



**Cece Foxley**  
Utah

Dr. Cecelia (Cece) H. Foxley is the founding president of the Utah Chapter of ARCS. Cece's wise and effective leadership produced our charter in less than a year. This landmark achievement was a result of her dedicated effort and skill in working with the University of Utah College of Engineering Dean, Utah ARCS board members, and ARCS National Officers.

Amazingly, Cece raised funds to support three ARCS Scholars for our first year. She continues to demonstrate her tireless dedication and commitment to the goals of ARCS.

Cece earned a Ph.D. in Educational Psychology with emphases in Administration, Teaching, Research, and Counseling from the University of Utah. She had highly successful careers in teaching, writing, research, and administration at Utah State University, University of Iowa, University of Minnesota, and the University of Utah. She served for over ten years as the only female Commissioner of the Utah System of Higher Education and Chief Executive Officer to the State Board of Regents. Cece was President of the State Higher Education Executive Officers and a Commissioner for both the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education and the Education Commission of the States. She is a highly sought-after consultant in higher education and philanthropy in the United States and the United Arab Emirates.

She is widely recognized for her unusual expertise in higher education; she is an outstanding fund-raiser for multiple organizations; she regularly seeks opportunities to acknowledge and support women, and is wise, gracious, and tenacious. Cece's vast and varied experiences, her love for learning, her unusual skills with people, and her clear dedication to ARCS goals make Cece our honored ARCS Light.



**Diane Shelby Loranger**  
Northern California

Diane has been an active member since joining ARCS in 2003. She has served on the Assessment, Nominating, and Field Trip committees, and taken on Board roles as VP of University Relations and VP of Science Activities. During her five years on University Relations, Diane streamlined our university site visits, writing a guide for our members to follow. She held meetings with each university to improve communications and to ensure that the universities understood the ARCS mission. During her tenure matching-funds programs were set up with Stanford and UC Berkeley, greatly increasing the size and number of ARCS awards. Currently she is VP of Science Activities, organizing scientific field trips and university speakers for talks for ARCS members and donors.

In addition to her dedication to ARCS, Diane has been active in her community and profession. She had a dermatology medical practice for many years and is a Diplomat of the American Board of Dermatology and a Fellow of the American Academy of Dermatology. She later was active in the alumni organizations of UC Berkeley, UC San Francisco, and Stanford University. Currently she is involved with the San Francisco Community College Auxiliary and the San Francisco and Diablo Garden Clubs.

A California native, Diane has lived in the San Francisco Bay area since 1966. Education has always been a priority for Diane as well as her three children who are all currently in graduate school (in science). Her "extra curricular" interests include travel, gardening, science, and now since retiring, medicine.

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**Kathleen Ames**  
Portland

Volunteer Extraordinaire is the perfect description for Portland Chapter's ARCS Light for 2011, Kathleen Ames. Kathleen joined the Portland chapter in 2005 and has been very involved ever since. She has served on a variety of committees, including Development, Scholar Awards Luncheon, and Finance. Since joining ARCS, Kathleen has worked as Assistant Treasurer or

Treasurer. Every ARCS member knows her – many checks arrive in our mailbox with personal notes addressed to her. Kathleen loves to attend to the details – she has handled RSVPs, alphabetizes name tags in her spare time, and she is the go-to "Eagle Eyes" to proof read everything for the chapter – the roster, the newsletter, the Scholar Awards Luncheon program – and she never misses a thing! She always jumps in with both feet to call members, encouraging them to attend the Scholar Awards Luncheon, the Annual Meeting or the Summer Social. Extremely dedicated to ARCS, she once pulled an "all nighter" for ARCS when she was scheduled to leave on a European vacation the next day – and she does it all with a smile. Dedication, energy, and a fun sense of humor describe Kathleen. She is not only a committed ARCS member, she is a delightful friend to all. The Portland Chapter is blessed to have such a wonderful volunteer, who supports us with her time, talent and treasure.



**Sharon Fadem**  
Los Angeles

Sharon Fadem has been a Los Angeles Chapter member for twenty years and enjoyed serving on the ARCS board for eighteen years. Positions held include Scholar Reward Luncheon Chair, Vice President Membership, Hospitality Chair, Public Relations/Publicity, Endowments, Office Manager, Recording Secretary, Member Education/Fieldtrips, Gala committees, Auctions and most positions more than once.

Sharon is a UCLA graduate and was a teacher for many years. Her deceased husband Jerry headed the law firm Fadem, Berger and Norton. Currently, she enjoys tennis, skiing, yoga, bridge and travel.

Sharon views the ARCS Light award as an opportunity to represent all ARCS members and will carry the honor with pride. ARCS is close to her heart.



