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Women of Inventions

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In June, when I became the BPW/OHIO President, a dear friend gave me a book called "Women of Invention, Life Changing Ideas by Remarkable Women".

I have been reading through it and am very impressed with what some of our foremothers have done to improve the quality of life for men and women.

These women, in the early days, worked hard to create great products knowing that they would not be able to get a patent in their name. In the 1800's and early 1900's the patent had to be put in the name of their husband, another male relative or friend's name. Talented women, creative and ground breaking....but their diligent efforts often did not reap them the rewards they so deserved!

Women have invented products for many sectors of industry, including: Technology, Science, Engineering, Medicine, Transport and Communications, Beauty and Fashion, Culinary and Food Technology, Domestic Technology, Healthcare and Toys / Games.

Here are a few amazing inventors:

Mary Anderson, Windshield Wiper
Dorothy Arzner, Boom Microphone
Sarah Tabitha Babbitt, Circular Saw
Maria E Beasley, Life Raft
Vanna Bonta, Space Suit
Sarah Bonne, Ironing board
Josephine Cochrane, Auto Dishwasher
Florence Lawrence, Car Turn Signals
Alice Parker, Gas Heating Furnace
Ann Tsukamoto,
Human Stem Cell Isolation
Margaret A Wilcox, Car Heater
Stephanie Kwolek, Kelvar
Melitta Bentz, Coffee Filter

This is to name just a few. I didn't realize how many items that make our lives easier, were invented by women - even when they couldn't get the credit.

Thank you to all of the wonderful women inventors who have created products to make our lives so much easier.

Diana K Gibbens
BPW/Oh
President 2019-2020



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WELCOME TO BPW/OHIO 2019-2020

I am so excited to be your President for our 100th Anniversary. I am looking forward to a year focused on all the **Great Women** who came before us, to make us possible.

On August 24th we will be having a board meeting and following the board meeting I would like anyone who has ideas for the 2020 Conference to share - in hopes we can make this a great conference. We would love to see at least 100 attendees at this conference.

When I started in BPW/Lancaster in 2010, I had no plans to be a local officer let alone to move up to be State President. However, the longer I was a member, the more events I attended, the more I learned, just made me want to do so much more and learn so much more.

I hope all of our members will join in this celebration of the past and planning for our future.

Come to the meetings and get to know your BPW Sisters. I have made so many wonderful friends and met so many wonderful people by being involved in this organization.

Your BPW/State President

Diana K Gibbens



URGENT NEED

We are in serious need of a Treasurer for the State. Karen Prelipp has submitted her Letter of Resignation. **WE NEED YOU!** If you are familiar with accounting and QuickBooks, please consider serving as our Treasurer for BPW/Ohio. If you know someone in your Local who may be interested.

Please contact me by Text or Phone at (614) 325-0178,

or email me at

President@Ohiobpw.org.



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As your President-Elect I look forward to planning a year helping members to adapt to the changes ahead, grow personally and professionally, while empowering all Ohio women who have not had the opportunities (as yet) that this organization has to offer.

As we enter our 100th year and celebrate our 100th conference we need to reflect upon our history. Let's celebrate the magnificent women, and their accomplishments, who came before us. Let's learn from their actions.

Emulate the strategies that worked, learn from their mistakes and develop new strategies to overcome the obstacles we still face. These were women who embraced change and fought for the rights we enjoy today.

We have come a long way with a longer way to go. We need to embrace diversity and inclusion, praise our allies and support one another in words and actions for the betterment of ourselves, our families and our communities. Support our President this year, as she leads in adapting our structure to promote the women of BPW/Ohio and celebrate our rich history.

I look forward to hearing from all members! Feel free to email me at pknazekbpw@gmail.com



The 100th BPW Ohio Conference will be held at
Deer Creek State Park
20635 State Park Road 20, Mt. Sterling, OH 43143

SAVE THE DATE!

