

Heart of Gold Award 2025 In Memory of Mary Godin DeWalt

The Heart of Gold award is sponsored by the Klip Klop Klub 4-H Club in memory of Mary Godin Dewalt. Mary went the extra mile on a consistent basis, chose to invest in the lives of others and offered to serve wherever she was needed without expecting accolades or recognition.

A **\$50 gift card** will be presented on a yearly basis at the 4-H Volunteer Appreciation Banquet. In addition, the recipient's photo will be displayed for the coming year and their name engraved on the "Heart of Gold" plaque which hangs in the OSU Extension, Hocking County office.

If a 4-H Club or member would like to nominate an individual they may do so in writing. Please send the nomination to the OSU Extension, Hocking County office **before 4:00 PM on September 26, 2025**. Current members and volunteers of the Klip Klop Klub 4-H Club will determine the annual recipient with the announcement at the 4-H Volunteer Appreciation Banquet.

Nominees should be someone who loves 4-H, strives for excellence, graciously offers service to others, and works to make the 4-H Program shine. There are many volunteers and members who willingly step up to do what needs to be done, work behind the scenes and do not ask for anything in return. Nominees will display the same qualities Mary exemplified in her life: selfless service, working above and beyond what is expected and investing in the lives of others. Mary's simple acts of kindness, service and creating a sense of community added the *extra* to the ordinary and the cumulative results leave a lasting memory of an extraordinary woman.

Nominations should include the following:

- Name of person making the nomination
- Name of nominee
- Nominee's 4-H Club
- State whether nominee is a 4-H youth, volunteer, or supporter
- List in detail how the nominee exemplifies the above qualities

Self-nominations will not be accepted. Current members of the Klip Klop Klub 4-H Club are also excluded from consideration.

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