



HAPPY Mother's DAY



Upcoming Events

- **May 18** - Monthly Dinner Meeting. 6pm. Giannilli's II.
- **June 1**: Board Meeting. 6pm. Location: TBD. All welcome to attend.
- **June 15**: Monthly Dinner Meeting. 6pm. Giannilli's II.

News & Views

MAY 2023

Gather to Celebrate

May is an exciting month of the year. The flowers are in bloom, the smell of fresh cut grass is filling the air and patios, porches and pools are opening up for our enjoyment. May gives us reasons to gather in celebration. We will honor our mothers, our high school seniors, our college graduates and remember those who died serving our country.



At this month's meeting our new members will be inducted in to our organization. There will be pomp, circumstance and a pledge to be generous with our praise, time, and talents; to be tolerant and friendly, to find happiness and health; and to be honest with ourselves,

We will also recognize those members with milestone anniversaries of five, ten, fifteen, twenty, twenty-five and our beloved Miss Georgia Pavlick with 62 years of sisterhood! As the club year winds down, we will say thank you to our committee chairs who will step back at the end of June and look for new leadership amongst our membership to assume their vacant seats in July.

May is the gateway to the summer months, a time of year that I personally enjoy the most. It's time to start enjoying the outdoors, celebrating all that life has to offer and doing good things for those around us.

-Tracy



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Deadline for newsletter is Friday, June 2nd. Please send committee reports, community events, articles, kudos and advertisements to npurnell1930@gmail.com before that date.



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The logo features a red curved banner at the top with the word "Member" in white. Below it is a blue circle containing the word "SPOTLIGHT" in white, surrounded by white starburst graphics. To the right of the circle, the word "SPOTLIGHT" is repeated in a larger, light blue font. Below the entire graphic, the name "Tracy Rhoades" is written in a bold, red font.

Member SPOTLIGHT Tracy Rhoades



Tracy Rhoades has been a member of Latrobe BPW for 3 years.

She was recruited by Jean Calabrace at the vendor show right before the pandemic started. "I liked the idea of a support system," said Tracy. Since joining she loves the acceptance, support and encouragement that she receives from fellow members. Her advice to new members: "Always follow your dreams and never be afraid to ask for help or guidance to accomplish your goals".

Tracy has been employed at Scott Electric for 30 years. In that time she has been the Office Manager, Accounts Payable Manager and she is currently involved in developing their new Returns Department. Tracy loves that she can pass her years of experience to the next generation and help lay a solid foundation that can be expanded and implemented with the bright eyes of future leaders.

Tracy is also your local Avon Representative. She started with Avon 7 years ago and is looking forward to attending the Avon convention this summer.

When Tracy isn't working she enjoys reading. She says people are surprised when she tells them she is a mother of one, grandmother of 5 and has a 7 month old great-grandson at the tender age of 60! Wow she looks great - must be all the Avon! When asked to describe herself Tracy says "I am honest to a fault, giving to a deficit and love unconditionally."

Meet Tracy at our next meeting!



May 2023

BPW ROUND-UP



Dinner Committee

May Dinner Meeting:

Date: May 18, 2023

Event Location: Giannilli's II,
Route 30 West, Greensburg

Deadline for Reservations:
Thursday, May 11th

PAYMENT OPTIONS:
Cash/Check/Credit \$25
Prepay via PayPal \$27 (link on dinner reservation)

LINK TO RESERVE: <https://forms.gle/FPbHRKJer46bFixm7>

REMINDERS

We require an accurate dinner count, so in order to do this, it is imperative that the reservations are received by the RSVP date. **Cancellations must be made to** (latrobebpwdinner@gmail.com) **prior to 6 days before the meeting date.**

Questions about Reservations?

latrobebpwdinner@gmail.com

Committee chairs: Send your round-up items in for the next newsletter's Round Up. Committee Reports are due by first Friday of each month. Send them to Nicole Purnell at npurnell930@gmail.com

Membership

New member induction will take place on Thursday, May 18th. You don't want to miss this meeting, please make every effort to attend. Not only will we be celebrating our new members but we will be honoring members who have anniversary dates (x 5's)!



Committee Spotlight: A new section of the newsletter each month will include a spotlight on one of the committees. In August, at the beginning of the new club year, you will be asked to join one or more committees. Look for a committee that interests you... and don't forget to ask questions!

GOODWILL/ SPECIAL PROJECTS

The goodwill and special projects committee conveys the local organization's wishes to the membership during crisis, illness, or joyful occasions. The committee shall coordinate any assigned projects. In addition to fundraising activities, Latrobe Business and Professional Women's Club also participates in various Goodwill and Special Projects that support the philanthropic mission. The club encourages all members to select or suggest a project and apply time and talents to drive community impact.

BPW ONLINE STORE IS OPEN!

Show your BPW spirit with our new line of logowear! You can shop 24/7/365 online through our member partner Unity Printing. Order your gear by the end of each month and it will be delivered to the following month's meeting! Check out the great items at www.unityprinting.com/bpw

May Day is Pay Day!

