

# Tipp resident named new chair of Breast Wishes Foundation

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A Tipp City resident is the new chair of the Breast Wishes Foundation, a non-profit organization granting wishes of breast cancer patients in the Greater Miami Valley including Miami County.

Jan Hillman, founder of Hillman Associates, was elected the new board chair, taking the reins from Ken Herr. He assumed the role with the new organization in 2016 and retired Dec. 31, 2022.

"It is an honor and pleasure to serve as Breast Wishes Foundation's board chair. I thoroughly embrace the foundation's vision of granting 500 wishes by 2025," Hillman said.

Hillman Associates was founded in 1983 and closed at the end of 2020. Hillman was company CEO providing advancement/fundraising, strategic planning and board development for non-profit organizations including hospitals, universities and K-12 schools.

She also served hospitals and universities as vice president and chief integrating officer, vice president of advancement and foundation president.

Hillman says she is a two-time breast cancer "thrifter" with a "strong, ongoing passion for bringing awareness regarding breast cancer, advocating for breast cancer patients and teaching about breast cancer detection."

Breast Wishes, founded in 2015, works to bring



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joy to those living in Montgomery and surrounding counties by granting wishes of up to \$1,500.

So far, the organization has granted more than 200 wishes and worked to build partnerships in the breast cancer support network.

Herr is from Dayton and has worked in sales, marketing, promotion, human resources, consulting and executive leadership. He is an adjunct professor for the University of Dayton MBA program.

Hillman said she is thrilled to serve with the Best Wishes Foundation board members and volunteers. "We unite around the foundation's mission of bringing joy to women living with breast cancer. We have a lot of work ahead of us and with the gifts of generous donors and grantors, we will exceed our vision of 500 wishes granted by 2025," she said.

For more information on Breast Wishes Foundation visit [www.breast-wishes.org](http://www.breast-wishes.org)