May 15-17, 2020

YOUR input is needed! PLEASE attend the State Meeting on August 24th in Columbus so you can submit your suggestions for Conference. Also, now is the time to start saving 100 pennies each day for Conference. President Diana Gibbens wants to have 100+ members to help celebrate our 100th Conference – 100 YEARS STRONG!

This is the Conference YOU don't want to miss!

I'm also looking for Conference Committee Members.

If you would like to be part of the team, contact me at (740) 294-1353.

I'm SO excited! Hope YOU are excited too!



The Individual Development Program is a set of modules and tools designed to promote and achieve personal/professional growth.

The ID Mission:

The Individual Development Program provides training and practice opportunities in public speaking, general communications and job performance skills. It is designed to introduce participants to the mission and vision of Business and Professional Women.



Thank you to all the Region and Local I.D. Chairs, in advance, for their hard work and dedication to this signature BPW Program.

I would be interested in hearing from previous and current I.D. Chairs regarding what they found productive and areas that need improvement in the modules. Suggestions from previous I.D. Program participants would also be of great benefit, what was of the most benefit and areas for change.

Change is difficult but can be rewarding. For BPW/Ohio to grow as an organization we must alter our approach and adapt to reach this next generation of members. One suggestion has been to make the "Speech" part of ID, the main focus of a class. This would include how to write and present a speech that engages the audience. Speech etiquette would also be included. Another suggestion was to widen the "category for the ID speech" to include any topic the participant is passionate about or something that had a significant impact on their life.

Stephanie Bridwell (Region 3 President) suggested that Locals in Region 3 offer an I.D. Program that the entire region could advertise and collect participants for. This might be an option for other Regions and Locals .

If your BPW group is offering an I.D. Program please get information into the OBW by emailing OBW Editor Andrea Patterson at andreadpatterson@gmail.com or email your Local's President so members or interested candidates can participate.

Time Line for ID/YC for 2019- 2020

March 18, 2020 Region Candidate Information due

April 18, 2020 ID/YC competition (location to be determined)

You ideas are greatly appreciated. Lets work together for positive change!

Please contact me:

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Membership is important to any organization and BPW Ohio has many strong members, which we need to retain.

So if you have not seen someone from your Local reach out to them just to see how they are doing.

This year in staying with the 100th anniversary of BPW Ohio I would like to challenge you to increase our membership by 100.

Monetary awards will be given at conference.

President Diana would love to see 100 members at conference, so let's take this a step further and the

Local that has the largest percentage of members at conference will also receive an award.



Women's Retirement Foundation President 2019-2020 Mary Ann Dutro

The Ohio BPW Women's Retirement Foundation gave three \$700 grants during the 2018-19 year.

Thank you to Region 1, Region 2, and Region 5 for recommending a facility to receive a grant.

Ohio BPW Women's Retirement Foundation will continue to offer one \$500 grant per region to support a non-profit, low income/ subsidized senior housing facility.

Information will be sent to each local and region president. Each local in a region may submit a request; one local from each region will be chosen to receive the grant.

Remember this is not for a nursing home and even though the facility may operate under a 501c3, they have to prove they have low income/subsidized housing for seniors.

Application for a grant is accepted anytime until the deadline, April 20, 2020.

The following information may be downloaded at your convenience.
Each local and region president has a copy of this information.

Ohio BPW Women's Retirement Foundation is also offering one \$1,000 scholarship for a woman in the health care field. This scholarship will be awarded in the spring of 2020.

More information and applications can be found on our website:
www.ohiobpw.org under Retirement Foundation.

During 2018-19 the Foundation gave one \$1,000 scholarship.

The next OBW will have the winners of the grants and the scholarship.

