Nominated by Douglas Etter



A strong woman knows she has strength enough for the journey, but a woman of strength knows that it is in the journey where she will become strong.
– Luke Easter

Major General (Retired) Laura McHugh concluded an extraordinary 39-year career with the United States Army in October 2025 at Ft. Indian-town Gap, Annville. She began her service in 1986 with the Pennsylvania Army National Guard and went on to hold a wide range of senior leadership roles marked by her dedication to Soldiers, readiness, and service to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

During her career, she commanded the 131st Transportation Company, deploying to the Middle East in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, and later served as Recruiting and Retention Battalion Commander, Commander of the 213th Regional Support Group, Chief of Staff of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard, and Deputy Adjutant General.

As the highest ranking female member of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard, Major General McHugh commanded approximately 16,000

members of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard. She and her soldiers ensured the safety and security of every Pennsylvanian. Major General McHugh is a sought after speaker covering subjects such as national strategic defense and female contributions to the United States Army. She has ensured that female soldiers have the proper equipment, uniforms, training, and updated female barracks. She stands as an inspiration to countless female soldiers and has made a huge impact on their careers.

A lifelong learner, Laura earned degrees from King's College, Duquesne University, and the U.S. Army War College, and completed executive education at Harvard University. Her many honors include two Legions of Merit and the Pennsylvania Distinguished Service Medal.

She now resides in Pine Grove with her husband Daniel, and enjoys time with their children and grandchildren.

Jessica Kosoff

Nominated by Kerry Royer

“ *Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world.*
– Harriet Tubman



Jessica Kosoff began her studies at the University of Colorado Boulder, where her love of math, science, and hands-on problem-solving led her to architectural engineering. She quickly gravitated toward construction and pushed forward despite the industry's male-dominated culture. Wanting real field experience, she spent the summer before her senior year working as a construction laborer, learning skills from tying rebar to placing concrete.

After graduation, Jessica started as an estimator before moving into a project engineer role, where she thrived in the fast-paced, unpredictable environment of on-site construction. In 2002, while working on the Lebanon Good Samaritan Hospital project with Arthur Funk & Sons, she became pregnant with her first daughter and sought a better balance between work and family. Funk welcomed her into a part-time role, allowing her to continue advancing her career.

Since joining the company, Jessica has contributed across preconstruction, operations, marketing, client development, and employee advocacy. She remains active in community organizations, serves on several boards, belongs to the Lebanon Rotary, and holds a real estate license. Her most significant milestone came in August, when she became one of the company's first non-family owners—a notable achievement for a woman in the field.

Jessica and her husband, Ed, live in Mt. Gretna with their daughters, Lucy and Sadie.



Amanda Davis-Buie, PhD

Nominated by Christina Davis

“ *It took me quite a long time to develop a voice, and now that I have it, I am not going to be silent.*
– Madeleine Albright

Amanda Davis-Buie, PhD, LPC, LBS, NCC is a Licensed Professional Counselor, educator, clinical supervisor, and community leader with more than 20 years of experience dedicated to advancing mental health, equity, and empowerment across diverse communities. She is the Founder and Clinical Supervisor of Strength, Love, and Motivation, LLC, a multi-state counseling and training practice providing culturally responsive mental health services, professional supervision, and community education.

Dr. Davis-Buie has authored relationship and faith-based books which can be found on her practice's website. Through her writing, she extends her clinical and spiritual approach beyond the therapy room. Also, as an adjunct and contributing faculty member at Messiah University and Walden University, Dr. Davis-Buie prepares future counselors through graduate-level instruction, with a

strong emphasis on multicultural competence.

Dr. Davis-Buie has played a vital role in advancing equity and leadership in initiatives such as Taking Action Against Racism, Students Engaged in Listening and Hope, and critical incident stress management for the Pennsylvania State Police. Her work includes training law enforcement in trauma-responsive practices. A committed servant-leader, Dr. Davis-Buie has chaired and served on numerous boards, including the Lebanon County Commission for Women, Mentor-A-Mother, and others. Her contributions have been recognized through numerous honors and scholarships, including the Arthur Ashe Award, Black Excellence Awards, and multiple academic distinctions. Dr. Davis-Buie is passionate about helping individuals find their voice. Through counseling, education, and advocacy, she continues to create spaces where self-worth and opportunity can thrive.



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HISTORY ALLIANCE

2026 Women's History Month Proclamation

Whereas American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our Nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways;

Whereas American women have played and continue to play critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of the life of the Nation by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home;

Whereas American women have played a unique role throughout the history of the Nation by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force of the Nation;

Whereas American women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our Nation;

Whereas American women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement;

Whereas American women have served our country courageously in the military;

Whereas American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all; and

Whereas despite these contributions, the role of American women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, in the literature, teaching and study of American history:

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that March is designated as "Women's History Month." The President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation each March, calling upon the people of the United States to observe March as Women's History Month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

This resolution was passed by Congress in 1987 and successive years since then.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES, 2010-2026

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Congratulations!



**Congratulations to
Jessica Kosoff and all the
incredible women being
inducted into this year's
Women's Hall of Fame!**

Jess, we're so proud to have you on the Funk Construction team. Your passion for making our community a better place inspires us every day.

To all the honorees, thank you for everything you do to make our community a special place.

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