

It is an honor to announce the recipients of the **Irene Keyes Memorial** Scholarship. We will enable two college women to attend the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) The conference is from May 31 to June 3rd at the University of Maryland.

Miyor Gerard has just entered the nursing program at Dutchess Community College, planning to graduate with a nursing degree in 2025. When asked why she wanted to attend NCCWSL, she wrote, "I hope that this conference will give me a better understanding of what I want my future to be...and teaches me more about womanhood and sisterhood." Miyor has been successful balancing campus life and work life. Jacqueline Goffe- McNish, her professor, describes her as one "who demonstrates creativity and an enviable work ethic. She is motivated and possesses high ethical standards."

Maggie Gravano is a student at Marist College majoring in Biochemistry. Maggie, once elected to Student Government, delved into campus life and has developed and implemented initiatives towards female menstrual health. She is an active member of many clubs and committees on campus including Philanthropy Chair of her sorority, member of the Marist Strategic Planning Committee and a member of the Dean's Circle. Maggie hopes this conference "will build her confidence as a strong woman," and let her "learn tactics to address inequities towards women, and gain a network of mentors." Her professor, Robin Diller Torres, feels Maggie will fit right in at this conference. "Maggie is a proactive learner and leader who shows initiative, resilience, potential, and results."

We will receive a "report" when they return, and I am so happy NCCWSL is "in person" again. Thank you to all the committee members who worked on this scholarship.

Marcine Humphrey Committee Chairperson