BPW/Ohio

2019-2020 Calendar of Events

	2019	
6/30	Local & Region Officer Forms due	Email to Database Manager
7/12	Summer OBW deadline	Email articles to President and OBW Editor
8/23	Executive Committee Meeting	Hampton Inn, Polaris, OH
8/24	State Board Meeting	Quest Conference Center Columbus, OH
8/26	Equality /Right to Vote Day	
9/12	Fall OBW deadline	Email articles to President and OBW Editor
10/20	2019 Ecumenical (hosted by Pennsylvania)	Doubletree, Pittsburgh, PA
10/20-10/26	National Business Women's Week	
10/22	EC and State Board Mid-Year reports due	Email articles to President
11/15	Executive Committee Meeting	Hampton Inn, Polaris, OH
11/16	State Board Meeting	Quest Conference Center, Columbus, OH
12/20	Winter OBW deadline	Email articles to President and OBW Editor
	2020	
1/31	State Candidate forms due	Email to Nominating Chair
1/31	Executive Committee Meeting	Deer Creek Lodge, Mount Sterling, OH
2/1	Conference Committee Meeting	Deer Creek Lodge, Mount Sterling, OH
2/19	Spring OBW Deadline	Email articles to President and OBW Editor
3/8	International Women's Day	
3/18	YC/ID Region Candidate information due	YC Chair & ID Chair
3/31	Equal Pay Day	
4/17	Executive Committee Meeting	TBD
4/18	Leadership, YC/ID, Legislative Platform	TBD
4/23	EC & Board Year End reports due	Email articles to President and OBW Editor
5/14	Executive Committee Meeting	Deer Creek Lodge, Mount Sterling, OH
5/15-5/17	State Conference	Deer Creek Lodge, Mount Sterling, OH

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**REGISTRATION
STATE BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 24, 2019**

at

**Quest Conference Center
8405 Pulsar Place, Columbus, Ohio 43240**

Begins at 10:00 am

coffee and water available in the morning

Lunch Buffet

\$35.00 per person

Pay for registration ONLINE go to www.ohiobpw.org

For "Event" enter "August Meeting"

For "Amount" enter "\$35.00"

We will have a board meeting, then we will give everyone a chance to share ideas for Conference 2020

Make 2019-2020 A GREAT YEAR!!!!

Questions?

Contact President Diana Gibbens at 614-325-0178

or email president@ohiobpw.org

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Region: _____

Local: _____

Email: _____

2019-2020 Position: _____



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REGIONAL & LOCAL NEWS



Lancaster Business & Professional Women's Club presents: 30th Annual Style Show & Luncheon

Date: Sunday, October 13, 2019
Time: Doors open at noon | Lunch at 12:45pm
Location: The Mill Event Center (downtown Lancaster)
Cost: \$30 if purchased by Sept 13, \$35 starting Sept 14

To purchase tickets, visit www.lancasterbpw.org

<p>Featured events: Fall fashions from local retailers Raffle baskets 50/50 tickets Vendor tables</p>	<p>Proceeds benefit scholarships for Fairfield County high school and mature students.</p>
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For questions about the event, contact Sherry Martin @ sweetsherryd@yahoo.com

Masquerade Rendezvous – mask recommended



REGION 4 installs officers for 2019-2020
 Pictured below (L to R) Nancy Coppenhaver, Tres.; Carol Lindsey, V. P.; Diana Gibbens BPW/Oh Pres.; Mandy Ventressa, Pres.; Brenda Anders, Legislative Chair



LANCASTER BPW officers 2019-2020
 Lea Carrigan, Tres.; Sherry Martin, Rec. Secy.; Cheryl McNabb, Corr. Secy.; Venessa Rife, V.P.; Mona Finnestad, Pres. Elect; Mandy Ventressa, President



COSHOCTON BPW

PHOTO (L to R): Treasurer Aimee Neighbor, Recording Secretary Tomma Bordenkircher, Corresponding Secretary Doris Parkhill, President Raine Hammond, Installing Officer Joan McNeely, and Vice President Pat Talbot.

