

# Celebrating Leadership MWV and STAY&THRIVE 2019



Leadership MWV is an educational program in civic leadership which identifies young professionals in the Valley for training and mentorship to encourage community involvement, non-profit board service and serving in elected positions.

## GRADUATES OF LEADERSHIP MWV CLASS OF 2019



Ashlee Chaine  
Visiting Nurse  
Home Care & Hospice



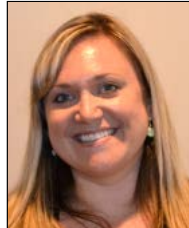
Michelle Cruz  
MWV Chamber of Commerce



Jessica DiPietro  
Badger Realty



Tia Gagnon  
Chalmers Insurance Group



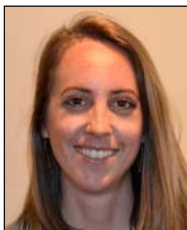
Shannon Grever  
Conway Family Dental Care



Theresa "Tracy" Grisez  
Cooper, Cargill, Chant



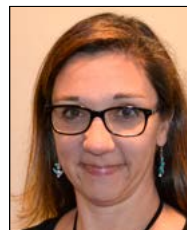
Alexander Guvelis  
Masters Student SNHU



Lauren Hawkins  
Story Land



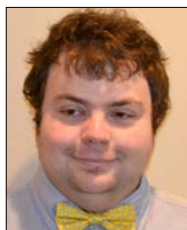
Alicja Lillis  
Northway Bank



Tina McDonald  
Northway Bank



Rebecca Miller  
MWV Chamber of Commerce



Isaac Rader  
Freelance Artist, Blogger



Earl Sires, Jr.  
Pinkham Vacation Rentals



Jessica Whitelaw  
Conway District School Board

# YOUNG PROFESSIONALS IN MT. WASHINGTON VALLEY *at a Glance*



- Creator "North Country Cares"
- Creator Slow Food Saco Valley Chapter
  - Volunteer Firefighters
  - Vineyard Developer
  - 25 Entrepreneurs
  - 1 Lottery Winner
- Tuba Player for the MWV Band
  - Actress for M&D Productions
- Officer/Member Rotary Club of North Conway, Kiwanis Club of Mt. Washington Valley, and Conway Area Lions Club
  - Start Tank Competitor and Judge
- Meisters, Pioneers, Attitash Race Teams
  - Creator's of Stay&Thrive
- Service on the Conway Town Planning Board, Budget Committee and the District School Board
  - Candidates for State Senator, Selectman, NH Representative, Carroll County Commissioner
- Creator of Badger Realty and Northway Bank's Grinchmas Holiday Event
  - Creator of MWV Eaters and Growers via Upper Saco Valley Land Trust
  - Creator of Granite Backcountry Alliance
  - A Union Leaders 40 Under 40 recipient
- Impetus for the Governor's Millennial Council
  - Service on over 30 local non-profit boards
    - 33 children born
    - 4 grandchildren born

## COURSE WORK INCLUDES:

Local and State Governance, Natural Resources, Non-Profit Board Responsibilities, Public Safety, Advocacy, Non-Profits, Health Services and Education in MWV, Hands-On Project in Fundraising, Networking includes meeting Commissioners of State of NH and ME Departments, SAU9 Superintendent, Selectmen, Chief of Police & Fire Departments, Town Managers, Business Leaders, Executive Counselor, Representatives, Senator and a field trip to Concord.

## APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2020 CLASS

will be available at StayandThriveMWV.com on 9/15 or contact Janice at 603-356-5701 ext. 303 or [janice@mtwashingtonvalley.org](mailto:janice@mtwashingtonvalley.org) for info and/or placement on waiting list.

The program fee is \$500.00 with scholarships available from the MWVCC, MWVEC, North Conway Rotary and Kiwanis Club of MWV.

Program Orientation December 11 with classes beginning January 8 and meeting every two weeks through May.

*Changes could occur during scheduling and weather.*



**2019 Class raises \$7,000 for STAY&THRIVE programs as their fundraising hands-on project.**

*From left: Earl Sires, Bailey Damon, Jessica Wright, Jessica Whitelaw, and Jessica DiPietro.*

## LEADERSHIP MWV SPONSORS





A funded partnership program providing monetary assistance in decreasing an individual's student debt and assisting graduating high school students through 21 years of age to access and explore career opportunities with financial assistance for specific needs in a career of choice throughout the Mt. Washington Valley.