**Meadow Green**  
Lubbock

The Lubbock Chapter is proud to have Meadow Green as our 2011 ARCS Light. She joined ARCS in 2007 and for the past 4 years has served as our Scholar Relations Director. She has also been Chairman of the Scholar Recognition/Scientist of the Year Event and served on the Allocations Committee and the Fund Raising Event Committee. She has been invaluable as our liaison with the scholars keeping in

almost constant contact with them during their tenure as scholars and transiting to scholar alumni. Originally from Massachusetts Meadow moved to Lubbock in 1973 and received her BA in Graphic Design from Texas Tech. She has worked in advertising, window display and as a free-lance medical artist. She is the primary illustrator for 6 medical books and a contributing illustrator for countless other books, medical journals and presentations. She is a member of the Gideon Auxiliary and currently serves as Secretary of her church and works with the youth group. She is married to Bobby Green, Associate Professor in the College of Engineering at Texas Tech. They have two grown children and one granddaughter.



**Bea Hadinger**  
San Diego

Bea Hadinger was born to a very athletic family. She remembers growing up with her mother, a physical education teacher, and the humor of her dear Irish father. She was born in Oklahoma, attended grade school in Wyoming, and, eventually, moved to Denver. It was there she discovered her love of skiing. With her fondness for athletics, she still swims daily and

spends time skiing when she can.

Graduating with a degree in Math from the University of Colorado, Bea channeled that talent through her work and her volunteer organizations while raising her family. She was very involved in the children's activities and helped with judging of the Science Fairs in Claremont, CA. She became a docent at the Museum of Science and Industry. She and her husband, Dick, raised six outstanding children who are now successful in engineering, computer science and health care.

Since moving to the San Diego area in 1992, our community has been fortunate to benefit from her talents. She has been a docent at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, a President of the Assistance League, the San Diego ARCS

Foundation Fund Development Vice President and, eventually, President. She is currently serving on the ARCS National Board as Director of Development.

Bea's wisdom and leadership will be long remembered. To know her is to enjoy those great Irish quotes and her familiar, "Oh, well." We are pleased to recognize Bea Hadinger as our 2010-2011 ARCS Light.



**Millie Ryan**  
Pittsburgh

Millie became a member of the Pittsburgh Chapter in 2004 after moving with her husband, Gary, from New Orleans to Pittsburgh. She has served as Membership Co-Chair and Chair, Nominating Co-Chair and Chair, and University Relations Chair. Millie has also served on the Program, Fund Development, and Planning and Evaluation Committees.

While raising two children, Gretchen and Jonathan, Millie's community initiatives and leadership roles included co-founding a parenting center and a performing arts society in the New Orleans area and serving as President of the League of Women Voters and President of the Junior League in Louisiana. Most recently, she has served for six years on her college alumni board and as President of the Pittsburgh Symphony Association.

Millie's undergraduate degree is in psychology from Elmira College, and her graduate degree is in university counseling and administration from George Washington University. She began her career as an administrator in the Office of Student Affairs at The American University in Washington, DC. Currently, Millie is on staff as a museum educator at The Frick Art and Historical Center.

Her recognitions include The American University Distinguished Staff Award and the Junior League of Pittsburgh Distinguished Service Award. Receiving the ARCS Light Award is significant honor to Millie because of its connection with a women's organization that is making a profound contribution to the advancement of science in our communities, country, and world.



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**Toni Schierling**  
Metropolitan Washington

Toni Schierling is a walking dynamo, a dedicated ARCS member, and highly respected for her energy, enthusiasm and talents. Soon after joining ARCS in 1992, she became involved by serving on committees and in Board positions too numerous to mention. As a result, she possesses a broad knowledge of our

Foundation. Toni is known for her excellent mathematical skills, which she applies to playing Bridge and serving twice in the past as the Metropolitan Washington Chapter's Treasurer.

She holds a master's degree from Catholic University in Chemistry. In earlier days, she held the position of Broker for Advantage Capital. Toni serves now on the Board of Trustees of her undergraduate university as Audit Committee Chair. She recently received the 2010 Sister Donegan Service Award.

Toni serves as Chair of Birthright, an organization that provides counseling and assistance to pregnant women. She currently serves on the ARCS Foundation's National Board as treasurer. She and her husband, Hans, enjoy traveling, outings with their grandchildren, and experiencing new adventures.



**Susie Deyo**  
Atlanta

The Atlanta Chapter is proud to present our enthusiastic and dedicated member, Susie Deyo, as our 2011 ARCS Light.

An active member in ARCS since joining in 1996, she has held numerous leadership positions including Assistant Treasurer and Treasurer, Database/

Directory Chair, Historian, Retreat Co-Chair and Vice President-Membership.

