



THE LEADING EDGE Monthly Newsletter



LJC ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Stephanie Wagner



Stephanie Wagner grew up on the southside of Indianapolis, graduated from Roncalli High School, and attended Franklin College where she graduated in 2005. She worked for 15 years in banking before taking the leap from corporate America to the nonprofit sector. Stephanie has been with the Johnson County Community Foundation for two years.

She lives in Franklin with her rescue dog named Chloe and loves living in Johnson County. She has two nephews who are the light of her life! When she is not working, she can usually be found out and about, hanging with friends and family, and volunteering. Stephanie does work with ASPIRE (Johnson County's Economic Development Chamber Alliance), is on the board for Discover Downtown Franklin, and participates in Alumni Council with Franklin College.

Stephanie's current job title with the Johnson County Community Foundation is Community Development Liaison, where her role is "a little bit of everything." She is the backup to JCCF's CFO, oversees maintenance of the customer database, and is "kind of all-encompassing when it comes to donors and developing special events." With this position, Stephanie is also responsible for launching and administering JCCF's workforce development program, which is the Johnson County employer resource network, made possible by the Lilly Endowment. Her favorite part about the job is that "every day is different!"

Stephanie is a member of Leadership Johnson County Signature Class of 2010. As a participant, getting to work with her project team and learning how to network was an aspect of the program that she feels propelled her towards success. Stephanie says it best herself, "it is not what you know but who you know." The networking opportunities that Leadership Johnson County gave to Stephanie are still relationships she holds on to today. "I'm a people person. Connecting people to others who can help them solve their needs and making connections with others; that is my jam!" Personality indicators that class members participate in with Leadership Johnson County, such as Myers-Briggs, have given Stephanie a better understanding of herself and others.

Stephanie's biggest passion is her family, friends and the work that Johnson County Community Foundation does. The Foundation's mission tagline is "connecting people who care with causes that matter." By building the community endowment and addressing needs through grantmaking, JCCF works to enhance the quality of life for each citizen of Johnson County. JCCF supports several programs and community efforts that you can get involved in today, as well as many ways to invest in our community by becoming a donor. Collaboration is key to keep up with the growing and changing within our community. As Stephanie herself says, "JCCF makes donor wishes come true!"

If you are passionate about our community and want to make it a better place for every member of Johnson County, please visit Johnson County Community Foundation's website to get involved! <u>https://www.jccf.org</u>













THANK YOU to our program day sponsor:



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Youth Leadership Snapshots Academy





The YLA class spent time finishing their beautification project at the Johnson County Animal Shelter!







Pivot, Change, and Remain Engaged as a Team



Tackling Workplace Engagement in an Ever-Changing Environment

This workshop is designed to help you build and support an engaged team – no matter what the work scenario might be. Learn the best ways to "meet people where they are" in terms of team engagement and bring everyone along together in the ways that feel most comfortable to them.

As a result of this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Understand the key benefits of an engaged team
- Identify when a team is NOT engaged and know the potential risk to the team and its members
- Know the difference between team building and team engagement and how one informs the other
- How to apply team engagement concepts to teams that work together in-person or that work together in a hybrid or virtual mode.

REGISTER HERE



Friday, May 6 | 9am - Noon | Johnson County Armory

Knowing When (and When Not) to Press the Pause Button

Life is full of opportunities to "Do the Right Thing" and "Just Do It." Some people tend to get caught up in analysis paralysis while others simply plow through regardless of what the situation calls for. Our tendency in how we respond to situations can cause a giant time-drain and abundant stress. Understanding the emotional intelligence skills of assertiveness, reality testing and impulse control can help you make the most of every opportunity.

This workshop will teach participants:

- · How emotional intelligence can impact your response to situations
- · How to act and speak with the proper degree of assertiveness
- Techniques to determine and maintain a realistic perspective
- Practical tips to resist or delay impulses

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Meet the Signature Class of 2022!

Lucy Bartley

Financial Representative, FIC, Modern Woodmen of America

Family: My husband, Jerry Yilmaz, and I have been married for 25 years. We have one daughter, Sophia and three cats.

