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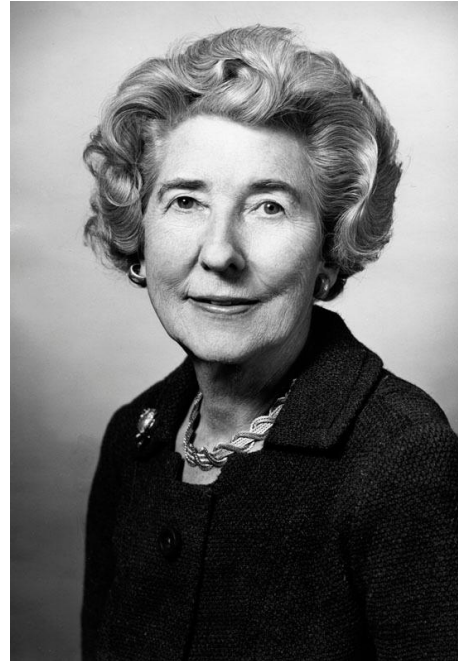
Celebrating Women's History Month

Annae Barney Gorman and Virginia W. Kettering Philanthropists



Annae Barney Gorman

Annae Barney Gorman (1862-1938) was a civic and business leader who founded the Barney Community Center, now known as the Children's Medical Center of Dayton. She volunteered at Walter Reed Army Hospital during World War I, instructing wounded veterans in new skills that could be used to help them find jobs when they were released. After the war, she returned to Dayton and began to teach children with physical disabilities some of the same skills she had taught soldiers. The Barney Community Center, as it was called, provided health services, free clinics, occupational therapy, classes in first aid, cooking, and current events, and a lunch program. She was at the Center every week and hundreds of children who had received help knew her by sight. Eventually "Barney's" evolved into Dayton Children's. Ms. Gorman was also a founding member of the Dayton Woman's Club and was active in the Dayton Garden Club and Dayton Art Institute. Her personal dedication to helping children in need made her a beloved member of the community and helped create an institute with the same essential humanitarian mission.



Virginia W. Kettering

Virginia Kettering (1907-2003) changed the face of the region through her philanthropy. She was the single largest contributor to the Kettering Medical Center, which was established as a gift to the community from the Kettering Family and other donors. She was the first individual contributor to the Fraze Pavilion project, and donated \$7 million to the Victoria Theatre in downtown Dayton with specific instructions that the historic architecture be preserved, that it remain on a bus line and be financially self-supporting. Other institutions which benefitted from her vision and generosity include the Air Force Museum, the Dayton Art Institute, Dayton Philharmonic, the Dayton Performing Arts Fund, the Dayton Ballet and the Miriam Rosenthal Memorial Fund. It was Virginia Kettering's idea to organize the Holiday Festival in downtown Dayton. A cultural leader in the community, she has helped the arts reach thousands.

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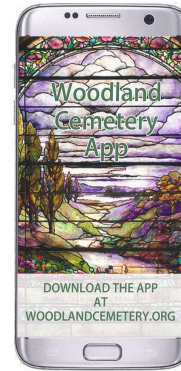
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