



Business and Professional Women

Indiana, PA

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At the February meeting, a check for Birdie's Closet was presented. The Bras for the Cause Bingo fundraiser in October allows the Indiana BPW to donate to Birdie's Closet every year

Women in Business

Attention is one way to help our local group grow! With the motto for the year being "Grow Through What You Go Through", it is easy to see how so many women are able to come together to make Business and Professional Women's club so successful. Recently, Indiana Chapter of BPW was recognized for their hard work in many areas. The Blairsville Dispatch and Indiana Gazette featured BPW, along with other area women in businesses, in a special featured section.

https://www.indianagazette.com/special_section/page-page-01/page_5a2bd72e-9402-57df-9ef2-2ee874744c58.html

You can also view the Indiana Gazette site and search Women in Business to see the feature.

WHAT'S NEW

MEETINGS

Meetings are now held at Hoss's in Indiana

MEMBER SPOTLIGHTS

New feature member every month

MEMBERSHIP GROWTH

Spread the word and bring your friends!

Indiana BPW

Member Spotlight

Debbie is a 7 year member and is currently serving as our 2nd VP for the local club. Debbie is a Tourism Associate with the Indiana Tourist Bureau. Her favorite part of Indiana BPW is our annual Bras for the Cause Gala! In her free time she enjoys reading and gardening.

Debbie Isenberg
Indiana BPW Local 2nd VP

We meet the first Monday
of the month 5:30pm @
Hoss's



“Join BPW- be active in
the community because
meeting new people
opens new opportunities
for you”

If you haven't already, please complete your Member Spotlight form so we can spotlight you in future months. Sent the completed form to Sarah at sjkitchen13@gmail.com



Meeting Location Change

We have been visiting different places, trying to find the best “fit” for our group. We have settled on Hoss’s in Indiana for the time being. The address is 1198 Wayne Ave. Indiana, PA 15701

Please arrive and place orders by 5:30, meeting starts at 6

STATE CONVENTION

104th Annual BPW/PA State Convention is being held June 6, 2024 until June 9, 2024 at the Best Western Premier in Harrisburg.

Registration is available online or by mailing an application. Regular Registration (between March 31 and May 15) is \$85 and On-Site Registration is \$95



Did you know we have an Indiana BPW group on Facebook?

<https://m.facebook.com/groups/IndianaPABPW/?ref=share&mibextid=S66gvF>

Damsel In Defense Fundraiser

On February 29, 2024, a fundraiser was held to help raise funds for Sarah Kitchen's Presidency. Rhonda Fiechuk and Lori Libengood set up their products, gave a presentation and helped everyone with their orders. The presentation gave tips on how to keep yourself safe in different scenarios such as someone being in the back seat of your car.



1 IN 5 WOMEN WILL BE SEXUALLY ASSAULTED IN THEIR LIFETIME
35 AN AGGRAVATED ASSAULT OCCURS EVERY SECONDS
DON'T BE A STATISTIC!





Employer of the Year

Congratulations to Kari and the Oak Grove Realty for being awarded the Indiana BPW Employer of the Year!



dates to Remember

April

- 4/15/2024 LO Contest entries are due to District Charis for the following: Issues Management, Legislation, Membership and Public Relations
- 4/16/2024 District Historians Must send their LO and District Histories to BPW/PA Historian, Sandra Bowery no earlier than April 16 and no later than April 30.
- 4/30/2024 All donation to PA/BPW Foundation must be received by PA/BPW Foundation Treasurer.

May

- 5/1/2024 BPW/PA District Entires to BPW/PA Charis are due (and postmarked) for the following: Issues Management - Donna Jones, Legislation-Virginia (Ginny) Bailey, Public Relations-Rebecca Boyd, Foundation Chair-Nancy Werner.
- 5/1/2024 All Materials/Photos for the District personal & Professional Development and Young Careerist representatives are due to BPW/PA PPD Chair, Michelle Teague, and BPW/PA YC Chari Mckala Ebrenseller
- 5/1/2024 Reports for District Directors, Standing and Special Committee Chairs are due to the Convention Manual Editor, Marisa Harmon
- 5/15/2024 All BPW/PA Chairs with contests must send a copy of their categories and winners to Issues Management Chair, Donna Jones, for the contest winner booklets and Tiffanie Burger for printing of the certificates for presentation at the convention. All remaining BPW/PA standing and special committee chairs are asked to send a summary of the district participation to BPW/PA Vice President Eleanor Briner Award.



MID-WINTER BOARD MEETING

Some of our members attended the Mid-Winter Board Meeting in State College March 1 and 2.

Always a great time to see members of the different Districts all together having fun and learning!



Saturday February 24, a few of our members joined in the fun of Winter Blue Bingo hosted by District 3. All proceeds went to benefit the Keystone Human Services. We may not have all been winners at Bingo, but we all had a wonderful time.