



KINDERVELT OF CINCINNATI CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER

"Together, we can make a difference!"

THE KINDERVELT BARBARA FITCH AWARD

Dear Members,

In 2005, the Kindervelt Board of Trustees was looking for a way to recognize individuals who **exhibit an enthusiasm and positive attitude toward the goals of the organization**. Thus, the Kindervelt Barbara Fitch Award was created. This annual award was named for one of our founding members who has since become a prominent supporter of Kindervelt and the needs of Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.

The Kindervelt Barbara Fitch Award committee is responsible for the selection of the recipient. This committee is composed of five Kindervelt members including; the citywide Vice President who serves as Chair, the Immediate Past President or President Elect, the Annual Meeting Chair, and two at-large members appointed by the citywide President. After all qualified nominations are reviewed and a decision made, the nominator will be contacted to ensure the recipient, along with friends and family, attend the Kindervelt Annual Meeting where the award is presented.

The committee is looking for an exemplary individual to honor, so please consider for nomination, any current Kindervelt member in good-standing with at least 5 years service. This person should be **dedicated and committed**; one who is **an ambassador for Kindervelt in the community**, who is **an active contributor to her local group**, and who **gladly gives her time, talents and energy** to promote our cause. The nominee should **represent the true spirit of charity** as well as **embody the mantra "others before self"**.

If you know of an outstanding Kindervelt member who personifies these characteristics, please submit the *2023 Barbara Fitch Nomination Form* - found on the Kindervelt website - no later than April 15, 2023. In order to give a complete understanding of your nominee's qualifications, I encourage you to be explicit and submit feedback from multiple members to support your nomination. And as a reminder, this is a confidential process and the announcement of the winner is kept a surprise.

Thank you,

Gretchen Heltman
Citywide Vice President



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For your information, listed below are the past Barbara Fitch Award winners:

2005	Barbara Fitch	KV99	Kompagnon
2006	Lin Wolf	KV16	White Oak & KV45 ...And Holding
2007	Ellen Jackson	KV29	Redesigning Women
2008	Nancy Groves-Van Buskirk	KV29	Redesigning Women
2009	Patty Wilken	KV49	Symmes/Off Snider
2010	Ginny Myer	KV8	Wyoming
2011	Sue Crosby	KV22	Montgomery
2012	Kris Neyer	KV65	Pleasant Ridge
2013	JoAnn Dickman	KV11	Loveland & KV45 ...And Holding
2014	Tracy Smith	KV57	Northeast
2015	Sherry Weckenbrock	KV8	Wyoming & KV45 ...And Holding
2016	Ruth Wiley	KV78	Eastsiders & KV56 Northern Kentucky
2017	Marsha Bernecker	KV16	White Oak
2018	Mary Anne Stenger	KV45	...And Holding
2019	Katrina Smith	KV78	Eastsiders
2020	Char McBrayer	KV8	Wyoming & KV22 Montgomery
2021	Cece Kohlman	KV16	White Oak
2022	Bonnie Hueneman	KV68	Westside