Besides her ARCS involvement, Susie is always doing something interesting. Past projects include a short stint of making and selling key lime pies, taking classes on car repair, and briefly contemplating building a worm farm. She started a cottage industry making ladies belts which were sold across the country in stores such as Neiman Marcus and Nordstrom. She has been the co-organizer of a long running craft show in western North Carolina for the benefit of local craftsmen. She has served on the vestry of her church and as youth group director.

Last year, she and Deborah Liss, ARCS National Advisory Council member, founded a new program in a low income Atlanta public elementary school called "Project Gift." The program stocks a gift shop at holiday time. Its mission is to instill a sense of dignity and pride in each child to the joys of earning and giving to others. Students earn points for the shop during the school year by accomplishing goals in school and in after-school programs.

Currently, Susie and her husband, Bill, divide their time between Atlanta and western North Carolina. They feel very fortunate to have their two daughters and five grandchildren in Atlanta.



**Lola Fredrickson**  
Minnesota

As one of the founding members of the recently chartered Minnesota Chapter, Lola is a shining example of the dedication and commitment to the mission of ARCS. She was one of three Twin Cities women who attended the first ARCS recruitment event, and her level of enthusiasm and energy for the organization has not wavered since that

day. Not only is she the current VP of Membership for the chapter, she has served in many capacities for the organization, including planning events, procuring keynote speakers, and ensuring that all requisite details for the start-up of the chapter were complete. Her leadership, tenacity and amazing networking skills were instrumental in sustaining the momentum and energy of our fledgling new chapter. In fact, most of the current members of the Minnesota chapter can trace their connection to Lola well before ARCS was chartered!

Lola's passion for STEM education is deeply rooted at the University of Minnesota, where she received a Master's Degree in Plant Science and Chemistry (as well as a B.S. in Art and Design!). Aside from being involved in ARCS and many other women's organizations in the Twin Cities area, she is the founder and CEO of Fredrickson Communications, a leading provider of custom training and communication. She lives with her husband Bill and loving canine companion, Stumpy, near the Mississippi River in St. Paul. While Lola's energy and enthusiasm is boundless, her free time is not limitless. We consider ourselves extremely lucky and inordinately proud to include her as a founding member of the Minnesota Chapter of ARCS!



**Rose Marie Nesbit**  
Orange County

In 1957, Rose Marie Nesbit graduated with Highest Honors, number one in the fourth graduating class of the University of California-Los Angeles School of Nursing. She began working for the Los Angeles County Health department in Inglewood as a public health nurse. Rose Marie married Richard Nesbit, whom she met in her senior year at UCLA, while he was

there completing his Ph.D. in Engineering.

When their daughter was five, Rose Marie left nursing and became involved with the teachings of Dr. Maria Montessori. She became the director of a Montessori school in West Los Angeles, using her health and development credentials. She and her husband, Richard, established Principle Publishers, to publish a book on Montessori philosophy written by Dr. Claude Claremont, a close associate of Dr. Montessori.

Rose Marie's next role lead her in a totally new direction; she became a division sales manager for the direct sales company, Avon Products, Inc. Her division ranked third in the nation in sales increases her first year. After she retired from Avon, she became chair of the Board of Advisors of the UCLA School of Nursing. She continues to support UCLA as well as the University of California-Irvine as a member of the Leadership Council of the Program in Nursing Sciences.

In 2002 Pat Beckman introduced Rose Marie to ARCS, and she continues to be a dedicated supporter of the Orange County ARCS Chapter.



**Denise Walthers**  
Tampa Bay

Denise is a key founding member of ARCS Foundation – Tampa Bay. She has inspired, chaired and directed the 1st and 2nd Annual **Fashion & Fun Down to a Science** Events which have helped to raise funds for our new chapter with high style and visibility. Denise is very resourceful in finding the right

people and businesses to make initiatives successful. Being proactive, Denise hosted our first Holiday High Tea at her home in December, setting the stage for other people to follow her lead.

As Owner and President of the DW Group, Denise leads a consulting company that specializes in relationship sourcing for skin care manufacturing and marketing to support women-owned business in bringing innovative new products and ideas to the marketplace. The DW Group currently manufactures designer fashions; and its training division, the Direct Selling Leadership Center, develops leadership training materials for various companies in the U.S., Canada and overseas.

Denise is author of **Ten Steps to Success**, her newest book **10 Steps to Style** will be released this summer. Her design creation, the "Houdini" dress will be featured this Spring on the Military Shopping channel. Denise was the recipient of the Femtor Award for 2010, and nominated for 2009 and 2010 Business Woman of the Year for eWomen Network.

Married to Bill Walthers, who is a pilot; they have 2 children; Jennifer who is a business owner in California, and Jonathon who is a pilot in the U.S. Armed Forces.



