

# INFBPW's 101st Spring Convention

**Embassy Suites  
6089 Clarks Creek Road**

**Plainfield/Indianapolis Airport  
Plainfield, IN 46168**

*Friday April 24 and  
Saturday, April 25*

## **About Our Hotel**

To reserve your room, call 1-800-EMBASSY (1-800-362-2779) and mention INFBPW. **Our group rate is \$149 plus taxes per night.** That may sound a bit high, but every room is a 2-room suite with a sofa bed in the front room, so 3 or 4 members can easily fit in one suite.

**Group code for the special rate is 'IFB' (not BPW)**

Rooms are blocked for us until March 24, 2020. Reservations must be secured by a valid credit card. **\*As you make your reservation, make sure you click 'continue' at the bottom of the page to continue making your reservation.\***

**Check-in time: 4:00 p.m.**

**Check-out time: 11:00 a.m.**

*\*Most suites have a king sized bed, but if you would prefer two queen-sized beds, you may request that for the same rate.*

Directions: This Embassy Suites is centrally located just off Interstate 70 at the first exit west of the airport exit. Turn right (north) at the exit and right (east) at the next stoplight.

*Perry Crossing Shopping Center and the Chateau Thomas Winery are conveniently located near this hotel if you would like to check them out!*

## Checklist

March 20: Registration Form due, Business for a buck due	✓
March 24: Hotel Room Booked <i>code: IFB</i>	✓
Lobbying Queen Donations Donations for Foundation	✓✓
Bring a notebook for Program Bring Money for Vendor Sales	✓✓
A wrapped item for pound sale (a pound of jam or candy, or dirt, or anything else) with a clue to its contents. <b>*Auction Baskets*</b>	✓✓
Business Casual Attire for entire weekend - swim suit?	✓



# Convention Registration - Friday and Saturday, April 24 & 25

## Registration Form ( Please Print or Type)

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Local Org. \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Badge Name \_\_\_\_\_

### Registration Fees:

Full Weekend Package . . . . . \$ 50.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday Only \$ 45.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 First-Timers' Full Weekend Package . . \$ 45.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday Only \$ 40.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 On-Site Registration—**Additional Fee**. . . . . \$ 50.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Late Fee (if postmarked after March 20) - **Additional Fee** . . . \$ 20.00 \_\_\_\_\_

### Activities:

Friday Night Foundation Fundraiser . . . . . @ \$ 20.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Business for a Buck! (*Include business card*). . . @ \$1.00 per card \_\_\_\_\_

### Meals:

**Weekend Package (Lunch/Banquet)** . . . . . @ \$ 86.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Saturday Luncheon . . . . . @ \$ 40.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Saturday Banquet . . . . . @ \$ 50.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Registration Fees, Activities, and Meals** . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make your check payable to INFBPW and mail it with a completed registration form to: **Twilla Deaton, PSP, at 241 N. County Rd. 100 W., New Castle, IN 47362.** (A \$20.00 fee will be charged for returned checks.)**

**Refund Policy:** Cancellations must be made in writing to the Treasurer. Those postmarked **NOT LATER** than 03/20/2020 will qualify for a full refund. A \$50.00 cancellation processing fee will apply to refund requests postmarked **AFTER** this deadline. ALL requests must be made within thirty (30) days after the event. See INFBPW Standing Rules.

<b><u>Volunteers NEEDED:</u></b>	_____ Pages	Date/Time Available _____
	_____ Federation Sales	Date/Time Available _____
	_____ Doorkeepers	Date/Time Available _____
	_____ Registration/Credentials	Date/Time Available _____

## LOBBYING QUEEN CONTEST

INFBPW would like for each Local to sponsor a “Lobbying Queen” candidate for special appreciation at the 2020 State Convention.

Each Local should choose a candidate from their Local. All Candidates must be a member in good standing, and also required to attend the State Convention Friday April 24<sup>th</sup> and Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Voting is a penny a vote. Candidates can start collecting votes **immediately**. All votes (money) should be tendered at the Registration Table by 7 PM on Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> in order for votes to count. Make checks payable to INFBPW or bring folding cash, please no jars of change to make for easier counting to determine the winner.

All funds from the “Lobbying Queen” contest will go to the State Convention budget.

The “Lobbying Queen” will be announced at the start of the Friday night business meeting and will be given “queenly” honors throughout the weekend.

Members have fun collecting for your “Lobbying Queen! Remember: family, friends, co-workers, bosses – anyone can vote. Every Local will want their “Lobbying Queen” to rein. Have fun, make this the most memorable State Convention in history.

Extra credit will be given for Candidates who have actually been to the State House this year to lobby.

Let this kick-off be our milestone and do whatever it takes to make INFBPW the center of our life.