All membership dues are renewed in May, regardless of your original join date. The membership committee will be running a contest from now until May 31. \$38 cash/check or \$40 Paypal/Credit/Debit.

Everyone who renews from now until the end of May will be entered into a drawing. On June 1, a Facebook live will be posted with a randomly generated wheel of names revealing the winner of a \$50.00 gas card.

Keep inviting guests to attend meetings and to join our group. At the June meeting, we will announce the winner of a free meeting dinner to the woman who recruited the most new members in the 2022-2023 club year. There are several of you in the running... keep going ladies!

RENEW HERE: <https://forms.glerenewbpwmembership>

May 2023

BPW ROUND-UP



Issues Management

May Meeting:

- Membership Induction
- Membership Anniversaries

Have an idea for a future speaker? Email latrobebpw@yahoo.com



Public Relations

Important Social Media and Website Links!

Website: www.latrobebpw.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/BPWLatrobe
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www.facebook.com/groups/latrobebpw
(Private Member Group—more informal; Business Owners can run ads and share info once weekly; Share Community Events)

Search for us on You Tube, Instagram and LinkedIn

Foundation

The Edith Oler Flanagan Disaster Fund is available to any BPW/PA please member who has suffered a financial hardship caused by any reason, such as uninsured medical expenses, fire loss, termination of employment, etc. The awards are based on financial need.

Several members participated in the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes charity event in April sponsored by The Blackburn Center! Way to go Ladies!



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MEMBER



Reminder: The deadline for any donations to Tails of Valor (BPW/PA State Project) is May 15th! Contact latrobebpw@yahoo.com for more info if you wish to make a private donation.

CONGRATULATIONS TO AMANDA TROUT,
ON ACCEPTING A NEW POSITION WITH
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WALMART) . AMANDA WILL BE THE NEW
MANAGER OF THE SALON !



Feel Better Soon Wishes to LBPW Member
Faerie
Grace!



smile
Sparkle
shine

May 2023

MAY Student of the Month



Béla Ewing is a Senior at Derry Area High School and is also enrolled in Digital Media at EWCTC. Béla will be attending Pittsburgh Technical College in the Fall for Graphic Design and hopes to create a career in photography and graphic design. She is a part of the National Technical Honors Society and Derry's Academic Excellence Society and is the President of

the EWCTC Senior Class of 2023. Béla plays French horn in concert band, trumpet in the jazz band, and mellophone in the marching band. She also throws Shotput, Discus, and Javelin for Derry's Track and Field team.

Hannah Lazeski is a senior at Greater Latrobe High School and Eastern Westmoreland Career and Technology Center, where she is studying cosmetology. She is a member of the National Honor Society, National Technical Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society and Mu Alpha Theta. Hannah is the President of the Future Business Leaders of America, Greater Latrobe Chapter, as well as a Link Crew Leader. Hannah is a 4 year letterman on the varsity cheerleading squad. She has been a member of The Dance Alley Competition team for 12 years. In her spare time Hannah enjoys quilting and boating with her family. She will be attending Bella Capelli Academy in Monroeville to complete cosmetology school as well as Westmoreland County Community College to study business management. Hannah has been employed by Latrobe Walmart for 2 years.



MEET OUR STUDENTS AT THE MAY DINNER MEETING

May 2023

THROWBACKS

To Our Past Events

Here's what you missed!



In April, members toured the GLHS Art Center



May 2023

BPW/PA State Updates



ARE YOU A
FIRST-TIMER
TO THE 2023 CONVENTION?

If this is your first time at Convention, we celebrate YOU! Please email Donna Jones and let her know "I'm a FIRST-TIMER"!

Email: dmaj0320@gmail.com



MAY DAYS ARE PAY DAYS

Membership Dues are to be submitted to your Local (LO) this month

Disregard any prompts when logging into website - Dues are paid to your Local!

BPW/PA PRESENTS

LEADERSHIP Workshop

• **New leader? Interested leader?**

A workshop will be held for LO Presidents, Treasurers and District Directors. The workshop will be open to anyone new or interested in these roles. There will be a printed manual available for those that are taking the role for 2023-2034. Please pick up your manual when checking in at the Convention Registration table. This will allow some time to review the material and come with any questions. Please bring any questions you have for discussion.



Jean Calabrace
BPW/PA Treasurer
Finance Questions



Marilyn Tallant
Past State President
Parliamentary Questions



Jennifer Van Ingen
BPW/PA Vice President
District Director Questions



Friday
June 9, 2023



Afternoon TBA:
Consult
Convention
Agenda



BPW/PA
Convention

BPW/PA State Resources:

<http://www.bpwpa.org>

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MAY BIRTHDAYS



- May 12 - Faerie Grace
- May 15 - Suzanne Mahady
- May 16 - Janet Riordan
- May 18 - Kikki Moschetti
- May 20 - Jessica Yasurek

- May 24 - Marsha St. Pierre;
- Nila Weldon
- May 31 - Lori Dudzinsky



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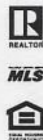
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