

Advancing Women in Transportation Greater New York Chapter

March 2018

Upcoming Events!

March 2018

Tuesday, March 13: Young Professionals Volunteer Event Recycle a Bicycle Registration closed

Thursday, March 29: Scholarship Fundraiser An Evening of Wine and Beer Tasting and Conversation Click <u>here</u> for more information

April 2018

New York Spring Dinner New Jersey Spring Dinner Trivia Night with APA and YPT More information coming soon. Please check our website.

Note from the Editor:

Follow **our new LinkedIn Page** to get updates on our events, special programs, newsletters, etc. Along with our



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Facebook and **Twitter** pages, this is where we will keep you informed on the day-to-day goings-on of the chapter.

Our existing **LinkedIn Group** will remain as a discussion forum for our members. Look out for monthly topic ideas in the Chapter News starting in March! We hope our Facebook and LinkedIn groups will continue to grow into a vibrant online community where we can be a resource for each other in advancing women in transportation.

Monthly Discussion Topic

To that end, each month in the Chapter News we will introduce a discussion topic. This March, as we get ready for our annual Scholarship Fundraiser, we want to know how you went about pursuing your graduate degree. Were you a full-time student? Did your firm support your studies? How did you select your program and how did that impact your career? We want to learn from your experiences!

If you have an idea for an April topic, please let us know. We want to hear from you!!

> Follow us: <u>Facebook</u> <u>Twitter</u> <u>Instagram</u> LinkedIn <u>Page</u> and <u>Discussion Group</u>

We're not on your favorite platform yet? We're open to suggestions!!

Volunteers Wanted and Appreciated!

Call for WTS-GNY **Special Events Committee** Volunteers! The Special Events Committee organizes the chapter's Annual Gala and is looking to bring on additional volunteers to help with: music selection/audio visual, silent auction/raffle sub-committee, mailing lists and administrative tasks like meeting minutes, etc.. Please email Desiree Gazzo at <u>dgazzo2018@gmail.com</u>. We look forward to working with you on this special WTS event!

New Jersey Programs Committee is looking for active members to assist with planning and execution of events.

The **Communications Committee** is looking for volunteers to write content for the Chapter News and social media sites, as well as design new templates for chapter emails and our website. We also



are eager for help in brainstorming new ideas for reaching out to our membership. We're especially interested in adding some marketing experts to our team!

The **chapter's Board Secretary** is looking for help with building up our chapter historical database. It's a fairly open-ended task, depending on what you're interested in! Some ideas: analyze our past event attendance to improve our programming or reach out to previous boards and committee chairs for #tbt photos.

Don't see anything of interest above, but want to help? Email our volunteer champion, <u>Julia Kerson</u>, to find a committee that's right for you!

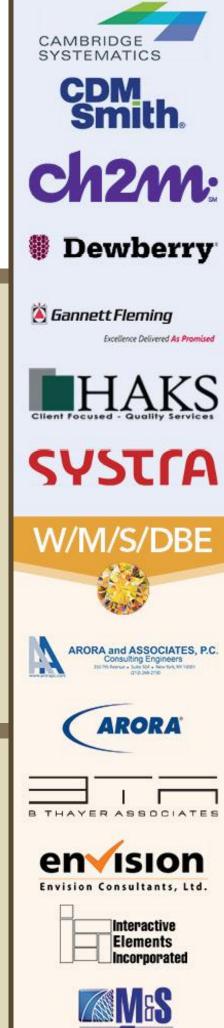
2018 Annual Meeting photos are now posted on <u>our website</u>! Thank you all for making it a great evening and congratulations to the chapter award winners.



Emerging Women Leaders Training Series Speak Up and Lead

By Aimee Jefferson

Ever have a case of the nerves before getting up to speak in front of a group? We all do! This subject, as well as pointers on how to become a better public speaker, was the theme of this quarter's WTS-GNY Emerging Women Leaders on-site training series on February 20th. The training took place in the form of a webinar hosted by the Be Leaderly group and featured a panel of influential female speakers. Key takeaways were learning how to seek out public speaking opportunities, strategies to ease anxiety during delivery, and tips for audience engagement during the Q&A. If you weren't able to participate on the day of the event, make sure to check out the recording link available on <u>the WTS-GNY website</u>!



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New Jersey Winter Networking Meeting By Amber Urso

WTS-GNY hosted our annual winter networking meeting at Manu's restaurant in Newark, New Jersey, on February 13th. The event was a hit with both current and prospective members. Attendees had the opportunity to learn more about WTS, network with fellow transportation professionals, enjoy beautiful food, and hear from our guest speaker, Julie Chang. Julie is the Principal-General Manager for Sam Schwartz Engineering's New York practice and is an established and successful professional in the engineering industry. Julie spoke about the importance of managing performance evaluations and going the extra mile to achieve the desired personal goal no matter how big or how small. Participants took part in a hands on exercise that gave them the experience on how to engage in a performance evaluation and practiced the importance of asking for what they want in their personal career. Attendees also had the opportunity to ask questions at the end of the meeting. Overall, the event was a success and the attendees were very pleased with insight gained.



Women in Transportation News Catherine Rinaldi Named President of Metro-North Railroad

In February Catherine Rinaldi was named the 6th President of Metro-North Railroad, the first woman to serve in the role. Ms.



Rinaldi has served as Acting President of Metro-North since July 2017.

Read Adrienne Zicklin Kanter's **2017 profile of Catherine Rinaldi on our website** to learn more about Ms. Rinaldi's career, her role as Executive Vice President, and her recent initiatives at MNR including a Women's Book Club.

Transportation Job Opportunities

WTS-GNY would like to be a resource for women seeking positions in transportation and firms looking for candidates. Visit our <u>Job</u> <u>Opportunities</u> page for latest updates!

If your firm would like to post a position, fill out our job form. In addition to our website, we will share your job opportunity on our LinkedIn Page and in our next Chapter News.

March Opportunities (see Jobs Page for details)

Employer	Envision Consultants, LTD
Job Title	Document Control Manager
Level	Entry (0-5 years), Intermediate (5-10 years)
How to Apply	maryanngarcia@eclimited.com
Deadline	Mon, Apr 30, 2018
Description	Document Control Manager: Croton Harmon, NY
Description	Document Control Manager: Hoboken, NJ
Description	Document Control Manager: New Brunswick, NJ

Have exciting content for the April issue?

Article pitches, women in transportation news, member spotlights, discussion topic ideas: <u>Email us</u> by 3/23/2018

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