**Janet McNae**  
Seattle

Janet McNae joined ARCS in 2003 and quickly distinguished herself as an effective leader. Janet has served on the Board of Directors as Vice-President of Membership and Programs, and as Chair of the Annual Awards Luncheon. She is not only willing to lead, she is also known for volunteering for whatever job needs to be done. Fellow mem-

bers describe Janet as gracious, generous, thoughtful and a great representative of what we value in ARCS teamwork.

Janet's background includes many years of management in Seattle's retail industry. She has also been involved in fundraising for Treehouse, an agency that serves children in foster care, Direct Relief International and as a board member of the Seattle Language Academy. Since supervising the building of a permanent home and gardens on Whidbey Island, she has kept her hand in the design and antiques business, and she raises funds for Whidbey Island Center for the Arts and Whidbey Island Nourishes.

Janet and her husband Rod love to travel, taking language and culinary classes in the countries they visit, hoping, Janet says, "to add walking tours to our itinerary to compensate for the culinary classes."

Janet feels fortunate to be an ARCS member. "I have had the opportunity to meet and support so many of the young dedicated scholars in the field of science that are changing the world. A huge bonus is establishing long term friendships with many fascinating women."



**RuthAnn Green**  
Chicago

When friends and Chicago ARCS members, Jeri King and Bobbie Vandervoort started inviting RuthAnn to ARCS programs and fund-raisers, she was immediately engaged by the energy, vitality, and the mission of the people she met. And she was impressed with the avenue ARCS opened to enhancing her intellectual curiosity. That was about six years ago. . .

RuthAnn attended the University of Illinois, and taught middle school students in Iowa and Illinois. She earned a graduate degree in the teaching of reading, took art classes at the Art Institute of Chicago, wrote some materials for the educational market, and became an avid Chicagoan. She found her niche in educational publishing and now has her own consulting company, Peters&Green, and continues to work with teachers, publishers and other business entities.

While working in the publishing world, RuthAnn lived out of a suitcase for a number of years while living and traveling throughout Europe, the British Isles, the Mediterranean, and the Near East. She also worked with teachers in all 50 States in the U.S. from home bases in northern CA and Boston, MA.

In addition to serving on the board of the Chicago Chapter of ARCS, RuthAnn is also an active board member of her condo association and Urban Gateways, a nonprofit arts education group. She currently serves as Parliamentarian of the Chicago Chapter, and has served on and chaired a number of committees and task forces. It was with great humility and thanks that RuthAnn accepted the 2011 ARCS Light Award from her chapter peers.



**Eileen Haga**  
Phoenix

Eileen has been a member of the Phoenix Chapter since 1998. She has been a member of the chapter's Board of Directors since that time, serving as Newsletter Director, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, President, Awards Dinner Co-Director, Co-Vice President University Relations and Assistant Treasurer. She has also served on the National Board as Director of Administration.

Eileen received her BA in English and Political Science from the University of Arizona and her J.D. from the same institution. She has spent time employed by both the U.S. Supreme Court as well as the Arizona Supreme Court. Since retiring she has been involved in the activities of her two children, Robert and Janet, who have been gone from the nest for quite a while, giving her time to play more tennis, bridge and indulge in escapist literature. Tennis has gone by the wayside even though she hoped two new knees would improve her performance. However, she now seems to have that much more time for ARCS.

Both Eileen and her husband, David, believe wholeheartedly in the ARCS Mission and are proud to be a part of its accomplishments. Also of great importance are the wonderful friendships established with other dedicated ARCS members.



**Sherri Weinstein**  
Colorado

Sherri has been an active and respected member of ARCS since joining the Colorado Chapter in 1998. Her list of accomplishments is long. She was the editor of our newsletter from 1998 – 2003 and took over the responsibility for public relations from 2004 – 2010. She co-chaired two of the ARCS Colorado galas and served on the committee for many others.

Sherri has served on the Nominating Committee and is currently our Recording Secretary. Coupling her creative talents and outstanding writing abilities, in 2009 she developed and publishes our engaging and informative online newsletter *ARCS Connections*.

In addition to ARCS, Sherri has always been active in the community. She is currently serving as Co-President of the L.E.A. Chapter of Hadassah, a women's Zionist organization with over 300,000 members in the United States. She has served on its board for over 15 years. She is currently on the board of her golf league and in the past volunteered extensively at the public schools her children attended as well as at Temple Sinai and the non-profit Community Living Alternatives.

Sherri is a Denver native and after graduating from the University of Colorado at Boulder she worked as a paralegal in the employee benefits field and in management at Great-West Life Assurance Company. She has been married to Steve for 29 years and they have two children in college. Sherri and Steve love to travel, play golf and spend time with their children and Steve's grandchildren.