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The Leading Women awards were created in 2010 to celebrate successful women who are 40 years old or younger. This magazine introduces you to each of the 52 honorees and celebrates their hard work in their profession, passion for making a difference and their relentless commitment to inspiring change.

At The Daily Record, we strive to recognize excellence and to provide essential news, information and face-to-face opportunities for our readers to make business connections to help in their career and to give back to our community. The women highlighted in this magazine deserve to be recognized and celebrated. They are extremely accomplished while still juggling family commitments, community service, mentoring, education and a host of other priorities. They are Maryland's future leaders.

I want to thank all of our Leading Women sponsors. Keswick has not only sponsored for multiple years but created a scholarship supporting a young woman's endeavor to have a successful career in health care. Without our committed sponsors this event would not be possible.

Please visit TheDailyRecord.com/events to learn about our yearlong schedule of events focused on women leaders. Path to Excellence, our six times-a-year women in business magazine, will publish its next issue in January. With the release of each magazine, there is a Path to Excellence networking event that travels around the state of Maryland bringing together Leading Women, Top 100 Women and women business professionals in the county where they live or work to network, give back to the community and make business connections. Check our website, TheDailyRecord.com/pathtoexcellence, for the dates, times and locations. The events are free to attend.

Our third annual Women's Leadership Summit will be held March 20, 2019, from 7:30 a.m. to noon at Coppin State University. The Summit will bring together Top 100 Women, Leading Women and a network of women professionals from around the state to learn about important topics facing women in business, give back to the community and create mentoring relationships.

Top 100 Women will be held April 15, 2019, and nominations are open now at TheDailyRecord.com/Top100Women and close Jan. 9, 2019.

I invite you and your company to participate in all of these events through nominating, attending, sponsoring and supporting current and future leaders.

Leading Women judging process

Now in its ninth year, The Daily Record's Leading Women: Maryland's Future program was created to honor women 40 years old or younger who have already made outstanding contributions in their fields. The award recognizes not only professional experience, but also community involvement and a commitment to inspiring change.

Past winners of The Daily Record's Top 100 Women award and members of the Maryland business community met to select this year's honorees.

We would like to thank them for taking on such an important role and for their commitment to The Daily Record and its readers.



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Scholarship winner committed to focus on geriatric patients

When Emma Durham learned her former elementary Catholic school principal had to move to Texas following surgery for a broken hip and wrist, she didn't hesitate to offer to help.

Durham flew to Texas with two nuns to provide assistance and helped show others how to care for the patient as she continued her recovery. She even spent three days in a convent, which she said was interesting.

"I had the great pleasure and blessing to count on Emma's services as she accompanied and assisted Sister Armida and myself during our trip to Texas," Sister Rosa Maria Ojeda, principal of Bishop Schad Regional School in Vineland, New Jersey, wrote in a letter of recommendation. "I was able to see her advanced knowledge and willingness to serve others above and beyond. I was so pleased to see how much care, love and patience she demonstrated while assisting Sister Armida not only during the trip, but also at the nursing home while Sister Armida was getting adjusted in her new home."

Durham, from Millville, New Jersey, is a senior nursing student at Notre Dame of Maryland University. She is on track to graduate in May with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and will be eligible to take the exam to become a registered nurse. Durham was selected as The Daily Record's Leading Women 2018 Scholarship Recipient and will receive \$2,000 for educational expenses.

Emma Durham

Notre Dame of Maryland University



She is the only student in the nursing program at Notre Dame who is focused on geriatrics. But she wants to work to change the view of geriatric care, especially the negative image that nursing homes often have.

"I knew that was the field I wanted to focus on," Durham said. "Geriatrics doesn't attract a lot of young people. But a lot of geriatric patients are like a pediatric patient, only larger."

In the final spring semester, nursing students complete a practicum experience in an area of interest. Durham, with the help of the school, was able to secure a position on the acute care for the elderly unit at Anne Arundel Medical Center. She will complete 158 hours with the unit before graduation.

— Patrick Brannan