

## **British Women in Colorado** **President's report for 2020**

The BICS was established in March 2016. The mission is to welcome, support and provide friendship to like-minded women with a common British Commonwealth heritage whilst pursuing local philanthropic endeavours. Membership dues are \$25.00 annually.

The website <http://thebics.org/> has information about the group, past events, upcoming events and a members only page.

The day-to-day running of the group is performed by a Board of Directors. For 2020 the board roles were as follows:

- President                      Cherry Marcellus
- Vice President                Mary Colwell
- Treasurer                      Shellie Funk
- Secretary                      Jane Wynter
- Membership                  Penny McBride/Linda Bowler
- Fund Raising                 Amanda James-Roxby
- Website                         Alison Davidson

Monthly board meetings are held to discuss business and events.

The current membership for 2020 was 35.

For the first two months of the year 2 board meetings were held in a member's home, and two monthly full member meetings were held in a member's home. With the onset of the COVID 19 virus, all in-person meetings were cancelled for the year.

With the nationwide pandemic fund raising was cancelled. We had anticipated having at least two events to support our philanthropic efforts to support our WW11 Veterans. These have been postponed until 2021. Prior to the end-of-the-year we were able to donate \$1,308.16 to a local food bank, on Colorado Gives Day.

Events to be planned for 2021 are dependent on the pandemic being under control and the government giving permission for groups to meet.

The board encourages members to be active in voice and actions about the scope and activities of our group. Please let any one of us know if you have suggestions for improvement, social events or need a helping hand from your British family.

Respectfully submitted by  
Cherry Marcellus  
President