We are now one month into another BPW year and, as your new local president, I am looking forward to many exciting things ahead. This year will be one filled with new and exciting initiatives. There will be many opportunities for you to become involved. Join one of our many committees such as programming or foundation. Also, look for upcoming socials, fundraisers, luncheons, volunteer opportunities and state and national functions.

I will be attending this year’s BPW national convention and I plan to bring back a lot of information and great ideas from our national organization. I encourage all of you to get involved and help build our local back up to the prominence it once enjoyed. There is much work to be done and it will take the help of all our members. I look forward to working with each and every one of you. If you have any ideas or if you need anything from me, please do not hesitate to call.

Janet Dabney, Special Programs Coordinator, External Affairs, University of Louisville; (502) 852-0270; janet.dabney@louisville.edu.

Greetings from Janet Dabney, BPW/Louisville President

BPW/Louisville held its 82nd annual convention May 21-23 in Lexington. Many locals turned out to attend this enriching experience.

The personal and professional development sessions were also very popular and well attended.

The state officers installation ceremony was emotional and something to see. Everyone in attendance knew that as soon as our new president, Sandra Anderson, took her oath of office, that we were in good hands and that we have much to look forward to in the coming year.

If you've never attended a state conference, you don't know what you're missing! Next year's conference will be held in Louisville -

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
BPW/Louisville 2004-2005 meetings will be held every other month on August 3; October 5; December 7; February 1, 2005; April 5, and June 7.
Free workshops for women living with breast cancer

The Kentucky Breast Cancer Alliance is offering free workshops for women living with breast cancer as part of the Road to Wellness program. Upcoming workshops include art therapy with pottery, journal writing and bead jewelry making. For reservations or more information, call the Kentucky Breast Cancer Alliance at (502) 895-5930 or email KyBreastCancer@aol.com. The Road to Wellness program focuses on the quality of life of cancer patients and survivors and the healing of the mind and spirit through the use of expressive therapies.

“1000 Families”: A special exhibition at The Speed and Waterfront Park

This exhibition features portraits of selected families, placed together in "A Family Album of Planet Earth." Photographer Uwe Ommer spent four years on this project, capturing the traditions and social conditions of over 150 countries. From June 17 to November 28 at the Speed Art Museum and June 23 to September 19 at The Overlook at Waterfront Park in Louisville.

LEGISLATION: Check out what BPW/USA does for you!

When the news reports a story concerning women’s issues, such as the recent class action lawsuit against Wal-Mart or the sex discrimination lawsuit settlement against Morgan Stanley, would you like to know what BPW/USA has to say about it? If Congress is debating federal legislation addressing issues that concern you, would you like to know more about these issues and your legislators’ position? Check out BPW/USA at http://www.bpwusa.org.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN/LOUISVILLE
MEMBER INTEREST AND COMMITTEE FORM

Dear BPW/Louisville member:

Be a part of your BPW’s success! We need you and your gifts to help our chapter grow and succeed. If you missed Janet Dabney’s invitation to get involved, here’s your chance again!

Please indicate which committee you’d like to join. Return the completed form to Janet Dabney, External Relations, University of Louisville, Louisville, KY 40292.

___FINANCE: develop budget and assist treasurer
___FOUNDATION: promote equity for women
___LEGISLATION: track federal, state, and local legislation relating to women
___MEMBERSHIP: report to national, recruit/retain members. Anita Ellison, chair.
___PUBLIC RELATIONS: publish newsletter, maintain website. Kathy Kremer, Valerie Casey, co-chairs.
___YOUNG CAREERIST: create professional/personal development opportunities for young women. Angela Wilson, chair.
___PROGRAMMING: schedule meeting locations, speakers and special events.
___INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM: increase women’s communication and leadership skills. Brenda D. Gunn, chair.

In a brief statement, please indicate interests (topics, events, speakers, issues, etc.) in which you would like to see your local chapter involved:

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NAME _____________________________________________________

SIGNATURE_______________________________________________________

DATE____________________________________________________________

Congratulations to...

Brenda Gunn, who was elected to chair the Nursing and Health Issues Special Committee of BPW/Kentucky, and to Stephanie Foster, who will head up the state organization’s Individual Development Committee. Both were elected at the statewide annual convention.

Brenda Gunn is a founding member of BPW/Louisville (formerly BPW/UofL) and served as state president from 2002-2003. Stephanie Foster served as BPW/UofL president from 2002 to 2004.