

Virtual Event

Raising Scholarship Dollars & Celebrating Women Pursuing Technical Careers

> NOVEMBER 10, 2020 12 – 1 p.m. CST

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In recognition of the vision and generosity of Kate L. Dunwoody and in support of scholarships for women students.

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Kate L. Dunwoody

Kate L. Dunwoody was a remarkable woman, who was respected for her community service. An admired leader in the Minneapolis community, she was a visionary advocate for women, children, medicine, and the arts.

Kate was a philanthropic partner to her husband William Hood Dunwoody, a community business leader, volunteer and philanthropist. Kate and William donated their first Minneapolis home in order to provide safe room, board, and meals to young women coming to Minneapolis from rural areas. The women were also offered educational opportunities and jobs. Run by the WCA (today known as the YWCA), the Kate Dunwoody House operated for 84 years.

A designation from William's estate established the Dunwoody Industrial Institute in 1914 with a gift of \$3 million. When Kate passed away in 1915, her Will designated an additional \$1.5 million to support the College.



The Kate Dunwoody Society (KDS) is a network of people united to create equal opportunities for the women of Dunwoody. Students, alumni, staff, faculty, friends, and community members are invited to join.

The KDS is focused on:

- Creating a community and network of people dedicated to increasing opportunities for women
- Smoothing the path to success for women in whatever profession they choose to pursue
- Enabling and inspiring women to reach their full potential so they can be their very best selves

This work is inspired by Kate Dunwoody, who understood the need to support and assist women facing challenges. The annual KDS Luncheon is just one of the ways the Society helps by raising scholarship dollars for women going into technical fields where there are often significant barriers to entry.

Going forward, the luncheon will serve as a kick-off for each school year, which will include a variety of events and activities aimed at creating a community focused on women in the technical careers Dunwoody supports. These events and activities will include:

- Targeted support services for women students
- Professional development opportunities for society members
- Organized advocacy efforts for women in industry

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#### **OPENING SONG**

"Badass Woman" by Meghan Trainor – performed by Kat Perkins

#### HERE'S US NOW

#### WELCOME

Michele Krolcyzk Chair, Kate Dunwoody Society Virtual Event Principal / Vivid360, and Vice President / Co-Owner, Mint Roofing

Julie Owen Chief Operating Officer, Innovative Office Solutions

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Rich Wagner, Ph.D. President, Dunwoody College of Technology

#### A LOOK BACK

Laura Karow President, Gunnar Electric

Heidi Hamilton Regional Business Leader, Stantec

**Mindy Heinkel** '16 Construction Management Program Supervisor, Minnesota Department of Transportation

Samantha Ex '21, Interior Design

#### **EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW**

**Brigadier General Stefanie Horvath** Director of the Joint Staff, Minnesota National Guard Mobilization Assistant to the Director of Operations, U.S. Cyber Command

#### LOOKING FORWARD

#### KATE DUNWOODY SOCIETY LAUNCH

Maggie Whitman Associate Director of Women's Initiatives, Dunwoody College of Technology

Sanchayita Ray Co-Chair, Kate Dunwoody Society Virtual Event Strategy and Market Development Director, M.A. Mortenson Company

Dru Gronewold-Pedraza '22 Engineering Drafting & Design

Anjali Ganapathy Associate Professor, Architecture, Dunwoody College of Technology

Jazmine Darden '17 Engineering Drafting & Design Director, People of Play - Young Inventor Challenge 3D Printing Instructor, Dunwoody College of Technology

#### **CLOSING SONG**

"Fearless" by Kat Perkins – performed by Kat Perkins

#### **BREAKOUT SESSION**

Learn more about the Kate Dunwoody Society and network with fellow attendees



## Featuring an exclusive Interview with

## **BRIGADIER GENERAL STEFANIE HORVATH**

Director of the Joint Staff, Minnesota National Guard Mobilization Assistant to the Director of Operations, U.S. Cyber Command

As Director of the Joint Staff, Brigadier General Stefanie Horvath's responsibilities include emergency response

operations, government relations, strategic planning, and international affairs. She serves as the Chief Business Technology Officer (CBTO) for the Minnesota Boards, Councils, and Commissions (MBCC) and the Enterprise Program Management Office (EPMO) for the State of Minnesota. She co-chairs the Cyber Security Summit, a consortium of industry, government, and academic leaders working together to improve the state of cybersecurity on the domestic and international level. In October 2020 Horvath was promoted to serve as the Mobilization Assistant to the Director of Operations, U.S. Cyber Command.

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