



## "Spirit of BG" Award Classified Staff Nomination Form



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Nominations may be submitted by completing this form, then carry, mail, email or fax to:

Deborah Carden (dcarden@bgsu.edu or fax: 419-433-9696)  
Chair, "Spirit of BG" Award Committee Clasen Welcome Center  
102 Foundation Hall  
BGSU Firelands  
One University Drive  
Huron, OH 44839

Nominee: Tracy DeFazio

Office: STUDENT ENGAGEMENT, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION (BGSU FIRELANDS)

Campus Address: 135 GEORGE MYLANDER HALL

Phone: 419-372-0617 Email: TRACYD@BGSU.EDU

In 1,000 words or less, describe why this person deserves recognition for the "Spirit of BG" Award:

This semester has required the grace and finesse of a consummate professional; from learning new technology to stream and host events virtually to the nimbleness required to create streamlined, cross-departmental processes, Tracy has gone above and beyond. Tracy has leveraged and built relationships with folks within departments at BGSU Firelands and at the BG campus to create new workflows, and establish processes and procedures to allow us to maintain momentum and productivity as we navigate this COVID situation. As a supervisor, I am constantly amazed at the level of organization and detailed work that Tracy puts forth. She see this situation as an opportunity to learn and grow, rather than as hurdle or challenge. Because of her positive outlook and hard work, we have processes that have reduced turnaround times with our vendors, agents and independent contractors, and are able to track the progress of projects that have been passed along to other university entities. This has drastically improved our functionality and it would not have happened without the work that Tracy has put forth. For these reasons, I nominate Tracy DeFazio for the September *Spirit of BG* Award.

Nominator: SETH CAMPBELL Phone Number: (419) 372-0621

Email: SETCAMP@BGSU.EDU Date: 9/21/2020



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Nominee: Wendy Hensley  
Office: 240 D Maurer Center  
Campus Address: Schmidthorst College of Business  
Phone: 372-0158 Email: wendyjh@bgsu.edu  
In 1,000 words or less, describe why this person deserves recognition for the "Spirit of BG" Award:

Nominator: Marsha Bostelman Phone Number: 372-2041  
Email: mbostel@bgsu.edu Date: 9-8-20

## MEMORANDUM

September 8, 2020

**TO:** Spirit of BG Award Committee

**FROM:** Marsha Bostelman  
Department of Marketing

**RE:** Wendy Hensley "Spirit of BG" Nomination, September 2020

I would like to nominate Wendy Hensley, Office of Support Services, Schmidthorst College of Business, for the September, 2020, "Spirit of BG" Classified Staff Award because she has been an essential piece of keeping our college's budget running since the retirement of our college's budget administrator in May, 2020. Put all of this on top of her regular duties, word processor specialist in the college, and doing most of it remotely since May. She has done this with a smile and has helped our college hire all the adjuncts for fall semester while keeping up with her own job responsibilities.

Simply stated, she goes well above and beyond her designated duties as well as other duties as assigned. She shows the true spirit of BGSU!



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Nominee: Lisa Noward

Office: Jerome Library Dean's Office

Campus Address: 204 Jerome Library

Phone: 2-2856 Email: ltatham@bgsu.edu

**In 1,000 words or less, describe why this person deserves recognition for the "Spirit of BG" Award:**

I would like to recognize Lisa Noward for being the Jerome Library's "UL COVID-19 Chief Morale Officer." When we started working from home, Lisa took upon herself to send us a daily Pandemic Pandemonium email. In the daily emails she would always start with what day it was, the number it was for how long we had been working from home and what crazy national holiday it was. Who would have thought that this would have last 150+ days. I always enjoyed and looked forward to her daily emails. They were always sure to put a smile on your face. She has switched to Wednesday Wisdom emails, but still works hard to ensure all members of University Libraries feels connected through this time. She even started a virtual coffee break for people to come together and chat and a Pandemic Cookbook for everyone to share recipes. During a pandemic that none of us could have prepared for Lisa took it upon herself to help all of us get through this trying time by putting a smile on our faces.

Nominator: Jennifer Johnson and Jaime Spradlin Phone Number: 2-7888

Email: jennife@bgsu.edu Date: September 11, 2020

*Revised July 2014*