## BUSINESS FOR A BUCK

*Promote your business or your Lobbying Queen candidate or your favorite charity with a business card size ad in the Fall Conference program book for only one dollar.*

## 50/50 RAFFLE

*Tickets are available now from your local president. Sell tickets, at \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00, to your friends, relatives, and co-workers. The winner need not be present to win. The drawing will be held on Saturday evening, April 25.*

## BASKET AUCTION

*This is our biggest and best fundraiser. Each local organization should bring one or two baskets to Spring Convention. Spring and summer are good themes for baskets; but anything tasteful will be appreciated. Wine always helps sell the baskets. Please attach a list of the contents with an estimated value.*

## POUND SALE

*Even if your budget doesn't include a big basket, you can bid on an item at the pound sale. See if your mystery package turns out to be candy, coins, or shredded paper. Bigger isn't always better, except when it comes to the bids.*

# Convention Schedule of Events

## Friday, April 24

2:00 - 4:00 PM	Vendor Set Up
2:00 - 4:00 PM	Executive Committee
2:00 - 7:00 PM	Registration & Credentials
3:00 - 7:30PM	Vendor Sales/Shopping
5:30 - 6:30 PM	Girl Scout Workshop
6:45 - 8:00 PM	Candidate's Fundraiser Supper (Presidential Suite)
8:00 - 9:00 PM	Opening Business Meeting
9:00pm- ??PM	Candidate's Fundraiser Dessert (Presidential Suite)

## Saturday, April 25

7:30- 8:45 AM	Registration & Credentials
8:00 - 9:00 AM	Breakfast
9:00 - 9:45 AM	Leadership Development Part I
9:45 - 10 AM	Break
10:00 - 10:45 AM	Leadership Development Part II
11:00 - 11:45 AM	Business Meeting and Election
12:00 - 1:30 PM	Foundation Luncheon
2:00 - 4:00 PM	Keynote Speaker Jackie Swihart, "The "Undefeatable" Grace Julian Clarke "
4:00 - 4:30 PM	Past Presidents (Presidential Suite)
6:00 PM	Board Photos (TBD)
6:30 - 11:00 PM	Banquet and Auction

## Sunday, April 26

9:00 AM	Post Convention Board Meeting (TBD)
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### Leadership Development Workshop



### **"ATTENTION MILLENNIAL WOMEN -WE NEED YOU!"**

#### **Part I: Paradigm Shift in INFBWP?**

Do we need to hear what young people think about INFBPW? Do we care what they think? Since they are the future of our organization, we probably should listen to what they say and think about BPW's role in a changing world.

Carolyn Siegfried and Tina Williams, PSP have invited some of our youngest members to share what they think are important issues and how they would like to see BPW navigate those issues.

The goal is to listen to these Millennials and using our collective years of life experience and wisdom, create a bridge to brainstorm ideas together how we can make BPW attractive to Millennials (or any age group) to entice them to WANT to join our awesome organization.

#### **Part II: Let's get Googly!**

Our beloved USPS "snail mail" - takes too long! Then came 'e-mail' which most of us are still in love with. But wait... there is something quicker and maybe more efficient. GOOGLE DOCS! (and SHEETS)

Some locals are already utilizing Google to share meeting agendas with members before meetings, vote on motions during the offseason or between meetings, sign up sheets, and just communicating with members (in real time). We invite you to join us for this session so you can learn how to use (or review) Google in your locals. It is easy, safe, fun and best of all ...FREE! All you need is an internet connection and you are set to go!

*Special Request: Please download "Google Drive", "Google Docs," and "Google Sheets"*

*You may need to create a Google email address:  
"\_\_\_\_\_@gmail.com"*

# Event Highlights-Speakers



## The “Undefeatable” Grace Julian Clarke

What does the trajectory of this Indianapolis suffragist’s political career tell us about the ways women were political before, during and after the 19th Amendment?

**Presenter: Jackie Swihart**

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Grace Julian Clarke was a life-long advocate for social justice and women’s right and differentiated herself as a political actor rather than reformer. Jackie reveals the ways in which Clarke elevated her statewide status while acting as a campaign manager for Lenore Hanna Cox (Terre Haute) during the Indiana Federation of Clubs’ 1915 presidential election. The campaign, and Clarke’s role, provides a glimpse into the everyday politics of suffrage advocates at the local and state levels, including slandering efforts that predate our divisive modern-day politics. Further examination of how Clarke evolved throughout World War I demonstrates how she and other women advanced political agendas through patriotism. As women gained traction with enfranchisement post-WWI, Clarke focused her attention on international issues like the League of Nations. Using a three-dimensional evaluation of Clarke, Jackie illuminates how Clarke was far from a bystander to the male-dominated political atmosphere and actively engaged in her own political conflicts prior to and post suffrage.



Jackie Swihart recently completed her graduate public history internship with Indiana Humanities, where she guided the creation of the Indiana Women’s Suffrage Centennial. She earned her Bachelor’s in Secondary Education at Indiana University South Bend (2014) and taught Social Studies before earning her Master’s in Public History at IUPUI (2019). As a graduate student, Jackie was selected as a member of IUPUI’s Elite 50, a recipient of the Robert Barrows History Graduate Student Paper Scholarship and the Anne Donchin Women’s Studies Graduate Research Contest for her work in women’s history. She has presented her work at the National Council on Public History, the Indiana Association of Historians and the Midwestern History Association. She currently works at the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs.



## District 54 State Representative Tom Saunders (Henry and Rush Counties)

It is an honor and a privilege to represent the citizens of east central Indiana. As a former Henry County Assessor and Franklin Township Trustee, I will continue to represent and voice the opinions of all citizens within the district that I have been fortunate to hear from and when I've received comments. I would like to urge you to contact me with concerns you may have so I can assist you to the best of my ability.

Representative Saunders has a love of President Lincoln and has added a room on the back of his house, made of logs, for his large collection of Lincoln memorabilia.