



**THE BEATRICE WRIGHT FOX  
UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP  
OF THE  
NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL OF GREATER CLEVELAND**



**BEATRICE WRIGHT FOX** was an educator and the first African-American administrator in the Mount Pleasant area in Cleveland, OH as well as an advisor/director with the Phillis Wheatley Association. She was a dedicated member of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. Alpha Lambda Sigma Alumnae Chapter of Cleveland, OH and the Founder of the National Pan-Hellenic Council of Greater Cleveland.

Born in Cleveland to Walter and Sarah (Johnson) Wright on March 16, 1903, Beatrice attended Cleveland public schools and completed teacher training at the Cleveland Normal School (1922). She received her B.S. from Cleveland College (1949) and her M.A. in Education from Western Reserve University (1958). Precluded by law from teaching, Wright became a group leader at the Kingsley Arter Branch of the Phillis Wheatley Association. During her 11 years at Wheatley she became Director of the Kingsley Arter Center and Camp Mueller. She also served as advisor of the Association's Junior Board.

In 1945 Beatrice returned to teaching. She taught at Mayflower, Orchard and Doan schools and later became an assistant principal. In 1961 she became principal of Andrew J. Rickoff School - the first Black administrator in Mount Pleasant. She retired in 1973. Beatrice was active in Mt. Zion Congregational Church. She served as a Church School teacher, Church School superintendent, president of Women's Fellowship, and was church clerk from 1978 until her death. Beatrice also founded the Mt. Zion Congregational Ceramics Class which included church and non-church members and generates sales to provide funds for the church.

Beatrice married Morris W. Fox on June 30, 1931. They had no children. Beatrice left this world on August 1, 1988 and is buried in Lake View Cemetery. Because of her exemplary service to the community and passion for youth shown by Mrs. Fox, a scholarship was established by the National Pan-Hellenic Council of Greater Cleveland and named in her honor.