

## President's Message

*Living the Volunteer Spirit is not just a slogan for the Women's Club, it is the reality. The Club gives women in this area the opportunity to give back to our community as a group in ways that one person might not be able to do. When I think of our Club, I think of a wonderful group of ladies who have unending compassion, knowledge, inspiration and dedication. I know I am a better person for being a part of this special group. Together we make a difference. The general meetings, doing special projects or attending a literature or garden group meeting gives the opportunity to make new friends and to spend time with old friends. There is something for everyone and it is easy to get as involved as your time will allow. We will be celebrating our 100th year in 2020. It is truly amazing to see how much the various service projects of the Club have impacted the community over the past 99 years. We plan to keep the level of service going for the next 100 years. Come join us!*

Susan Enright,  
President



*Not for Self,  
But for Others."*  
BG Club Motto

## The Women's Club of Bowling Green

### Club Officers

President - Susan Enright

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President - Jean Blechsmidt

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - Lynne Comings

Secretary - Laura Keller

Treasurer - Sara Moomaw

### Committee Chairs

Arts – Evelyn Bachman & Norma Stickler

Conservation –

Domestic Violence Awareness

Linda Frizell/Patricia Limes

Education – Kathy East & Carole Sakan

Fund-Raising – Sharon Franklin

Garden Group – Carol Ballard & Jo Sipes

Historian – Lynette Rosebrook

Home Life – Judy Miller

Inspiration – Jo Vernon

International Outreach – Sue DiBiasio

Linus Project - Carol Ballard

Literature Group – Kay Heffernan

Long Range Planning – Earlene Kilpatrick

Membership – Sharon Franklin/Debbie LeGalley

Music – Donna Schmidt

Newsletter/Website – Mary Boone

Program Book – Deb McLean

Public Issues – Earlene Kilpatrick

Publicity – Joyce Osterud

Social – Debbie LeGalley

Sunshine – Jo Sipes

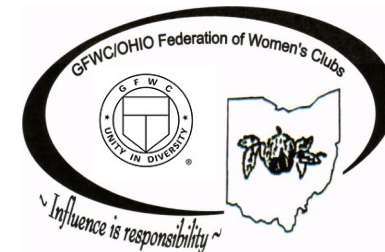
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## GFWC Women's Club of Bowling Green

100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 1920-2020

Founded in 1920 ~ Federated in 1921



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## Who We Are

The GFWC Women's Club of Bowling Green is part of an international women's organization dedicated to community improvement. The General Federation of Women's Club is a unifying force, bringing together local women's clubs to strengthen their communities and to enhance the lives of their members through volunteer service. The Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs, of which the BG Club is a member, is also dedicated to the same principles.



## Our Objective

The GFWC Women's Club of Bowling Green is a social welfare organization dedicated to community and social improvement and civic betterment, by enhancing the lives of members and others through civic volunteer service.

## Join Us

We invite you to join the GFWC Women's Club of Bowling Green. The benefits to you and the community are important and endless! Contact our Membership Co-Chairs Sharon Franklin at 419-350-2369 Or Debbie LeGalley at 419-806-4059 .

Begin your journey of friendship, community service, fun & entertainment, and personal/professional development today!



## Focus of Activities

The GFWC program service areas followed are: Art, Conservation, Education, Home Life, International Outreach, and Public Issues.

Monthly programs represent these areas in order to educate, inspire, and entertain members. The Club is also active in supporting the GFWC Signature Project of Domestic Violence Awareness/Prevention.

*"The most significant benefits of belonging to The GFWC Women's Club of Bowling Green are the support, encouragement, comfort, enthusiasm, creativity, and friendship. These benefits are shared by club women from all walks of life, with varied perspectives, diverse backgrounds, and different experiences."*

\*adapted from Ellenton Women's Club

## Community Service

*Our local projects and programs provide services to the citizens and organizations of Bowling Green, the state of Ohio, nationally and internationally.*

### **BG Christian Food Pantry**

Collect food for those in need

### **Black Swamp Arts Festival**

Volunteer with Artist Hospitality and Breaks

### **Bowling Green Welcome Sign Project**

Plant/maintain flowers-North entrance of BG

### **Challenge Members to Recycle**

### **Children's Resource Center (CRC)**

Purchase books for children

**Cocoon Shelter** - Donations of monetary and personal items for victims of domestic violence; support the Empty Chair Fundraiser

**Collect: Pop Tabs** – Toledo Ronald McDonald House

### **Creative Writing Contest-BG Students**

Conduct contest and awards for 30+ years

**Heifer International** - Financial support

**Holiday Boutique & Basket Raffle** Proceeds support scholarships/community service projects

### **Holiday Cards**

Make and distribute to local care facilities

**Little Black Dress** - Fundraiser for Scholarships

**'Pennies for Puppies'** – Financial support for Canine Companions for Independence

### **Scholarships:** For BGHS Students:

The Beryl Parrish Scholarship and the Joan Gordon Scholarship; For BGSU Music Student Elma Zelman Music Scholarship GRWC Scholarship for Survivors of Domestic Violence

**The Linus Project** - Make and donate blankets for ill and traumatized youth

**Winterfest Chili Cook-Off** – Co-sponsor

### **Wood County District Public Library:**

Donate books and supplies for Activity Center

**Writing Contest** for Bowling Green Students