



FYI NEWSLETTER

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Congratulations 2022 Scholarship Recipients!

The Committee of 100 Academic Scholarship for 2022 was awarded at our May Dinner Meeting to **Ashley Yufei Bao**. She is graduating from **Cab Calloway School of the Arts** with a 4.0 GPA, near perfect SAT score, and an impressive resume of academic, leadership and community service accomplishments. Ashley will attend **Amherst College** in the Fall to study Computer Science.



At Cab Calloway, Ashley co-founded the Asian Students Association, and served as co-president of the Model United Nations for four years, chairing the Model UN annual conference. She also served as president of the Technology Student Association for four years, and secretary of P4 Global Humanitarian Support.

Ashley is an accomplished figure skater and has volunteered as an assistant coach in the University of Delaware Learn-to-Skate program. She has also volunteered with the Urban Garden Initiative to design an interactive curriculum on the importance of native species.

Each year, The Committee of 100 offers a \$3,000 Academic Scholarship to a high school senior who is a resident of New Castle County, and who intends to major in business, economics or a STEM field. The scholarship is awarded based on academic excellence and well-rounded involvement in extra-curricular and community activities. This year, we were pleased to also award a Book Scholarship to **Annette Wei**. Members of the Education & Scholarship Committee generously donated \$850 for this additional award. Annette is also graduating from **Cab Calloway School of the Arts** and will

attend Northeastern University or the University of Delaware to study Management Information Systems.

Committee Chair Brent Shaffer extends special thanks to Jeremy Abelson, Bert Green, Jennifer Kmiec, Dev Sitaram, Paula Swain, Nicki Taylor, and Ted Williams for reviewing and scoring this year's record 80 applications and interviewing three outstanding finalists. It was a real challenge selecting among so many talented and accomplished students!

100 SUPERSTARS Scholarship Fund Campaign

Throughout our history, The Committee of 100 has sought to advance more than just a legislative agenda by awarding college scholarships as our chief philanthropic focus. Our scholarships are awarded based on academic excellence, extracurricular activities, and community involvement. Each year we struggle to select just one \$3,000 scholarship recipient from among the extraordinary finalists.

We are asking for your support! Your corporate and/or individual tax-deductible donation to the **100 SUPERSTARS Scholarship Fund Campaign** will allow us to expand the number of scholarships awarded and increase each award.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the donation form and link to The Committee of 100 Scholarship Fund at the Delaware Community Foundation.

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY - THANK YOU!

Bill to Streamline Economic Development Passes House

A bill intended to expedite the process for building economic development projects in Delaware received broad bipartisan support while passing through the House of Representatives last week.

The Preliminary Land Use Service (PLUS) was created 20 years ago and has fulfilled its intent of providing increased coordination among state and local agencies, especially for major projects. PLUS, however, can add up to 90 days to the overall permitting process. Since agencies that participate in PLUS require separate submissions of plans for permits specific to their needs, PLUS creates a redundant process that does not result in agency approvals.

[House Bill 420](#) would allow PLUS review exemptions for projects sited in certain desirable areas. The projects would have to result in the creation of full-time jobs and be consistent with local zoning and comprehensive land use plans. Local jurisdictions would retain the option to conduct their own reviews.

The Committee of 100 strongly supports HB 420 and the bill's goal of expediting the land use process for economic development projects. It is an important step toward decreasing permitting times and is one of the key recommendations of the Ready in 6 Coalition.

HB 420 is currently pending action in the Senate Elections & Government Affairs Committee.

Registration is Now Open for our Annual June BBQ!

THE COMMITTEE OF 100

Annual June BBQ

Monday, June 20, 2022

5:30 - 7:30 PM

University & Whist Club

Reconnect with colleagues, clients,
friends and elected officials
at the best networking
event of the season!

REGISTER TODAY!

We will also be celebrating Jennifer's retirement from The Committee of 100.

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