Coshocton Business and Professional Women installed the 2019-2020 Officers at Coshocton COTC on June 17th. Officers installed were President Raine Hammond, Vice President Pat Talbot, Recording Secretary Tomma Bordenkircher, Treasurer Aimee Neighbor, and Corresponding Secretary Doris Parkhill. Installing Officer was Joan McNeely.

\$500 was donated to First Step according to the 2018-2019 Budget, plus members donated a total of \$530 to First Step last year.

Raine Hammond, President 740-294-5292



REGIONAL & LOCAL NEWS

COSHOCTON BPW PHOTO: (L to R Front): Nate and Brad Thompson, Scholarship Chair Pat Talbot and Kristi Timmons.

The Joan McNeely Working Woman Scholarship awarded two winners. Scholarship Chair Pat Talbot, Co-Chair Karen Fry and committee members Doris Parkhill, Joan McNeely, Sheri Fortune, Carey McMasters and Tomma Bordenkircher.

Winner Kristi L. Timmons plans to attend Muskingum University's accelerated special education program.

Denise M. Thompson was unable to attend the banquet but was represented by two of her sons, Nate and Brad Thompson. She is currently enrolled in Muskingum University's bachelor program for Nursing.



BEREA BPW awards annual scholarships

Pictured (L to R)

Kathy Telban, Scholarship Chair

Jane Cibulskas, Scholarship Committee Member

Erica George, Scholarship Winner

Jocelyn Lash, Scholarship Winner

Thurma Clemenza, Scholarship Committee Member

COLUMBIANA BPW

Installation of 2019-2020 officers, pictured left to right:

Gina Unger, President

Tammie Jones, Vice President

Christine Phillis, 2nd Vice President

Christina Sweeney, Secretary

Jennifer Tedrow, Treasurer (not pictured)

Contact Christina Sweeney for more information (330) 271-9143



GREENVILLE BPW Annual chicken BBQ dinner fundraiser June 19th with proceeds used to award five \$750 scholarships to young women of Darke County.

Upcoming event: Annual Guest Night "What a Girl Wants" fundraiser on October 10th. Follow the Greenville BPW Club Facebook page for more details, activities planned for the evening, and the Super Raffle.

For More Information Contact: Peggy Foutz, 937/670-6511

Pictured (L to R) Lucie Pohl, Kim Fisher, Dorothy Poepelman, Angie DeGideo, Vicki Cost, Susan Fowble, and Deb Niekamp

REGIONAL & LOCAL NEWS

REGION 3 Installs new 2019-2020 Officers

PHOTO: (L to R): Region 3 Officers—Secretary Liz Herrell, BPW OH President and Installing Officer Diana Gibbens; President Stephanie Bridwell and Treasurer Aimee Neighbor. VP Emily McBurney was unable to attend.

Stephanie Bridwell, Zanesville BPW President was installed as the BPW Region 3 President. Bridwell is the Quality Manager at Miba Bearings US LLC in McConnellsville with a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Management from Purdue University and a Master of Public Administration from The Ohio State University.



ZANESVILLE BPW installed 2019-2020 officers. Installing officer was Sherry Wilkins, a Guernsey/Noble County BPW member.

Photo (L to R): Treasurer Mary Ann Dutro; Secretary Paulette Knazek; President Stephanie Bridwell; and Vice President Kristine Geis.

Meetings are the first Thursday, 6 p.m. at the Old Market House Inn.

ZANESVILLE BPW 2019 scholarship recipients

The Elliott Scholarship Fund awarded five, one-thousand dollar scholarships to

Hannah Brooklynne Hartman, Cassandra Settles

Hannah Mayle, Sydney Joseph and

Janessa Dawson

For more information email zanesvillebpw@gmail.com



BEREA BPW

Berea awards 2019 Woman of the Year Award to Thurma Clemenza

The award was presented by Berea BPW President Maria Sater

For more information about Berea BPW contact Cynthia Giffi Wilt, Treasurer at (440) 567-3666



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