Favorite LJC moment to date? Economic Development Day

Hobbies outside of work? Gardening, cooking, reading & traveling

Something on your bucket list? Traveling to 10 more states to complete all 50 and international travel to Turkey & Ireland

Olivia Schoentrup

Farmer

Family: Paul (husband), Lincoln (son), Hunter and Arizona (doggos)

Favorite LJC moment to date? Agriculture Day

Hobbies and interests outside of work? I have the privilege of making my hobbies and interests my work. And I love every minute of it!

So, Olivia, what's your story? I grew up on a small conventional farm in Wayne County, IN. When I met my husband I realized we had such great potential before us. For the last 7 years, we have been working to curate an open and free life for ourselves that just happens to make us money.





LJC ALUMNI News

Wes Bryant ('20), has started a new job as Customer Experience Coordinator at Peterman Brothers. Best of luck in your new adventure, Wes!

Janette Helm ('98) recently received her credential as a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives (FACHE). She is Director of Education and Professional Development at the Indiana State Medical Association. Congratulations, Janette!

The Franklin Chamber of Commerce presented the Business Hall of Fame Award to Franklin Heritage. **Rob Shilts ('00)** serves as the Franklin Heritage Executive Director. Congrats, Rob and Franklin Heritage!

The Franklin Chamber of Commerce presented its Community Impact Award to the Franklin Development Corporation. Serving on the Franklin Development Corporation are: **President Kim Kasting ('08)**, **Treasurer Lisa Jones ('12)**, and **Secretary Amy Richardson ('17)**. Congratulations to all!

Ashley Ferrell ('22) recently joined the team at PNC Bank as a Client Solutions Advisor. Good luck in your new role, Ashley!

Is Your Class the Best Class Ever!

Help your class earn the official title of "BEST CLASS EVER!" We have launched the annual fundraising campaign that is a friendly competition among classes. All donations over \$10.00 count for your class. The class with the highest percentage of giving wins the title of BEST CLASS EVER for one year.

Currently, the top six classes in chronological order are: 2001, 2014, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2022!

Wouldn't it be awesome if we had more than one class hit 100% giving? We believe this is the year we can accomplish this goal – bring on the donations! You can <u>donate here</u>.

Cooking for a Cause

Experience delicious dishes prepared by an elite group of prominent Johnson County citizens. Your tips and donations will determine the Top Chef Team.

Sunday, April 24 at Garment Factory Events

- 1:30 pm: Doors Open
- 2:00 pm: Chef Parade
- 3:45 pm: Donations Close
- 4:00 pm: Awards Ceremony

Tickets

- \$35 each pre-sale
- \$40 each at the door
- \$350 Reserved Table of 8



Purchase tickets here.



LIC Spring Bingo

We held a purse bingo in the fall and so many of you said you wanted more BINGO events. You also indicated you wanted prizes other than just purses, so we have delivered!

Join us on May 17 at The Barn at Bay Horse Inn!

Available sponsorships:

- A round sponsorship is \$350.00 (and comes with 8 seats to the event plus the opportunity to talk about your company and call one round of Bingo).
- A table sponsorship is \$280.00 for eight seats.

Please email Lisa at l<u>kress@franklincollege.edu</u> to reserve your spot now.





Sunday Monday Juesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday **APR 18 APR 17 APR 19 APR 20 APR 21 APR 22 APR 23** YLA Program Day: 4-6 pm 9 a.m. - noon **Diversity and** Groundhog Day Select Workshop: **Inclusion Day** Alumni Pivot, Change, Networking @ and Remain 10 Pins Engaged @ Jo. Co. Armory **APR 24 APR 25 APR 26 APR 27 APR 28 APR 29 APR 30** 6:30-8:30 pm 1:30-4 pm **YLA Graduation** Cooking for a Celebration @ Cause @ Garment Grace United Factory Events **Methodist Church MAY 1 MAY 2 MAY 3 MAY 4** MAY 5 MAY 6 **MAY 7** 9am - noon LIC Select Workshop -Emotional Intelligence @ Jo. Co. Armory **MAY 14 MAY 8 MAY 9 MAY 10 MAY 11 MAY 12 MAY 13** LIC Signature **Program Closing** Retreat and Graduation @ Grace United **Methodist Church MAY 15 MAY 16 MAY 17 MAY 18 MAY 19 MAY 20 MAY 21** 9am - noon Select Workshop -Franklin College **Creating Inclusive** Commencement Teams @ Jo. Co. Armory Purse Bingo @ Bay



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