Each initiative has its own committee charged with raising funds and providing support services to young professionals such as entrepreneurship development, advocacy, and seeking opportunities to better their ability to STAY&THRIVE in Mt Washington Valley.

## STAY&THRIVE MWV *at a Glance*

- Since its inception in 2016, STAY MWV has provided over \$40,000 in debt assistance with the help of The Mountain Garden Club, Rotary Club of North Conway, Kiwanis Club of Mt. Washington Valley, and Conway Area Lion's Club.
- Applicants (20) for this assistance accounts for over 1.5 million in student debt. This impacts their ability to stay in our valley, purchase homes, create families, and participate in our economic growth.
- In an effort to seek change graduates from the 2016 class sought the development of a NH Governor's Millennial Council (reports on this work can be found at StayandThriveMWV.com).
- STAY MWV will host an entrepreneurial information night at The White Mountain Hotel and Resort on July 25.
  - Continued involvement in Stay Work Play provides a platform for MWV young professionals at the state level.
- Since THRIVE MWV's creation in 2018, 14 students from Eagle Academy, MWV Career and Tech Center, high school graduates in the area and a homeschooled student have received assistance in developing careers in construction, HVAC, electrician, auto mechanics, landscaping, culinary, music, art, real estate, farming, and fish and game.
  - Consolidated Electric Distributors, Snap-On Tools, DW Electrical Contractors, North Conway Music Center, Pinkham Real Estate, Green Thumb Farms, Crest Auto World, Granite State College, Redstone Auto Service and Sales, CP Smith Plumbing, Heating, Air Conditioning & Construction, and White Mountains Community College have stepped up providing scholarships, tools, apprenticeships, jobs, mentoring, and equipment.

### STAY Committee Members:

*(with date of Leadership graduation)*

Chair, Jessica Wright '16  
Kara Couture '16  
Amanda Beegle '15  
Trevor Sullivan '17  
Heather Clement '17

### THRIVE Committee Members:

*(with date of Leadership graduation)*

Chair, Bailey Damon '18  
Rebecca Miller '19  
Michelle Cruz '19  
Jessica Whitelaw '19  
Ace Tarberry '18  
Patrick Lord '18  
Meaghan Cassilly '18  
Jessyca Keeler '18

**APPLICATIONS FOR THE THRIVE PROGRAM can be found at StayandThriveMWV.com**

**Next STAY&THRIVE fundraiser:**  
Pickleball Tournament  
Friday, 8/16 - Sunday, 8/18  
at The White Mountain Hotel & Resort  
**PickleBallBrackets.com**  
search for White Mountain Hotel & Resort Pickleball Tournament

### STAY&THRIVE MWV SPONSORS



## STAY MWV AWARDS



Beth Carpenter, Heather Clement, and  
Jessica Wright  
\$2,000 STAY Student Debt Award



Jessica Wright and Meghan Moody  
\$2,000 STAY Student Debt Award



Jessica Wright and Chance Bousquet  
Rotary Club of North Conway  
\$1,000 STAY Student Debt Award



Allen Gould, Sara Davidson, and  
Darlene Ference of  
Kiwanis Club of Mt. Washington Valley  
\$1,000 STAY Student Debt Award



Noreen Bisio, Clarice Girouard,  
Jessica Kroski, and Christopher Bellis  
Conway Area Lions Club  
\$1,000 STAY Student Debt Award

## THRIVE MWV AWARDS



Bailey Damon, Stevie Bridges,  
Don Whitelaw, and Nick Swan  
DW Electric Apprenticeship  
THRIVE Award \$800 in tools from CED



Bailey Damon and Dan Smith  
CPS Plumbing & Heating Apprenticeship  
THRIVE Award \$500



Bailey Damon, Elizabeth Moses,  
Olivia Ruel, and Dr. Chuck Lloyd  
White Mountains Community College  
THRIVE Scholarship Award



Bailey Damon and Jacob Storey  
THRIVE Award \$750 Snap-On Tools



Bailey Damon and Logan Eldridge  
THRIVE Award \$500



Bailey Damon and Gabe diBrandi  
THRIVE Award \$500



Bailey Damon and Brody Petell  
Green Thumb Farm Apprenticeship  
THRIVE Award \$500



Bailey Damon and Aaron Black  
THRIVE Award \$750 Snap-On Tools