

Lucille Nussdorfer - Tuscarawas County
2025 Woman of the Year
Sponsored by the Dennison Railroad Depot Museum

The Dennison Railroad Depot Museum is pleased to present the Tuscarawas County Woman of the Year Award in memory of Lucille Nussdorfer, founder of the Dennison Servicemen's Canteen that served 1.3 million soldiers during WWII. This Canteen became an inspiration to other towns across the country that copied Lucille's efforts and created their own canteens. The volunteer effort that resulted from Lucille's spark brought together 6,000 volunteers from 8 counties and left a reputation of caring and hospitality in our county that is remembered to this day. For her lasting impact on our area's history, Lucille was inducted into the Ohio Governor's Women's Hall of Fame by Governor Voinovich.

This award is given to someone who follows in the footsteps of Lucille Nussdorfer, founder of the Dennison Canteen, who has made a **SIGNIFICANT LASTING IMPACT** on her community through **VOLUNTEERISM**.

Criteria to be nominated for this award:

- 1. Nominee must live and volunteer in Tuscarawas County.**
- 2. The nominee must have made a significant and lasting impact through volunteerism on the quality of life in Tuscarawas County. The impact may include areas such as education, service to seniors and youth, and service to non-profit and charitable organizations.**
- 3. Nominee must be female.**
- 4. Nominee must be nominated by someone other than themselves.**
- 5. Nominee must be available to attend the Awards Dinner on October 15, 2025. Location Streetside Center at the Dennison Depot.**

Process:

The nominations will be narrowed down to no more than 5 finalists by a panel of judges. The judges will then select the winner. All finalists will receive 2 complimentary tickets to the Awards Dinner where they will be recognized, and their story will be told. At the end of the Dinner, the winner of the award will be announced.

Previous Winners

2007 Phyllis Van Horn	2008 Connie Finton	2009 Martha Campbell	2010 Anna Lee Brendza
2011 Penny Zurcher	2012 Molly Doughton	2013 Lois Andreas	2014 Mary Hamilton
2015 Cindy Laughlin	2016 Ronna Coventry	2017 Donna Beitzel	2018 Cecilia Krockner
2019 Angie Thomas	2020 No Winner Due to COVID-19	2021 Cheryl Graham	2022 Janet Kemp
2023 Debbie Knisely	2024 Nancy Schoenbaum		

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Woman of the Year Award
Nomination Form*

Nominee's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Nominator's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

1. Please type on one 8 1/2 x 11 sheet of paper, double spaced, why you believe this nominee should be presented the Lucille Nussdorfer- Tuscarawas County Woman of the Year Award.

Please include specifics:

- * where the volunteer work took place
- * volunteer activities should be separate from paid work (job/career)
- * what the work entailed
- * why you believe it should be considered *significant*
- * describe its *lasting and significant impact* on the quality of life in Tuscarawas County.

2. Please include a short biography of the Nominee with this form, completed to the best of your ability. Please also include a photograph of the nominee with this form.

3. **DEADLINE: AUGUST 15, 2025 at 5 pm**

Please return All application material by mail to:

Lucille Award...attn: Taylur Cunningham

The Dennison Railroad Depot Museum

P.O. Box 11, 400 Center Street, Dennison, Ohio 44621

or electronically to: taylurc@dennisondepot.org