

Thank You, Carolyn McGrath, for Your Volunteer Work at the Darien Historical Society

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Thank you, Carolyn McGrath for your volunteer work on many critical projects for the Darien Historical Society.

—This article is part of a series of daily articles profiling the volunteers recognized in May at the Darien annual [volunteer recognition luncheon](#) organized by the [Community Fund of Darien](#).

Carolyn McGrath's Efforts with the Darien Historical Society

A member of the [Darien Historical Society's](#) Board of Directors for a number of years and current co-chair of the House and Grounds Committee, Carolyn has lent her expertise and talents to countless critical projects, even going so far as serving as the society's interim executive director in 2017.

From leading development initiatives to organizing the society's social calendar, Carolyn's commitment to the mission of the society is evident.

As current co-chair of the House and Grounds Committee, her organizational skills are evident in every room of the facility, and even from the outside.

Carolyn always brings steadfast commitment, quiet generosity and charming optimism to every initiative. The society is fortunate to be the recipient of her caring involvement. On behalf of all of us at the society, thank you Carolyn!

—*Maggie McIntire, executive director*

Note: The Darien Historical Society recently announced it is changing its name to the Museum of Darien.

About This Series

- The profiles in this series were presented at the 2019 volunteer recognition luncheon held at the [Darien Community Association](#) and recorded (in [this video](#)) by Darien TV79.
- Darien runs on volunteers — from our churches to our town government, schools, political parties, sports teams, three fire departments and our local nonprofits. They're the largest part of what makes this town a community. We should all encourage them and thank them.
- Darienite.com is running this series now, while more people are thinking about whether they want to volunteer in the upcoming year.
- Each article presents the description provided about that volunteer (or sometimes more than one) as provided by an organization that benefited from that person's efforts.

Here's the Full List of Volunteers

Each of these volunteers was recognized this year and will be profiled in this series:

Shyamla Menon (A Better Chance);—Nina Miller (At Home in Darien);—Rochelle Charnin (Building One Community);—Frank Huck (Darien Arts Center);—Darien firefighters, including Fire Chiefs Vic Pensiero, Shaun Volin & John Hessmer (Darien Board of Selectman);—Pam Miller (Darien Book Aide Plan);—Cheryl Williams (Darien Chamber of Commerce);—Pat Parlette (Darien Community Association);—Tiffany O'Connor (Darien High School);—Anne Lise Brown (Darien High School Parents' Association);—Carolyn McGrath (Darien Historical Society);—Janet Cling (Darien Land Trust);—Kathy Larkins (Darien Human

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Services);—Peter Eder (Darien Library);—Mike Wheeler (Darien TV79);—Scott Overbeck (Darien YMCA);—Jennifer Geddes (Domestic Violence Crisis Center);—David Ball (Family Centers);—Shelly Skoglund (League of Women Voters);—Andrea Huntington (Mather Homestead Foundation);—Katie and Emily Wiley (Norwalk Grassroots Tennis);—Hayley Ackers (Person-to-Person);—Margaret “Annie” Slaughter (Silver Hill Hospital of New Canaan);—Reeve Boeckmann & Elizabeth Hall (The Carver Foundation of Norwalk);—Jill McCammon (The Community Fund of Darien);—Bryne Pozzi (The Darien Foundation);—Donna Collins (The Darien Nature Center);—Kathy Arrix (The Depot, Darien Youth Center);—Annie Arrix & Lily Kosnik (Thriving Youth);—Stephanie O’Malley (Tokeneke PTO);—Katie Murphy (Darien Youth Commission).

Sponsors of the 2019 Recognition Luncheon were the Darien Community Association, Brown Thayer Shed and Halstead Real Estate.